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Internal Strife, Pope Plague Rulers Of Iran

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—The regime of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini ordered troops to take control of the capital of the restive Baluchistan region today as defiant tribesmen there fought government forces for the third straight day.

As Khomeini's troubles with the Baluchi ethnic minority worsened, he also faced new criticism from an influential quarter abroad -- Pope John Paul II.

In a Vatican City address clearly referring to the 50 Americans held at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, the pontiff condemned the holding of hostages as a violation of "the unquestionable international law."

Martial law was ordered in Zahedan, capital of Baluchistan-Sistan province, where two persons, including a revolutionary guard, were reported killed and eight injured as masked gunmen set up roadblocks around the city and fired from rooftops.

The central government guards and armed local residents fought on the highway to Khash, some 10 miles from the city center, and three other guards were injured, the state radio reported.

The Baluchis, members of Iran's minority Sunni Moslem sect, have long sought more self-rule in the province. Although most of the world's Moslems are Sunnis, the vast majority of Iranians are members of the rival Shiite sect.

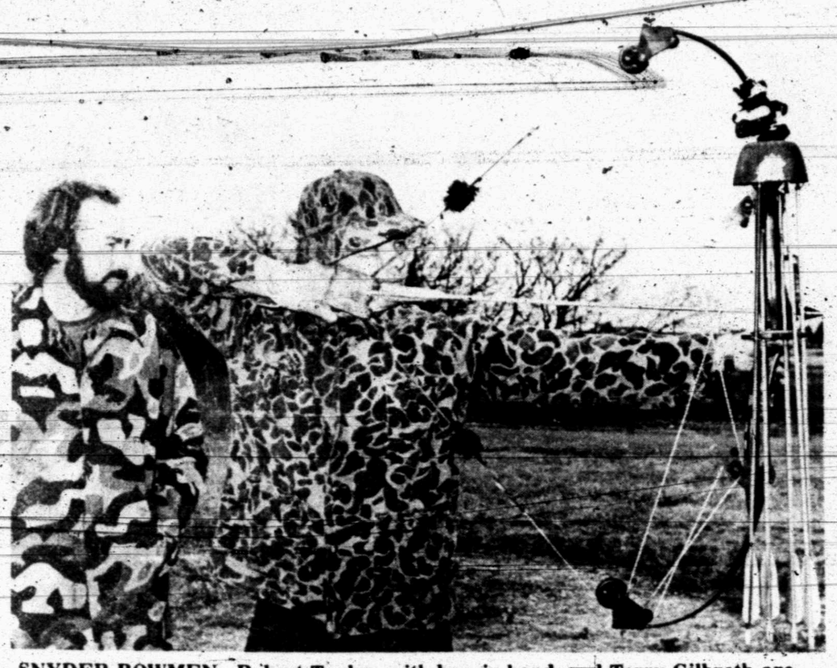
The Baluchis defied a government order to lay down arms. Former Foreign Minister Ibrahim Yazdi, dispatched to Zahedan by Khomeini last Thursday to try to calm Baluchi unrest, gave the order.

An official statement by Yazdi's mission, broadcast today, declared that "in view of the critical situation in Zahedan, the army will take over ... until further notice to maintain security and peace."

Ten persons have been killed and 76 injured there since Thursday.

The pope's statements were his strongest yet on the hostage siege.

He condemned the breach of international law as an act "causing immense suffering to the persons concerned and their families." The pontiff has repeatedly called for the release of the hostages but his pleas have gone unanswered in Moslem Iran.



SNYDER BOWMEN—Robert Taylor, with bow in hand, and Terry Gilbreth are local bow hunters who prefer that activity to hunting with rifles. It increases the sport, they said. (SDN Staff Photo)

Local Archers Declare Bow-Hunting 'Exciting'

By JOHN LONG

'Tis the season for deer hunting, and many modern deer hunters are reverting back to bow hunting. Three local practitioners of bow hunting say they like it better than hunting with rifles.

Although they're not ready yet to trade in their rifles, Dubb Tubb, Robert Taylor and Terry Gilbreth all agreed that hunting with bow and arrow increases the sport of stalking deer.

Tubb took up archery 20 years ago, but quit after a few years and endured a 15-year hiatus. He took it back up again two years ago.

He took it up in the first place "just for the sport, I guess." He resumed it when "I just decided I wanted to get a deer with a bow."

His wish came true this past Oct. 15 when he downed a small buck with bow and arrow.

"When you hunt deer for a year with a bow," he said, "you learn more in that year than in 10 or 15 years of using a rifle."

Tubb noted that bows have improved tremendously in the past 20 years. Today's compound bows

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Weekend update

More Gas Than Money

WASHINGTON (AP)-Americans planning to travel by car over the Christmas and New Year's holidays should have few problems finding gasoline but paying for it may be harder, says the American Automobile Association.

The AAA said Friday that prices at the pump will be "higher than ever."

The SDN Column

A businessman sought the counsel of an old man of many years.

"I fear for the future, for our country," said the younger man. Evil is everywhere. You only need to pick up a newspaper or turn on the TV to see that the world is filled with strife and that evil is taking over. What can we do to turn it around?"

The old man smiled. "Are you one of the evil men?" he asked.

"Certainly not," said the businessman.

"Good," said the old man. "Now we have a start against the evil people you fear. What about your neighbors and your friends and associates? Are they the evil ones?"

"Well, no. They are mostly good, hardworking citizens.

"Excellent," said the old man. "We can take more hope. Now, in your community, who builds the buildings, drives the trucks, does the laundry, bakes the bread, teaches the children, tends the stores and grows the crops? These must be the evil men you fear."

"Oh, no. These are not evil. They are mostly good people who turn out a fair day's work," said the business man.

"Perhaps you see my point," said the old man. "Other communities and cities are very much like yours. They were built and are run by good people. The most productive nation in the world is peopled with a useful, hardworking citizenry. The fact that evil makes news is proof that it is unusual and is the exception. Millions of people live right. For this reason it is news when people do wrong. It is the bottom five percent that do the evil things reported in the news.

"People are basically good because a baby was born in a manager a long time ago. His life and his teachings have helped change men's lives away from evil. The Christmas spirit he started lives on in the hearts of men," said the old man. "Yes, my friend, people are good. Christmas has had its effect."

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When you've experienced as many Christmases as some of us, you reach the point that you figure all has been said about this occasion that can be said.

But we forget the little ones, who seem to have a nack for grasping much more than we give them credit for in putting things in perspective.

So, we were a bit surprised, but not a lot, when Jim Erwin, principal of North Elementary School, dropped off a Christmas story at the SDN office.

It came from the pen of a first grader in Marge Mathis' room at North Elementary. The assignment to write a Christmas story was the first attempt of these pupils to write a story on their own, with no outside assitance, even from teacher.

This one immediately attracted attention, and we pass it along unabridged and unedited:

"The Crismas angels kam and said to the Shaprds fir not bee kos i brag you titings of grat joy. At this time in bathlahan ire Lod God is born. I Love God and God Loves me."

If that's not summing it up succinctly, how many out there would like to try to do better?

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The cactus patch philosopher says, "Merry Christmas."--WACIL McNAIR

Khomeini To Allow Clergy For Christmas

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)-Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini has cleared the way for clergymen to go to the U.S. Embassy so the 50 Americans held hostage there can "celebrate Christmas in peace." In Washington, President Carter on Friday accused the Khomeini regime of "arrogant defiance" and said America will ask the United Nations to impose economic sanctions against Iran. Khomeini, Iran's revolutionary leader, said in a statement Friday night that "on the occasion of Christmas, the Revolutionary Council is to invite a number of Christian clergy to come to Iran so that American hostages may celebrate Christmas in peace."

On Odd-Numbered Year...

Christmas Also Means Politics Approaching

If Christmas on an odd-numbered year is approaching, can politics be far behind?

Never in Texas.

And 1980 political talk already is beginning to bubble in Scurry County, especially around the courthouse.

This is a presidential election year, which is due to enhance the prospects for a big turnout at the general election next November. On the state level, however, it is mostly an "off-year." Locally, voters will fill several county and district offices.

And, as voters and candidates have come to expect, there have been a few changes in the election laws.

Texas will not elect a governor, lieutenant governor, nor several other state offices in 1980 because these offices have now gone to four-year terms and the present office holders were elected in 1978.

Scurry Countians will cast ballots for an associate justice of the 11th District Court of Civil Appeals, for State Representative of the 63rd District, for judge of the 132nd District Court, for district attorney for the 132nd District, for county attorney, for county tax collector, for county sheriff, for county commissioners Precincts No. 1 and No. 3 and for constables. There are two constables now serving, in Precincts No. 1 and 3, and two constable's posts are vacant, those in Precinct's No. 2 and No. 4.

Several incumbents have indicated that they will seek re-election, including State Rep. Mike Ezzell of Snyder who represents the 63rd District.

The election laws now require that a candidate

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Ask Us

Q.-What service does the $5 overdraft charge cover at the bank?

A.-Basically, it just reimburses the bank for handling a hot check, we are told. The average hot check is typically handled five times before being returned to the payee. In addition to the handling charge, the overdraft charge also goes to cover interest charges.

5 Small Planes Fall; Kill 13

By The Associated Press

Five private planes, two of them battling dense fog, crashed in accidents in Florida, Arkansas, Utah and Illinois, killing all 13 persons aboard.

A small plane crashed into a downtown Orlando Fla., lake early today, missing the highrise lakeside apartments, and killing all four passengers, authorities said.

Orlando Police Sgt. John Todd said the plane took off from Herndon Airport shortly after midnight and "went directly into the lake and sank."

Divers recovered two bodies inside the sunken twin-engine Beachcraft, and two others were found at the bottom of Lake Eola.

The identities of the victims were not immediately available and the destination of the plane was not known.

Authorities said at least eight persons jumped into the water in an effort to save the passengers.

In Arkansas, an Iowa farmer died Friday when a Cessna 182 crashed into the woods west of Jessieville in Garland County.

Authorities said James L.

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Cotton Burr Disposal Develops Into Problem

No matter how pleasant a task may be, there are bound to be problems when people are involved.

Such is the case in ginning Scurry County's biggest cotton crop. One of the gins, Snyder Co-op No. 1, is located at the south edge of the city on 37th St. And the problem of disposing of burrs and other gin trash poses a problem. No longer are gins permitted to burn burrs. They must be hauled away.

Fortunately, many people are anxious to get cotton burrs for farm, garden and yard fertilizer. But the problem is getting the burrs away from the gin. Cotton burrs and West Texas winds are not exactly compatible, and burrs blown from trucks have drawn complaints.

John Strother, manager of the Co-op Gin, said farmers were concerned about the complaints. City police have issued tickets to several burr truckers. He said farmers feel that it almost has reached the point of harrassment. They have to get a $30 million cotton crop processed and everybody in the community is going to benefit from it, they reason.

Police Chief Bill Stone said his department had no intention of harrassing anybody. However they have received complaints and in response they have found violations of Texas Motor Vehicle Laws governing the transporting of loose materials.

"We have checked with the Attorney General to make certain that our interpretation of this law is correct, and have been assured that it is," said Stone. He said policemen are committed under oath to enforce the law and especially in view of complaints, they feel that

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County Gins Still Humming

Gins were still running full blast at the end of the week, although movement of cotton from the fields was interrupted by weather conditions for several days, as harvesting of Scurry County's biggest cotton crop continued.

Gins had processed 64,478 bales and had 21,240 more bales tagged, pushing the total harvested past the 85,000-bale mark.

The bale count by gins:

GIN	BALES GINNED	TAGGED
Dunn	6787	765
Fluvanna	3710	3600
Hermleigh	5519	400
Ira	4910	560
Paymaster	7301	3000
China Grove	8200	3020
Inadale	11502	5000
Sn. Co-op 1	7000	900
Sn. Co-op 2	9549	4000
Totals	64478	21240

AN AMERICAN CHRISTMAS—Celebrating her first American Christmas is Silvia Donadei, a foreign student spending one year at Snyder High School under the asupices of the American Field Service. She was presented several gifts by the SHS student body. Presenting her with some of the gifts is Darrell Collins, president of the student body. (SDN Staff Photo)

Jaycees Tell Decorating Winners

Winners in the Snyder Jaycee's Outdoor Christmas Decorating Contest have been announced by Robert Patterson, project chairman. First prize went to Charles Anderson, 2903 32nd St. In second place was Ray Wagner, 2301 Ave. T. Third prize winner was Kenneth Wood, 2705 38th St. Entries were judged on Friday, Dec. 21.

"The hundreds of Snyder homes with outdoor Christmas decorations really add to the enjoyment of the Christmas season," said Patterson, "and we wish to thank each person who entered our contest."

First prize in the contest was a $50.00 U.S. Savings Bond from the Snyder Jaycees; second prize was $20.00 in Santa Bucks & Gift Certificates donated by the Snyder Daily News & KSNY Radio Station. Third prize was $10.00 in Santa Bucks & Gift Certificates.

Monday SDN Early; No Paper Tuesday

Most Snyderites were preparing for a general holiday on Monday as the last week before Christmas came to an end.

The Snyder Daily News will be closed Tuesday, Christmas Day and will not publish a paper that day. Also, press time for Monday, Christmas Eve, will be moved up and Monday's issue should be delivered earlier than usual.

Most offices and business firms are due to be closed here all day on Tuesday.

Snyder Shoppers Win Santa Bucks

Eleven lucky Snyder shoppers have been named winners in the final Snyder Daily News Santa Bucks drawing.

J.T. Stephens, Rt. 3, Box 225, is the $100 winner.

Six $50 winners are Fern Cox, Arah Rt.; Beverly Hendricks, 306 34th; Bill Atwood, 3100 El Paso; Ann Everett, Rt. 1, Box 40; Pat Mann, 420 31st; and Mrs. Graham Smith, Rt. 3.

The four $25 winners are Kathy Jones, 3731 Ave. U; Tim Kotila, Box 82, Hermleigh; Yolanda Pesina, 408 34th St.; and Kim Davis, Rt. 1, Box 193-C.

Winners should pick up their Santa Bucks as soon as possible at the SDN office, as they must be redeemed for merchandist at any of the 32 participating merchants by Dec. 31.

The SDN congratulates all winners in the $1500 five-week contest, and hopes the contest provided a little holiday joy and suspense to all who entered.

Merry Christmas.

SNYDER TEMPERATURE: High Friday, 66 degrees; low, 47 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. today, 50 degrees; precipitation, none; total precipitation for 1979 to date, 20.12.

West Texas: Partly cloudy to clear with a gradual day to day warming trend. Highs Monday 40s north and 50s south except 60s Big Bend warming by Wednesday to the 60s and lower 70s. Lows Monday in the upper teens Panhandle and 20s elsewhere warming to the 30s by Wednesday.

Gold Nears Unthinkable Price Of $500 Ounce

By KRISTIN GOFF
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP)-The price of gold came within a few dollars of the once unthinkable $500-an-ounce level this past week, more than double its price at the start of the year.

Some argue gold's dramatic climb reflects a world anxiety attack, since gold's value is largely psychological.

Other than artistic value for jewelry, and a few commercial uses in electronics and dentistry, gold doesn't have much practical use.

But for centuries it has functioned as a storehouse of value, often as a currency itself and, until recently, as a backing for major world currencies.

Gold was phased out as a backing for the dollar in series of steps in the late 1960s and early 1970s, partly because economists felt pegging it to a commodity of limited supply was restraining economic growth and world trade expansion.

Gold brokers say bullion's latest price spiral has been fueled by Middle Eastern buyers whose faith in currencies and paper investments is declining and who are worried about political turmoil and world inflation.

To some extent, the U.S.-Iranian crisis can be viewed as the spark that set off that most recent price explosion.

"I think you have a lot of Arab money buying gold, money that was withdrawn from the U.S. after the Iranian asset freeze," said Louis Vigdor, an assistant vice president at Manfra, Tordella & Brooks, a major gold trading firm

The move by the United States to freeze dollar holdings of the Iranians after U.S. hostages were taken early last month has apparently resulted in growing uneasiness among oil-rich Arab states about the safety of paper investments and dollar holdings.

Since Nov. 4, when the hostages were taken, the price of gold has climbed by about $100 an ounce.

SIDE GLANCES

"The only people who are going to be nostalgic for the 1970s will be the owners of fuel stocks!"

ONE CAR TURNOVER---A 1970 Oldsmobile driven by Virginia Lindsey, 25, of Austin, veered off the road Friday afternoon and overturned. Although heavy damages were reported to the car, there were no injuries. The accident occurred about 3:30 p.m., approximately 3.5 miles west of Snyder on Highway 84. (SDN Staff Photo)

Experience Unlimited Seeks People

Experience Unlimited would like to contact men and women 60 years of age and older who are interested in part-time or temporary jobs.

Experience Unlimited operates through the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center, but its services are available to all persons of Senior Citizen age whether or not they participate in activities at the Center.

The program is designed to bring workers and employers together, Jean Smith, coordinator, points out. Persons interested in working register at the Center and prospective employers call the Experience Unlimited office in the Senior Center, and it is open each weekday. Telephone inquiries may be made by calling 573-0104.

"We would like to talk to Senior Citizens whether they want to work now or after the holidays," Mrs. Smith said. "We have several prospective employers interested in hiring part-time people now and later; and we would like to contact more Senior Citizens who want to work."

Service Pins Presented To City Staff

Service award pins were presented Friday night at the annual Christmas dinner for personnel of the City of Snyder.

Mayor John Fagin presided over the program, which featured Christmas songs by Cindy Hataway.

John Gayle, city manager, presented the service pins. Receiving 25-year pins were Joe Barboza and Alfred Kohl, while N.Y. Benitez received a 20-year pin, Yommy Guynes received a 15-ines received a 15-year pin; Bobby Kenner received a 10-year pin, and five-year pins went to Ed Covington, Odell Cox, Eelon Harrell, Steve Warren and Sandra West.

Santa Claus was on hand to visit with the children and sacks of candy, nuts and fruit were distributed.

Attending were city employees and their families, including volunteer firemen, members of the city council and several other guests. The dinner was served in the Western Texas College Cafeteria.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Richards, 1206 26th St. are the parents of a daughter born Friday at 5:54 a.m. in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. 2 ozs.

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Grain Blasts Recalled

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP)-Christmas 1977 was three days away.

Across the Mississippi River from New Orleans, off-duty grain elevator workers picked up their holiday turkeys. Others finished up the night shift.

That's when microscopic dust particles ignited, triggering an explosion. Forty three huge concrete cylinders of grain flared like matchsticks.

By Christmas Eve, 36 were counted dead.

Two days after Christmas, a similar grain dust explosion at Galveston, Texas, killed 18.

Hundreds of miles away in a government laboratory in Manhattan, Kan., a handful of grain scientists wondered if these tragedies might step up the grain dust research that had meandered aimlessly for years.

"For days, all we did was answer the phone and tell people what we'd done in grain explosion work," says a scientist at the U.S. grain Marketing Research Center in Manhattan. The answer: very little.

Over the years, about 1,000 persons have been killed in grain dust explosions. But the 52 deaths two years ago in Texas and Lousiana - which included 13 federal grain inspectors - spurred interest in research and produced government funding for the purpose.

"The staff here was able to pick up the ball," says Charles Martin, a researcher. In the past two years, the scientists have recreated grain dust explosions hundreds of times in small steel and glass containers.

Some answers and recommendation have emerged.

The scientists have developed better methods of housekeeping to reduce the hazards of "hidden dust," particles in ceilings and walls that can trigger multiple blasts when shaken loose.

They recommend adding water or oil to the grain as it's poured into the elevator to reduce the amount of dust without causing spoilage, and better venting in elevators to alleviate the vacuums created by ignited grain dust particles.

Some of these grain elevators - also called "prairie castles" - rise 15 stories and stretch for blocks. If they are rural America's monument to an industrialized society, they also can be death traps.

Fang Lai, a chemical engineer at the grain research center, estimates that of the 14,000 grain elevators in this country, one in 10 is hazardous.

Lai says he's been in several elevators in Kansas where "I guarantee you, if you struck a match there'd be an explosion."

Few grain elevators have adopted all the suggestions of the researchers in Manhattan.

Far-Mar-Co. Inc., which operates 16 elevators from its Hutchinson, Kan., headquarters, has tried to improve control of the dust in its complexes by using the USDA team's suggestion for better housekeeping. Other suggestions would involve changes in the structure of the elevator, however.

"You'd have to tear down half of your elevator to make some of the changes," says Robert Frye, Far-Mar-Co's chief engineer. "I can't see that grain companies are going to shut their elevators down and lock the doors.

Where there's grain, there's going to be suspended dust. But only since the turn of the century has grain been handled in confined concrete cylinders, or elevators.

In those elevators, an ignited grain dust particle means trouble. It quickly uses the available oxygen, creating a vaccum and, a split second later, an explosion. That blast shakes loose dust all over the complex and more explosions are likely to follow.

Although sparks are not common in grain elevators, Lai says a room full of suspended dust can be ignited by the heat of a bearing that rubs. Scientists are studying the possibility that static electricity may trigger an explosion.

Child Of Tragedy Recalls Her Life

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)-Those who survived the horror that was the Babb Switch, Okla., school fire on Christmas Eve in 1924 have been chased by a nightmare all of their lives.

For Mary Grossnickle, child of tragedy, the pain has been double because there are some who still have doubts she was actually in the rural schoolhouse on that fatal evening.

But Mary Grossnickle has no doubt and it troubles her deeply that some still do, even some members of the family of Mary Elizabeth Edens, who vanished that cold Christmas Eve night and became known as the legend of Babbs Switch.

Eighteen children were among the 36 persons who perished 54 years ago after a tipped-over Christmas tree candle touched off a blaze and then a stampede for doors that wouldn't open.

Mary Elizabeth Edens wasn't among the 33 charred bodies found that night. Three other persons died later, including the 3½-year-old girl's aunt, Alice Noah, who told of getting Mary out of the building before the blaze overtook her.

The Eden family never gave up hope their child was still alive. In 1956, a Lions Club official in California who knew Mrs. Grossnickle read an Associated Press story detailing the seemingly hopeless search.

He made contact with fellow Lion in Oklahoma. That set in motion a chain of events that ultimately resulted in a series of blood tests, examination of a scar on Mrs. Grossnickle's foot and other investigations including picture comparisons of Mary Elizabeth Edens and Mrs. Grossnickle when she was a child.

The evidence was convincing. There was a joyous reunion in Hobart. The family later appeared on the Art Linkletter television show.

Still, some skepticism has remained through the years, causing some ill feeling and Mary Grossnickle much mental anguish.

"It hasn't been easy by any means," Mrs. Grossnickle said this week in Hobart, a few miles north of where an unpretentious momument marks the tragedy site on a lonely stretch of U.S. 183 in southwest Oklahoma.

Mrs. Grossnickle, who now lives in Arizona with her retired husband, is in Hobart for finish-up work on her forthcoming book, "Mary, Child of Tragedy."

She had once planned to call the book, being published by Schoonmaker Publishing Co. of Hobart, "Run, Little Mary, Run."

For she says the fire that left a stream of broken lives was only the first in a series of unhappy events in her childhood.

The story goes that she was picked up by a vagabond couple after making it out of the Babbs Switch schoolhouse and had a slavelike existence in a series of nomadic camps in Arkansas and Kansas.

She says she was once bartered for "a bag of beans."

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New Director At Christian Center

Ricky Van Massey has been named director of the Christian Student Center at Western Texas College and will begin his duties there when the spring semester opens in mid-January.

A native of North Carolina, Massey received the bachelor of arts in philosophy and religion from the University of North Carolina and the master of divinity from the divinity school of Duke University in Durham, N.C.

He has done occasional preaching since the age of 14, and has worked with churches in Carbon, Rule and Loving since enrolling at Abilene Christian University. He is nearing completion of requirements for the master of arts in doctrinal studies at ACU.

Massey has been involved in the Discipleship program at ACU as well as preaching for the campaign meeting with the Casa Grande Church of Christ in Casa Grande, Ariz.

He and his wife, Elaine, have moved to Snyder.

New Deal For Daddy Warbucks

NEW YORK (AP)-Daddy Warbucks is getting a new deal for Christmas.

Reid Shelton, who played the role on Broadway for 1,189 performances of "Annie," is heading for Los Angeles to take over the part in the West Coast company.

ASTRO-GRAPH

Your Birthday

Bernice Bede Osol

December 23, 1979

You will be intensely motivated to improve your stature in the community and receive your just due this coming year. The desire will spur you to find innovative and unique ways to attain your ends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There are several people who would be delighted to hear from you. Don't wait for them to call you, but make their day by getting in touch with them. Find out more of what lies ahead of you in the year following your birthday by sending for your copy of Astro-Graph Letter. Mail $1 for each to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to specify birth date.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Things over which you have small control will work out to your ultimate benefit today, just as though you planned them yourself. Flow with the tide.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The way you deal with friends today will reflect favorably on you. You'll be talked about, but what will be said should make you happy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today's happenings will be unique in that things you do for others will be returned in ways that'll be beneficial for you as well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Someone who has admired you from afar may make his or her feelings known today. You have much in common and a good friendship could result.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You should find that you are luckier than usual today, concerning joint ventures. Something you're now involved in will yield desirable results.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Being attuned to the way others feel today is a big plus in helping you to get along with them. Heed your instincts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) An opportunity could arise today which will permit you to help another sort out a tangled mess. They couldn't have picked a better person for the job.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's not likely that you'll be wanting for attention today. Others will find you a delightful person to be around. You are a good companion.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If there are any extra holiday touches you want to add to your home, now is the time to do it. You may not have the opportunity in the days ahead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You may have the chance today to tell someone you like how truly fond you are of him or her. Don't let this moment slip past.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This is the giving season and there is no one who is likely to set a better example than you. Let your generous nature dominate your actions today.

December 24, 1979

This coming year offers many new challenges that will prove extremely rewarding if you take advantage of them. Be receptive and flexible to all new concepts presented to you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You could be nursing a resentment that is unfounded and try to do something about it today without having the facts. You'll only cause yourself more unhappiness. Find out more of what lies ahead for you in the year following your birthday by sending your copy of Astro-Graph Letter. Mail $1 for each to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to specify birth date.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Financial matters should be taken seriously today, especially if friends are involved. Live up to your obligation and don't blame anyone else for your troubles.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You might have to muster extra patience and tolerance for your associates today. Their way of doing things and yours could be in conflict.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You have a tendency to blindfold yourself today and pretend that jobs that need doing don't exist. An uncomfortable situation will result.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try not to say anything unflattering about anyone today. The people to whom you voice your opinions may not agree with you. A nasty situation could result.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It may not be anything you can put your finger on, but frustrating little innuendoes could fuel dissension between you and your mate today. Keep cool.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Unless you really know what you're talking about, you'd better let someone else give the directives. Your judgment isn't too keen today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Financial losses are likely today because you could obligate yourself to something not feasible. Sleep on things before making promises.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) People are especially difficult to deal with today, but you're not totally blameless. You think you have all the facts. In reality, you may not.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You are a reluctant worker today and you could make tasks you have to perform far more difficult than they really are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't let a financial issue be the cause of a rift between you and a pal today. The value of friendship is far greater than anything material.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Everything might not come off at home as you hope it will today, so you'll have to take care not to let this be the cause of friction with the family.

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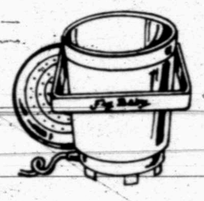

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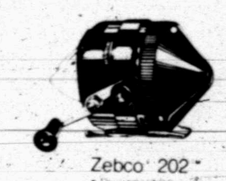

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Cubs Presented Awards At Pack 177 Meeting

Cub Scout Pack 177, sponsored by Stanfield PTA, met for its monthly Pack meeting Dec. 13.

The flag ceremony was given by Den 4.

The following awards were presented: Den 4, Stephen Freeman, wolf badge and pin, also gold and silver arrow points. Webelos, Den 5 Activity badges given were: Carl Mock, athlete and sportsman,; J.D. Smith, artist, scholar and sportsman; Anand Rao, outdoorsman and scholar. Rao also received the Arrow of Light Award which is the highest award given in cub scouts.

There were cakes raffled following the awards ceremony. Parents also observed items on display made by the cubs.

The next pack meeting will be on January 17, 1980 at 7:30 p.m. in the Stanfield cafeteria.

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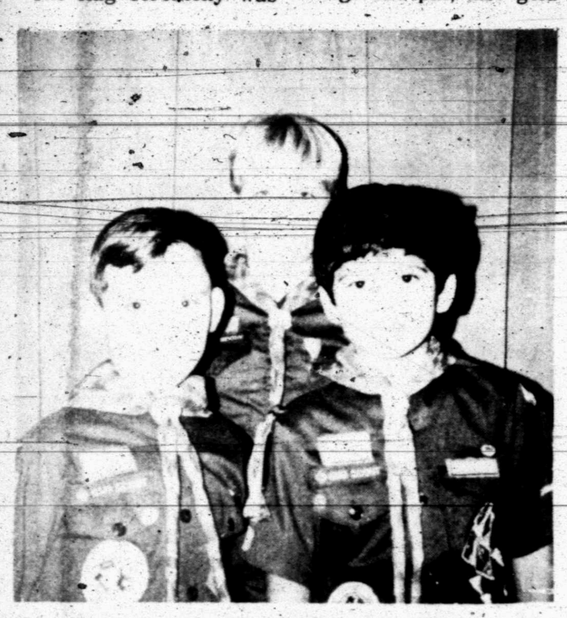

CUBS GET AWARDS-Receiving awards at the December meeting of Pack 177 were (l to r) J.D. Smith, Carl Mock, Anand Rao. Not pictured is Stephen Freeman.

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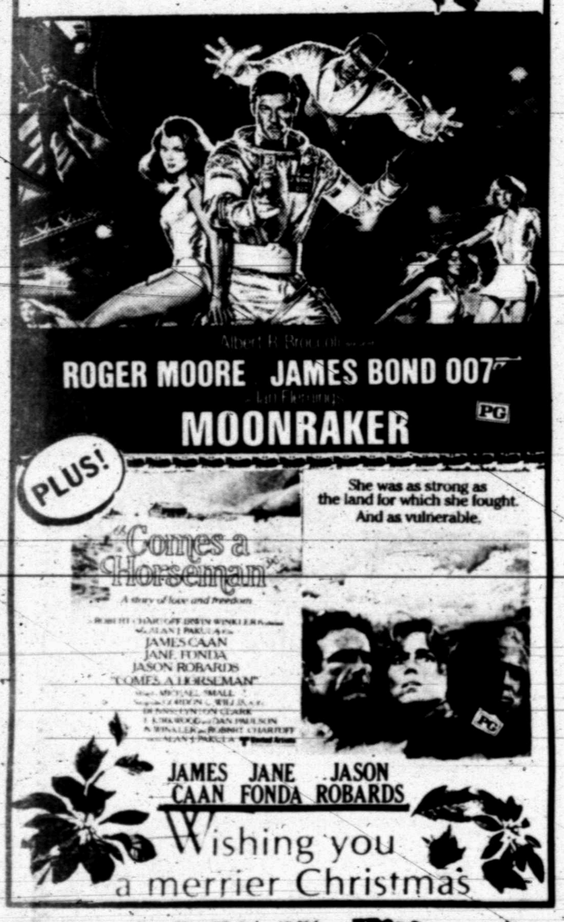

1 Theft, 3 Mishaps Reported

A theft and three minor traffic accidents were reported to city police Friday.

Complaintant in the theft was Bobbie Wood, 28th St. and Ave. J, who said $85 worth in goods were missing from her home. Taking that report was officer Greg Patterson.

The first accident was worked in the 2500 block of 26th St. at 9 a.m. Involved in it were a 1974 AMC driven by Arnold Keith Lake and a 1977 Oldsmobile driven by Joan Bell. The accident was worked by Kerry Fritz.

The next accident was in the 2100 block of Ave. O at 3:05 p.m. There, a 1971 Plymouth driven by Lou J. Moody and a 1971 Ford driven by Becky S. Welch collided. Working that accident was Patterson.

Patterson also worked the city's final mishap, a hit and run, in the 100 block of 25th St. Reports show that a parked 1968 Volkswagen owned by Andrew J. Booker was struck by a vehicle which left the scene. The accident was investigated at 10 p.m.

Grant Announced

WASHINGTON (AP)- The National Endowment for the Arts has announced a special matching grant of up to $250,000 to the Foundation for the Joffrey Ballet Inc.

The New York Yankees have made a four-game sweep in the World Series six times.

Public Records

NEW VEHICLES

Mable Glass, 1980 Oldsmobile, from Snyder Mtr. Co.

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James Clark, 1980 Cadillac, from Carroll Buick-Cadillac, Inc., of Sweetwater.

Kenny Patrick, 1979 Mercury, from Wilson Mtr. Co.

Willie Mize, 1980 Ford, from Wilson Mtr. Co.

Bill Wilson Leasing Corp., 1980 Ford (2) from Wilson Mtr. Co.

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FILED IN DISTRICT COURT

General Aviation News, Inc., vs. St. Charles Flying Service, Inc., suit on account.

Eddins-Walcher Co. vs. Joe Botts, doing business as American Vacuum Service, suit on account.

ACTION IN DISTRICT COURT

In the matter of the marriage of Vicki Faye Shoemake and Stephen Dale Shoemake, divorce granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Arie Annette Johnson and James Paul Johnson, divorce granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Maria Rivera Reyna and Adrian Reyna Jr., divorce granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Jerry Lou Hernandez and Leonard Estrado Hernandez, divorce granted.

In the matter of the marriage of Cecil Boyd Carroll and Gloria June Carroll, divorce granted.

WARRANTY DEEDS

Charles Henry Porter, et ux, to David Baremore, all of lot 3 and lot 4 in blk. 2 of the Forrest Addition.

Bill L. Brown, et ux, to Jerry N. Kincheloe, et ux, all of lots 9, 10, 11, and 12 in blk. 20 of the Belmont Park Heights Addition.

Mary Ann Fisk to Donald R. Fisk, Sr., all of blk. 39 which includes lots 1-16 of the Andress Heights Addition.

Marie Scrivner, et vir, to Lorena Cole, a 117.90-acre tract of land in the southeast ¼ of section 396 in blk. 97.

Stella McGee to Mary Ruth Cline, all of lot 6 and the east 30 feet of lot 5 in blk. 34 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Professional Tractor Service, Inc., to David Shifflett, et ux, a four-acre tract of land in the southeast ¼ of section 204 in blk. 97.

Jacqueline V. Strickland to Lill Gregory Crawford, et ux, all of lot 2 in blk. 2 of the Cullum Addition.

John L. Sanders to Jacqueline V. Strickland, all of lot 2 in blk. 2 of the Collum Addition.

Donald R. Fisk to Nancy Sue Wortham, the north 115 feet of lot 1 in blk. 53 in Hermleigh.

James Weldon Birdwell to Alice Mae Birdwell, all of an undivided interest in and to 2 acres of land in section 181 in blk. 3.

L.A. Hill, Sr., et al, to Texas Electric Service Co., a tract of land in section 339 in blk. 97.

Donald R. Fisk to Rosa Lavina Underwood, all of blk. 39, which includes lots 1-16, of the Andress Heights Addition.

Marie A. Johnson to James P. Johnson, all of lots 3 and 4 in blk. 6 of the Alamo Heights Subdivision.

Claude W. Berryman Jr., et ux, to Syble Ann Bley, all of lot 4 in blk. "A" of the replat of the Highland Park Addition.

CHECK FOR JAYCEES--Steve Gault, left, accepts a $500 check from Darrell Collins, president of the Snyder High School Future Teachers of America Club, to be applied to the Jaycees' remodeling project at the Humble-Smith Special School. The FTA members sold candy to raise the money. Gault was the project chairman for Jaycees.

JAS. B. BRIGHT

Snyderite Gets Degree

James Boyd Bright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bright, 2610 36th St., received a degree in architecture Dec. 14 at Texas Tech University.

He has been employed by Dick Wagner and Associates, an architectural firm in Roswell, N.M., as a design architect and will join the firm in late January. He is married to the former Yvonna Kail of Fort Stockton. She is a 1978 graduate of Lubbock Christian College, receiving a degree in sociology. She is employed by the Lubbock Human Resources Dept.

Four men have reached the Final Four of the NCAA basketball tournament as head coach at two different schools. They are Jack Gardner, Forddy Anderson, Frank McGuire and Gene Bartow.

Texas Electric Plans New Coal-Fueled Plant

Preliminary studies have begun to evaluate a new site in far West Texas as a possible future location for a coal-fueled power plant, Texas Electric said today.

The site is in Ward County, west of Monahans.

The firm of William F. Guyton and Associates of Austin is studying areas in Ward and Culberson Counties to determine if water supplies could provide the cooling needed for a plant with a capability of as much as 1,500,000 kilowatts.

Additional work will begin by the first of the year to develop required environmental information. Espey, Huston & Associates of Austin is under contract to provide this data, which must be obtained before any commitments could be made on a plant project.

Texas Utilities Services Inc. also has begun discussions with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Texas Air Control Board and the Texas Department of Water Resources concerning regulations that must be met and permits that must be obtained.

This preliminary work is being done in anticipation of the possibility that a new power plant might be needed in the area as early as the late 1980s.

A minimum of more than three years must be spent in meeting environmental and other regulations and in obtaining required permits before construction work on such a plant could begin.

If an operating plant were to be needed as early as the late 1980s, this preliminary work would have to begin now.

A new plant in the area would be fueled by Western Coal. It would be jointly owned by TESCO, Texas Power & Light and Dallas Power & Light.

WTC Offices Close For Holidays

SNYDER—All offices at Western Texas College will be closed from Dec. 24-Jan.2.

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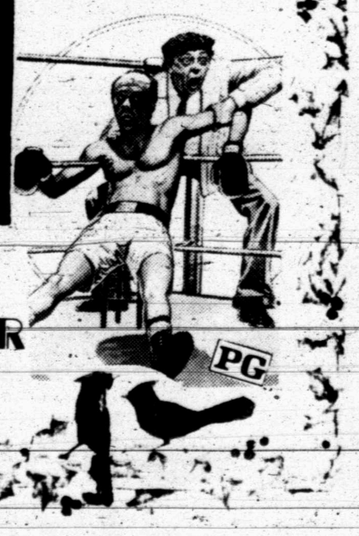

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Scurryly Speaking...

Preparation Best Part Of Early-Day Christmas

Editor's Note--This is another in a series of articles prepared for the Scurry County Historical Commission.

By Dorothy Bolding Cox

It's the magic month of December, the Christmas month. A month filled with secrets, suspense and happiness; of having a house smelling of cedar and sweet spicy odors. A month for building snowmen, for popping corn and making candy. A month for memory-making and for family closeness. Ah! What a fine wonderful month - the best of the twelve.

For some of us who are enjoying the evening of our days, the memories of Decembers - past enable us to re-visit the times of long ago when globs of water and flour simulated snow on the Christmas tree, and the soft glow of the oil lamp cast a bit of light about the room and lingered on the tinsel angels hung on the shapely boughs on the father-cut tree; and when our own black cotton stockings were hung on a nail over the fireplace, and were filled by Santa himself until they were swollen, heaving and bulging.

Christmas didn't just happen in those days. It was seized, shaped, made to happen, and the preparation was 80 percent of the fun. When we stepped into our houses they said Christmas immediately -- to the nose, the eyes, the ears, and eventually to the mouth. It was a time when parents wove the myths of Santa into their childrens minds, and as a child, I had absolutely no doubt of the authenticity regarding them.

In my mind, Santa definitely hitched Dancer and Prancer to his toy-filled sleigh and sailed through the air on Christmas Eve night to every child's home in the whole wide world. He could stay warm on the coldest of nights, and his reindeer were the fastest ever. They could light on the roof-top without making a sound or leaving a track so Santa could slip down the chimney and leave gifts for every little boy and girl. Ah! What magic. What excitement.

But now, Santa sails through the air in a jet, and can be seen long before that special night. But there's one thing about Old Santa that hasn't changed; he still wears the same old red velvet suit and still has a fat little belly, and still laughs, "Ho, ho, ho," and says "Merry Christmas, you-all" -- so who cares if he comes by jet or sleigh ... just so he comes!

Yes, December is a friendly, happy time of year, but the true meaning of Christmas is not just glitter and spangle, exchanging gifts, and big feed, but the celebration of Christ's birthday, the savior of mankind - Gods greatest gift to the world.

Happy Squirrel

PARIS, Texas. (AP)—A burglar in this Northeast Texas town may be the envy of every squirrel in town. Police said a thief broke into the Washington Street Food Mart and stole more than a ton of unshelled pecans.

NEW ROTARIANS--The Snyder Rotary Club has inducted a number of new members during the past two weeks, including these who were on hand for the club's luncheon meeting Thursday. From left are Bill Warner, David Strelecki, Jerry Vestal, Troy Botts and Gary Terrell. New Rotarians not pictured are Jimmy Daniels and Larry Anderson. (SDN Staff Photo)

Yule Lights Making Comeback

By JOHN DANISZEWSKI
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP)- This year's Noel promises to be the brightest Christmas since 1973 - when the lights were dimmed because of the Arab oil embargo - based on sales of outdoor holiday lights, says an industry spokesman.

Outdoor Christmas lights have been making a steady comeback since Americans trimmed purchases in response to President Richard Nixon's call for energy conservation, says a market planner for General Electric.

At Levine, manager of market planning for GE's Holiday Products Division, says consumers have decided that trimming the tree or the house does more for the spirit than trimming the electric bills.

"It was like saying 'Let's ban turkey on Thanksgiving," said Levine in a telephone interview from Cleveland.

"But the business has come back with steady growth. This is the year that it got back to pretty much the same levels as before the embargo," he said.

There is an exception: At least one Christmas tree is dark because of overseas troubles. This year President Carter has delayed lighting the national Christmas tree in Washington, except for a single star, as a symbol of America's hope for the safe return of the American hostages in Iran.

Levine said turning off Christmas tree lights several years ago not only dampened spirits, but also diminished holiday buying.

"It was a thoughtless order, penalizing one industry," he said. "The amount of energy used in holiday lighting is so miniscule compared to our total energy consumption.

"You can see that when retailers start talking about making one-third of their sales for the total year, it had a very negative effect on the whole economy," he said.

"It kind of gave people a dreary, unholiday-like feeling. It's a feeling we're talking about, an emotional thing. Those years when the lights were off, retailers complained" he said. GE officials declined to release exact figures of sales so far this year.

But in the holiday lights this season, energy conservation has not been forgotten, Levine said.

GE's newest lights are indoor-outdoor miniatures that use less electricity than the larger C-7 and C-9 type bulbs.

They are encased in an outer bulb to make them look like the standard Christmas light sets, which also have been redesigned to consume less electricity.

Currently, most of the lights are miniatures imported from Taiwan, Japan, Korea and Hong Kong.

Holidays At Senior Center

The Senior Citizens Center will be closed Dec. 25-26 for a Christmas holiday.

The center will be open on Dec. 24 on a shortened schedule. A light lunch of soup and sandwiches will be served at noon but other activities on the regular schedule will be omitted. Senior Citizens who would like to bring visitors to see the Center are invited to bring them on the morning of Dec. 24.

The center will re-open on Dec. 27 and lunch will be served at noon. The center will close on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 for the New Year holiday.

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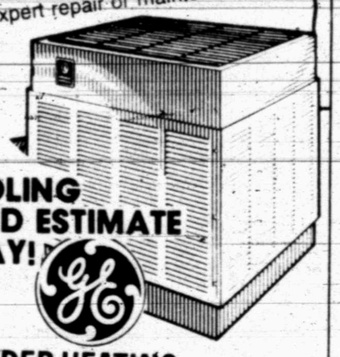

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Carol Burnett Speaks Out On Drugs

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—"I used to wonder why I was so fortunate to have so many wonderful things happen to me. Now it's time to pay my dues."

Comedian Carol Burnett was talking about what has happened since she and husband-producer Joe Hamilton went public about the drug addiction of their daughter Carrie, 15.

What began as a family confessional -- in magazines, on TV shows, in press interviews - has become a crusade.

Ms. Burnett finds herself inundated by letters and telephone calls.

She is planning benefit performances in Houston Dec. 29 and Los Angeles March 29 to aid Houston's Palmer Drug Abuse Program, which she credits with saving Carrie from becoming "a vegetable."

The star is flooded with requests to speak. She'll appear before parents but not children - "they won't listen to me; kids need someone they can relate to, a person 18 or 19 who has been through the dope scene."

Ms. Burnett has been pursuing the campaign with the same energy she has devoted to her career as a star in television, films and the theater.

It all started two years ago when Carrie joined other girls in sneaking off from classes, at an exclusive west side school, for sessions with marijuana and Quaaludes. She later admitted that the dope made her feel important and helped feed a driving ego. She was up to two grains of cocaine a day before her parents began wondering about her poor grades and erratic behavior.

The confrontation between parents and daughter was bitter. This past summer, Joe and Carol forced Carrie to enter the Palmer program, which treats addicts as outpatients. Carrie lives with a sponsor and attends public school in Houston. Her recovery has been so successful that the Hamiltons decided to disclose the entire experience.

"It was Carrie's idea," says Ms. Burnett. "The Palmer Program is similar to Alcoholics Anonymous; and one of the precepts is: 'I will share my experience with others, so they will benefit from my example.'

"Not all of the reaction has been favorable. I get letters from people saying, 'Why air your dirty linen in public.' I've also had adverse comments from pot smokers -- and from the manufacturers of dope paraphernalia."

The latter has become a sub-crusade for Ms. Burnett. She is astonished at magazine ads for such things as "a pre-teen pot kit complete with practice alfalfa grass" and "a 'Star Wars' ripoff, a toy gun to blast smoke into your lungs."

At a Beverly Hills store where she shopped for her children's jeans, she found on sale all kinds of devices for the use of pot, coke, heroin and other drugs. She bought a few, had them explained to her by a police detective, then talked about them and the story on Michael Jackson's KABC radio show.

"The next day I received a wire at home from the manager of the store, thanking me for pointing out the problem," Ms. Burnett says with an edge to her voice. "I sent him a dozen roses to snort."

What does Ms. Burnett advices parents with addicted children?

"I never tell them what to do. I tell them: 'This is what I would do in the same situation. Then it is their choice, their responsibility.

"The first thing I would do is not feel guilty. You didn't cradle that child in your arms and say, 'I'm going to make you so miserable that you'll be driven to dope.' You were not out to psychologically destroy your son or daughter so they would have to use a needle or snort cocaine.

"The second thing I would do is seek help. You can't do it yourself. You wouldn't operate on your child for a brain tumor. Take the problem to an expert. Investigate a good drug program and give it a try. If it doesn't work, that doesn't mean it's bad; it might not fit your child's needs. Keep looking until you find one that does."

She concludes that Carrie Hamilton's near-tragedy "happened to us for a reason: we can reach more people with a message of help." She also reasons that the experience will prevent her two younger daughters from dallying with dope.

How is Carrie progressing?

"Beautifully. She'll be coming back here in March to enroll in the 11th grade at a public school. She's very talented. She writes music, sings, plays the piano. She has never taken it seriously, but now she wants to study music so she'll have the background to do whatever she wants."

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HEALTH

Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

The importance of digitalis

By Lawrence Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB — I read in your column about the person who is having irregularities of the heart. You mentioned that digitalis is often used to control such irregularities. You also said that there were newer medicines that are used in many cases now and appeared to be more effective in some cases.

I'm allergic to certain foods and I get congestion of the bronchial tree and irregularity of the heart. I've had trouble with digitalis and my doctor just changed me from Digoxin to Digitoxin. I seem to be allergic to them. The doctor said I have heart failure and was anemic. I was wondering if the newer medicines you mentioned could be used instead of the one I now take.

DEAR READER — That's a good thought but digitalis and the digitalis-type medicines are used for more than one thing. They're sometimes used to help control certain forms of irregularity of the heart. They're also used to strengthen the force of the contraction of the heart muscle.

This latter use is to help people who have heart failure, meaning when the heart fails to beat strong enough and allows the body to begin to accumulate fluids. The fluid can accumulate in the lungs causing shortness of breath or if the right side of the heart is involved, the fluid can accumulate in the legs, liver and abdomen.

The new medicines I referred to were those that could be used to control irregularities of the heart in certain cases. None of these medicines are useful in helping to strengthen the contraction of the heart muscle and protect a person against heart failure. These are two different problems.

You can have irregularities of the heart that are caused by heart disease — including the same diseases that cause heart failure with accumulation of fluid. The medicines for heart irregularities can often be used in both patients who have heart disease and those who do not, but heart failure is usually treated with digitalis.

To give you more information on irregularities, I am sending you The Health Letter number 6-12, Heart Irregularities, Skipped Beats, Tachycardias. Other readers who want this issue can send 75 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it. Send your request to me, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019.

I'm certain your doctor will want to continue some form of digitalis if you really do have heart failure if it's at all possible to do so. Certainly you should not discontinue taking your Digitoxin or whatever digitalis-type medicine your doctor has given you without his complete concurrence and his supervision.

In general, it's a very poor idea for a patient with any form of important medical problem to quit taking his medicines without discussing it with his doctor. In the extreme form the patient with heart failure may develop congestive heart failure and have a medical emergency.

The person who has high blood pressure and stops taking his medicine may have a high blood pressure crisis. And the diabetic who stops his insulin may develop a diabetic coma. The way to get the most out of your medical advice is to follow it.

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HEALTH TIP
from DEAN

Water rich in minerals (pure spring and well water) is more healthful than soft (mineral free) water. If your drinking water is soft, mineral supplements are advised. If you have a water softener, this water should be used for washing only. Bypass the water softener with the pipe leading to the sink for drinking and cooking. Softened water has the healthful minerals removed by sodium, some of which remains in the water. This is bad for persons on a low-sodium diet.

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Ottis Anderson NFL Surprise

By PAUL LeBAR
AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS (AP)—What he accomplished in his National Football League baptism surprised not only the St. Louis Cardinals' Ottis Anderson, but his mother as well.

"He didn't feel like he would qualify so high," Emma Anderson said this week after welcoming the return of her son, The Associated Press' Offensive Rookie of the Year.

"I don't think his coaches and the athletic officials at Miami thought, he'd do that well either," Mrs. Anderson mused at her West Palm Beach, Fla., home. "I didn't know. All I did was stay home and worry about his getting hurt."

As fate would haver it, the 22-year-old Anderson was felled by a knee injury after galloping through 15½ spectacular pro games.

But before limping off a frozen playing field in Chicago, the 6-foot-2, 210-pound running back accomplished what he had set out to do and more. His cahievements included:

--1,605 rushing yards, the most ever by an NFL newcomer, shattering the standard of 1,450 set a year ago by the Houston Oilers' Earl Campbell.

--Nine games with 100 or more yards, another league record for a rookie and one that matched a Cardinals career record it took Jim Otis five years to set.

Otis, who retired before the start of the season, was among those who this month paid tribute to the powerful Anderson at a booster club dinner.

Only half in jest, Otis remarked, "I was just here to fill for O.J. Anderson until he got out of high school and college." Appropriately, all-pro guard Bob Young added, "I'd like to thank O.J. Anderson for making football fun again."

Indeed, it was consolation for an injury-racked roster of St. Louis players and the team's fans to watch Anderson, the Cards' top draft choice, cavort.

He debuted with a bang, shredding the vaunted defense of the Dallas Cowboys for 193 yards on 21 carries, one a 76-yard touchdown romp. Then came 109 yards against the New York Giants, and following a three-game lull, he bounced back to compile totals of 164 yards, 140, 129, 112, 109 and 105 (twice).

Harry Gilmer the quarterbacks and receivers coach for the Cardinals, summed up Anderson's contributions succinctly.

Westerners Maintain Grip On No. 1 Ranking

The Western Texas College Westerners held on to their No. 1 ranking in the holiday NCJAA poll, placing well ahead of the runnerup, Three Rivers College of Missouri.

The Westerners got 11 first place votes, while Three Rivers got only two, giving WTC a 182-156 edge in total points. The only other team getting more than one first-place vote was Gloucester Community College of New Jersey with two. However, Gloucester's total of 54 points left it in eighth place.

The Westerners, at 14-0, boast the best won-lost record in the country.

Three other Texas teams are in the top 20. Tyler, with 94 votes, is third, while Midland and Cooke County are tied for 13th with 23 points each.

NJCAA Basketball Poll
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1. Western Texas	14-0 (11)	182
2. Three Rivers, Mo.	10-1 (2)	156
3. Tyler JC, Tx.	12-1 (1)	94
4. Broome CC, N.Y.	8-1 (1)	82
5. Jackson Col., Mich.	8-0 (1)	77
6. Hiwasse Col., Tenn.	10-1	72
7. Kankakee CC, Ill.	12-0	59
8. Gloucester CC, N.J.	8-0 (2)	54
9. Pensacola JC, Fla.	9-3	45
10. SUNY, Farmingdale, NY	6-0 (1)	36
11. Southeastern CC, Iowa	9-0	26
12. Mass. Bay CC, Ma	8-0	25
13. (tie) Midland, Tx.	14-0	23
Cooke Cty, Tx.	11-3	23
15. Carl Albert, Ok.	13-2	21
16. (tie) Brewton Parker, Ga.	10-1 (1)	20
17. Connors St., Ok	13-2	20
18. (tie) Alegany, Md.	8-2	19
Gadsden St., Al.	7-1 (1)	19
20. (tie) Lindsey Wilson, Ky.	9-1	12
Brevard, Fla.	9-2	12

Stingy Denver Broncos Set Sights On Campbell

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP)—Denver's defense, which specializes in dismantling 100-yard rushing performances, faces its strongest test Sunday when the Broncos challenge Earl Campbell, the NFL's rushing champion, and the Houston Oilers in a first round National Football League playoff game.

Kickoff is at 3 p.m. in the Astrodome with the winner advancing to the second round against either San Diego or Pittsburgh.

Houston, 11-5, runnerup to Pittsburgh in the American Football Conference's Central Division, would play AFC Western Division Champion San Diego if it beats Denver.

The Broncos, 10-6, who finished second to San Diego, would play the Central Conference champion Steelers.

Campbell won the regular season rushing championship for the second straight year with 1,697 yards that included an NFL record seven consecutive 100-yard performances and 11 for the entire season to tie another NFL record.

Campbell was the only runner to gain 100 yards this season against Pittsburgh in the second meeting between the two teams.

The Denver defense ranked first in the NFL in defense against the rush during the regular season and all parties seem to agree Sunday's matchup will be strength against strength.

Only two opposing runners, Oakland's Booker Russell and Pittsburgh's Franco Harris, gained 100 yards against Denver during the regular season. Russell got 72 of his yards on one run.

"We'll have that tested Sunday," Denver Coach Red Miller said, pointing to the Broncs success against the rush. "Campbell really carries the ball a lot. He has carried the ball more times than our three leading rushers combined."

Houston Coach Bum Phillips said the Oilers could not afford to go with a pass-oriented game plan against the Broncos.

"We're going to have to be able to run the football on a good football team like Denver," Phillips said. "They've got too many good linebackers and secondary people. They'll hurt you if you throw on them too much."

San Diego defeated Denver 17-7 Monday night, aided by quarterback Craig Morton's four pass interceptions.

"We won't be going for interceptions just because of that game," said Oiler all-pro safety Mike Reinfeldt, who led the NFL with 12 interceptions. "Anytime you start thinking about interceptions and going for them, you're going to start giving up touchdowns."

The Oiler defense intercepted 34 passes this season and had a team record 51 quarterback sacks, second in the NFL only to New England.

"We have twice as many coverages this year and we use the nickel defense in obvious passing situations," Reinfeldt said. "That's been responsible for a lot of our interceptions."

Denver comes in the game as the underdog but safety Bernard Jackson says the Bronc will be ready to play.

"We're down a little from our Super Bowl and maybe it's because we're not as emotional as we were then," Jackson said. "But that was something that can happen to a team only once. We were winning for the first time and nothing could stop us.

"This time we're just gonna have to come in the back door. I know a wild card team has never won the Super Bowl, but it has to happen. It's going to happen, and we might as well be the team to do it."

Bears At Philadelphia...

Playoff Tilt At Home Eagle Owner's Dream

By RALPH BERNSTEIN
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Sunday is the day Leonard Tose has dreamed about ever since he paid more than $16 million in 1969 for the Philadelphia Eagles.

After years of frustration in which he almost lost the club because of financial problems, the Eagles are in a playoff game before the home fans.

Of course, that's not the end of the Tose dream. The culmination is the Super Bowl.

"I have to say it's been worth it all," said Tose as he awaited his team's confrontation Sunday with the Chicago Bears in the first round of the National Football League playoffs.

Through the first seven years of Tose ownership, marked by wrangling with banks and partners, the Eagles won 31 and lost 62.

Tose suffered through the years, rebuffing offers to buy the team, but he was determined to be a winner in the NFL.

"They'll have to carry me out," he replied to dozens of reports that the Eagles would be sold.

They almost did carry him out. He underwent open heart surgery.

The pendulum began to swing for Tose in 1976, when he went to California and convinced Dick Vermeil to coach the sinking franchise. Vermeil was the coach at UCLA, and his team had just upset unbeaten and top-ranked Ohio State in the Rose Bowl.

Vermeil came East, but not without doubts.

In three years, however, Vermeil weeded out the players who didn't meet his standards and coached the Eagles to the playoffs. They lost in the first round last year but Vermeil's program had turned the corner.

The Eagles are back in the playoffs after an 11-5 season. Actually they tied with Dallas for the NFL's National Conference East title. They lost in a paper tie-breaking system, but made the playoffs as a wild card team.

How does Tose feel about Vermeil?

"He's my friend," said Tose. "I can't say it any better than that. We don't hold back from each other. I don't know a guy who works harder. The results prove Dick's hard work."

Tose should know something about hard work. He drove a truck, and operates a trucking company bearing his hame.

Like Vermeil, Tose expects the Eagles to beat the Bears.

"I agree totally with Dick. I think we have an equal chance to beat anybody else, win the next three games. We have no advantage, no disadvantage," Tose insisted.

"That fan support is important," said Tose, noting the home field advantage. "And when we go away for the other playoff games I'm sure many fans will be with us in mind if not in body."

As for the fans, Tose said: "I want to pay them back for their support, for their years of frustrations. It does my heart good."

Van, Hull-Daisetta Win Schoolboy Grid Titles

By ALAN SAYRE
Associated Press Writer

Running back Danny Brockaway overcame a rain-drenched field to lead Van to the Class 2A schoolboy football championship Friday night while Hull-Daisetta used two touchdown passes by quarterback John Wiggins to whip defending champion China Spring for the top honor in Class A.

Van blanked offensively-stymied McGregor, 25-0, in a contest played at Mesquite, while Hull-Saisetta amazed a crowd in Bryan, by snapping China Spring's 26-game winning streak, 28-18.

Temple and Houston Memorial met Saturday at Waco's Baylor Stadium for the state championship in Class 4A.

In addition to Wiggins' scoring tosses, running back Arnell Lykes thundered 59 yards for another key Hull-Daisetta score.

China Spring had won 26 straight games, including a 42-3 verdict over Lexington for the 1978 title. The Cougars finished the 1979 campaign with a 14-1 record.

Wiggins tossed scoring passes of 48 yards to George Westbrook and 24 yards to Marcus Lavine. Wiggins also set up David Cooper's 1-yard scoring plunge with a 36-yard pass to Westbrook.

Lykes carried 10 times for 112 yards, including the 59 yard touchdown gallop.

Van's Brockaway mastered the soaked artificial turf for three touchdowns and 121 yards. But the adverse weather conditions -- combined with the Vandals time-consuming touchdown runs -- proved to be too much for McGregor.

The final margin was surprising to Van coach Mal Fowler.

"I didn't expect us to do what we did. I thought it would be much closer.

"I knew we'd have to control the ball to have a chance," he added.

McGregor coach Rudy Phillips didn't mince words in summing up the game. "They just whipped us," he said.

The Vandals finished the season at 14-0-1, while the runnerup Bulldogs had to settle for an 11-4 mark.

Brockaway carried the ball 10 times over the wet artificial turf during Van's initial drive, before scoring from four yards out with 2:58 left in the first quarter. He also scored on runs of 1 and 3 yards.

After taking over on its own 28, McGregor drove the ball as far as the Van 18. But a costly clipping penalty pushed the ball back to the 41, where McGregor's only effective rally died.

McGregor's coach said the clipping penalty was the key play in the title game.

"We stopped ourselves there and that was a big play. We were moving right down the field," Phillips noted.

Although both teams endured the sloppy field in the first half without a turnover, two early third period fumbles put the game out of reach for McGregor.

In 1935, a bridge tournament was held at Madison Square Garden in New York with six foot cards being held up for the spectators.

76er 'Karate Defense' Chops Down Rockets

By ALEX SACHARE
AP Sports Writer

You've heard of the man-to-man defense and the zone defense? Well, the Philadelphia 76ers have come up with something new.

"They put up a little karate defense - they chopped up our guards," charged Del Harris, coach of the Houston Rockets, whose club was beaten by the 76ers 117-106 Friday night.

Billy Cunningham, coach of the 76ers, denied he'd been handing out black belts.

"We went to zone traps," he said of the double-teaming defensive tactics. "We created turnovers and that built up our momentum. Our guards did great jobs and our bench helped us out."

While the aggressive defense disrupted the Rockets, forward Julius Erving took care of the scoring for Philadelphia with 39 points.

In other National Basketball Association games Friday night, the Boston Celtics beat the San Antonio Spurs 133-114, the Seattle SuperSonics downed the New York Knicks 121-102, the Phoenix Suns defeated the Chicago Bulls 121-102, the Phoenix Suns defeated the Chicago Bulls 127-117, the San Diego Clippers topped the Utah Jazz 110-98, the Portland Trail Blazers edged the New Jersey Nets 100-97 and the Los Angeles Lakers beat the Golden State Warriors 114-108.

Erving's effort overshadowed a season-high 37 points by Rockets guard Calvin Murphy.

The lead changed hands 16 times before the 76ers went ahead for good at 91-90 on a free throw by Henry Bibby. Erving, Bibby and Steve Mix then helped the Sixers pull away down the stretch.

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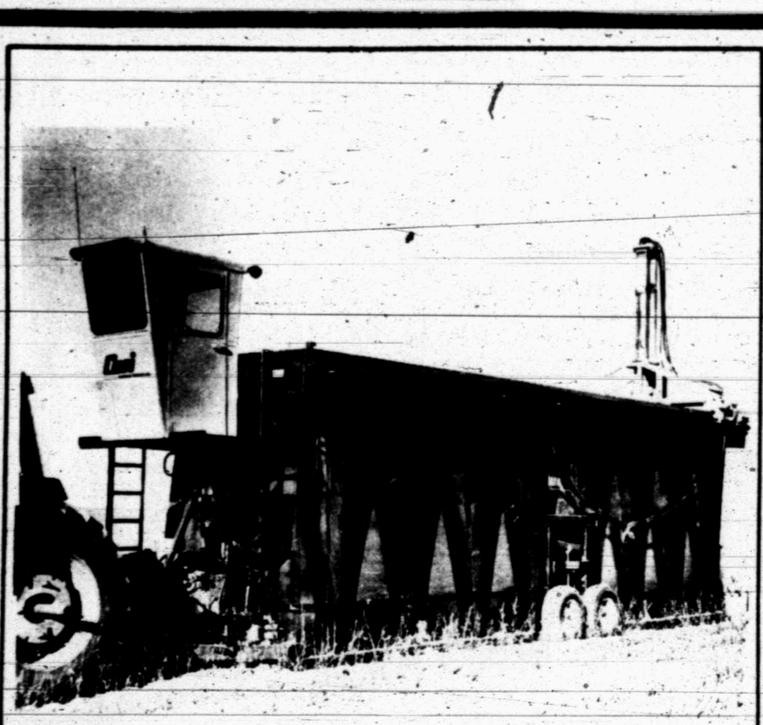

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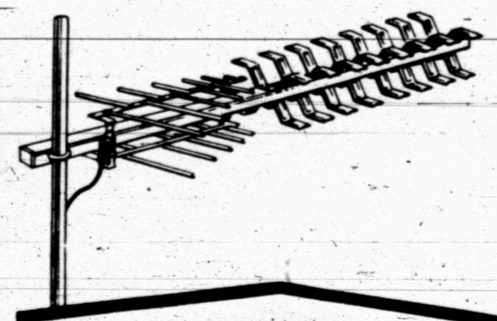

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Elf Interview Reveals Game Plan Of Santa

The following feature is a Snyder Daily News exclusive. By special permission a member of the DN staff has been granted an interview with Elfdom's sensational captain Elbert Elf, Ill. It is our claim that no other reporter anywhere has ever interviewed an elf on the relatively unknown sport of speed-gifting.

REPORTER: We're here with Elbert Elf III who has graciously consented to talk with us about the sport of speed-gifting. From general information supplied to us in our first inquiries towards obtaining this interview, we learned that speed-gifting is actually a race, combining speed, skill and teamwork and was supposedly invented by Santa Claus himself years ago.

We're here with Mr. Elf in Santa's toy factory to talk about this unique and fascinating sport.

Hello Elbert. Ah...I notice you're not helping the other elves build toys.

ELBERT: Me? Me? No, Mac. You see, racers like myself, we don't normally build toys. Sometimes we supervise, and that's what I'm doin' in this joint right now. I'm supervisin'.

REPORTER: Oh, I see. Well, Elbert, please tell us about this sport of yours, speed-gifting.

ELBERT: Sure will. Be glad to. Well, every Christmas, Easter and Tooth Day, we elves have what we call...

REPORTER: What! Wait a minute. Wait a minute! You man elves have something to do with Easter and the tooth fairy too?

ELBERT: Yeah, only we call it Tooth Days. You guys came up with that fairy stuff. Don't hang that on us. We have Tooth Days races, delivering quarters and dimes under pillows all over the place; Easter, where we throw a few eggs and chocolate around; and the big shebang, Christmas.

REPORTER: You mean to tell me that Easter eggs are brought by Elves?

ELBERT: Whatcha' think, Mac? Then things are delivered by bunny rabbits or somethin'? Boy are you behind. Look, are we going to talk about this thing or not, because if not, I've got supervisin' to do.

REPORTER: Sure, yes. I'm sorry. Please Elbert, tell us about speed-gifting...ah, at Christmas time.

ELBERT: All right, all right, don't rush me. Well, speed-gifting is the national sport of Elfdom. Basically it works like this. On the day before Christmas, which is the major race of the year, the top 1,020 teams compete for the speed-gifting title. The teams are picked on a point-system taken from Tooth Days races and the Easter race. Anyway, these teams, which are made up of eight guys like myself, compete against other teams. We leave here, deliver toys and such, and hurry back. First team home wins.

REPORTER: Wins what?

ELBERT: I'm ahem...afraid that's a secret.

REPORTER: Oh, I'm sorry.

ELBERT: So 'kay. Well, we begin to load up the day before, load the sleighs I mean. Right at dusk on December 24, we hitch up the deer, Santa puts us in a spread formation, yells "Merry Christmas", and off we go, lickity-split.

REPORTER: You mean you really deliver toys using sleighs and flying reindeer?

ELBERT: Sheesh. And they laughed at Rudolph. Look, Mac, you believe in some idiot Easter Bunny don't you? So how come you can't believe in delivering toys with flying reindeer? Besides, the shape you guys have gotten the energy situation in, we're lucky we've got Donner and Blitzen around, ya' know?

REPORTER: Well, I...

ELBERT: Forget it, Mac. I don't want to attack your traditions or nothin', but you did say you wanted the real story didn't you?

REPORTER: Sure, yes, yes of course. Ah...tell me. These eight men on a team, what do they do?

ELBERT: Well, there's the captain. That's me of course. Then there's the driver, a reindeer keeper, a greaser, a receiver, a running back, a quarterback and a lineman.

REPORTER: What do all of these peop...er, ah elves do?

ELBERT: The captain, that's me, coordinates everything. Keeps everything going smoothly. The driver? He drives. The reindeer keeper takes care of the reindeer and all the other equipment. The other five guys don't really begin doing anything until we stop to deliver toys.

REPORTER: Tell us about that.

ELBERT: Well, when we stop, usually on a rooftop, the greaser and the receiver jump out and stand by the chimney. The quarterback throws the toys to the receiver who hands them to the greaser who slides down the chimney and lays the toys out everywhere.

REPORTER: Do I assume correctly by thinking that the greaser has grease all over him, enabling him to slide down the chimney easily?

ELBERT: Hey, you're not so dumb afterall. How about that! The lineman ties the sleigh to the roof, and also pulls up the greaser when he's through laying out the toys.

REPORTER: And the running back?

ELBERT: The running back can either hand off toys to the receiver or keep 'em himself.

REPORTER: Keep them?

ELBERT: Run 'em inside the house himself. Not every house has a chimney, ya' know.

REPORTER: I've always wondered, Elbert. How do you deliver toys to houses that don't have chimneys? How do you get the doors unlocked, things like that?

ELBERT: Well, that's secret too. Let's just say us elves aren't as dumb as we look.

REPORTER: Do you have a trainer? I mean like an elf who wraps injuries, things like that?

ELBERT: Listen, Mac. You fall from a sleigh going 200 miles an hour, 150 feet in the air, you ain't gonna need no doctor, get my drift?

REPORTER: Yeah. I guess not. Well, Elbert. Tell me about the point system: I understand you have points taken off for certain infractions and that these points are later deducted from your time.

ELBERT: Infractions?

REPORTER: Yes, ah...ha...hmmm. Uh, mistakes!

ELBERT: Oh, you mean boo-boos, right? Well, we do have a boo-boo system, yeah. It can get pretty tough, too.

REPORTER: Can you give us a run down on some of the infra...er, boo-boos that might happen?

ELBERT: Well, ya' get five points off for delivering gifts to bad boys or girls. Three points off for each toy dropped. That last one's a bummer. Ya' know how much a Baby Alive doll cost this year? Wow! We have to pay for those toys we drop, too!

REPORTER: I see. And what are some of the other boo-boos?

ELBERT: Well, it's five points off if we miss a house, 10 points if a children sees us. If the children catches us it's an automatic forfeit. Let's see...20 points off plus repair bills if you collide with the roof, 25 points off it you get stuck in the chimney and 50 if somebody falls out of the sleigh.

REPORTER: Gee! Do these things happen often?

ELBERT: Oh, yeah. All the time. Santa never said it was going to be a picnic though.

REPORTER: But as you said earlier, falling from a fast-moving sleigh can be, uh...painful in the least. Don't you at least wear parachutes?

ELBERT: It was tried once, but it didn't work out very well.

REPORTER: What happened?

ELBERT: Well, as my grandpa tells it, this one team was, zipping across Arizona to get to California. Southern California was their territory for the race, see. And the lineman - who like all linemen are kinda big and dumb, ya' know - he reached over and pulled a string on a pulltoy. Just playing around, ya' know. Turned out the string was really Santa's parachute cord.

REPORTER: Oh my goodness!

ELBERT: Ha! That sleigh came to a halt right there in mid air, did a nosedive and landed, kerpow, right on the California-Arizona line. Toys were scattered everywhere, millions of 'em.

REPORTER: What happened to Santa?

ELBERT: Just as the sleigh went into a nose dive, the chute lifted him in the air and he just fluttered to the ground.

REPORTER: Wow! That was lucky!

ELBERT: Yea, I guess. It shook him up a lot though. Ever since then he just walks around saying things like "Ho, Ho, Ho," and babblin' with little children. Pitiful. Pit-i-ful!

REPORTER: Well, Elbert, our time is about up. We appreciate you telling us about this fascinating sport of speed gifting. And final thoughts for our readers?

ELBERT: Yeah, Mac. Just remember friends, the joy of Christmas is in the givin,' two wrongs don't make a right, don't step on superman's cape, and behind every goodie...there's an elf like me. By the way, there's also a heck of a lot of toys lyin' around in the Arizona desert somewhere, if you've got the time to look for 'em.

REPORTER: Uh, thanks Elbert. Have a Merry Christmas.

ELBERT: You too, Mac. You too.

Bill McClellan

'Burned Out' Lam Jones Quitting

AUSTIN (AP)—Johnny "Lam" Jones, the graceful sprinter and college football sensation, is leaving the University of Texas and passing up the 1980 Olympic trials, apparently to seek a pro football career.

Jones told Assistant Athletic Director Bill Ellington last month he had decided to quit school after the current semester, the Austin American-Statesman reported Friday.

"Everybody expected him to walk on water, to never lose a race," Ellington told the newspaper. "He just burned out. He's tired."

But the Lampasas native did just about everything except walk on water. He won the 100 and 220-yard dashes, took fourth in the long jump and anchored the Longhorns' winning 440-yard and mile relay teams at the Southwest Conference track meet in the spring of 1976.

The 1976 Olympic gold medalist has the 10 fastest 100-meter dashes and five of the top six 200-meter times in UT history.

Jones also holds 10 football records. He has averaged 11.3 yards every time he has touched the ball.

But despite his accomplishments, Jones remmains a mystery.

"I've only had him one year in four years that he's been here, so it (his decision) doesn't surprise me that much," said Cleburne Price, UT track coach.

Jones dropped out of school last spring, but returned for his senior season with the Sun Bowl-bound Longhorns.

Price said he never felt he knew Jones: "I just couldn't put it together. I think Johnny just did not like the kind of individual pressure that the gold medal brought.

"I like Johnny, but I know him less than any athlete I've ever worked with. Johnny is one of the nicest, most sincere, most sensitive persons I've ever met or the biggest con artist, but I don't know which and I'm not sure I'll ever know," Price said.

"I don't think Johnny Jones knows Johnny Jones."

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American Conference

Houston or Miami at San Diego

Sunday, Dec. 30

American Conference

Miami or Denver at Pittsburgh

National Conference

Chicago or Los Angeles at Dallas

Sunday, Jan. 6

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NFC Championship, site, teams and time to be determined

Sunday, Jan. 20

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Women's Cage Teams Drop Out

NEW YORK (AP)—The Women's Professional Basketball league announced that the Washington Metros and Philadelphia Fox had suspended operations due to insufficient funds, cutting the league to 12 teams.

Soviets Take Tourney Crown

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Union took first place in the Izvestia Ice Hockey Tournament by defeating Czechoslovakia 3-2.

Czechoslovakia placed second in the tournament, followed by Finland, Sweden and Canada.

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Indiana Finally Finds Right Bowl Combination

By NORM CLARKE, AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO (AP)—After going 95 years without a bowl victory, the ball finally bounced in the right direction for Indiana University.

And Brigham Young University's Brent Johnson could just kick himself for it.

Trailing 37-31 late in the fourth quarter, Indiana sophomore Tim Wilbur watched a short BYU punt bounce among his teammates.

"I shouted for everybody to get out of the way. But Craig Walls didn't hear me," explained Wilbur. "It hit off Craig's back and I was just going to fall on it. But it bounced into my hands while I was in full stride."

With only one BYU defender to beat, Wilbur raced 62 yards for the go-ahead touchdown in the Hoosiers' stunning 38-37 Holiday Bowl victory Friday over the unbeaten and ninth-ranked Cougars.

Indiana Coach Lee Corso, his heart thumping in his throat, couldn't believe his eyes.

"It bounced in his hands like God said 'Here, Wilbur, run with it,'" said Corso after his youth-laden club shocked the Western Athletic Conference champions.

However, it wasn't until Johnson missed a 27-yard field goal with seven seconds left that the Hoosiers' first-ever bowl victory became a reality.

"I have never been involved in a better football game in my life," said Corso. "I guarantee you there won't be a better bowl game in America this year."

His Hoosiers finished at 8-4, while BYU, winless in four bowl appearances, ended up 11-1. Indiana's only other bowl appearance came 12 years ago in the Rose Bowl.

Prior to the game, Corso had said: "If it goes into a shootout, we'll get killed. We might come out in a basketball stall."

But the Hoosiers, who finished fourth in the Big 10, found out early they had the firepower to stay with WAC champs.

"We just kept coming back," said Corso. Indiana came from behind three times. "We played the best we could play and got a lot of breaks. We were lucky."

Junior quarterback Tim Clifford ran for two 1-yard touchdowns and fired a 38-yard pass to tight end Bob Stephenson, leading Indiana to a 21-17 halftime lead.

"If we're a fourth-place team, they wouldn't want to play the top three," said Clifford, who completed 11 of 29 passes for 171 yards.

Marc Wilson, BYU's All-America quarterback, passed for two TDs and ran for another. He completed 28 of 43 passes for 380 yards. But two of his three interceptions were turned into Indiana touchdowns.

Afterwards, he placed the burden of blame on himself.

"I had as big a part in the loss as anyone did," he said. "Johnson is the greatest field goal kicker BYU has ever had. He's not the reason we lost the game. Everybody felt like crying for him because we all love him."

Said Johnson: "I don't remember the kick. I guess I just hit it wrong. I think I'll sleep in late . . . it's going to hurt."

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Cotton Burr Disposal Problem

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they have no alternative to issuing tickets for violations.

The "Transporting Loose Materials" law states: "No person, copartnership, limited partnership, association, corporation, state, county, municipality, town, village or any department or political subdivision thereof, their agents or employees shall load or transport, cause to be loaded or transported, or aid or abet the loading or transporting, in a motor vehicle, commercial motor vehicle, truck-tractor, trailer or semi-trailer, any loose material on or over the public roads, streets or highways of this state in violation of any requirement of this section."

Loose material is defined as dirt, sand, gravel, wood chips or other material that is capable of blowing or spilling from a vehicle as a result of movement or exposure to air, wind currents, or weather, but does not include agricultural products in their natural state.

The "natural state" clause has been interpreted by the Attorney General's staff to include unginned cotton on the way to the gin, but not the burrs that have been separated from the cotton during the ginning process, Stone said. Thus, the burr haulers are required to meet the requirements which call for enclosure by sideboards or sidepanels, both front and back and with a cover over the top. Also, the law states that "the top of the load making contact with any sideboard or side-panel or front or rear part of the enclosure must not be within six inches of the top of the part of the enclosure contacted, and the highest point of the load must not be above any point on a horizontal plane equal in height to the top of the side, front, or rear part of the enclosure that is the least in height, or the alternative of covering the load with a canvas or similar type covering firmly secured thereby creating a horizontal plane; and at no time shall the load exceed the six inches as stated in this section during transportation of load without being covered.

Strother said houses of persons complaining had been built in the area long after the gin was in operation. They knew the gin was there when they were built.

He said there had been some complaints to the Environmental Protection Agency as well as to the city and an inspection of the gin had been made about six weeks ago. There has been no communication from EPA since then, however.

Stone said city police were not involved in any EPA complaints.

Strother said the burr haulers had received a total of about 15 tickets thus far and that the gin will contest each one in corporation court.

Jim Preston, who lives on 37th St. near the gin, said he had complained about the burr trucks.

"All I ever asked was for them to stop littering," said Preston. "If they will just put tarps on their loads, that should solve the problem and I will pull in my horns."

Preston said the lint that blows from the burrs is unsightly and gets into driveways and garages. "It's not just in the bar ditch," he said.

"I work for an oil company and we have had to clean up our act in the past few years, and I believe it is about time for the burr haulers to start making an effort to do the same," said Preston.

Meanwhile, area gins were still running full blast as they processed the county's biggest cotton crop in history and all were hoping that Mother nature would provide calm weather to reduce the burr blowing problem as much as possible for the remainder of the ginning season. Stone said reports by his officers indicated that the burr haulers were not piling their loads as high as they were at one time.

Classified Ads

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Well Almost...

Saga Of Cullen Davis Has Finally Concluded

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer

FORT WORTH (AP)- Composing a farewell column recently for the enduring courtroom saga of Cullen Davis, Dallas writer Brian Woolley said wistfully:

"Had it been sold as fiction, the public would have rejected it as preposterous, overblown, too laden with stereotype characters and outworn gimmicks, too lathered with blood, lust and corruption for even the most insatiable addicts of Texas gothic."

And now, suddenly, it's all over, he said: "A Texas gothic horror story has ended at last."

Well, not quite.

Since Davis' acquittal Nov. 9 on murder conspiracy charges, his ex-wife Priscilla wounded herself and almost shot the chief prosecutor and his girlfriend.

Another ex-wife, Sandra, announced plans to sue the multimillionaire industrialist for increased child support payments.

FBI informant David McCrory made an informal request for $25,000 that was introduced into evidence but now lies unclaimed in a Catch 22 melodrama.

Priscilla's one-time boyfriend, W.T. Rufner, won himself a $15 judgment from Davis, a fraction of what he sought for his memorable testimony as a reluctant defense witness. He claimed Davis owed him $368 in expenses, part of which he said he spent on good whisky and bad women.

Another defense witness was convicted of a felony firearms offense, but jurors deadlocked over punishment and triggered a mistrial.

Plaintiffs in several personal injury suits, including Priscilla, vowed anew to press their civil cases despite the dismissal of criminal charges against David.

Those suits total roughly $20 million, the residue of an Aug. 2, 1976, shooting spree at the $6 million Davis mansion.

The largest suit, $13 million, is expected to be the first set for trial. It was filed by Gus "Bubba" Gavrel Jr., 25, one of two wounded survivors of the bloody midnight rampage.

Priscilla, 38, also was wounded. Her lover, Stan Farr, 30, and her daughter, Andrea Wilborn, 12, were killed. Young Gavrel remains crippled with a bullet lodged in his spine.

In 1977, an Amarillo jury acquitted Davis of killing Andrea. The related charges were dismissed after his acquittal six weeks ago on the murder conspiracy -solicitation indictment.

That charge stemmed from an August 1978 episode in which Davis was accused of plotting the contract murder of his divorce judge.

The first attempt to try that case, in Houston, ended with a hung jury.

Davis' legal expenses over the last 40 months are unknown. A Dallas newspaper put the figure at $5 million, but other sources say his freedom cost him almost twice that.

However painful, he can afford it.

Kendavis Industries, the privately owned, billion-dollar business empire, turned a $57 million profit in 1975, the last year such figures were made public.

"I'm glad it's over," Davis strugged after his most recent victory, then headed for a skiing vacation at his favorite Colorado resort.

Archers

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can unleash an aluminum-shafted arrow with a three or four-sided razor-sharp point. The bows come with sights, string silencers, and even camouflage. They sport small steel cables and pullies to increase the pounds of force that launch the arrow, and handling them is easier.

Today's deer is a product of a modern age, too. He is accustomed to having men shoot at him with a rifle, when a bow and arrow is used he seems surprised.

"I've had them come back and smell of the arrow," said Robert Taylor of errant arrows that he has unleashed.

Taylor has downed four deer with bow and arrow in the past six years, with two of the kills coming this season. Ordinarily a bowman can count on only one shot, but Taylor has let fly seven arrows at one deer before finally hitting his mark.

Kills from 300 yards while using a rifle are not unusual, said Taylor, but bow hunters usually have to sneak up to within 30 yards of their prey.

"To get a good shot is half the battle in deer hunting," said Terry Gilbreth.

Gilbreth is a newcomer to the sport, and hasn't killed a deer yet with bow and arrow. He hasn't given up either.

He prefers bow hunting "because I know I could kill 10 with a rifle." That and, "It's a challenge to learn something new."

All three men agreed that simply being in the outdoors with a bow was exciting.

"The sport of being out in the wild is what I enjoy as much as killing the animal," said Taylor.

HOSPITAL NOTES

ADMISSIONS: Maxie Chaney, 219 Ave. T; Juan Escobeco, 2907 Ave. E; Jerry Joel, 1906 Ave. O; George McMahan, Rt. 3; Rhonda Richards 1206 26th St.

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Harvard Beets
Tossed Salad
Apple Cobbler
FRIDAY
Beef Stew
Blackeyed Peas
Tater Tots
Cottage Cheese
Spice Cake

Politics

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must file the name of his campaign treasurer with the county clerk before he makes any type of public announcement that he is a candidate.

Candidates must file with the county party chairmen to get their names on primary ballots. The primary election is set for the first Saturday in May. Gene Bowlin is the Democratic Party Chairman, while B.J. Bartels is the Republican Party Chairman for Scurry County.

But candidates cannot file with the county chairmen until Jan. 5 and the filing deadline is 6 p.m. Feb. 4., which means they have a filing period of 30 days.

Candidates for offices serving more than one county, such as state representative, district judge and district attorney, must file the names of their campaign treasurers with the Secretary of State in Austin.

Planes Fall

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Bittle, of Iowa City, Iowa, was alive after a crash about noon, but died before an ambulance arrived.

Witnesses said the plane had been circling in dense fog before crashing.

Authorities were uncertain where the flight originated, or where it was headed.

In another Arkansas accident, three executives of Sterling Stores Inc. of Little Rock and the company pilot were killed Friday when their twin-engine Cessna airplane hit a radio transmitting tower in dense fog, crashed and burned near Locust Grove.

Fears She'll Hatch An Ugly Duckling

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I need an objective view of a complicated problem. My husband and I recently had our second child—a healthy baby boy. We wanted a little girl because we already had a boy, so, of course, we were very disappointed.

Now I want to try for a girl, but my husband is opposed to the idea. He says two children are enough for the time being, but maybe later on, if we still want a third, he'd consider it.

Well, I'm 30 and have an infertility problem which gets worse as time goes on, so I think if we're going to try for a girl we'd better do it now.

Also figuring in our decision is the fact that my husband and I are both extremely tall and quite plain-looking—even homely—and if we were to have a daughter and she inherited our worst physical features it would break my heart. ERA and women's lib not withstanding, a woman makes it or breaks it on her looks, Abby.

Please help me make the right decision. My heart says to have one more child, but my head says forget it.

C. IN BUFFALO

DEAR C.: Listen to your head. If you'd be heartbroken with a tall, plain-looking (even homely) daughter, you'd be wise to settle for two sons.

DEAR ABBY: The letter signed BEEN THROUGH A LOT from a 15-year-old girl who thought she had VD has prompted this letter. She said she suffered in silence for weeks, then finally decided to tell her mother, even though her friends said she was "crazy" to tell her Mom. She wrote to say that telling her mother was the wisest decision she ever made.

My story is a little different. I'm an 18-year-old girl who was into drugs and sex. Last June I discovered I was pregnant. I was scared and confused, but I told my parents. Not only did I tell them about being pregnant, I told them about the drugs, lies, drinking, etc. They were hurt and upset, but their main concern was my welfare. I decided to have an abortion. It was MY decision.

My Mom and I went away for a little while afterwards to help me forget. While I was away I met and fell in love with a wonderful young man. I was honest with him, and he was understanding, loving and forgiving. I also prayed to God for strength and forgiveness. Now I can sleep nights.

Thank you Mom, Dad, my fiance, and God. And thank you, Abby, for listening.

ALSO LEARNED

DEAR LEARNED: And thank you for assuring young people that in time of trouble their parents are their best friends.

DEAR ABBY: We, the participants of the Long Beach Senior Day Center, feel as you do that flowers should be given to the living. We think this poem expresses our feelings well:

"I would rather have a little rose from the garden of a friend,
Than flowers strewn around my casket when my days on earth must end.
I would rather have a living smile from one I know is true,
Than tears shed 'round my casket when this world I bid adieu.
Bring me all the flowers today whether pink or white or red,
I would rather have one blossom now than a truckload when I am dead."

Author Unknown
PARTICIPANTS

DEAR PARTICIPANTS: Thanks for a poem whose author speaks for many. Does anyone out there know who wrote it?

DEAR ABBY: I have no problems to write about today.
I have not just divorced; nobody passed away.
My blender's not broken; there's been no fire.
My washer is fine. And so is my dryer.
My love life is fine, my son is still eating.
I just wrote this poem to wish you
SEASON'S GREETINGS!

FAITHFUL ABBY FAN

Do you wish you had more friends? For the secret of popularity, get Abby's new booklet: "How To Be Popular; You're Never Too Young or Too Old." Send $1 with a long, self-addressed, stamped (28 cents) envelope to Abby, 132 Lasky Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212.

In The Oil Patch...

Howard Well Flows; SW Scurry Test Set

Tucker & Baumgardner of Midland has potentialed a flowing well in the Coahoma, North (Fusselman) field of Howard County, three miles northeast of Coahoma.

The well, a southeast offset to another fusselman producer, finaled for a daily flow of 750 barrels of 52-gravity oil, no water, through a 22-64-inch choke.

The pay section, behind perforations from 8,847 to 8,877 feet, was acidized with 1,500 gallons. The gas-oil ratio on the potential test was 953-1, and flowing tubing pressure was 475 Pounds.

Hole is bottomed at 9,845 feet and 4.5-inch casing is cemented on bottom.

Wellsite is 1,842 feet from north and 3,173 feet from west lines of section 41, block 30, T-1-N, T&P survey.

F.W. Holbrook of Midland will drill the No. 2 Koonce, 7,300-foot wildcat, one location southeast of his No. 1 Koonce, 7,040-foot failure.

Wellsite is 1,500 from south and west lines of section 124, block 97, H&TC survey, five miles west of Ira.

McCann Corp. of Big Spring finaled the No. 4-A Read, one mile south of production in the Coahoma (Mississippian) field of Howard County, three miles east of Coahoma.

On a 24-hour flowing potential it made 190 barrels of 44-gravity oil and no water, through a 21-64-inch choke and perforations from 8,612 to 8,705 feet.

The producing zone was fractured with 210,000 gallons. Gas-liquid ratio is 1789-1.

Drilled to 8,840 feet, where 4.5-inch casing is set, Hole is plugged back depth is 8,802 feet.

Location is 660 from north and 1,880 from west lines of section 40, block 30, T-1-N, T&P survey.

Tucker & Baumgardner of Midland filed application to drill two projects in the Coahoma, North (Fusselman) field of Howard County, three miles northeast of Coahoma.

The No. 3 Black Bass is ½ mile southwest of production, 467 from south and 2,173 from west lines of section 41, block 30, T-1-N, T&P survey.

Contract depth is 8,900 feet.

Mitchell Energy Corp. of Houston will drill the No. 2-276 Morris Miller as an 8,780-foot explorer, one location south of the same firm's No. 1-276 Morris Miller in the Lucy, North (Pennsylvanian) field, which produces at 7,830 feet.

Location spots 1,953 from north and 4,011 from west lines of section 276, block 97, H&TC survey, 11 miles east of Gail.

Kelloil Inc. of Fort Worth will drill the No. 1 Jones, wildcat test ¾ mile southeast of The dual Hood (Pennsylvanian & Upper Pennsylvanian) discovery well, nine miles northeast of Gail.

Location is 1,980 from north and 660 from east lines of section 526, block 97, H&TC survey.

Cola Petroleum Inc. of Midland filed potential test on two operations in Howard County.

The No. 1 Johnson was finaled one location south of the opener, and lone producer of the Knott, West (Pennsylvanian) field, two miles northeast of Knott.

Operator reported a 24-hour flowing potential of 160 barrels of 42-gravity oil and no water, through an 8-64-inch choke and perforations between 9,148 and 9,157 feet, which was acidized with 500 gallons.

Total depth is 9,164 feet, with 4.5-inch casing set at 9,160 feet. Plugged back depth is 9,163 feet.

Location is 660 from north and east lines of section 18, block 33, T-2-N, T&P survey.

The same firm's No. 1 DeVaney was recompleted as dual Fusselman and Mississippian producer in the Coahoma multipay, 11 miles northeast of Big Spring.

A former Fusselman producer and later completed as a Mississippian producer, the well is one location east of Fusselman production in the Coahoma field, and the same distance west of Mississippian production in the Coahoma, North field of Howard County.

Operator reported 24-hour flowing potential of 128 barrels of 40-gravity add no water, through a 12-64-inch choke and perforations from 8,892 and 8,895 feet, after an acid treatment of 500 gallons.

Drilled to 8,970 feet, 4.5-inch casing is set at total depth, plugged back depth is 8,927 feet.

Location is 467 from south and east lines of section 29, block 30, T-1-N, T&P survey.

CLAY TAYLOR

Taylor New Manager Here For Goodyear

Clay Taylor, 27, is the new manager of the local Goodyear store. He began his duties Monday.

Taylor, who has been with Goodyear two years, is moving in from Corsicana where he briefly served as the manager of the store there. Other employment with Goodyear was served at stores in Ennis and Mexia.

A Houston native, Taylor said he likes small towns. Snyder, he said, "has some of the friendliest people I've ever seen in my life."

Accompanying him in his move to Snyder is his wife, Ginger.

Taylor is a 1975 graduate of the University of Houston. He received his bachelor of arts degree in English Literature.

DPS Launches Grim Countdown

AUSTIN (AP)—The Texas Department of Public Safety began the grim Christmas holiday highway death count at 6 p.m. Friday, fearing 67 persons would die during the 102-hour period ending at midnight Christmas Day.

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Unusual Fuel Situation Coming Up, Says Duncan

B. MAX B. SKELTON
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP)-Secretary of Energy Charles W. Duncan Jr. says the nation faces a potential crisis that is more complex than any situation it has ever faced in peacetime.

"We are in a time of transition from a social and economic infranstructure that has been built for nearly a century on the premise of cheap, easy, accessible petroleum, a promise that, unfortunately, is no longer relevant," Duncan said.

He said the nation must face the situation squarely.

"Are we going to manage this situation, or are we going to respond to crises and slip back into complacency between crises," he said.

"There is no choice. We must manage this evolution, or we will be doing a disservice to ourselves and future generations."

That, Duncan recently told the National Petroleum Council, is why President Carter has put forward the most comprehensive energy program the nation has ever seen, "because it takes such a broad plan to move this nation forward to an energy diversified 21st century."

Duncan said the situation is not just an American problem but a worldwide problem that is of serious concern to the industrialized nations and the developing nations alike.

He said the International Energy Agency that includes 20 of the world's leading industrialized nations has taken the unprecedented step of binding national ceilings for imports of foreign oil for next year and putting in place a mechanism to monitor national oil supplies and each nation's performance in staying within its ceiling.

As a result, he said, the countries will be able to move rapidly to adjust their ceilings and take the necessary actions individually to match oil availability, meeting again in the first 90 days of 1980 to assess the supply and import ceiling balance.

"This action by the IEA underscores the concern of the member countries about the disarray in the national oil market and their awareness that the consuming countries must act individually and collectively to adjust to their demands to meet the inevitably shrinking supply of liquid petroleum," Duncan said.

"In this country, we are already seeing signs of recognition of the reality of the problem. The sudden realization that continued alterness to potential oil shortages was to be a way of life in this country was shocking and perhaps even frightening to many Americans. Perhaps that was necessary."

Duncan said it is encouraging that the American people in every area and in every level of society appear to be gradually building a consensus about how to use the vast energy resources available here at home.

Duncan said that America has been, from its beginning, a nation on the move, a nation in transition.

"We have not been static technically, industrially, socialy, or economically," he said.

"Much of our history has been built on creative transition. We are no stranger to the challenges and opportunities of new circumstances. We thrive on them."

Duncan said the transition from an oil dependent economy to an energy diversified economy is no more an insurmountable challenge than so many challenges the nation has faced successfully in the past.

"I see us moving postively right now, examining every aspect of the way we use energy, in our urban planning, mass transit, automobile design, energy productivity in industry, architecture, building codes, and broadening our scope in the search for new energy sources," he said.

Duncan said he thinks there is a growing consensus on the need to provide economic incentives to increase domestic oil and gas exploration and production.

"We also can make more of our existing wells by stripping them of oil that formerly was not economical to produce because of the high costs associated with getting the last bit out of a well," Duncan said.

"Enhanced recovery techniques, which include chemical flooding, gas injections, and steam-flooding to increase the yield of oil from existing wells need to be used to the maximum extent possible."

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Another Bumper Wheat Crop Seen

WASHINGTON (AP)-Can wheat farmers raise another bumper crop next year? The Agriculture Department has raised that possibility.

In its first major forecast of crop production next year, the department said Friday the 1980 winter wheat crop could yield 1.57 billion bushels, only 3 percent less than the bumper 1979 harvest.

Officials said farmers planted 56.8 million acres to winter wheat this fall, a 9 percent increase from what they planted to produce the 1979 harvest.

The Carter administration, reacting to a growing world demand for U.S. grain, removed acreage-idling requirements for the 1980 crop.

A year ago, in its first estimate of 1979 winter wheat production, USDA projected the crop at about 1.44 billion bushels. Farmers went on to harvest 1.6 billion bushels.

Winter wheat comprises about three-fourths of the total U.S. wheat output. The remainder is planted in the spring for harvesting later in the year.

In all this year, U.S. wheat output was more than 2.14 billion bushels, the second highest on record. The revised estimate was slightly more than USDA's previous estimate of 1979 wheat production made in November - about 2.11 billion bushels.

Looking further at 1980 prospects, the report said winter wheat as of Dec. 1 was "short and uneven" in parts of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas "but good elsewhere."

Although winter wheat is grown in many states, the Great Plains is the major area, and Kansas is the leading producer. The 1980 Kansas winter wheat crop was estimated at 332.8 million bushels, compared to 410.4 million harvested in 1979.

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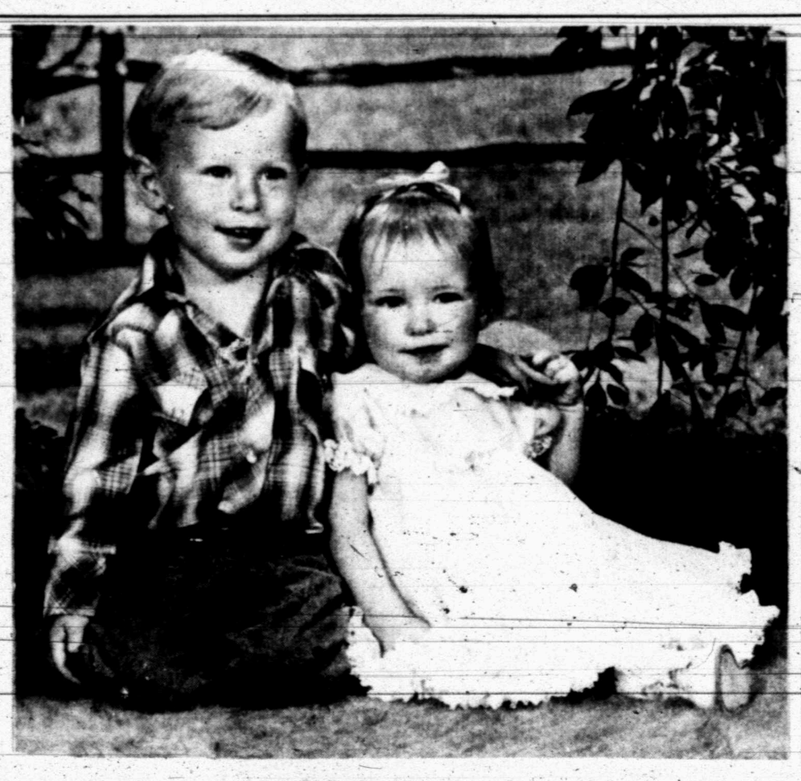
MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet news agency Tass said today that President Leonid I. Brezhnev is sick with a "catarrhal indisposition" - a cold.

Soviet observers said it "was very, very rare" for Tass to report on the health of one of the Kremlin leaders.



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Willeford, Dennis Repeat Vows

Sheridan Lee Willeford of Mission became the bride of Jal Ray Dennis before an altar decorated with massive bouquets of fall flowers. The altar area featured a pair of seven-branch candelabra intertwined with crepe myrtle foliage matching the bouquets.

Nuptial vows were read in the First Baptist Church at Mission on Nov. 23 at 7:30 p.m. with Dr. James Glassman officiating the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Dean Willeford of Mission, and Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Dennis of Rt. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dennis, soloists, accompanied by Mrs. Bob Yancy at the organ, provided wedding music. A poem was read by Dennis during the ceremony.

The bride was attired in a gown of candlelight French lace over peau de soie. The bodice, with princess lines, featured a Queen Anne neckline outlined with pleated chiffon ruffle. Her small, puffed sleeves above the elbow and fitted to the wrists were completed with a matching chiffon ruffle. Her two tiered off-white illusion veil, enhanced with Venitian lace, was attached to a beaded Venitian band.

She carried a bouquet of sonia and talisman roses, styled with grape ivy and interspersed with baby's breath and beige lace ribbon. The bride, in keeping with tradition, wore antique diamond earrings for something old, her wedding dress was new, something borrowed was a gold necklace, and something blue was her garter.

Maid of honor was Miss Charlotte Nixon of McAllen, and bridesmaids were Miss Jo Lynn Pierce of McAllen, Miss Dee Dee White and Miss Missye Willems, both of Mission. Flower girl was Miss Mindy Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Willems.

Attendants wore off-the-shoulder peasant blouses of candlelight lace A-line fashioned with rust colored skirts outlined with a deep ruffle matching their blouses.

Best man was Buddy Mayes of San Marcos. Groomsmen were David Yearwood of Houston, Stan Ferrell of Odessa and Steve Slavik of San Marcos. Seating guests were Randy Matsler of San Marcos and Richard Hagan.

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A reception was held in the Casa De Palmas ballroom of La Posada following the ceremony. A silver epergne containing fall flowers centered the serving table. A traditional four tiered wedding cake, decorated with sugar spun sonia and talisman roses, was topped with miniature bride and groom. The groom's cake was topped with chocolate roses. Assisting at the reception were Mmes. Ward Gentry, Bob Yancy Robert Gossett, George Williams, Kenneth White, Jerry Bell, Lynn Jones, Ray Young, Tom Shiba, Tommy Bentsen and Mary Lou Northcutt.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mex. the couple are at home at San Marcos where they are attending Southwest Texas State University. The bride is employed by Transportation Enterprizes of San Marcos, and the bridegroom is employed as manager of the company. Dennis is a Snyder High School graduate and the bride is a graduate of Mission High School.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY-Mr. and Mrs. O.W. Richburg will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception Dec. 30 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Hermleigh Community Center. Their children Scott Richburg, New City, N.Y., and LaVon Bridges of Booker are hostesses for the occasion. They invite friends and neighbors to join their parents in celebrating the occasion.

To minimize the smell of cooking fish, broccoli, brussel sprouts and cauliflower, let a pan of vinegar simmer slowly on the stove.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY

American Legion Layne Kite Post 181; regular meeting; 8 p.m.

American Legion Auxiliary; Legion Hall; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Sparkle City Squares; National Guard Armory; 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Weight Watchers of West Texas; East Elementary; 7 p.m. New members welcome and should come at 6:30 to register.

FRIDAY

Duplicate Bridge Club; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

People Without Partners; 42 at Inadale Community Center; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Duplicate Bridge Club; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Scurry County Museum open 1-5 p.m. Museum located on campus of WTC.

Promenaders Sponsor Lessons

The Promenaders Square Dancers from the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center will sponsor a series of square dance lessons for Senior Citizens starting Jan. 10.

Burt Whitaker of Big Spring will be instructor for the lessons. Classes will meet in the Senior Citizens Center from 7:30-9:30 p.m. each Thursday through May 22. Fees will be $20 per person for the 20 lessons, with the first three lessons free.

Persons wishing information about the lessons may call the Senior Center at 573-0104. The Center will be open on Monday, then will close Dec. 25-26 for Christmas.

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How To Become A Sandwich Artist

By Aileen Claire
NEA Food Editor

There's artistry in the making of a sandwich. Americans seem to have a special flair for combining unusual but complementary ingredients.

Joe's special sandwich — which blends spinach, ground beef, eggs and cheese with such seasonings as Italian herb, herb pepper and garlic — might have been too much for the Earl of Sandwich. However, it makes a flavorful filling for pita bread, buns or hero rolls.

Serve with your favorite potato dish and fresh vegetable sticks.

JOE'S SPECIAL SANDWICH

1 (12-ounce) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed
1 pound ground chuck
1 cup frozen chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
3/4 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon Italian herb seasoning
1/4 teaspoon herb pepper seasoning
2 large eggs, beaten
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
4 (6-inch) pita breads, halved, or sesame hamburger buns

Drain spinach well. Press out excess liquid.

Brown meat with onion and garlic over high heat, stirring occasionally. Drain off excess fat.

Add spinach and herb seasonings. Stir over low heat until spinach is hot.

Stir in eggs and salt to taste. Sprinkle with cheese.

Continue to cook just until eggs are set, occasionally stirring gently. Remove from heat.

Gently open pita-bread halves. Fill each with about ½ cup spinach-meat mixture. Or serve on sesame hamburger buns. Serve at once.

This kitchen-tested recipe makes 4 servings.

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CHRISTMAS RECITAL-Pupils of Mrs. Wayne Bethel were presented in a Christmas recital at Bethel Studio, 3300 48th St., Friday Dec. 14 and Saturday, Dec. 15. Narration was written and read by Randy Cook. Pupils were featured playing together at two pianos, organ, electric piano and rhythm instruments. A reception was held in the garden room following the recital. Pictured above from left are, first row, Sam Rayborn, Teresa Dodson, Chelle Krueger, Diane Sentell, Lisa Thrift, Teka Eicke; back row, Carla Harper, Lisa Thompson, Kay Lyn Hammack, Linda Walker, Lisa Franklin, Randy Cook and Tammy Farmer. (SDN Staff Photos)

Singer Wins

NEW YORK (AP)-Linda G. Wall, a soprano student at the Juilliard School, recently won first prize and $3,000 in the Sixth International Competition of Musical Performance in Vina del Mar, Chile.

Miss Wall, 29, was the only American in the competition.

MORE STUDENTS-Recital students performing Saturday were, front row, Ginger Bryan, Angela Costillo, Cindy Martinez, Jane Kirby, Anne Osborn; second row, Gloria Flack, Zeena Cox, Jayna Gilbert, Stephanie Weaver and Michelle Harper. In picture below are, first row, Tara Krueger, Laurie Dickinson, Kerri Plumlee, Celia Feinsod, Jennifer Harden, Michelle Osborn; second row, Paul Marble, Judson Morrison, Brad Robbins, Virgil Feinsod, Don Osborn and Charlie McCormick.

Revlon Heir To Get $15 Million

NEW YORK (AP)-A judge has awarded the widow of Revlon cosmetics magnate Charles Lachman an estimated $15 million from her husband's estate.

Jaquine Lachman, 39, who was Lachman's fourth wife, also got possession Thursday of a luxury duplex in Manhattan. The rest of the estate was shared among Lachman's three daughters and a number of charities.

Lachman was co-founder of the Revlon cosmetics empire. He was 80 when he died in August 1978 of heart disease.

The will had been contested by Lachman's third wife, whom he had disinherited. The judge denied her appeal.

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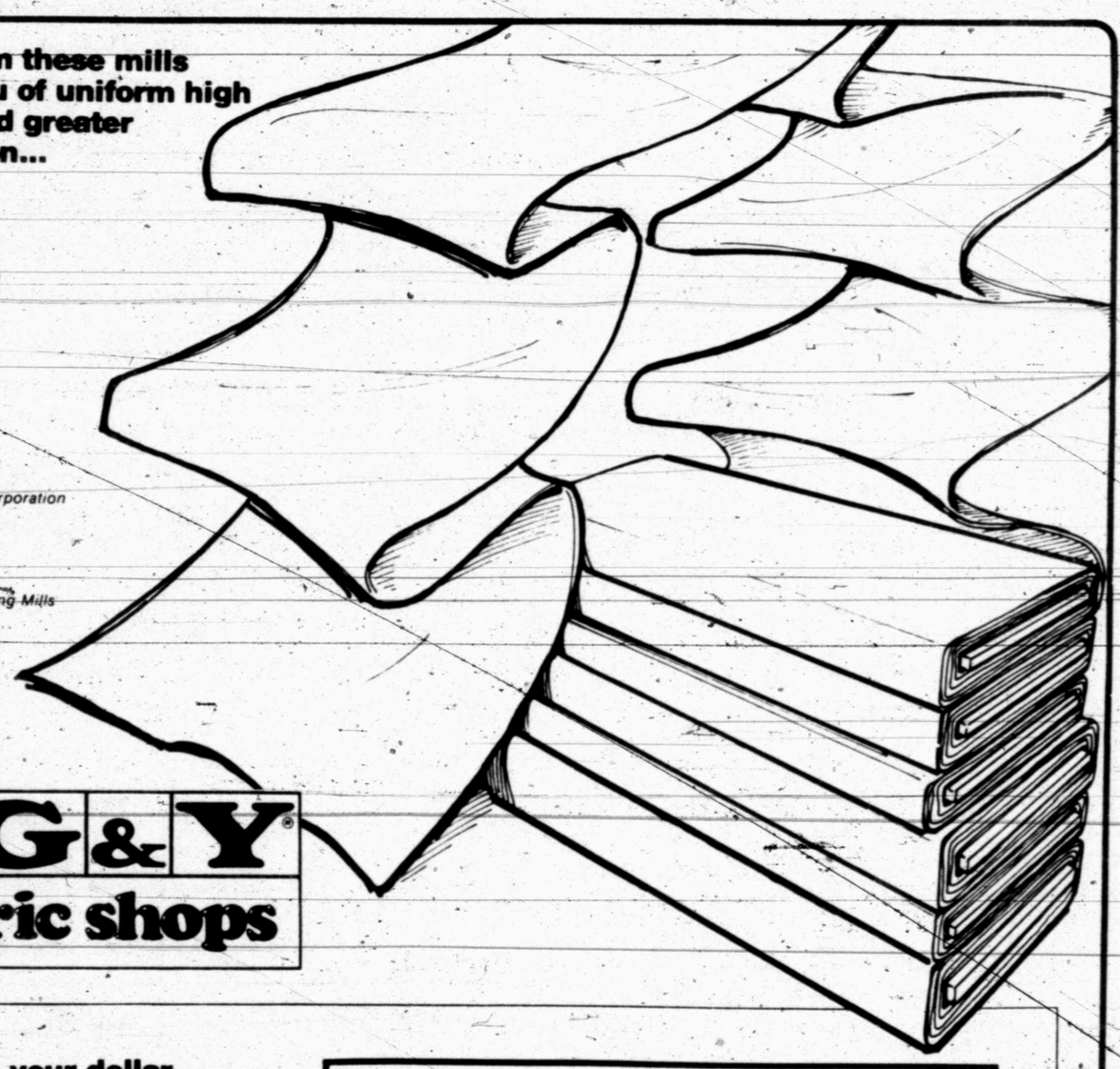

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Americans Received 1.4 Billion Lbs. Of Foreign Meat

WASHINGTON (AP)- The latest U.S. Customs figures show nearly 1.4 billion pounds of foreign meat entered the American market in the first 11 months of this year

That was about 90 percent of the 1.57 billion pounds foreign countries were authorized to ship to the United States in 1979.

The figures, published Wednesday by the Agriculture Department, showed November imports at 132 million pounds.

With only December to go and 170 million pounds remaining in this year's authorization, the figures again raised a question whether the entire 1.57 billion pounds would be imported.

The meat - which is regulated under a 1964 import law - includes fresh, frozen or chilled beef, veal mutton and goat meat. However, most of it is beef used to make hamburger and other processed items.

Prints On View

LOS ANGELES (AP)- "Pictures by Thomas Nast From the George and Betty Longstreet Collection", is on view through Feb. 10 at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art.

Nast was a 19th-century political caricaturist. The exhibition consists of some 75 wood engravings.

BLANCHE'S BLABS

By BLANCHE CHISUM
Scurry County Extension Agent

MAKE PLANS NOW FOR HOLIDAY VISITORS

As a last minute tip before the holidays remember your visitors. Will you have small children visiting you this Christmas? Better check and see if your home is safe for them.

For example, have you put matches and household poisons out of reach? Are the aerosol spray cans safely stashed away--in a locked container out of reach of the small fry? What about aspirins and other medicines? These, too, should be kept away from small children.

Paints, detergents, alcohol and household bleaches are potential hazards for small children who are exploring a strange house. Store these where little hands can't find them. Scissors, pins and plastic bags should be added to the list of hazards.

Christmas trees with ornaments that break or candles that flame attract small children. An adult should supervise a child playing around a tree, or the room should be closed so small children cannot enter when adults are not there to supervise.

If older people will be among your house guests this holiday season, consider safety features for their rooms. You may save them a nasty fall if you arrange the rooms so that they can reach a light from the bed. Keep a night light on in the bathroom or hallway.

Plan your holiday baking, shopping and gift wrapping so that you won't be hurried at the last minute. Falls, cuts and burns are the most frequent injuries received at home. All of these are more apt to occur if you are tired or in a hurry. Allow ample time for each task you are doing in order to have an accident-free holiday.

Gov. Carey Rescued From Stuck Elevator

NEW YORK (AP)-Gov. Hugh Carey left a posh Fifth Avenue party because he had to attend another party but instead became the star attraction at an unexpected event.

The occasion was his own rescue from a stalled elevator in the building.

Police raced through the icy New York streets when summoned Wednesday night with a call of "VIP trapped in elevator," but arrived after Carey had already been rescued by his aides.

Carey was apparently not upset by the temporary inconvenience.

Trapped with him in the elevator was Anne Ford Uzielli.

FIVE GENERATIONS TOGETHER-Mrs. Eric Preston was hostess at her home in Breckenridge to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Cross, their daughters; Kayla and Connie; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ham, their son Jeremy; and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Preston of Midland, formerly of Snyder. Mrs. Preston has seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and Jeremy is her first great-great-grandchild. Pictured are, from left, Mrs. Preston, Ralph Preston, Mrs. Beverly Cross, Mrs. Suzanne Ham and Jeremy Ham.

Art Objects Lent To Museum

NEW YORK (AP)-Over 150 uniforms, costumes, examples of livery, saddlery with related art objects, and paintings have been lent to the Metropolitan Museum of Art by major institutions in Budapest and Vienna for an exhibition.

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NORTH 12-22
♠ 8 2
♥ Q 4
♦ A K Q 5 3 2
♣ 7 6 4

WEST
♠ K 9
♥ 10 7
♦ J 9 7 4
♣ J 10 9 5 2

EAST
♠ J 10 6 5 4 3
♥ K J 9 8
♦ 8
♣ K 8

SOUTH
♠ A Q 7
♥ A 6 5 3 2
♦ 10 6
♣ A Q 3

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

West	North	East	South
			1 NT
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: ♣ J

By Oswald Jacoby and Alan Sontag

What can go wrong? Successful bridge players frequently ask themselves this question.

To be a consistent winner one must be prepared for the inevitable bad breaks and losing finesses. If there is a way to circumvent these unlucky occurrences, a player should endeavor to find it.

In today's hand South was too confident. He had arrived at an excellent vulnerable three-notrump contract. It was rubber bridge for a penny a point, and when he made it he would be $6 plus change richer.

Counting his money rather than his tricks, our hasty declarer won the opening club lead and cashed dummy's ace-king of diamonds. When they didn't divide 3-2, South could no longer make his contract.

He was able to establish the diamond suit but had no entry to the dummy in order to cash the long diamonds. Down 200. Instead of being plus, South and unlucky North were each minus $2.

If South had considered the possibility that diamonds might break 4-1, almost a 28 percent probability, he could have protected himself and his game contract.

To make three notrump, declarer needed five diamond tricks, not six. If he had ducked a diamond at trick two, the defense might get a trick they were not entitled to. But declarer would be assured of three notrump.

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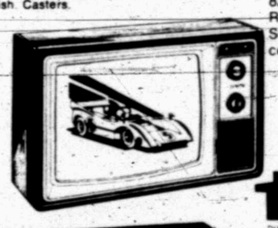

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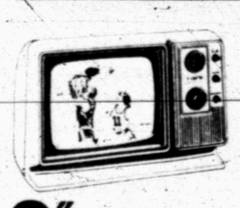

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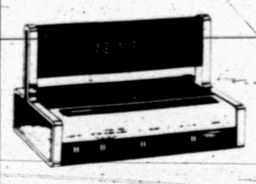

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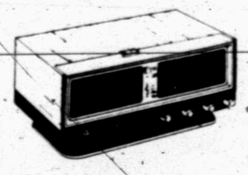

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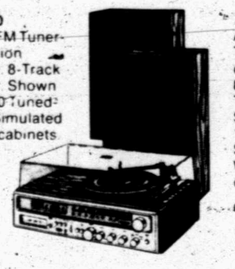

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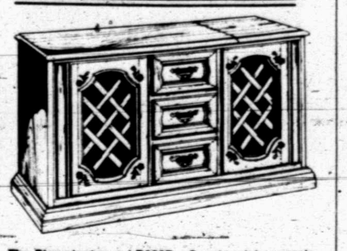

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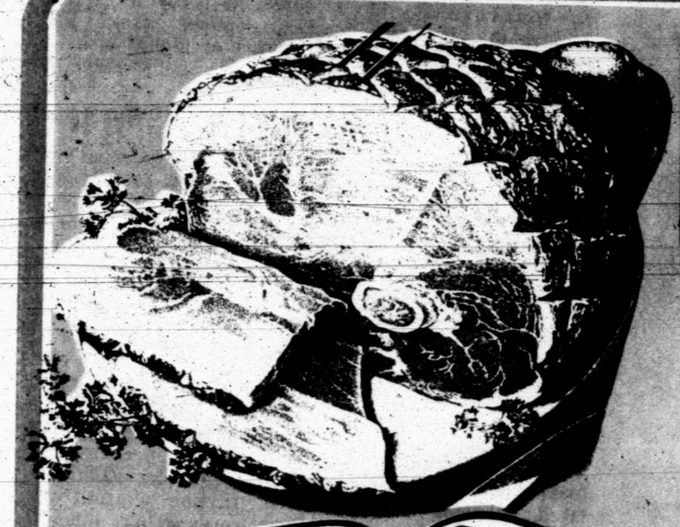

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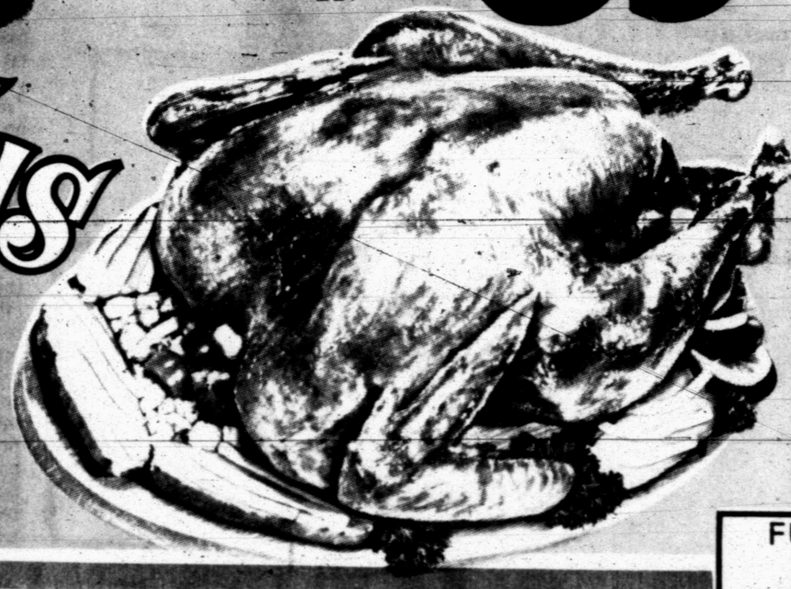

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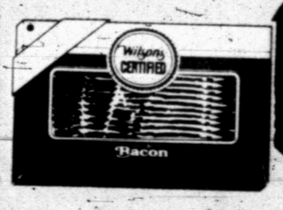

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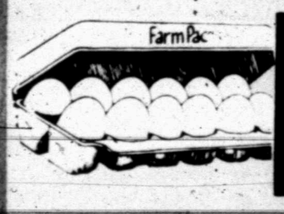

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welfare for business

Welfare was conceived as a method of maintaining a humane standard of living for the nation's poor. Originally "poor" meant people; now welfare dollars are being shoveled to business. Recently the House of Representatives passed a bill that will expand by $5.9 billion loans and loan guarantees to ailing business in depressed areas. Welfare for needy families is bad enough - no matter how humane the purpose, it cannot ultimately be accomplished with tax dollars - but to subsidize businesses with tax dollars is an abomination.

One must keep in mind a basic reason businesses are failing: inflation. The increase in the cost of doing business has contributed more to the demise of efficient small companies than any other non-market factor. The $5.9 billion spent by the House will undoubtedly contribute to that inflation.

It can be argued that government-caused inflation justifies government bailout of companies that are about to fold. The fallacy of this argument is that a good proportion of those tax funds are bound to end up in the pockets of businessmen whose companies in business is totally wasteful and, again, inflationary. The inflationary effect of keeping open improperly run companies threatens the competently run establishments. And that's not fair.

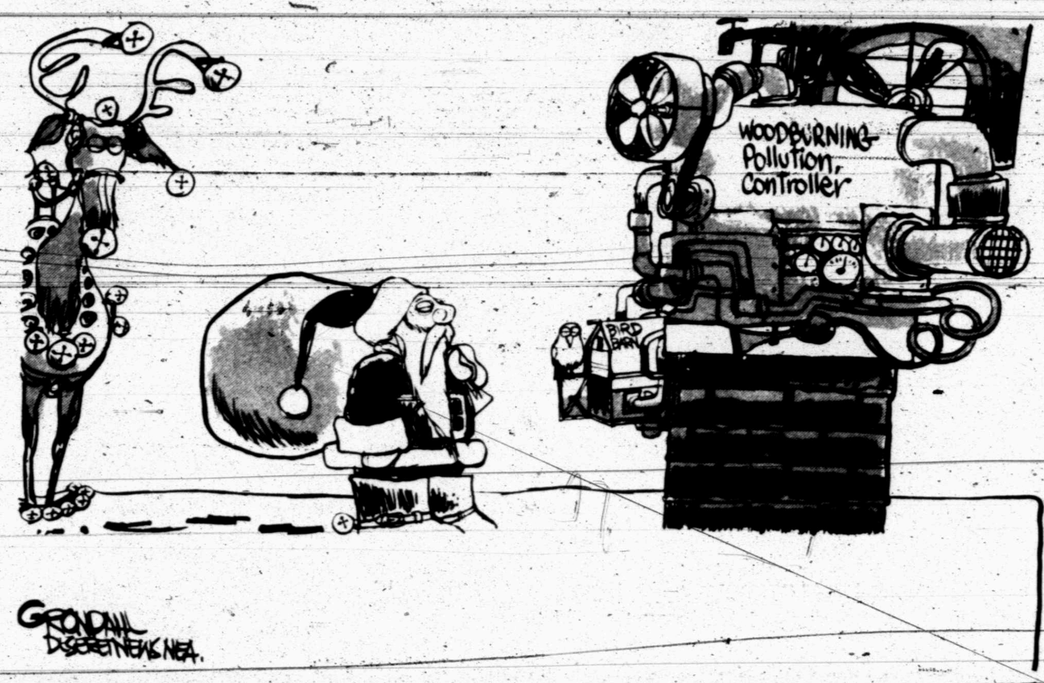
Going out of business is the market's way of eliminating waste. The last thing this country needs is a policy that keeps failing business from going belly up, whether it be Chrysler or the local hot dog stand. If the hot dogs aren't selling because more people are buying tacos, then the owner is either going to have to switch to tacos or go out of business. If he switches to tacos, but can't produce them as well or as cheaply as the vendor down the street, then he should go into another line of business. It is the incidence of business failure that keeps market-oriented economies producing the high quality goods and services desired by the public.

Government guaranteed loans are just as bad, if not worse, than direct subsidies. A guaranteed loan not only subsidizes an ailing business, but also a perfectly healthy lending institution. One reason a lender gets interest for the money he lends is the element of risk, yet the lender still gets the same interest. In effect, the lending institution gets something for nothing and the public losses, at least potentially.

President Carter, who pushed it, thought of this legislation as creating an urban bank with the purpose of lending money in depressed areas. Instead, the congressional loan legislation simply broadened the powers of the Economic Development Administration, authorizing the agency to get the money to businesses who supposedly need it. This $5.9 billion taxed from the public to give to business is bad enough. Creating a new part of government to do it would make it a total disaster.

Advocates of free enterprise are often accused of favoring business interests. Issues like this answer that charge. There is absolutely no excuse for taxing working people to insure the continued existence of a private company that is not making it in the market place. That kind of thinking is more consistent with the philosophy of fascism than with free enterprise.

Part of the freedom of enterprise is the freedom to fail and the right of working people not to be forced into subsidizing failing businesses.



my turn

by roy mcqueen, publisher

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Merry Christmas."

A couple of years ago, a member of the U.S. House of Representatives sent a letter to folks back in the home district that accurately protrayed some of the insane things that happen in our government.

It is possible that it may already be too late to put the bureaucrats back in their proper position as hired hands (servants) rather than as decision makers.

The representative's tongue-in-cheek approach to the problem is interesting reading at this time of year. The proposition is that Santa Claus is probably in violation of a staggering list of federal regulations, and suggested that the popular North Pole resident obtain a lawyer.

"We are concerned that our annual visit from Santa Claus may be delayed this year because of his failure to fill out the necessary forms..."

The only hope is that Santa will use his powers to cut through the endless government red tape.

The violations include:

--No certification for Santa's sleigh by the Civil Aeronautics Board.

--No seat belts and emission control devices for the reindeer.

--No Interstate Commerce Commission permit assigning Santa to a certified route.

--The possibility of unfair competition with the U.S. Postal Service with unauthorized air mail deliveries.

--Violations of the Sherman Antitrust Act for maintaining a strict monopoly in the field.

--The Department of Labor is trying to determine if the elves are receiving the minimum wage or being paid proper overtime.

--The possibility Rudolph is being fed with an unauthorized drug to make his nose light up.

--Also there is a current audit of Santa's tax return to determine whether he is declaring as taxable income the cookies and milk left him by the children.

--Lack of an environmental impact study regarding disposal of Christmas trees after the season.

--Also no economic impact study relating to the empty wallets of many a mom and dad.

thoughts

The idea of a League of Nations is found in Isaiah 2. The fourth verse is often quoted.

"And they shall beat their swords into plowshares...nations shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." — Isa. 2:4

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commentary

donald f. graff

If anyone ever manages to come up with an exact definition of what is news, it will make news.

Meanwhile, we make do with such less than comprehensive efforts of Webster and others as "a report of a recent event," "new information," "matter that is interesting to ... audiences," "a newsworthy matter," "any person or thing thought to merit special attention."

By any of those standards, the situation in Iran certainly qualifies. And that would seem to go in spades for the hostages inside the American embassy.

Not, however, in the opinion of a growing body of critics of how the media is dealing with the flow of information from Tehran. The complaint is that the news organizations are being manipulated, allowing themselves to be used as a "forum for propaganda on the part of Iranian authorities..."

Representative of the reaction of many American authorities, those last are the words of Rep. John Brademas, D-Ind., assistant House leader, in specific reference to an interview with a captive marine corporal recently telecast by NBC. ABC and CBS had also been interested initially in the prospective interview but balked, they said, at the terms of the Iranian captors, which included transmitting a statement of revolutionary principals.

Neither network, however, had shown such reluctance on earlier occasions. Both had joined in the general rush for interviews with the Ayatollah Khomeini, a personage unquestionably meriting special attention. But it was the resultant mass exposure accorded this eminence noire of the revolution that suggested there might be cause for concern over American news-gathering activities in a chaotic Iran.

This includes the press, of course, as well as television. Representatives of both have been all over the Iranian scene and Iranian spokesmen, authoritative or merely presuming to be.

But it is television, a much more intense medium reaching vast numbers of people simultaneously, upon which attention and criticism focuses. It is by its very nature super visible in the sort of highly visual drama now being played out in Tehran.

This was recognized early and clearly by the ayatollah and company, who know how to seize a golden opportunity when it has been thrust upon them by the competitive enthusiasm of American newspeople. But whether it is really doing them any good is another matter. The circumstances in which American hostages are being permitted to speak are fully apparent to the audience back home and it is doubtful that anyone evaluates their words in any other terms.

Still, the selective access to news events and newsworthy individuals being practiced by the Iranian revolutionaries is a manipulative technique. And the question remains whether it is proper for the American media -- as a matter of professional ethics and-or patriotism -- to be a party to it.

In seeking the answer, several points should be considered. First, all events in revolutionary Iran, whether manipulated or not, are of intense interest to American audiences. That takes in the rantings of holy men turned politicians, the delphic pronouncements of a self-contradicting foreign minister and obviously stage-managed interviews with hostages.

Second, human affairs are essentially untidy and disorganized, particularly when they reach the revolutionary stage. So is the free reporting of same. The real story of what is happening in Iran is not going to be wrapped up in single, certified error-free report. It emerges instead as a mosiac, built up in the public comprehension from the myriad bits and pieces of printed and visual reportage pouring out of a society at war with itself.

Some of those bits may be misinformation. Some of the pieces may be less information than propaganda. Reporting them may be opening American information channels to the manipulative uses of others.

But there is another term for not reporting them, for deliberate selectivity in determining which bits and pieces are too qualify as news.

It's called managing information.

paul harvey

child's rights

What can we do about the child who wants to kill himself ... or the one who is mentally retarded ... or the one who demonstrates sexual deviations or a tendency to alcoholism or crime?

Well, there are two things we can do.

We can wait until that child's symptoms justify confinement in a mental hospital or a prison.

Or, says psychologist Dr. Jerry Bergman of Bowling Green State University, we can do something about his problems BEFORE THAT CHILD IS BORN.

If you want to adopt a child you really have to prove in advance that you would make "a good parent."

You are put through a complex screening procedure to establish your financial stability, your personal credibility and your qualifications for parenthood. If you are retarded, a criminal or below or beyond the prescribed age you will be refused. That is if you want to "adopt" a child.

If you want children by the birth process you may be a habitual criminal, a lunatic, diseased, depraved, unmarried and unemployable -- and you can still have as many babies as you want.

Psychologist Dr. Jerry Bergman says, "The last segment of our society to assert its rights are our babies." He believes they have a right to be born to properly qualified parents.

He proposes a "license for parenthood."

Americans have to get a license to practice medicine...

Doctors are not allowed to learn by experimentation...

Americans are required to get a license even to drive a car.

Yet for a purpose infinitely more complex -- parenthood -- you need no license, no training and no experience.

Dr. Bergman says, "That's like putting a third-grader in charge of an atomic power plant."

What qualifications would be required before one could get a license to have a baby? At least, he says, training in general nutrition, anatomy, physiology, hygiene, child-development, first-aid, physical fitness.

And the prospective parent would have to be mentally and emotionally fit and financially able.

Essentially, these are the same qualifications required of adoptive parents.

Anticipating objections, Dr. Bergman concedes that licensing would not guarantee good parents for everyone but the alternative -- the present practice of indiscriminately allowing any persons able to procreate to multiply themselves -- is more hazardous.

Superseding their right is the right of the child -- the last segment of our enlightened society to be grotesquely discriminated against.

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looking back

from the sdn files

5 YEARS AGO

Don Head, branch manager in Snyder for SIC Credit Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Investment Company, was designated as vice president of the company.

The Snyder Noon Kiwanis Club presented a check for $120 to the Goodfellows. Dr. Jim Tully, president of the club, presented the check to Rev. Henry Hartman, chairman of the Goodfellows.

10 YEARS AGO

Frankie Grimmett was awarded a watch at the Texas Christian University football banquet. He was voted recipient of the Y.Q. McCammon Award, given annually to the nonletterman who contributed the most to the team. Grimmett, an end, was red-shirted for the 1969 season. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grimmett.

15 YEARS AGO

Members of the Altar Society of St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church presented one dozen dressed dolls and one dozen stuffed animal toys to Cogdell Memorial Hospital. The gifts were used for the patients in the children's ward.

20 YEARS AGO

Richard E. Miller, a student at Texas Tech from Snyder, placed two animals in the Little International Livestock Show. The show, held in Lubbock, was sponsored by the Block and Bridle Club. Miller placed third with a Hampshire gilt and third with a Columbia lamb.

Among six men from this area who entlisted in the Army through the Snyder recruiting office were J.D. Gray and Royce Clanton, both former Snyder High School students. They received 14-day Christmas leave upon enlistment and were to report to Fort Carson, Colo., on Jan. 4.

25 YEARS AGO

Dawson Moreland presented a gift certificate to J.A. Morrison, Sr. retired Post Office dispatcher. The certificate, worth $50 at a Snyder clothing store, was purchsed by postal employes here as a Christmas gift for the 63-year-old Morrison, who retired Nov. 1 after 41 years of service as a postman.

letter to editor

To The Daily News:

Crude oil at $42 a barrel is still a bargain. At that price it can still compete at the market place. There are several substitutes that can be used to replace crude oil. Ethylene glycol retails for about $3 a gallon; alcohol $2 a gallon. There is enough oil shale and tar sand to produce billions of barrels of crude oil.

There is enough coal to produce billions of barrels of crude oil or gaseous products. None of these products are able to compete with crude oil, with the same rate per gallon of energy.

Why, then, do we have this situation? The explanation is simple enough: Carter and the federal administration are the creatures of the international financiers who control credit, banking and energy. They want no competition. They want shortage crises and controls. They want to destroy the middle class and create a society in which there will be only the rich and the super rich on the one hand and untold millions of easily-controlled near-indigents on the other. This system is to be administered by a huge federal bureaucracy which will live in luxury and regiment every man, woman and child under a socialistic despotism. This, in essence, is precisely the program which the present government and especially the man of Chappaquiddick ill fame, would inflict forever upon the American people.

Chas. S. Hardy
Rt. 3, Snyder

robert schuller

it's possible

One day outside a hospital nursery, I watched one of life's golden moments. A husband and wife — grandparents for the first time, I was to learn — were getting their first, joyful look at their new grandson.

He was red, wrinkled and crying — as beautiful as most newborn babies — but to them, of course, he was the most special child since the birth of their own.

Tears of happiness ran down the cheeks of both grandparents and in the emotion of the moment I got wet-eyed myself. It brought to mind a little poem I once read about the blessings of tears.

"Without tears how could a mother's eyes speak of their relief for a lost child found.

Without tears how could aging ears acknowledge a beautiful old hymn.

Without tears how could a wordless tongue express ultimate grief.

Without tears how could a lover's heart show the incomparable joy of a mate's safe return.

Without tears how could our souls thank God for His wonderful, boundless love."

Reverend Schuller, pastor of the Garden Grove, Calif., Community Church, can be seen weekly on his nationally syndicated TV program, "Hour of Power."

(NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

BARBS

Phil Pastoret

An optimist is a person who expects to lug a sled through the revolving door of a sales emporium.

Masters of the fast shuffle once plied their trade on Mississippi sternwheelers. Now, they pass out souvenir books to kids visiting Santa.

If Christmas bulbs were as durable as the red light in Rudolph's nose, decorating the house would be much less expensive.

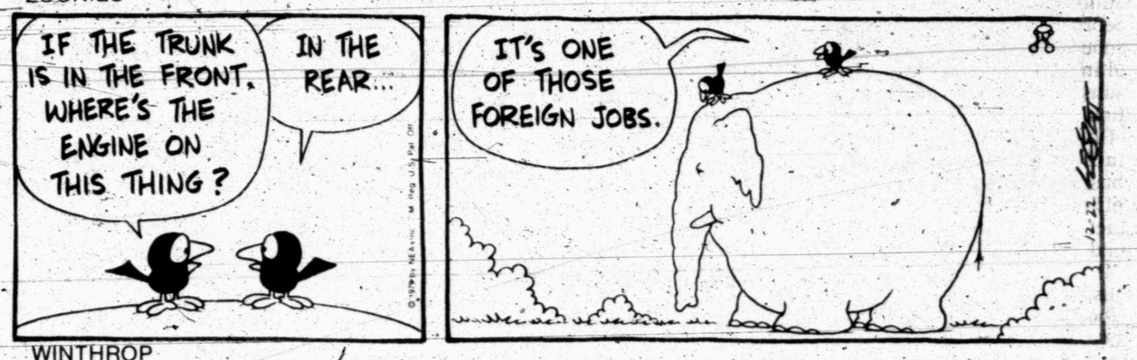
When you were 20, you couldn't wait for Christmas. After 40, you find the stores begin it for you just before Halloween.

THE BORN LOSER

FRANK AND ERNEST

EEK & MEEK

ZOONIES



FLASH GORDON

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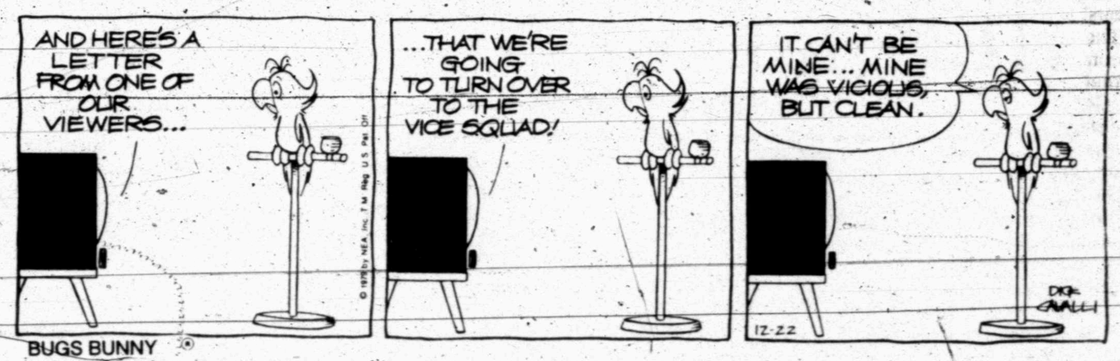

BARNEY GOOGLE AND SNUFFY SMITH

BUGS BUNNY

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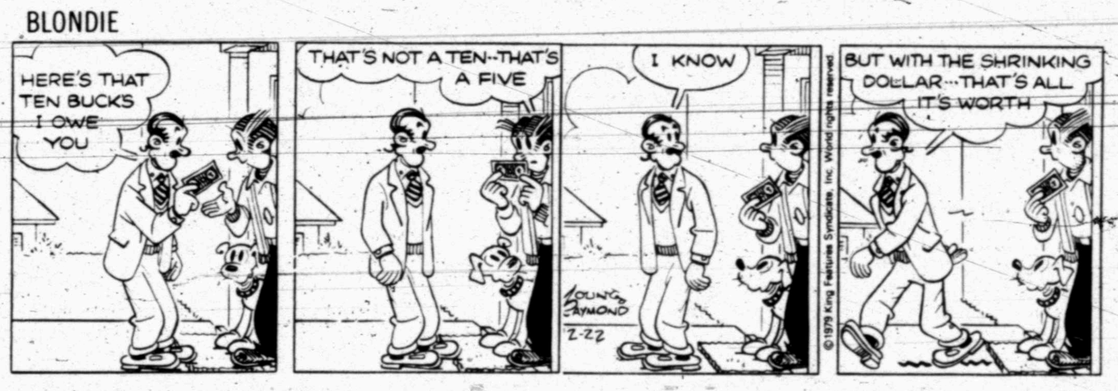

CAPTAIN EASY

ACROSS

1 Sly glance
5 Vegetable
9 Electrical unit
12 Charitable organization (abbr.)
13 Stare
14 Small deer
15 Corrode
16 Uncopied
18 Superlative suffix
19 Imitate
20 Pine fruit
21 Poetess Lowell
23 You (archaic)
26 Sensed with tongue
29 Yells
33 American patriot
34 Expose to view
36 Petition
37 Broke bread
38 Rawboned
39 Behold (Lat.)
40 Robe
42 Forever
44 Snake's sound
46 Babylonian deity
47 Singer Horne
50 Commercials
52 Doctors' group
55 Death notice
58 Auditory
59 English broadcasters
60 Skinny
61 In case that
62 Compass point
63 Alleviate
64 This (Sp.)

DOWN

1 Ancient stringed instrument
2 Australian birds
3 Joys
4 Traitor (sl.)
5 Circuit
6 White-plumed heron
7 Samuel's teacher
8 Beer barrel
9 River in Tuscany
10 Lament
11 Hawaiian goddess
17 Frappe
19 Forever
22 Mountains (abbr.)
24 Aardwolf
25 Age
26 Amphibian
27 Aleutian island
28 People of action
30 Raises
31 "I Love ___"
32 Looks
35 One of the Kettles
38 Aloha symbol
39 Female sheep
41 Which
43 Pounds (abbr.)
45 Indian wear (pl.)
47 Throws
48 Recedes
49 Pleasant
51 Force unit
53 Smog
54 Official records
56 American Indian
57 Villain's exclamation
58 Corrida cheer

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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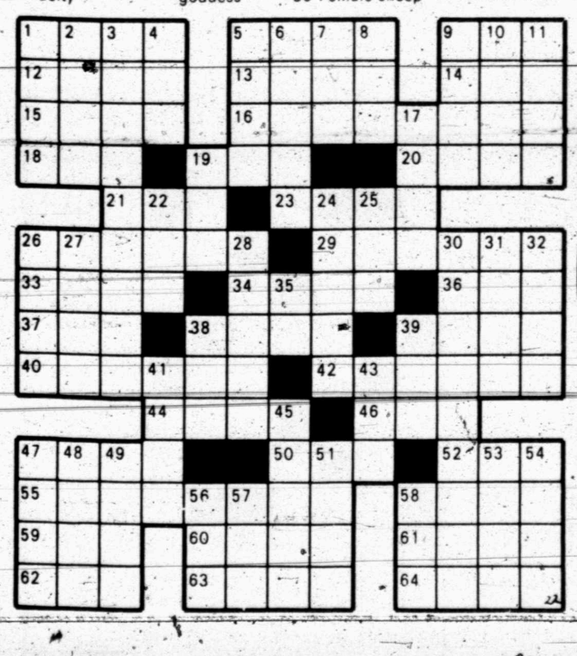
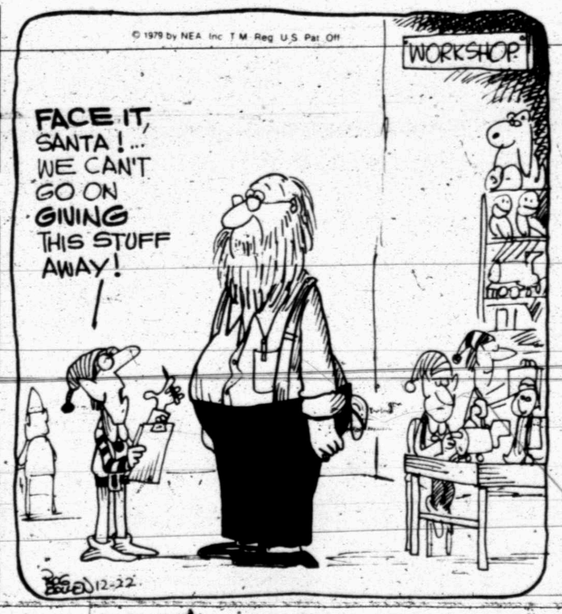


OUR BOARDING HOUSE with Major Hoople

SHORT RIBS

FUNNY BUSINESS



PRISCILLA'S POP

DENNIS THE MENACE

ELEMENTARY PROGRAM-The sixth-grades of East Elementary presented "What Shall We Do For A Christmas Play This Year?" Pictured are cast members (not in order) Randy James, Manual Salazar, Richardo Torres, Michael Carter, David Allen, Teresa Sauceda, Donna Hernandez, Diana Hendley, Michelle Pinkerton, Melissa Luera, Lee Ann Scarberry, Dawn Brown, Lenora McVey, Todd Odom, Robert Medrano, Brenda Zajicek, Oscar Hernandez, Brent McFarland. Others are John Nichols, Christie Taggart, Mark Thompson, Patrick Malone, Rachel Rodriquez, Gary Sorrells, David Whitson, Letha Baldwin Michelle Hammit, Tony Romero, Marty Allen, Becky Fish, Barney Stansell, Richard Garza and Laylon Musick. Teachers are Mrs. LaNell Rambin and Mrs. Dora Blakey. (SDN Staff Photo)

HERMLEIGH NEWS

By Adala Drennan

Mr. and Mrs. John Gandy of Christoval, were recent guests of Mrs. Gandy's parents, Mr. and mrs. Cecil Hall.

Mrs. Oscar (Eva) Treadway of Eastland is critically ill in Gorman hospital. She is a sister of Mrs. Verla Mason and Travis Burleson.

Brother and Mrs. Kevin Mayhew, minister of the Church of Christ hosted a Christmas party Thursday night at the parsonage for the membership of the church.

Mrs. Eva Mae Brackeen accompanied her granddaughter, Mrs. Jerry Helm, and husband of Ira to Midland last weekend where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brackeen.

The Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star Christmas party was held Friday night at the community center. The center was artistically decorated with Christmas colors by Mrs. Vera Farr and Mrs. Mary Neal Mayo. The traditional turkey and all the trimmings were served to approximately 40 people.

Anson Martin is able to be home from the hospital after an injury received when falling from his cotton stripper.

The Canasta Club held their traditional Christmas candlelight dinner party last Saturday evening at the Hermleigh Community Center. The center, decorated by Mrs. Frances Thompson, featured red and green napkin holders. A delicious dinner was served to 28 members and friends, after which canasta was enjoyed with Pete Etheridge and Mrs. Mary Neal Mayo receiving prizes for high scores.

Approximately 130 friends and neighbors attended the house warming for the T.C. Herreras last Sunday afternoon despite the bad weather. Hostesses were Mrs. Sherry Winkle, Mrs. Ruth Boatenhamer, Mrs. Frances Thompson, Mrs. Ruth Davis, Mrs. Dee Cresswell, Mrs. Bertha Holdridge, Mrs. Janet Spence, Mrs. Belinda Foster, Mrs. Carol Haynes, Mrs. Pete Foster, Mrs. Jeanie Chorn, Mrs. Pat Hudgins, Mrs. Irene Hudgins, Mrs. Irene Jordan, Mrs. Alice Guerra and Mrs. Edna Clift.

Friday at 9:30 a.m. the kindergarten class will be featured in a program, along with grades one through four. At 12:30 the seventh grade will participate in a play. All interested persons are invited to attend. The elementary parties will be held at 2:30. School will turn out for the Christmas holidays at 2:30 p.m.

The young people of The First Baptist Church will put on a Christmas program Friday evening at 6:30 at the church, after which fellowship will be enjoyed at the Hermleigh Community Center. Everyone is invited.

Mrs. Ileta Hall of Snyder visited Mrs. Rachel Lassiter and Adala Drennan Wednesday afternoon.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Dee Garner visited his sister, Mrs. Clovis Robinson.

"Merry Christmas" to all and our prayers are that the hostages will soon be released unharmed.

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It's Christmas

Can't bear to wait another minute to wish you a Merry Christmas and to express my thanks.

Billie Miles

Has Ears For Doctor Spock

ENGLEWOOD, Ohio (AP)-Louise Stange has the ultimate souvenir for a Leonard Nimoy fan - a pair of Mr. Spock ears.

"I really treasure them," said Miss Stange of the flesh-colored pointy objects that helped turn Nimoy into the character of Spock in "Star Trek."

If anyone should have a pair of Spock ears, it should be Miss Stange. For more than 12 of her 29 years she has been president of the Leonard Nimoy Association of Fans, an international fan and service club.

In October of Last year, she was invited to Hollywood to watch production of "Star Trek - The Movie." But the chock didn't end there. She found out she was going to be an extra in the movie.

The best parts of her trip were visiting with her hero on the set and seeing herself in the movie. She was invited to the gala charity premiere in Washington, D.C., earlier this month.

"It was like a dream," she said.

Henry Ford introduced his first Model-T Ford in 1908.

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Join with us for a.....

Candlelight Observance of the Lord's Supper!

ALL born-again Christians are invited to partake.

Christmas Eve, 6:00 p. p.m.

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