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## Kidnappers take off in helicopter

MINERALNYE VODY, Russia (AP) — Four masked kidnapers in an explosive-packed helicopter took off early today with five hostages and \$10 million in ransom after talks with the government broke down.

Officials at the government's emergency headquarters said the helicopter was apparently headed for Makhachkala, a town on the Caspian Sea about 250 miles to the east, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

Air control officials said the flight to the southern town takes about two hours. Security officials have worked out "adequate responses" in case the kidnapers decide to deviate from their announced route, ITAR-TASS said. It did not elaborate.

Clouds and fog kept the gunmen on the ground Saturday while authorities tried to negotiate the release of the remaining captives: two teen-aged boys, two pilots and a bus driver.

As the weather began to clear toward nightfall, the kidnapers announced they planned to take off. Then they cut off all communications.

The kidnapers, armed with three automatic rifles and a pistol, seized about a dozen students Thursday morning in Rostov-on-Don, a river port 600 miles south of Moscow.

They herded the hostages onto a bus, then commandeered a military helicopter at an airport and began flying a zig-zag route south, reportedly headed for Iran.

They promised to free the remaining hostages in Makhachkala, but demanded to take aboard a special Foreign Ministry envoy, Valentina Petrenko, saying she would be freed once they reach Baku, capital of neighboring Azerbaijan.

But the ITAR-Tass news agency said authorities feared the kidnapers would land in the Caucasus Mountains along Russia's southern border and escape, possibly in a car prepared by accomplices.

Eight hostages — seven teen-aged girls and a teacher — were freed Friday. Two of their classmates, both boys, were released Saturday at the airport in Mineralnye Vody, a mineral springs resort 800 miles south of Moscow.

Police and elite "Alpha" commandos surrounded the camouflage-painted Mi-8 helicopter, ready to attack if ordered.

## SPS Santa

Dorsey Cruzan, Jr., would have had Christmas in the dark this year had it not been for a Southwestern Public Service employee with the Christmas spirit.

Because of back surgery, Cruzan has fallen behind in his bills, including his electric bill. Southwestern Public Service had turned off electricity to Cruzan's home, but a neighbor found that even large corporations have compassion during the Christmas season.

Donna Caskey along with several other neighbors had been trying to help Cruzan deal with mounting financial problems after his back surgery earlier this year (see related story). They had been able to work agreements out with the gas company and telephone company but time ran out before they could reach Southwestern Public Service.

The Christmas holidays began and the utility company's administrative offices closed Thursday. "I didn't know what we could do," Caskey said.

But tenacity paid off. A series of phone calls to Southwestern Public Service officials in Pampa and Amarillo brought the situation to the attention of Bryan Kauffman, a company engineer in Pampa.

After investigating the situation, he managed to have the power turned back on to Cruzan's home at least until Monday when Cruzan would have a chance to work things out with the company's Pampa office.

"This customer had been trying to make arrangements," Kauffman said after coming into the office while everyone else was off for the holidays. "We'll work with him."

## Pampa woman has Merry Christmas in Kansas

Visiting in-laws brought great rewards for a Pampa woman.

Dreama Gaye Cooper of Pampa said she couldn't believe it when she won \$100,000 with a Powerball ticket she'd purchased in Kansas City. Cooper was visiting her hus-

band's family in Overland Park, Kan.

"I was looking for a Kansas City Chiefs mug for a gift for someone," said the 26-year-old Pampa woman when she claimed her winning ticket at the Mis-

souri Lottery's Kansas City office.

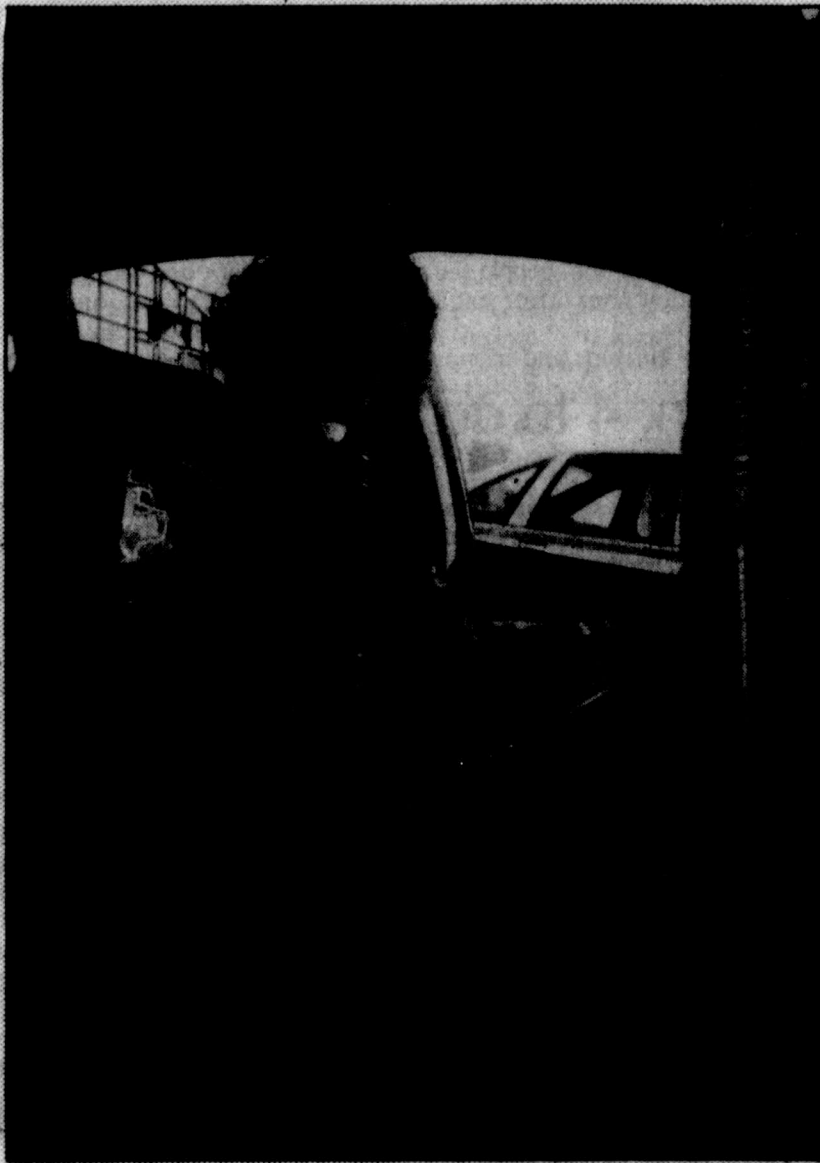
Cooper purchased her winning ticket at Berbiglia, 1014 W. 103rd St. She let the computer select her winning numbers: 1, 3, 13, 15 and 29.

Cooper and her husband, Michael, plan to use the winnings to buy their first home. The couple are the parents of one son, Michael Jr., 5.

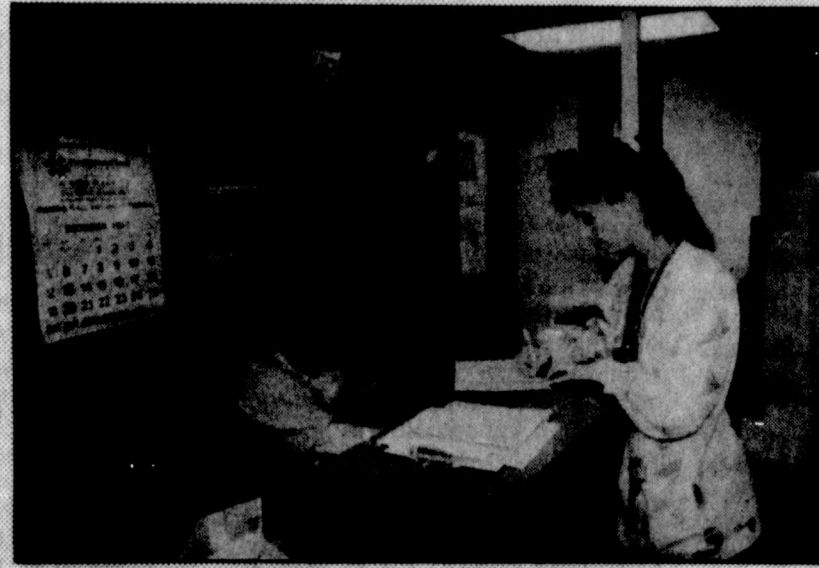
But that's not the first \$100,000 prize sold at that location. On July 7 — the last time the Powerball jack-

pot reached record levels — one ticket sold at Berbiglia matched all five white balls drawn for the \$100,000 second-level prize. That prize has never been claimed. The winner has until July 7, 1994, to claim the prize.

## Just another workday in Pampa



While most folks were at home celebrating the birth of the Christ child Saturday, a small group of dedicated individuals stayed on the job to help keep the world safe so others may enjoy Christmas. Pampa Police Sgt. Katie Gerhardt, left, said things were quiet early Christmas Day although she expected them to pick up during the evening hours. Jackie Sublett, behind the counter at top, and Pam Dildy, part of the Coronado Hospital emergency room personnel on Christmas Day said they had been busy, but Keith Arzen, foreground bottom right, and Ted Cain of the Pampa Fire Department relaxed Saturday with the newspapers and television hoping they wouldn't be called out for some one's ruined holiday. "It's been real quiet today," Cain said. "That's unusual." For more on the holidays through the eyes of others see Page 13. (Pampa News photos)



## Clinton to require states to pay for abortions for the poor

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration will require states to finance abortions for poor women made pregnant by rape or incest, the government's top Medicaid official said today.

Bruce C. Vladeck, Medicaid administrator, said the new policy will be sent to the states by Dec. 31, although the change will be retroactive — covering abortions through last Oct. 1.

"We have concluded that the language of the law requires states to pay for abortions for a Medicaid-eligible woman if her life is in danger, or the pregnancy is the result of rape and incest ..." Vladeck said in an interview.

He added that the Clinton administration "will be doing less harassing" of states that request the federal government to pay its share of abortion coverage under the federal-state Medicaid program.

Vladeck said the decision was made after lawyers reviewed the Health and Human Services appropriations bill, which removed a ban on publicly financed abortions in cases of rape or incest.

The number of abortions that might result is likely to be small in comparison with the millions performed each year without public money.

The use of Medicaid money for abortions has been largely forbidden since 1976 by a measure known as the Hyde Amendment, after its sponsor, Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill.

Medicaid is a federal-state program. Under the old law, states could use their own money to pay for abortions for the poor, but not if they also wanted to use federal matching funds.

For the past 12 years, Medicaid money has been allowed to pay for abortions when the mother's life was in danger, but Vladeck said the Reagan and Bush administrations issued regulations making it difficult to obtain such abortions.

Vladeck said that lawyers for the Department of Health and Human Services, which includes Medicaid, determined that the changes made by Congress required — not merely permitted — states to pay for abortions for poor women in cases of rape or incest and to save the mother's life.

Harriet S. Rabb, general counsel for HHS, her deputy, Nan D. Hunter, and others had studied the matter and reached that conclusion, Vladeck said.

## Christmas Day means end to Yule rush

By RIC LEYVA  
Associated Press Writer

Millions of holiday homebodies got a well deserved break from shopping malls and the ring of cash registers Saturday after the annual mad dash to Christmas.

Just being alive was enough for Dan Stickney, 47, a father of six recovering from his second heart transplant.

"I don't think I would have made it to Christmas" without the new heart, said Stickney, who lives just outside Philadelphia. "I'm just going to enjoy my family, enjoy life and enjoy Christmas."

The essence of Christmas was evident in the Chicago area, where an anonymous donor, or donors, dropped gold coins into Salvation Army kettles.

Five gold coins turned up, worth up to \$400 each.

"My theory is that it's someone who likes what the Salvation Army does and who's well enough off that they can afford to give a gift without the tax write-off," said Salvation Army Lt. Col. Gary Herndon. "And then I think (it's) a very

private person, who doesn't want all the fanfare."

At the Vatican, Pope John Paul II delivered a Christmas address to more than 150,000 in St. Peter's Square, praising Middle East peace progress while lamenting continued ethnic killing in Bosnia and elsewhere.

"Only mutual respect and fraternal acceptance can overcome hatred and hostility," he said in a broadcast heard in more than 40 nations. The pope offered Christmas greetings in 53 languages.

Full-fledged Christmas celebrations returned to Bethlehem for the first time since the Palestinian uprising began six years ago.

The peal of bells rang off the stone walls of the 1,600-year-old Church of Nativity and Manger Square. Pilgrims formed a procession to a grotto where the faithful believe Jesus was born.

"It's a great feeling celebrating Christmas in the town of Jesus," said Todd Johnson, an insurance agent from Chicago. "I can't wait until all my friends hear about it."

Remembering family — and dealing with loss — was the holiday message behind a Connecticut contractor's gift to a fatherless boy.

When 7-year-old Kevin Cavallaro's father died

earlier this year, he figured there would be no one to help him build the tree house he wanted for Christmas and his birthday, which falls on the same day.

Contractor Alan Kostek of Killingworth, Conn., also was born on Christmas and also lost his father when he was young.

When he heard about Kevin's holiday wish for a tree house, Kostek and his construction crew got to work. They delivered a two-story, roofed tree fort to the Cavallaro home on Christmas Eve.

Kostek had fretted that the boy wouldn't like it. "He went nuts, and when I knew he loved it, everything was all right," he said.

It was a white Christmas for much of the East, with snow falling in parts of Michigan, Pennsylvania, Indiana, West Virginia, Kentucky, New York and Ohio. Afternoon temperatures stayed below zero in parts of Upper Michigan, northwest Wisconsin, Minnesota and the Dakotas.

A snowy Yule may be a dream come true for some people, but a recent poll showed Americans prefer a warm, sunny Christmas by a 2-1 margin. In the ABC News-Money magazine poll, 63 percent of 512 respondents said they would rather get a Yuletide tan than shiver.

## Holiday season brings help to Pampa man suffering back injury

By JOHN McMILLAN  
Staff Writer

This was not a good year for Dorsey Cruzan Jr. to even think of playing Santa Claus.

In contrast to the typical image of Santa carrying bags of presents on his back wherever he goes, the 45-year-old Pampa resident said he is recovering from herniated disk surgery on his back and cannot stand up for any length of time — much less hold a heavy bag of presents on his back. Cruzan wears a brace around his midsection.

The Pampa florist and horticulturist has suffered from back problems that began, he said, from an accident October, 1990, when he was working on a ranch northeast of Pampa.

Nor can Cruzan — who said he has been unemployed since June 1 because of the back problems — count on the financial solidity that might enable him to own a chimney of his own through which to descend in Santa-like fashion with a bagful of gifts.

Although an insurance company will pay all medical bills relating to

his back problems through February, Cruzan said, he is at least four months behind on paying the mortgage for his house on South Sumner Street — and the bank owning the mortgage has warned him that it might foreclose on his home, he said.

"That's a big concern," the blond-haired man said, adding that he has never been homeless in his life. "Everything you hear on the news lately about people being homeless, and you kind of wonder how they get that way. All it takes is a little bad luck."

The monthly mortgage payment on Cruzan's house is \$129, and Cruzan is not eligible for workers' compensation or unemployment insurance, he said.

Cruzan estimated he owes \$10,000 to the Pampa bank to pay off the mortgage. Cruzan has lived alone in the home since April, 1990, and bought the house on a mortgage in January, 1991, he said.

"I've just been grateful for everything that everybody's done for me, including the local charities," the

45-year-old bachelor said. "This is the first time that I've been in any situation (of this type) where I've had hard times."

On Thursday, the Pampa civic organization Women of the Moose informed Cruzan that it plans to make two months' mortgage payments on his house.

Other forms of assistance have come from St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Central Baptist Church, and First Baptist Church, each of which helped defray his utility bills, and from Good Samaritan Christian Services, which helped provide Cruzan with groceries in October.

In addition, Donna Caskey, a neighbor and former coworker of Cruzan, her husband, Mike, and their son, Shawn, 15, along with several other neighbors and former coworkers of Cruzan, have donated money to and performed chores for the unemployed bachelor.

"We've got him (Cruzan) divided up (for the holiday celebration)," Mrs. Caskey said cheerfully. "He's going Christmas Eve to the (Pam)

Gustin's (household) and Christmas Day with my family."



Donna Caskey, friend and neighbor of unemployed Pampa resident Dorsey Cruzan Jr., is among the many who have aided him during the holiday season. (Pampa News photo by John McMillan)

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# Daily Record

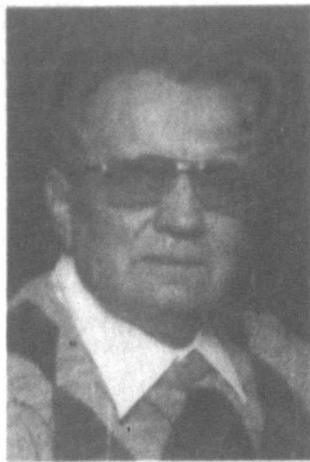
## Services tomorrow

**HOLMES, Leon** — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church.  
**RADCLIFF, Lois** — 10:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church.

## Obituaries

### LEON HOLMES

Leon Holmes, 74, a former city commissioner of Pampa, died Thursday, Dec. 22, 1993, in Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church with John Schmidt, pastor of the Church of the Brethren, and the Rev. Lynn Hancock of Briarwood Church officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.



Mr. Holmes was born Sept. 29, 1919, in Pampa and had been a resident of the city all his life. He married Dorothy Flowers on June 30, 1946, in Pampa. He was the owner and operator of Holmes Gift Shoppe & Sports Center since 1962. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during World War II. He was a member of the Assembly of God. He served on the Pampa City Commission for six years during the 1960s. He was a charter member of the Pampa Optimist Club, where he coached baseball for 10 years.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy, of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Ronnie and Sharon Holmes and Randy and Brenda Holmes, all of Pampa; a sister, Ernestine Scott of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and five grandchildren, Jordan Holmes, Nathanael Holmes, Kelby Holmes, T-Andra Holmes and K-Lyn Holmes, all of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

### LOIS RADCLIFF

Lois Radcliff, 77, died Friday, Dec. 23, 1993. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Kenneth Metzger, pastor, and the Rev. Jim Davenport, pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, officiating. Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.



Mrs. Radcliff was born April 8, 1916, in St. Louis, Mo. She moved to Pampa in 1941 from Borger. She married Elmer J. Radcliff on Nov. 18, 1937, in Norfolk, Va. He preceded her in death on Sept. 22, 1989. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, where she taught kindergarten and adult Sunday School classes for about 50 years. She was currently a member of the Winsome Sunday School Class, the Handbell Choir, the Senior Saints Choir and the United Methodist Women. She did volunteer work for Pampa Meals on Wheels and served the Lions Club and the Kiwanis Club for many years.

Survivors include two sons, Jim Radcliff and John Radcliff, both of Pampa; two daughters, Jessie Brantwein of White Deer and Mildred Rice of Big Lake; a sister-in-law, Florence Radcliff of Pampa; 14 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the First United Methodist Church Memorial Fund.

The family will be at 1137 Cinderella.

## Calendar of events

### T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

### 12-STEP SURVIVORS GROUP

A 12-step survivors group for victims of incest and sexual abuse meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For more information, call 669-7403 or write SIA, P.O. Box 119, Pampa, 79066-0119.

### 12-STEP SURVIVORS GROUP

A 12-step survivors group for victims of incest and sexual abuse plans to meet at 7 p.m. Monday. For more information, call 883-2097 or 669-3546 or write SIA, P.O. Box 903, White Deer, 79097.

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 56-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

### THURSDAY, Dec. 23

Juan Jorge Zamudio, 1137 Sirroco, reported a hit and run.  
 Peggy Sue Ivey, 1821 Coffee, reported disorderly conduct.  
 Tarah Lashey Johnson, 613 Plains, reported criminal mischief.

### FRIDAY, Dec. 24

Theresa Ann Wilson, 520 Yeager #7, reported a burglary of a habitation.  
 Subway Sandwiches, 2141 N. Hobart, reported a theft of over \$20 but under \$200.  
 Ronald Gene Carr, 1320 Christine, reported an aggravated assault.  
 Margaret Sue White, 1031 N. Sumner #123, reported found property.  
 Enterprise Rent-A-Car, San Antonio, reported criminal mischief.  
 Maria O. Hernandez, 1197 Prairie Dr., reported criminal mischief over \$750.

### Arrests

### FRIDAY, Dec. 24

William Hacker, 29, 1421 N. Russell, was arrested in the 1100 block of East Frederic on an outstanding warrant. He was later released after he paid the fine.  
 Randy Howard Williams, 32, 2527 Mary Ellen, was arrested at his residence on an outstanding warrant.  
 Dustin Whaley, 18, 2714 Aspen, was arrested in the 1700 block of North Hobart Street on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was later transferred to the Gray County jail.  
 Stacy Earl Lamm, 26, 609 Cuyler, was arrested at his residence on two outstanding warrants. He was later released from custody after he paid the fine.  
 James Adrian Selvidge, 28, 1301 Kingsmill, was arrested in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway on an outstanding warrant. He was later released after posting bond.

### SATURDAY, Dec. 25

Daniel Patrick Keil, 30, 730 S. Reid, was arrested at the intersection of Alcock and Davis on a charge of driving while intoxicated. He was later transferred to the Gray County jail.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 56-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

### THURSDAY, Dec. 23

8:48 a.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a smoke scare at 854 S. Hobart.  
 10:25 a.m. — Two units and four firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 1225 Wells.  
 1:31 p.m. — Three units and five firefighters responded to a grass fire two miles north of Pampa on Texas 70.  
 2 p.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a grass fire at 1704 N. Hamilton.

### FRIDAY, Dec. 24

4:15 p.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to 1825 N. Faulkner to investigate a carbon monoxide leak.  
 5:30 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a trash bin fire in the 1200 block of Duncan Street.

## Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident during the 56-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

### THURSDAY, Dec. 23

Lorene Arbuckle, McLean Nursing Center, reported a theft.

## Hospital

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| CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions Pampa | Linda Norris<br>Viola N. Schwartz<br>(extended care) |
| Helen Margaret Eddleman            | Dismissals Pampa                                     |
| Nellie Bess Martin                 | Jessie Newberry                                      |

## Ambulance

American Medical Transport Paramedic Service had a total of 37 calls for the period of Friday, Dec. 17, through Thursday, Dec. 23. Of those calls, 26 were emergency responses and 11 were of a non-emergency nature.

# Where bonds of blood and church run deep, trauma of fiery bus crash is healing slowly

By BOB LEWIS  
Associated Press Writer

CADIZ, Ky. (AP) — In the voice of Bill Osbourne is a tenderness, often little more than the gentle assurance that he is listening. He listens for a living.

He listened to those grieving for 27 people, mostly children, killed in the fiery crash of a church bus near Carrollton five years ago. He listened when a military cargo plane plunged into an Evansville, Ind., motel and restaurant in February 1992, killing 16 people.

Osbourne is listening again. On Dec. 15, seven high school boys who believed in working for a living, going to church and listening to country music were killed in the wreck of a four-seat Honda Civic. The awful loss touched virtually every family in this town of 2,000 people.

"There are just so many tie-ins in that community," said Osbourne, a member of a special Crisis Response Team of mental health professionals who came to Cadiz to help police officers, doctors, ministers and others cope.

"People are very caring here. I was raised in a rural town of about 2,000," said Osbourne, who grew up in Springfield, Ky. "It reminded me very closely of my home area. The work ethic is strong, people see each other, they look after each other."

But because kinships and friend-

ships run deep, almost everyone feels the anguish.

As many as 10,000 people filed through the Trigg County High School gymnasium, past seven caskets, to pay respects to the boys; 2,000 attended their funeral. Trigg County's entire 1990 population was 10,361.

In a town so small, each life touches others profoundly.

The driver of the car, 17-year-old Steven Wallace, was the boyfriend of Rachel Richardson. When the car strayed across the center line, it was hit by a four-wheel-drive Toyota driven by Steven Richardson, Rachel's father.

Sheriff Randy Clark, the first law officer on the bloody scene, had coached some of the boys in Little League baseball. Two victims were first cousins of sheriff's department employees.

David Hale had watched the boys grow from babies, admired them and gave them after-school jobs at his game call factory. He learned of the accident from his daughter, teacher Amy Underhill; the accident occurred in front of her house.

"For most people in this town, this hits them like a death in the family," Osbourne said.

For the four years Peggy Say lived there, Cadiz was a refuge in her quest to free her brother, former Associated Press journalist Terry Anderson, from captivity in Lebanon. She and her husband,

David, moved to Cookeville, Tenn., in 1992.

"They kind of took us in and got wrapped up in what we were going through, especially during Christmas time," Say said. "They're very supportive of people at times like this."

Dr. Robert Sivley, executive director of the Pennycroft Regional Mental Health Center in Hopkinsville, rushed in counselors hours after the accident.

"All their kids go to one school — kindergarten through high school in buildings side-by-side on one campus. Most people go to church and see each other on Sunday," Sivley said. "Clergy play a big role there because it's often the first place people turn with their troubles."

The May 14, 1988, crash near Carrollton of a bus bringing church members home to Radcliff from a Cincinnati amusement park about 100 miles away caught mental health agencies, churches and others unprepared for so much emotional trauma.

To Osbourne, executive director of Communicare Inc., a regional mental health center based in Elizabethtown, it demonstrated a need for a team of counselors ready to help in times of disaster.

"Research has shown," he said, "that while you can't take away the tremendous grief and loss and heartbreak, if you intervene early and help people talk through it, they respond much better."

# 6 down, 4 to go on Pampa's 10 most wanted list

Six down, four to go.

That's the number of people featured in the first Pampa/Gray County 10 Most Wanted program that have been located.

Phillip Daniel Littrell, 23, of Pampa turned himself in Tuesday at the Gray County Sheriff's Office just as police were getting close to arresting him, according to Crime Prevention Officer Brad Love of the Pampa Police Department.

One day earlier, officers from the Pampa Police Department received word from a Crime Stoppers tipster with information about Littrell, who is wanted on a felony warrant in connection with a burglary of a building and for a probation violation.

Police searched the location Lit-

trell was supposedly hiding, but failed to locate him. The next day he turned himself into the sheriff's department, Love said.

Anyone with information concerning a felony crime or wanting to report the whereabouts of a person wanted on a felony warrant should call 669-2222, the telephone number of the local Crime Stoppers program.

Callers are eligible for a reward of up to \$300 for information they have on the location of a fugitive and a reward of up to \$1,000 for information on a felony crime.

The identity of the callers are kept confidential by law, according to Love.

Still wanted by police are:

• Charles Glenn Spencer, 31. He

stands 5-foot-9 tall, has brown hair and green eyes and is wanted in connection with an aggravated assault.

• Cornelius Landers, 23. He stands 5-foot-9, has black hair and brown eyes and is wanted in connection with an aggravated assault and a forgery.

• Daniel Earl Powell, 31. He stands 5-foot-11, has black hair and brown eyes and is wanted in connection with a bond surrender and for allegedly being in possession of a controlled substance.

• Rudolph Lavaughn Jenkins Jr., 44. He stands 5-foot-8, has brown hair and hazel eyes and is wanted in connection with a violation of probation and for felony DWI charges.

# Juries moving away from assessing capital punishment

DALLAS (AP) — Anthony B. Hampton, who has a lengthy history of breaking the law, recently was convicted for killing a Mesquite gas station attendant during a robbery that netted \$18 cash and a few lottery tickets.

Hampton, 18, received a life sentence, a punishment some Dallas County prosecutors say is part of a disturbing trend toward against the death penalty.

"It certainly gives us cause to wonder what is a death penalty case anymore," said Norman Kinne, the county's first assistant district attorney. "What do we have to show? If this isn't enough, what is?"

Three of the last six death penalty cases fought by the Dallas County

District Attorney's Office have resulted in life sentences.

Kinne uses Hampton's case as an example.

Hampton's past includes drugs, guns and robberies. He spent his time in jail terrorizing guards and beating up fellow inmates.

The jury agreed he would pose a continuing threat to society, but two jurors believed hardships in his upbringing were severe enough to warrant sparing his life. The split vote meant an automatic life sentence.

"The fact that you didn't get the love you thought you should have in your youth isn't an excuse for committing a death penalty offense," Kinne said. "I think it's an excuse

that they were able to hang their hat on and avoid the death penalty."

Observers say juries may shy from death sentences because they hear more evidence about defendants' backgrounds and because mandatory prison stays with life sentences are becoming longer.

"It's a race to prevent the death sentence that's going on, and not so much a race for guilt or innocence," said Richard Dieter, director of the Death Penalty Information Center in Washington. "It used to be an afterthought. Now it's the main event."

Jurors also may turn toward life prison terms because of stiffer sentencing laws. Many states now provide for life without parole.

# City briefs

**HOME ALARM \$300 plus tax.** Free demonstration, 665-4237. Adv.

**CARRIERS NEEDED.** Various areas in Pampa. Apply now, Pampa News. No phone calls.

**EASY'S POP Shop - 12 inch meat and cheese tray \$11.95.** 665-1719. Adv.

**ROYSE ANIMAL Hospital** easy access due to Hobart construction, thru alley at 21st or 19th. Royse Animal Hospital, 665-2223. Adv.

**NEW YEAR'S Eve Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship Dance, M.K. Brown.** \$30 couple, \$15 single. 665-7342, 665-2464. Adv.

**CORONADO HOSPITAL'S** Emergency Room is staying extremely busy these days. We do want to continue to serve you and offer you the best care possible; therefore, Patients will be seen in the order that they register. However, priority is always given on the basis of severity of injury or illness. Your patience will be greatly appreciated throughout the Flu Season. Adv.

**ALL ITS Charm Christmas Sale** now thru Tuesday, 109 W. Francis. Adv.

**LAWNMOWER CHAINSAW** Repair - all makes. Pick up, delivery. Radcliff Lawnmower Chainsaw Sales & Services, 519 S. Cuyler, 669-3395. Adv.

**SELF DEFENSE** Classes, women and teenagers. December, January openings. Gale, 665-8554. Adv.

**MARY KAY Cosmetics,** Deb Stapleton consultant. Facials, supplies, deliveries. 665-2095. Adv.

**TICKET DISMISSAL,** Insurance Discount, 669-3871. Bowman Defensive Driving, (USA). Adv.

# Weather focus

## LOCAL FORECAST

Today, unseasonably warm with a high in the mid 60s, high clouds and winds blowing from the west at 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a low in the upper 20s. Monday, mostly cloudy and cold with a high in the upper 40s.

## REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Today, increasing high clouds. Highs in mid 60s. Tonight, mostly cloudy with lows in upper 20s to low 30s. Monday, mostly cloudy and cooler. Highs from mid 40s north to low 50s southwest. Monday night, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of light snow. Lows in low 20s. South Plains: Today, increasing cloudiness. Highs in mid 60s to around 70. Tonight, mostly cloudy with lows 35-40. Monday, mostly cloudy with highs in upper 40s northeast to upper 50s south. Monday night, mostly cloudy with lows in upper 20s.

## BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Today, fair and warmer, with increasing high clouds west in the afternoon. Highs near 40 to mid 50s mountains and northwest, upper 50s to near 70 elsewhere. Tonight and Monday, increasing clouds. A little warmer tonight with lows 5 to 25 mountains and northwest, mid 20s to mid 30s east and south. A little cooler Monday with highs mid 30s to near 50 mountains and north, and 50s to mid 60s south. Monday night, variable cloudiness. Chance for a few showers or snow showers northwest third. Lows 10 to 25 mountains and north with mid 20s to mid 30s south.

Oklahoma — Today, sunny. Highs in mid 50s to mid 60s. Tonight, partly cloudy northern Oklahoma. Mostly clear elsewhere. Lows in upper 20s to upper 30s. Monday, partly cloudy and cooler. Highs in low 40s northern Oklahoma to mid 50s southeast Oklahoma. Monday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in upper teens to upper 20s.

# Clinton's Christmas: Jog, then quiet day with family

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Early Christmas morning, President Clinton walked the short distance from his office to the White House residence, his arms loaded with brightly wrapped packages.

It was unclear whether he had used the famed oval-shaped wrap to hide the presents or to simply wrap them.

Like many of his predecessors, Clinton has been secretive about the gifts for his family. He was said to be disturbed by news accounts of where he shopped and what he bought.

So after his Christmas Eve foray to nearby Georgetown Mall — along with wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, and daughter, Chelsea — neither the White House nor store clerks would disclose what had been purchased.

On his first Christmas in the White House, Clinton also:

— Jogged through the deserted streets of downtown Washington, wearing a YMCA sweatshirt, and shouting "Merry Christmas" to the few people he passed.

— Delivered a joint Christmas

message to the nation with his wife, a first.

The first lady: "This season has a special magic. It may be cold outside, but we all feel an inner warmth."

The president: "Our Christmas prayer is that each of us be given the strength to bring peace and goodwill to every community and to every American, especially to every child."

— Delivered a separate radio address, to add to the official Christmas message and the joint videotaped greeting. "Each of our faiths teaches that none of us can live alone, for we all belong to something larger than ourselves," he said.

True to tradition, there was a Republican reply, by House GOP leader Bob Michel of Illinois. He, too, spoke of the meaning of Christmas.

— Attended Christmas Eve services at the National Cathedral and attended the *Will Rogers Folies* Christmas night at the Kennedy Center with his family.

— Was surrounded by family: Mrs. Clinton and Chelsea; mother Virginia Kelley and her husband Dick; mother-in-law Dorothy Rod-

ham; brother Roger Clinton; brother-in-law Tony Rodham and family.

— Ate Turkey with two dressings — bread and corn bread — mashed potatoes with giblet gravy, green beans and sweet potato. There was a cranberry mold, fruit salad and cranberry bread. And for dessert: Pecan and pumpkin pies.

— Changed his mind again and decided to start on his holiday trip back home to Arkansas and South Carolina on Monday, after having previously moved it back to Tuesday.

The three Christmas messages had a certain consistency.

"This year, let us listen to the dreams of our children and gain strength from their idealism," he said in No. 1. "On this holiday, let us reach out to the people around us and work for a world at peace."

No. 2 asked for strength to bring peace and goodwill to every child.

The last: "We're reminded again that we are part of a great sea of humanity including those who came before us and those who will live long afterward. That sense of connection is part of the joy of this season, part of the reason why, no matter how cold it gets, our hearts remain warm."





Laverne Sime Scribner will mark two occasions on Jan. 1, 1994 — her 100th birthday and the 87th anniversary of her move to Mobeetie. (Pampa News photo by Randal K. McGavock)

## Mobeetie woman prepares to celebrate her 100th birthday on New Year's Day

By RANDAL K. MCGAVOCK  
Staff Writer

The first day of the New Year has traditionally been a big day to celebrate, but for one Mobeetie resident, and the entire town it seems, this New Year's Day is perhaps going to mean even more.

Jan. 1, 1994 is the 87th anniversary of the day that Laverne Sime Scribner first moved to the small Panhandle town she has seen through good times and bad times.

More importantly, Jan. 1, 1994 is Scribner's 100th birthday.

Born Jan. 1, 1894, near Dadeville, Ala., Scribner moved to the Texas Panhandle with her family in search of better land to grow the corn, maize and cotton.

"The land was cheaper than it was there (in Alabama), and I had some brothers, and we just wanted to start on a bigger scale," Scribner said.

Her first impression of the land was not what Scribner or her family had pictured from the reports they had received.

Scribner's aunt lived in Altus, Okla., and had written her Alabama relatives about how beautiful the land was and how well the crops grew.

"I remember when we left, we left the lush green (land), everything was so pretty. When we got off the train in Vernon and started to Altus ... (we) crossed dried rivers and sand. I was small, but I knew that we had gone to the wrong place," Scribner said.

"Momma had a sister that lived out there, and she coaxed us to move out here, and she used to tell us about how high the crops grew and what they grew and it sounded like she was getting along real good. To me it was just disappointing, it was so pitiful

that the land was so barren."

The land and the people of the Panhandle eventually grew on Scribner, however. She made the best of the situation and went on to marry William "Bud" Albert Scribner, in 1914. He died in 1944.

William and Laverne had four children, one of whom has since died. The three others, whether in body or in spirit, will help Scribner celebrate her centennial along with other family and friends.

Scribner said she has seen the best of times as well as the worst of times and says she finds solace in her faith in God. An active member of church until recently, she finds it difficult to get back and forth to Mobeetie's Methodist Church.

"I never did use it as an excuse not to go to church," she said referring to physical problems over the past few years. "Some people do but I always thought it's not going to do me that way."

Scribner is helped by a friend and fellow Mobeetie resident. "She was there for me when my mother passed away, Mrs. Scribner was there for me many a time," said Maryrita Stribling, who refers to herself as "simply a friend."

To be sure, however, Scribner has many friends both in Mobeetie and the Panhandle, all of whom she will see at the birthday celebration scheduled from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Jan. 1 in the Hospitality Room of Mobeetie's First State Bank.

Not surprisingly, Scribner is expecting a joyous celebration and invites everyone to come out and help her celebrate.

"I think there will be," Scribner said about plans for a big celebration. "I've got enough relatives to fill it, and I'm hoping that we will."

## Storms bring blackouts, evacuations in France

PARIS (AP) — Storm-swollen rivers in northern France overflowed their banks, leaving hundreds of people homeless and thousands without electricity on Christmas Day.

Two policemen swept away by floods and a fisherman knocked into the Mediterranean by wind-whipped waves along the Riviera were missing Saturday.

At least two deaths have been blamed on the storms, which dumped more than a month's worth of rain on the region in recent days.

In Germany, residents along the Rhine and other rivers spent Christmas mopping up and evaluating the damage from the worst floods in Germany since 1926. Floods people killed four people there and one in Belgium.

Rain turned to snow in most of Germany by Saturday, giving the country a white Christmas and cre-

ating chaos on the roads. Heavy snow in the Alps and Pyrenees hampered vacationers, blocking roads and prompting avalanche warnings. In Paris, underpasses along the Seine River remained closed as the river rose several feet above normal.

Three rivers in northern France began receding Saturday, but two others continued to rise.

The Aisne River threatened the city of Soissons, 60 miles northeast of Paris, where more than 1,000 people were evacuated on Christmas Eve. Rising nearly one inch an hour, the Aisne was expected to near its record height of 17 1/2 feet, set in 1924. The normal level is about 10 feet.

Soissons maintained telephone, electrical and water services, although officials urged people to boil tap water.

In the nearby Oise River area, electricity was shut off to thousands

of residents after numerous transformers were submerged. Black flags hung on bridges, forbidding river traffic from passing along the waterway expected to reach record heights by Monday.

Weather officials said as much rain fell from Dec. 19-21 as the average rainfall for all of December. More rain has fallen since then.

Thirty-six roads were under water in the region, including the A1 highway that links Paris and Belgium, officials said.

The main rail line between Paris and Brussels, Belgium was also shut down. A high-speed train derailed on a similar route earlier this week, injuring several passengers, because of heavy rain, officials said.

Two deaths were blamed on the weather this week, including an elderly woman who fell and died of exposure after going outside to check on her farm animals.

## Mild weather helps spread holiday mirth across state

By The Associated Press

The sunny skies and mild temperatures that blanketed Texas on Saturday prevented a white Christmas, but the holiday spirit was evident across the state.

U.S. Housing and Urban Development Secretary Henry Cisneros returned to San Antonio and resumed his Christmas tradition of visiting children at Santa Rosa Children's Hospital. Cisneros annually visited the hospital when he was the city's mayor and was back Saturday for the first time in several years.

In Bryan, it was a mailman that brought smiles and shouts of surprise to children and the elderly.

Postman Danny Harvell was the source of their wonder when he showed up at about a dozen homes dressed as Santa Claus. Several priority mail packages needed to be delivered and Harvell came in on the holiday to drop them off.

In Houston, businessman Jim "Mattress Mac" McIngvale hosted the second annual "Christmas For All" feast. The program featured a traditional holiday meal for more than 20,000 homeless people. Toys were distributed to children and AT&T offered each person three minutes of free long distance to send holiday wishes across the miles.

One Corpus Christi family got a very special present — all the way

from Somalia. Andy Flores, a 21-year-old private first class with the 2nd Battalion 14th Infantry, was in Somalia for six months and separated from his family for two years.

"I feel very special," said Flores, who's on leave from Fort Drum until Jan. 5.

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## Bethlehem marks its largest Christmas Day celebrations in six years amid peace hopes

By HAITHAM HAMAD  
Associated Press Writer

BETHLEHEM, Occupied West Bank (AP) — Full-fledged Christmas celebrations returned to Bethlehem on Saturday for the first time since the Palestinian uprising began six years ago.

The clamor of bells bounced off the stone walls of the 1,600-year-old Church of Nativity and across sunny Manger Square. Pilgrims joined a procession to a grotto traditionally believed to be the birthplace of Jesus.

"It's a great feeling celebrating Christmas in the town of Jesus," said Todd Johnson, an insurance agent from Chicago. "I can't wait until all my friends hear about it."

Later Saturday, about 1,000 Israelis and Palestinians met in near-by Beit Sahour, where tradition says an angel announced the birth of Christ to the shepherds. They held a torchlight parade for peace and called for the release of Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails.

Altogether, police estimated more than 20,000 visitors came over the

weekend, more than twice the 8,000 people who came last year.

It was by far the largest celebration since the Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation began in 1987. The violence kept many tourists away in past years and forced the cancellation of many festivities.

The peace accord signed between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization in September has brought optimism to this town of 60,000.

Still, Israeli troops manned look-out posts on rooftops and patrolled the alleyways.

A political tussle over the display of a Palestinian flag at city hall, which threatened to dampen the festivities, was resolved when Israeli authorities backed down, at least until after the holidays.

Mayor Elias Freij said the last time he remembered more people in Bethlehem for Christmas was when Pope Paul VI visited in 1964.

"For the first time in 10 years we celebrated a true Christmas with joy and happiness, thanks to the peace process," said souvenir shop owner

Gerris Freij, the mayor's oldest son.

At the Vatican, Pope John Paul II paid special tribute to the Israeli-PLO peace process in his Christmas message. The pope has said he is considering a trip to the Middle East, and the Vatican and Israel are due to open diplomatic relations next week.

The head of the Christian community in Beit Sahour said Palestinian Christians want the pope to delay his visit until after the peace agreement is implemented.

"We fear the full diplomatic relations between the Vatican and Israel ... because they could come before full and parallel relations with the Palestinian people," Pater Madrus told Israel radio Saturday.

Also Saturday, an Iranian newspaper criticized the Vatican for establishing ties with Israel and warned it may lead to "a second betrayal of Jesus Christ" by Jews.

Tehran's *Kayhan International*, in an editorial carried by the state-run Islamic Republic News Agency, accused the Pontiff of trampling the tenets of Roman Catholicism with his overture.

## 'Hillbillies' striking out against discrimination

By ALLEN G. BREED  
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PIKEVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Hillbilly. Ridge runner. Hick. Those were just some of the names Larry Holcomb was called after his family moved to Cincinnati from the hills of Harlan County.

But when a girl whose family had immigrated from Germany just five years earlier told him "to go back where I belonged," Holcomb knew he was part of a special kind of minority.

He was an Appalachian.

"I knew why she said it," said Holcomb, 48, who was born in the tiny coal-mining town of Clopslint. "It was because she could see it and not get the censure as if she'd said to a black person, 'You're a nigger and why don't you go back where you come from.'"

Holcomb and others say it's more than names. They say people from Appalachia are discriminated against in hiring and housing because of the stereotypes associated with the poverty of the region, which stretches 1,600 miles from southern Quebec to northern Alabama.

Stories like Holcomb's were behind Cincinnati's decision to include Appalachian Americans as a protected class in the city's Human Rights Ordinance. In fact,

Appalachians are the only group singled out for protection against discrimination.

The ordinance, which passed in November 1992, gained widespread attention last month when the protection against discrimination based on sexual orientation was repealed. But there was little or no discussion about the Appalachian reference.

Cincinnati Chief Counsel Rodney Prince, who helped draft the ordinance, said he was against including Appalachian people in the ordinance.

"We simply did not feel that there was one identifiable group out there ... that were experiencing discrimination," he said.

"I can't say I didn't think it was necessary, because there was testimony ... about real problems. I think what I would rather say I guess there was not the same hue and cry as there was for, say, sexual orientation as a protected group."

But Cincinnati Councilwoman Bobbi Sterne, whose constituency includes many transplanted mountain people, said there is at least the perception of discrimination.

"They feel that they are not hired," she said. "A lot of it is job-oriented, educational."

Maureen Sullivan, director of Cincinnati's Urban Appalachian Council, knows of no documented

cases where someone was denied housing or a job because they were from Appalachia. And no complaints have been filed under that provision since the ordinance was passed.

But she said mountain people, who number about 250,000 in the Greater Cincinnati area, do fit the description of a minority and are deserving of special protection.

Holcomb is director of North-side Community School, an alternative adult education program affiliated with the Urban Appalachian Council.

He said the stigma of being from Appalachia has affected his community in devastating ways.

Studies conducted by the council found the dropout rate in heavily Appalachian neighborhoods to be as high as 80 percent. He said much of that stems from teachers' expectations about "hillbillies."

But Holcomb has seen some signs that things are changing for his people.

The human rights ordinance is one thing. Another promising indication is the recent decision by the *Los Angeles Times* to include "hillbilly" and "hick" on a list of words people should avoid.

"I'm incredibly impressed that someone finally got around to doing this," he said.

## U.S. troops in Somalia seek taste of Christmas at home

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — It's owned by Saudis, run by Sri Lankans and has less ambiance than a truck stop.

But the burgers, hot dogs and fries at Bogart's Take Away are the real thing, and anything that tasted vaguely like home was a welcome relief today for American soldiers sweating their way through Christmas in Somalia.

"I went to midnight services last night and it was really touching," said Brig. Gen. Mario Montero of Castro Valley, Calif., munching the free coffee cake that Bogart's staff prepared for the holiday. "They miss their homes and they miss their families. But they have each other."

With their complete withdrawal to take place before March 31, most of the 10,200 U.S. troops in Somalia are keeping off the streets of Mogadishu and inside their bases or the huge U.N. compound.

On Christmas, the helicopters still patrolled the skies and the sentries still baked in their sand-bagged posts. But most Americans took a few

minutes for worship and relaxation, and more than a few found their way to Bogart's, which opened in the U.N. compound two months ago to the great joy of the American soldiers.

"The most special thing is I'll call home and say 'Merry Christmas' to my wife," Army Spc. Ernesto Chavez, 35, of Tacoma, Wash., said beneath Bogart's minimalist red-green-and-white holiday streamers.

Others had a more dramatic Christmas in mind. Cpl. Melissa Dedon, 22, of New Roads, La., ordered food to go and headed for the helicopter that was to take her to the well-fortified Mogadishu shore and a dip in the Indian Ocean.

"Christmas at the beach!" she exclaimed. "I love the warm weather — I don't mind being over here."

One guy not in a mood to enjoy much seasonal cheer was Pfc. William Jackson, 19, of New Castle, Pa., who was up all night preparing Christmas dinner for the 507th Corps Support Group.

His plans for today. "I'm sleeping," he said as he sipped coffee at the Bogart's counter.

No wonder. The U.S. command ordered literally tons of holiday food for Christmas dinner, including 4,450 pounds of turkey, 2,500 pounds of shrimp and 410 each of pumpkin, pecan, apple, cherry and sweet potato pies.

"I realize it's Christmas, but over here it's not the same," Jackson said. "There are couple of decorations and I work a little harder. I'd much rather be home, which is where I'll be in a couple days."

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Opinion

Les Aspin departs — Bobby Inman enters

Few were saddened when Les Aspin resigned as secretary of defense. His troubles lay in his past as one of the "whiz kids" working under Defense Secretary Robert McNamara in the 1960s. McNamara believed in analyzing everything to death through endless computer projections, never taking into account the blood-and-guts reality of men in combat.

Aspin followed the McNamara model the past year. He began by misplaying the controversy over homosexuals in the military, staining the early days of the Clinton administration. During the summer, Aspin delayed responding to a request by the U.S. military in Somalia for armored vehicles. The likely result: the deaths of 20 Americans. Soon after, a Haitian mob chased away an American warship carrying "aid" troops.

Developments in Russia, though perhaps not so dangerous as the headlines make them appear, require someone better than Aspin atop the Pentagon. North Korea's atomic potential also presents a risky challenge.

Of course, Aspin's boss, President Clinton, sets policy and deserves most of the blame for the past year's mistakes. But Clinton's term expires in three years; Aspin was an expendable appointment.

Retired Adm. Bobby Inman, whose name Clinton sent up to be the new defense secretary, marks a vast improvement. That Inman would be confirmed by the Senate was immediately apparent. Forget the lack of payment of Social Security taxes for a housekeeper; that's really a minor issue compared to the man's other qualifications, though we can bet others will try to make it a big issue — to our loss, if confirmation doesn't come.

"This is a man who can thoroughly study issues," advises Roger Fontaine, who worked on the National Security Council staff when Inman was deputy director of the CIA. "He knows the technical side and can make choices. He will be prepared" — unlike Aspin, the ex-whiz kid who fizzled through several congressional hearings.

Might the approach of Inman — who also headed the National Security Agency — resemble that of the data-plagued McNamara? "I don't really see him as Bob McNamara," Fontaine said. "While having the brains of a whiz kid, he has a lot of real-world experience. This is not an academic choice; he's a nuts-and-bolts guy."

On Russia, Fontaine explained, "He's a realist. In that he's a good choice, too."

Clinton won election last year by hardly mentioning defense and foreign policy. He's learned the hard way that the world won't leave America alone. With Inman on board, Clinton is more likely to avoid the embarrassing — and deadly — mistakes of the past year.

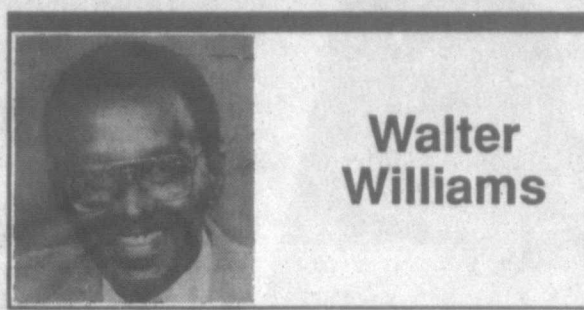
Note: Racism is still racism

Colin A. Ferguson's rampage, killing five New York commuter passengers and wounding 20 others, proves whites don't have a monopoly on racism.

If civil rights organizations, black politicians and ministers are to keep whatever remaining modicum of rapidly diminishing credibility they still have, they must roundly condemn both Ferguson's racist behavior and his apologists. So far, I have not heard civil rights organizations calling a press conference to do that. You can bet the rent money had a white person committed similar mayhem in Harlem, it would be show time for the likes of Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson and Benjamin Chavis.

The liberal news media couldn't hide his act of racism like they've hidden other acts of barbaric black racism, such as: In July 1988, Danny Gilmore was driving his pickup truck through a black neighborhood in Cleveland. He had a minor accident with a moped rider and was set upon and beaten by a group of roughly 40 blacks. When he collapsed on the street, one of them drove Gilmore's truck over him, fatally crushing his skull, to the cheers of the mob.

In January 1991, Robert Herbert and three other blacks agreed that they would kill the first white person they saw. Mark Belmore, a white student at Northwestern University, had the bad luck. He was stabbed to death. In February 1991, Christopher



Walter Williams

Peterson was arrested for murdering seven white people with a shotgun. He explained his actions by saying "he had a deep-rooted hatred for white people."

According to Department of Justice statistics, when whites commit violent crimes, blacks are their victims 2.4 percent of the time; however, blacks choose white victims over 50 percent of the time. Blacks murder whites twice as often as whites murder blacks. Black-on-white gang robberies are 52 times greater than white-on-black. Black men rape white women 30 times more than white men rape black women.

Blacks are the primary victims of violent crime. Pick up a newspaper in cities like New York, Philadelphia, Detroit and Los Angeles. You won't see a day pass without one black being murdered — and that's on a good day. But the interracial aspect

of crime is especially socially devastating. It not only destroys racial goodwill, but it contributes to a rising pile of racial kindling awaiting a racial arsonist to set it ablaze.

There's a world of evidence that multi-ethnic societies are inherently unstable. We need only witness the recent history of Bosnia, Nigeria, Sri Lanka, Lebanon and others to see that. We risk similar conflict unless we quickly summon the courage to speak openly and honestly about our racial problems. We must condemn a president, and other politicians, who see the Ferguson carnage as gun-control problem.

When the Ku Klux Klan was murdering blacks, I don't recall our treating it as a gun-and-ropes problem. We rightly saw it as racism. Those grossly ignorant academics, media people and politicians who announce that blacks cannot be racists because they have no power must be condemned. All racial double standards must be eliminated immediately.

The primary burden for racial openness and honesty lies with blacks. But whites bear a major burden as well. As Sen. Bill Bradley (D-N.J.) said in a 1991 letter to President Bush, "We will never come to grips with the problems of our cities ... until a white person can talk about the epidemic of minority illegitimacy, drug addiction and homicide without being called a racist."

Today in history

By The Associated Press  
Today is Sunday, Dec. 26, the 360th day of 1993. There are five days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
One hundred years ago, on December 26th, 1893, Chinese leader Mao Tse-tung was born in Hunan province.

On this date:  
In 1776, the British suffered a major defeat in the Battle of Trenton during the Revolutionary War.

In 1799, the late George Washington was eulogized by Colonel Henry Lee as "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

In 1862, 38 Santee Sioux Indians were hanged in Mankato, Minnesota, for their roles in an uprising that had claimed the lives of hundreds of white settlers.

In 1931, the Pulitzer Prize-winning musical play *Of Thee I Sing* opened on Broadway.

In 1941, Winston Churchill became the first British prime minister to address a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress.

In 1972, the 33rd president of the United States, Harry S. Truman, died in Kansas City, Mo.



'... Let the smooth side slide'

SOMEWHERE IN KENTUCKY — It was a truck stop. The sign in front didn't say it was a truck stop, but it was a truck stop.

The fact there were a lot of trucks parked outside was my first clue. My second was that inside the restaurant there sat a lot of men wearing caps, smoking cigarettes and drinking coffee.

Truck drivers will, in fact, wear caps, smoke cigarettes and drink coffee.

It was raining. I was trying to get from Lexington to Memphis.

To travel by air between those two cities you have to connect through Cincinnati. Or maybe it was Salt Lake City.

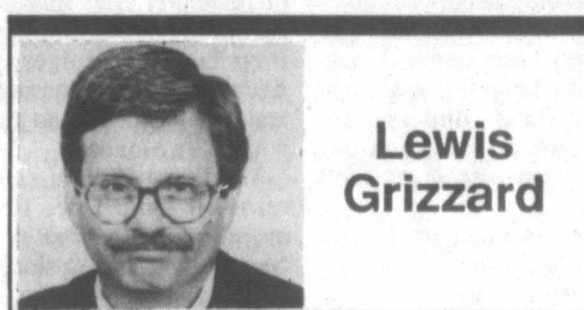
It was lunch time. Eat right, says the lifestyle police, or you die.

OK, I'll have the steamed vegetable plate, bottled water and yogurt for dessert, so I can live to be a 112-year-old Russian.

The waitress' name was Irene. She was pleasant. "What's it going to be, Hon?" she asked me.

To be honest, there weren't many choices. There was no plate of steamed vegetables nor bottled water nor yogurt on the menu.

About the only thing that wasn't fried was the iced tea. I suppose liver and onions was the healthiest choice, but I ordered the chopped sirloin. I don't eat raw fish, steamed vegetables or liver.



Lewis Grizzard

A chopped sirloin steak once was known as a hamburger steak. I saw a huge neon sign in Nashville recently advertising "pre-owned vehicles." They were once known as used cars.

Irene brought my chopped sirloin. It had a fried onion ring on top. I also had french-fried potatoes and two white break rolls, like you used to get all the time before it was decided white bread would send you to an early grave.

"Hope you enjoy it, Hon," said Irene.

I did. The last time I had a hamburger steak this greasy and good was at Steve Smith's truck stop back home in Moreland, Georgia. It cost \$1.25. This was only \$4.95 over 30 years later.

As I ate, I looked around. Randy Travis was playing on the jukebox. There were several families wearing the colors of a high school football

team they were on their way to see play in the state finals in Louisville.

Some of the families were black. Others were white. The waitresses had pushed several tables together so they could eat as a group.

The mothers, I noticed, actually were allowing their children to eat those white rolls.

The truck driver sitting nearest to me was smoking an unfiltered cigarette between bites of liver and onions.

I left Irene a little extra for her pleasantness and then went to the register. A rather stout young woman stood behind it.

"Evvuh thang aw-rite?" she asked me. Trucks don't rumble that low when they are cranked on cold mornings.

"It was fine," I said to her, realizing I wouldn't have dared told her otherwise if it hadn't been. She took my money and then she gave me my change.

"Now you keep the rough side off the pavement and let the smooth side slide," is what she said to me as I walked out.

Later, after I had time to think about it, I decided that is truck for, "Don't sweat the small stuff."

Fearing for my life, I only ate one of those two white rolls. If I had it to do over again, I would have eaten them both.

Kids are 100 percent of our future

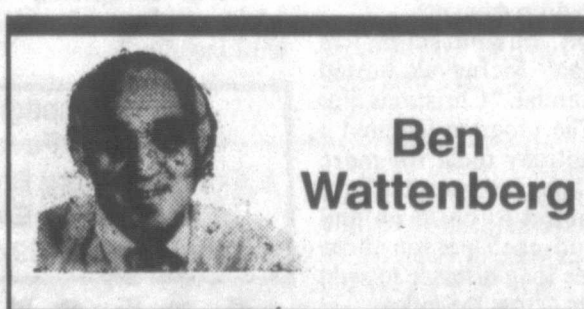
Secretary of Education Richard Riley, the prize of the Clinton Cabinet, makes a simple point: "Our children are 20 percent of our population, but 100 percent of our future."

And so, looking at American youngsters is a good way to look at America. Accordingly, I commend your attention the new edition of "Youth Indicators," published by the National Center for Educational Statistics. The results, as I divine them, are ambiguously clear. There is good news; there is medium news; there is real bad news.

**GOOD NEWS.** In school, many of the things that nice people once wanted to happen, have happened. The high-school dropout rate is now at about an all-time low, 13 percent. (The rate among blacks is 14 percent, down from 28 percent in 1970.) We spend much more money per child on education: up 38 percent from \$3,992 in 1980 to \$5,501 in 1992 (constant dollars). Classrooms are less populated: The pupil-teacher ratio has fallen steadily from 27 children per teacher in 1955 to 17 children today.

There's more. Follow the indicators. It's not what we heard during the election campaign, but family income went up by 8 percent during the 1980s (before wrinkling down 4 percent in the recession, and now climbing again). Or consider housing: 11 percent of young children lived in an "over-crowded" circumstance in 1975; by 1989 the rate was 7 percent. Youngsters are less likely to die; since 1960 the death rate for ages 5-14 has declined by 48 percent, and declined by 7 percent for ages 15-24. (Mostly due to fewer accidents, and less death from cancer.)

**MEDIUM NEWS.** Scores for proficiency in reading, mathematics and science have remained about



Ben Wattenberg

flat from the 1970s. There has been a small decline in writing proficiency since 1984. At best, things haven't gotten worse. On the plus side, there has been an increase in reading proficiency among black and Hispanic 17-year-olds.

But American youngsters are still at the bottom end of the international spectrum in math, and mildly lower than average in science. At the top of the math/science lists is South Korea; we trail Slovenia, but — hooray! — we beat the Kingdom of Jordan, consistently. We are about average in reading.

(Riley's legislative campaign for national educational standards of excellence is the right way to go. It could break up the dumbing down of American schools. We shall see early next year whether Congress is willing to do it with teeth, and whether the Clinton administration is willing to bite if they don't.)

**BAD NEWS.** We are a nation at risk, socially. From 1960 to 1988 the rate of children born to unmarried women soared from 5 percent to 26 percent. (The most recent rate for blacks is 67 percent.) The divorce rate has more than doubled in a generation. At any given moment about a quarter of our

children are living in a single-parent family. In 1975, among married couples with children, 41 percent of the mothers worked; in 1991 the figure was 64 percent. Youngsters with absent fathers and working mothers get less attention.

They also commit more crime and are more likely to be victimized by crime. The arrest rate for teenagers ages 14-17 in 1960 was 47 per thousand. In 1991 it was 132! The "victimization" rate of males ages 16-19 was an incredible 121 per thousand, up from 89 as recently as 1988. Most of the victims suffered "assault."

(I mostly blame governments for this. We ought to stop giving welfare to any new out-of-wedlock births to teenagers. We ought to lock up violent young hoodlums, for a long time.)

Is there hope? You bet there is. Something else comes through in the indicators. These are mostly good kids. A majority (58 percent) say that religion is "very important" or "pretty important" in their lives, a rate that hasn't changed. High-school seniors are much less likely to smoke cigarettes, drink alcoholic beverages or use drugs. Huge majorities (over 75 percent) still believe that success at work and marriage and family are "very important." Much more than before, a solid majority of both whites and blacks aspire to a college or post-graduate degree; other millions seek to go beyond high school to junior college or vocational school.

Above all, these youngsters live in a very open and responsive society: America. We don't do everything right, but we know how to change.

There had better be hope. Those kids are 100 percent of our future.

Berry's World



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## Letters to the editor

### Wait for final decision

To the editor:

Recently the *Amarillo Globe-News* ran a guest column by Jim Whittenburg titled "State a Threat to Land Owners." In his ramblings Mr. Whittenburg went on and on about how government was a threat to all landowners.

Of course what he really was attempting to do was to justify Judge Kent Sims' recent decision to give lands along the Canadian River to a "special interest" group. I suggested a better title I thought more appropriate: "Rich and Powerful Grab Public Lands." To me there were only two questions that needed to be answered in his lawsuit: Who are the rightful owners of the land along this river, and what or how was the flow of the Canadian River restricted to its present day trickle?

Until now, we the people of Texas and our school children have always been the legal owners of lands adjacent to our rivers' flow. And the Sanford Dam impounding Lake Meredith—a man-made obstacle is the cause of the river's diminished flow.

Usually, over and over courts have and will not accept changes made in boundaries caused by man and not by Nature or God.

But Judge M. Kent Sims seems to have bent over backward to accommodate T. Boone Pickens and others. Earlier this year he granted a delay in the trial because T. Boone and company were "not ready." I have a difficult time accepting this due to the resources available—including money—to the landowners in this suit.

For whatever reasoning, the landowners it seems were in a win-win situation with Sims. I do not believe Mr. Sims' ruling would have been any different had the landowners themselves built the dam. Judge Sims accepted in his ruling a change in the Canadian River that greatly diminished and considerably narrowed the water flow—a change brought about by man.

No structures should have been built on the land in dispute—by anyone—until a final ruling is made. A finding that must return those lands adjacent to this river's flow back to its rightful owners—us!

Just because someone else did, does not give anyone any right to do the same and claim that land as theirs before any final ruling was or is made!

The school children of Texas and all Texans will suffer a tremendous loss if Sims' ruling is allowed to stand. His ruling could open a Pandora's box of lawsuits and claims by unscrupulous and greedy persons who, through politics and money, are able to change or restrict the flow of our rivers in Texas.

Private property rights must be and should be defended as Mr. Whittenburg wrote, but only if that property is PAID for and not deeded or given by some judge who is also a POLITICIAN!

Judge Kent Sims has given an early Christmas present to the "influential." Let's remember this when and if he runs for re-election.

Ray Velasquez  
Pampa

### Leash law should be for all

To the editor:

I would like to make a few comments on the leash law in Lefors. In the first place, it's a big joke! Unless your dog strays into the town marshal's yard, it isn't enforced! We have several dogs in our yard every day. I have seen very few people in town even try to keep their dogs penned up. In fact, the town marshal told one person that he fined for his dogs running loose, that he probably wouldn't have fined him if the dogs hadn't gotten in his yard and bothered his dog!

We try to keep our dog tied up, because we don't have a fence, but he has gotten loose a few times. A couple of times he got in the town marshal's yard. Instead of fining us, he came over here and threatened to shoot our dog! I didn't think that was very professional of him!

I don't think he's ever heard of the Humane Society, but I assure you he will if he destroys our dog! This is a very much loved family pet we are talking about!

The town marshal filed a complaint against us last week, stating that our dog had gotten in his yard and eaten some dog food and cat food! That is

just about the most ridiculous thing I have ever heard! I could understand if our dog had destroyed property or hurt someone, but this wasn't the case! We have lived here many years and have never had our neighbors complain until he moved to this end of town!

I think the leash law is a good idea but I think it should pertain to everyone, not just a select few!

Danny and Jo Wilemon  
Lefors

### They took the right stand

To the editor:

I recently read a letter to the editor from an old friend, W.A. Morgan, pertaining to the situation down in Williams County.

I would like to respectfully submit the commissioners in Williams County did, in fact, take the right stand, at least initially. Those commissioners were taking a stand for decency and morality and were not letting the "almighty dollar" be their only guide. They were saying the principles and cornerstones this nation was founded on are still worth standing up for. Unfortunately, these same individuals were brought under such intense pressure that one commissioner did, in fact, buckle and compromise his principles and character. Even "Queen Ann," our illustrious governor, used the power of her office to coerce that commissioners court; however, it is common knowledge where her loyalties lie when it comes to "gay rights" and special status for the perverse element in our society.

I can only guess such notable patriots as George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry were considered "red-necks" in their time, and it goes without saying, this nation has truly been the beneficiary of their steadfast devotion to the loftiest of principles and a commitment to those teachings set forth by their creator.

Merry Christmas and a prosperous 1994 for all Gray County,  
John L. Triplehorn  
Pampa

### You missed a blessing

To the editor:

You missed a blessing the past Sunday.

Oh! What a time we had the past Sunday. It all began in the 66th year celebration of Macedonia Baptist Church. They started the ball rolling at 12:30 p.m. with a dinner you can never forget. The speaker of the hour, Rev. David Hill, New Hope Baptist Church pastor of Amarillo, always says when the dinner is as good as that, they put the big pot in the little pot.

We started climbing the ladder at the 3 p.m. service. The presiding minister, Rev. V.C. Martin of "New Hope Pampa" started the fireball rolling when he said to the congregation to smile and love; I think this took effect for we were like the people on the day of Pentecost; we were all of one accord.

The host pastor, Rev. Patrick, let the Lord use his voice. He did the solo part with his junior and senior choir. He led "He Brought Me from a Mighty Long Way." If you know the savior, you will understand what he meant.

Then the song service continued as the New Hope Junior Choir (Pampa) sang "The Lord Will Provide." What a good thing to know. We had good food and singing. We listened to the man standing in John's shoes. Listen to his choir. Sure wish every person could see Donell direct his choir.

Christians, let's stand the rest of our lives as we did on Sunday. United we stand; divided we fall.

Doris Jones  
Pampa

### 10 most wanted? Spare me

To the editor:

Pampa's crime rate must be at an all-time low, if the "ten most wanted" is any indication! Spare me.

Reed Echols  
Pampa

### Authorities hunt for prison escapee

DENTON (AP) — One of five inmates who escaped from the Denton County Jail was returned to authorities Saturday by a family member, leaving officers hunting for only one more prisoner, the sheriff's office said.

A relative of Shane Edward Bishop convinced him to return to the jail, said Sue Morrison, a spokeswoman for the Denton County Sheriff's Department.

Bishop, 25, of Lake Dallas, was jailed in January on charges of possession of marijuana, robbery and unauthorized use of a vehicle. He was one of the inmates who broke out through a roof about 10:30 p.m. Friday, Ms. Morrison said.

The lone remaining fugitive was Frederick Leonza Clark. Authorities

were questioning Bishop to see if he knows anything about Clark's whereabouts, Morrison said.

Clark, 25, of Denton, was jailed April 5 for theft, engaging in organized activity and unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Around 8 a.m. Saturday, officers captured two of the escapees, officers said. The fifth inmate was fatally shot by a detention officer shortly after the escape.

Lenward Jay Anderson, 29, and Travis Dean McLeod, 24, were caught hiding in a vacant house directly across from the jail complex.

Inmate Todd Lee Peters, 23, of Iowa, was shot when he fought with a detention officer over the officer's gun, Morrison said.

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### Poll: Animals are 'just like humans'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nearly half of Americans believe animals are a lot like humans when it comes to emotions and reasoning ability, according to a *Los Angeles Times* poll published Saturday.

Also, half said they object to the wearing of fur, while slightly more, 54 percent, said they oppose hunting for sport.

The nationwide survey of 1,612 adults was conducted Dec. 4-7. The sampling error was plus or minus 3 percentage points.

While 47 percent of those polled said animals "are just like humans in all important ways," 51 percent disagreed and 2 percent had no opinion.

Selected respondents indicated in interviews that they equated animals' and humans' emotions and reasoning ability. Some said animals are entitled to basic rights, just like people.

Some cited religious convictions for disagreeing, saying that people have God-granted control over animals for utilitarian reasons.

"I don't feel animals have a soul," said one respondent. "They were put here for our use, either for labor or eating or experimental purposes."

Forty-six percent said they believed that laws protecting animals from inhumane treatment are satisfactory.

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# Rev. Norman Vincent Peale dies at age 95

By MIKE MOKRZYCKI  
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The Rev. Norman Vincent Peale, who blended Christian and psychiatric principles into a message of "positive thinking" heard worldwide, died at age 95.

Peale died Christmas Eve in his sleep at his farm in Pawling, 60 miles north of New York City, from effects of a stroke he suffered about two weeks ago, the Peale Center for Christian Living said. His family, including his wife of 64 years, Ruth, was with him.

Peale guided the poor through the Depression and counseled presidents. He preached from pulpits, through best-selling books and in 54 years of weekly radio broadcasts.

President Clinton called Peale "an optimist, who believed that whatever the antagonisms and complexities of modern life brought us, that anyone could prevail by approaching life with a simple sense of faith."

"There is some poetry in his passing on a day when the world celebrates the birth of Christ, an idea that was central to Dr. Peale's message and Dr. Peale's work," Clinton said in a statement.

Former President Nixon said Peale was a close friend and counselor for nearly 50 years.

"Unlike some of his contemporaries, he believed that the mission of a minister was to change people rather than to change governments," Nixon said in a statement. "As a result, no religious leader of our time has had a more powerful and positive influence on the lives of millions of people all over the world."

Peale wrote more than 46 books, including *The Art of Living and You Can Win*. His life story was the subject of a movie in 1964, *One Man's Way*.

Peale's watchword was "positive thinking" — the belief that faith, prayer and a hopeful outlook can solve life's most terrible problems.

His 1952 book *The Power of Positive Thinking* was the model for a flood of self-help books. It was the nation's non-fiction best-seller for nearly two years, and has sold nearly 20 million copies in 41 languages.

## 'Time' names its Men of the Year

NEW YORK (AP) — Yitzhak Rabin, Yasser Arafat, Nelson Mandela and F.W. de Klerk were picked as *Time* magazine's 1993 "Men of the Year" for "common genius" as peacemakers.

The four were chosen because they "reasserted the principle that leaders matter: that an individual's vision, courageously and persuasively and intelligently pursued, can override the rather unimaginative human preference for war," the magazine said Saturday.

*Time* displays the four on the cover of the Jan. 5 issue with the headline "The Peacemakers." The issue goes on sale Monday.

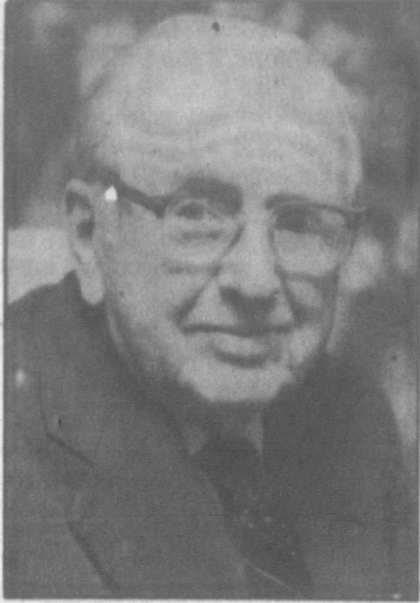
"Without Rabin and Arafat, the Israelis and Palestinians would have continued down the same bleak, violent road they have followed since 1948," *Time* said. "Without Mandela and de Klerk, blacks and whites (in South Africa) would have descended into the bloodiest race war in history."

The magazine noted that the peacemaking deal in the Middle East and the one in South Africa are works in progress.

"Extremists on all sides threaten to destroy the arrangements, which look at times like fragile shelters being nailed together in a high wind," *Time* said.

De Klerk, president of South Africa, and Mandela, leader of the African National Congress, were joint winners of the Nobel Peace Prize. Rabin is prime minister of Israel and Arafat is leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"In 1993, Rabin and Arafat, Mandela and de Klerk all rose to the occasion before them. Their common genius was that they saw in the convergence of circumstances a ripeness of moment — and that they acted," the magazine said.



Rev. Peale

Peale had said that his own life proved true a central tenet of his teaching: "Do the best you can with what you have and you'll go far."

Peale was born May 31, 1898, in Bowersville, Ohio. He confessed that as a youth, he had "the worst inferiority complex of all" and developed his positive-thinking philosophy just to help himself.

After college, he was a reporter at the *Detroit Journal*. At an apartment fire, he talked a scared child off a ledge, prompting a policeman to tell Peale he should be a preacher. Peale enrolled at Boston University's School of Theology later that year.

The son of a Methodist pastor, Peale's theological training wasn't specific. During the depths of the Depression he moved to Marble Collegiate Church, a Protestant Dutch Reformed Church, in New York City. It is the oldest evangelical church in the country with a continuous ministry.

The church had 600 members when he arrived in 1932; it had 5,000 by the time he retired in 1984 and tourists would line up around the block to hear his Sunday sermons.

In 1938 Peale established a groundbreaking clinic with one psychiatrist at the church. It grew to an operation with more than a score of doctors and ministers.

Also in the 1930s, Peale began a weekly radio talk on *The Art of Living*

that was broadcast for 54 years on NBC. Copies of his sermons were mailed to 750,000 people each month.

In 1945, Peale and his wife started *Guideposts* magazine. Its circulation grew to 5 million, the largest of any religious magazine.

He explained his philosophy in phrases like "attitudes are more important than facts" and "Jesus Christ was the greatest expert in human nature who ever lived."

Not everyone approved of Peale's methods or message. Liberal church leaders accused him of conservative heresy; conservatives called his Gospel teachings "soft."

He was accused of establishing a "cult of reassurance," practicing ritualistic incantation as pseudo-psychiatry, making too much money, and oversimplifying religion. To this last charge, he once said he wrote "in simple language because I was trying to reach people who were not in church."

During the 1960 presidential campaign, Peale presided over a Protestant "Citizens for Religious Freedom" group that questioned whether John F. Kennedy, a Roman Catholic, would be subject to Vatican control if elected.

Peale later resigned from the group and unsuccessfully attempted to resign his pastorate. He said it had been a "harrowing experience" to be accused of bigotry.

After Nixon was elected president, Peale became a favorite preacher of services at the White House. In 1968 he presided over the wedding of Nixon's daughter, Julie, to David Eisenhower, grandson of former President Eisenhower.

President Reagan awarded Peale the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1984.

Even after he retired, Peale spoke to an average of 100 business and civic groups a year, keeping up that pace until two years ago.

In a 1989 interview with CBS-TV, Peale said: "I simply want to be remembered as a person who loved people and did his best for them."

In addition to his wife, Peale is survived by two daughters, a son, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## Salvation Army donation



Vircie Twigg, left, representing Women of the Moose, and Debby Enloe, right, community service chairman of WOM, present a donation to Lt. Tonya Darsey, assistant officer of the local corps of the Salvation Army. The donation is to help the Salvation Army with its Christmas holiday funds and other services. (Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

## Wife of injured Fort Worth police officer upset driver not jailed

FORT WORTH (AP) — Fort Worth police officer Alan Chick, who was hit by a car while helping a stranded motorist, remains in a coma this holiday weekend.

Eugene Standerford, 55, of Dallas, was charged with driving while intoxicated after the car he was driving hit Chick, is a free man.

Standerford has been charged with DWI 12 times and convicted in eight cases.

It's a painfully unfair contrast for Chick's wife, Lisa Chick, who also is a Fort Worth officer.

"He shouldn't have even been

able to have had a driver's license," Mrs. Chick. "He's out now, at home with his family at Christmas. I think it stinks."

Standerford was released from Tarrant County Jail Thursday night on \$10,000 bail.

He was arrested Wednesday on

suspicion of DWI after the car he was driving hit Chick, an 11-year veteran of the force.

Test results released Thursday showed Standerford's blood alcohol level was 0.15 percent at the time of the accident. A level of 0.10 percent is a legal definition of drunkenness in Texas.

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# North Korea declines U.N. offer of mediation in nuclear weapons dispute

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea has rejected an offer by U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali to mediate an impasse over the North's suspected development of nuclear weapons, a U.N. official said Saturday.

Boutros-Ghali on Friday began three days of talks with North Korean leaders. North Korea's official news agency said he held "cordial and friendly" talks on Saturday with President Kim Il Sung, but gave no details.

Earlier, Boutros-Ghali offered to help defuse the nuclear crisis, but Foreign Minister Kim Young Nam said no U.N. mediation was needed because North Korea and the United States are already engaged in talks, U.N. spokesman Joe Sills said in a statement.

North Korean and American officials reportedly made progress last week on allowing international inspections of the North's nuclear facilities.

North Korea has refused to discuss inspections with anyone

other than the United States, apparently because it wants better relations with Washington as well as help for its faltering economy.

The decision by North Korea earlier this year to bar further visits by U.N. inspectors heightened tensions and fears that it is secretly developing nuclear weapons, something North Korea denies.

The U.N. chief's trip was the latest move in an international effort to bring North Korea out

of isolation and improve relations in the region.

On Friday, North Korean leaders told Boutros-Ghali they wanted a "negotiated, peaceful" resolution of the nuclear issue, North Korea's official news agency said.

"If the United States put unjustifiable pressure on (North Korea) ... we would have no other choice but to take decisive measures for defending the nation's sovereignty," the agency quoted Kim as saying at a recep-

tion for Boutros-Ghali.

The report from the Korean Central News Agency, monitored in Tokyo, said Boutros-Ghali expressed hopes the two Koreas eventually would reunite.

U.S. and North Korean negotiators have not revealed details of their talks on nuclear inspections. But South Korean newspapers, quoting unidentified government officials in Seoul, said the two sides were nearing agreement.

The reports said North Korea

had expressed willingness to re-enter negotiations with the International Atomic Energy Agency, a U.N. organization, on nuclear inspections.

In exchange, North Korea wants the United States to halt annual joint military exercises with South Korea that the North regards as a rehearsal for a nuclear attack, the reports said.

From North Korea, Boutros-Ghali planned to fly to Beijing on Sunday.

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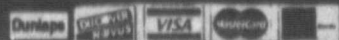
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tested 12-7-93, flowed 70.3 bbls. of 46 grav. oil + 12 bbls. water thru 16/64" choke on 24 hour test, csg. pressure 720#, tbg. pressure 420#, GOR 9303, perforated 10068-10116, TD 11350', PBTD 10195'.

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**HEMPHILL (S.E. FELDMAN Tonkawa) Corlena Oil Co., #1-12 Jones, Sec. 12, 4, 2, H&TC, elev. 2502 gr, spud 9-10-93, drlg. compl 10-4-93, tested 10-15-93, potential 870 MCF, rock pressure 1491, pay 7792-7828, TD 7975', PBTD 7919' —**

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### Plugged Wells

**GRAY (PANHANDLE) Oilwell Operators, Inc., Gray, Sec. 102, B-2, H&GN (oil) — Form 1 filed in Cree Oil, Inc., for the following wells:**

#4, spud 10-12-64, plugged 12-1-93, TD 3200' —

#14, spud 10-20-68, plugged 11-24-93, TD 3097' —

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## Journey of a credit card purchase in digital age

By ROB WELLS  
AP Business Writer

McLEAN, Va. (AP) — You've handed the credit card to the store clerk, who slides it through an electronic device and awaits the signal that authorizes your purchase. In the 20-odd seconds that pass while you're staring at the ceiling, an incredible information journey takes place.

It's a journey that few consumers comprehend, but it's a forerunner of the cashless society, the utopian vision where the jingles of nickels and dimes are replaced by electronic blips of the digital age.

For the 300 million Visa credit cards, the journey probably includes a momentary stopover in this Washington suburb, home to a nondescript building casually called the Fort Knox of the credit card industry.

Although Visa's competitors MasterCard International and American Express Co. also boast advanced technology, Visa is the leader in the plastic card world. In the United States alone, Visa has about half the market share, vs. 27 percent held by MasterCard and 20 percent by American Express.

The Visa International Operations Center East is one of two hubs for the credit card association's vast information network, a system it expects will play a much greater role in the daily lives of households worldwide.

Visa, owned by its member banks, operates a computer system known as VisaNet that functions as a middleman between merchants, the merchant's bank and the bank that issues a customer's credit card.

The network encompasses 9 million miles of fiber optic cables that link about 20,000 banks and other financial institutions and 10 million merchants in 247 countries and territories worldwide.

Most of the 11,000 transactions per minute that traverse McLean or its sister "super center" in the British city of Basingstoke are credit card transactions. The system also handles a range of consumer payments, from cash withdrawals from automatic teller machines to direct deposit of payroll checks.

Visa anticipates such electronic banking networks will play an even more important role in consumers' lives as interactive television and

other advances in technology gain wider acceptance.

"Somebody has to build the tracks that go from the home to the bank and then from one bank to another bank to handle these transactions," said Charles T. Russell, Visa's outgoing president and chief executive officer. "We have those tracks today."

Many of those tracks already have been laid at the checkout counters of major stores throughout the country.

Here's what happens after you hand your card over to the sales clerk:

It's swiped through a device called a point of sale terminal that reads your account number and expiration date from the card's magnetic stripe on the back.

The terminal automatically connects by phone with one of 1,400 small Visa computers, which funnel the account information and purchase amount into the Visa network and asks the bank that issued your card to authorize the sale.

If the store lacks a card reader, the sales clerk telephones the information to a bank operator, who in turn will query the Visa system.

Once the account information makes it to your bank, the computers ask several questions:

— Is your card stolen? Your bank checks a special encrypted code and a central electronic file of stolen credit cards.

— Does the purchase exceed your credit limit?

— Is the purchase unusual and way outside your normal buying habits?

The computers answer this question by instantly examining whether your purchase fits within your established record of buying behavior. Although some consumers might regard that as an invasion of privacy, it is considered a useful way to help prevent unauthorized use of your card.

Once these questions are satisfactorily answered, your bank will issue a green light back through the system and authorize the sale. This entire process typically takes between 6 and 20 seconds.

What if your bank's computers are too busy or incapacitated? Then Visa's computers can step in and authorize the sale if the purchase doesn't exceed a predetermined amount. This speeds the process and prevents bottlenecks.

After you've walked off with the purchase, the second half of the transaction takes place in which the store, the store's bank and your bank have to settle the tab, or clear the transaction. This also is done through VisaNet but typically takes about 3 1/2 days.

This system continues to grow rapidly, up about 14 percent in 1992. Visa expects the annual dollar volume of transactions on its network to double to \$1 trillion by 1998.

Despite this growth, Visa executives admit their goal of replacing cash is a long way off: Credit cards were used in only 15 percent of all retail sales last year, Russell said.

Getting people to accept the idea that plastic can replace cash as currency is the most formidable barrier to Visa's cashless society vision, said Roger L. Peirce, executive vice president of Visa International.

Despite Peirce's pride in the Visa technology — he boasted the system didn't have a single minute of downtime as of early December — further improvements are critical.

"If we get to a point where society actually expects to get access to their money anytime and anywhere, this system has got to work," said Peirce. He concluded with the mantra of the credit card world: "We've got to be better than cash and checks."

## Oil and gas rig count drops by 43

HOUSTON (AP) — The nation's oil and gas rig count dropped by 43 last week to 840, a 15-week low, Baker Hughes Inc. said.

Low petroleum prices were cited as a major factor contributing to the drop, Baker Hughes said.

The previous week's total of 883 was the highest number of working domestic rigs since Jan. 8, when 903 active were counted. The latest rig count is 88 lower than the total just before Christmas last year.

Of the rigs running last week, 430 were exploring for natural gas, 408 for oil and five were listed as miscellaneous.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, Texas posted the biggest drop, 25. New Mexico's active rig count was down 12, California's dropped by four and Colorado was down three.

The rig count represents the number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas.

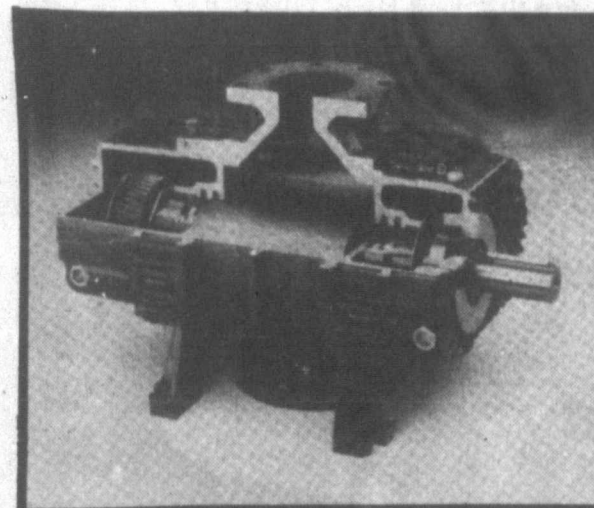
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## Sarajevo subjected to more bombs, bullets for Christmas

By PAUL ALEXANDER  
Associated Press Writer

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Bombs and bullets ushered in Sarajevo's second Christmas Day under Serb siege, while fighters across Bosnia ignored a truce that was supposed to bring a holiday respite from war.

Thousands of worshippers packed two Roman Catholic churches in Sarajevo to celebrate Christmas and pray for peace.

"Jesus, I'm begging you, give these people bread and peace!" Monsignor Vinko Puljic, spiritual leader of Bosnia's Catholics, said in his midnight Mass sermon.

Government army officials reported a break in shellfire around midnight Christmas Eve, but dawn brought the rattle of more automatic-weapons fire and the sickening thud of mortar bombs. People were warned to stay indoors.

There was no immediate word on casualties, but a U.N. forces spokesman, Maj. Salvador Burguet, confirmed heavy shelling continued to plague parts of Sarajevo for the fifth consecutive day.

Since Thursday, 10 people have been killed and nearly 100 wounded in Sarajevo.

He said there also was more fighting elsewhere, especially around the central Bosnian

town of Vitez, which has been sharply contested by Croat militias and the Muslim-led government army.

Conflicts raged despite Christmas truces affirmed Wednesday by leaders of the government and Croat and Serb communities. The latest peace negotiations, sponsored by the European Community, broke off Thursday.

There was one bit of good news in Sarajevo: A convoy carrying beans, mattresses and 60 tons of precious diesel fuel arrived Saturday. U.N. relief agency spokesman Ray Wilkinson said the trucks were held up initially by Serbs who tried to divert the convoy onto an impassable route.

A French U.N. soldier was killed Friday by gunfire "of unknown origin" in the Muslim enclave of Bihac in northwestern Bosnia, a French military spokesman said in Paris. French Defense Minister Francois Leotard was spending Christmas in the area with French troops.

Burguet said the soldier was driving an unarmored vehicle in the town of Pecigrad when he was killed, probably by a sniper.

In Sarajevo, the 10 p.m. curfew was suspended for three nights to allow people to attend church and family gatherings. Both the grand cathedral in Old Town and a makeshift church just 120 yards from the front line were filled to overflowing.

"We might be forgotten by everybody else, but not by God," said 25-year-old Oliver Mrkic, who attended services at the smaller church, decorated with the scene of the Last Supper painted by a local artist on a wall-sized sheet of plastic.

"I've come here every year, together with my friends of all religions," said Jerko Morovic, a 36-year-old Catholic jammed among fellow Sarajevans inside the cathedral. "My friends — Muslims and Orthodox — are here with me every year. Only this year, some dear people are missing. They will never be with us physically, but they are in our hearts."

War erupted in April 1992 when Bosnian Serb nationalists rebelled after a vote by Muslims and Croats, who made up a majority of the population, to secede from Serb-dominated Yugoslavia.

An estimated 200,000 people have been killed in fighting dominated by Serb forces, who now control 70 percent of the country.

Leaders of Bosnia's Serbs and Croats agreed on a plan to partition the republic among its warring communities, but officials of the Muslim-led government said the deal would not leave them with a viable state.

The Bosnian Serb leader, Roadovan Karadzic, said Serbs would proclaim their own sovereign state on territory they hold unless the Muslims approve a peace plan by Jan. 15.

## Tracking ancient Christmas sky

IRVING (AP) — Maybe there really was a little star of Bethlehem, the bright light that the Bible says sent the wise men on the trek that led them to Jesus' manger, a scientist says.

Physicist Richard Olenick came to that conclusion by recreating the astronomical conditions on Oct. 15 of the year 7 B.C.

Using a computer program, Olenick found that Jupiter and Saturn would have appeared so close together that their reflected brilliance might have made them look like one bright star. If he's right, that light may have been the reflection that launched the wise men in search of a newborn Jewish king.

Olenick, the physics department chairman of the University of Dallas, a Catholic school between Dallas and Fort Worth, became interested a few weeks ago in what the sky was like that historic night.

As Christmas approached, he began plugging dates and times into a program called EZCosmos to track all parts of the sky in search of

something unusual over the Mideast.

He found Jupiter and Saturn nearing on May 21 of 7 B.C., then determined that five months later the two planets appeared to move even closer.

Olenick concluded that they were close enough to look like one star moving westward across the sky most of the night.

The planets met in the Pisces constellation, which ancient astrologers associated with epochal events. That grouping occurs only once every 805 years, Olenick said.

The debate over whether the star of Bethlehem was a comet, an exploding star or cluster of planets has raged for ages.

Many theories have been proposed, including at least one similar to Olenick's, said Mark Bridges, coordinator of McDonald Observatory in Fort Davis, Texas.

Bridges said planetariums often give programs during the Christmas season to offer a look at simulated night skies of 2,000 years ago and to explore theories about the Bethlehem star.

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## FOOTBALL

**INDIANAPOLIS (AP)** — It's back to the operating room for Steve Emtman, who has spent more time watching football than playing it since becoming the No. 1 pick in the 1992 college draft.

The defensive lineman for the Indianapolis Colts of the NFL, winner of the Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award after his junior year at the University of Washington, is scheduled for his third knee operation in 13 months on Jan. 7.

Doctors plan to take an anterior cruciate ligament from a cadaver and graft it to his right knee. Emtman, who has been limited to 14 games in two seasons, is hoping he can resume playing by the middle of next season.

Emtman is still haunted by the pop, pop, pop sound of two ligaments tearing away from their foundation on Oct. 10 during a game with Dallas.

"At the time of the injury everybody was like, 'Ah, man, you were in so much pain.' But anybody that really knows realizes it wasn't the pain as much as the mental agony," Emtman said.

**EL PASO, Texas (AP)** — Getting to the John Hancock Bowl was the beginning of a turnaround for the Oklahoma Sooners in the eyes of coach Gary Gibbs.

Winning it was a proclamation the Sooners are ready to again become a national powerhouse.

"We've got a solid team," Gibbs said after his 19th-ranked Sooners defeated Texas Tech 41-10 in Friday's game. "We are ready to show that we can play with the top teams in the country."

The Hancock Bowl berth came following a fourth-place finish in the Big Eight for the Sooners. Although some consider that down for the traditional power, it was an improvement over a dismal 1992 in which they went 5-4-2.

## BASKETBALL

**DENVER (AP)** — Christmas is a joyous time again for Dikembe Mutombo of the Denver Nuggets.

Last Christmas, his native Kinshasa, Zaire, was engulfed in civil war, and his family was at Ground Zero. The phone lines were down, and he didn't know whether his family was safe.

They were, and this year, Mutombo and his brothers Ilo and Tshitenge celebrated Christmas at Dikembe's home.

"I have contact with everybody. My family is not in danger, and I thank God for that," Mutombo said.

"I was so scared last year," he said. "I did not know what was happening."

Last winter, more than 1,000 died in fighting in Zaire. Most were soldiers killed by President Mobutu Sese Seko's guards as they crushed army-led looting in the capital city of Kinshasa. The center of the fighting was just a couple of blocks from the home of Mutombo's parents. Mutombo's father is a retired school principal.

Mutombo and his brothers, who both also live in the United States, could do little more than worry.

"Last Christmas was so hard," Mutombo said. "Africa is so far away, and we had no information from home."

This year, there is no fighting in Kinshasa, and Mutombo and his family were able to concentrate

## BASEBALL

**OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (AP)** — Steve Palermo is home for the holidays, waiting for his body to tell him if he has any real chance of returning to umpiring.

Palermo, 44, returned home Dec. 17 from Massachusetts, where he underwent surgery several weeks ago to repair spinal nerve damage from a 1991 shooting. Palermo was shot by a robber when he went to the aid of two waitresses in a restaurant parking lot in Dallas.

The delicate surgery could help Palermo recover full use of his limbs and enable him, eventually, to return to the major leagues.

Doctors say it could be months before they know if the surgery helped.

The surgery at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester, Mass., was aimed at separating scar tissue from the nerves in his spinal cord.

"We had to take it to the next level," Palermo said. "Certainly, there was great risk, but to get where I want to go, I had to go through with it. If I ever want to return to umpiring, I had to have this."

Palermo described the procedure as being the equivalent of removing gum from hair — "the nerves being your hair."

"And they had to do that without damaging the nerves," he said.

# Cowboys don't plan to overlook Redskins

By DENNE H. FREEMAN  
AP Sports Writer

**IRVING (AP)** — The Washington Redskins love giving the Dallas Cowboys grief. And they can dish out a plateful today if they upset the defending Super Bowl champions.

The Redskins have had a miserable season, but their highlight film is filled with clips from a 35-16 opening-day victory over the Cowboys. Of course, Dallas was playing without Emmitt Smith, who hadn't signed a new contract yet.

The Cowboys are vowing not to let the Redskins spoil their

season this time.

"If anyone thinks we'll overlook the Redskins because of their record, they are wrong," said quarterback Troy Aikman. "This is Washington and we know how tough the series has been with the Redskins. We would never overlook them."

"I think the most important thing is to get a bye and the homefield advantage in the playoffs. We know what trouble Washington can cause. We realize what we have to do, since this is Washington we are playing."

The Cowboys (10-4) are 16-point favorites over the Red-

skins (4-10), but Smith said he isn't fooled.

"Washington is still a great team and I've got a lot of respect for them," Smith said. "If we're not 100 percent ready they can beat us."

Defensive tackle Russell Maryland said a game against Washington has extra meaning.

"The Skins are our big rivalry game and they beat us up in September," Maryland said. "They'd love to come in here and trip us up. We won't overlook them. We know they can beat us. It's always a special game for us when we play Washington. We're not going to

let them come in here and beat us on our turf."

On Sept. 6, Mark Rypien threw three touchdown passes and Brian Mitchell rushed 21 times for 116 yards in the victory over the Cowboys.

"That was probably their best game of the season and our worst game," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson.

Dallas, which has clinched a playoff spot, needs to beat Washington to keep pace with the New York Giants for the NFC East championship. The Giants and Cowboys meet in the regular-season finale in New York on Jan. 2.

Smith goes into the game 62 yards behind Jerome Bettis of the Los Angeles Rams in the chase for the NFL rushing title. The Redskins have had trouble stopping the run.

Washington coach Richie Petitbon said "our defense has been struggling against the run, but turnovers and sacks can make up for a multitude of sins."

"Dallas is the defending Super Bowl champion and they need to finish strong. We can play a spoiler, just like we did against Atlanta," he said.

No team has swept the Washington-Dallas series since Washington did it in 1987.



Oilers' quarterback Warren Moon (1) is brought down by the 49ers' Dana Stubblefield in the first half Saturday. (AP photo)

## Oilers shrug off mistakes to defeat 49ers

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — A Christmas day meeting of the two highest-scoring teams in the NFL turned into a mistake-prone, low-scoring affair as the Houston Oilers beat the San Francisco 49ers 10-7 for their 10th straight victory.

Houston (11-4), second in San Francisco in scoring, got just enough offense to overcome three turnovers and remained in the race for the coveted homefield advantage throughout the AFC playoffs.

The 49ers (10-5), who failed to score with Steve Young at quarterback, had a 13-game home winning streak end. They already have clinched the NFC West title and a first-round playoff bye.

San Francisco, which scored 55 points in last week's victory at Detroit, was

held scoreless until Amp Lee's 8-yard touchdown run with 12:11 remaining. It capped a 12-play, 73-yard drive directed by Steve Bono, who relieved Young with 3:33 left in the third quarter.

There was no immediate explanation for the removal of Young, who was 15-of-29 for 178 yards before leaving. He was intercepted twice and fumbled to set up a Houston score.

The Oilers also had turnover problems and Warren Moon had to leave the game with just under seven minutes left with bruised ribs. He was replaced by Cody Carlson.

Moon had a touchdown pass but was off target much of the day, completing 11-of-26 for 158 yards. He was also intercepted three times, twice by cornerback Michael McGruder, whose second

interception came with Houston on the move again midway through the third quarter and looking to take control of the game.

McGruder returned the interception 15 yards and San Francisco took over at its 30.

After a 5-yard scramble by Young, he completed a 22-yard pass to Amp Lee and a 32-yard throw to Jerry Rice to the Houston 11. The drive stalled, however, and Mike Cofer's 24-yard field goal was blocked by Eddie Robinson.

Houston twice blunted San Francisco drives with end-zone interceptions and led 10-0 at halftime, cashing in Young's fumble for a 7-yard touchdown pass from Warren Moon to Ernest Givins. Al Del Greco added a 24-yard field goal.

## Kings' Hurley released from hospital

**SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)** — Smiling faintly, a weakened, wheelchair-bound Bobby Hurley left the hospital nearly two weeks after his near-fatal automobile crash, accompanied by the cheers of onlookers.

The pale Hurley, wearing a

Santa's cap and tinted glasses, departed from University Medical Center around noon Friday. As a nurse guided him to the hospital's entrance where his parents waited with a car, Hurley was greeted by yells of encouragement.

"Good Luck, Bobby!"

several shouted.

The 22-year-old point guard, a former two-time All-American at Duke and the Sacramento Kings' No. 1 draft pick, said one word as he left, softly answering "fine" to a reporter who asked how he felt.

## Championship chase could end with two teams sharing No. 1 position

By RICK WARNER  
AP Football Writer

Which team will win the national championship — Florida State, Nebraska or West Virginia? Or is it which teams?

If Florida State beats Nebraska in the Orange Bowl and West Virginia defeats Florida in the Sugar Bowl on New Year's night, college football could end up with a split national title for the third time in four years.

That's because the two major polls — The Associated Press media and USA Today-CNN coaches' rankings — disagree on the order of the top three teams.

The AP has Florida State first, Nebraska second and West Virginia third, while the coaches have Nebraska No. 1, followed by West Virginia and Florida State.

If Nebraska beats Florida State, the Cornhuskers would win both titles. But if Florida State and West Virginia win, there's a chance the Seminoles would win the AP title

and West Virginia would capture the coaches' crown.

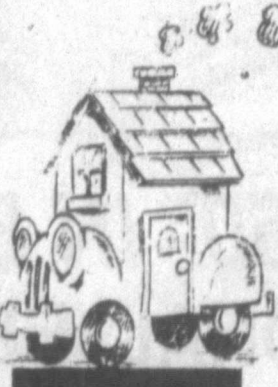
From 1979-89, there was a consensus national champion every year. The streak ended in 1990, when Colorado won the AP title and Georgia Tech won the coaches' championship. Miami and Washington shared the title the following year, and Alabama was a unanimous pick in 1992.

Some think the recent run of co-champions points out the need for a playoff system, but others feel the poll differences are good because they create interest in the sport.

"Having two champions is also good for the economy," said ESPN commentator Beano Cook. "There's two sets of rings, two coaching bonuses, two of everything."

Since none of them has won a national championship, Florida State's Bobby Bowden, Nebraska's Tom Osborne and West Virginia's Don Nehlen said they would gladly settle for a piece of the title.

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# Female officials gaining acceptance on the football field

By SUSAN ADELETTI  
Sports Writer

If you were a frequent fan of area high school football this past season, you may have seen them work. Perhaps you applauded them for calling back the opposing team's 87-yard touchdown. Or maybe you argued with a call and felt compelled to yell with all the conviction you could muster, "who's your mother, ref?!" And as those men in black-and-white stripes stuffed the yellow flags back into their pockets, you just may have noticed that those ever-harassed, always-unflinching men... were not all men.

A football field is no place for a woman, or so some believe. But try telling that to Amarillo residents Joanne Branesky and Cornelia Tolleson, both of whom have found a niche on the gridiron.

"I love it," said Branesky, who just completed her fourth year of football officiating. "Mostly because I love football and I never got to play."

**"Some of the officials treat me different, but after four years they've come to accept me."**

— Joanne Branesky

The two women are the only female football officials in the Texas panhandle, as far as anyone can tell. And the Southwest Officials Association estimates that there are less than 10 in the whole state.

Despite their novelty status, Branesky and Tolleson attest that they shouldn't be treated any differently than the other officials. And in most cases, they aren't. The two gained acceptance right away with the SOA, something that both are thankful for.

"They do a good job," said Tom Panger, secretary of the SOA Amarillo chapter. "They're very conscientious and they know their rules."

Branesky noted that it took time for the association's other members to accept the two women as legitimate officials, but now that they have earned respect, their gender is no longer an issue.

"Some of the officials treat me different," she said. "But after four years, they've come to accept me."

Panger, too, has seen the majority of the officials change their thinking.

"It's been pretty well male-dominated,"

he said of the occupation. "It's been a slow process, but I'd say all officials have accepted them; they're extremely professional about what they do."

Panger had only one hesitation in hiring the women.

"My biggest concern was the dressing facilities," he admitted.

Indeed, sometimes finding a separate place to change is a problem for the two, but by now both officials are old hands at such quandaries.

"You learn to adapt," Branesky said. "If they just give me a bathroom I'm happy."

For both Branesky and Tolleson, learning to become a football official took a lot of patience and work.

"I had to learn the game - the first year was a real learning process," Tolleson said, adding that of all the sports she officiates, "football's been the most difficult. It's a whole different ballgame down on the field than it is up in the stands."

Branesky, an Amarillo paralegal by day, agrees that learning all the signals and how to watch the game was difficult at first. But the SOA regularly holds training sessions and scrimmages to give the officials plenty of practice. However, one aspect of Texas high school football was a complete surprise to her.

"I'd never seen six-man football until four years ago," she said, adding that now she has developed a full appreciation for the game. "It can be a lot more exciting; the coaches and the boys tend to have a better report. Six-man games are friendly and fun - you feel more comfortable."

The players' reaction to a female calling their game widely varies, according to both women. For the most part, however, they've found that players have an easy time accepting them in stripes.

"The players are normally real good," Branesky said. "I even had a marriage proposal from one player once."

"They're a lot of fun," she added, noting that if a player does get out of line, it's an easily-remedied situation. "If it's not unsportsmanlike conduct, you just tend to ignore them."

And while convincing the players and other officials of their ability was certainly one hurdle for the women to overcome, getting coaches to accept them was quite another.

"I'm sure there are disadvantages as far as the way they are perceived by coaches and fans," Panger said, believing that with the more experience the women have, the more immune they'll be to gender-based criticism. Tolleson officiated basketball for



Area high school official Joanne Branesky, seen here as a stat-taker at this season's bi-district playoff game at Groom, is one of the state's few female football officials. (Pampa News photo by Susan Adeletti)

15 years before starting baseball and then, finally, football, three years ago.

"It's probably to her advantage doing multi-sports," Panger said. "Because she's been more visible."

Since coaches and players around the panhandle are familiar with the omnipresent Tolleson on the court, field and diamond,

they are more likely to take her for real.

But still, Tolleson finds that there are those who would rather her not be there because she's a woman.

"Every year in every sport there's some coach that yells, 'You're just a woman - you can't make the calls because you never played the game!'" she said. "You have to

be willing to put up with a lot of criticism." For Tolleson, dealing with such remarks takes a lot of patience and a strong will. But she doesn't seem to have any trouble remembering that she's there to call games, not to be called names.

"I don't listen. I hear it, but I don't respond; it just provokes them to say more," she said. "I think sometimes the men try to run over you; once you let them know you're not going to let that happen, they respect you. I don't let anybody intimidate me - I'm a real competitive person."

Branesky has found that while she, too, is sometimes verbally lambasted on the field, occasionally she's treated with kid gloves by the coaches.

"Some of the coaches go harder on me and some go easier," she noted. "Some really don't appreciate having me on the football field."

"They may have to work even harder to prove themselves - mainly to the coaches," Panger said. "But there's a lot of coaches that are very receptive to the idea. I haven't had any complaints because they were female."

But as far as the women never having played the game before, Panger scoffs at that insult.

"We have male officials that never played," he said.

And Branesky, who "had to take off while I was pregnant because they don't make maternity official outfits," can scoff, too, since she actually pulled a brief stint as a wide receiver in her Virginia high school.

"I did try out for the team," she said. But, lacking a boy's speed, Branesky was held off varsity. "I was allowed to join the j.v. if I wanted to."

Back then, she wanted "all or nothing," refusing to relegate herself to junior varsity. Even today, Branesky still has dreams of big-time football.

"I would love to be the NFL's first woman official," she admitted.

But it's a long, long process, and for now, Branesky is just trying to move up through the high school classes.

"The more years you have, the higher up you go in varsity," she said. "It takes some time to get to 5A."

Tolleson, on the other hand, has no such desire to move on to college or NFL officiating.

"These high school kids are big enough," she joked, adding that working with young people is rewarding and satisfying. "I just think it's a lot of fun - I thoroughly enjoy it."

## Suns burn Rockets on Christmas Day

PHOENIX (AP) — On a day when giving was the norm, the Phoenix Suns did the taking.

Kevin Johnson, who had 36 points and nine rebounds, said the real Suns showed up in a 111-91 Christmas Day victory over Houston, which tied an NBA record with a 22-1 start but since has lost two straight.

Phoenix is headed the other

way, beating Seattle and the Rockets after losing by 26 points at Denver on Tuesday.

"The trademark of our team has always been that if we play poorly or underachieve, we come back and play well," Johnson said.

"It's a couple of wins," coach Paul Westphal said. "We like them, but we're not going to make any more of it than that."

The Suns' aggressive defense stopped Houston's perimeter game, and Phoenix neutralized its height disadvantage by out-rebounding the Rockets 53-35.

Charles Barkley tied his season high with 38 points and had 18 rebounds, and A.C. Green collected 14 rebounds. He also scored seven of his 17 points in the final 2:40.

## Simmons quarterbacks Gray to 17-10 victory

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — For a player who wasn't even supposed to be in the Blue-Gray all-star game, Kelvin Simmons sure did have a big impact.

He turned out to be the hero, completing 16 of 25 passes for 171 yards in the Gray's 17-10 victory Saturday.

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## Minding your own Business

By Don Taylor



### New idea is worth 17¢

We have an unwritten guideline around our office that says every new idea is worth exactly 17 cents. Now that doesn't make some folks very happy, particularly if they have an idea for a new product that they believe will make them rich.

Let me try to explain how we came up with the value of 17 cents. The world is full of ideas for new products. People have new ideas every day. Most are foolish, some are adequate and one in a million may be brilliant.

The real problem is that often the foolish ones appear brilliant — especially to the creator and his or her immediate family — and the brilliant ones may seem foolish. Factor in the failures and the successes and we came up with an average value of 17 cents.

I should point out here that I know some of you have clever ideas for new products. I may not recognize your ideas as a great one when I see it, but it may be a good one. So, for those of you who may have a current brainstorm, let me try to help you along a bit.

I've visited with several product buyers over the years and they tell me they look for several characteristics in new products. If you are going to be successful with a consumer product, it must have some of the features I've listed below.

#### Success Characteristics

- New products must solve a problem or have a strong, positive emotional appeal. People only buy two things — solutions to problems and good feelings.

- Successful products must be simple and easy to understand. If you have to furnish detailed instructions to educate the consumer, the product may not sell well.

- The benefits of a new product must be obvious. Consumers will ask the "What's in it for me?" questions before every purchase. The positive attributes and advantages must be easy to see or grasp. If the benefits aren't apparent, the consumers will usually pass up the purchase.

- A new product must be made from easy-to-get materials and require a low initial investment.

- Every new product must have a positive image to sell well through traditional retail or service channels. It cannot be harmful to mankind, animals or the environment. It should not put down a race, religion or sex. It should be constructive and safe.

- If you are trying to sell the product from a prototype, the prototype must work. If you cannot build a functional sample, don't try to sell the idea.

- Every new product should stand alone. Don't rely on the sale of another product or component to produce sales of your product. It should be independent and sell on its own merit.

#### Some Final Thoughts

- Don't assume everyone will buy one. They won't.

- Don't try to create a product that will appeal to everyone. Most likely you'll create something that will appeal to no one. Look for an easily identifiable target for your product.

- Don't send money to companies who promise to market your invention until you have a list of references. Personally, I wouldn't send any money after I'd checked references. I've never met anyone who has had one of the "invention marketing companies" make them any money.

- Don't assume that it has to be high-tech to sell well. Simple but effective is the key. I don't want a faster, more powerful computer. I want one that costs less and is easy to learn to use.

In summary, a new product should be simple, easy to understand and have benefits that the potential buyer can see clearly. Otherwise, it may not be worth millions, it may only be worth 17 cents.

## Zales stressing romance, homey feel in new approach

By SUSAN HIGHTOWER  
AP Business Writer

DALLAS — Zales Corp. is zeroing in on the heartstrings of America, hoping to lure customers with a softer image designed to make jewelry buying less intimidating.

The country's biggest jewelry chain, which emerged from bankruptcy protection this summer, is redesigning many of its stores to make them look more like a friend's living room than chrome-and-glass luxury homes. And it's relying more on lower everyday prices than discount promotions.

"One of the things we feel like has happened to the jewelry business in recent years is it's become far too hard-edged and too price-oriented," Zales Jewelers president Jerry Daws says. "We want to bring some of the emotion and the romance back to this business."

The company is also trying to reemphasize the three distinct niches of its stores: medium-priced Zales Jewelers; Gordon's, catering to the younger crowd; and high-end stores including Corrigan's and Bailey Banks & Biddle.

Zales Jewelers, with 550 stores is the company's flagship line.

The chain's newest television ads feature candlelight, gentle music and women beaming with joy as they

open Christmas presents from Zales. "Probably the only thing sweeter than watching a 2-year-old open a present bigger than he is, is watching his mom open a little one," one spot says.

The slogan: "At the heart of it all, Zales — the diamond store."

Zales' refurbishing project includes replacement of traditional marble, chrome and glass with wood, patterned fabric and earth tones.

A redesigned Zales that opened last month in Dallas has deep teal and maroon accents, cherry-tone wood and Art Deco-style light fixtures.

These stores also include jewelry clearly priced and arranged by type, rather than gemstone; items positioned on walls for browsers; and more privacy for couples buying wedding bands.

"The customer, as we interpreted it, said that they found most jewelry stores intimidating, that when you put the chandeliers and the granite and the marble and the plush carpeting and the dark woods, that it tends to be opulent and strike of wealth," Daws said.

"The question they ask is, 'Am I really going to get a good deal in a store that's spending this much money on all of the fixtures?'"

Ironically, the cost — \$200,000-\$225,000 for a new store or remodel-

ing — is actually about the same as for the old design.

Zales has opened seven new and five remodeled stores since August. It hopes to add around 30 to 40 next year, and complete the rest of the stores in the following several years, Daws said.

Tom Dorman, executive director of the American Gem Society in Las Vegas, agreed some jewelry stores can be uninviting.

"It's the same intimidating feeling that someone would have if they know nothing about construction walking into a hardware store," Dorman said.

Daws said he expects the redesigned stores likely will do 25 percent to 30 percent more business.

So far, the decision to de-emphasize discount promotions and stick with everyday prices has had mixed results.

The company said receipts at the Zales Jewelers division will drag its earnings down below projected levels for the current quarter, although the company still will make a profit.

Andreas Ludwig, acting president and chief financial officer of Zales Corp., said the Zales segment had "shown some disappointing results through the beginning of the Christmas season," while other divisions were at or above their planned sales levels.

However, Ludwig said the company is willing to give the strategy time to succeed.

Zales is also virtually eliminated price promotions in its 130 higher-end stores, such as Corrigan's and Bailey Banks & Biddle, and the division is doing better than last year, Ludwig said.

Bernard Cunningham, a management professor at the University of Dallas, said the pricing strategy could be tough to carry off, in part because many people know jewelry generally carries a considerable markup.

"A number of people have tried to go the everyday low price and have not been very successful because we have been brainwashed to look for bargains," Cunningham said.

Meanwhile, at the 400-store Gordon's chain, the company will continue to run games and contests to cater to its younger customers, said acting president Ludwig.

Dennis Van Zelfden, a retail analyst with Rauscher Pierce Refsnes Inc. in Dallas, said differentiating the image of the company's chains is a good idea because they have ended up competing with each other in the same shopping malls.

"I think what they are doing, this strategy is what they need to do to survive," he said.

## Jewish girl threatened after complaints about Christmas carols, decorations

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A 13-year-old Jewish girl was threatened and jostled by classmates after she complained about Christmas decorations and religious caroling at her school.

Tiffany Tropp, an eighth-grader at Rundlett Junior High School, asked Principal Pam Melanson earlier this month to remove "Merry Christmas" signs and cardboard cutouts of Santa hanging in the school cafeteria.

Melanson agreed to take down the signs, but Santa stayed. The school

also had Hanukkah displays in classrooms.

On Wednesday, a group of ninth-graders caroled through the hallways, singing songs including "Silent Night."

The students wore Santa hats and Tiffany complained to Melanson again. She said "Silent Night" made her especially uncomfortable because of its religious nature.

Melanson made an announcement over the loudspeaker, saying students should remove hats "due to a request."

That's when Tiffany said the trouble started. She was yelled at and teased by some students. She said one classmate told her Christmas is about peace and love, then shoved her into a locker.

At home, Tiffany said she received harassing telephone calls. She said one neighbor forbade their children from associating with her.

Tiffany said she has a video camera pointed at her front lawn because some students threatened to burn a cross there.

Melanson said she is disturbed by the harassment against Tiffany.

"It has been a very emotional day. The kids were fired up for Christmas and they directed their anger at Tiffany for pushing for the changes in school. Tiffany became the target and I think she was courageous to speak her feelings in the face of it," Melanson said.

She said she hopes the debate will lead to tolerance and understanding in the school, which has about 20 Jews among its 1,200 students.

## Couple celebrates holiday with six babies

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Keith and Becki Dilley aren't making the traditional family rounds this Christmas weekend. They already have all the gifts they want — Quinn, Brenna, Ian, Claire, Adrian and Julian.

Mrs. Dilley, 27, gave birth to the babies by Caesarean section on May 25 after a difficult pregnancy. The couple wanted to conceive soon after they were married six years ago, but it was impossible until Mrs.

Dilley took fertility drugs.

"All we really want this Christmas is to spend time with each other and with our children. And we've got that," Mrs. Dilley said. "Who could ask for a better Christmas present?"

The babies were the first set of sextuplets born in Indiana and one of just a few sets worldwide.

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# Holidays: The best of times, the worst of times

It's the best of times and the worst of times. It's the holiday season.

Christmas was yesterday and the turkey is about to be trotted out the second time for Mama's special leftover casserole. There's football to watch, wrapping paper to dump and a snooze to catch as Americans unwind from Saturday's ho-ho-ho.

Some people don't spend Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's in front of the tube with the family in and out and the Pepto Bismol just a tablespoon away, but instead work or rather, endure the holidays, either cleaning up another's overindulgent folly, heading off a crisis or just listening to the lonely and beleaguered who wander their way.

Sgt. Katie Gerhardt, a 10-year veteran of the Pampa Police Department, vividly remembers a couple of Christmases past.

About four years ago, when Gerhardt was assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division, she enjoyed Christmas Day off with the kids a la Norman Rockwell. At the end of an otherwise perfect day a call came from the station and she spent the evening investigating a homicide which was the result of an on going domestic dispute.

Another year, she and a couple of other officers surprised one of their regular arrestees with a Christmas treat.

Like other law enforcement agencies, Pampa PD has its own "regulars" which get picked up on frequent basis. Gerhardt fondly remembered Lil' Abner, now deceased, who was often a guest of the city of Pampa holding facility because of his fondness for alcohol. She and two other officers decided to wish Lil' Abner a merry Christmas with candle lit Twinkies.

She explained that officers knocked on his door and when he answered, he said, "Hey, what are you doing here? I'm not drunk."

Officers said they came to wish him a merry Christmas.

"The man cried. You'd've though we have given had given him a partridge in a pear tree."

New Year's Eve Gerhardt calls "wild." She's noticed more and more partiers going to the designated driver system, which she says is good. But on the downside, there is more juvenile drinking.

"What I prefer to remember, it is a holiday. My primary goal is to remember it is a holiday," Gerhardt said.

She recalls a certain joy to the season that she can read on people's faces, especially children. But by her lights it is a busy season. Officers see more alcohol abuse, domestic violence, theft and assault.

"In fact, most of the crimes involve alcohol and drugs," she said.

Holiday stress keeps Tralee Crisis Center going full tilt during the holidays. There more clients in the shelter and the office during the Thanksgiving to New Year's stretch, said Janet Watts director of the center.

It is the most stressful time for clients to enter the shelter, she explained.

"Most of our women come with children because they're having to take the kids out of the house," Watts said.

They are leaving their home, Christmas tree and presents just to be safe, she said.

Sandy Carr, victim services coordinator, put a positive spin on the season: while more women enter the shelter, donations also rise to make it easier for those who've left

home.

More drinking, financial stress and looking ahead to the new year add stress. People, Carr said, are looking ahead to what they are going to change in 1994, whether it is leaving an abusive situation or how to support a family.

She doesn't really dread the holidays even with an increased case load.

"Even when we're busy, we're helping people; we have a useful purpose," Carr said. "I would dread the holidays more if there was no place to go Christmas Eve."

The hotline is manned 24-hours each day even during holiday times. Volunteers will be available for calls on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Daniel Rivera looks at the holiday season through different eyes.

He is the food and beverage manager at the Grand Coronado Inn. Four holiday seasons give him a unique perspective on deck the halls and four calling birds.

The normally busy season is even more so as families book reunion dinners. Business picks up the week before Halloween and continues apace until January.

New Year's Eve is its own story. "It's the most wildest day of the year," Rivera said about the night he dreads.

"Everybody is in an excited mood. You wonder how one day of the year can make everybody go crazy," Rivera said.

On the other hand, businesswise, New Year's Eve is a winner.

"It's one of the biggest days of the year to make money so we take advantage of it," he explained.

Sometimes he feels like Dear Abby, especially as the holidays move into January.

"By then, they see they spent more money than they had," Rivera said.

He's heard many a vow to control next year's Christmas spending. They often try to justify their spending to him.

"I've had people say, 'Danny, do you think I'm stupid to have spent this much for this or this girl?'" he said.

Tending bar, he sees lonely people who often tell him their troubles and reminisce about their families.

"During the season, the child comes out in them," he said.

People tend to remember the past and mull over the changes they've seen in their lives, he said.

Moods change for the better during the holidays. Patrons try to cheer up one another.

"If one person is down about the holidays, usually a couple of other patrons boost them up. 'Hey, it's Christmas. It's the season to be jolly,'" he said.

He worries about drinking and driving and has taken home a patron or two himself. Alcohol consumption picks up beginning in October and continues through February.

Dan Rose is battalion chief for the Pampa Fire Department. After 14 1/2 years of battling blazes, the holidays look unsafe to him.

Firefighters see fires of larger magnitude during the holidays because people puts lights on metal trees, don't water cut trees, leave Christmas lights burning when they are not home and staple or nail strings of lights to the house.

And a little more sinister is the crime angle.

"This is when your arsonists do their job," Rose said.

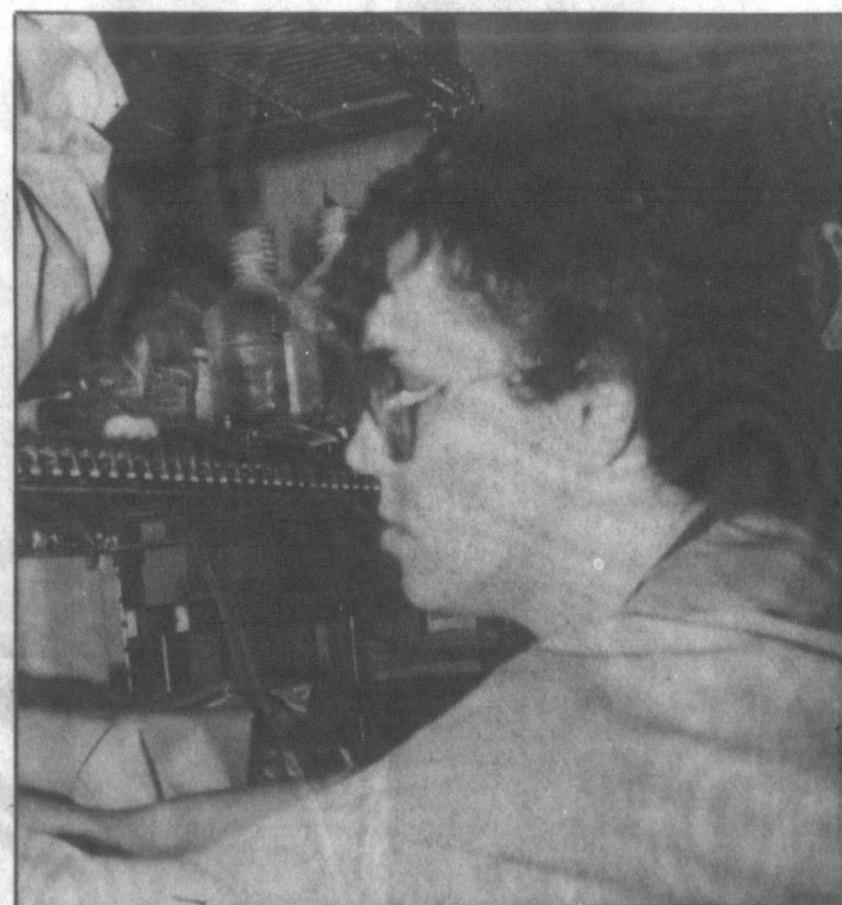
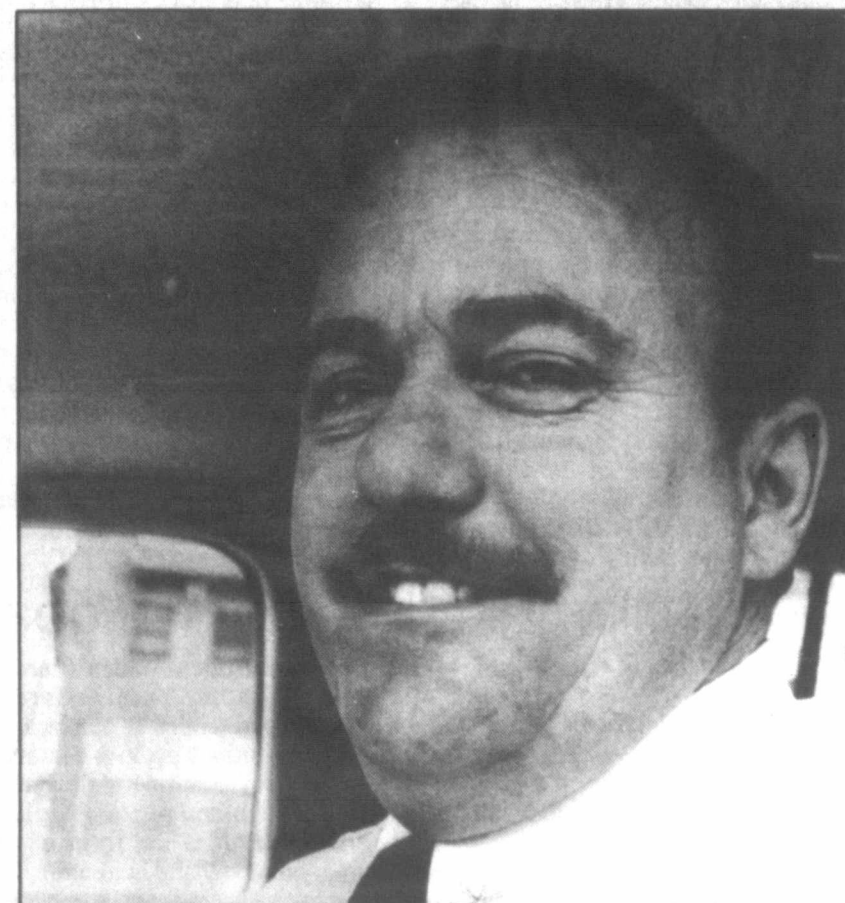
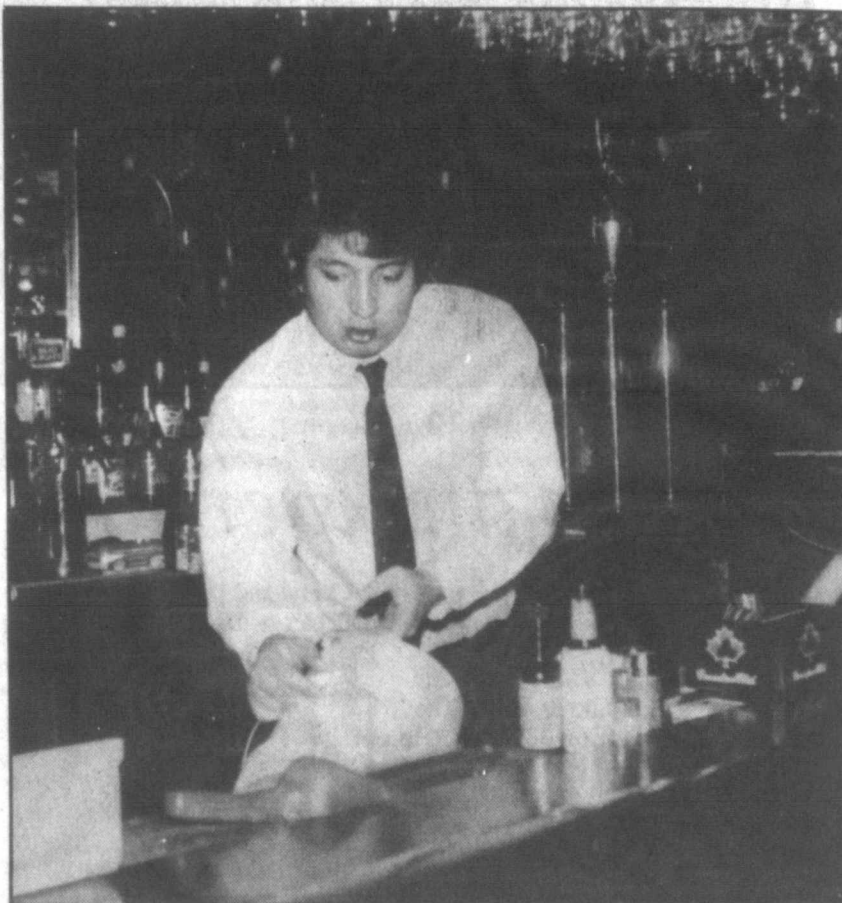
Firefighters are hampered in battling fires by cold weather and people taking vacations.

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**Top, left, Daniel Rivera practices bartending skill at Club Biarritz. Top, right, Battalion Chief Dan Rose of Pampa Fire Department. Bottom, left, Cathy Land, R.N., checks supplies in anticipation of a higher census during the holiday season. Bottom, right, Sgt. Katie Gerhardt heads out of the Pampa Police Station to go on patrol. According to her, New Year's Eve is wild. (Photos by Cheryl Berzanskis)**



Life's stresses sometimes come to a head during the holidays. Domestic violence, alcohol consumption and crime increase during the Deck the Hall days. (Staff photo by Darlene Holmes)







Mrs. Michael Lee Clayton  
Keitha Diane Clark

## Clark - Clayton

Keitha Diane Clark and Michael Lee Clayton, both of San Antonio, were married Dec. 18 at First Christian Church of Pampa by the Rev. Jack Gindorf.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Sandy Clark, Pampa. The groom is the son of Gary and Genie Clayton, Houston.

Mika Clark, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Stephanie Hutchinson, Lubbock, Holly Hale, Plainview, and LeAnn Clayton, sister of the groom, Arlington, were bridesmaids. Megan Beaty, cousin of the bride, Idalou, was flower girl.

Standing as best man was Joe Williams, Kansas City. Groomsmen were James Gilliland, Lubbock, Jay Bowman, Houston, and Hampton Bockman, Denton. Cousin of the bride, Zackary Beaty, Idalou, was ring bearer.

Serving as ushers were Clay Thomas, cousin of the bride, Stratford, and Chris Wehe, Houston. Candles were lit by Lacy Thomas, Stratford, Ashley Payne and Hunter Payne, Lubbock, all cousin of the bride. Guests were registered by April Beaty, Idalou, cousin of the bride.

Music was provided by Fred, Jo and Jennifer Mays and father of the bride Mike Clark, Pampa.

Following the ceremony, the couple was honored with a reception in the church. Guests were served by Carmen and Amy Downing, Houston, and April Beaty, Idalou, all cousins of the bride and groom.

She is a graduate of Pampa High School and Texas Tech University, where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta. She is a registered occupational therapist at the San Antonio Functional Assessment Center.

He is a graduate of Katy High School and Texas Tech University, where he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega. He is employed by Night Rider Overnight Copy Service.

Following a honeymoon to Santa Fe, N.M., the couple is making their home in San Antonio.

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## Holidays

"They're just celebrating more. They unwrap presents so they have more paper and ribbon scattered around the house. A whole lot of it is that people are indoors and home than any other time of the year," he said.

Rose has a holiday nightmare: a child caught in a fire that he discovers or can't rescue.

"I can handle ... I've got thick skinned and can handle the adults but the worst thing I can think of is a child."

The department, he said, won't make any special preparations except for trying to caution people about fire safety.

"I'm not expecting structure fires but I won't be surprised either," Rose said.

At Coronado Hospital, Cathy Land, supervisor of the emergency room, has her own holiday nightmare: a critically ill child or Sudden Infant Death Syndrome baby

death. Suicide and attempted suicides rise from Thanksgiving through New Years as people look back and evaluate their lives and times.

This year has been a really heavy flu season, Land said.

"We are seeing more critical patients that are requiring more time and more care," she said.

Emergency room staff members have a good attitude even if they do draw Christmas Day duty.

"Christmas - nobody wants to work Christmas but nursing is not a nine to five job," she said. "People who do work the holidays do have a good spirit."

They bring snacks to share and hope for a boring day.

Land misses her family when she draws holiday duty. Like many mothers, she worries that she's not spending quality time with her daughters.

"Especially during the holidays when it's family oriented," she said.

## Recycling bicycles gets in gear

By 3-2-1 CONTACT Magazine

Lots of kids recycle garbage. But kids in Ithaca, N.Y., recycle ... cycles! The kids are part of a group called Recycle Ithaca's Bicycles.

The group collects unwanted bikes and teaches other kids how to repair them. The bonus? If you fix up a bike, you get to keep it!

So far, more than 500 bikes — once just hunks of junk headed for a landfill — are on the road again. But that's not the only reason kids are pumped up. "This is my first time fixing up a bike for myself," 12-year-old Ebay Phillips said proudly. That's what you call a "spokesperson" for recycling.

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Mrs. Chris Alexander  
Lori Beth Breitling

## Breitling - Alexander Rogers anniversary

Lori Beth Breitling, Lubbock, and Chris Alexander were married Dec. 20 at Polk Street United Methodist Church in Amarillo, by Dr. Harold Daniel of the church.

The bride is the daughter of Jack and Carol Breitling, Amarillo. The groom is the son of Priscilla Norris and the late Jack Alexander.

Serving as maid of honor was April Maurer, Lubbock. Julie Breitling, sister of the bride, Amarillo, was flower girl.

Standing as best man was Mark Alexander, brother of the groom, Pampa. Greg Breitling, brother of the bride, Amarillo, was ring bearer. Mark Lehnick served as usher. Candles were lit by Brian Breitling, brother of the bride, Amarillo.

Guests were registered by Melissa Hahn, cousin of the bride, Amarillo. Providing vocal music for the occasion was Adelle Breitling, sister-in-law of the bride, Amarillo, and Resa Luscombe, Amarillo, was organist for the occasion.

Following the service, the couple was honored with a reception in the parlor of the church. Guests were served by April Morehead and Trace Hoffman, both of Lubbock, and Jan Marak, Pampa.

Following a honeymoon trip to Las Vegas, the couple plans to make their home in Lubbock.



Jimmie and Vircie Twigg

## Twigg anniversary

Jimmie and Vircie Twigg celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Dec. 19.

Twigg married Vircie Lee Armstrong in 1953 in Clovis, N.M. They have lived in Pampa 43 years. He retired in 1990 as a boilermaker. She retired in 1993 and was past owner of the Rathskeller. Both are active members of the Moose Lodge.

Cheryl and Dirk Ammeman are the daughter and son-in-law of the Twiggs. They have four grandchildren.



Benton and Johnnie Rogers

Benton and Johnnie Rogers are to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary with a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. today at Calvary Baptist Church. It is to be hosted by Benita and Joe Kennedy, Cushing, Okla., and Berinda Turcotte, Pampa.

Rogers married Johnnie Presley on Dec. 17, 1968 in Pampa. They have lived in Pampa 26 years. He is a 16-year long employee of the Department of Highways and Public Transportation. She is a seven-year employee of Wal Mart.

They are members of Calvary Baptist Church and the parents of Benita Rogers Kennedy.

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# Pampa people deck the halls

"Merry Christmas Weekend!!!" to you and yours. Pampan put it all together in time for the most important day of the year.

Melody Davis and a handful of willing volunteers lovingly and unselfishly gave of their time to provide more than 100 Pampa children with a new or slightly used toy through Toys for Tots program. Helpers were Tom, Carla Smith, Margie Balay and Cheryl Elwanger. Financing came from bake sales and jars placed around town, resulting in a \$1,500 budget. The Rufe Jordan Unit with Michael Tavers in charge, Coronado and Pampa Nursing Centers and Sammons Communications had special toy drives, many to be used in starting next year's program. Special thanks go to merchants and individuals for their generous support. Accolades to Melody and Tom for undertaking such a big program.

Employees of Coronado Hospital enjoyed their annual Christmas party last weekend at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Terry Barnes was in charge of arrangements for food, Bingo and dancing plus a few extra funny incidents. **EXAMPLE:** Flashed on a screen was a picture of Doug Garner with a bucket and mop in hand, which 'twas said was taken on the first day of his previous employment. About 30 employees received special awards. Stacey Ladd, obstetrics and pediatric nurse, was named employee of the year. Congratulations, Stacey!!! Terry, who is Mr. Congeniality, has a good reputation as a breadmaker.

For Dorothy and Fred Neslage, Santa Claus at Christmas always stirs up lots of fond memories of having 11 children in their home all year long. Maybe a desire to relive the Santa Claus experience took them to Lubbock to spend Christmas Day with part of their family, Patsy and Joe and children.

They hurried home for the arrival of their son and family Tom, Laurie and two boys from Denmark after a two-year assignment there. Remember, Dorothy visited them last summer. Terry and his family from Berger and Jimmy and Valerie and children of Wichita, Kan., were here, too. Their Pampa son and wife, Bob and Sheila, were proud as punch to attend the graduation service of their son Rob from Texas A&M a few days ago. Rob accepted employment with Target in Austin, where his sister Jackie lives. Fred and Dorothy survived several days on the thrill of a phone call from Columbia from their grandson Luke Neslage, son of John and JoAnne from Houston and a student at Vanderbilt. Luke spent the holidays in Columbia as a guest of a college friend. Luke, a student in business



## Peeking at Pampa By Katie

in South America, speaks Portuguese and Spanish fluently. All 11 of the Neslage children received college degrees. Furthermore, they are the grandparents of 31.

Glen and Ermalee Sanders cruised the southern Caribbean Islands for 10 days for a just-because trip. Lots of fun.

Ann and Ron Clemmons of Tyler are visiting Ann's mom Adelaide Colwell and grandparents Jack and Lillian Skelly.

Vic Raymond is about to pop his buttons because of a mixture of hilarious laughter and anticipation because his and Alice's daughter, Cindy Raymond Newton is expecting twins in the next little while. The hilarity is pay back to Cindy for being one of three daughters for a total of four women teamed up against Vic. After all, Vic has a grandson, Tanner, he is completely smitten with.

Cindy is one of seven girls who have been close friends since Pampa elementary school days. The four living in the Dallas area try to get together about once a month, which they did a week or so ago. The four are Elizabeth Fraser Mince, Angela West Richards, Alissa Kirksey and Cindy. It's been a year since all had a pow-wow with Treicia Kennedy Lascor, Denver, Jana Linville Callins, Houston, Jacque Reed Huff of College Station.

Visiting Dick and Eva Gaye Carter, Gay Nell and Lee Fraser and Mike and Dottie Fraser and children are the Carter's daughter and Gaye Nell's sister, Jane Boisvert of Bellevue, Wash., and the Fraser children David and Lynn of Arlington, Elizabeth Mince, Wills Point. There were two family dinners, one at Mike and Dottie's, attendance at Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ in a body, and a gift exchange, all ahead of Christmas.

Pat Kennedy spearheaded a baby shower given by the ladies of the Bible Church of Pampa a few days ago for Jo and Kent Karbo, who by the way, are expecting TWINS next month.

While the Bert Haiduk family of White Deer possibly had the most detailed explanation of Polish Christmas traditions, several other families keep part of those traditions with a few of their own added.

Caroline and Greg Rapstine and family began their Christmas Eve meal by the light of the first star, about 6 p.m. by breaking oplatek, an unleavened bread. Each person present took at least a bite of 13 dishes served, including fish, in keeping with a past Catholic tradition. The family gathering included Carolyn and Greg, Anita Rapstine, a student of Regis University, and Theresa Veitch, employed as an R.N. in Children's Hospital, Denver, Mike and Jennifer and daughter Chris and Linda and children, who recently moved back to White Deer where Chris is a middle school teacher.

Wednesday evening the Rapstines, Warminskis and Haiduks caroled the elderly of Sacred Heart Church and the community. Between 30 and 40 carolers finished the evening with gumbo at the home of Carolyn and Greg.

Proxie and Charles Warminski observe many of the Polish customs, too. Norma came from Topeka, Kan., Ron and Vivian Simmons and children from Keller, Bernard and Johann Acker and family from South Carolina to join the parents and White Deer kin.

People of White Deer regard Proxie as a wise and wonderful lady who has done much through the years to preserve and teach Polish traditions to the young people of the area. She is president of the Sacred Heart Historical Society. As historian, she wrote more of the historical Roots of Faith. Family life is another of her strong points.

About 60 members of Theresa Urbanczyk Kotara's family gathered for dinner by the light of the first star and gift exchange. Her children who came from out of town were Marilyn and L.B. Voyles of Corpus Christi, Gaye and Robert, Debbie and Rodney Huff.

Joining Will and Pat Urbanczyk, Jerry and Donna Urbanczyk, Becky and Barry Knoxke of White Deer, were Jennifer and Wayne Barnes of Austin. All families attended mass together.

There were lots of glitzy white, red, green and black party dresses at the Pampa Country Club party last Sunday evening. Dr. Frank and Mary Ann Kelley danced nearly every dance. Dr. Frank wore his

pretty red coat to match Mary's pretty red dress. Jackie and Bill Stockstill were some of the funmakers, Jackie in a short red sequined dress. Tres chic! Bobbie Nisbett, there with Scott looked regal in a silvery and glitz top over black party pants. Friends were happy to see and visit with former Pampan Judy Simpson of Carthage. Bob Baker caused a lot of commotion and comments with his lighted Santa Claus hat.

Ed and Rosie Myatt had special guests for the holidays, their daughter and family, Martha and Pete Cunningham and children of Waxahachie.

Recovery wishes to Cliff Scott while he recovers from shoulder repair surgery. A lawnmower he was repairing was the culprit.

Tommy and Nita Hill, Nancy and Dwight Chase made a touring foursome of Hawaii for nine days.

Oh to be a child of Esther and W.L. Coville! "She" makes a case of homemade jelly and "he" makes a wooden heirloom for each of their children and families. Esther is more than creative; she, as a retired home economics teacher, knows how to share her knowledge with others. A neat couple!

Residents of the Schneider House say a million thanks to Women of the Moose. The WOM cooked and served a Christmas luncheon last Tuesday of turkey, ham and every bit of trimming they could think of, including apple, cherry, pumpkin and pecan pies. After the group, 52 residents, two administrators and WOM at their fill, maybe more, there was enough left for Christmas dinner for the 20 to 25 residents who will spend Christmas at SH. This was not an ordinary meal, but a sumptuous feast, lovingly spread, another example of what WOM do with their binggo proceeds.

Another item - Jean Rankin passed the plate for a gift for Bobbie Brumfield, administrator, and Robert Grant, maintenance man. Behind her back another plate was passed for a gift for Jean Rankin for locking the doors every night. Jean received a salad shooter and an envelope. Totally unexpected!

Kudos to Paulette Hinkle who obtained painted Christmas shirts for each of the 15 students enrolled in the Senior Development Class at Pampa High. The young people all wore their new shirts Wednesday for their class party. It really looked like Christmas for that class!

Think of yourself and others while riding down the highways during the holiday season. Happy New Year!

See you next week. Katie.

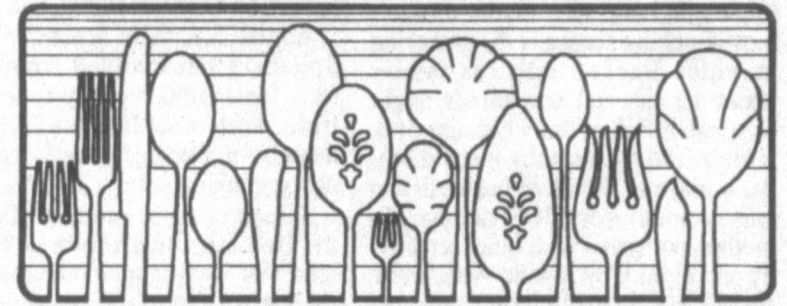
## Menus

Dec. 27 - 31

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| <b>Pampa Meals on Wheels</b><br>Monday<br>Closed for the holiday.<br>Tuesday<br>Polish sausage, cheese grits, mixed greens, yesteryear pumpkin pudding.<br>Wednesday<br>Chicken and rice casserole, mixed vegetables, peaches.<br>Thursday<br>Cabbage rolls, lima beans, squash, pudding.<br>Friday<br>Spaghetti with meatsauce, green beans, bread sticks, applesauce. | toes, buttered squash, broccoli, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, strawberry cake or bread pudding, hot rolls.<br>Wednesday<br>Roast beef brisker with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, greens, beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, cherry cobbler or yellow cake, cornbread or hot rolls.<br>Thursday<br>Barbecue with onion rings and chicken strips, new potatoes, green beans, corn, blackeyed peas, slaw, tossed or jello salad, applesauce cake or egg custard, cornbread or hot rolls.<br>Friday<br>Fried cod fish or beef enchiladas, French fries, cheese grits, okra, pinto beans, slaw, tossed or jello salad, angel food cake or brownies, garlic bread, cornbread or hot rolls. |
| <b>Pampa Senior Citizens</b><br>Monday<br>Chicken fried steak or chicken spaghetti; mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, beans; slaw, tossed or jello salad; German chocolate cake or banana pudding, cornbread or hot rolls.<br>Tuesday<br>Chicken fried chicken breasts or stuffed peppers, mashed pota-  | <b>Pampa Schools</b><br>No school until Jan. 3, 1994<br>Lefors Schools<br>No school until Jan. 4, 1994.   |

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## Woman wonders why invitations not reciprocated

**DEAR ABBY:** Our family has a summer cottage where we enjoy entertaining. My husband and I both work an average of 50 hours a week and enjoy spending weekends with friends and family. It involves a lot of work and expense, but it's a nice change from the hectic work week.

So what's the problem? Most people return our invitations, and during the winter months they invite us to their homes, include us in sporting activities, or whatever is going on - except for one couple.

We have never had a meal in their home - or even been asked to watch a video for an evening - yet they are more than eager to be entertained by us. She does not work, is not involved in any organizations, and they have no children - but she complains incessantly about how "busy" she is. This may seem petty, but it hurts never to be included in anything they do.

After many years of this, we decided not to invite them to our cottage this summer. Whenever I see her, she hints to be asked. What do I say? We value all our friends, but friendship should not be a one-way street.

WAITING TO BE ASKED

**DEAR WAITING:** Some people entertain with such ease and grace, it looks effortless to their guests - you qualify for this group. Others simply panic at the thought of serving a cup of tea at their home. Your friends who have never reciprocated your invitations belong in that category. However, there is no excuse for not inviting you to a restaurant or a sporting event.

If you enjoy the company of these non-reciprocating friends, continue to invite them, but don't expect a return invitation. They

### Did you know?

Monk parakeets are the only members of the parrot family that build community nests in trees. They live among bundles of twigs that form an apartment house for the birds.

The Galapagos woodpecker finch is a tool user. It manipulates twigs and cactus spines to pry grubs and insects out of holes.

## Dear Abby:

may enjoy your company, but are embarrassed because their sofa needs recovering or their carpeting is worn - or they could be waiting until they win a lottery so they can entertain you in style.

**DEAR ABBY:** Please help with this problem we have every year: winter visitors. We live in Scottsdale, Ariz., and would like to have some peace and quiet during the winter months - that's why we moved here.

How can people be so rude as to telephone and invite themselves to someone else's home, just because the weather is so nice here and so miserable where they live?

In the last five days, we have had 11 phone calls asking, "When would be a good time for us to visit you?"

Please, if you are friends who do this, stay away, and let us have a little peace this season. We can't tolerate all this intrusion.

By the way, Abby, we never hear from any of these "friends," except when they call to schedule their winter visits.

OVERWHELMED  
IN SCOTTSDALE

**DEAR OVERWHELMED:** I've often said: If people take advantage of you once, shame on them; if they take advantage of you twice - shame on you!

When they call to schedule a visit, be direct, and tell these nervous "friends" that you and your husband have decided to take a vacation from hosting guests, as you, too, need a "rest."

**DEAR ABBY:** It upsets me to know how many people don't know the difference between "Calvary" and "cavalry."

My late father was in the famed 7th Cavalry in Texas in the early 1920s. He rode the Mexican border

on guard for bandits who came over and stole cattle in their raids.

"Calvary" is the hill near Jerusalem where Christ was crucified. "Cavalry" refers to troops trained to maneuver and fight on horseback. (Tanks have now replaced horses.)

It's bad enough when most people get these words confused, but when Jim Brown and Sandy Dennis both made that mistake in "100 Rifles," a TV special, I nearly blew my cool.

I hope you print this so people will quit using "Calvary" and "cavalry" interchangeably. Thank you, Abby.

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Entertainment

# At the movies

By DOLORES BARCLAY  
AP Arts Editor

Jonathan Demme's *Philadelphia* is being touted as the first feature film about AIDS to be released by a major studio. But its significance runs much deeper, and is much more visceral.

With *Philadelphia*, Demme puts us face to face with the deadly disease: We see the physical and emotional ravages of AIDS. And if ever an actor has shed his skin and wrapped it around us, it's Tom Hanks as the dying victim.

Hanks plays Andrew Beckett, a hot-shot young lawyer with a prestigious Philadelphia firm. He's also gay, and when the firm discovers he has AIDS, they fire him. Beckett sues.

After being turned down by every top litigator in the city, he turns to an ambulance chaser, Joe Miller (Denzel Washington). Miller, a confessed homophobe, is one of those dial-a-lawyers and even advertises on television. But he's also a damn good lawyer.

The movie has several layers and textures - the opening sequence of a high-powered law firm, Beckett and the profound love and support he has from his family, his gay world, Miller's world, the courtroom, the hospital.

As each level is explored, Beckett's life and the effects of his illness on himself, his lover, Miguel (Antonio Banderas), his family and Miller, unravel before us.

The power of his story is not so much the very heart of justice, truth and fairness, but the depth of familial love. All too often, AIDS dramas or movies about homosexuality show families torn apart, parents who disown children because of their sexual persuasion.

But here, we have parents and siblings who care. One of the movie's most touching scenes is the gathering at which Beckett tells his family about the suit and how things might be rough for all of them because of it.

He's feeding his baby niece a bottle, a piece of effective business that tells us not to fear AIDS victims. His mother, portrayed with quiet sensitivity and dignity by Joanne Woodward, simply says that she didn't raise her children to sit in the back of the bus. Andrew should fight, she says, and the family is with him 101 percent.

The trial sequence is most effective when Andrew takes the stand and tells the court why he became a lawyer. His answer is simple and eloquent: He loves the idea that sometimes he's a part of justice, and justice is sweet.

At this point in the film, Andrew is a mere shadow of his former self. Hanks shed 30 pounds for the role, and with lighting, makeup and camera work, the effect is awesome.

Miller's adversary is the very proper Belinda Conine (Mary Steenburgen). She's strictly corporate, doing a dirty job to soothe the collective guilt of her scuzzy bosses. At one point, she turns to her co-counsel (Obba Babatundé) and spits out, "I hate this case."

*Philadelphia* reaches deep into the viewer's souls and sets off emotions that are raw and true. Its power is in its understatement. In its own quiet way, it is a shattering drama that speaks to the universalities of injustice, prejudice, loyalty and honor.

Hanks, whose gaunt and gray visage will haunt you for days to come, is exceptional in his graceful and powerful performance as a stricken man who has been robbed of his honor and, ultimately, his life. He deserves an Oscar nod for what amounts to a physically and emotionally challenging role.

Washington is wonderful as Miller. He brings a levity to the role, as well as a voice of reason.

If *Philadelphia* at any point goes over the top, it is a curious scene in which Andrew drifts around his loft, pulling his IV stand, explaining an aria sung by Maria Callas to Miller. It is haunting and beautifully filmed, but strangely excessive and almost a gay stereotype.



Tom Hanks plays a gay attorney fired from his firm after he develops AIDS in 'Philadelphia.' (AP photo)

The movie also at times plays to political correctness and blunders into a predictable courtroom drama. But the impact of *Philadelphia* is so great that any flaws can be forgiven.

The TriStar Pictures release is produced by Edward Saxon and Demme, with Gary Goetzman, Kenneth Utt and Ron Bozman as executive producers. Ron Nyswaner wrote the screenplay. Tak Fujimoto's cinematography adds much to the drama. *Philadelphia* is rated PG-13.

Oddly, Steven Spielberg first thought of making a film of the extraordinary story told in Thomas Keneally's book *Schindler's List* shortly after *E.T. The ExtraTerrestrial* opened.

But it took him a decade to bring this spiritual, devastating and powerful statement to the screen. It can be argued that Spielberg was correct in waiting, that it took him that long to mature as a serious filmmaker.

And he has. With *Schindler's List*, Spielberg has evolved from high-tech, fantasy-filled candy-cane storylines and disabling cuteness to thoughtful, intelligent and deeply felt movie-making.

*Schindler's List* offers a vision of the Holocaust that leaves us breathless, that weaves a bloodied tapestry of horror, German ignorance and tyranny. But it is a tapestry cleansed by an enormous humanity, by a redemption extraordinary and exquisite.

The movie is filmed in pristine black and white, illuminating terror and atrocity in complicated, shimmering light plays and shadows. Janusz Kaminski is an astute cinematographer and his work in *Schindler's List* is dazzling.

It was wise for Spielberg to use black and white because it truly takes us back to the 1940s and allows for greater dramatic interplay.

That effect is marred only by one scene in which the director chose to dab a touch of color on a little girl fleeing the Nazis. Her hair is blond, her coat is blood red. The addition of color was a silly and all-too-obvious move, and serves only as a distraction.

Throughout the film, there is a strong sense of urgency, of terror.

Spielberg paces it so precisely that you hardly feel the more than three hours it takes for the story to unfold. And he shows the Nazis going about their extermination of Jews in such a matter-of-fact way that the atrocities are all the more horrific.

One scene especially mirrors the German killing machine: A Nazi points a gun at the head of a Jew, but the gun does not fire. He clicks it several times and, still, it does not fire. It is an unnerving scene and perhaps more frightening than the legion of other killings shown on screen.

*Schindler's List* is based on the real-life story of Oskar Schindler, a German-Catholic industrialist who used his ties with Nazi officialdom to help keep hundreds of Jews from concentration camps and death.

Schindler, played by a rather beefy and swaggering Liam Neeson, is a bon vivant: He enjoys women, wine, good food, good times, and more women. He is wealthy, but craves even more money and power.

But as the Holocaust engulfs Europe, Schindler slowly wrestles with a higher morality.

With the assistance of a Jewish bookkeeper, Itzhak Stern (Ben Kingsley), he devises a complex scheme to outwit the Nazis by employing Jewish refugees in his factory. He saves them from death, but it's a constant cat-and-mouse game.

His biggest hurdle is the psychotic commandant of the Plaszow forced labor camp, Amon Goeth, masterfully played by Ralph Fiennes. Goeth uses Jews for random target practice, firing his gun from a balcony overlooking the prison yard.

In many respects, Goeth is perhaps a more complicated man than Schindler. Spielberg makes stabs at exploring his character, but never really gets there.

By the end of the movie, Schindler emotionally falls apart, overcome by his inability to save even more Jewish lives than he did. His transformation is a bit over the top, and it's difficult to see his evolution.

If Spielberg's primary goal is to show us that faith and goodness can sometimes triumph over evil, then he has done so with his very powerful portrait of a singular man.

Along the way, there are scenes that will haunt for some time to come, such as one in a railroad yard as the Nazis ship off unsuspecting Jews to death camps. The camera tracks as porters take their suitcases to a cavernous warehouse. Slowly, the camera pans tables laden with photos, toys and mountains of shoes and clothing.

Spielberg ends his movie in color by shifting to today: He parades some of the Schindler survivors past his grave. It is a moving scene, but an unnecessary one.

A Universal Pictures release, *Schindler's List* is produced by Spielberg, Gerald R. Molen and Branko Lustig. The screenplay by Steven Zaillian is based on Keneally's book. The movie is rated R for violence.

# Ella releases complete song books on CD

The Complete Ella Fitzgerald Song Books (Verve)

By CHARLES J. GANS  
Associated Press Writer

These are the recordings that transformed Ella Fitzgerald from a stand-out jazz singer into the First Lady of Song. They also brought recognition to the American popular song as an art form.

No popular singer has matched Ella's achievement on the eight song books recorded between 1956 and 1964 - a collection of some 240 tunes by Cole Porter, Rodgers and Hart, Duke Ellington, Irving Berlin, George and Ira Gershwin, Harold Arlen, Jerome Kern and Johnny Mercer.

Now, as a culmination to the year-long celebrations of Ella's 75th birthday and a prelude to its own 50th anniversary in 1994, Verve has released a deluxe, 16-CD boxed set with all the original recordings plus 14 previously unreleased tracks - 254 tracks in all with more than 15 hours of music.

Inside the cloth-covered red box, the song books have been faithfully reproduced right down to the original LP jackets, liner notes, and art work (including lithographs by French artist Bernard Buffet accompanying the Gershwin set). The liner notes offer a treasure-trove of anecdotes. The only quibble is that in reducing the material to CD-format, you need a magnifying glass to read the fine print.

There is also a 120-page hardcover book with full discographical information, an appreciation and history of the song books, and interviews with their producer, Norman Granz, and some of the arrangers.

Only a singer of Fitzgerald's mastery could have tackled such an immense project. Her wide vocal range, crystal-clear diction, perfect phrasing and instinct for rhythm and swing make many of her performances near definitive.

Ironically, she had to rein in her improvisational virtuosity to make the song books work. They couldn't be distinctly Ella Fitzgerald albums, but had to balance the songs and their performance. Fitzgerald mostly concentrates on the melody and the lyrics - includ-



Ella Fitzgerald

ing the rarely heard verse introductions to some songs.

But despite Ella's self-restraint, these recordings jump-started her career when she was in her 40s, taking her from a more narrow jazz audience to popular acclaim.

Ella had been recording for Decca for slightly over 20 years before Granz brought her to his Verve label in 1956. Her Decca recordings included some gems, but often she had to bow to commercial considerations and battle weak material and orchestrations.

For the song books, she not only got to sing the greatest songs by America's most popular composers, but Granz surrounded her with top-rate arrangers and instrumentalists.

Each of the song books - which ranged from one to five LPs - has a distinct personality, starting with the first, *The Cole Porter Song Book* from 1956.

Porter and Berlin were the only composers in the series to write their own lyrics. While Berlin was folksy and down-to-earth, Porter was the witty sophisticate.

Granz chose to record lesser-known Rodgers and Hart tunes. While Hammerstein could be cloyingly sentimental, Hart wrote some of the most atypical, intriguing love songs, "My Funny Valentine" or "Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered."

The lyrics matter little on the Ellington song book, which mixes fast-tempo swing tunes and sensuous ballads.

Ellington - and Billy Strayhorn - wrote many of their tunes as instrumentals for the big band, and a variety of lyricists added words later. This is the only song book on which the composer performs - and, it is the jazziest.

Ella breaks loose on this song book with her wordless scating, starting with the first tune, "Rockin' in Rhythm." Here she's matched



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## Yearend Turntable Best Sellers

By The Associated Press

Here are the yearly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music for the year 1993 as they appear in last week's issue of *Billboard* magazine. Reprinted with permission.

### TOP SINGLES

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- "I Will Always Love You," Whitney Houston (Arista)
- "Whoomp! (There It Is)," Tag Team (Life)
- "Can't Help Falling in Love," UB40 (Virgin)
- "That's the Way Love Goes," Janet Jackson (Virgin)
- "Freak Me," Silk, Keia
- "Weak," SWV (RCA)
- "If I Ever Fall in Love," Shai (Gasoline Alley)
- "Dreamlover," Mariah Carey (Columbia)
- "Rump Shaker," Wreckx-N-Effect (MCA)
- "Informer," Snow (EastWest)
- "Nuthin' But A G Thang," Dr. Dre (Death Row)
- "In the Still of the Nite," Boyz II Men (Motown)
- "Don't Walk Away," Jade (Giant)
- "Knockin' Da Boots," H-Town (Luke)
- "Lately," Jodeci (Uptown)
- "Dazzey Duks," Duice (TMR)
- "Show Me Love," Robin S. (Big Beat)
- "A Whole New World (Aladdin's Theme)," Peabo Bryson & Regina Belle (Columbia)
- "If," Janet Jackson (Virgin)
- "I'm So Into You," SWV (RCA)

### TOP ALBUMS

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- The Bodyguard*, Soundtrack (Arista)
- Breathless*, Kenny G (Arista)
- Unplugged*, Eric Clapton (Duck/Reprise)
- Janet*, Janet Jackson (Virgin)
- Some Gave All*, Billy Ray Cyrus (Mercury)
- The Chronic*, Dr. Dre (Death Row/Interscope)
- Pocket Full of Kryptonite*, Spin Doctors (Epic)
- Ten*, Pearl Jam (Epic)
- The Chase*, Garth Brooks (Liberty)
- Core*, Stone Temple Pilots (Atlantic)
- Timeless (The Classics)*, Michael Bolton (Columbia)
- Love Deluxe*, Sade (Epic)
- Pure Country (Soundtrack)*, George Strait (MCA)
- Get a Grip*, Aerosmith (Geffen)
- Vs.*, Pearl Jam (Epic)
- It's About Time*, SWV (RCA)
- In Pieces*, Garth Brooks (Liberty)
- Sleepless in Seattle*, Soundtrack (Epic Soundtrax)
- It's Your Call*, Reba McEntire (MCA)

### COUNTRY SINGLES

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- "Chattahoochee," Alan Jackson (Arista)
- "What's It to You," Clay Walker (Giant)
- "Can't Break It to My Heart," Tracy Lawrence (Atlantic)
- "Thank God for You," Sawyer Brown (Curb)
- "One More Last Chance," Vince Gill (MCA)
- "Easy Come, Easy Go," George Strait (MCA)
- "Ain't Going Down (Til the Sun Comes Up)," Garth Brooks (Liberty)
- "It Sure Is Monday," Mark Chesnut (MCA)
- "I Love the Way You Love Me," John Michael Montgomery (Atlantic)
- "Why Didn't I Think of That," Doug Stone (Epic)
- "In the Heart of a Woman," Billy Ray Cyrus (Mercury)
- "Blame It On Your Heart," Patty Loveless (Epic)
- "Prop Me Up Beside the Jukebox (If I Die)," Joe Diffie (Epic)
- "Alibis," Tracy Lawrence (Atlantic)
- "Ain't That Lonely Yet," Dwight Yoakam (Reprise)
- "Holdin' Heaven," Tracy Byrd (MCA)
- "A Thousand Miles From Nowhere," Dwight Yoakam (Reprise)
- "Money in the Bank," John Anderson (BNA)
- "A Bad Goodbye," Clint Black with Wynonna (RCA)
- "No Time to Kill," Clint Black (Arista)

### ADULT CONTEMPORARY SINGLES

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- "Love Is," Vanessa Williams & Brian McKnight (Giant)
- "I Don't Wanna Fight," Tina Turner (Virgin)
- "I'll Never Get Over You (Getting Over Me)," Exposé (Arista)
- "I See Your Smile," Gloria Estefan (Epic)
- "Have I Told You Lately," Rod Stewart (Warner Bros.)
- "A Whole New World," Peabo Bryson & Regina Belle (Columbia)
- "Fields of Gold," Sting (A&M)
- "Forever in Love," Kenny G (Arista)
- "The River of Dreams," Billy Joel (Columbia)
- "Don't Take Away My Heaven," Aaron Neville (A&M)
- "When She Cries," Restless Heart (RCA)
- "Tell Me What You Dream," Restless Heart & W. Hill (Novus)
- "Simple Life," Elton John (MCA)
- "Angel," Jon Secada (SBK)
- "By the Time the Night Is Over," Kenny G & Peabo Bryson (Arista)

### MODERN ROCK TRACKS

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- "Never a Time," Genesis (Atlantic)
- "I'm Free," Jon Secada (SBK)
- "Freak Me," Silk (Keia??)
- "If I Ever Fall in Love," Shai (Gasoline Alley)
- "Weak," SWV (RCA)
- "I'm So Into You," SWV (RCA)
- "Don't Walk Away," Jade (Giant)
- "Whoomp! (There It Is)," Tag Team (Life)
- "Rump Shaker," Wreckx-N-Effect (MCA)
- "Nuthin' But A G Thang," Dr. Dre (Death Row/Interscope)
- "Lately," Jodeci (Uptown)
- "Something's Goin' On," UNV (Maverick/Sire)
- "So Alone," Men At Large (EastWest)
- "Another Sad Love Song," Toni Braxton (LaFace)
- "Just Kickin' It," Xscape (So So Def)
- "Right Here (Human Nature)/Downtown," SWV (RCA)
- "Cry No More," II D Extreme (Gasoline Alley)
- "He Mr. D.J.," Zhane (Flavor Unit)
- "Dreamlover," Mariah Carey (Columbia)
- "Love Is," Vanessa Williams & Brian McKnight (Giant)
- "I Don't Wanna Fight," Tina Turner (Virgin)
- "I'll Never Get Over You (Getting Over Me)," Exposé (Arista)
- "I See Your Smile," Gloria Estefan (Epic)
- "Creep," Radiohead (Capitol)
- "Feed the Tree," Belly (Sire)
- "Soul to Squeeze," Red Hot Chili Peppers (Warner Bros.)
- "Pets," Porno For Pyros (Warner Bros.)
- "Candy Everybody Wants," 10,000 Maniacs (Elektra)
- "Walking in My Shoes," Depeche Mode (Mute/Sire)
- "Heart-Shaped Box," Nirvana (DGC)
- "Cannonball," The Breeders (4 A.D.)
- "My Sister," The Juliana Hatfield Three (Mammoth)
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| 7:00-9:50 P.M.   | M/W  | ART | 251  | 01  | WATER COLOR PAINTING                 | 3   | LUPPLACE   |
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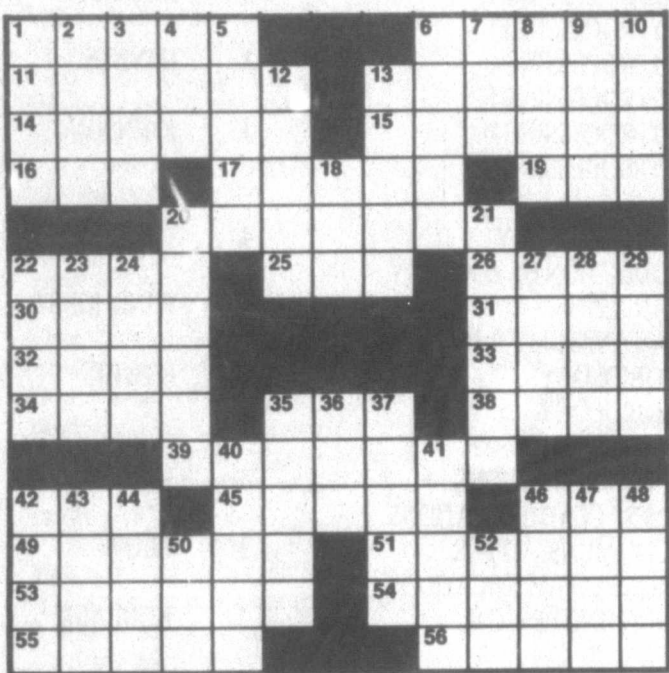
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  - 11 Lee Harvey
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  - 15 Change into bone
  - 16 Before
  - 17 Tugs
  - 19 Calif. airline destination
  - 20 Uncomfortably formal
  - 22 Mongrel
  - 25 Dentist's deg.
  - 26 Wander
  - 30 Case for small articles
  - 31 Actor — Jannings

- DOWN**
- 1 Speck
  - 2 River in Belgium
  - 3 Chirp
  - 4 Head cover
  - 5 Slumbered
  - 6 Billiard shot
  - 7 Apr. 15 addressee
  - 8 Baseball's — Speaker
  - 9 Slight quarrel
  - 10 Child's toy
  - 12 Celtic priest
  - 13 Nuts' companions
  - 18 College deg.
  - 20 Mark of disgrace
  - 21 Visions
  - 22 Shea Stadium tenants
  - 23 Mormon State
  - 24 Melody
  - 27 Biblical king
  - 28 Grape plant
  - 29 Verve
  - 35 Bizarre
  - 36 Pot-au- —
  - 37 Chief artery
  - 40 Search
  - 41 Not suitable
  - 42 Son of Ruth
  - 43 Stubborn animal
  - 44 On
  - 46 Was in debt to
  - 47 Speed contest
  - 48 Units
  - 50 Uncle (Sp.)
  - 52 3, Roman

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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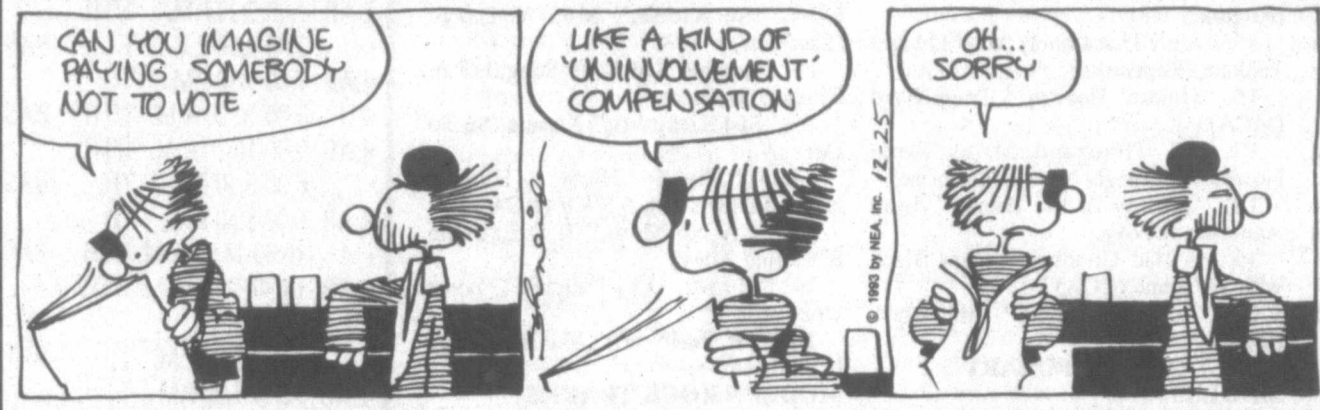
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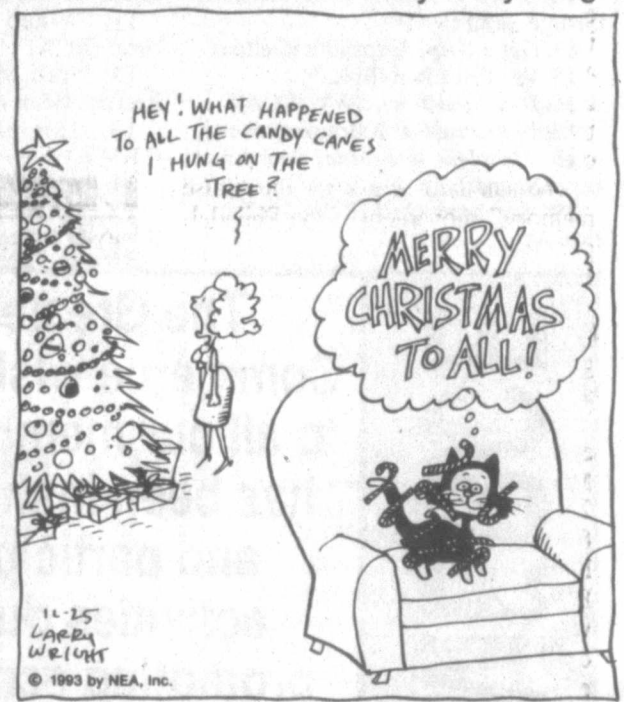
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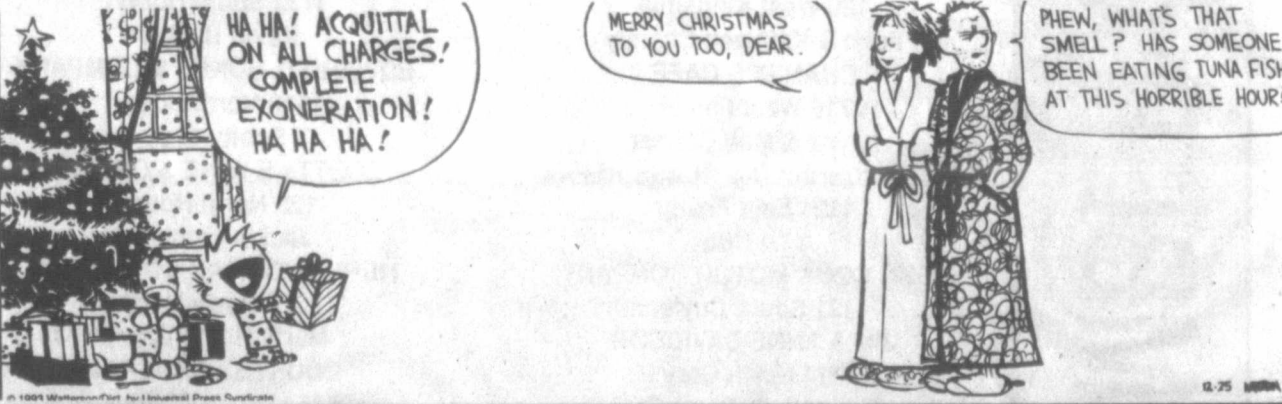
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**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) The thoughtful manner you'll use in correcting an associate today will be appreciated. Its purpose is not to embarrass, even though he/she should have listened in the first place.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) Do not underestimate the impact from doing small, considerate deeds for others today. Things you do unselfishly will mean much more than you can realize.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) You're likely to derive your greatest benefits today from involvements with your more serious minded, mature friends. Playful pals can't do as much for you.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Pluses you have going for you today will be the extras you need to achieve your objectives. They'll be an effective blend of imagination and determination.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today you might have to deal with a difficult situation similar to one you recently managed with extraordinary skill. The methods you use can be successfully replicated.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Persons with whom you'll be involved today might not be endowed with your staying power, so don't use them as role models. You're the one who should be setting the example.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Something you have to do today cannot be done as well if you operate purely on your own. However, with the right type of partner arrangement, mutual benefits can be derived.



## For victims of childhood abuse, there's a new question: Did it really happen?

By AMY KUEBELBECK  
Associated Press Writer

OAKDALE, Minn. (AP) — Desperate to emerge from a dark depression, Elizabeth Carlson sought therapy. What she got instead was a terrifying belief that she had repressed memories of satanic ritual abuse as a child.

With hypnosis and mind-altering drugs, she became convinced she had created multiple personalities — including animals and a nun — to deal with sexual assaults by her parents, neighbors and godmother.

But most devastating, says the 39-year-old Carlson, is that she now realizes the abuse never happened.

She is part of a growing movement that questions whether all memories of abuse, especially those retrieved years after the fact, are true.

"The books all say, 'Don't doubt,' " said Carlson, who is suing her therapist. "I'm saying, 'If you do have thoughts that flash into your head, challenge them.' "

Such skepticism comes as a challenge to the idea that children sometimes repress memories of physical, emotional or sexual abuse, but can regain those memories as adults through psychotherapy.

Many such cases have given rise to lawsuits and even criminal charges; Chicago's Roman Catholic Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, for example, is the defendant in a civil lawsuit over alleged sexual abuse filed by a man who says he recovered memories of abuse while in therapy.

The skeptical viewpoint is gaining some ground. The American Medical Association this year adopted a resolution saying that memory enhancement techniques in the area of childhood sexual abuse are "fraught with problems of potential misapplication."

But some people with recovered memories of abuse have been able to verify their suspicions. And some experts who believe memories can be repressed say the skeptics are part of a backlash that doesn't want to admit the prevalence of abuse.

"I sure hope we don't let a bunch of accused perpetrators decide what public policy is going to be on memory repression," said Renee Frederickson, a St. Paul therapist and author of *Repressed Memories*. She contends millions of people have buried memories of trauma or even entire childhoods.

The standard-bearer for the "false memory" movement is the Philadelphia-based False Memory Syndrome Foundation, made up of families who say they have been wrongly accused of abuse. Formed only last year, the group already claims 7,000 families as members.

The group was formed after parents seeking solace found patterns. Most accusers were women between 25 and 45 who had entered therapy for issues such as relationship problems, according to director Pamela Freyd. Confrontations with families were similar, and many daughters cited the "bible" of the incest-recovery movement, *The Courage to Heal* by Ellen Bass and Laura Davis.

"If you are unable to remember any specific instances ... but still have a feeling that something abusive happened to you, it probably did," the book says in a much-quoted passage.

Parents who protest their innocence say allegations of sexual abuse have put thousands of couples across the country in a Catch-22: If they deny it, they're "in denial." Either way, they effectively lose their children.

"The only defense we've got is to say, 'We didn't do this,'" said Terry Stone, mayor of the southern Minnesota town of Madelia, pop. 2,237.

One of his nine children accuses Stone and his wife, Colette, of sexually abusing her from infancy through age 18; the daughter said she retrieved the memories after entering therapy. The therapist also concluded the other eight children were abused without talking to any of them, the Stones say.

The siblings deny any abuse, and the daughter who made the accusation has cut contact with the family. Though the Stones hope for reconciliation with their daughter, they are angry about the therapy.

But some contend that abuse is far more common than malpractice by therapists.

"There may be some excesses by therapists going on ... (but) a lot of people have been sexually abused," said Sherry Quirk, president of the American Coalition for Abuse Awareness in Washington, D.C.

The highly publicized case of James Porter, the former Roman Catholic priest who pleaded guilty to molesting dozens of children, provides a counterpoint to the "false memory" movement, some of Porter's victims say.

Frank Fitzpatrick, a private investigator in Cranston, R.I., had no memories of being molested until 1989. Then, with no therapy, images began seeping back. Unlike many accusers, he was able to confirm the memories by tracking Porter's trail. (Porter even confirmed Fitzpatrick's recollection of a rum-laced mince-pie.)

"It's much more prevalent that sexual assault is covered up and hidden and never exposed," said Fitzpatrick, who says most of Porter's victims did not repress their memories.

Richard Gardner, a professor of child psychiatry at Columbia University and author of *Sex Abuse Hysteria: Salem Witch Trials Revisited*, estimates that 95 percent of sex-abuse accusations are valid. But he says the "tragic plight" of those falsely accused must be addressed: Claims must be more carefully scrutinized, especially in fierce child custody disputes, day care centers and memories recovered in therapy.

Skeptics say false memories also have another victim — the accuser.

"The therapists who are doing this are a new kind of sexual predator," said Richard Ofshe, a social psychologist at the University of California at Berkeley. "Without ever touching their victim, they move them as close as you can possibly get to experience rape and brutalization ... And they get paid by the hour for doing it."

Why would someone believe in events that never happened? Carlson says she was suicidal and vulnerable and trusted her therapist. She said Dr. Diane Bay Humenansky required her to watch films and read books about abuse, and subsequent nightmares were interpreted as factual memories.

"My imagination and my dreams were reality, and if I doubted it, I was in denial," Carlson said.

Humenansky, who faces at least three similar lawsuits in St. Paul, denies the allegations.

Carlson also says becoming a victim had benefits.

"It's support you've never received in your entire life," she said. "Everyone's hugging and warm and you're in these groups. ... You create a new family. It really gives you a sense of belonging."

Wendy Kaminer, author of *I'm Dysfunctional, You're Dysfunctional* and a critic of various forms of the "recovery" movement, agrees.

"There is no regard for truth in all of this," Kaminer said. "Instead of a regard for truth, we have a regard for feelings."

Experts do not agree on the truth of repressed memories or if they even exist, but they do agree that human memory is not like a video cassette player, faithfully replaying the same scenes. Some researchers have successfully planted false memories.

More lawsuits over delayed memories are becoming possible as states extend statutes of limitations. In one Minnesota case, a 90-year-old man faces a lawsuit over allegations half a century old, after his 55-year-old daughter recovered alleged abuse memories in therapy.

"If this keeps up, nobody's going to believe anybody anymore," said Hollida Wakefield, a psychologist at the Institute for Psychological Therapies in Northfield who is skeptical of memory repression.

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Agriculture

### Tobacco harvest smaller — but supplies are up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. tobacco crop is smaller this year than last, but total supplies are larger, the Agriculture Department says.

"Despite increased supports, flue-cured and burley prices are lower because of weak demand caused by uncertainty about federal cigarette excise taxes and surplus world leaf supplies," said a report on tobacco by USDA's Economic Research Service.

The 1993 flue-cured crop averaged \$1.68 a pound at auction, 3.8 cents below last year.

"Average prices fell in all states. As measured by official grades, overall quality was also lower," the report said. "With smaller marketings, cash receipts fell about 3 percent this season."

Total U.S. tobacco production this year is forecast at 1.61 billion pounds, 7 percent below 1992 and the lowest since 1989, the report said, adding that both acreage and yields were down.

But despite smaller production, larger carrying stocks increased domestic supplies about 1 percent this season, the report said. It predicted that production probably will decline again in 1994.

Both domestic use and exports will probably decline this year, it said.

"U.S. cigarette consumption in calendar year 1993 will likely be down from last year," the report said. "Output may not change much, despite expected declines in both domestic consumption and exports."

"Manufacturers are likely boosting production in late 1993 before foreign content legislation becomes effective in 1994."

The report said output of chewing tobacco is down, but snuff production is up.

During January-September 1993, U.S. exports of unmanufactured tobacco fell about 16 percent from a year earlier, and for all of 1993 exports probably will fall short of 1992's 260,365 metric tons.

U.S. leaf exports are expected to decline in 1994 because of large foreign supplies and the poorer quality of the 1993 flue-cured crop, it said.

### Bacteria helping to control pesky western weed

WASHINGTON (AP) — A weed that causes annual crop losses of up to \$30 million on pastures and rangeland in the Southwest and northern Great Plains has an enemy growing at its own roots, an Agriculture Department scientist has found.

The weed, leafy spurge, infests 5 million acres in Arizona, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming. It crowds out farm crops and grasses.

Agricultural Research Service microbiologist Robert J. Kremer of Columbia, Mo., has identified several bacteria naturally present around the weed's roots that suppressed 50 percent of leafy spurge seedlings in greenhouse studies.

Kremer also found that applying the bacteria — *Pseudomonas fluorescens* and *Flavobacterium* — reduced growth of seedlings that emerged and cut the length of their taproots by 50 percent.

Reducing taproot length is important because roots of leafy spurge typically reach four feet into the soil. The taproots also have buds from which new shoots develop, making it difficult to eliminate the weed with herbicides.

"We're studying the effectiveness of simply boosting the numbers of these bacteria," Kremer explained. "The bacteria produce large amounts of plant growth hormones. As we increase the bacteria levels, the overabundance of hormones could suppress the weed's growth rather than stimulate it."

He said the bacteria will not harm crops.

The researchers plan to evaluate the effect of the bacteria on weed seedlings in the field next spring, he said.

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### Hairy peanut tickles tastebuds

By MARGARET SCHERF  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans seeking a nutty new treat should find hairy peanuts pleasing to the taste buds, say researchers working with varieties recently collected in central Mexico.

The so-called hirsuta peanut is believed to tolerate heat and drought better than other peanuts, says a report in a recent *Agricultural Research* magazine published by the Agriculture Department.

With their densely haired stems and leaves, the hirsuta peanut also has a defense that could deter insect pests from feeding and laying eggs.

"But it was the reports of superior flavor that really sparked interest in using hairy peanuts to breed new, better flavored types for U.S. consumers," the report said.

David E. Williams, a plant explorer with USDA's National Germplasm Resources Laboratory in Beltsville, Md., recently took a trip to the central highland states of Puebla and Guanajuato in Mexico.

"Twelve of the peanut accessions collected were of the hirsuta variety, sometimes called Peruvian runner," he said. "They're much tastier than most peanuts now grown in the United States."

Williams, an ethnobotanist dealing with the relationship between human cultures and the plants in their environment, said hairy peanuts have been found in 4,000-year-old tombs in Peru, near the peanut's center of

origin in South America.

But today, Williams said, hairy peanuts are the most under-represented cultivated peanut in international germplasm collections.

Williams said hairy peanuts have not been used much in U.S. breeding programs because of their lengthy, six-month growing season. One of the main reasons for his trip to Mexico was to locate earlier-maturing specimens that could be used by North American breeders.

He also wanted to gather information about where hairy peanuts can be found, special farming techniques used to grow them, local uses and market value. And he wanted to learn how best to conserve peanut genetic resources in the places where they are growing.

"In Puebla, we were surprised to find previously unreported varieties of hairy peanuts that the natives roast and boil for local sale and consumption," Williams said.

"But these unique varieties are gradually being displaced by higher-yielding cultivars and are in real danger of becoming extinct," he said. "In Guanajuato, only a single variety of hairy peanut is still being cultivated."

Williams said hairy peanuts have such superior flavor, Mexicans consider them a delicacy.

"Customers are willing to pay more than a dollar a pound for them locally, where they're sold roasted, boiled or candied," he said. "It's because of these peanuts' flavor that they've survived."

### Ag briefs

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Agriculture Department executive has been inducted into the George Washington Carver Public Service Hall of Fame.

James E. Tatum, associate deputy chief for strategic planning and budget analysis for the Soil Conservation Service, received the award this month at the Professional Agricultural Workers Conference at Tuskegee University in Alabama.

He is the first person to receive the award from outside the academic community.

Tatum was honored for his work in advancing the quality of life for rural people and his continual support of historically black land-grant colleges and universities.

As a young soil conservationist in Albuquerque, N.M., Tatum recruited, hired and counseled many young American Indians, Hispanics and African Americans, USDA said.

In 1988, he helped bring together leaders from USDA agencies and the land-grant college community in a symposium in Nashville, Tenn., that has strengthened the linkage between those institutions and USDA, it said.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Chinese flowering shrub with colored petals — a close relative of the witch hazel — is being introduced to the United States by the U.S. National Arboretum here.

Two types of the bush, called the Blush and Burgundy Loropetalum, bear pink flowers and their foliage starts off reddish-brown and matures to olive green. Loropetalum previously cultivated in the United States bears only white flowers and has green foliage.

"The process of introducing pink-flowering Loropetalum is similar to that when the first pink-flowering dogwoods were introduced after only white ones were available," said chief horticulturist Sylvester March. "Although not as commonly used as the dogwood in landscaping, Loropetalum really should be used more, as it has many favorable traits."

The shrub can grow as high as a small tree and has graceful arching branches, closely resembling the witch hazel, he said.

The two types of shrub have been distributed to about 40 nurseries and gardens and should be commercially available in about two years, March said.

The new shrubs are easy to grow and prefer slightly acid, peaty soil and full sun to partial shade. They do well in warm climates and are hardy, but they lose their leaves in colder zones.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A popular new yogurt-juice beverage that captured more than a 5 percent share of the juice market in a major U.S. metropolitan area has the National Dairy Board scrambling to help marketers.

The board is funding in-store sampling across the country and providing matching funds for companies starting in the new dairy category to promote the new product.

The project began a year ago when the board approved money to help market "Kemps Yo-J," a yogurt-juice beverage competing with juices.

Dairy-juice blends hold more than a 5 percent market share of the juice market in Minneapolis-St. Paul, where the products were initially targeted, said David Haley of Marigold Foods, Inc., the makers of Yo-J.

The dairy board discontinued funding Yo-J exclusively after several other beverages were introduced to the market.

The board will back companies that introduce a unique and different product and spend at least three times the board's contribution.

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. grapefruit output is forecast to be 9 percent lower in the 1993-94 crop year.

Florida production is forecast at 2.1 million tons, down 11 percent, with declines in both the white and colored seedless varieties.

Production from California's desert area is unchanged from last season, said a recent report in *Agricultural Outlook*, put out by the Agriculture Department's Economic Research Service.

Texas is expected to produce 108,000 tons of grapefruit in the 1993-94 season, up from 75,000 tons the previous season.

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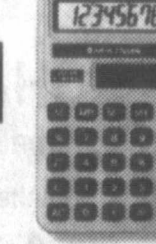


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## U.S., Vietnam battle for African diet

By MARK FRITZ  
Associated Press Writer

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (AP) — It's a rematch between old foes, but a new battle in a new jungle.

This time, the war between Vietnam and the United States is not for the hearts and minds of a people, but their diets. The weapon is rice, and the battleground is West Africa.

"Vietnam is a powerhouse in that sector," said Stan Phillips, a rice expert for the U.S. Agriculture Department in Washington.

West Africa is just one part of the developing world in which the United States, using subsidies, competes with Asia and the European Community to sell enormous surpluses of farm products.

On the positive side is that people in sub-Saharan Africa, where malnutrition is common, have access to food often priced far below what it costs to produce. The negative, critics say, is that cheap imports frustrate African efforts to become self-sufficient in food.

The United States, the leading exporter of grains, faces especially tough competition in the rice market, where it trails Thailand worldwide and is watching rapid gains by third-place Vietnam.

Special U.S. government programs provide low-interest loans for West African nations to buy more than 300,000 tons of rice annually, Phillips said.

An additional 1 million tons comes directly from big U.S. exporters, which can sell cheaply because of nearly \$1 billion in subsidies annually.

Brad Cahill, the American Rice Council official in charge of Africa,

said the region accounts for about 15 percent to 20 percent of the U.S. export rice market.

He said African rice growers cannot compete with imports because of government interference, a poor transportation network and fickle weather.

Cahill pointed out that Ivory Coast built modern rice mills during the 1970s on the assumption it was moving toward self-sufficiency. The operations failed and now mill brown rice imported from the United States.

Much of the U.S. rice sent to Africa comes as aid, but the rice industry also sees relief programs as a way to gain a hold on consumer tastes. U.S. rice is considered to be of a better quality than Vietnamese.

"That's how we break the market open," Cahill said. "We give it to them. It gets out there very well identified as U.S. rice. Our whole goal is to break them away from the aid program."

One reason the United States is so eager to sell rice abroad is because of its huge rice-producing capacity is often affected by shifting political winds.

The chief market for U.S. rice exports used to be Cuba, but then Fidel Castro took power and the industry sought new markets. It was a major exporter to South Vietnam until the Communists took power there. U.S. embargos on Iran in 1979 and Iraq in 1990 also removed significant markets.

Vietnam did not become a big player in the rice market until it dismantled its collective farms and began leasing land to individual farmers in 1988. Within two years, it was the world's third-ranking exporter.

## U.S., Europe hurt African farmers with cheap food

By MARK FRITZ  
Associated Press Writer

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (AP) — Swinging a stick at bovine behemoths, Mamadou Compaore drives his herd of rangy Sahelian longhorns down a long, windblown road to market.

If he is lucky, the young cattleman will sell the beasts for slightly more than half what they would have brought a few years ago. The reason is as clear as his view to the sea.

"The ships," he said, pointing toward the Atlantic port of Abidjan, where vessels laden with cheap beef from France are throttling his business.

Africa, the hungriest continent in the world, is struggling to keep its farm industries alive in the face of an onslaught of cheap subsidized meat, wheat, rice and corn pouring in from Europe, the United States and other food-producing superpowers.

Faced with huge surpluses of farm products, the rich nations pay fat subsidies to agribusinesses to sell excess food here, sometimes for less than it costs to produce.

Although Africa is the most undernourished place on Earth, critics say imports often compete unfairly with domestic production and push the continent, where 70 percent of the people are farmers, farther from self-sufficiency.

Some experts say it is simplistic to think cutting imports, which keep millions alive, will lead to a self-sufficient Africa. They say overregulation, corruption, poor farming techniques and bad roads

keep African farmers from getting enough food to market.

While rich nations battle for new markets to sop up their surpluses, they also pour billions of dollars into developing agriculture programs in Africa.

German taxpayers financed a state-of-the-art slaughterhouse in Ivory Coast in 1988 to process African beef. It is virtually bankrupt because the meat it produces cannot compete with taxpayer-subsidized beef from the European Community, to which Germany belongs.

"We're asking for taxpayers to pay for development in Africa on one hand, and on the other we're asking the same taxpayer to support exports that destroy local production in developing nations," said Joseph Rocher, director of the independent European Network for Agriculture, Food and Development in Lyon, France.

Defenders of food sales blame African governments, which encourage the imports to keep their people fed at the cheapest possible price.

Senegal, like many other African nations, imports U.S. rice not only to feed its people, but so it can sell the grain locally at a tidy profit and pay its civil servants.

African nations also do not cooperate to support their own agriculture, instead tangling each other and their own farmers in webs of customs rules and duties.

The cattle-producing Sahel region, just below the Sahara, has been hurt because Atlantic coastal nations to the south succumbed to the cheap European beef that began arriving a decade ago.

Compaore, the herdsman, was trying to sell cattle from Burkina Faso, where 26 percent of foreign-currency income depends on beef exports and half the population derives a living from meat in some way.

In 1975, live cattle from the Sahel accounted for two-thirds of the beef consumed in Ivory Coast. By 1990, that was down to 25 percent, according to government figures.

European Community beef exports to Ivory Coast increased sevenfold during the 1980s, peaking at 54,000 tons in 1991, much of it fatty, bony and otherwise poor-quality surplus that would not sell in Europe.

A good cut of French beef in an Abidjan supermarket sells for about \$2 a pound. The same cut of Sahel beef is about \$5.

The EC trimmed subsidies for meat exports to West Africa by 15

percent last summer after the aid group Christian Aid, based in London, criticized "meat dumping."

Gerry Kiely, spokesman for Rene Steichen, the EC farm chief, said the community is studying the situation further, but added that no African government has complained about the exports.

"If we cut more, we are going to hurt the consumer," he said. "If we stop exporting, prices are going to go up."

Ivory Coast tried to curb imports by imposing a duty in 1988, and officials are considering raising it. In 1989, it banned foreign poultry to keep U.S. exports from undercutting local producers.

**'The EC is destroying sectors of farming in the Sahel the same way the U.S. is destroying grain industries. You have agricultural systems running out of control. They need bigger and bigger markets.'**

Often, however, when an African nation tries to restrict imports to protect local production, the World Bank and Western nations scream protectionism.

"It's a vicious circle," said Dramane Coulibaly, a government agricultural economist in Burkina Faso.

Sahel nations have seen whole markets disappear. Ghana no longer buys beef from elsewhere in West Africa, but gets it from abroad.

"You have to look into the background of what's going on between the United States and Europe," said economist Kevin Watkins of the British relief agency Oxfam. "You have these massive stockpiles. You either dump them in the sea or sell them."

A tentative U.S.-EC agreement would slash EC farm subsidies 21 percent, but some people contend the farming superpowers will make peace only with each other and continuing to seek markets in the developing world.

Mark Ritchie, farm policy analyst for the Institute for Agricultural and Trade Policy in Minneapolis, says Minnesota corn that costs \$3 a bushel to produce is sold in Africa for \$1.50.

World trade talks "aren't going

anywhere near regulating that sort of dumping," he said.

What Europe is to meat in Africa, the United States is to cereal grains like rice, wheat and corn.

Stan Phillips, a rice expert for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, says efforts by Senegal and other nations to develop their own rice production face huge obstacles.

"They're not anywhere near self-sufficiency and not likely to be," he said. "The cost of production is so high they're probably better off trying to buy it on the world market."

Nigeria, Africa's most populous nation, became almost totally dependent on U.S. cereal grains during the 1970s, then banned food imports in 1986 to develop its own production.

The World Bank and the United States threatened to impose sanctions, but Nigeria was able to increase its output. However, the government also allowed a steady flow of black-market grains to be trucked over the border.

Plagued by official corruption, mismanagement and skewed budget priorities, local production still was not enough to meet demand, and Nigeria has begun reeling its ban.

John Toasper, a USDA official in Abidjan, said Nigeria is an example of the problems African nations face in building up domestic production.

"I don't think the world market is keeping local production down," he said.

The United States, which began subsidizing grains in the mid-1980s to counter a loss of market share to Europe, designates 20 West and Central African countries that can receive wheat at subsidized prices. Nearly half the 68 million metric tons of wheat produced in the United States goes abroad.

European Community meat, most of it from France, began hitting the shores of West Africa in the late 1970s, when EC surpluses began ballooning at the same time that drought seriously eroded production in the Sahel.

Fourteen West African countries imported 21,759 tons of non-African meat in 1980. By 1992, that had more than tripled.

"The EC is destroying sectors of farming in the Sahel the same way the U.S. is destroying grain industries," said Watkins, the Oxfam economist. "You have agricultural systems running out of control. They need bigger and bigger markets."

## The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

### WHEAT - (BULL/BEAR)

**OUTLOOK:** Export sales have been good in the past few weeks and this has kept prices near the recent highs. In the coming weeks look for increased competition from Canada and particularly Australia. We're also anticipating a slower export pace — at least until mid-January.

As a result the market action could be sloppy with a two-sided affair in the short run. Longer term, the wheat market will be hard-pressed to have a dramatic decline if corn and other grains remain firm — which they very well could.

**STRATEGY: Hedgers:** You are short up to 50 percent of your inventory in the March contract above \$3.50. Spring wheat farmers consider using the Chicago contract to hedge. I look for good quality spring wheat to gain in relation to winter. Remember, this tool is for the purpose of protecting the value of stored wheat and should only be used by those who have wheat on hand. We remain unhedged in the remaining 50 percent at this time.

**Traders:** Based on last week's recommendation you should have been able to buy March Minneapolis and sell March Chicago on a spread with the Mpls. trading no more than 25¢ over the Chicago (it did trade as low as 22¢). Risk 10¢ (\$500/spread) for a minimum profit objective of 45¢ (\$1000/spread minus commissions). There is a shortage of the Minneapolis variety and I don't look for it to be any less short in the coming few months so this spread should continue to widen.

### CORN - (BULL)

**OUTLOOK:** At press time it appears the gasoline program will include 30 percent ethanol. This is the classic political compromise and can't be considered a home run for the corn producers, but it's not all that bad either — at least a single. It's

### work erratically higher over the coming months.

**STRATEGY: Hedgers:** Last week we suggested "selective hedgers" cash in on the February 74 puts and in effect assume the risk of the marketplace at this time. More traditional hedgers (what I call "true" hedgers) still own this protection. The puts will tend to gain in value in a declining market with the objective of protecting against weak cash markets.

If you bought your feeder cattle right, and hedged your corn as we've suggested for months now, the puts allow you to lock in at work case scenario a break-even. If the market trades back up to 76 (February) or 78 (April) we recommend all hedgers consider replacing at the money put protection.

**Cowcalf operators:** Last week we recommended "selective" hedgers look to cash in their put options and in effect assume the risk of the marketplace at this point. "True" hedgers still own the protection from approximately 84 basis the March futures. If the market trades back up to this level we recommend all operators consider buying the 84 March puts.

**Speculators:** You should have been able to execute our recommended spread position — Buy February Live Cattle and sell April Live Cattle with the April trading at least 250 points greater than the February. I was able to enter this as high as 275 for clients and for my own account. Risk to a close above 350.

With the spread at current levels the risk is historically small. The optimal entry point is generally in December. If a winter storm develops anytime in the coming few months (and cattle performance is hindered) the spread has the potential to generate significant profits as the February trades stronger in relation to the April.

In fact, the profit potential is huge in relation to the margin requirement (only \$100/spread at our clearing firm). We recommend a backup cushion of an additional \$400/spread to avoid margin calls and will provide updates in future issues.

**Holiday note:** I will be taking a vacation next week, but want to take this opportunity to wish my readers a joyous holiday period and a healthy and profitable 1994! George K.

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# Were mystics right? Are buffalo reclaiming the Plains?

"When the buffalo saw their day was over and they could no longer protect the people, survivors gathered in council. Early one day a young woman looked through the mist to see the herd appear like a spirit dream and walk into an opening in Mount Scott. Inside, the world was fresh and green as it once had been. Into this beauty the buffalo walked, never to be seen again." — Kiowa legend.

By FRED BAYLES  
AP National Writer

PAWHUSKA, Okla. (AP) — They come plodding out of the foggy dawn, lured by the bleat of the truck's horn and its promise of alfalfa and molasses cubes, a tempting treat compared to their sturdy diet of native Blue Stem and Indian grasses.

The morning ritual is to prepare 300 buffaloes for release onto the sepia-toned hills and swales of ranch land owned by The Nature Conservancy. Gamboling around the slow-moving truck, the buffalo grunt a murmur of reassurance that ripples slowly through the herd.

"You know they belong when you see them out there," says Bob Hamilton, a biologist charged with growing the herd into 1,800 head over the next decade. "They're a major cog in the ecological machine."

The buffalo release this fall at the 36,600-acre preserve on the Kansas border is but one piece in a mosaic that, for some, is beginning to resemble the prophecies made by Indian mystics a century ago.

In the Ghost Dance of the late 1880s, Plains Indians spoke of a time the buffalo would return, signaling the collapse of white society and a reclamation of lands taken from the tribes and their buffalo brothers.

Now, the buffalo are returning. Their numbers have quadrupled to 135,000 since the 1970s; exponential growth is expected to continue as the herds expand for commercial, conservation and cultural reasons.

And as the buffalo move onto the land, people continue to move off.

Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma and the Dakotas have seen populations in more than a hundred rural counties drop to half their 1930 levels. Railroad and bus services have declined. Schools and hospitals have closed. Working farms and ranches have disappeared.

There are those who see a connection. "The buffalo tell us what is happening and what is likely to happen in the Great Plains," said Frank Popper, a Rutgers University urban planner who has been predicting the Plains will revert to a frontier of buffalo and open spaces.

"Buffalo are the only animals in America that have commercial, wildlife and mythic value," he said. "They are important because they represent a different use of the land."

Those seeking buffalo signs can find them up and down the Great Plains, a 1,500-mile, 10-state region stretching from Montana to the Rio Grande. The signs are fueled by different, unrelated sources, from ranchers and conservationists to Indian tribes. But whatever their motives, each are contributing to the rapid growth of the herds.

In Yellowstone National Park, a policy of nonintervention has seen the herd triple to 3,300 over 20 years and push beyond park boundaries. There are plans for herds on public park lands and private conservation tracts from Wyoming to Texas.



Some of 300 buffalo are rounded up on a ranch near Bartlesville, Okla., for transport to the Nature Conservancy's Tallgrass Prairie Preserve in northeastern Oklahoma. (AP photo/Tulsa World-Daryl Wilson)

Ranchers are turning to buffalo. Naturally adapted to prairie life, buffalo are cheaper to raise than cattle; their low-fat, high-in-hype meat brings in more money. The incentives are such that the American Bison Association has grown from 14 members in 1974 to 1,200 today.

Buffaloes also are returning to Indian lands throughout the Plains. Economic and ecological benefits are cited, but there is an emphasis, too, on their spiritual impact.

"When native people see a herd for the first time, the moment is incredible," said Donna House, a tribal organizer in Santa Fe, N.M. "There is a breath, a sigh, as if they had been waiting for something for a long time and it's finally here."

But there also is a considered hesitation as some wonder if it is the time — or the way — for the buffaloes' return. They worry about the imposition of feedlots and breeding strategies on an animal that symbolizes the ethos of the American frontier.

"We've seen people manipulating buffalo to behave like cattle and we believe the buffalo has an intrinsic spirit that won't stand to be treated like that," said Mark Heckert, director of the InterTribal Bison Cooperative, a group of 26 tribes raising buffalo on Indian lands. "It has some tribal elders saying we have to ask the buffalo if they want to come back."

It is too early to tell if the buffalo will even come back. Their total population represents little more than one day's cattle slaughter in this country. The future of the animal, and its habitat, remains as Crowfoot, a Blackfoot warrior-poet once said, ethereal as "the breath of a buffalo in the winter time."

"What's developing is a New West that's similar in some ways to the Old West," said Robert Pickering, head of anthropology at the Denver Museum of Natural History. "It's visionary stuff. It's

just not clear what the vision is." The vast grasslands of the Great Plains molded, and were molded by, the partnership of buffalo and Indians that lasted a hundred centuries before the white man came.

Some 700 varieties of plants formed the great sea of grass that covered 20 percent of the continent.

The buffalo grazed the grasses into a balance of annuals and perennials that provided home for a rich diversity of animal life. Buffalo manure provided a rich compost for plant and insect species. The tribes had their impact, too, setting prairie fires in ceremonies and warfare that kept eastern forests from invading the Plains.

In turn, the Plains shaped the buffalo. The big animals adapted to a climate that produces the nation's hottest summers and coldest winters, a landscape with the shortest growing season and a succession of miseries ranging from hail, windstorms and blizzards to drought and locusts.

The herds prospered in sizes estimated between 30 million to 50 million animals. But it took only a generation — and the introduction of railroads and buffalo hunters — to wipe them out.

They were replaced by settlers lured to the region by the free land of the 1862 Homestead Act, but continuing drought in the 1890s sent many farmers packing. They were followed by a second wave of migration enticed by even more generous homestead laws and Europe's hunger for American wheat during and after World War I.

Then came the Dust Bowl and the Depression of the 1930s, and the land emptied again. A third boom-bust cycle ended in the 1980s with the farm crisis and the dramatic plunge in the energy industry.

The results can be seen in the 1990 census of the Great Plains counties: In

Nebraska, 50 out of 52 counties lost population, and North Dakota lost people in 38 of 41 counties. Oklahoma had only one county that did not lose people.

The only growth in rural counties is among the Indian tribes; rising births and a return to the land by tribal members has doubled the Indian population in South Dakota alone since 1960.

This resurgence among the native tribes is boosted by the buffalo's return.

"Every indigenous people have something to say about buffalo," said Ed Valandra, a Lakota Sioux activist and writer. "It's a relationship that goes back to the beginning."

Lakota Sioux narratives tell of a time when man and buffalo were one, helping each other in times of crisis. They lived in a balance that made it possible for both groups to, as the Lakota say, "live well in the natural world."

Today, on many reservations, animals are culled for food and money. But the buffalo also bring a return of old ceremonies and sense of tribal identity.

"It is a way of getting to know our spirituality. It gets the younger generation talking about re-establishing their roots," said Gerard Baker, a Mandan-Hidatsa Indian and superintendent of the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument who has helped establish herds on public parkland and reservations.

Popper, the urban planner, sees all these trends confirming a 1987 paper he wrote with his wife, Deborah, that predicted an evolution of "Buffalo Commons," a metaphor to describe a future Plains similar to the past — a place of sparse population where buffalo would be a major commodity of food, ecology, even tourism.

"What we're saying is the more than century-long settlement of the Plains isn't working," Popper said. "It's really as if the Ghost Dance prophecy is coming true."

## Texas economy grew faster than nation's; NAFTA on the horizon

By SUSAN HIGHTOWER  
A Business Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Despite a worrisome downturn in oil prices, 1993 was strong for Texas business, as the state's economy grew faster than the nation's and many looked forward to a boon from the North American Free Trade Agreement.

"Far and away it was a net positive year, with NAFTA outweighing everything else," Baylor University economist Ray Perryman said.

The free trade agreement, which passed in November and takes effect Jan. 1, links the United States, Canada and Mexico in a single market, eliminating tariffs and other trade barriers over the next 15 years.

While some critics contend the pact will lure U.S. companies to Mexico, many Texas and national leaders hail it as good news for the state.

"It's got to be a huge shot in the arm in small business here in the state of Texas," said Robert Howden, Texas director of the National Federation of Independent Business.

The year was one of solid growth in Texas, seasoned with several corporate relocation announcements. Unemployment slowly declined and pretax personal income rose. Employment should finish about 2 percent higher for 1993, while sales climbed in all major markets, Perryman said.

Real estate strengthened until average existing home prices returned to their peak level of the mid-1980s, said James Christian, an economist who heads Texas A&M University's Real Estate Center.

"You kind of felt like popping the champagne and saying, 'It's over! We're back!'" Christian said.

"I think that kind of makes for an interesting perspective on where the state is going. Our wounds of the middle-1980s have largely healed. The pro-

cess of healing has largely changed the structure of the state economy in many parts of the state," from dependence on natural resources such as oil and agriculture to a diversified economy that includes services, computers and biotechnology, Christian said.

"We're a couple of beats ahead of the national economy in getting ready and building our platform in growth and the global economy."

Negatives for Texas business in 1993 included cancellation of the superconducting super collider, defense cuts and recent weakness in the oil market.

Congress killed the \$11 billion collider under construction near Waxahachie in October, costing about 2,400 jobs.

Defense cutbacks were not as significant in 1993 as in 1992, the economists said. "Texas did get a lick, but it was more like a glancing blow," Christian said.

The oil industry began the year healthier, with crude prices around \$19 a barrel. However, prices began dropping in the fall and have plunged since late November, when the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries unexpectedly decided against reducing oil output in the winter. Prices for U.S. oil have fallen to their lowest levels in five years, dipping below \$14 a barrel.

"We still remain hopeful that natural gas will be a prime fuel, and that modern technology will cut costs substantially in both production and in finding new production. But it's going to take correction in price before we can move substantially in those fronts, and that didn't happen, of course. It went the other way," said Julian Martin, executive vice president of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association.

Martin said he believes prices will ease up to \$15 after the start of the year.

Brian Schaible, spokesman for the

Texas Railroad Commission, said oil production likely will be down in 1993, compared to 1992, while gas production, prices and prospects were up.

Farmers and ranchers had a strong year overall, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said. The year's cotton crop is shaping up as among the best ever, and grapefruit, pecan and corn were very strong. Wheat production and peanuts were down, Perry said.

Austin and San Antonio were at the forefront of the state's overall growth, led in part by San Antonio's tourism and electronics and high-technology in Austin.

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The state suffered a temporary black eye when Williamson County commissioners voted against offering tax breaks to Apple Computer Inc., jeopardizing an \$80 million customer support center expected to bring 1,700 jobs to the area north of Austin by the end of the decade. But the commissioners — who objected to Apple's benefits policy for unmarried employees, including gays — reversed their vote a week later.

Austin-based Dell Computer Corp., the nation's fifth-largest PC company, reported its first-ever loss in the second quarter. Dell returned to profitability in the third quarter, but said it would not meet its \$3 billion sales target.

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# Abused, neglected babies born to HIV-infected mothers find refuge in L.A.

By DEBORAH HASTINGS  
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The 9-month-old boy arrived in a full body cast. His father had thrown him across a room.

A 16-month-old girl toddled around her first home that wasn't a car or a cardboard box. She came here after her drug-addicted mother was sent to jail.

These tiny victims of abuse and neglect also were born to HIV-infected mothers, a double plight that brought them to Caring for Babies with AIDS. The 14-bed temporary home serves a small but growing population in need.

A nationwide study for The Orphan Project in New York estimated that AIDS already has left up to 40,000 children and adolescents without parents to care for them. The study, published a year ago in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, projected that number will double by the end of the decade.

The study's authors concluded "a social catastrophe is unavoidable" unless more is done.

"When I first got involved with this, I thought this is not going to be something I enjoy. This is chil-

dren and death and dying," said Ginny Foat, 52, the home's executive director.

"You hear them laughing and playing and you realize that in many ways, you've saved their lives."

This work is not easy. HIV-infected children often suffer nerve and brain damage. They are prone to diarrhea, vomiting, spiking fevers, painful rashes, and thrush — a fungus that forms milky white lesions in the mouth and throat.

Too young to understand why they feel so bad, some children lash out in frustration. After one toddler lost her ability to walk, she began banging her head against a wall.

Though they tested positive for HIV at birth, not all of these babies will develop AIDS. No one knows why, but the virus' antibodies disappear from 70 percent of such infants within 18 months.

Still, Foat and her staff take extreme care not to expose themselves or the children to illness. Employees with the slightest trace of a cold don't come to work. Walls are washed with bleach. Gloves are worn for diaper changes. Every substance that goes

in and out of these children is monitored.

The 27 full-time caregivers tend to 14 children under the age of 5. Other staff offer family intervention services and counseling. Caring for Babies with AIDS also tracks for two years every child who leaves its doors. None has died.

The children are placed here by Los Angeles County Juvenile Court, on their way to placement in foster care or with other relatives.

The beds are always full. "The need is critical," Foat said. "If we had 20 beds right now, they'd probably be full, too."

Caring for Babies with AIDS occupies four houses in a commercial and residential section at the city's western edge. Its \$1.5 million budget comes from government support and private donations. Capacity has doubled since

the home opened in 1990.

Seated recently in the compound's courtyard, Foat talked over the laughter and chatter of children at play. Scattered about were pint-sized walkers for tiny legs that now buckle.

A gay rights and AIDS activist in recent years, she has lost five friends to AIDS.

"I got so angry, I wanted to do something to make a difference," Foat said. In the late 1980s she began holding monthly AIDS fundraisers at a West Hollywood restaurant she managed. In 1989 she joined the board of a new group called Caring For Babies with AIDS.

A decade ago, while heading California's chapter of the National Organization for Women, she was extradited to Louisiana and tried for the killing of a businessman.

Foat was acquitted in 1983 and

won't talk about that period of her life. "I don't ever talk about me anymore," she said. "It's not relevant to what I'm doing now."

Compared with other cities with large AIDS populations, Los Angeles has relatively few pediatric cases, which include children up to age 13.

This is especially surprising since Los Angeles ranks second among U.S. metropolitan areas in the number of adults and teenagers with AIDS — 21,704 as of September, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. New York tops the list with 54,716.

But in pediatric AIDS cases, Los Angeles ranks fifth, recording 146 since the disease was identified in 1981. New York, which ranks first, has counted 1,183.

Public health officials attribute the disparity to differences in intra-

venous drug use — the primary route of AIDS transmission in heterosexuals.

Unlike New York and Newark, Los Angeles drug users are less likely to use needles, said Eileen Ritchie, a county Department of Children's Services program specialist who wrote the agency's AIDS policy.

Here, she said, "there isn't the same number of people shooting up, or sharing needles in shooting galleries."

The relatively low number of children with AIDS has given Los Angeles officials more time to devise a countywide care system for them.

But with women among the fastest growing groups at risk for AIDS, the likelihood increases that more HIV-infected children will need places like Caring for Babies with AIDS.

## "JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH"

"Being therefore justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ; through whom also we have had our access by faith into this grace wherein we stand; and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God." (Rom. 5:1-2) The apostle Paul had introduced Abraham as an example of one who was justified by faith (Rom. 4.)

Certainly, Abraham was justified by faith but not by faith only, nor at the point of faith. James writes: "Was not our father Abraham justified by works in that he offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Thou seest that faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect; and the scripture was fulfilled which saith, And Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned unto him for righteousness; and he was called the friend of God. Ye see that by works a man is justified, and not only by faith." (Jas. 2:21-24.) There is no contradiction between Paul and James. Paul was writing in refutation of the Jews' misconception of justification through the works of the law, or works deserving of justification. If that idea were true, then

salvation (justification) would be a debt which God owed. James was speaking of the works which Abraham did, which were the works of God. Abraham did not do what he did believing that the works were deserving of the reward, but he did what he did because of his faith in God.

So it must be with us today. We must do, or obey, the commands of the gospel in order to be saved (Mk. 16:15-16; Acts 2:38; Matt. 28:18-20; Heb. 5:9.) But when we obey God it must be by faith as it was with Abraham. Therefore, salvation or justification is by faith made perfect through works of obedience (Rom. 5:1; Eph. 2:8-9.)

Paul wrote further in the Roman letter: "being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus;" (Rom. 3:24.) The "redemption that is in Christ Jesus" is made available through His sacrifice on the cross where He shed His blood. We realize the benefits of justification when we take advantage of that redemption in our obedience by faith to the commands of the gospel.

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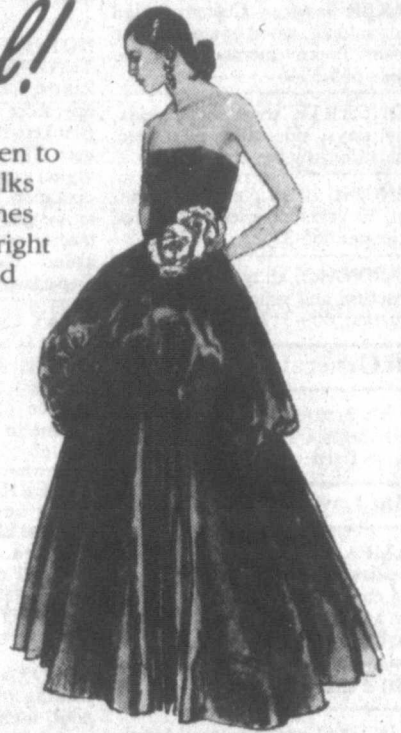
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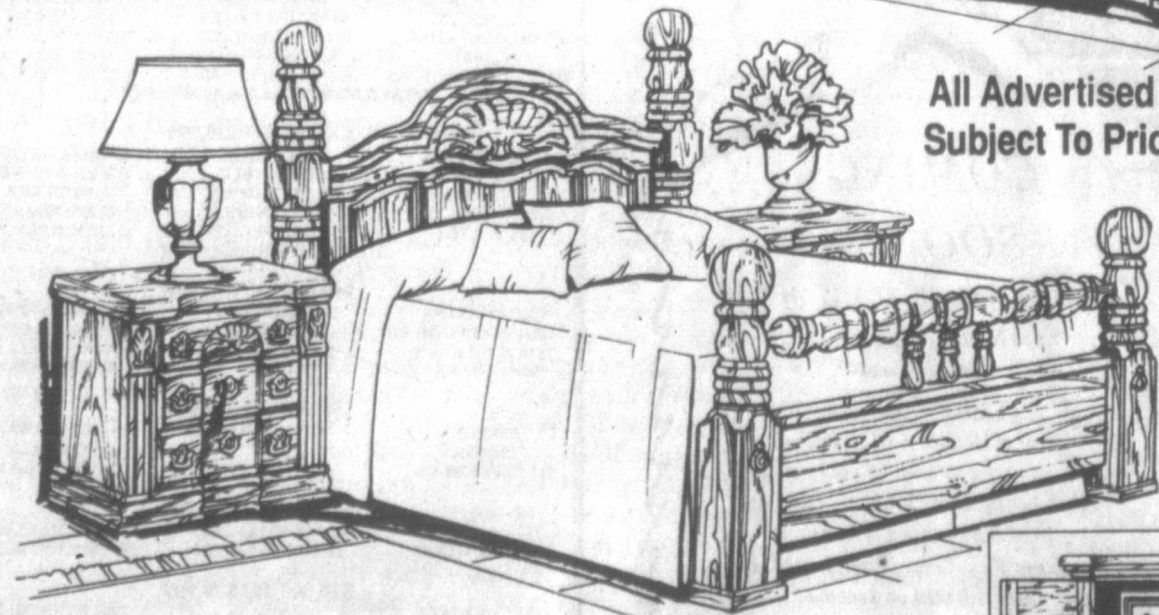
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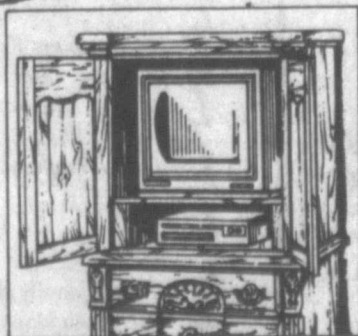
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