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HERE WE GO AGAIN

Clinton proposes new budget plan amid negotiations

By DAVID ESPO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a fresh offer from President Clinton, congressional Republicans and the White House seem no closer to agreement on balancing the budget as a pre-Christmas shutdown of some federal agencies looms over the horizon.

"We are running out of time," Ohio Rep. John Kasich, chairman of the House Budget Committee, told reporters Thursday after a 90-minute bargaining session.

The two sides are working against a deadline of next Friday, when spending authority for some federal agencies employing hundreds of thousands of workers is scheduled to expire.

The White House budget proposal included a call for legislation to restore spending authority through Jan. 26, 1996, but House Speaker Newt Gingrich has said he won't permit an extension unless there is serious bargaining over a balanced budget.

While the White House and congressional negotiators are expected to meet today, little serious progress is expected until next week, when the Congressional Budget Office will unveil an updated economic forecast.

The report is expected to show that between \$50 billion to \$100 billion is available for spending.

Republicans, speaking on condition of anonymity, said GOP leaders were discussing revising their balanced budget plan, which Clinton vetoed on Wednesday, to take the money

into account.

The officials added there was internal disagreement, however, over whether to apply the money to the deficit, spend it on programs such as Medicare or expand the GOP tax cut.

Clinton's budget proposal — his third this year — would carve \$141 billion more from government spending than the blueprint he issued in June.

But it relies on a more optimistic economic forecast than Republicans used, and includes a call for a system of standby spending cuts to take effect if deficit targets are not met.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, sarcastically summed up the White House offer in a written statement: "If you bring the smoke and we bring the mirrors, we can make this deficit disappear."

GLITTERING FOREST



Spectators look at the decorated Christmas trees that were on display at the Christmas Tree Forest at Third and Runnels Saturday after the parade.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

Memories: The long-lasting gifts that go anywhere, any time

By JANET AUSBURY
Features Editor

Best and worst Christmas gifts? I've seen my share of both. When I was in first grade, I got a chemistry set. I thought that was pretty whizzy, except I was rarely allowed to use it.

Thus began the process of sneaking around, covertly mixing chemicals to see what colors they would turn or what strange things would happen.

Not to worry - I never blew up the house. There were times I wished I could, but by then I was a teen-ager and the chem-

istry set was long gone.

A couple of years after the chemistry set, along came the plastic dinosaurs. Today this would be called the "Jurassic Park Action Figure Set," but back then it was just plastic dinosaurs and volcanoes, and I loved them.

My Barbie doll soon fell by the wayside; Tyrannosaurus Rex was just so much more exciting.

When I was growing up, it seemed like boys got better gifts than girls. Barbie was fun for a few weeks, and the Easy-Bake oven gave me a chance to bake and therefore eat lots of cakes



and brownies, but I was fascinated with my brother's toys. I'd fight him for his Hot Wheels set, toy guns and other goodies.

There were some gifts I just didn't like. I received a diary around the same time I got the chemistry set. I didn't know what to do with it. I liked to write, but not about my own life; at 7 years old, what did I

really have to say except "Mom made me brush my teeth today?"

Eventually it made a great doodle book. Sometimes I'd write mean-spirited things about my brother or sisters or draw ugly pictures of them. I'd leave the diary out so they would find it and discover what I'd put in it.

Try though I may, I can't forget the awful clothing I used to get for Christmas. I know, all kids hate getting clothes, but you should have seen some of these outfits. Remember our old friend polyester? In colors, patterns and textures that looked

bad and felt worse?

It was washable, didn't fade and lasted forever, to my chagrin and my mother's delight. It didn't matter how ridiculous her children looked; if Mom could find cheap polyester stuff on sale that might fit in another two years, it was sold, signed, sealed and delivered, courtesy of Santa Claus.

I've learned the secret of preventing gift letdown is not to focus so much on "stuff." Stuff is neat. Stuff is great. I'd love to have more stuff. But stuff does not a merry Christmas make, nor a happy existence create.

Long after the plastic dinosaurs were buried somewhere close to their biological counterparts and the awful clothing hung in a thrift shop (vintage polyester refuses to die; it's the only substance that makes radioactive waste run away screaming), one gift still remains: memories of Christmas warmth and fun.

Find your gifts in the good times you have with family and friends.

If you're looking for something affordable, portable and durable, you can't beat memories.

Grady ISD to have public hearing

The Board of Trustees of Grady Independent School District will hold a public hearing on 1994-95 Academic Excellence Indicator System Report Monday at 8 p.m.

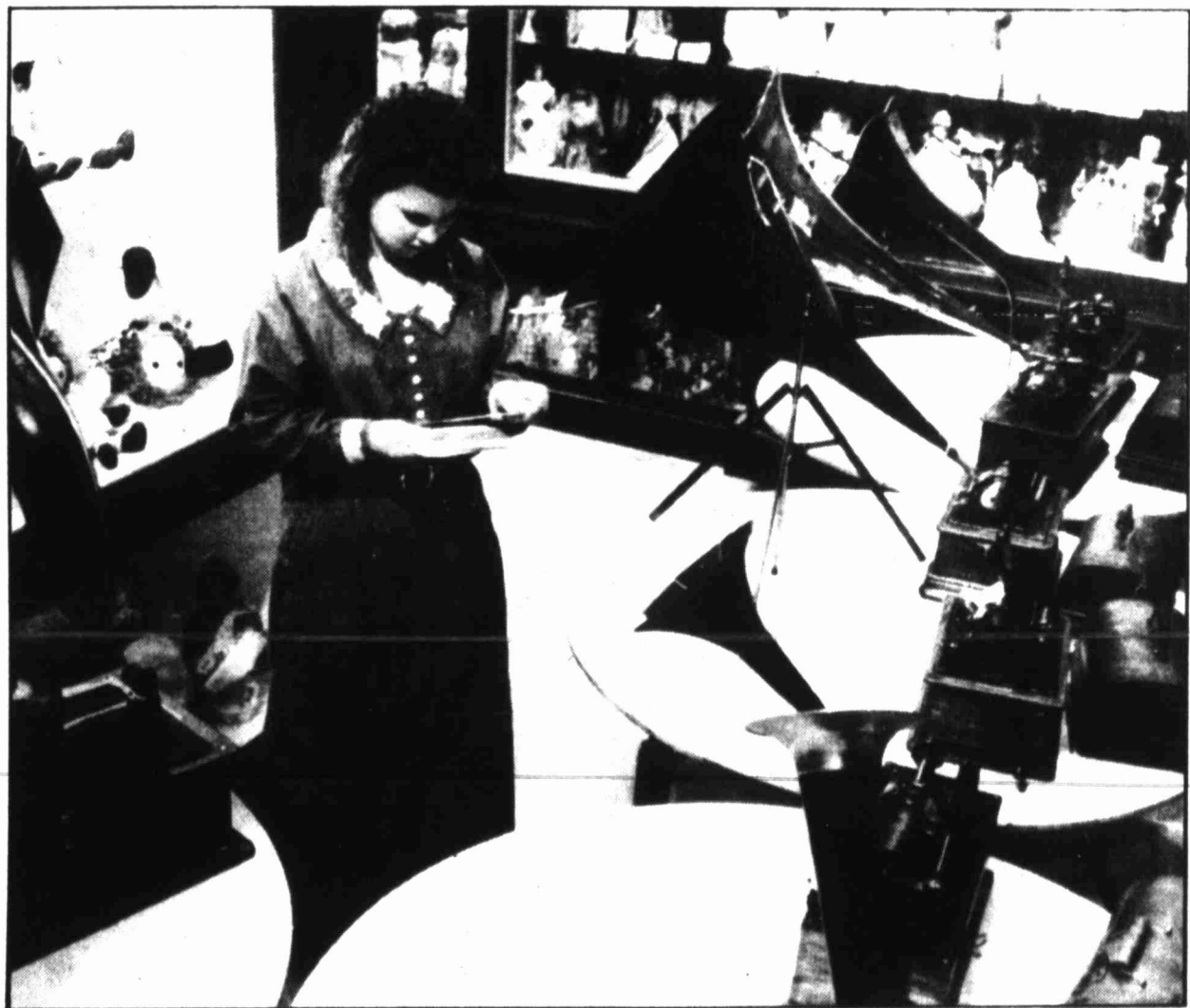
The hearing will be followed by a regular meeting of the board at 8:30 p.m. Items on the meeting agenda include: discussion and action on the delinquent tax roll; discussion and action on the 1994-95 audit report; discussion and action on the 1994-95 Academic Excellence Indicator System report; budget amendments including reclassification of district travel supplement and reclassification of State Technology Funds.

Mitchell County Commissioners' Court

Mitchell County Commissioners' Court will meet Monday at 1 p.m.

Items on the agenda include: opening and awarding bids for 2 dump trucks for Precincts 1 and 4; discussion and action on budget amendments; discussion and action on purchase of waterway easement; presentation from Billy Don Everett concerning housing grant programs.

OLD TIME MUSIC



Heritage Museum employee Nancy Raney looks at identification cards for old phonograph players that have been pulled out of storage in preparation for a new display. The phonograph players from the Hardy collection will be available for public viewing starting Dec. 16.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

Jumper adds new name, face to race for sheriff

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Seventeen years with the Oklahoma Highway Patrol and five years as a resident of Big Spring and Howard County has made W.A. "Woody" Jumper decide to run for Howard County sheriff.

Jumper entered law enforcement after graduating from the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Academy. He also graduated from East Central University after studying sociology and history; graduated from St. Gregory's after studying criminal justice; and graduated from the University of New Mexico as a drug and alcohol abuse counselor.

He taught criminal justice for three years at Murray State College and is a member of Howard College's Continuing Education Advisory Committee.

"I am running for the office of sheriff because I want to take some of the positive things Sheriff Standard has done through the years and expand on them. I believe positive change must exist in order to develop quality service for the good people of Howard County," he said.

Jumper, currently employed as director of an office with the Texas Department of Mental



JUMPER

Health and Mental Retardation, said he is not running against any one person in his bid to be Howard County's sheriff.

"I will appoint an advisory committee made up of Howard County citizens to help me assess our progress so that we, the Sheriff's Department, can and will do the right thing," he said.

"As the campaign progresses, my ideas will come forth more. Telling people you promise this and promise that to get elected is one thing; getting it done is another. I truly believe I can make a difference."

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WORLD/NATION

World: Ukraine has been shutting down hair-dressing salons in the city of Odessa in an attempt to stop the spread of AIDS after inspectors said scissors and razors were not properly sterilized. See page 8A.

Nation: FBI agents began rounding up 422 people in 15 states today on fraud charges growing out of an undercover investigation of dishonest telemarketers who victimize the elderly. See page 9A.



STATE

Airline to leave?

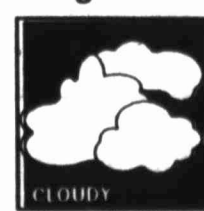
Southwest Airlines is threatening to cut flights at El Paso International Airport after the city moved to increase the operating fees it charges air carriers. Mayor Larry Francis said the proposed increase, which would almost quadruple the fees airlines pay, is needed to ensure the airport won't operate at a loss. See page 5A.

End of year-round school

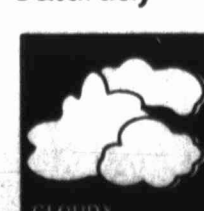
Administrators have decided to recommend eliminating year-round education in the Conroe Independent School District. See page 6A.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight



Saturday



37 ▲ Highs
Lows ▼ 20

Mostly cloudy

Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low around 20. Northeast wind 15-25 mph and gusty, decreasing to 5-15 mph. Caution is advised on area lakes.

Permian Basin Forecast

Saturdays: Mostly cloudy. High in the mid 30s. East wind 5-15 mph.
Sundays: Mostly sunny, high near 40; fair night, low 20s.
Mondays: Mostly sunny, high near 40; fair night, low 20s.

Texas Trivia

What Texas community claims to be the "Black-Eyed Pea Capital of the World?"
Athens

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OBITUARIES

Larry Scott

Graveside services for Larry Keith Scott, 58, Midland, will be at the Fairview Cemetery, Midland, with Rev. Troy Barrington officiating.

Mr. Scott died Monday, Dec. 5, 1995, at the VA Hospital in Big Spring.

He was born July 10, 1937, in Wells County, Ind. He worked for M.F. McMacken Contracting Inc. and had served in the U.S. Army from 1956 to 1958.

Survivors include two sons: Douglas Scott, Midland, and David Scott, Big Spring; one daughter: Kim Estrada, Midland; two brothers: Jerry Norman and Darrell Norman, both of Modock, Ind.; three sisters: Sandy Ritter, Lynn, Ind., Connie Gideon and Marsha Norman Cross, both of Modock, Ind.; seven grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home, Midland.

Jimmie Jones

Services for Jimmie Jones, 79, Big Spring, are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Thursday, Dec. 7, 1995, at his residence.

Lewell Fuller

Services for Lewell G. Fuller, 82, Colorado City, will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, 1995, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Tommy Allison, Church of Christ minister from El Paso, and Dr. E.C. Leslie, Elder at Monterey Church of Christ in Lubbock, officiating.

Interment will follow at Cuthbert Cemetery in Mitchell County.

Mr. Fuller died Wednesday, Dec. 6, in a Stanton nursing home.

He was born on March 23, 1913, in Mitchell County and married Nelda Jo Harland on Aug. 21, 1946, in Big Spring. He was a retired teacher and coach. His teaching career spanned for 37 years. He taught at Richland, Valley View, Stanton, Knott, Elbow, Wilson and Lubbock. He retired from Lubbock Independent School District in 1974 and moved to Colorado City Lake in 1989. He was a member of the Downtown Church of Christ in Colorado City. He served in the United States Army, 3rd Armored Division, in the European Theatre, during World War II. He had been active in Southwest Little League in Lubbock and Boy Scouts. Mr. Fuller was a member of the Lubbock Classroom Teachers Association, TSTA and NEA.

Survivors include his wife: Nelda Jo Fuller, Colorado City; one son: Jim Fuller, Lubbock; one brother: J.H. Fuller, Big Spring; and two grandsons.

The family suggests memorials to: A.P.D.A., West Texas Parkinsonism Society Chapter, P.O. Box 1401, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch
Funeral Home
and Rosewood Chapel
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267-6331

Lewell G. Fuller, 82, died Wednesday. Services will be 10:00 AM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Cuthbert Cemetery in Mitchell County, Texas.

MYERS & SMITH
FUNERAL HOME
& CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288

Tolbert (Tollie) Hale, 76 of Coahoma died Thursday. Services 4 PM Friday. First Baptist Church Coahoma with interment at Coahoma Cemetery.

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IN BRIEF

Fina to test emergency alarm system

The Big Spring Fina Refinery has recently installed a new emergency alarm system. It is being used to notify employees, contractors and visitors of unusual events in the refinery.

To make sure it works properly and to acquaint everyone with the three different signals, Fina will test the system every Monday at 10 a.m.

On even-numbered dates, Fina will test the general alarm and on odd numbered dates, they will test the evacuation alarm. Following each alarm, there will be the all clear signal. For more information, contact Rogers Holt at 263-9322.

Time to enter decorating contest

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will be having its yearly Christmas Decorating Contest with entries due by December 10 and judging December 12. Residential judging will be based on three categories: religious, lights only and original (homemade). Businesses will be judged on window displays and inside displays. Certificates are given, along with media recognition.

Entry forms are available at: chamber of commerce, Johansen Nursery, all flower shops, Joy's Hallmark, Green Acres, Christmas Connection, Dahmer's Antiques and KBST.

For more information contact Terri Johansen at 267-5275 or the chamber of commerce at 263-7641.

Boomtown Days start Saturday

FORSAN - Forsan will kick off the Christmas season with Boomtown Days Saturday from 2 p.m. until dusk (about 5 p.m.).

The afternoon will feature a Christmas bazaar with booths selling homemade baked goods, crafts, food and gift items. The evening's activities will feature the lighting of the community Christmas tree, a visit from Santa, and an old-fashioned Christmas party with cookies and cocoa and Christmas caroling. Everyone is invited.

Annual nativity back again

The Ninth Annual Drive-Through Nativity will be from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster.

Texas' largest drive-through Nativity features fifteen scenes depicting the life of Jesus from the prophecies of his birth through his ministry to his death and resurrection. Over 150 actors participate, and some scenes feature live animals.

There is no charge to the public, but donations will be accepted.

The entrance to the Nativity is from the west from Martin Luther King Boulevard turning right onto South Lancaster.

Entries need to be obtained

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is reminding participants in the Christmas Tree Forest to pick up their entries between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday.

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MARKETS

March cotton futures 85.90 cents a pound, up 35 points; Jan. crude oil 18.68, down 5 points; cash hog steady at \$1 higher at 45 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 67 cents even; Dec. live hog futures 47.25, up 7 points; Dec. live cattle futures 67.92, up 5 points. Courtesy: Delta Commodities

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Volume 107,479,890	
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SPRINGBOARD

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TODAY

Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center blood drive, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Deborah Pierce at 263-1211, ext 175, to make an appointment.

Dominoes, 42, bridge and Chickentrack, 5-8 p.m. at 2805 Lynn, Kentwood Center. Public invited.

Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

Spring City Senior Center, free fashion painting classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Music by The Super Six Band. Area seniors invited.

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block of West Marcy.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following during the 24 hours beginning 8 a.m. Thursday and ending 8 a.m. Friday:

WILLIS FLOYD GILLETTE, JR. was transferred to the Dominguez (Abilene) unit of TDCJ-ID to begin serving his sentence for possession of a controlled substance.

ABEL HERNANDEZ HINOJOS pled guilty in County Court to revoking his probation on charges of driving while license suspended. He was sentenced to 180 days in jail, a \$20 fine and \$200 court costs. He also pled guilty to attempted burglary of a building and was sentenced to 60 days in jail and \$235 court costs. He pled guilty to evading arrest/detention and was sentenced to 35 days in jail and \$235 court costs. He pled guilty to theft greater than \$20 and was sentenced to 30 days in jail and \$235 court costs.

BARRELS ON ROADWAY

The Ad on this page reflects the current showtimes. Please disregard the Ad on Page 8C as the showtimes are incorrect.

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By JEFF DONN
Associated Press

NORTHAMPTON — During his 42 deder from th Boston ghetto, with its dark hi es, and to this college town where every one — or no one — feels at home.

Born Ray Hollins, he later went by Ray Hollis or Benjamin Johnson, choosing aliases for no other apparent reason than to deepen Like a shadow, ly through a ps tal and shelter; refusing all help.

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Homeless man dies alone like so many other lost souls

By JEFF DONN
Associated Press Writer

NORTHAMPTON, Mass. (AP) — During his 42 years, he wandered from the South to a Boston ghetto, through Salem with its dark history of witch-hunts, and to this college town where everyone — or no one — feels at home.

Born Ray Hollins, he later went by Ray Hollis or Benjamin Johnson, choosing aliases for no other apparent reason than to deepen his anonymity. Like a shadow, he passed quietly through a psychiatric hospital and shelters before finally refusing all help.



JOHNSON

tracks in an industrial no-man's-land where he had lived his final months.

It took a full week before a check of records at a Salem homeless shelter turned up an emergency contact, his sister, Mary Canada, of Lynchburg, Va. His family had been trying to track him down in recent years, her husband, Warren, said.

No one knows how many homeless people die of exposure and other problems on the streets each year, according to the National Coalition for the Homeless. A homeless person died of exposure last month in Milwaukee and three homeless people died in Washington last winter of hypothermia.

"In many cities, groups do everything they can to help these people, but it's really up to the individual whether they want to be helped," said Michael Stoops, the coalition's field organizer.



Northampton police Sgt. Robert Nicol looks through the belongings of a homeless man known as Benjamin Johnson who died recently in a nest of blankets near the railroad tracks.

causes.

Hollins, a born-again Christian, lived with his sister for about a year in the mid-80s and then headed to Boston. The family stopped hearing from him and can't say why he chose

the life he did, his brother-in-law said.

"He just wanted to be on the go," he said Tuesday.

Some who knew him — or tried to — in Northampton were organizing a memorial

service for this lost soul.

"From the moment I saw him, he stirred something in me. I don't know why," said Steve Freeman, who is helping to organize the church service on Sunday. "There was a sadness about him. There was something in his eyes."

Like others in the area, Freeman knew him simply as Ben. A music teacher in Northampton, Freeman had come across him time and again at Hollins' favorite downtown corner.

Hollins just watched the parade of tourists, students from nearby Smith and other colleges, and the bohemian crowd drawn to such a town.

Usually, Hollins refused offers of food and money. Always, he declined shelter, just shaking his head.

Hollins' last home — a sheltered embankment between the railroad and a lumber yard — remained largely untouched. Left behind were old blankets and newspapers he had kept for warmth, some clothes and not one alcohol bottle.

"That's the thing that makes him a rarity," said Sgt. Robert Nicol as he picked through the

ice-encrusted remains of Hollins' life. "Most people that don't take shelter are alcohol or coke abusers or something."

He rarely approached, much less threatened, anyone. So, in this town where tolerance is cherished, police offered him shelter and when he declined, left him alone. Town police say he came to Northampton about two years ago.

"I don't think he trusted anybody," said Kevin Moran, a homeless advocate who tried to help him.

Born in Memphis, Tenn., Hollins later lived in the troubled Roxbury section of Boston. He had once done occasional odd jobs before giving up on employment.

He later moved to Salem and went to a church shelter in 1990, staying for about two years. Hollins also spent time at a psychiatric hospital in the area, police said.

"He represents the failure of our society to really have acting compassion," said Alison Hyder, a former social worker and intern minister at the Northampton Unitarian Society, where Hollins' memorial will be.

Santa's riding reinsteers this year

By BECKY COOPER
The Victoria Advocate

FANNIN, Texas — Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer! Now, Prancer and Vixen! On, Comet! On, Cupid! On, Donner and Diamond!

Diamond? Diamond isn't one of Santa's reindeer. He's a longhorn steer. In Goliad County, the 15-year-old bovine is the next best thing to a reindeer.

He's a reindeer.

For the past 12 years Diamond has helped ring in the Christmas spirit by pulling Santa Claus through Goliad's downtown square in a bright-red sleigh.

"It's so thrilling to see him enter the square and watch the kids," said Linda Marks. "It gives you chills seeing the kids run up to the sleigh. It really

feels like Christmas."

Marks and her husband Travis own the gentle steer. Travis is usually the one steering the sleigh around the square. He said Diamond knows to walk around the square twice before heading back to his trailer to go home.

"It's a chance to enrich our lives to give something to Goliad and it's different. Only in Goliad will you see something like this," Travis Marks said.

Linda and her son Jonathan ride behind the steer-pulled sleigh in a golf cart.

How did the reindeer come about?

When the Christmas in Goliad celebration began 12 years ago, the Marks wanted to participate in the event. So Travis, a lifetime rancher who tamed his first longhorn to be ridden 65 years ago, thought if

the large steers could be broken and could pull heavy loads in the fields, why couldn't they pull a sleigh with Santa Claus?

"I had the sleigh, but since there was no snow in Goliad, I decided to put wheels on it so it could go through the streets," he said. He'd purchased the sleigh in Iowa years before to add to his ranch museum.

Diamond is one of his gentler longhorns. Two other Marks' longhorns are ridden annually in the grand entry of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

After his first appearance as a reindeer, Diamond's job was keeping the crowds looking forward to seeing him each year.

The Marks are "very civic-minded people and it's so easy to ask them to do something for the community. They're Goliad's best ambassadors," said Myra Heard, Goliad

Historical Commission chairman and the publicity chairman for Christmas in Goliad.

Travis began taming steers when he was 16. He broke his first longhorn for a man to ride from the ranch to New York City. That trip took 257 days, but it was a success.

About 25 years ago as a joke, Travis introduced an official of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo to the joys of riding longhorns. Ever since then, the steers have been a popular part of the grand entries of each rodeo performance.

"People always want to ride the steers, but I get concerned because many do not even know how to ride a horse," Linda said. Usually the honors are reserved for show dignitaries, politicians or special guests.

In 1976, Travis helped to



Associated Press photo

Travis Marks and Diamond the reindeer help bring the Christmas spirit to the annual Goliad, Texas celebration. The Marks own about 60 longhorns and plan to keep the reindeer tradition going as long as possible.

make a little more history in Goliad. He provided a herd of longhorn cattle to parade through town as part of the city's U.S. bicentennial celebration. The cattle spooked and lit-

erally stampeded through downtown.

The Marks have about 60 longhorns. They plan to keep the reindeer tradition going as long as they can.

GIFT TIPS

Some neat and nifty items for home electronics users:

- For the ultimate couch potato, Sony has created the wireless mouse. It's a remote control that turns your television screen into a computer, letting you program movies, VCR tapings, sound, CD playback and games. Mouse and receiver sell for \$797.

- If you're into Virtual Reality, try out Virtual IO headgear and "I glasses". Comes with glasses and a networking box to let you roam the interior of your dream house or favorite action game. Planning on building a house? It's even got a program to let you walk inside what you hope to build. Sells for \$849.

- Polaroid has a OneStep Talking Camera it bills as "the last word in instant photography. The camera, traditional in its photo capacities, adds a user-recordable voice chip that you can program to say a greeting, helping add bigger smiles to those being photographed. It retails for a suggested \$39.99.

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Quote of the Day

"Sweet words are like honey; a little may refresh, but too much gluts the stomach."

Anne Bradstreet, essayist, poet, c. 1655

Thanks for your help; we value your input

Since the Herald needs to stay in touch continually with Big Spring and the surrounding area, input from readers is valued. One example is the readership survey that appeared in the Dec. 3 edition.

The response to the survey has been better than expected. Whenever an organization of any kind surveys its customers, it's hard to determine how much interest or response there will be to the survey.

Apathy doesn't seem to be a problem here - response rate has been good. If you haven't sent in your survey, we look forward to seeing it. We want to know what you want to read. Deadline to return the surveys is Dec. 17.

We're also seeking reader input in

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Charles C. Williams
Publisher

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Managing Editor

another area - the Christmas gift essays that have been running on the front page. Does a particular Christmas gift stand out in your mind as being great or horrible? We'd like to share that memory with other readers.

You never know; maybe you're not the only person who received a glow-in-the-dark tie or mummified fruitcake last Christmas! If you've loved all your Christmas gifts, so much the better; 'tis the season for pleasant memories.



Letters to the Editor

Counselor defends Wal-Mart's hiring record

This letter is offered as perhaps, an additional position to one expressed in a previous letter I read in this paper concerning the employment practices of a local employer - Wal-Mart.

Being the local Texas Rehabilitation Commission counselor, I am sometimes able to offer insight into the employment opportunities offered to citizens with disabilities by local employers.

In my opinion, the local Wal-Mart has a track record in hiring persons with disabilities equal to anyone, second to few. Looking over my files, this particular firm has hired persons with hearing impairments (ranging from hard of hearing to totally deaf), major orthopedic conditions (problems as severe as paraplegia), individuals with chronic mental illness, learning disabled, mental retardation, and other disabilities.

And these are only the persons who were on my caseload - there are other employees with disabilities there as well.

I recently attended the award banquet put together by Texas Employment Commission, Big Spring State Hospital, Abilene State School, Texas Rehabilitation Commission and Texas Commission for the Blind in which Wal-Mart (among others) was recognized for their obvious efforts to provide employment opportunities to citizens with disabilities.

While we may not all agree on this or any other topic/situation, I am impressed that we do take the time and energy to speak out with passion for the things we believe in, and particularly when it's an issue as important as employment opportunities for Texans with disabilities.

Rick Turner
VR Counselor 165
Big Spring Field Office, Texas
Rehabilitation Commission

Howard College alumni, you were missed

Nov. 16-18, 1995, Howard College had its 50th anniversary. This was a once-in-a-lifetime celebration for those of us in the 1946-47 classes.

It was amazing to see how few of the local ex-students joined in this momentous occasion. What a shame! Where has their loyalty gone?

They received their education or part of their education here but seem to no longer be interested in supporting the college. Truly they are the losers!

Many classmates traveled across the country to be present. Time marches on and many will not be able to attend in the future due to poor health and age.

Brooksie Phillips Hodges
Ranger

Your letters are welcomed

The Herald welcomes your letters. Please write and let us know what you think about what is happening in Big Spring, around the nation and world. We ask that you keep your letters to 300 words, about two handwritten pages, and reserve the right to edit for space and libel. Write to: Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79721. Addresses and telephone numbers must be included with the letter. Letters that do not include an address or telephone, including faxed letters, will not be published.

THE GINGRICH DILEMMA

GOP can't live with him or without him

By JILL LAWRENCE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Try as he might, he doesn't seem to be trying too hard, Newt Gingrich won't be leaving the limelight anytime soon.

His continuing presence at center stage gives Democrats huge opportunities and Republicans a headache.

The man most responsible for the Republican revolution is now viewed in some quarters as an obstacle to GOP legislative goals and may even pose a threat to some congressional careers.

Every day seems to bring more bad news for Gingrich.

First he made a spate of what one Republican called uncaring remarks — accusing President Clinton of snubbing him aboard Air Force One, blaming a triple murder in Illinois on the welfare system.

Then the Federal Election Commission announced an inquiry into the political action committee he once headed. Now the House ethics committee has decided to hire an outside counsel to investigate other complaints.

Republicans revere Gingrich for leading them out of the wilderness and into the majority on Capitol Hill. But many say he's too hot — radioactive in one aide's word — to be their front man right now.

The problem is twofold: Gingrich is giving Democrats an ever larger target to shoot at while making it ever harder for his fellow Republicans to reassure voters about their plans to balance the budget and curb many government services.

"His occasional rhetorical missteps are visible and of concern ... at a time when the Republican Party is struggling to meet larger public relations challenges, thus far unsuccessfully," said Ken Ruberg,

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executive director of the moderate Republican Mainstream Committee, a national organization.

Furthermore, Ruberg said, "Moderates are concerned about their ability to convey their independence to the electorate."

The apprehension is underscored by the special-election campaign Democrat Jerry Estruth is running for a congressional seat in San Jose,

zine, said Gingrich remains "the most popular Republican with grassroots activists in the party."

Democrats happily agree; their research shows he's got few other fans. "All he's got left is conservative Republicans. Even moderate Republicans are no better than evenly divided on Gingrich," Garin said.

Following the outside counsel announcement, Republicans defended Gingrich on the floor Thursday against what one called character assassination and another "an orchestrated campaign to demonize the speaker."

Still, even before the ethics developments, GOP lawmakers were concerned about Gingrich's mounting image problems. After Thanksgiving break, they were so disturbed by constituent attitudes toward Gingrich that they urged him to back off for a while.

He agreed to do so, but he's hardly been invisible since then. Nor has his inflammatory rhetoric become any more soothing.

Just this week, Gingrich publicly ridiculed liberals and predicted a stock market crash if budget talks falter. The next day, he accused President Clinton of "playing games" and "feeding falsehoods" to Americans.

Many observers across the political spectrum say Gingrich still has not adjusted to the fact that whatever he says makes news.

"I think Gingrich is phenomenal in terms of the way he centralized power in the House," said political scientist James Thurber at American University, who has written two books about this year's GOP Congress. "And now he's blowing it."

All he's got left is conservative Republicans. Even moderate Republicans are no better than evenly divided on Gingrich.

Geoffrey Garin

Calif.

Estruth is slamming moderate Republican Tom Campbell as a Gingrich clone. One newspaper said the assertion had "nothing to do with reality."

The approach is "guilt by association," said California's Republican governor, Pete Wilson, in town Thursday on budget matters.

The tactic may not work with Campbell, a former congressman with an independent streak and a record of support for abortion rights and environmental protection.

"There's a tug-of-war going on right now," said Geoffrey Garin, a Democratic pollster. "The Republicans are trying to shove him into the background and the Democrats want him to be the face of the party."

Bill Kristol, publisher of the conservative Standard maga-

Believe me, Ann meant no harm

An old pal from Chicago's Northwest Side called and sounded like he might pop a blood vessel.

"Are you going to do something about that ... that ... woman?" he sputtered.

What woman?

"That Ann Landers woman. Are you going to let her have a blast?"

Of course

not. Ann Landers, also known as Eppie Lederer, has been a close friend for more than 30 years. I don't go around blasting close friends. Especially when they are as cute as a bug.

"But you know what she did? What she said?"

Of course I know.

"She called the pope a Polack. A POLACK!"

So what? The pope is a Polack.

"What? What? You said the pope is a Polack? You said it?"

Of course I said it. And if you ask the pope if he is a Polack, I'm sure he would agree.

"I can't believe this. You're part Polish and you can use a slur like that?"

What slur?

"What do you think? The word Polack."

I don't consider it a slur, and I'm surprised that so many Blacks and others think it is. They have been calling this paper and howling for a sweet lady's scalp.

So once and for all, let us get it straight. If you are truly Polish, you are a Polack.

Who says so? The Polish language says so. In Poland, the word for someone who is Polish is Polack.

Thus, when Eppie, as we call her, described the pope as a Polack, she was 100 percent correct.

If you went in a bar in Warsaw, hoisted a vodka and said: "Here's to the pope, a really great Polack," you would get cheerful nods, especially if you

bought the round. Except from the unreconstructed godless commies, the rats.

That's why I've never understood someone being offended by a perfectly valid word.

It's not like calling an Italian a wop or a ginzo, a German a kraut or a heinie, a Frenchman a frog, a Hispanic a beaner, or other words that were created as slurs by old WASPs and rival ethnic groups.

This was explained to me at an early age by Big Chester, who used to tend bar at my father's tavern and was the toughest guy I've ever known.

Big Chester was born in Poland, and he would thump his chest, fix Irish Harry with a steely gaze and say: "Oldest university in Europe is in Krakow. We have university when Irish wore fur underwear. We conquer most of Russia when Irish wore fur underwear. I am Polack and proud of it. You want to fight?"

Irish Harry, who hoped to live long enough to become an alderman, would just smile weakly and buy the house a round.

But let us return to my friend Eppie.

Most of the angry people who called hadn't read the article in the New Yorker that caused this flap.

They had heard it on radio and TV, as reported by bubble-headed broadcast boobs who hadn't read it either.

So let's get it straight. In the article, which was about what a great babe Eppie is — and she truly is — she

was giving insightful thumbnail impressions of the famous people she has met. And she has met many.

About Pope John Paul II, the Polish pope, she said: "Looks like an angel. He has the face of an angel. His eyes are sky blue, and his cheeks are pink and adorable looking, and he has a sweet sense of humor."

Now, I ask you, did any of the TV yahoos and radio babblers tell you about Eppie saying that the pope looks like an angel and has a sweet sense of humor?

Of course not. The broadcast rodents knew that would not serve their malicious purpose.

They zeroed in on the rest of her quote: "Of course, he's a Polack." Laughter. "They're very antiwomen."

What she obviously meant was that Poles of the pope's generation don't always treat women as equals. And she's right. There are countless Catholic women — Polish and otherwise, nuns and housewives — who will tell you they aren't nuts about this Polish pope's attitudes toward women.

And that is a valid issue that can be debated. But it is not a blanket insult of all Polacks.

So I would ask my fellow Polacks to calm down. This lady ain't got a bigoted bone in her trim bod. And when life gets tough, you couldn't ask for a better friend.

That's from one proud Polack to another.

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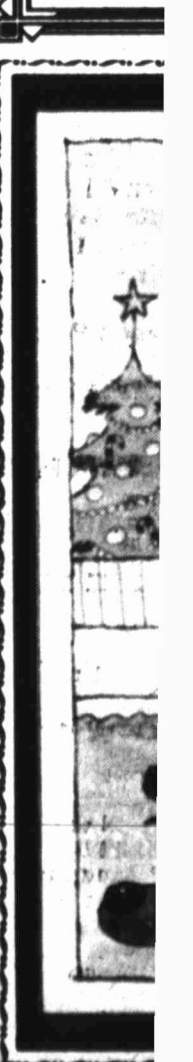


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Airport fees cause airline to threaten El Paso pullout

EL PASO (AP) — Southwest Airlines is threatening to cut flights at El Paso International Airport after the city moved to increase the operating fees it charges air carriers.

Mayor Larry Francis said the proposed increase, which would almost quadruple the fees airlines pay, is needed to ensure the airport won't operate at a loss.

"We are not trying to cause a

hardship," Francis said.

However, a Southwest official protested the proposal.

"This type of cost increase is unacceptable," Ron Ricks, Southwest's vice president of governmental relations, said Wednesday.

Southwest would either begin pulling flights around April 1996 or raise fares if discussions with the city did not produce a more acceptable propos-

al, he said. Southwest now offers 52 flights with 11 non-stop destinations.

With total airport traffic down 11.3 percent, Ricks said the market in El Paso was not lucrative enough to support the increased costs to his company, which he estimated would be around \$12 million over the next five years.

The increased fees will affect other airlines as well.

Southwest, with 61 percent of

the passenger business in the city, stands to lose the most, however.

Dave Messing, a spokesman for Continental Airlines, said that his company will accept whatever package Southwest accepts. Continental does not plan to cut routes, he said.

An airline industry analyst, Richard Gritta, said Southwest probably is protesting the fee increase because of possible

future repercussions.

"Southwest may fear El Paso is going to set a precedent among other cities," said Gritta, a researcher at the University of Portland.

"This magnitude of a fee increase destroys the economies of route structures among airlines."

Negotiations between the city and the airline have been ongoing since the City Council

moved to raise landing fees — the price an airline pays on each plane its lands — from 32 cents per 1,000 pounds to \$1.21 per 1,000 pounds.

Terminal lease rates were raised from \$10 per square foot to \$26.23 per square foot.

Southwest has rejected the city's reduced-rate offer of \$1.04 per 1,000 pounds, which is less than what other like-sized airports charge.

Stray manatee snared after two days



A 10-foot female manatee lies on a tarp as she is examined by wildlife officials Thursday in Houston. The manatee, now named Selena, was taken to Sea World in San Antonio for further examination.

HOUSTON (AP) — Wildlife officials finally got their manatee Thursday, snaring the half-ton sea cow after two days of trying.

On Wednesday, officials tried to bait the 8-foot-long animal, nicknamed "Hugh-Manatee" with vegetation. But the man-

atee slipped through a net and managed to escape.

But when caught on Thursday, wildlife officials quickly learned that Hugh was in fact a female and decided to call the wayward manatee Selena, in honor of the Tejano singer who was killed last April.

Officials believe the manatee was drawn from Galveston Bay to the warm waters of Buffalo Bayou near a city sewage plant. Experts were set to take the creature to Sea World of Texas in San Antonio for medical tests. They hope to return it to its natural habitat.

Implant company absolved by jury

HOUSTON (AP) — A state court jury has rejected claims by four women that silicone breast implants ruined their health.

The state district court jury deliberated less than two hours before returning a verdict for Baxter Healthcare Corp.

The verdict returned late Wednesday before state District Judge Kathleen Stone was the second in two months by a Houston jury to find no wrongdoing in the manufacture or marketing of the implants.

Baxter attorney D. Mitchell McFarland said Harris County juries, once reported to be among the most pro-plaintiff in the nation, are realizing that hard evidence is failing to support the claims of the recipients.

Plaintiffs' attorneys and some researchers have challenged the bulk of studies and findings that establish no disease links, saying they are focused too narrowly to include the impairments described.

The lawsuits were filed by four women who received implants for cosmetic reasons between 1977 and 1983.

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Parole violators picked up

HOUSTON (AP) — About 90 people who were convicted of violent crimes including murder, rape and aggravated robbery have been arrested in a roundup of parole violators.

Thursday's arrests in the Houston area was the second major parole violator roundup by the Gulf Coast Violent Offenders Task Force since the multiagency group was established three years ago.

About 130 officers participated

in the arrests, which focused on Harris, Montgomery and Galveston counties, said Mike Landry, a task force supervisor.

Most violations involved parolees failing to report to parole officers.

"More roundups will be done," Landry said. "The parolee might as well report to his parole officer and he won't have to worry about somebody knocking on his door or going to his place of employment."

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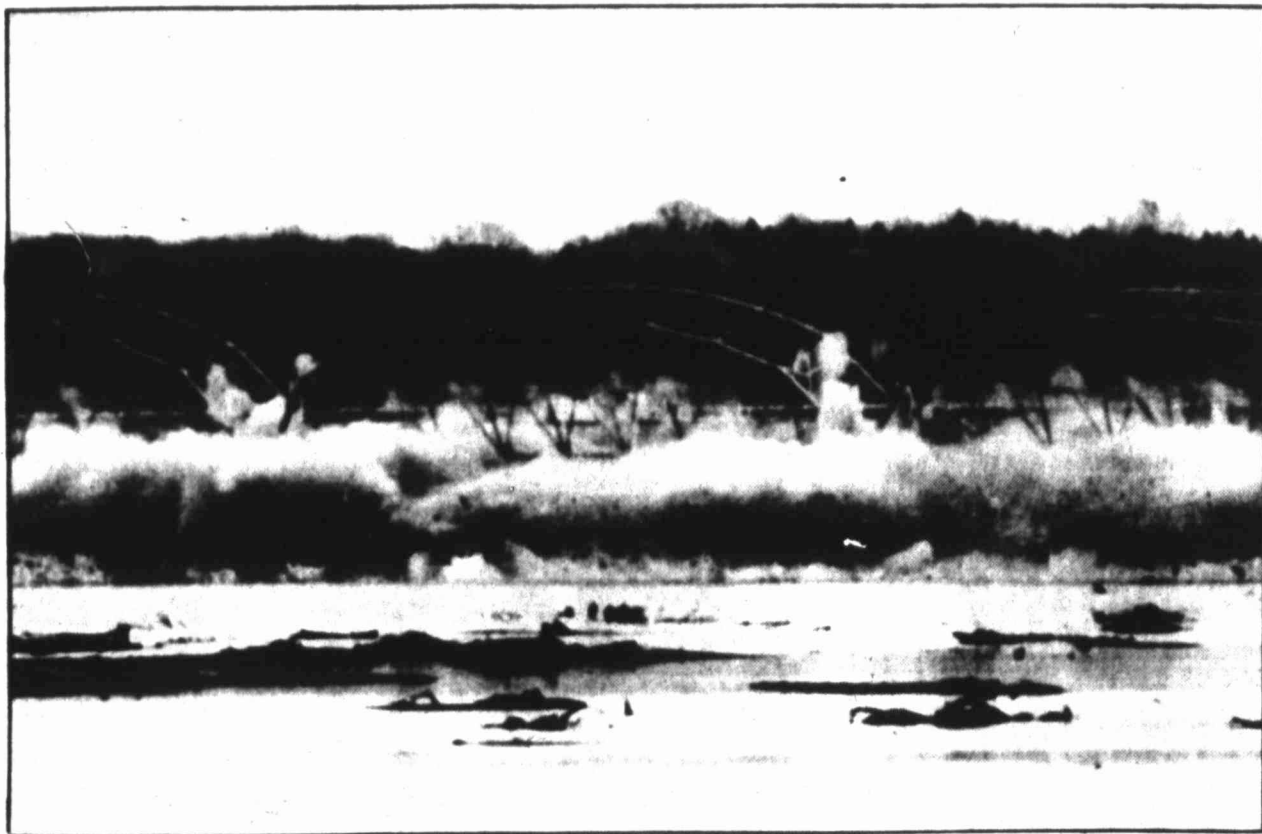
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Conroe may end year-round schooling

CONROE (AP) — Administrators have decided to recommend eliminating year-round education in the Conroe Independent School District.

School district officials said Thursday that the experiment likely won't be continued beyond the end of the current school year, the Houston Chronicle reported today.

The number of pupils planning to re-enroll in the programs at two proposed magnet sites next year fell short of the minimum numbers the district was requiring in order to justify the costs, said Connie Welsh, assistant superintendent for elementary education.

The school board will make the decision on Tuesday. Ms. Welsh said that administrators will recommend it be discontinued.

"The cost of supporting and subsidizing it is so large that we, as a district, are no longer going to be able to continue subsidizing it," Welsh said.

The announcement that the numbers fell short drew criticism from some parents who had supported year-round magnet campuses.

Currently, 1,274 children from kindergarten through 6th grade are enrolled in year-round schooling at 10 campuses on a dual track with those on traditional schedules.

Because the "school within a school" program was costing about \$750,000 a year, the plan was to place all the year-round pupils at Wilkerson Intermediate campus in The Woodlands — in the south end of the district — and at Crockett Intermediate on the north end.

However, at least 550 pupils in the southern area and 300 in the other campus would have had to enroll for next year.

Welsh said year-round classes may be revived thanks to Senate Bill 1.

That state legislation enables local schools to petition for "charter programs."

Statewide dry spell poses wildlife threat

By JEAN PAGEL
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK (AP) — A statewide dry spell has left cattle pastures parched, trash-burning outlawed and city water in skyrocketing demand.

The Texas Forest Service warns of extreme or high wildfire danger from El Paso to Texarkana.

"We are looking at going into the Christmas holiday with dry grass and fireworks. That's a lot of concern," said Mahlon Hammetter, fire prevention specialist in Lufkin.

"We could see the worst fire season in winter in a long time."

The state forest service issued an outdoor-burning moratorium for 19 counties in Northeast Texas.

Hammetter said the agency worries about dormant vegetation that could fuel a wildfire.

An "extreme" danger of wildfires exists from Amarillo to Lubbock and El Paso, as well as a corner of Northeast Texas.

A "high" danger exists across north and central parts of the state. Houston, Austin and San Antonio fall into a

"moderate" danger zone.

Bruce Blalack, water treatment superintendent for the city of Lubbock, said water consumption in this West Texas city is up 350 million gallons just since October.

The National Weather Service here had to search back to Oct. 2 to find the last measurable precipitation — 0.52 of an inch.

Hot and dry weather caused more water use by landscapers and industrial cooling towers, Blalack said.

"We have plenty of water, and we're able to keep up with the demand," he said. "(But) if we have several years of this, it may become a problem."

Most of Texas is just as dry as Lubbock.

"If you were to take a walk out through those fields, you would see how dry it is just by stepping on the grass and feeling it crunch," said Randall County Judge Ted Wood, who has curtailed trash burning outside of Canyon.

Wood said he hears a repetitive farm report on the radio: Parched soil, no rain.

"It's like a broken record," he said.

Watchdog group files complaint against lobbyist

By JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr.
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A government watchdog group filed an ethics complaint Thursday against a Texas casino lobbyist who serves as chairman of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

Common Cause Texas said in its complaint to the Texas Ethics Commission that Roy Orr of DeSoto agreed to an illegal contract last year to push a bill to get Las Vegas-style gambling approved in Texas.

The measure failed during the legislative session that ended this summer.

Suzi Woodford, executive director of Common Cause

Texas, said Orr's contract with Casino Results, Inc., of Lake Whitney, would have given Orr or a designated person a 1 percent ownership of a \$150 million casino complex. Casino Results planned to build the complex near Dallas if the bill had become law.

Under state ethics rules, lobbyists can not receive compensation based on the outcome of legislation.

Orr also got \$5,000 a month from Casino Results for his work.

He said he did not know contingency fees were illegal. And he said he told Casino Results that he could not accept part ownership of the casino because of religious beliefs.

Common Cause's complaint was unrelated to Orr's position, but the group still called for his resignation from the commission.

"When appointed and elected officials do not follow both the letter and the spirit of a law, the public's confidence in decision makers is eroded," Ms. Woodford said.

Woodford said there is not a statewide law against appointed state officials acting as lobbyists, although members of some boards are restricted from doing so.

Doyle Bailey, administrator for the Alcoholic Beverage Commission, said there is no such prohibition for that commission.



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Senate votes next week on Bosnia

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate plans to vote next week on supporting the U.S. deployment to Bosnia.

They will also consider the arming and training of and a House measure cutting off funding for the mission.

It also will take up a resolution opposing President Clinton's decision to send troops but expressing support for the soldiers, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said late Thursday.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole is planning the debate for Tuesday and the votes for Wednesday, McCain said. Dole reached agreement with Republican colleagues Thursday on debating the deployment of 20,000 U.S. troops to Bosnia, but the agreement is subject to approval by Senate Democrats.

The measure grudgingly supporting the deployment was crafted by Dole and McCain. But Democrats might offer their own alternative giving more unambiguous support for the Bosnia mission.

The Dole-McCain measure

would contain specific language requiring the United States to support arming and training of Muslim-led Bosnian government forces.

According to a draft obtained by The Associated Press, the resolution would require the United States "lead an immediate effort, separate and apart from the NATO implementation force, to provide equipment, arms, training and related logistics assistance of the highest possible quality" to the Bosnian government. The aid could include surplus U.S. arms.

The measure also would assert the United States should have a strategy for accomplishing a limited military mission and then withdrawing after a fixed period of time. And it would preclude U.S. forces from engaging in "non-military activities" that should be left to civil authorities.

Clinton wants to strengthen the Bosnian government military to reduce the chance of war breaking out. But administration officials warned that an

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A grave digger makes his way through the Muslim, Christian and non-denominational grave markers in the Lion Cemetery in the Kosevo neighborhood of Sarajevo. The worker was cleaning around graves, a job that is much easier now that Serbian sniper positions on a nearby hill are unmanned.

AIDS scare prompts closing of salons

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Ukraine has been shutting down hairdressing salons in the city of Odessa in an attempt to stop the spread of AIDS after inspectors said scissors and razors were not properly sterilized.

Officials in the former Soviet republic said they have not encountered anyone who contracted the disease at a hairdressing salon. But they said

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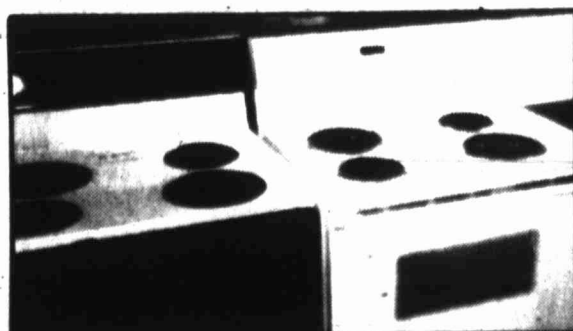
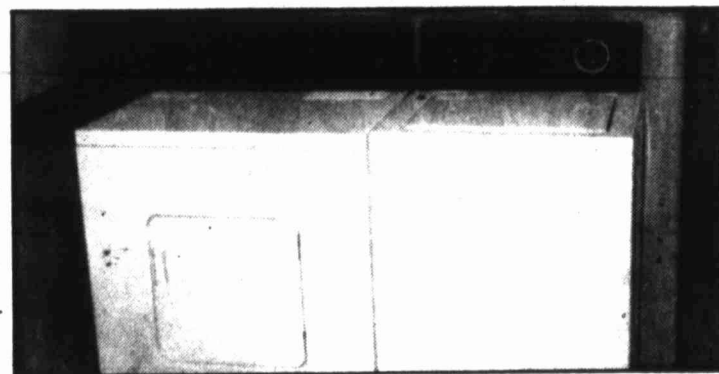
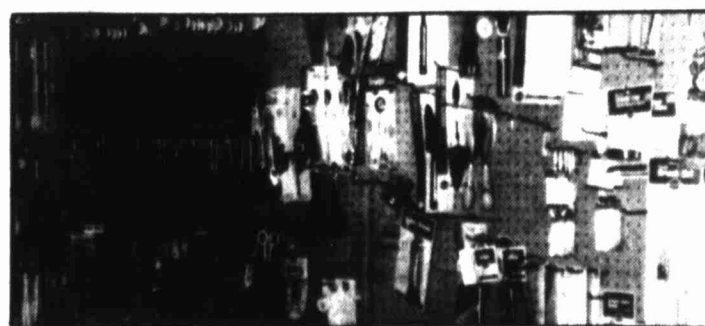
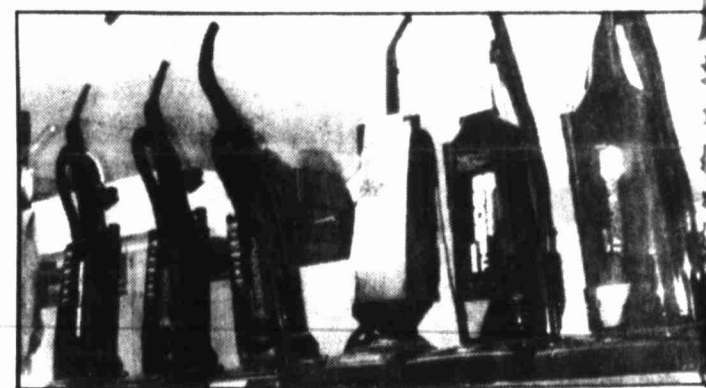
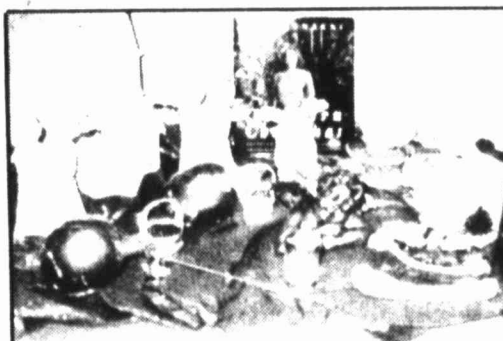
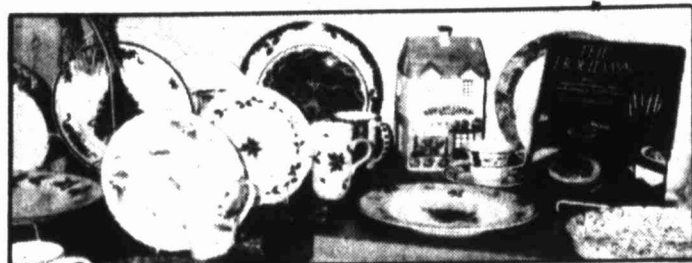
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Mexican vendors clash with police

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Scores of riot police moved in on vendors selling Christmas gifts and tourist trinkets in Mexico City's main plaza Thursday, kicking many of them and beating them with billy clubs.

The confrontation started late Thursday afternoon and lasted for more than three hours, with police and vendors skirmishing in the huge plaza after night-fall.

Nine vendors were injured in the clashes, Red Cross spokeswoman Laura Alvarez said.

Some 100 police were involved in the crackdown on the mostly-female vendors in August. It is the first time riot squad used violence to remove vendors from the Zocalo plaza, one of Mexico's main tourist attractions.

Associated Press Television interviewed one bloody vendor as he was being loaded into an ambulance in front of the Metropolitan Cathedral.

"They beat me, they stole my wallet and my watch," said Christian Gallardo Licea, his head in a brace to prevent fur-

ther injuries.

Protesters hurled bottles and insults at the helmeted police. "Get out! Get out!" they shouted.

Street selling in Mexico City's historic center without a permit is illegal, and these are hard to get and involve corruption. On Thursday, police forced out one group of vendors allegedly because they had no permits, to make room for another group with permission to sell during the holiday season.

Mexico City's street vendors are organized into a complex web of unions, which pay kickbacks to bosses, police, and local politicians. They are also expected to show loyalty, by making donations to and attending rallies of political parties, usually the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party.

City officials recently authorized 1,500 vendors — most affiliated with the Institutional Revolutionary Party — to sell on the streets of the historic center in December.



A Mexico City policeman scuffles with a street vendor during a demonstration at the city's main plaza, the Zocalo.

AIDS

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poor sterilization of salon instruments puts customers at risk.

Thirty-four of 133 hair salons in Odessa were shut recently. Officials said they would be reopened when they meet health requirements.

"Theoretically it is possible for people to get AIDS through pedicures, manicures and shaves," Ukrainian AIDS spe-

cialist Larysa Bochkova said Thursday.

"The instruments often become dull from the sterilizing fluid and for this reason they are not very popular with hairdressers," Bochkova said.

The number of registered cases of people infected with the AIDS virus in Odessa jumped over the month of November from 369 to 572.

Bosnia

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overly explicit policy might lead rebel Bosnian Serbs to view the U.S. troops as partisans.

Lawmakers predicted Clinton would win a vote of support in the Senate. The situation was less certain in the House, where nearly half the members sent a one-sentence letter to Clinton urging him not to send in ground troops.

Lawmakers are anxious to vote on the deployment before Thursday, when the final signing of the Dayton, Ohio, peace accord in Paris will set in motion the transfer of U.S. soldiers to Bosnia. The Clinton administration wants a congressional vote of support, but insists the mission will go ahead regardless.

In a sign of concern about the safety of U.S. forces, the Clinton administration is planning a direct appeal to Bosnian authorities to ensure that all

foreign Islamic fundamentalist fighters in Bosnia leave the country soon.

Assistant Secretary of State Richard Holbrooke was opening a three-nation visit to the Balkans starting today and planned to deliver that message during a stop in Sarajevo. His itinerary included visits to Serbia and Croatia.

The administration is wary about the presence of mujahedeen fighters near the area where U.S. units are due to set up headquarters.

"They should be removed," State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said Thursday. "Most of these people have a different agenda, a very different agenda than that of peace, and we don't believe that their presence there is at all helpful, and we won't tolerate it."

Some of the Muslim holy warriors are attached to special units of the Bosnian army considered friendly to the United

States. But U.S. officials consider other mujahedeen units to be worrisome.

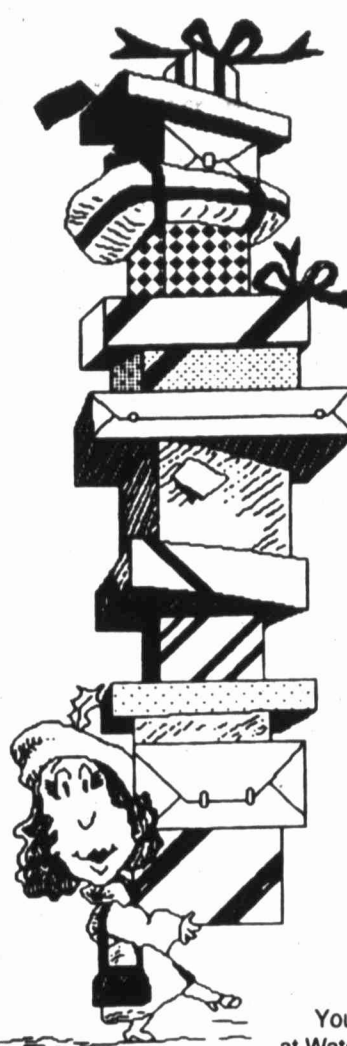
The mujahedeen have gone to Bosnia from a variety of Islamic countries, including Iran, Pakistan, Turkey and Afghanistan. Official estimates

of their numbers are imprecise, ranging from 300 to 3,000.

A dozen Republican and eight Democratic House members were to leave today for a week-end trip to Bosnia to observe preparations for the deployment.

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FBI arrests 400 in phone scam

By MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI agents began rounding up 422 people in 15 states today on fraud charges growing out of an undercover investigation in which volunteer retirees tape recorded dishonest telemarketers who victimize the elderly.

Earlier in this two-year operation, 114 people had been arrested and 112 locations searched under warrants.

"Telephone pitches from illicit 'boiler room' operations cost Americans \$40 billion a year," said Attorney General Janet Reno.

The results of "Operation Senior Sentinel" were announced here and by Reno at a Las Vegas news conference.

Retired law enforcement agents and other volunteers were recruited through the American Association of Retired Persons and posed as telephone subscribers during the joint federal and state operation.

Tape-recorded telephone calls from telemarketers were forwarded to a computerized collection point in San Diego where they were catalogued and indexed for investigation.

Reno said victims commonly received five or more calls a day from high-pressure telephone sales people once they made their first purchase or contribution.

Among them: An Ohio widow lost her life savings of \$240,000 to more than 50 fraudulent telemarketers. A 92-year-old California woman lost \$180,000 and then \$5,250 more to a man who said he could recover some of her lost money.

In Las Vegas, authorities went after an outfit, which used the name Feed America Inc., that they said defrauded people of more than \$13 million by soliciting donations purportedly for the hungry, the homeless, an



A law enforcement official, right, escorts a suspect to a Las Vegas national guard armory which was turned into a makeshift courthouse and holding facility Thursday. The suspect is one of more than 400 people being arrested in 15 states in a telephone sales scam investigation.

AIDS charity and for families of those killed in the April bombing of a federal building in Oklahoma City.

An indictment was unsealed charging John L. Ciccone and 12 of his salespeople, an arrest warrant was issued for Ciccone.

The schemes varied. "Some people were victimized by phony charities or investment schemes," Reno said.

"Others were taken in by so-called 'premium' promotions in which victims were 'guaranteed' one of four or five valuable

prizes, but were then induced to purchase an over-priced product for which only a cheap prize was included."

Defendants faced charges of mail and wire fraud, which normally carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison, or 30 years if a financial institution is involved.

But legislation enacted last year provides an additional five years for telemarketing frauds on an additional 10 years if 10 or more senior citizens are harmed or targeted.

White soldiers charged with killing blacks

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Two white soldiers from Fort Bragg were charged with killing a black couple on a street during what police said was an outing to find blacks to harass.

A Nazi flag and what appeared to be white supremacist pamphlets were found in a room rented by one of the accused, police said.

Michael James, 36, and Jackie Burden, 27, were shot at least five times in the head at close

range.

Pvt. James Norman Burmeister II, 20, and Pvt. Malcolm Wright, 21, both with the 82nd Airborne Division, were charged Thursday with first-degree murder.

"They approached these two individuals, there was some type of verbal confrontation and one of the soldiers pulled a semiautomatic handgun and shot both victims in the head," police Lt. Richard Bryant told

NBC radio.

Investigators searched the Burmeister's room and found a Nazi flag, a bomb-making book and pamphlets that appeared to describe the White Supremacist Party, Bryant said.

Police also found what they said might be the handgun used in the slayings, he said.

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Mother's slaying leads to court fight

By SARAH NORDGREN
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Dean Olds had it all. A partner in one of Chicago's hottest law firms, he had amassed a multimillion-dollar fortune. He traveled the world on business and lived in an exclusive suburb where he and his wife raised their family.

That life unraveled quickly and thoroughly.

First, there was a bitter divorce proceeding and a freeze on his assets. Then, his partners fired him on allegations of insider trading.

What followed was far worse: On Dec. 28, 1993, his wife, Suzanne Olds, was found bludgeoned to death at their home in Wilmette. Olds' male lover, a dashing blond part-time model from Germany, was tried for the crime and acquitted.

Now Olds' daughters, who believe their father was involved in their mother's death, are testifying against him this week in a civil case to determine who will get the family fortune.

In civil court, where the standard of proof is lower than in criminal court, attorneys say they expect to prove that Olds had a role in the slaying.

Olds' daughters told a probate judge that their mother was terrified of Olds and his lover, Helmut Carsten Hofer.

"They were the only two people in the world who didn't love

her," Courtney Olds said as her eyes filled with tears. "She was extremely scared, extremely aware of her life being threatened by my father and Carsten."

Olds has never been charged in the killing. Prosecutors refuse to say whether they consider him a suspect.

Ms. Olds avoided her father's gaze Wednesday as she told a judge that her mother repeatedly asked her grown daughters how to keep safe. Suzanne Olds carried Mace when walking her dog. She slept at night only after securing the front and back doors and locking the deadbolt on her bedroom door.

Mrs. Olds died anyway in a frenzy of violence in her garage. Police say her attacker was so intent on killing that the blows to her head continued long after the 56-year-old woman died.

Olds said he has thought a lot about who committed the crime.

"Whoever killed my wife sort of went bananas," he said. "That person is highly abnormal. He was crazy."

According to testimony in the probate case, Olds' lucrative career as a trademark attorney spiraled steadily to an end. In 1993, his law firm insisted that he enter the Betty Ford Clinic when his alcoholism affected his work, his former partner, Roy Hofer, testified.

Roy Hofer, who is not related to Helmut Hofer, said Olds was fired later that year after the Securities and Exchange Com-

mission alleged that he used client information for insider trading. Olds was ordered by the government to pay about \$125,000, Hofer said.

Olds' private life was in trouble, too. His wife had filed for divorce in 1992. She suspected her husband of gutting their \$4.6 million estate, in part to support his young lover.

Olds had set Hofer up in an exclusive car rental business in Munich, but it was Hofer, not rental clients, who drove the company's Rolls-Royce, another of Hofer's lovers, Kevin McDermott, testified in a taped deposition.

Hofer moved from Germany to Chicago in 1993 when the business dissolved, and lived there until after his trial. He was trying to extricate himself from a complicated relationship with Olds at the time of Mrs. Olds' slaying but was financially dependent upon him, McDermott said.

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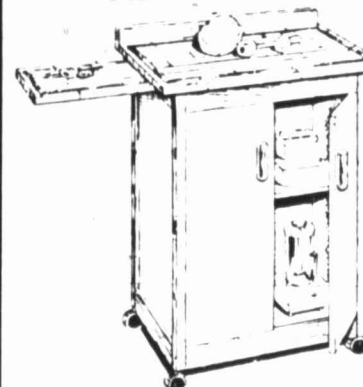
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Bennett Scott, left, and Susan Keams Benner, who donated a kidney to Scott last Friday, laugh as they visit in Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center Thursday. The two had taken piano lessons together as children and were high school classmates, but lost contact until Benner organized their 33rd annual class reunion.

Childhood friend gives gift of life

By JUDIE GLAVE
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — They took piano lessons together as children and sang in the same high school chorus. But Susan Keams Benner and Bennett Scott lost touch for 32 years, until she gave her old friend the ultimate gift: a kidney to save his life.

When Benner made the offer in a letter in March, Scott and his wife just held each other and cried, he said.

His doctors — surgeon Dr. Mark Hardy and internist Dr. David Cohen — said Scott had a 50-50 chance of surviving another three years without a new kidney. Scott, 51, offered his own diagnosis: "I was dying."

The two were to go home from the hospital today, one week after the operation.

Scott, who lives in Midland Park, N.J., learned in 1992 that he was a victim of the most

common cause of kidney failure: chronic diabetes. He has had diabetes for 23 years.

In 1994, he began dialysis, a grueling, time-consuming procedure that flushes waste from the body when the kidneys give out. Twice, the cure nearly killed him; he suffered infections caused by long-term dialysis.

Then his angel appeared in the form of Benner, 51, a petite woman with frosted hair, wire-rimmed glasses and a generous smile that makes her eyes crinkle and her face light up.

The two were reunited when Benner, now of Stevensville, Md., began organizing the 33rd reunion for the class of 1962 at Myrtle Beach High School in South Carolina.

They shared the same piano teacher as children, sang in the high school chorus together and worked on the school's yearbook. They went their separate ways after high school.

When they first talked on the phone neither of them mentioned it. But later on, after Benner became friendly over the phone with Scott's wife, Sarah, she said she couldn't stand it anymore.

"I wrote him a letter saying basically, 'I have two kidneys, you don't have any. I want to give you one.'"

"I just didn't think much about it," Benner said, her words mingling with tears as she reached for a tissue on her hospital tray. "He needed a kidney and he and his wife were so much in love."

Benner knows what it's like to watch a loved one die. A man who almost became her husband died of kidney failure in 1990.

In the past 10 years, doctors at Columbia have done about 700 kidney transplants. Nearly all were relatives donating to relatives, Cohen said; only three were friends giving to friends.

FDA approves new AIDS drug

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — AIDS patients soon will be able to buy a long-anticipated new type of AIDS drug — if they can afford it at \$5,800 a year wholesale.

The Food and Drug Administration on Thursday approved saquinavir, the first of a powerful new generation of AIDS drugs called protease inhibitors.

But saquinavir doesn't work alone. So the tab for adding it to older AIDS drugs can quickly reach \$10,000 a year, when Medicaid cuts are threatened and state-run drug assistance programs are running out of money, said Gary Rose of the AIDS Action Council.

"We've got a disaster in the making," he said.

Project Inform, which got the price of the AIDS drug AZT dropped from \$8,000 to \$2,000

several years ago, pledged protests to try to cut saquinavir's cost.

The issue shows the power wielded by AIDS activists. Although heart disease and cancer are the country's top killers, together claiming 1.2 million lives last year, AIDS patients have forced price cuts and record fast drug approvals for the deadly virus. President Clinton even invited them to the White House Wednesday to promise he'll fight cuts in AIDS research funding and Medicaid.

AIDS is the nation's eighth-leading killer, claiming 42,000 lives last year. But it is on the rise and has become the top killer of people ages 25 to 44.

The FDA approved saquinavir in a record 97 days, to become the first protease inhibitor approved anywhere in the world. The FDA has approved the nation's six AIDS medicines

in an average of 5.5 months, and three of them still aren't approved in Europe, the agency noted.

The FDA said it wasn't favoring AIDS, although companies making those drugs are more likely to file applications under the special FDA accelerated-approval program. The breakthrough breast cancer drug Taxol cleared in seven months, the first cystic fibrosis drug took nine and the first multiple sclerosis aid took exactly one year.

"The AIDS drugs are a class of drugs that are teaching us how to respond in other cases as well," said spokesman Jim O'Hara.

Saquinavir manufacturer Hoffman-La Roche Inc. is trying to help patients with the new drug's price, announcing a program to push insurers to cover saquinavir fully and promptly.

Missing women found dead

MEDFORD, Ore. (AP) — Two gay rights activists who had been missing for four days were found dead in the back of a pickup truck.

The bodies of Roxanne Ellis and Michelle Abdill were found in Ellis' canopied pickup Thursday after a cable TV worker reported the vehicle to authorities. Residents had complained of a foul odor around the truck.

Sgt. Mike Moran said the women died violently, though details were withheld pending autopsies.

Ellis, 54, and Abdill, 42, disappeared Monday after Ellis was scheduled to show a rental duplex.

Abdill went to the duplex to help Ellis jump start her car and neither woman had been seen since.

Later that night, the truck was parked outside an apartment building, where the cable worker found it.

Police were investigating whether the women's outspoken support of gay rights led to their deaths. Ellis and Abdill, who lived and worked together, had received threats.

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PEARL HARBOR REMEMBERED

Japanese attack commemorated on 54th anniversary

By BRUCE DUNFORD
Associated Press Writer

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii (AP) — Fifty-four years ago, Chief Petty Officer John Finn kept firing his machine gun at attacking Japanese planes despite numerous wounds.

On Thursday, the 86-year-old Medal of Honor winner returned to Pearl Harbor with other military officials, veterans and their families to commemorate the surprise attack that drew the United States into World War II.

"I heard a horrible roar astern of me," the retired Navy man said. "It made a wingover down towards the hangars where I was headed. I said, 'Hey, this is the real thing.'"

Under rainy skies, the Navy held a ceremony aboard the USS Arizona Memorial that drew about 100 people.

An additional 300 people gath-

ered at the Arizona Memorial Visitors Center, where Finn recounted his experiences at the Naval Air Station at Kaneohe Bay.

At 7:55 a.m., the moment the

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John Finn

attack began, a minute of silence was observed throughout the sprawling Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, after a long blast from the destroyer USS

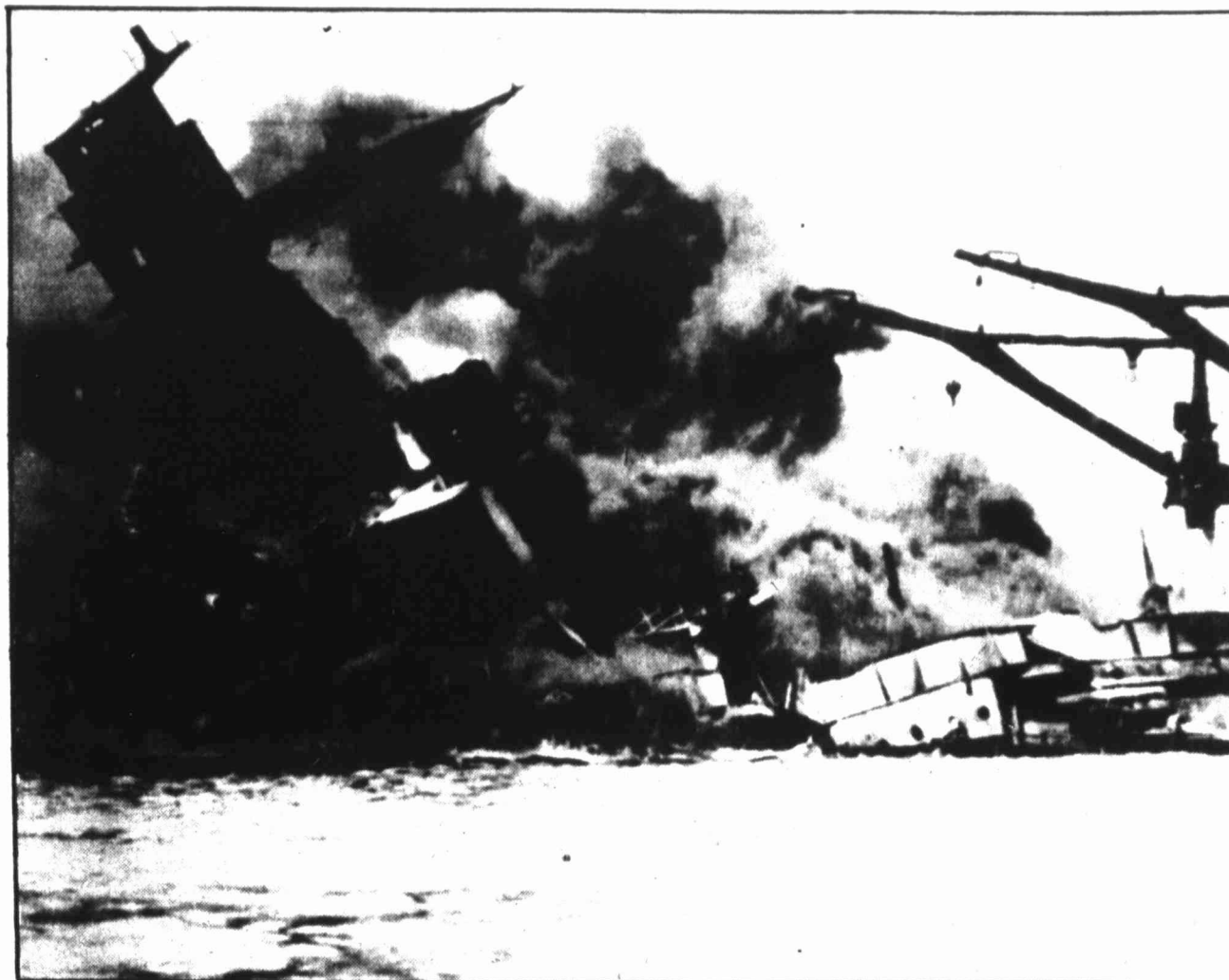
Paul Hamilton.

After the moment of silence, the American flag was raised above the Arizona as four Hawaii National Guard F-15 Eagle jet fighters swept over the harbor.

Archbishop Elki Ikeda of the World Federation Japan Religion 21st Century Committee delivered a prayer at the visitors center.

"As we bid farewell to the 20th century, a century in which we have plundered and killed each other, let us greet the 21st century in which we will live together, sharing the feelings of joy and sadness," he said through an interpreter.

The attack killed 2,403 men, women and children. The greatest loss of life was aboard the Arizona; many of the 1,177 crewmen who died remain entombed in the sunken hull.



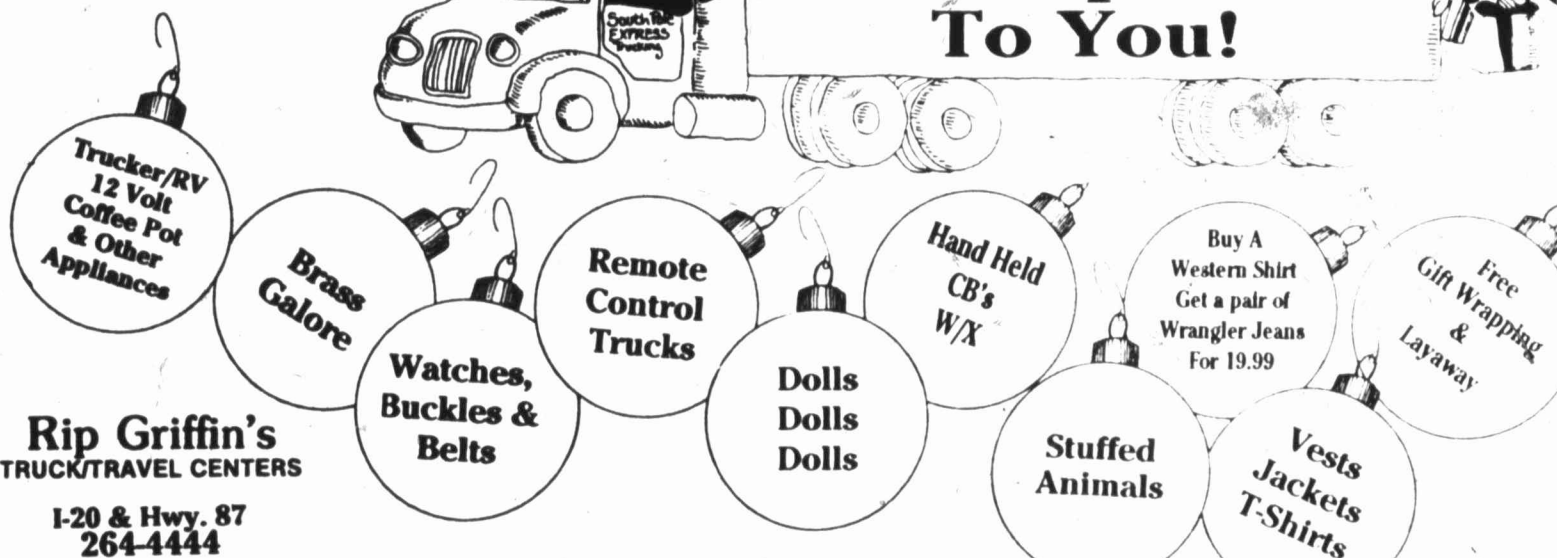
Smoke billows from the USS Arizona after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941. The attack 54 years ago triggered the U.S. entry into World War II and was marked with observances including ceremonies at the USS Arizona Visitor Center.



Charles Theodore Sehs, 78, takes pictures of a simulated torpedo attack as he stands on the deck of the USS Antrim in Port Isabel, Texas, Thursday morning. Sehs was 18 when he was on board the battleship USS Missouri during the attack on Pearl Harbor.

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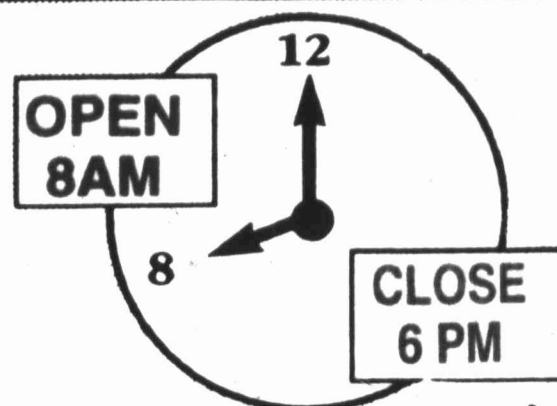
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Merkel edges Steers in Rotary first-round game

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers were entertaining hosts at their tournament, but not in the way they wanted.

The Steers opened play in the Big Spring Rotary Basketball Tournament by taking the Merkel Badgers to the wire before dropping a 56-55 decision Thursday night in Steer Gym.

Big Spring senior post Daniel Franks led all scorers with 25 points. Brad Teaff had 23 points, while Rhett Buntin scored 15 points and Brent

Fisher added 11 for the Badgers.

The game was a back-and-forth affair, with neither team leading by more than nine points. Merkel held the upper hand in the first and fourth quarters, while the Steers did the same in the middle two quarters.

If one is looking for the main reason the Steers fell, however, it might be free throws. Big Spring was only 8-for-20 from the charity stripe, while the Badgers hit 13 of 17 free throws.

"The free-throw line got us,"

BSHS coach Gary Tipton said. "You want to hit 70-75 percent from the line, and we didn't do that. A lot of times, if the game's less than 10 points, you can go directly to the free-throw line, and that's where you got whipped."

Another key moment came at the end of the third quarter, when the Steers were starting to pull away. Josh Fernau's basket with 2:15 remaining in the quarter gave Big Spring a 42-33 lead. Merkel turned the ball over on its next three trips down the floor, but Brent Fisher tallied with 55 seconds

left to cut the lead to seven, then guard Ryan Holmes hit an off-balance three-pointer just before the buzzer to bring the Badgers within four of the lead at 42-38.

"That was just a huge shot," Merkel coach Jeff Faubion said. "And he wasn't even set for the shot — he just sort of caught it and flung it."

The Badgers quickly tied the game at 42-41, and at that stage, the teams began trading the lead like an overpaid baseball player — there were six lead changes in the final six minutes.

The Steers took their final lead at 55-54 on a pair of Chad Warren free throws with 35 seconds remaining, but Justin Goldsmith responded by driving the baseline with 15 seconds left to make the score 56-55.

Big Spring had one last chance to win, but Justin Myers' three-point attempt with three seconds left was blocked, and John Smith's desperation heave failed to beat the buzzer.

In other Thursday action, El Paso Andress defeated Odessa High School 84-68. Snyder nipped Amarillo Caprock 61-60

and Lamesa defeated El Paso Montwood 68-54.

Consolation action today features Odessa vs. Caprock at 4 p.m., and Big Spring against Montwood at 8:30 p.m. Lamesa plays Merkel at 5:30 p.m. and Andress takes on Snyder at 7 p.m. in winner's bracket play.

MERKEL (56) — Holmes 1 0-0 3; Fisher 3 4 6; 11; Teaff 7 4-5 23; Buntin 5-6 15; Goldsmith 1 0-0 2; totals 17 13 17 56.
BIG SPRING (55) — Smith 2 0-2 4; Myers 1 0-0 3; Warren 1 7-11 9; Franks 12 1-1 25; Simpson 2 0-4 4; Fernau 2 0-0 4; totals 20 8 20 55.

Score by quarters
Merkel 16 13 9 18 56
Big Spring 11 12 14 11 58

GREAT FORM



Saddle bronc rider Dan Etbauer competes during the seventh round of the National Finals Rodeo Thursday in Las Vegas. Etbauer scored a 79 and tied for second in the round.

Queens, Buffaloes open Borden play with wins

By DARRELL ERICSON
Sports writer

GAIL — The Forsan Buffaloes and Queens advanced to the winners bracket in the Coyote Christmas Tournament with wins over Southland.

The Queens improved to an 8-1 record by dropping Southland by a 54-31 score while the Buffaloes jumped to a winning 5-4 record by squeezing out Southland 55-54.

Both teams are coming off wins from the Mertz tournament last week which gave them a lot of momentum in the wins. The Queens clinched the Mertz championship with wins over Irion County, Paint Rock, and Iraan. Nichole Johnson and Deborah Light received all team honors and Light was chosen as most valuable player.

The Buffaloes received second place in the tournament and Rusty Baker and Jason Lentz were chosen to the all tournament teams.

ment teams.

Thursday, the Queens dominated the court with their defense, forcing 11 turnovers and grabbing six steals, but it was on the boards where the Queens seized the advantage. The Queens fought for 35 rebounds, only giving up 16 to Southland.

Forsan coach Johnny Schafer said, "Our goal was to dominate the rebounding, and I feel like we did a pretty good job."

The Queens took an early 9-4 lead in the first off the scoring of Amie Evans and Nichole Johnson. Johnson scored four points while Evans scored five, one from the three point line. Assisting on the shots was Deborah Light.

"Our shooting was off in the first half. Our defense helped out a lot by applying pressure and getting the rebounds," Schafer said.

Johnson led the Queens in scoring with 20 points and had 14 rebounds. Light followed with 12 points and eight assists.

The Queens improved their lead to 27-11 at halftime.

Forsan held the Lady Buffaloes to only 20 points in the second half, scoring 27 of their own.

"The defense was the key to the win," Schafer said. "They did a good job. They forced turnovers and got the rebounds. We wanted to apply a little pressure as we could and take the tempo out of their hands. It's a good pace."

The Forsan boys did not play as easy of a time in the first half. With four seconds left on the clock, Forsan was down by one.

Forsan went to the foul line twice in those final four ticks. After Casey Bristow was successful with the one and one Robert Hilliger fought for the rebound and was fouled.

Hilliger stood at the foul line with one second left on the clock and hit his shot to move the Buffaloes up by one to win the game.

Forsan coach Terry... Please see FORSAN.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Lady Hawks remain perfect

The Lady Hawks claimed another victory, defeating Howard Payne's JV team Thursday.

The Lady Hawks jumped to an early lead and didn't slacken to drop Howard Payne 83-42. Leading the Lady Hawks in scoring was La'Tonya Kindle with 15 points, and Nicki Sherlock with 11.

The Lady Hawks will put their undefeated 14-0 record on the line Saturday at 6 p.m. at Panola.

Lady Steers lose by three

The Lady Steers fell by a 47-44 score against El Paso Austin in the Seminole tournament Thursday.

The Lady Steers took a one point lead at halftime, but fell behind by two in the third.

Robin Wise led the Lady Steers in scoring with 19 points.

The Lady Steers (6-5) play El Paso Burgess in the Consolation bracket at 1:30 p.m. today.

JV ladies advance

The JV Lady Steers moved into the championship bracket with their 65-68 win over Hobbs in the Seminole tournament Thursday.

Keesha Light scored 27 points to lead the Lady JV Steers to a 5-3 record. Following in the scoring was Krisel McWhorter with 15, Traci Bellinghausen with 16, and Jessica Cobos with five.

The JV team will meet Permian in the semifinals today at 4:30 p.m.

Runnels fall to Andrews

The Runnels Yearlings white and black teams were defeated by Andrews 26-21 and 47-24.

The black team fell to a 2-2 record after their loss. Lance Brock lead with 10 points while Jacob Bavis followed with five.

Runnels white team dropped to a 1-3 record. Arthur Gonzales and Jeremy Ballos scored eight points, and Robert Evans scored four.

Runnels, next appearance on the court will be in the Andrews tournament Dec. 15 and 16.

Goliad splits wins and losses

The Goliad Mavericks' black team defeated Andrews 45-34 to improve to an 2-2 record.

Top scorers in the game were Jason Woodruff with 22 and Blake Gee with 11. Playing well for the Mavericks were Jason Choate, and Aaron Stephens.

Goliad's white fought a hard game to come within one point of winning against Andrews. The Mavericks fell to an 1-3 record with their 22-21 loss.

Leading in scoring was Rene Herrera

Please see BRIEFS, page 2B

Boys

Andrews 71, Greenwood 37
Greenwood 12 6 7 12 37
Andrews 21 12 21 17 71
Leading scorers: Greenwood — Pursley 13; Andrews — Mayfield 19, Crawford 17

Sands 66, Dawson 38
Sands 14 15 23 14 66
Dawson 6 16 8 8 38
Leading scorers: Sands — Croft 14, Fryar 12; Reed 12, Hall 10, Dawson — Rodriguez 10

Spur 51, Borden County JV 32
Spur 11 12 20 8 51
Borden County JV 6 6 2 18 32
Leading scorers: Spur — Ward 12, Kendrick 11; Borden County JV — Knight 12

Coahoma 76, Hawley 58

Girls

Grady 76, Jayton 53
Grady 16 22 22 16 76
Jayton 8 16 12 17 53
Leading scorers: Grady — Cox 20, Pugh 13; Tubb 10, Jayton — Spray 19, Kirby 15, Shock 12

Post 50, Borden County 46
Post 15 10 8 17 50
Borden County 17 6 10 13 46
Leading scorers: Post — Reed 15, Hair 14; Terry 10, Borden County — Baeza 13, Dennis 12

Colorado City 64, Bronte 56
Colorado City 12 13 12 19 56
Bronte 19 9 17 19 64
Leading scorers: Bronte — Treadway 16; Holland 14, Walker 11, Colorado City — McSpadden 22, Hoyle 14

Coahoma 76, Hawley 58

High school summaries

Hawley 10 15 11 22 58
Coahoma 18 22 15 21 76
Scorers: Hawley — Powers 1, J. Beasley 24; McCarty 14, Westbrook 2, Olney 2, Vaughn 2, D. Beasley 9, Scott 4, Coahoma — Collum 6, Ruiz 12; McHugh 14, Arguello 4, Ovalle 3, Richardson 2; Tindol 2, Barr 7, Nichols 8, Batson 8, De La Rosa 2, Shifflett 8

Garden City 40, Winters JV 33
Garden City 11 9 9 11 40
Winters 9 11 7 6 33
Scorers: Garden City — Martinez 2, Batia 13; Thefford 6, Hilliger 5, Lankford 11, Schwartz 3; Winters JV — Cruz 1, Vega 3, Rodriguez 2; Vasquez 4, Ortiz 2, Van Zandt 17, Soto 4

Garden City 11 9 9 11 40
Winters 9 11 7 6 33
Scorers: Garden City — Martinez 2, Batia 13; Thefford 6, Hilliger 5, Lankford 11, Schwartz 3; Winters JV — Cruz 1, Vega 3, Rodriguez 2; Vasquez 4, Ortiz 2, Van Zandt 17, Soto 4

Sands 60, Dawson 50

Girls

Sands 1 18 27 14 60
Dawson 15 21 10 10 56
Leading scorers: Sands — Gillespie 12, Taylor 12; Dawson — Bearden 18, Brown 10

Spur 65, Klondike 62
Spur 17 17 17 14 68
Klondike 16 16 16 14 62
Leading scorers: Spur — Francis 17, Weller 17; Henderson 13, Klondike — Ethenberg 20, Kiser 11

Grady 71, Jayton 53
Grady 20 16 4 25 65
Jayton 9 11 14 16 53
Leading scorers: Grady — Schick 24; Jayton — Harrison 11, Colorado City — Bronte 42 OT

Colorado City 14 5 11 10 42
Bronte 12 16 6 6 40

Mackovic heads up final All-SWC dream team

A year ago John Mackovic was under fire at the University of Texas. Now, he's The Associated Press Southwest Conference Coach of the Year.

The Longhorns rolled unbeaten through SWC play, posted a 10-1-1 record, and got a date to play Virginia Tech in the Sugar Bowl.

Texas dominated the mythical All-SWC team as selected by the league's coaches. Like

everything else involving the SWC this year, it's the last one.

James Brown, the gutsy Texas sophomore quarterback who competed the final regular season game against Texas A&M despite a badly sprained ankle, earned Offensive Player of the Year laurels.

Brown put up 2,583 yards in total offense and with him in the lineup the Longhorns always had a chance to win. Texas is 13-1-1 when Brown

starts.

Defensive Player of the Year went to Texas Tech's Zach Thomas, the gritty senior linebacker who returned an interception 23 yards for a touchdown with 30 seconds left to give the Red Raiders a 14-7 win over Texas A&M. Thomas had 130 tackles for the season.

Texas running backs Shon Mitchell and Ricky Williams shared the Offensive Newcomer of the Year honor while Texas

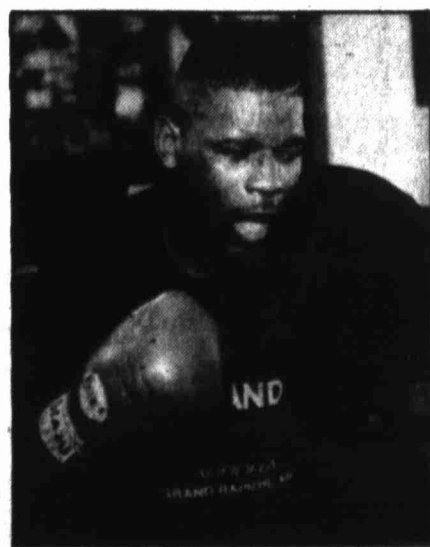
A&M linebacker Ed Snyerson was the Defensive Player of the Year.

Besides Brown, there were three other players named to the first team. Texas placed two players on the team defense.

Wide receiver Matt Schwaner, offensive lineman Eric Scott and tight end Pat Fitzgerald were

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BOTTOM of the ORDER



Training for Tyson

Boxer Buster Mathis Jr. works out in Joe Frazier's gym in Philadelphia Thursday. Mathis faces Mike Tyson Dec. 16.

Rangers offer arbitration

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers have agreed to salary arbitration with free agent lefthanded pitcher Kenny Rogers, but they also announced Thursday no arbitration will be offered to free agents Candy Maldonado and Jeff Russell.

Rogers has until Dec. 19 to decide whether to accept arbitration or remain a free agent, setting a Jan. 8 deadline for Texas to sign him. Otherwise, he cannot be signed by the Rangers until May 1.

By offering arbitration, however, the Rangers would receive a first- or second-round draft pick as compensation if Rogers signs with another club.

Rogers was 17-7 with a 3.38 ERA in 31 starts in 1995.

By not offering outfielder Maldonado and righthanded pitcher Russell salary arbitration, Texas can't sign either player until May 1.

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NATION/WORLD

House asks for delay

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee chairman sent a letter to the NFL asking for delay in a vote on the Cleveland Browns' move to Baltimore.

The correspondence signed by chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., and Rep. Martin Hoke, R-Ohio, asks the NFL to wait a month so Hyde's committee — which has the power to rewrite laws governing sports leagues — can hold a hearing "on the subject of sports franchise relocation."

Jets duo fined

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (AP) — New York Jets defensive linemen Marvin Washington and Erik Howard each were fined \$12,000 for illegal hits Sunday.

ON THE AIR

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Odessa Permian (11-1) vs. Klein (12-1), 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving

Aldine Eisenhower (11-1) vs. Converse Judson (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Alamo Stadium, San Antonio

Class 5A, Division II

Flower Mound Marcus (13-0) vs. Arlington Lamar (12-0-1), Noon, Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving

Regional Finals

Richardson Lake Highlands (12-0-1) vs. North Mesquite (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving

Region III

Humble (8-3-2) vs. Fort Bend Elkins (10-2-1), 7 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston

Region IV

Austin Westlake (12-0-1) vs. San Antonio Roosevelt (13-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Alamo Stadium, San Antonio

Class 4A

Denison (13-0) vs. Stephenville (12-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Aron Carter Stadium, Fort Worth

Regional Finals

Sulphur Springs (12-1) vs. Mount Pleasant (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Mesquite

Region III

League City Clear Brook (11-1-1) vs. La Marque (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Astrodome, Houston

Region IV

Beaumont (13-0) vs. Corpus Christi Calallen (13-0), 3 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Austin

Class 3A

Springtown (10-3) vs. Ballinger (11-1-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Gordon Wood Stadium, Brownwood

Region II

Amarillo (13-0) vs. Commerce (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford

Region III

Seely (13-0) vs. Seaway (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Rhodes Stadium, Katy

Region IV

George West (9-3-1) vs. Cuero (12-1), 7 p.m. Saturday, Bobcat Stadium, San Marcos

Class 2A

West Texas High (12-1) vs. Winters (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Tiger Stadium, Wolfforth

Region II

Joshwatha (11-2) vs. Celina (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Pennington Field, Bedford

Region III

Alto (13-0) vs. Groveton (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Palestine

Region IV

Refugio (12-1) vs. Three Rivers (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Buccarier Stadium, Corpus Christi

Class 1A

Wink (12-1) vs. Sudan (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Andrews

Region II

Crawford (10-1) vs. Roscoe (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Memorial Stadium, Stephenville

Region III

Burkeville (8-0-1) vs. Overton (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Grapeland

Region IV

Thurmond (13-0) vs. Granger (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Austin Nelson Field

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Kiondike (13-0) vs. Amherst (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lobo Stadium, Loveland

State Semifinals

Panther Creek (10-2) vs. Milford (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hamilton

All-SWC team

Quarterback — James Brown, Texas, 6-0, 180, sophomore, Beaumont

Running backs — Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech, 6-0, 190, sophomore, Dallas; Neil Leland McElroy, Beaumont, 5-11, 205, junior, Beaumont; Jerod Douglas, Baylor, 5-9, 167, sophomore, Converse

Wide receivers — Mike Adams, Texas, 6-1, 185, junior, Arlington; Albert Connell, Texas A&M, 6-2, 180, junior, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Tight end — Pat Fitzgerald, Texas, 6-2, 225, junior, Agona, Calif.

Linebackers — Dan Neil, Texas, 6-2, 285, junior, Cypress Creek; Jimmy Herndon, Houston, 6-8, 300, senior, Baytown; Fred Miller, Baylor, 6-7, 294, senior, Houston; Hunter Goodwin, Texas A&M, 6-5, 285, senior, Bellville; Ryan Tucker, TCU, 6-6, 285, junior, Midland

Placekicker — Michael Reeder, TCU, 6-0, 162, sophomore, Sulphur

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Linebackers — Zach Thomas, Texas Tech, 6-0, 232, senior, Pampa; Reggie Brown, Texas A&M, 6-2, 232, senior, Austin; LaCurtis Jones, Baylor, 6-0, 200, senior, Waco

Backs — Chris Carter, Texas, 6-1, 200, junior, Tyler; Ray McKens, Texas A&M, 5-8, 177, senior, El Paso; Marcus Coleman, Texas Tech, 5-8, 177, senior, Richardson Lake Highlands; Adrian Robinson, Baylor, 6-2, 210, senior, Edna

Punter — Tucker Phillips, Rice, 6-2, 210, sophomore, Houston

Kick Returner — Douglas

Defensive Player of the Year — Thomas

Defensive Newcomer of the Year — Dat Nguyen, Texas A&M

Coach of the Year — John Mackovic, Texas

SECOND TEAM

Quarterback — Chuck Clements, Houston

Runningbacks — Ricky Williams, Texas Tech, Shon Mitchell, Texas

Tight end — Hayward Clay, Texas A&M

Wide receivers — John Washington, TCU, Kalief Muhammad, Baylor

Linebackers — Ben Kaufman, Texas Tech, John Elmore, Texas, Brandon Kidd, SMU, Calvin Collins, Texas A&M, Keith Chiles, SMU

Placekicker — Phil Dawson, Texas

Defenses

Linebackers — Chris Akina, Texas, Charles Horton, Baylor, Pat Williams, Texas A&M, Brynton Goynes, Rice

Linebackers — Larry Izzo, Rice, Keith Mitchell, Texas A&M, Craig Swann, SMU, Dat Nguyen, Texas A&M

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AP top 25

How the top 25 teams in the Associated Press college basketball poll fared Thursday:

1. Kansas (4-0) beat Rice 83-63

Next: vs. San Diego at the San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday

2. Villanova (6-0) did not play

Next: vs. Purdue at Anaheim Arena, Saturday

3. Massachusetts (4-0) did not play

Next: vs. Boston College at the FleetCenter, Saturday

4. Arizona (6-0) did not play

Next: vs. Towson State, Saturday

5. Kentucky (3-1) did not play

Next: vs. No. 16 Georgia Tech, Saturday

6. Georgetown (6-1) did not play

Next: vs. Sacramento State, Friday

7. Memphis (4-0) did not play

Next: vs. Tennessee, Saturday

8. Mississippi State (4-0) did not play

Next: vs. Arkansas-Little Rock, Saturday

9. Connecticut (5-1) did not play

Next: at the Hartford Civic Center, Friday

10. Wake Forest (3-1) did not play

Robinson vs. Rodman - 'good vs. evil' - on tap tonight

CHICAGO (AP) — Tonight at the United Center, it will be more than the San Antonio Spurs vs. the Chicago Bulls. It will be the Admiral vs. the Worm.

And to some, that simply means Good vs. Evil.

David Robinson, the nice-guy ex-Navy man, meets infamous "Bad Boy" Dennis Rodman for the first time since the Spurs dealt Rodman to the Bulls two months ago.

"No doubt, it's going to be a big game. I'm pumped up,"

Robinson said Thursday after his 31 points and 17 rebounds led San Antonio to a 104-102 victory at Atlanta. "It's always intense playing in Chicago, but I guess it will be even more so."

However, he added, "It's not going to me against Rodman. The focus should be on the Spurs versus the Bulls."

No chance. Chicago coach Phil Jackson is guaranteeing as much with his plan to play the 6-foot-8 Rodman against the 7-1

Robinson, last season's league MVP.

"We usually put a forward on David," said Jackson, who used forward Dickey Simpkins against Robinson when the Bulls beat the Spurs at San Antonio last month while Rodman was on the injured list. "He's maybe not as devastating on the post as he is 15 feet off the lane with drives to the hoop."

So if the Admiral is going to get to the hoop, he'll have to go through the tattooed, green-

haired menace known as the Worm.

"I'm not afraid of any challenge," said Rodman, whose two seasons in San Antonio featured many fines, suspensions, disruptions and distractions — but no NBA titles. "If he scores 25, as long as we win, that's great. He'll do what he has to do and I'll do what I have to do."

Rodman did what he had to do Wednesday, grabbing 20 rebounds in his first game after missing the previous 12 with a

strained calf muscle. The four-time league rebounding leader's hustle helped Chicago defeat the New York Knicks and improve its record to an NBA-best 14-2.

Rodman has little respect for Robinson, whom he considers too timid to be a leader, and even less for the San Antonio organization, which he feels reneged on financial promises.

But he insists that he's not looking for vindication.

"I get paid to do one thing, play basketball," Rodman said,

"not take animosity out on any body on the floor."

Indeed, it's Robinson who said he is "seeking revenge." But, he added, it has nothing to do with Rodman.

"They beat us on our home court and we didn't even show up," he said. "We'd like to make a statement."

When Robinson does get past Rodman, he'll run into 7-2 Luc Longley, the often-passive Australian who has toughened under Rodman's tutelage.

Hawks still can't solve riddle of San Antonio

ATLANTA (AP) — At least the Atlanta Hawks are getting closer.

The Hawks lost their fourth straight, 104-102 to the San Antonio Spurs Thursday night, but coach Lenny Wilkens was encouraged.

"Our effort was so much better than the last few games," Wilkens said. "Hopefully, we've turned the corner."

Meanwhile, the Spurs won their fifth straight game thanks to 31 points from David Robinson, who outshot the Hawks at the free-throw line, 15-8.

"The key was getting to the foul line," said Robinson, who made 15 of 21 free throws. "It helps to have three referees out there. I thought they did a good job."

Robinson also had 17 rebounds.

Doc Rivers scored only two points in the game, but they came on a 13-foot jumper with 26 seconds to play to give San Antonio a 101-100 lead.

"It's really special to do that here. I think even some of my old friends cheered for me. It was real nice," said Rivers, who played for Atlanta from 1984-91.

Steve Smith missed a 12-foot jumper with nine seconds left, then fouled Robinson, who

made both foul shots.

Rivers' shot came after Matt Bullard's 3-pointer gave the Hawks their final lead at 100-99. Bullard kept the Hawks in the game, scoring 22 of his career-high-tying 28 points in the first half.

"Matt came off the bench and did a great job," Wilkens said. "We were hoping we could free him for some opportunities to score."

"Bullard really came out of the woodwork," Robinson said. "He was fantastic. He kept them in the game. We didn't show much intelligence in the first half. We kept giving him open shots. But in the second half, we did a better job on defense."

Bullard, who made 10 of 15 shots overall, was just 2 of 5 after halftime. He had scored only 18 points this season before Thursday's game.

"It's just one of those nights where I felt really good," Bullard said. "I wish I knew what brought it on. If I did, I'd do it every night. I didn't even see the basket. I just shot it up and it was going in."

Sean Elliott had 21 points for the Spurs and Avery Johnson had 20. Andrew Lang had 19 points and 10 rebounds for the Hawks.



San Antonio center David Robinson (50) goes to the boards to block the shot of Atlanta forward Stacey Augmon Thursday.

Abdul-Rauf's 51 leads Nuggets past Jazz

Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf hadn't scored 51 points in a game since high school — when he was known as Chris Jackson.

"In high school, I had 55 points once," Abdul-Rauf said Thursday night after leading the Denver Nuggets to a 124-119 victory over the Utah Jazz.

He set a career high for himself and an NBA high for this season, surpassing the 44 by Charlotte's Larry Johnson.

"I just went out and tried to be a little more aggressive offensively," he said. "I was surprised I was open a lot."

Abdul-Rauf scored his last four points in the final 28 seconds, including a 17-footer with 27.5 seconds left to give Denver a 119-114 lead. Utah, closed to 119-117 on Jeff Hornacek's 3-pointer with 15.1 seconds remaining before Dikembe

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Mutombo, Jalen Rose and Abdul-Rauf made free throws.

"We're an unselfish team. Abdul-Rauf had the hot hand and they just got him the ball," said Denver coach Bernie Bickerstaff, whose team won its third straight and for the first time in seven games at Utah. "He was in a zone, and when you get him going like that, you just turn him loose."

Karl Malone led Utah with 27 points and 22 rebounds, but he was just 9-for-28 from the field.

"I know I had a lot of open shots that I just didn't make," Malone said.

In other NBA games, Detroit beat Vancouver 93-84, Portland

stopped Toronto 96-88, San Antonio defeated Atlanta 104-102 and Milwaukee beat the Los Angeles Clippers 112-103. Pistons 93, Grizzlies 81.

Allan Houston had 20 points and Grant Hill added 19 points and 12 rebounds for Detroit, which sent Vancouver to its 17th consecutive loss — three short of the NBA single season record.

Detroit, which took a 23-3 lead, ended a 17 game losing streak on the road.

Blazers 96, Raptors 88. Clifford Robinson scored 15 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter at Portland.

The Trail Blazers overcame Toronto's seven-point halftime lead and went ahead 67-62 after three quarters. Rod Strickland scored 12 points in the third

period, when the Raptors scored just 10 points.

Bucks 112, Clippers 103.

Vin Baker scored a career high 32 points and grabbed 15 rebounds and Glenn Robinson added 23 points to lead Milwaukee past visiting Los Angeles.

Johnny Newman and Benoit Benjamin each had 19 points for the Bucks, who have won three of four.

Newman had 10 points in the third quarter to help the Bucks maintain their 58-45 halftime lead.

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The Montreal Canadiens weren't doing so well without Patrick Roy. The Colorado Avalanche weren't doing so well with him.

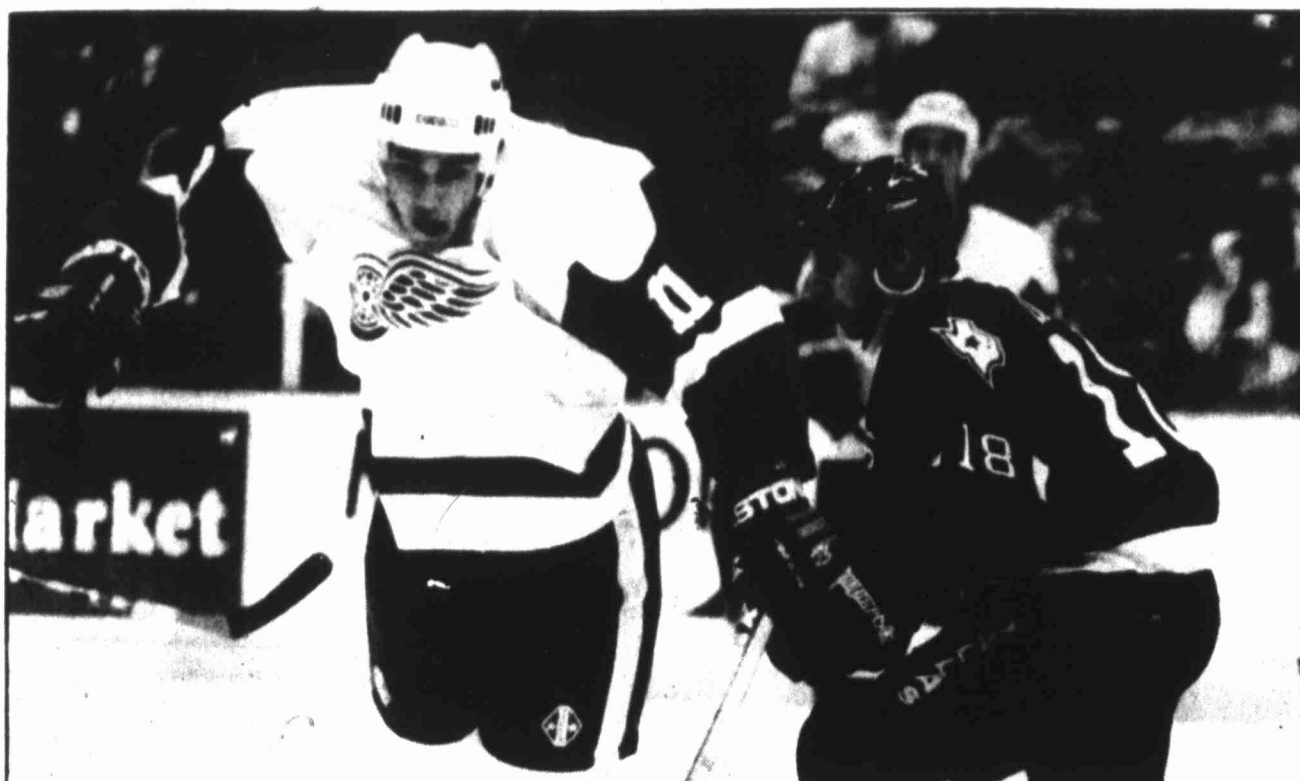
While his old Montreal team was suffering an embarrassing 7-5 loss in Pittsburgh, Roy made an inauspicious debut in Colorado by losing 5-3 to the Edmonton Oilers on Thursday night.

"The last four days have been tough," said Roy, who was sent to the Avalanche by the Canadiens in a controversial trade this week. "I had trouble concentrating. I kept having to tell myself, 'Follow the puck, follow the puck.' With all that has happened the last four days, it's been hard to keep my focus."

Roy, a two-time Stanley Cup winner and three-time Vezina Trophy winner as the NHL's top goaltender, had been suspended by the Canadiens after a blowup with the team's management following a poor performance. Roy was almost immediately shipped to Colorado in a five-player deal.

Penguins 7, Canadiens 5
In Pittsburgh, Mario Lemieux scored his second goal of the game and 25th of the season at 12:35 of the third period as the Penguins came back from a 4-0 deficit.

Lemieux had a three-point game as the Penguins stretched their winning streak to a season-best seven games. Lemieux extended his point-scoring streak to 10 games and has a



Detroit's Mathieu Dandenault takes to the air after a check from Dallas' Mike Lalor in the third period of their game in Detroit Thursday.

point in all 22 of his games this season, with 16 multiple-point games.

The Canadiens are on a 1-5-1 skid.

"That team is dangerous no matter what the situation is," Montreal goaltender Pat Jablonski said. "You look at the players they put out there. They're very offensive-minded. They get back in the game and away they go."

Red Wings 3, Stars 1

In Detroit, Mike Vernon had 27 saves and the Red Wings made two first-period goals stand up.

The win was Detroit's 13th in 14 games, while Dallas lost for the second time in six games.

The Red Wings took a 2-0 lead on goals by Nicklas Lidstrom and Greg Johnson after the first 10 minutes, and the Stars never caught up.

Mighty Ducks 3, Panthers 3

In Miami, Todd Krygier scored two goals as the Mighty Ducks of Anaheim tied Florida.

Krygier scored the tying goal twice. His second goal of the game and sixth of the season, a wrist shot past Mark Fitzpatrick, came on the power play and tied the game at 11:44 of the third period.

Paul Kariya scored his 19th for the Ducks' other goal. Terry Carkner, Jody Hull and Mike Hough scored for the Panthers, who entered the game as the No. 1 team in the NHL.

Maple Leafs 2, Devils 1

Benoit Hogue scored Toronto's game-winning goal for the fifth straight time as the visiting Maple Leafs beat New Jersey.

Hogue scored at 16:28 of the second period. Randy Wood had the other Toronto goal as the Maple Leafs extended their unbeaten streak to three (2-0-1).

Felix Potvin had a relatively easy night in goal for Toronto, facing only 21 shots. Petr Sykora had the only goal for the Devils, who dropped their third straight game. The

defending Stanley Cup champions fell below .500 for the first time this season at 12-13-3.

Flyers 7, Sabres 3

Eric Lindros, John LeClair and Pat Falloon each scored twice as Philadelphia won its seventh straight home game.

Lindros and LeClair, who each also had an assist, have 18 goals apiece, while the other member of their Legion of Doom line, Mikael Renberg, has 17 goals.

The Flyers, 9-1-1 in their last 11, also got a goal from Anatoli Semenov, while Pat LaFontaine, Randy Burridge and Doug Houda scored for Buffalo.

Sharks 5, Jets 3

Ulf Dahlen scored twice and Owen Nolan added a late insurance goal as San Jose defeated visiting Winnipeg.

The Sharks, who lost by 10 goals at Colorado on Tuesday, also got goals from Ray Sheppard and Ray Whitney.

George a double winner at football awards show

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Eddie George had his mind on a bigger prize when he collected two of the nation's most prestigious college football awards.

The sleek Ohio State running back, one of three top contenders for the Heisman Trophy, received the Maxwell and Doak Walker awards Thursday night before a national television audience on ESPN.

In winning the Maxwell, he beat out his two top contenders for the Heisman — Florida's Danny Wuerffel and Tommie Frazier of Nebraska.

Was George thinking ahead to Saturday? "Oh, yeah, let's get it on now," he said.

The 6-foot-3, 227-pound senior is bidding to become Ohio State's first Heisman Trophy recipient since two-time winner Archie Griffin in 1974-75.

George scored 24 touchdowns and set school records for rushing yardage (1,826) and single-game yardage (314 against Illinois) in leading his team to a 10-1 record and a Citrus Bowl matchup against Tennessee.

Wuerffel got the night's top quarterback honor, the Davey O'Brien Award.

Frazier did not receive any of the nine awards handed out during the Home Depot College Football Awards Show. He expressed optimism about the Heisman. "I think I've got a good chance for it," he said.

Northwestern's Gary Barnett was named the College Football Coach of the Year Award for marching his team through the Big Ten into the Rose Bowl.

"The irony of this award is that the person who receives it receives it because someone else does so well," Barnett said. "In my case, 95 wonderful young men who made a commitment to pull together, and a coaching staff of the most dedicated role models and great teachers I've ever been around."

Wuerffel beat out Frazier and Peyton Manning of Tennessee for the O'Brien trophy.

Ohio State's Terry Glenn won the Fred Biletnikoff Award as top receiver. He set school records for single-season TD catches (17) and yardage (1,316). Glenn won over Bobby Engram of Penn State, who was also a finalist last year, and Keyshawn Johnson of USC.

Life! Section Sunday Deadlines

All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.

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Limited edition Christmas ornaments depict local history



The Potton House is the first historical site to be depicted in a limited edition series of Christmas ornaments available at the Heritage Museum. They are selling for \$10 each.

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Get 'em while you still can! Limited edition Christmas ornaments are selling fast at the Heritage Museum. Curator Angle Way said she had heard about ornaments being sold in other communities and how popular they were so she decided to try it here.

There were only 144 made depicting the historical Potton House. This is the first of a series and Way said there is no limit as to how many other sites can be honored on future tree decorations.

"We chose the Potton House because it is on the National Register of Historical Places. Also, it is a popular historical site in Big Spring and Howard County. It's a lovely home and a beautiful structure," Way commented.

The pearlized white glass ornaments have a picture on one side and a description of the history on two other sides.

Way said this is a chance for people to purchase a local flavor item as a Christmas gift or to adorn your own tree.

The Potton House was built in 1901 by Joseph and Mary Potton who came to the United States from England so Joseph could work for the railroad. He was a master mechanic for Texas and Pacific Railroad in

Big Spring.

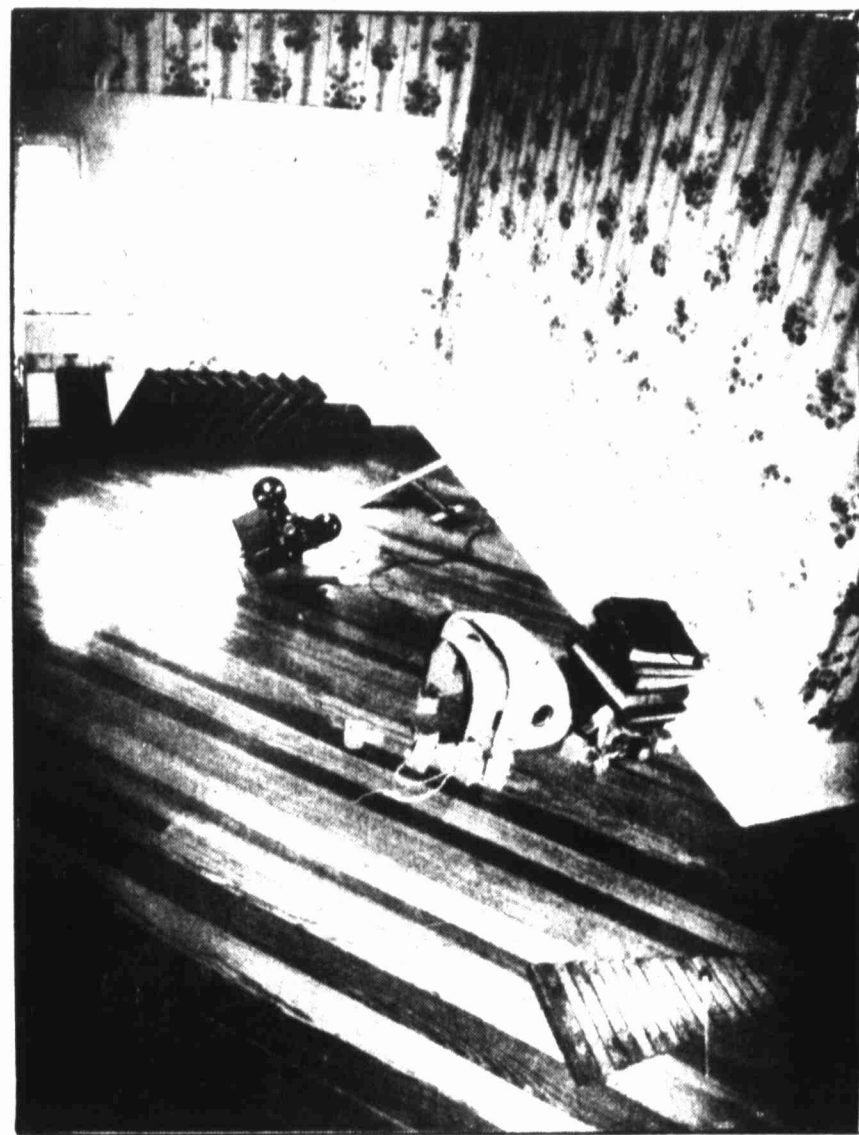
Potton was also the first president of the Big Spring school board and a county commissioner. The Pottons leased the house until they moved into it in 1912. The home cost \$2,500 to build and was to be a retirement home for the couple.

When Mrs. Potton became ill, her daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Henry Hayden, moved in. The attic was converted into a room for the Haydens' three children. Another Potton daughter, Lillie Mae, died of typhoid fever at the age of 21 and left a five-month-old daughter without a parent.

The child was adopted by her grandparents and raised with the Hayden children. Mrs. Potton died in 1914 and her husband followed six years later. Until 1975, the grandchildren were responsible for the upkeep of the home.

The city purchased the home in 1975 to restore it with help from the Dora Roberts Foundation and the former Tourist Development Council of the city of Big Spring.

Way said the walls of the charming Victorian structure is made of red Pecos sandstone. There are "unusual, jewel-like colors on the inside as well," Way added.



In this file photo, toys from the turn of the century show what kept the Potton grandchildren occupied during the day.

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Women prevail at pecan show

Special to the Herald

The ladies captured the top awards at the annual Howard County Pecan Show Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the Big Spring Mall.

Judge Robert Scott, County Extension Agent-Agriculture of Big Lake, saw Debbie Wyrick's Choctaw entry as having the qualities needed to take home the championship honor. Her entry earlier had been named the top Choctaw entry which went on to win the champion commercial division honors (commercial entries are varieties of pecans generally sold as shelled) before finally winning the top award.

The Reserve Champion was a Wichita pecan owned by Bettye McChristian. Her winning entry was earlier named champion classic pecan (classic entries are the larger pecans generally sold in shell).

Also in the running was the champion varietal seedling owned by Dealon Stanley. This division includes those pecans grown from seed pecans or "natives."

Other winning entries in the show included the following:
San Saba - 1st Walter Morrison

Western - 1st Bennie McChristian and 2nd Bettye McChristian
Desirable - 1st Bettye McChristian and 2nd Bennie McChristian
Pawnee - 1st Bennie McChristian and 2nd Bettye McChristian

Shawnee - 1st Pat Howell
Success - 1st Billy Plew
Barton - 1st W.R. Campbell

Mahan - 1st Walter Morrison and 2nd Wayne Johnson
Mohawk - 1st Bettye McChristian, 2nd Joyce Baggett and 3rd Bennie McChristian
Seedling - 1st Dealon Stanley, 2nd Larry Reagan, 3rd Dealon Stanley, 4th Larry Reagan, 5th Larry Reagan, 6th Garner Thixton, 7th G.L. Wiley and 8th Larry Reagan

Tejas - 1st Wanda Johnson
John Garner - 1st Walter Morrison
Sioux - 1st Bennie McChristian and 2nd Bettye McChristian
Western Schley - Bennie McChristian and 2nd G.L. Wiley

Cheyenne - 1st Bennie McChristian and 2nd Bettye McChristian
Apache - 1st Bettye McChristian and 2nd Benny McChristian
Burkett - 1st Ann Campbell, 2nd Paulene Pouch, 3rd Bettye McChristian, 4th Bennie McChristian and 5th Paulene Pouch

Choctaw - 1st Debbie Wyrick, 2nd Benny McChristian, 3rd Tony Wyrick, 4th Bettye McChristian, 5th Anne Campbell and 6th Craig Wyrick
Pies - 1st Geraldine Posey and 2nd Bettye McChristian

Cakes - 1st (best of show) Amy Reagan and 2nd Bettye McChristian

Breads - 1st Amy Reagan (honey nut loaf) and 2nd Bettye McChristian

Cookies - 1st Amy Reagan (strawberry pecan bars) and 2nd Bettye McChristian

Candy - 1st Pat Howell (pralines), 2nd Bettye McChristian (pecan nut roll) and 3rd Larry Reagan (honey nut roll)



Keitha Van Ness looks at pecans on display at the Big Spring Mall Wednesday afternoon after they were judged as part of the Howard County Pecan Show.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

Is religion still needed today?

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: Hasn't psychology made religion unnecessary? We might as well face the fact that, today, because of the insights of modern psychology and medicine



Billy Graham
Columnist

like sin are out of date. —B.T.

DEAR B.T.: I respect your right to your opinion, and I also respect the insights psychology has given into human personality. But I also respectfully disagree with you on several points (as would my son-in-law, who has a doctorate in psychology and has been a practicing psychologist for many years).

For one thing, psychology is limited in what it can and cannot do — and it always will be. For example, psychology cannot answer the basic questions of life — questions such as "Who am I?" "Where did I come from?" "Why am I

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SLICE
of
life!

PICTURE THIS



Orange you glad ABWA's here? Members of the American Business Women's Association were at the Big Spring State Hospital Wednesday delivering fruit to the Volunteer Services department. The fruit will be given to the customers of the facility. (Herald photo by Tim Appel)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Yearly decorating contest to begin

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will be having its yearly Christmas Decorating Contest with entries due by Dec. 10 and judging Dec. 12.

Residential judging will be based on three categories: religious, lights only and original (home-made). Businesses will be judged on window displays and inside displays. Certificates are given, along with media recognition.

Entry forms are available at: chamber of commerce, Johansen Nursery, all flower shops, Joy's Hallmark, Green Acres, Christmas Connection, Dahmer's Antiques and KBST.

For more information contact Terri Johansen at 267-5275 or the chamber of commerce at 263-7641.

Help light the Gail Star

The community of Gail is getting ready for the second annual Lighting of the Star on Gail Mountain. The "star" stands 20 feet in height and have several hundred light bulbs attached.

For a donation of \$5 you can sponsor a bulb for your family and loved ones. Sponsor as many bulbs as you like. For a donation of \$25 you can sponsor the lighting of the "Star" for one night. This can be in memory of or in honor of a special person, organization, business or day. You may choose a night, through Jan. 1, to light up the "Star."

All contributions will be used for the lighting of Gail and the operation and maintenance of the "Star" on Gail Mountain. Donations may be sent to: Lights for Gail, P.O. Box 312, Gail, Texas 79738.

THE LAST WORD

Anyone who would allow the government to ban or punish speech should first imagine his enemies in a position to do so. —Ira Glasser

A word has power in and of itself. It comes from nothing into sound and meaning; it gives origin to all things. By means of the word can a man deal with the world on equal terms. And the word is sacred. —N. Scott Momaday

Human dignity and human rights can't take a back seat to free speech. —Ignatz Bubis

Sugar gliders are newest pets

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The latest trendy critter for the wild at heart is small and furry, has a webbed body designed for flying and sounds like a hesitant car engine turning over.

Looking something like a Rocky the Flying Squirrel wannabe, sugar gliders are zooming onto the exotic pet parade.

"They're just so unique. And those eyes — Ohhh," said Helen Moreno, who sells the hand-raised babies of her 80 breeding pairs for \$175.

As Moreno talked, Amelia and Lindy — named after the famed aviators — peeked out from her two shirt pockets.

Gray with a black stripe down the center of its back (wild-caught often are dark brown with black stripes) and about 10 inches long, half of it tail, these Australian marsupials are extremely affectionate if handled regularly from birth, Moreno said.

The Moreno family caught glider fever two years ago when daughter Amanda begged for a furry counterpart to her older brother's hedgehog.

After three months on a waiting list, the \$500-a-pair, wild-caught, Indonesian imports arrived.

They took one look at those big, bulging eyes and "we were hooked," Moreno said.

Realizing others might share their enthusiasm, Moreno

added a few more pair and put the babies — which spend their first two months in momma's pouch — up for sale.

Her phone immediately began ringing off the wall.

Unlike prolific gerbils and hedgehogs, gliders generally don't produce more than two offspring at a time and reproduce only about three times a year, so it was impossible to meet the demand.

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So a shed was erected in the back yard of their northern Bexar County home to make way for more gliders. Before long, it housed dozens of cages.

Moreno's advertisement in an annual animal magazine has elicited inquiries from as far away as Hong Kong. She also has gliders in a few local pet stores.

"I've sold about 100 so far," the entrepreneur said, adding that she now has enough breeders to keep up with the demand that once warranted a three-month wait.

Not only are gliders easy to care for — diets consist mainly of fresh and dried fruits, nuts, seeds, mealworms and dry pet food — they make good companions, Moreno claims.

They're nocturnal, so one of Moreno's customers takes her glider to work at a roofing com-

pany where the webbed wonder spends the day asleep in her pocket.

But that's not to say they can't get into mischief, day or night.

Laughing, Moreno recalled how one of the babies flew off her shoulder into their 14-foot Christmas tree.

"We eventually got her down without knocking all the ornaments off," she said, explaining that gliders in the wild have been known to glide up to 150 feet to catch moths in flight.

Dr. William Lammers, veterinarian in charge of the city's Animal Control Facility, gives his blessing to the tiny creatures, saying: "I don't have a problem with people keeping them. They're certainly not a health threat."

Dr. Eduardo Moreno, a local internist, is tolerant of his wife's hobby, although he doesn't allow the menagerie of gliders, dogs, cats, chinchillas, parrots, love birds, fat-tailed gerbils (duprasi) African dormice, chipmunks, ferrets, prairie dogs and hedgehogs into the house.

That perk is reserved solely for Kiwi the kinkajou, a distant relative of the raccoon.

Kiwi is her favorite, but the gliders run a close second.

"It's because they bond," she explained. "Some animals could care less about you. But these really do love you."



Helen Moreno, owner of Helen's Little Critters, holds a young Sugar Glider at her home north of San Antonio. She sells small mammals such as chipmunks and Sugar Gliders to clients nationwide.

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The home is open for tours in the afternoons.

Way said the museum is open for suggestions from people who want to see other sites honored in future ornament series.

Some other gift ideas the museum has includes the 1996 historical calendar, vintage photos perfect for mailing, local history books like Joe Pickle's "Gettin' Started" and Shine Phillips' "Big Spring" as well as more than 100 volumes about Native American and Western frontier history.

Contact the museum, 510 Scurry, at 267-8255 for more information or to suggest an idea for other ornaments.

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here?"; "Where am I going when I die?"; "Does God exist, and if so what is He like?"; "What is right and wrong?" These are all spiritual questions, and are beyond the realm of the psychologist to answer with authority. Only God can give us the answers to these questions.

I also disagree with the idea that sin is out of date. Surely what we need today is a greater understanding of what is right and wrong. The modern abandonment of moral absolutes has only landed us with soaring crime and illegitimacy rates.

But I have also discovered that only Christ can change the human heart in a lasting way. By nature we are selfish and thoughtless, and even when we try to teach people to behave differently, in the long run they are not changed. But "... if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation ..." (2 Corinthians 5:17). My prayer is that you will be open to God's truth in Christ, for our world needs Him more than ever — both for this life and eternity.

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Cowboy leads service behind the chutes

By RON DURHAM
San Angelo Standard-Times

SAN ANGELO — If you're looking for roper Monty Price to congratulate him for his time on that calf, he might be over there behind the chutes conducting a church service for the other cowboys.

Price, who lives on a ranch at Iraan, makes the calf roping and team roping circuit as both a minister and a cowboy.

In between competitions, he pastors the non-denominational Faith Fellowship Church at Iraan, does day-work as a cowboy, encourages other rodeo ministries, writes articles and takes his ministry to high school rodeos.

On most trips, he takes along his family — his wife Susan, 15-year-old daughter Leann, who plays the guitar, and 12-year-old son Jake, who is

becoming an expert sound man.

Price isn't put off by the reputation some rodeo cowboys have of being a hard-bitten, hard-drinking lot unaccustomed to the niceties of formal churches.

"Over the years (Christians) have created a stigma so that a lot of people think of church as a place having four walls where a lot of people are made to feel uncomfortable," he said.

"A lot of these guys may have a suit for funerals, but that's it. I enjoy offering them a non-traditional place where they can just come as they are and enjoy the Word."

Besides, "I'm an alcoholic myself," he said. "I know to expect people who aren't born again to be living out of their old nature."

So he doesn't spend a lot of time hurling the Book at such people, he said. "The nature of

our message is just Christ.

"I joke a lot about my own past. I tell them I was an alcoholic at age 25, and that now I drink all the Jack Daniels I want to. The difference is that my want-to has changed now."

Price's messages are often punctuated with down-home illustrations from the cowboy's life. He noted, for example, that "Cowboys often joke that they can fix anything that's broken with some bailing wire and a pair of pliers."

"They simply have a job to do and they find a way to do it," he said. "Limitations exist in our minds, but they don't have to."

Price said his ministry has been well-received on the rodeo circuit. "We're actually made to feel welcome," he said. "People like the singing, and the non-threatening atmosphere we provide."

Tiltons reconcile

DALLAS (AP) — Former television evangelist Robert Tilton has announced he and his second wife have reconciled, 16 days after he filed for divorce.

A brief statement released Wednesday by Word of Faith Family Church & World Outreach Center said the couple will continue to preach together at his Farmers Branch church.

"We serve a miracle-working God," he said in the statement.

Tilton, whose miracle-healing ministry once brought in \$73 million in a year, sued for divorce Nov. 20 from Leigh Valentine Tilton, his wife of 21 months.

He wed the former beauty contestant in February 1994 and has credited her with helping save his life after his divorce four months earlier.

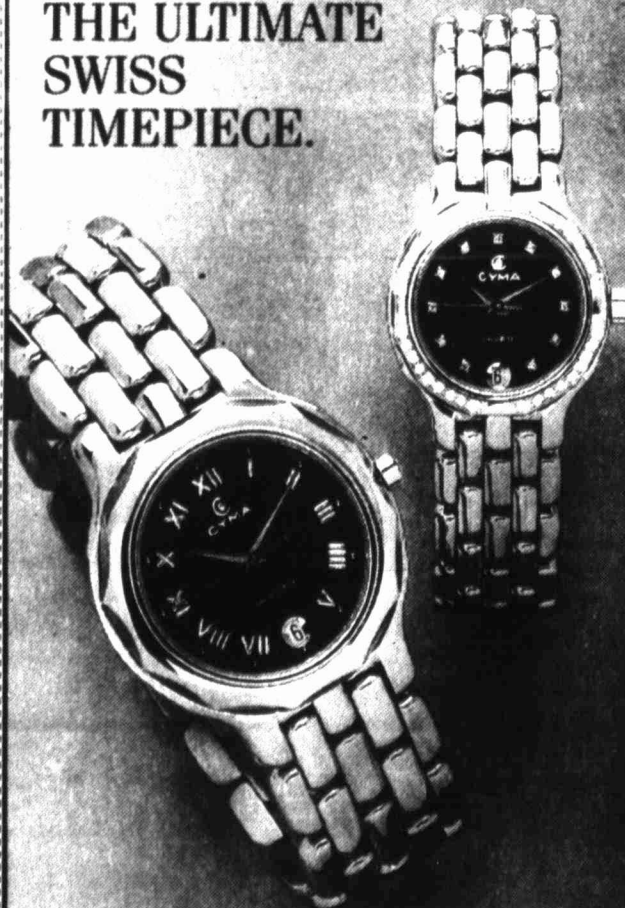
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For more information, call Janet Ausbury or Gina Garza, 263-7331.

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CLUBS IN BRIEF

Big Spring Bird Counters

The Howard County Christmas Bird Count will be Dec. 16. The Big Spring Christmas Bird Counters are among the more than 44,000 volunteers participating in the National Audubon Society 96th Christmas Bird Count, Dec. 16-Jan. 2.

This year marks the 96th anniversary since 27 conservationists decided to protest the traditional bird shoot, and instead of killing birds, they counted them on Christmas Day of 1900. The event originated as a protest to the traditional holiday 'side hunt' in which teams competed to see who could shoot the most birds and animals in one day.

Volunteers from all over the world will count and record every individual bird and bird species encountered during one calendar day. About 1,700 individual Christmas Bird Counts will be held during a two and a half week period.

The data collected by each count group are then sent into National Audubon Society headquarters in New York. Count data is published in a special book-sized edition of National Audubon Society Field Notes magazine.

Lions Club

The Big Spring Evening Lions Club's annual Queens Pageant was Nov. 14. Mindy



BROWN

Brown was selected as the Lions Queen for the 1995-96 year. Mindy, a senior at Big Spring High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown, Big Spring.

The contest included personal interviews of the eight contestants by judges W.L. Squeaky, Marguerite Thompson and June Armstrong. The club members made their selection during the pageant where the contestants were asked about their school activities, hobbies, volunteers service in the community and the plans for the future as well as information about the Lions service activities.

Mindy has made a commitment to be involved with the Evening Lions Club during the year and will represent the club at the District Queens Contest in San Angelo in April 1996.

After graduation from high school and upon registration at the college of her choosing the Evening Lions will provide Mindy with a \$1,000 scholarship for her work with the Lions.

Rosebud Garden Club

The Rosebud Garden Club will meet Dec. 12 at 11:30 a.m. for their annual Christmas luncheon at the home of Dot Blackwell, 705 W. 18th. The program will be on member visitation.

Outreach Aglow

The Harvest Luncheon will be at 811 Highland Drive, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Dec. 13. Speaker will be Sammie Campbell on the topic: "God's Gifts of Love."

Campbell will share unusual circumstances at the birth of each of these children. Those who can come at 11 a.m., please bring a covered dish and a utensil. Working women are invited to come during their lunch break and be our guest for lunch. For more information, call Mattlyn Merrick at 263-8637. Come and bring a friend.

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Deadline for church news items is noon Wednesday.

Baker's Chapel Mission

Baker's Chapel Methodist Missionary Society will host a Pre-Christmas banquet Saturday, Days Inn banquet room at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50. You can call for tickets at 263-3830 or 267-8796. The proceeds from this banquet will go to helping people during Christmas time. The community is invited to attend. Rev. Floyd Green, Jr. is the pastor.

Wesley United
Methodist Church

Wesley United Methodist Church, 12th and Owens, will present a Christmas Cantata Dec. 17.

First Church of
the Nazarene

The Rejoice Choir of the First Church of the Nazarene will present their Christmas musical, "Hallelujah! Christ Jesus is Born."

Preparations for this year's Live Drive-Thru Nativity of 15 scenes are underway on the church campus. The Nativity will run from Dec. 13-15, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Baptist Temple

The church choir of Baptist Temple, 11th Place and Goliad, will present the Christmas Musical "Christmas! Sing of the Wonder" Sunday at 6 p.m.

First United
Methodist Church

Youth of First United Methodist Church will again give their Treasures Of Service on Saturday by conducting activities for children 10 years old down to infants while parents Christmas shop. The youngsters are to come in and be registered at youth hall, bring a lunch if they are to stay all day. There will be crafts, cookie baking, story telling and other fun things from 9 a.m. till 4 p.m.

Stella Vidlak, missionary to the Ukraine, will be speaking to the Senior High Youth Sunday School Class at First United Methodist Church Sunday morning. Stella, a Big Spring High School, Howard College and Texas Tech University graduate, will tell of her previous mission trip in Mexico and work with CoMission.

Sunday evening at 6, First United Methodist Church will hold their traditional Chrismson service in observance of the second Sunday in Advent. Chrismsons are Christian symbols, handmade by church members which will be placed on a lighted, 10-foot-tree by members of the Youth Groups at First Methodist. Following the family service the Couples and Epworth Sunday School Classes will serve refreshments.

Friends of Unity

The emphasis at Friends of Unity for December is on prayers for peace. The last day of the year at 6 a.m. CST, billions of people will join in an hour of concerted prayer. This will be the 10th year for this effort. At that hour all who desire to be in the company of others during this special time are welcome at the Box Car.

Club

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Retired Teachers

The Big Spring Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet Dec. 11 at 11:30 a.m. in the Cactus Room on the campus of Howard College.

Texas

Nurses Association

Texas Nurses Association District 24 will meet for their traditional celebration of the holidays in the home of Ramona Harris. Members are encouraged to bring a fellow or student nurse, spouse or friend. Everyone is to bring a covered dish. For directions, call Laurie Harris, (915) 263-4697. Meeting time will be Dec. 12 at 6 p.m.

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BY JOHN LEHTI

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FORECAST FOR DEC. 9

ARIES (March 21-April 19) What goes on is connected to yesterday. Pull back rather than charge. A serious, open discussion will be far more successful than an angry approach. Claim your power, overcome your defensiveness and be your caring self. Tonight: Be out and about.***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Going to extremes seems to be your style. Put an end to changes, and be more in touch with your long-term needs. Recognize your limitations, and say no to a friend's request. Hanging out, visiting and catching up on others' news is right up your alley. Tonight: Go cruising.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Stabilize your finances, even if this is the holiday season. Balance your checkbook, and acknowledge all restrictions. Use your creativity to make money cuts. People appreciate your creativity more than you know. Tonight: Do some Santa work.***

CANCER (June 21-July 22) News from a distance opens a new door and permits a different type of exchange. Your ability to sense others' feelings increases your popularity and desirability. Be willing to go for what you want. Others seek to please. Tonight: Now ask.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Much that is shared is best kept quiet. You are aware as you interact with others. You are ambivalent about giving feedback. A mysterious attitude may serve you by drawing others to you. Share a fantasy or two. Tonight: Stay behind pulled shades.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Focus on making your life more fulfilling. Be aware of changes in your immediate circle, and become part of a group project. You have the most fun today functioning as part of the group. Participate in holiday celebrations. Tonight: Go for your heart's desire.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Work may be draining you. Learn how to pace yourself and keep your vitality at a level you think is OK. Excesses mark this day; you need to be more level-headed about how you handle this. Get extra R&R. Tonight: Strut your stuff.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Reach out to people who are at a distance. For some of you, this may mean getting packages and cards in the mail. For others, this may involve a telephone call. Communications flourish. Do not hesitate to ask

for what you want. Tonight: Go out.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Listen more, because one-to-one relating is highlighted. Try to see events in a clearer light. Your readiness and availability open a new door for you with a key partnership. Be more in touch with your long-term goals. The timing is right. Tonight: Be the romantic.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Defer to a partner or friend today. This is not a question of what is right and wrong. You need to understand what is happening. Realize that it may be more fun to assume a passive role for now. Take part in an important, open conversation. Tonight: Don't stay home.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Concentrate on getting errands done. Accomplish a lot at home that involves Christmas. Get serious about finishing your chores, and you will discover pleasant times lie ahead. Trust that you will get your just rewards if you push hard now. Tonight: Forge ahead.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Your creative interests are high. You visualize more of what you want, but the trick is verbalizing it more. Others cannot participate unless you share some of your wilder ideas. An old friend may appear on the scene. Be willing to say no to an invitation. Tonight: Early to bed.***

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 9, 1995: You are full of ideas; don't be afraid to be creative. Your awareness is high as you deal with others. One-to-one relating and partnership matters are highlighted. Compassionate discussions can make a business partnership flourish. You might need to put in many solid hours. If you are single, romance is possible, but be sure you make time for this person. If attached, you need to enlist the help of a partner to make the difference you want at work. **CANCER** reads you well.

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Forget the cologne, aftershave and dusting powder. Chances are, they have several unopened boxes gathering dust on their closet shelves.



Grandpa doesn't need another paisley necktie, and Grandma doesn't want any more bracelets, brooches or earrings. With the price of groceries going through the roof, older people who live alone on fixed incomes would appreciate a basket of practical goodies. How about small tins of tuna, chicken and ham? Also, crackers, instant coffee, tea, soup mixes and cookies.

People who live in confined quarters do not need more "things," so don't send music boxes or bric-a-brac. And don't send articles of clothing unless you're sure the size is right. Leisure (or "warm-up") suits are comfy and easy to launder. Older folks love them.

Some truly useful gifts: an assortment of postcards, some

lined stationery with envelopes and a generous supply of postage stamps. And enclose some felt-tip pens.

Another suggestion: a variety of greeting cards for all occasions. They might want to send someone a nice birthday, anniversary or graduation card. Don't forget get-well cards, condolence cards and "congratulations on the new baby" cards.

Should you be tempted to recycle a lovely but useless gift still in its original box, make sure the card to you is not still in the box.

Never give a pet to anyone unless you are absolutely certain that person wants a pet and is able to care for it properly. And if you want to make a hit with someone who has a pet, send a little holiday gift (a tin of dog or cat food) along with a gift for its master.

Don't give wine or liquor to people unless you are sure they imbibe. A thoughtful idea: a gift subscription for a magazine or a newspaper you know they will enjoy. Candy, nuts and fruitcake make beautiful gifts for people who aren't counting their calories; but have a little compassion for those who are, and lead them not into temptation. Also bear in mind that some older folks have difficulty chewing nuts and caramels.

Another good idea for those living alone on a fixed income: a gift certificate for some kind of service such as window washing, carpet cleaning, taxi rides, barber shop, beauty parlor, or dinner or lunch at their favorite place. And (don't laugh) a gift certificate entitling them to a trip to the podiatrist.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of JESSE HOLLISS CUTHBERTSON were issued on Dec. 4, 1995, in Cause No. 12,082, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to DENA MARIE DECK, as Independent Executor.

The residence of said Independent Executor is in Medina County, Texas and the post office address is: DENA MARIE DECK, 1038 Whitetail Loop, Natalia, Texas 78059.

All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this 4th day of Dec., 1995.
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Saturday, 2313 Allendale.
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9:00am-2:00pm. Saturday Only, 506 E.
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Christmas-household items, more.

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Thursday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm. Baby
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Interior and miscellaneous.

2-FAMILY INSIDE SALE

700 N. Gregg, Friday, 10:00am.
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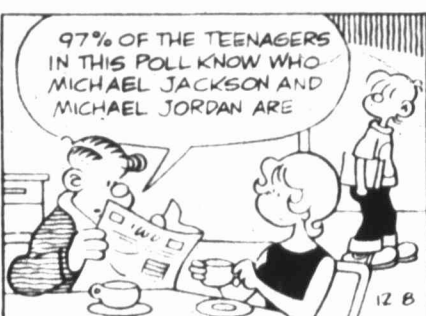
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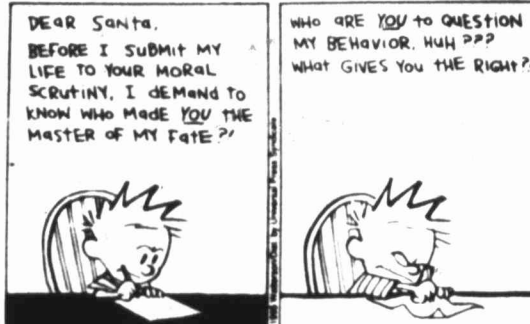
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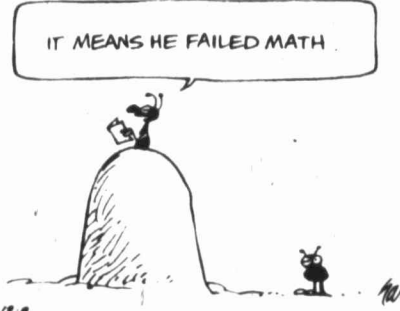
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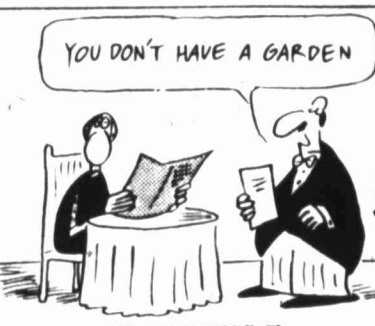
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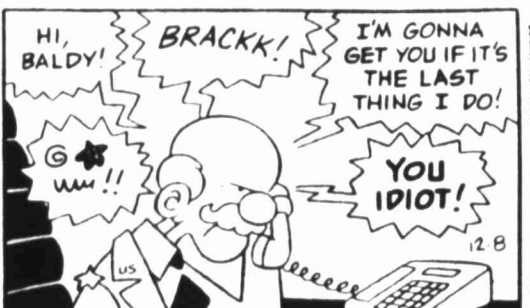
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12-8 CRYPTOQUIP

OEA SGTTK CIPWDWGX
MGP GVMGKP PZ
ILPAO EA DZJVSX'O
DZCLZPA* EWCPAVT

Yesterday's Cryptquip: CAN YOU OFTEN CONSIDER THOROUGHLY FAILED TEACHERS DETESTED OR DEGRADED?

Today's Cryptquip clue: C equals M

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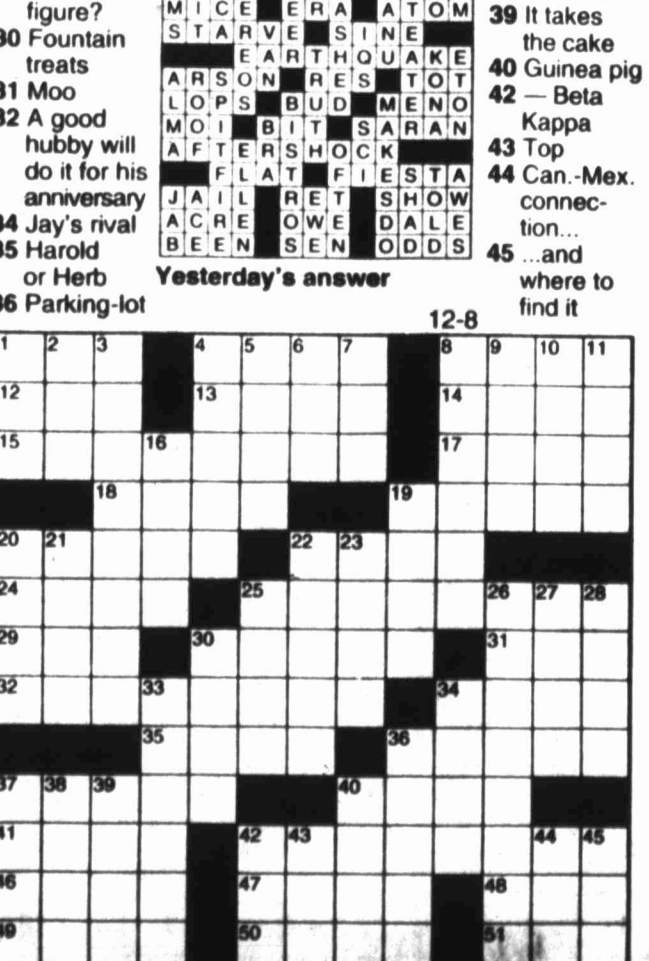
CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS**
- 1 Bush
 - 2 structure
 - 3 Amish
 - 4 league?
 - 5 Use a
 - 6 crooner
 - 7 Run-down
 - 8 boats
 - 9 Hole-making
 - 10 tool
 - 11 Shake-
 - 12 spearean
 - 13 Booty
 - 14 Met melody
 - 15 Odd-
 - 16 looking
 - 17 egg-layer
 - 18 Jack and
 - 19 Jill's place
 - 20 Quaker's
 - 21 address
 - 22 Supermar-
 - 23 ket section
 - 24 51 Upper
 - 25 Present
 - 26 Pub missile
 - 27 judgment
 - 28 Last
 - 29 many parts
 - 30 Stick
 - 31 figure?
 - 32 Fountain
 - 33 treats
 - 34 Moo
 - 35 A good
 - 36 hubby will
 - 37 do it for his
 - 38 anniversary
 - 39 Jay's rival
 - 40 Harold
 - 41 or Herb
 - 42 Parking-lot
- DOWN**
- 1 Diastema
 - 2 Some of
 - 3 there are
 - 4 Repeat
 - 5 that,
 - 6 please"
 - 7 The latest
 - 8 in fashion
 - 9 It takes
 - 10 the cake
 - 11 40 Guinea pig
 - 12 — Beta
 - 13 Kappa
 - 14 43 Top
 - 15 44 Can.-Mex.
 - 16 connection...
 - 17 45 ...and
 - 18 where to
 - 19 find it

Solution time: 26 mins.

Yesterday's answer

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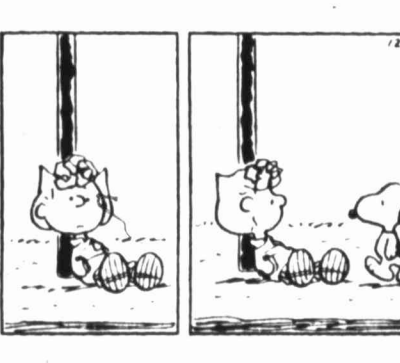
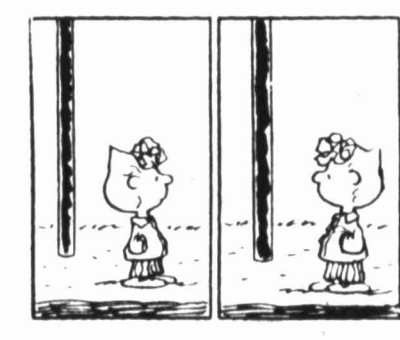
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*TOY STORY (G)
5:00-7:00

*ACE VENTURA: WHEN NATURE CALLS (PG-13)
4:05-7:20

*MONEY TRAIN (R)
4:30-7:30

GOLDEN EYE (PG-13)
4:20-7:10

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Dec. 8, the 342nd day of 1995. There are 23 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 8, 1941, the United States entered World War II as Congress declared war against Japan, a day after the attack on Pearl Harbor. President Roosevelt called Dec. 7, 1941 "a date which will live in infamy."

On this date:

In 1776, George Washington's retreating army in the American Revolution crossed the Delaware River from New Jersey to Pennsylvania.

In 1854, Pope Pius IX proclaimed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

In 1863, President Lincoln announced his plan for the Reconstruction of the South.

In 1886, the American Federation of Labor was founded at a convention of union leaders in Columbus, Ohio.

In 1949, the Chinese Nationalist government moved from the Chinese mainland to Formosa as the Communists pressed their attacks.

In 1978, Golda Meir, prime minister of Israel from 1969 to 1974, died in Jerusalem at age 80.

In 1980, rock star John Lennon was shot to death outside his New York City apartment building by an apparently deranged fan.

In 1987, President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev signed a treaty under which the superpowers agreed to destroy their arsenals of intermediate-range nuclear missiles.

In 1987, the "intifadeh" (Arabic for uprising) by Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories began.

In 1991, Russia, Byelorussia and Ukraine declared the Soviet national government dead, forging a new alliance to be known as the Commonwealth of Independent States.

Ten years ago: Amtrak's last transcontinental sleeping car, which carried passengers coast-to-coast without requiring them to board a connecting train, pulled into New York's Pennsylvania Station, four days after leaving Los Angeles.

Five years ago: As former American hostages began leaving Iraq and occupied Kuwait, President Bush — wrapping up his South America tour in Caracas, Venezuela — said the evacuation made for "one less worry I've got" in deciding whether to go to war against Baghdad.

One year ago: Bosnian Serbs released dozens of hostage peacekeepers, but continued to detain about 300 others. In Los Angeles, 12 alternate jurors were chosen for the O.J. Simpson murder trial.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-director Maximilian Schell is 65. Comedian Flip Wilson is 62. Flutist James Galway is 56. Rock singer Gregg Allman is 48. Actress Kim Basinger is 42. Singer Sinead O'Connor is 28.

Thought for Today: "Never think that war, no matter how necessary, nor how justified, is not a crime." — Ernest Hemingway, American author (1899-1961).

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