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News Watch

Black widow?



STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Colo. — Jill Coit is a marrying woman. Ten times she has taken the plunge. Coit may have to forsake her marrying ways for a while, however, because she and a boyfriend are in jail, charged with murdering husband No. 9./8A

Vote in Serbia

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Serbia's nationalist president predicted election victory for his ruling Socialists Sunday, but voters burdened by economic misery and international infamy may rob him of the overwhelming mandate he seeks. Slobodan Milosevic hoped his party would win the commanding two-thirds majority in the 250-seat Serbian parliament./5A

Donations save day

TRENTON, N.J. — Robbers who cleaned out a Jersey City home for children with AIDS ended up ensuring the children will have an especially happy Christmas. After $500 worth of gifts was stolen from under the Christmas tree at St. Clare's House, people donated presents and more than enough money to replace the stolen items. "I think this whole thing has been a blessing in disguise," Detective Martin D'Angelo said Sunday.

Jackpot rolls over

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The ticket was worth $8 million. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 13, 18, 31, 36, 42, 48. There were 91 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth $2,071. There were 5,448 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning $124. And there were 107,914 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

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Oilers seal playoff spot with victory



Houston Oilers safety Bubba McDowell, left, knocks the ball away from Steelers receiver Jeff Graham in the first half of the game in Pittsburgh on Sunday. Houston won, 26-17. Story, other NFL results/1B

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Shoppers fly out for heady day in paradise, all indoors

By Isabel Wilkerson
N.Y. Times News Service

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — Eighty of the 133 people aboard the 8 a.m. flight from Grand Rapids, Mich., and thousands more passengers from Milwaukee and Omaha and Cleveland and elsewhere, landed at the Minneapolis-St.Paul International Airport Saturday morning with a single purpose in life.

They did not have the expectant, searching eyes of a traveler meeting a loved one. They did not look up for the signs for baggage claim. They were not wearing coats; they would not be needing them, even in December in Minnesota.

They flew here on the last Saturday before Christmas for one reason only: the Mall of America, the biggest in the country, seven times the size of Yankee Stadium,

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Cartel silent despite oil's price plunge

Drillers in Texas watch nervously as crude tumbles

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Falling crude prices have sent shudders through anyone in west Texas who remembers the oil busts of the 1980s.

The benchmark price for U.S. oil, which was around $19 earlier this year, fell below $14 per barrel last Friday — a five-year low. The drop has triggered fears of stunted drilling and exploration across Texas if prices stay low.

"Hold on to your seats, look at your management, cut costs where you can, tighten your apron strings and ride this thing out," Harry Spannaus, executive director of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, is telling members. That's the same advice he gave in 1986 when prices fell below $10 per barrel.

A $1 drop in the price of crude takes $750,000 daily out of the economy of the area around Midland and Odessa. Businesses and banks failed and individuals went bankrupt when prices sank in 1986.

The jitters are compounded by

Please see CRUDE/4A

■ Behind OPEC's do-nothing policy is fear of giving up some of overall output to outsiders.

Associated Press

BRUSSELS, Belgium — With oil prices plunging to their lowest levels in five years, the dozen nations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries are unusually quiet these days.

There has been no hand-wringing and calls for cutbacks in crude production to drive prices higher. Nor has there been a rush to hold an emergency meeting to adopt new tactics.

"OPEC is asleep," said Vahan Zanoyan, senior director of Petroleum Finance Co. in Washington, D.C. "There is no action whatsoever."

Oil prices, which had been weak through the fall, dropped further in late-November after the cartel unexpectedly decided against reducing oil output in the winter.

Since then, the price of light sweet crude has been running at five-year lows on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract for January delivery finished just below $14 a barrel at the end of last week.

OPEC tried in the fall to boost prices by restraining pumping. But those efforts failed because the group overestimated demand for its oil in the winter.

Sales remain weak in Europe and East Asia because of recession. Moreover, North Sea oil producers Britain and Norway have increased output

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A private gun owner shows a prospective buyer a rifle in Fort Lauderdale recently. The Brady bill and most gun laws apply only to licensed dealers.

Gun-law loophole means quick delivery, no background check

By Richard Cole
Associated Press

MIAMI — The Brady bill and similar gun-control laws on state books mandate a cooling-off period before anyone can buy a handgun, right?

Wrong.

Then they must require a government background check on all buyers.

Wrong again.

But at least they dictate that all handgun sales be registered.

Strike three.

The Brady bill and most superseding state laws have a loophole large enough to sneak a crate of 9mm pistols through — because they apply only to licensed dealers.

Private gun owners can and do sell their weapons legally to anyone. No questions asked, no background check, no registration and no cooling-off period.

The guns in this so-called secondary market are often sold through classified ads. But an increasingly popular outlet is the gun show, where licensed dealers and private owners often compete side by side.

"Easily millions of gun sales can be transacted at gun shows," said Jack Killorin, a spokesman for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms in Washington, D.C.

ATF estimates that Americans own 200 million guns of all kinds,

Please see GUNS/4A

Somalia's unknown

Pentagon refuses to name victim in chilling picture

By Arlene Levinson
Associated Press

Popeye Field watched the news that day both fearful and transfixed as a U.S. soldier was shown dragged like a dead dog through the dust of Mogadishu by jubilant Somalis.

Was that Tom? His Tom?

"I can tell my son's face, and his arms," said Field, his voice still thick with heartbreak since the death of the 25-year-old Army sergeant from Lisbon, Maine. "My two sons and myself was all looking. Right now, I couldn't tell you for sure."

On Oct. 3, Tom Field was among the U.S. Army Rangers hunting the underlings of Mohammed Farrah Aidid who were plunged into a bloody urban battle that left 18 U.S. servicemen dead, 78 wounded and 300 or more Somalis killed.

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Reform task force weighs cuts in immigrants' welfare benefits

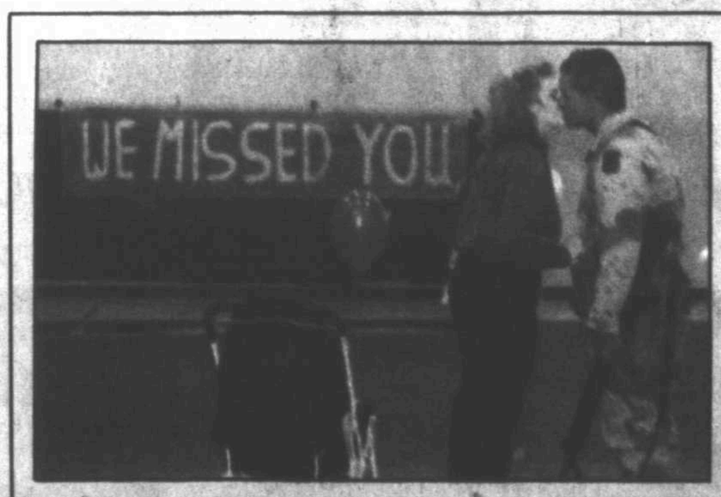
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's welfare reform task force is considering cutting welfare benefits to immigrants to finance expansions in training, jobs and child care for single mothers on public assistance, according to congressional and administration officials.

A senior administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Sunday that the task force has yet to begin discussions on the specifics of financing its overhaul of the nation's welfare system.

But, the official said, the question of limiting benefits to non-citizens will be "one of a wide variety of options that will be on the table" when the task force begins wringing savings out of welfare programs to pay for its reform.

In their version of welfare reform, introduced last month, House Republicans see big savings from limiting welfare bene-

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Welcome home

Robbynne Langford kisses her husband, Spec. Joshua Langford, after he and approximately 140 soldiers of the 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry returned to Fort Drum, N.Y., from Somalia early Sunday.

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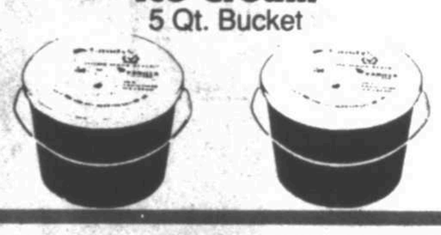
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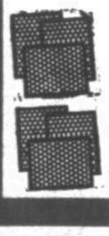


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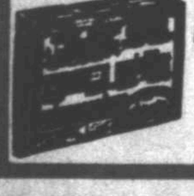


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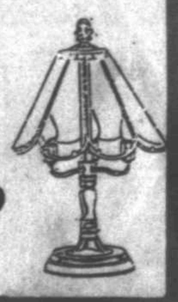


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Israel, PLO fail to break deadlock in Norway

OSLO (NYT) — After two days of secret talks in a secluded country house, Israeli and Palestinian negotiators failed to break the deadlock that has imperiled the peace accord the two sides signed in September.

But in a statement issued by the Norwegian Foreign Ministry, they said they would meet again "in the next few days," at an undisclosed location, and a spokesman for the government here suggested some progress had been made during the sessions.

Asked if the absence of an agreement meant that the talks had been a failure, a Norwegian official said no, and later described the meetings as "positive and constructive." None of the other participants, including Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of Israel, said anything as they left the private mansion in the countryside near Sarpsborg, an industrial town southeast of Oslo.

In deciding to return to Norway — the site of marathon secret talks earlier this year — the Israelis and the Palestinians apparently hoped to rekindle the spirit of compromise that produced the landmark agreement signed on the White House lawn in September by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Yasir Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Only last Sunday, Israel and the PLO were forced to postpone the first phase of the agreement after Rabin and Arafat failed to reach agreement in Cairo on the details of putting it into effect. According to the original agreement, Israel was to begin withdrawing its forces from the Gaza Strip and West Bank area of Jericho on Dec. 13 and to start handing over authority to the Palestinians.

At the time, they men said they would meet again, probably this week, but now Israeli officials are saying there will be no meeting with Arafat until negotiators have ironed out remaining differences over the accord.

The major stumbling block is a dispute over whether Israel or the PLO will control international border crossings connecting the Gaza Strip to neighboring Egypt, and parts of the Jericho district to Jordan.

In addition, the sides have not agreed on security arrangements for Israeli settlers in the two areas, or the size of the Jericho area that will be subject to limited Palestinian autonomy.

In Jerusalem Sunday, Rabin said he would not be bound by negotiating deadlines tied to his next session with the PLO leader.

5 from U.S. put in Jerusalem jail on suspicion of terrorism

JERUSALEM (AP) — Six people, including five Americans, were jailed on suspicion of hoarding weapons and planning terrorist attacks against Arabs, police said Sunday.

Their arrests were seen as a preemptive strike against Jewish extremists seeking to organize an armed underground that could jeopardize Arab-Israeli peace efforts.

"These are groups that have long been mentally ready to conduct terrorist activities against Arabs. The only reason they don't is because they are under surveillance," said Ehud Sprinsak, a political scientist at Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The crackdown followed the arrest last month of a militant rabbi, Avraham Toledano, caught at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion International Airport trying to smuggle in gun parts, bomb-making manuals, telescopes and silencers from the United States.

Those arrested all were supporters of the Kach movement, founded by the extremist Rabbi Meir Kahane, who was assassinated in 1990 in New York City. The group seeks to expel all Arabs from Israeli-occupied Arab lands.

Police nabbed the six Friday. A judge ordered them held on suspicion of conspiring to commit acts of terror against Arabs, membership in an illegal organization and illegal possession of weapons, said lawyer Larry Dab.

He is defending two of the Americans, Mark Bluestein, 25, and Howard Friedman, 36, both from Philadelphia. Bluestein is a law student and Friedman is a businessman.

"He has no idea what hit him," Dab said about Bluestein.

The other suspects were Lynne Sherry Handleman, 41, from Miami; Aharon Weinstein, 33, who is American but whose hometown wasn't available; Baruch Ben-Yosef, a native of New York City who has dual U.S.-Israeli citizenship, and Israel Fuchs, an Israeli.

The suspects' homes were searched by police.

Jets blast guerrillas after rockets fall in Lebanon

SIDON, Lebanon (AP) — Israeli fighter-bombers twice blasted strongholds of Iranian-backed Shiite Muslim guerrillas Sunday in retaliation for rocket attacks on Israeli-occupied south Lebanon.

A casualty report was not immediately available from the air raids on Apple Province, 10 miles northwest of Sidon, security sources said.

The clashes came as Israeli and PLO officials met in Norway to iron out disagreements over their Sept. 13 peace accord. Guerrillas from fundamentalist groups have vowed to disrupt the accord with attacks on Israelis.

On Sunday, guerrillas from Hezbollah, or Party of God, lobbed several Katyusha rockets and mortar shells into Israeli outposts in Israel's self-proclaimed security zone.

Hezbollah claimed responsibility for the attack on Israeli positions in Rihan, Kfar Houna and Sojod.

A Hezbollah communique claimed the Israeli headquarters in Rihan was demolished and a T-55 tank in Kfar Houna was knocked out, killing an unspecified number of Israeli soldiers. The Israeli army said it had no report of casualties.

The Israelis and South Lebanon Army responded with artillery fire on Hezbollah-controlled villages and a guerrilla stronghold in Iqlim al-Tuffah, or Apple province.

Hezbollah units fired back. Then four Israeli warplanes appeared, firing a dozen rockets at Hezbollah bases in the hills of Jabal Safi .

Ireland warns IRA of tougher measures if peace is rejected

LONDON (AP) — Ireland will order tougher measures against the IRA if the outlawed group rejects a British-Irish peace plan and resumes full-scale violence, the republic's prime minister warned Sunday.

Within hours of Prime Minister Albert Reynolds' remarks, the Irish Republican Army triggered its first major bomb since the British-Irish peace offer.

The blast in Londonderry, Northern Ireland narrowly missed a passing army patrol and a civilian car carrying two adults and three children. There were no injuries, but police said the five people in the car were treated for shock at a hospital after the 500-pound bomb exploded.

Also Sunday, suspected IRA warnings of bombs in London railway and subway stations brought hundreds of trains to a halt. A day-long search on about 20 miles of track turned up no bombs, police said.

Reynolds and John Major, Britain's prime minister, last Wednesday agreed on a broad package of principles aimed at bringing peace to British-ruled Northern Ireland after 25 years of violence. They offered Sinn Fein, the IRA's political allies, a place in negotiations if the IRA stopped killing.

Some Americans tap into Canada's health system

TORONTO (NYT) — Lacking a national health- care system of their own, thousands of Americans are tapping into Canada's — illegally.

"It's not an epidemic in any one person's practice," said Dr. Keith MacLeod, an obstetrician in Windsor, Ontario, across from Detroit, "but I would estimate that from 12 to 20 of my patients at any one time are ineligible Americans. And I'm just one of 520 doctors in Windsor, 23,000 in Ontario."

MacLeod, former president of the Essex County Medical Society, delivers about 400 babies a year.

A report prepared for Ontario's health minister indicated that from August 1992 to February 1993, 60,000 medical claims had been made on behalf of patients who held American drivers' licenses. The total number of improper claims in Ontario was estimated at 600,000.

Only legal residents qualify for free medical care in Canada. Others are supposed to pay for medical services they may require.

Loopholes and the lack of stringent controls are costing the provincial health-care system as much as $691 million a year, the Ontario report found.

"The ministry is open to the fraudulent use of health care in all programs," the report said. "Almost no analytical tools exist at this time, and lenient registration policies encourage abuse by non- and new residents."

Joseph Cordiano, chairman of the Public Accounts Committee of the Ontario Legislature, added, "Fraud is squandering our resources."

Although the encroachment is largely a border phenomenon, it has national scope because of the way Canada is settled. More than 90 percent of Canadians live and work within 100 miles of the United States.

Other provinces have similar problems, but Ontario's size has given the issue national prominence.

In Canada, policing health care was always seen as more trouble than it was worth, and the authorities have long ignored cracks in the system. Doctors have little desire to be secret informers, and strict patient confidentiality laws have helped seal their lips.

And for years Canadians widely believed that their country was rich enough to look after all those who entered its portals.

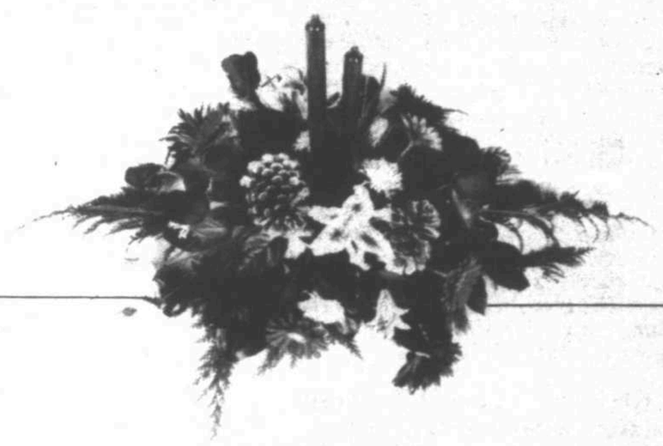
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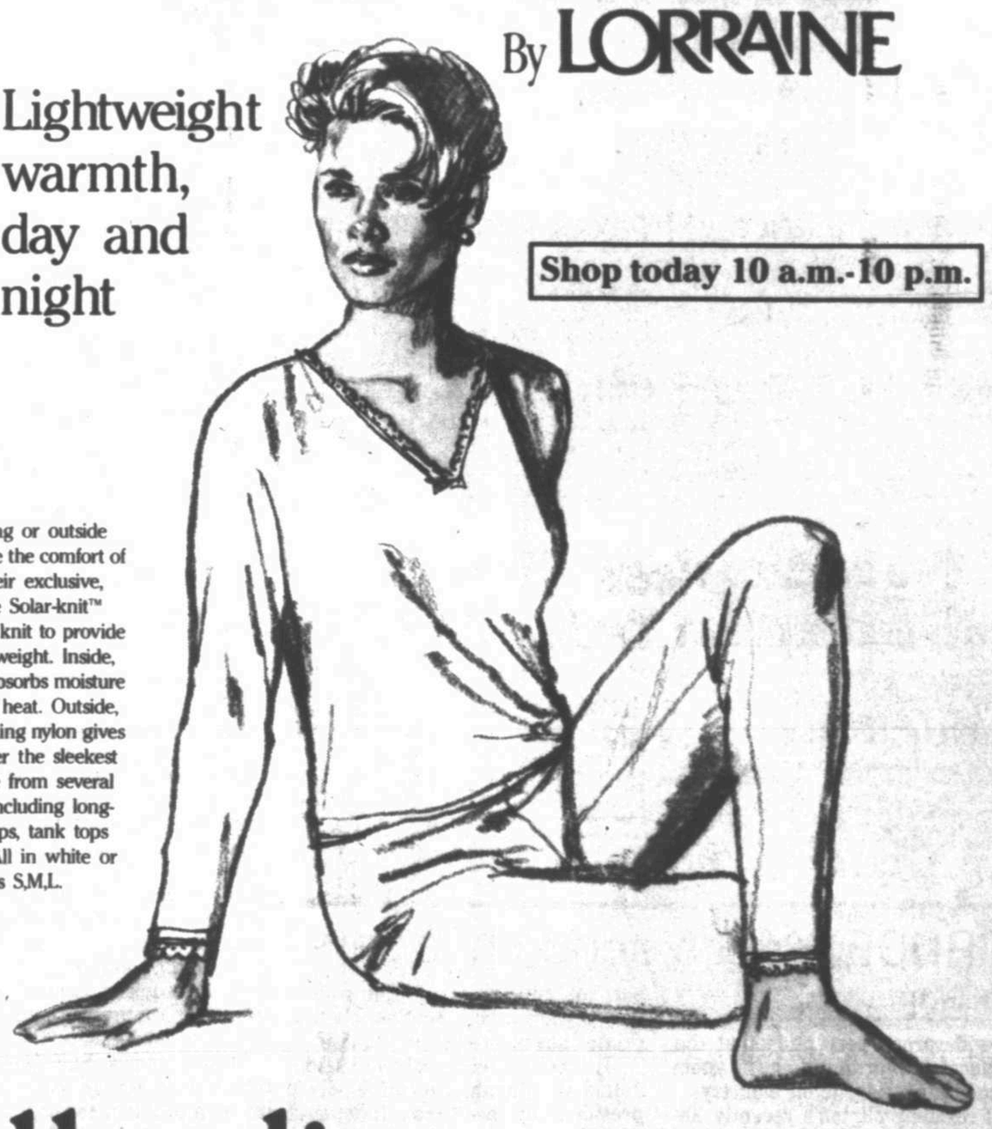
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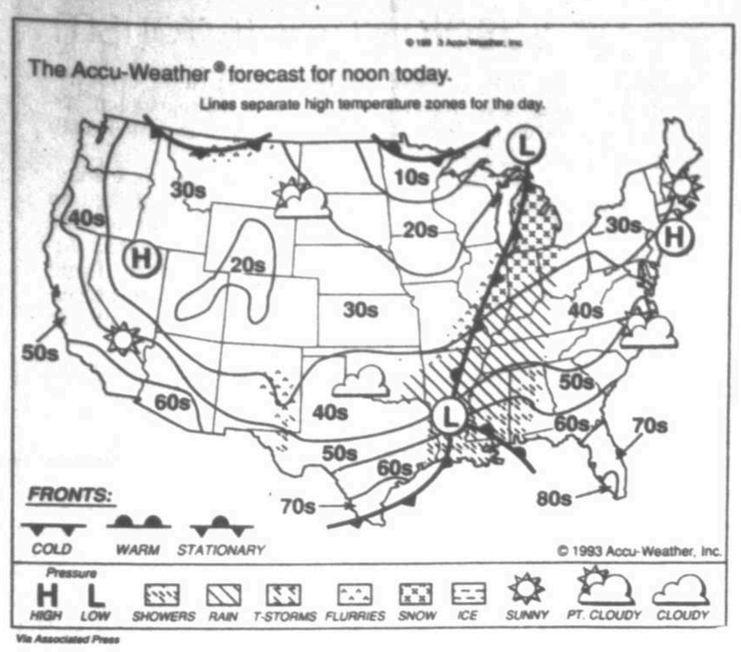
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Mostly clouds, high of 50 on tap

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a high around 50 and northeast winds at 10-15 mph. Tonight should be fair with a low in the lower 20s, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tuesday should be partly cloudy with a high in the mid-50s.

After an overnight low of 33, Sunday's high reached 67, compared to the record high for that date of 78 set in 1978. The record low was 11 set in 1973.

STATE

Low level clouds dominated the central and eastern sections of North Texas Sunday, while light, patchy rain continued to dampen spirits and a little bit more over the southern part of northeast Texas.

Winds across the state were southerly at about 5 to 15 mph except for southeastern sections, where northeast winds prevailed.

Temperatures at 3 p.m. ranged from 51 at Lufkin to 66 at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene.

Occasional rain and slight thunderstorms will shower portions of east and south central Texas today. Temperatures will become lower and winds will rise in the east by midday. Highs will be in the upper 40s and 50s with lows in the 20s and 30s west to southeast.

South Texas' forecast calls for cloudy skies with intermittent light rain or drizzle. Showers and possible thunderstorms loom in the forecast today. Highs will be in the 50s in the Hill Country and 60s in the central sections and near 70 in the far south.

West Texas could see morning snow flurries today. Skies will then become partly cloudy. Highs will be in the mid- to upper 30s north to near 60 at Edwards Plateau.

NATION

Separate storms spread up to 8 inches of snow Sunday on parts of the northern Plains and the Northeast, and blizzard conditions socked the peaks of two of Hawaii's volcanoes.

A storm system sweeping south out of Canada threw snow across northern sections of the Rockies and the Plains.

Snowfall was heavy across parts of the Black Hills in western South Dakota, with 6 to 8 inches reported near Lead and Deadwood.

In central Wyoming, 2 to 5 inches of snow fell in the Big Horn Mountains, with 2 inches at Lander.

An upper-level storm system moved rapidly across New England. Winter weather advisories were posted across sections of northeastern and central Massachusetts, northeastern Connecticut and northwestern Rhode Island, the National Weather Service said.

The heaviest snowfall by midday was over northeastern Pennsylvania, where La Raysville and Rome each had 8 inches.

Other snowfall included 6 inches at Catskill, N.Y.; and 5 inches at Chicopee, Conn., Napanoch, N.Y., and Shaftsbury, Vt.

In Hawaii, blowing snow and freezing rain created blizzard conditions above the 10,000-foot level of Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa on Hawaii Island.

Astronomers working at observatories atop Mauna Kea reported zero visibility, heavy snow and fog, freezing temperatures and strong wind. Patches of freezing rain on roads prompted officials to halt travel to the summits Sunday.

The volcano-top weather began clearing by afternoon, the weather service said. It's not that unusual for the summits to get snow and blizzard-like conditions at least once a year.

A slowly moving storm system off the southern California coast spread light rain inland during the night and through the morning. The heaviest rain reported was one-third of an inch at Compton, the weather service said.

A few showers also were scattered across the Gulf of Mexico coast during the afternoon.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Midland statistics

FORECAST:
Today: mostly cloudy, high around 50, northeast winds at 10-15 mph.
Tonight: fair, low in the lower 20s.
Tuesday: partly cloudy, high in the mid-50s.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:

Yesterday's High	67 degrees
Overnight Low	33 degrees
Sunset today	5:48 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	7:45 a.m.
Precipitation:	
Last 24 hours	00.00 inches
This month to date	00.05 inches
Year to date	16.08 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

6 p.m.	51	6 a.m.	40
7 p.m.	48	7 a.m.	39
8 p.m.	44	8 a.m.	39
9 p.m.	42	9 a.m.	43
10 p.m.	41	10 a.m.	46
11 p.m.	39	11 a.m.	54
midnight	37	noon	61
1 a.m.	34	1 p.m.	66
2 a.m.	36	2 p.m.	67
3 a.m.	36	3 p.m.	65
4 a.m.	37	4 p.m.	65
5 a.m.	40	5 p.m.	63
		6 p.m.	57

Texas temperatures

	Hi	Lo	Ppn
Alpine	67	33	
Amarillo	50	26	
Austin	54	49	
Beaumont-Port Arthur	59	52	.12
Bryan-College Station	52	47	.06
Corpus Christi	56	50	
Dallas	56	40	
El Paso	60	30	
Fort Worth	57	38	
Galveston	60	52	.26
Houston	57	50	.06
Laredo	58	47	
Lubbock	62	27	
Marfa	64	27	
San Angelo	67	33	
San Antonio	59	45	
Victoria	55	4	

Weather elsewhere

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albuquerque	53	22		clr
Atlanta	54	36		cdy
Atlantic City	45	40	.06	rn
Baltimore	50	38	.07	rn
Boston	39	33	.16	rn
Chicago	36	34		cdy
Cleveland	39	35	.02	sn
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Kansas City	49	25		cdy
Las Vegas	54	34		clr
Los Angeles	66	51	.11	clr
Louisville	40	32		cdy
Memphis	53	31		clr
Milwaukee	37	35		cdy
Nashville	48	30		cdy

Area forecast

West Texas: Permian Basin — Upper Trans Pecos today, mostly cloudy and cooler. Highs around 50. Tonight, fair. Lows in the lower 20s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-50s. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 20s. Wednesday, partly cloudy and colder. Highs in the upper 30s to lower 40s. Thursday, fair. Lows in the upper teens. Highs in the 40s. Friday, fair. Lows in the 20s. Highs in the 50s.

CRUDE: Prices send shudders

(From 1A)

a widespread perception that the federal government has abandoned the domestic oil industry.

President Clinton's recently announced oil and gas initiative emphasized the benefits of natural gas. Oil producers had hoped to hear word of immediate relief.

Industry executives have proposed such solutions as an oil import fee and tax breaks for what they say is a crisis. But they claim Clinton has ignored their situation.

"It's beyond our control," said Julian G. Martin, executive vice president of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association. "A trashing of our product price and no one seeming to want to do something about it, particularly in the political community."

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UNKNOWN: 1 sickening sight chilled many

(From 1A)

The AP's effort to determine their identities required calls to relatives and others who knew the 18 men before the list could be narrowed to the five, whose names the Pentagon then confirmed.

Most of those reached were these five soldiers' parents; widows had moved, had newly unlisted numbers or took refuge behind the shields military families learn to erect.

And some, who did not want to be quoted, said it was better to leave the grieving alone.

Nada Morford, the mother of William David Cleveland Jr., felt that way at first.

She knew her son's stepmother had told a Virginia newspaper she recognized David as the man in the AP photograph, but Mrs. Morford immediately protested, saying it was not her son. "I want him to rest in peace and let him go," she said then.

But Mrs. Morford had only glanced at the picture in the newspaper weeks before, and the question gnawed at her. She went to the town library to make photocopies of pictures in a Time magazine article. And then she asked a reporter for the AP photograph.

She swallowed tears as she described how she pored over the pictures, how she found contours that seemed so familiar, but not enough for her to say with certainty the soldier in the photograph was her son.

"My son had black eyebrows and eyelashes," Mrs. Morford said. "He" — the soldier — "had light hair, black eyebrows." But then, she said, she noted that the legs and feet resembled David's.

"I would hate to say this is positively my son, and have it be somebody else's," she said from her trailer home in Peoria, Ariz. Then, she began to cry.

In Clarksville, Tenn., Willi Frank thought she spotted her husband immediately in television footage. But even then, of the bodies she saw, she wasn't really sure which might be Ray Frank's.

The day before, she had learned Ray was missing. She studied CNN's continuous reports, mesmerized, sure each time she could pinpoint that achingly familiar indent of Ray's back surgery scar, the particular way he wore his short, graying hair.

"At the same time, you're looking for identifying marks, you're praying there aren't any," Mrs. Frank said, reflecting on that endless day. "I picked out the one that I hoped was him, because it looked like it had been the least mistreated."

Chief Warrant Officer Michael Durant, who was taken prisoner when his helicopter was shot down and later released, offers the five families at least some comfort: He believes all five men were dead before the Somalis got to them.

But Durant will not publicly even attempt to put a name on the face in the photograph.

"There's no way to prove beyond any doubt," he said, "so why put the family through what they've already been through?"

Many among the families of the 18 dead told of trying to learn whether the unknown soldier was theirs, of quizzing the battle survivors at the funerals.

Some could barely speak for weeping; others said they found little relief in knowing the soldier in the picture was someone else's husband or son.

"That picture represents every parent's nightmare," said Caroline Smith of Long Valley, N.J., who lost her 21-year-old son, Spc. James E. Smith.

When she buried her son in Fort Benning, Ga., Mrs. Smith learned from some of the men with him in battle that he had been shot and pulled inside a building.

"Even though we happen to know that person wasn't our son," she said, "it could have been. It could have been."

The awful events of that day changed everything.

The death toll was terrible enough, but one single, sickening sight — a still photograph of a mutilated dead soldier, tied with rope before a jeering crowd — chilled many who had continued to think charitably about the United States' purpose in Somalia.

Only four days later, President Clinton announced troops would withdraw from their mercy mission within six months, by March 31, 1994.

The withdrawal was not the fruit of victory; Somalia remained in deadly disarray. Instead, it was inspired in great part by the revulsion of the American people when they saw the humiliating spectacle made of that one slain soldier.

And, still, who he was remains unknown.

Which mother had kissed that face?

CUTS: Administration weighs reductions

(From 1A)

fits to most non-citizens.

According to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, halting aid to most non-citizens under the GOP plan would save at least $21 billion over five years: $9.4 billion from Supplemental Security Income, a welfare program for low-income elderly and disabled people; $8.1 billion from Medicaid; $2.8 billion from food stamps; and $1 billion from Aid to Families with Dependent Children, a cash welfare program for families with children.

A congressional aide, who insisted on anonymity, also said the White House task force is considering some cuts in welfare to immigrants, although the administration does not necessarily like the Republican's broad approach.

Under the law, illegal aliens are not entitled to most welfare benefits, aside from some nutrition programs and emergency medical care. Their children, if born in the United States, are citizens and eligible for welfare.

Legal immigrants generally qualify for benefits after a three-year period, during which the immigrants' sponsors are liable for their support.

A total of 810,635 immigrants were admitted to the United States in fiscal 1992.

A report by the Social Security Administration, which runs SSI, finds that the number of immigrants who collect SSI is growing quickly.

FLY: Travelers come for power shopping

(From 1A)

with 400 stores and even roller coaster.

They came for a frantic, glorious eight or nine hours of power-shopping in retail heaven before catching the last flight back home and a return to their lives as clerks and teachers, a little poorer but with the perfect Moose-shaped teapot that they bet nobody else in Muskegon, Mich., had.

For now, they were living a dream, a brief admission to the jet set because of super-low air fares pegged to one-day shopping sprees at the mall.

Every Saturday since November, people could fly to Minneapolis for $78 to $98 round trip, depending on the city of origin, as long as they returned the same day.

Northwest came up with the fares to fill their planes on Saturdays, traditionally the slowest travel day of the week. The fares end Jan. 8.

Planes that once flew empty now fly heavy with the promise of acquisition without the airline having to buy a single line of advertising. Serious shoppers just know these things. The seats were filled by word of mouth.

And so JoAnn Haupt from Bismarck, N.D., Lorie Boell from St. Louis and nearly 2,000 people in 38 other cities got up at 5 in the morning to catch the first plane to Minneapolis.

Landing before the stores opened and carting folded duffle bags and empty suitcases, the long-distance shoppers headed for a shuttle bus to take them to the mall. They waited in line, four abreast, in the cold.

Each bus was packed, the air quiet and stuffy until the first glimpse of concrete emerged on the right side of the bus. Then there were shouts of "There it is!" People craned their necks to see the shrine.

To Stacey Hofferber, a Bismarck, N.D., resident sitting on the bus with her Mastercard at the ready, rising at dawn and paying to fly to a mall made all the sense in the world.

"If men can get up at 4 in the morning to go shoot a deer," she said, "why can't we get up at 4 in the morning to shop? Let's keep this in perspective."

Besides, shoppers say, the 16-month-old Mall of America is not just any mall. It is like a Six Flags amusement park and three or four regular malls, all under one skylight.

The stores — 400 in all, including Bloomingdale's, Macy's, Nordstrom and Sears — literally encircle an amusement park, Knott's Camp Snoopy. People can hear the shrieks from the roller coaster in the center of the mall as the cash registers ring up their purchases.

Visitors, some flying in on tour packages from Japan and bus trips from Indiana, spend $2 million a day there.

It is so big that it takes hours just to walk one of the mall's three floors of shopping, and some people rent cellular phones there just to keep up with each other.

SILENT: OPEC's awfully quiet despite plunge

(From 1A)

more than had been expected.

Without further moves by OPEC to curtail production, analysts say, prices are unlikely to make a sharp reversal anytime soon.

That's good news for consumers. Energy prices, as measured by the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index, tumbled 1.3 percent in November, the biggest monthly decline since March 1991.

But the drop has been devastating for producer nations, which depend heavily on crude revenues to fuel their developing economies and pay foreign debt.

The newsletter Petrostrategies estimated the recent decline in prices could mean a loss of revenues of $80 million a day for the dozen nations.

Even so, kingpin Saudi Arabia, the world's largest producer, has reportedly said there isn't a low price that would trigger cuts in its 8 million barrel-per-day output.

The Middle East Economic Survey, a Cyprus-based newsletter, also reported Saudi oil minister Hisham Nazer told other producers he wouldn't attend any emergency meeting called by OPEC.

Behind the cartel's do-nothing policy is a fear of giving up some of its overall output of roughly 24.7 million barrels a day to outsiders.

"What it really comes down to is market share for OPEC," said Ann-Louise Hittle, world oil director at Cambridge Energy Research Associates in Boston. "They really would like to draw the line and hold on to their share of the total world oil market."

The producers worry that if they reduced pumping, non-OPEC nations would increase pumping to fill the gap and prices would stay low.

That would mean, said Ms. Hittle, the OPEC nations "have lost out both ways. They've lost their volume and prices are where they were."

But Zanoyan argued the nations must take "painful measures" — hefty supply trims — to halt the price slide.

"If they don't fix it now, they're going to have a bigger mess in March," the next scheduled OPEC meeting, he said. "The longer they delay the painful measures, the worse those measures are going to be."

GUNS: Law applies only to licensed dealers

(From 1A)

including 67 million handguns. Licensed gun shops sold 7.5 million guns last year.

At a Fort Lauderdale show this month, a woman who gives her name only as Karen displays a used Colt .38-caliber police special on sale next to a sign: "Private Sale. $195. No forms. No waiting period."

The Colt sale is legal, she said, because the gun is hers.

Karen is correct, according to the ATF. No law prevents a private citizen from selling handguns to anyone who answers an ad or walks into a gun show. And no clear-cut definition separates private sellers from licensed dealers, such as earnings or number of guns sold. Generally, the ATF said, it requires licenses if gun sellers are running a regular, profit-making business.

"These shows have gotten as common as garage sales, and all this is a problem for us," Killorin said. "It's known that guns have moved out of these shows into criminal hands."

Texas and Florida are particularly worrisome, he said, because they offer frequent gun shows, relatively lax laws and ease of transit for out-of-state buyers.

David Koresh's Branch Davidian cult built up its arsenal with purchases from Texas gun shows, he notes.

"In Texas, traditionally, our agents indicate that a lot of people slide up from Mexico and buy at gun shows, where there are fewer questions asked," Killorin said.

Miami ATF spokesman Bruce Snyder said a 1990 coup attempt in the Caribbean island nation of Trinidad and Tobago was armed through purchases at Florida gun shows. Residents of Northeastern states with tougher gun control laws buy many of the pistols sold legally at Florida gun shows.

Yet neither ATF nor state and local police agencies can patrol the shows routinely — there are simply too many, Killorin said.

That leaves the shows open not only to legal private sellers, but also to arms dealers who abuse the law by claiming to sell private gun collections.

Robert Trokey, owner of the Firearms Plus shop in Fort Lauderdale, has a sizable array of guns set up near Karen's table. He said he has no objection to legitimate private sales, but he's skeptical of some vendors.

"I see some private dealers over and over again," Trokey said. "He's got the same number of guns on his table as I do, but he's not obeying the same rules I have to — no sales tax, no paper work, no three-day waiting period."

Car dealer Stuart Raskin, who has a concealed weapons permit, walks up to the table to select a gun for his companion, Eileen, who he said was recently robbed at Uzi-point.

Raskin generally opposes limits on gun ownership, but he said that the existing laws should at least be the same for everyone.

"If they're going to try to cover guns, it would be in the best interest of society to cover private dealers, too," Raskin said.

At Tamiami Gun Shops in Miami, utility lineman Simon Stoddard picked up his .45-caliber automatic after the legal waiting period. He said he could easily have bought a gun without waiting.

"You can buy them in the bargain traders you pick up at any 7-Eleven," Stoddard said.

Even the National Rifle Association concedes the wrong people may be buying guns through the private sale exception

"It disturbs me anytime a criminal or a mentally incompetent individual can get a firearm," said NRA lobbyist Joseph Phillips in Washington. "But how can you reach out and control that, without criminalizing something you essentially have no ability to control?"

Gun control advocates are stepping forward. With the support of former presidential Press Secretary James Brady, who was wounded in the assassination attempt on President Reagan in 1981, U.S. Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. and Washington-based Handgun Control Inc. are pushing a bill to require registration of all secondary handgun transfers.

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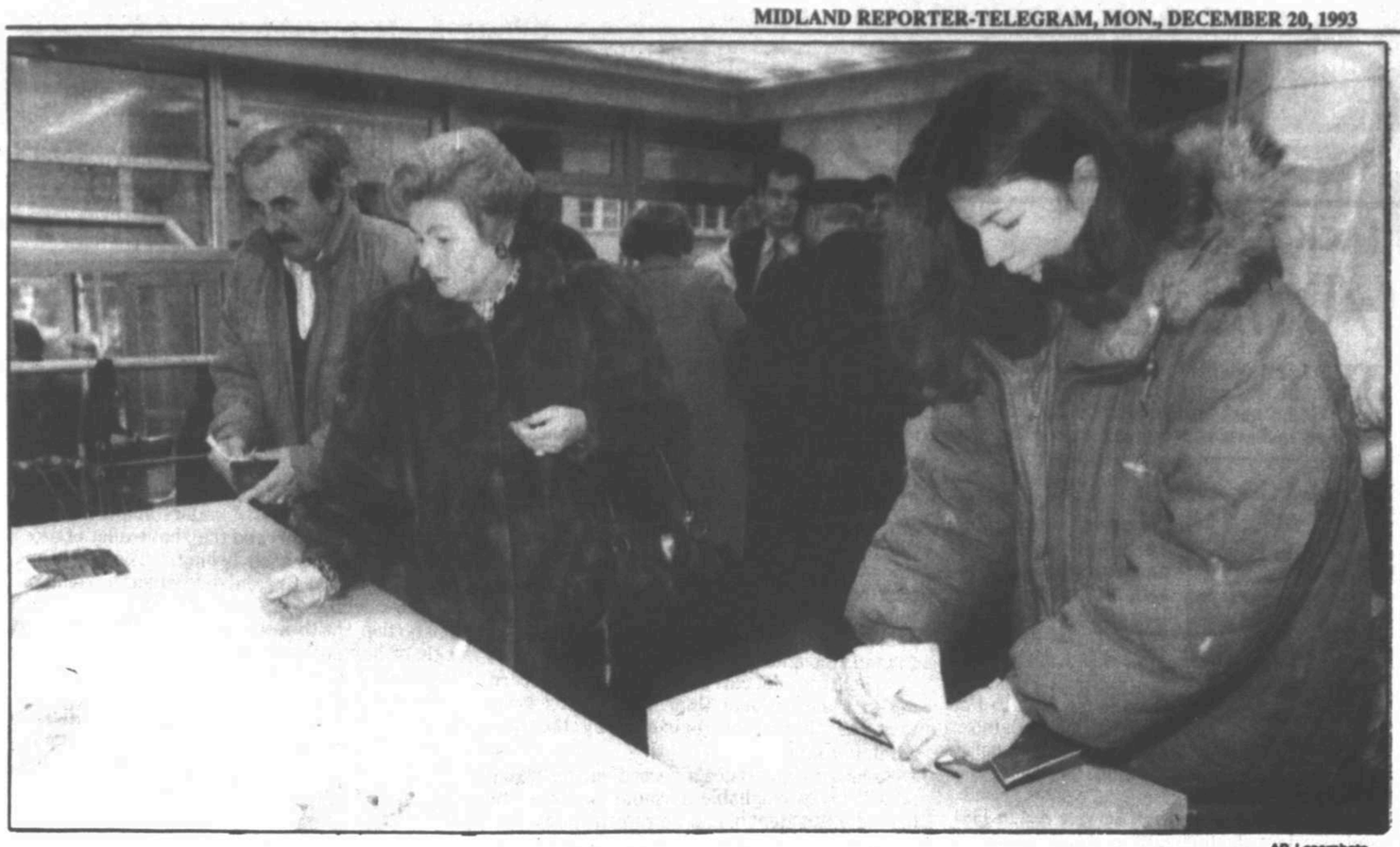
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Voters cast their ballots Sunday in downtown Belgrade during parliamentary elections. Turnout appeared heavy as Serbia's ruling Socialists, led by powerful nationalist Slobodan Milosevic, faced a crucial test with voters beset by economic chaos and world isolation.

Serbian voters appear to favor nationalism

BELGRADE (NYT) — With Serbia's economy in ruins and its leaders accused of war crimes, there was only one thing the leading candidates and most voters could agree on as ballots were cast Sunday in a parliamentary election: Serbia is great.

Rampant nationalism has been the sole coin of political discourse in a campaign in which President Slobodan Milosevic is seeking to keep his hold on power.

But early returns at midnight appeared to indicate that Milosevic's governing Socialist Party was in trouble, with the spectrum of opposition parties drawing unexpectedly strong votes.

Milosevic ordered the 250-seat Parliament dissolved in October and called for new elections as he faced an increasing challenge from Vojislav Seselj, who was then his ally and a partner in his governing coalition. Seselj, a former law professor and now commander of a private army, is an even more fervid nationalist than Milosevic.

Seselj, a monarchist who refers to himself by the medieval title Vojvoda, which means warlord, has recommended that Serbs gouge their enemies eyes out with rusty spoons. After bickering with Milosevic, he called for a no-confidence vote in the minority government, charging it with a lack of real patriotic zeal, corruption and incompetent handling of the economy.

Departing prime minister of Haiti criticizes Aristide

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (NYT) — Three days after formally resigning, the handpicked prime minister of Haiti's exiled president lashed out during the weekend at the man who appointed him, describing the Rev. Jean-Bertrand Aristide as an erratic figure and questioning his willingness to return to office under internationally negotiated conditions.

Departing Prime Minister Robert Malval spoke on Saturday, shortly after returning from a two-week trip abroad during which he tried and failed to organize a national conference in Haiti to break the country's political stalemate.

The idea was rejected by Aristide, who said that the security of his supporters could not be guaranteed inside Haiti.

Malval described Aristide as a man with "a serious ego problem," who along with his advisers in exile is "playing with our lives, playing with the future of Haiti."

It is the first time that Malval has publicly accused Aristide of hampering efforts to settle the crisis.

Malval still blames the military for the collapse of a brokered accord which was to have reinstated Aristide by Oct. 30.

In an interview at his house, Malval described Haiti as caught in a trap between Aristide, the country's first democratically-elected president, and the man who presided over Aristide's ouster in September 1991, Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras.

He said neither man seemed willing to make the compromises needed to reach a political solution that would halt Haiti's steep economic decline and prevent disaster for its people.

"The country is stuck between a man who refuses to resign and a man who has made a choice to remain abroad as a sort of flag bearer, a mythic symbol," Malval said of Cedras and Aristide.

"Everything Aristide is doing is meant to preserve his image among Haitians from Miami to Montreal," Malval said. "But the problem is that this country is going straight to hell and one day the myth is just going to collapse."

BBC diverts Lockerbie bomb blame from Libya to Iran, Syria

LONDON (AP) — A BBC investigation has indicated Britain and the United States may have fingered Libya in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 in a bid to divert suspicion from the other possible culprits — Syria and Iran.

In the program "Silence Over Lockerbie," the head of a Swiss electronics firm which made the circuit board used as the timer said he had wrongly told investigators the devices were supplied only to Libya.

The program, to be aired Wednesday, was made to mark the fifth anniversary of the disaster on Dec. 21, 1988, when Flight 103 exploded over the Scottish town of Lockerbie, killing 270 people.

Edwin Bollier, managing director of a Zurich company, MEBO AG, said he told investigators that while five of the timers were supplied to Libya in 1985, another two were sold to East Germany the same year.

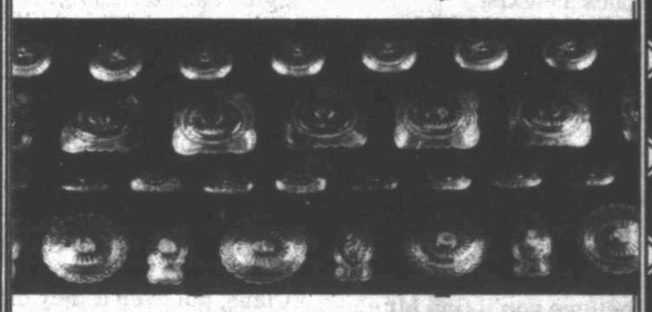
The Stasi secret police in East Germany had extensive contacts with the Syrian-based Palestinian terrorist group of Ahmed Jibril, CIA officer Vincent Cannistraro said on the program, made for the BBC Radio 4 network.

"While this doesn't get Libya out of the frame, the clarity of evidence against Libya is damaged in terms of supplying the timer," Gerry Northam, the reporter on the program, told The Associated Press on Sunday.

The United States and Britain have accused Libya of being responsible and are trying to extradite two Libyan suspects for trial in Britain or America.

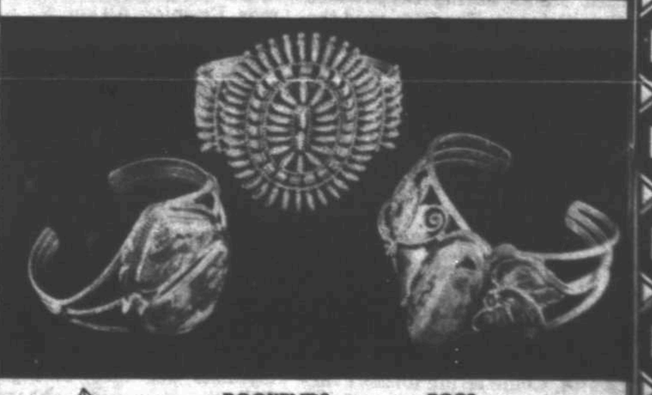
The Sunday Times suggested that U.S. and British authorities overlooked the possible Syrian and Iranian connection to the bombing in return for the 1991 release of Briton Terry Waite and American Thomas Sutherland, who had been held by pro-Iranian forces in Lebanon.

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Yes, Virginia there is a Santa Claus!

Ninety-six years ago, a little 8-year-old girl named Virginia O'Hanlon wrote a letter to the New York Sun questioning the validity of claims by her friends that Santa Claus does not exist.

The reply in the form of an editorial written by Francis P. Church, published Sept. 21, 1897, became a classic of editorial writing.

Today, in celebration of the Christmas season, we reprint the letter and the editorial for the enjoyment of our readers. We believe you'll find Mr. Church's reply as illuminating today as it was 94 years ago.

"Dear Editor:
"I am 8 years old.
"Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says 'If you see it in the Sun it's so.' Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?
Virginia O'Hanlon
115 West 95th Street
New York City"

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exists, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith, then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view — and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Dec. 20, the 354th day of 1993. There are 11 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Dec. 20, 1803, the Louisiana Purchase was completed as ownership of the territory was formally transferred from France to the United States during ceremonies in New Orleans. The U.S. paid the French about $15 million for the land, which effectively doubled the size of the country.

On this date:

In 1790, the first successful cotton mill in the United States began operating at Pawtucket, R.I.

In 1820, Missouri imposed a bachelor tax on unmarried men between the ages of 21 and 50. The tax: $1 a year.

In 1860, South Carolina became the first state to secede from the Union.

In 1864, Confederate forces evacuated Savannah, Ga., as Union Gen. William T. Sherman continued his March to the Sea.

In 1879, Thomas A. Edison demonstrated his incandescent light at Menlo Park, N.J.

In 1963, the Berlin Wall was opened for the first time to West Berliners, who were allowed one-day visits to relatives in the Eastern sector for the holidays.

In 1968, author John Steinbeck died in New York at age 66.

In 1976, Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley died at age 74.

In 1978, former White House chief of staff H.R. Haldeman was released from prison after serving 18 months for his role in the Watergate cover-up.

In 1980, the government of the Soviet Union confirmed that former Premier Alexei N. Kosygin had died two days earlier at the age of 76.

In 1987, more than 3,000 people died in a double explosion when the Dona Paz, a Philippine passenger ship, collided with the tanker Vector off Mindoro island.

In 1989, the United States launched Operation Just Cause, sending troops into Panama to topple the government of General Manuel Noriega.

Ten years ago: PLO chairman Yasser Arafat and 4,000 guerrilla loyalists fled their stronghold in Tripoli, Lebanon, aboard five Greek ships, driven out by Syrian-backed Palestinian rebels.

Five years ago: The International Committee of the Red Cross suspended its operations in Lebanon after receiving death threats.

One year ago: U.S. Marines and Belgian paratroopers in Somalia took control of Kismayu's port and airport; the first truck convoy in more than a month reached the starving inland town of Baidoa.

JACK ANDERSON

Ambassadorships remain patronage

WASHINGTON — If the Senate confirms Larry Lawrence next month as the next ambassador to Switzerland, our man in Bern will be learning on the job.


Anderson

A long-time friend of and campaign contributor to President Clinton, Lawrence seems more up to speed with campaign finance than foreign affairs. Since 1988, Lawrence and his wife, Shelia Davis Lawrence, have doled out $136,000 in political contributions, according to Federal Elections Commission reports. Democrats have been the overwhelming beneficiary of Lawrence's largess.

According to the Foreign Service Act of 1980, ambassadors should have "a useful knowledge of the language... and understanding of the history, the culture, the economic and political institutions" of their host country. It adds, "Contributions to political campaigns should not be a factor."

Three languages in addition to English are spoken in Switzerland — German, Italian and French. Lawrence's linguistic skills are limited to a month of French.

His limited knowledge of Swiss politics has also proven embarrassing to some career diplomats.

"Larry Lawrence has no qualifications to be an ambassador," one career foreign service official told our associate Andrew Conte. "Having people who are not qualified hurts U.S. foreign diplomacy... they either embarrass the United States or have to be carried by career foreign service officials. That doesn't make sense."

Switzerland is the wrong spot for the unseasoned diplomat, according to career diplomats. It is currently mapping out its future relations with the United States, Asia and Europe, and is at a turning point whether to maintain its historic independence or to join the European Community. As one of the financial capitals of the world, Switzerland is a nerve center for tracking narcotics trafficking and terrorism.

These are among the reasons why Lawrence's nomination is in trouble. Last month, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee split 10-10 on the Lawrence nomination, which the full Senate will vote on next month. Sources say the White House plans to make the nomination a top priority. Three Democrats on the Foreign Relations Committee voted against Lawrence

"I really don't think this thing ought to be simply a patronage thing," said Sarbanes during one committee hearing.

Sarbanes should have soulmates within the Clinton administration. Secretary of State Warren Christopher promised the Senate earlier this year: "Recommendations for ambassadorships will be based upon qualifications that extend beyond campaign participation and will require some real expertise with respect to the appointment." However, nearly one out of five Clinton appointees to foreign embassies have been political, not career ambassadors, according to Congressional Quarterly. That's lower than the 29 percent registered by the Bush administration.

Nothing in Lawrence's record suggests that he will be as laughable as some previous ambassadors in Republican administrations. For example, Nixon's ambassador to Jamaica was sent packing by that country in 1973 after he called the Jamaican Prime Minister an "emotional yo-yo" leading a nation of "children." A Jimmy Carter appointee to the post in Singapore knew so little of Asian history that he did not know who Chiang Kai-shek or Mahatma Gandhi were and once asked, "What's Islam?"

A friend of Senate Minority leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., who was tapped for an ambassadorship in the Bahamas during the Bush administration told the Senate: "I am sure I will feel at home in the Bahamas. I understand it's a nice lifestyle. I love golf, and they have a lot of nice golf courses and good fishing." The Bush appointee to Great Britain and personal friend of the president graced the front lawn of the embassy there with a wooden Hereford cow and bale of hay underneath a flag pole which flew the state flag of Texas.

"We feel every foreign country is important today," said one career foreign service official. "Since the fall of the Soviet Union, we don't know from day-to-day who's our friend and who's our foe. Uncle Sam has to survive by his wits."

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CHARLEY REESE

We repeat Romeo's mistake with candidates

If Romeo had not been so hasty in making inferences from Juliet's appearance, Shakespeare's play, "Romeo and Juliet," might have had a happy ending.


Reese

As you know, Romeo saw Juliet lying cold and still and inferred that she was dead and then killed himself. She wasn't dead, but, in Romeo's case, it was too soon dead, too late smart.

We all make Romeo's mistake, but fortunately not always with such drastic consequences. We often infer, based on a candidate's speeches, that he or she will make a good whatever only to find afterwards that, like Romeo, we were deceived by appearances. The best precaution against those kinds of errors is to stay conscious of the differences between reports, inferences and judgments.

A report is a statement about something that anyone can verify. If I say, "Bill Clinton has gray hair," then you can look at his hair and determine for yourself if the statement is true. If I say, "Bill Clinton is no young man because he has gray hair," then I'm making an inference, which is a statement about the unknown (his age) based on the known (his gray hair). Since some people's hair turns gray prematurely, hair color is not a definite indicator of age. Inferences may or may not be valid.

When we speak of prejudice or racism, we are really talking about inferences. In most cases, people infer from bad experiences with particular individuals that all those who share the same race or ethnic background are the same as the ones who were responsible for that negative experience.

The obvious error is that we are making an inference about a very large group of individuals we don't know based on a tiny sample we do know. Yet, obvious as the error is when you think about it, a colossal amount of human misery has been caused by it.

From wrong inferences often come judgments. A judgment is a subjective evaluation of the goodness or badness of something. Judgments, like beauty, are always in the eye of the beholder because every judgment presupposes some set of criteria. Thus, if I say, "Bill Clinton is a bad president," that's a judgment, and it's really pointless to argue about judgments. You may judge him to be a good president even though we are both looking at the same set of statements and actions. The difference is that we are evaluating the statements and actions by different sets of criteria.

Sometimes, for the fun of it, you should read a newspaper story and pick out all the reports, inferences and judgments. You'll be surprised how many inferences and judgments find their way into what is supposed to be only a report. That's because while editors and reporters can try to be disinterested, they can never stop being subjective.

It's really healthy and handy to work at developing awareness, not only of the world around us, but of ourselves and how our minds work. And now with elections facing us in 1994, it's a good time to sharpen our wits so that we can make more considered judgments in the voting booth.

There will be a lot of candidates out there hoping we make the wrong inferences and vote for them. It's always a good idea to pay more attention to their records than to their campaign statements. Campaign rhetoric is usually tailored and based on opinion polling. What they've done and said in the past is a better indicator of what they will do in the future.

Properly evaluating candidates and choosing the best is the main duty of a citizen. We should work hard at it and not just react passively to campaign-produced materials. Real change will always begin on election day — provided we do our duty as citizens faithfully.

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LETTERS

Combest needs to think again

I agree with Mr. Combest that "...importing over 50 percent of our energy makes us susceptible to being held hostage..." The same holds true with manufacturing. I wonder why Mr. Combest didn't apply the same degree of illumination regarding NAFTA? Cheap foreign oil and cheap foreign labor. All or none. I also remember a suggestion to put a ceiling-price on oil during the boom. What perfidy! A floor-price? That's different. Come on Congressman, let's get it together.

Glen Bufler
Midland

Reader agrees with 3 letters

This is to express my total agreement with all three letters that appeared in the December 9 Reporter-Telegram. The recent tragic slaughter on the train in New York was simply another example that attests to Mr. Christensen's opinions on the Brady Bill. Colin Ferguson waited 15 days to get the weapon he used in those shootings. How is the Brady Bill's five-day wait going to prevent this type of incident?

Unfortunately for moral people everywhere, and especially in Williamson County, Texas, the Williamson County Commissioners' vote against promoting homosexuality was reversed between the time Jim Limbacher and Clay Bateman wrote their letters, rightly praising the Commission's vote against homosexuality, and December 9 when their letters were published. In the face of what I assume was intense pressure from homosexuals, supporters of homosexuals, and various and sundry people who put the smell of money ahead of morals - including Governor Richards, one of the Commissioners changed his vote. It's a shame that Williamson County did not have a Jim Limbacher or a Clay Bateman on the Commission, instead of the spineless one. Since the Commission changed their vote once, presumably they could change it again, although the prospect of this does not seem bright right now. Anyway, let's hope that the fat lady has not yet sung in Williamson County.

W.A. Bateman
Midland

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I would like to take this opportunity to let the people of Midland know what a wonderful, community-minded K-Mart we have. Over the past several years, the local K-Mart has allowed the Midland Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) the use of their facilities to offer for adoption wonderful, loving pets that await homes. This is a generous gesture as there are many animals that need homes. Because of K-Mart's high volume, the many people who go there can easily meet all of the animals available for adoption.

Ed Cakl
Midland

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Authorities jail woman on charge of murdering husband No. 9

By Robert Weller
Associated Press

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Colo. — Jill Coit is a marrying woman. Ten times she has taken the plunge.

Coit may have to forsake her marrying ways for a while, however, because she and a boyfriend are in jail, charged with murdering husband No. 9, who was shot in October.

"If you were to meet her and talk to her you'd think she's just the greatest person you ever met," one ex-husband, Carl Steely, said of Coit. "Why would all these people marry her if she weren't that way?"

Coit, 50, who is still married to husband No. 10, is charged in the slaying of Gerry Boggs, 52. She and telephone repairman Michael Backus, 48, are being held on $5 million bond on first-degree murder charges.

Neither defendant looked at the other during a court appearance Friday, when they were ordered to

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appear Jan. 31 for a preliminary hearing.

Clad in an orange jail jump suit, the stocky, curly haired, heavy-eyebrowed Coit hardly appeared the seductress and former model who left a trail of husbands in five states and managed to persuade a wealthy, elderly Californian to adopt her just before he died.

The arrest affidavit naming Coit lists 16 names she has used.

Her husbands have included the lawyer who helped her avoid questioning in the shooting death of her third husband, Clark Coit, whose name she continues to use. Coit, like Boggs, was shot by someone who entered his home through an unlocked back door, in 1972.

Coit checked herself into a psychiatric hospital after Coit's killing and police never were able to question her.

She married and divorced lawyer Louis DiRosa twice, making him husbands Nos. 5 and 6. In between Coit and DiRosa, she married Marine Maj. Donald Brodie in California.

While still DiRosa's wife, Coit married husbands Nos. 7 and 8: Eldon Metzger, an Indiana auctioneer, and Steely, a teacher in Indiana, according to police.

"I'm thankful to be alive," Steely said.

Private investigator Stan Lewis, retained by Boggs to look into Coit's past, said she "is cut from the same cloth as 'The Black Widow.'" The reference is to a 1987 thriller about a young woman whose wealthy husbands die.

Police say Coit and Backus shot and killed Boggs several days before a trial of a lawsuit charging bigamy and extortion. Boggs had his 1990 marriage to Coit annulled after Lewis found she was still married to Steely when she married Boggs. She then married husband No. 10, Roy Carroll, 68, in Houston.

Coit sued Boggs when he refused to release the lien he held on Coit's bed-and-breakfast lodge in this ski resort.

Budget cuts make ROTC more competitive

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Many students are still attracted to ROTC programs by guarantees of jobs after graduation, but shrinking military budgets and fewer openings in the post-Cold War era are making them more competitive.

"It's become a quality market, not a quantity market," said Cadet Jean-Louis De Gay, a senior in the University of Georgia's Reserve Officer Training Corps program.

"If we don't meet the standards, there are other people who can take our place," said Cadet Christine Ferguson, a senior who has been in the Army ROTC program at Kansas State University for 2½ years.

Capt. Kenneth Barker, commanding officer of Navy ROTC at Georgia Tech and Morehouse College, said his students are more qualified than many of his classmates at Purdue University were in the 1960s.

"The quality is increasing," he said. "The number of scholarships has dropped off, but the number of scholarships demanded has not."

Air Force ROTC has a goal of producing 1,365 graduates during 1993, 639 fewer than in 1991. It's accepting fewer students, 10,233 this year compared to a peak of 20,178 in 1990, and granting 1,750 scholarships, compared to 2,785 in 1990.

"That's the lowest we've been in a while, but ROTC still remains the largest source of officers in the Air Force," said Col. Eugene A. Rose III, registrar of Air Force ROTC Command at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Enrollment in Navy ROTC, including the Marine Corps, has been cut from 9,651 in 1990 to 6,773 in 1993. Scholarships have been reduced from about 6,500 students in 1990 to 4,805 in 1993.

Army ROTC programs let in 61,566 students in 1988, but accepted only about 43,000 in 1993. The Army granted 8,600 scholarships this year but officers did not have figures for past years.

"We were commissioning about 8,000 officers a year in 1988," said Maj. Bob Shepherd, spokesman for Army ROTC Command at Fort Monroe, Va. "This year we'll commission 4,500 to 5,000."

During college, ROTC students attend some military classes .



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New limits

Keeping several retirement accounts at one bank is not the safest move. As of Dec. 19, federal deposit insurance for most retirement accounts will be limited to $100,000 a person.

A person can now have that amount covered at a bank in each of four types of retirement accounts: individual retirement accounts, Keogh plans for self-employed workers, 401(k) plans sponsored by corporations and so-called 457 plans set up by state and local governments or nonprofit organizations.

The change was mandated by a 1991 law, which was intended to limit the scope of the deposit insurance system. The law requires that assets in these four types of retirement accounts be added together for insurance purposes.

If a bank fails, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation will cover only $100,000 in them for each person.

Certificates of deposit that mature after Dec. 19 will continue to be covered under the old law. But once they mature, the new rules will go into effect.

"If you are concerned about your money in bank retirement accounts, deal with the highest-quality banks," said Joel Isaacson, president of Joel Isaacson & Co., a New York financial planning firm. "And spread your funds around at different banks so that you stay under the $100,000 limitation."

People interested in government guarantees for their retirement money might consider an alternative to bank deposits: U.S. Savings Bonds and Treasury bills or notes. Treasury securities, of course, are subject to interest rate risk and therefore can decline in value if sold before they mature.

Just the fax

Faster fax machines can save money for businesses because less phone time is consumed. That's a bragging point for fax machine makers. But a surprising number of companies pay little attention to that cost.

A Gallup study for Pitney Bowes, the largest U.S. fax maker, found 72 percent of Fortune 500 companies did not account for fax costs. The typical reason: Phone costs show up on a different expense line than capital spending.

Many companies don't even use standard delay features, for sending non-important faxes after long distance rates go down in the evening, Pitney Bowes said.

Dear Santa ...

What are some of the hottest children's gifts on holiday shopping lists?

Yankelovich Partners Inc., a Westport, Conn., market researcher, asked 1,200 adult shoppers that question in a survey. The results revealed few surprises: 44 percent planned to buy their kids clothes; 30 percent, CDs or tapes; 30 percent, videos; 18 percent, Barbies; 16 percent, Barney toys; 15 percent, dinosaur toys; 12 percent, Aladdin toys; and 11 percent stereos and Nintendo games, respectively.

About half the households also said they planned to spend more than $100 on an individual gift for one of their children.

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MONEY MATTERS EDITOR
JIMMY PATTERSON

'94 a tough call for income investors

By Chet Currier
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — Unless it brings some dramatic and unexpected changes in market conditions, 1994 looms as a year of many compromise choices for yield-conscious savers and investors.

The financial menu heading into the new year offers few conservative vehicles returning much more than 3 percent to 4 percent — unless you are willing to brave the hazards of the long-term bond markets, where yields range upward from 6 percent or so.

But many analysts see a very real risk that interest rates will turn upward during the new year, depressing prices of existing bond investments.

Most forecasters on Wall Street quote long odds against anything like the drop in rates in 1993 that produced unexpected capital gains for many investors in bonds and bond mutual funds.

So analysts are advising that bond investors approach the new year with modest expectations.

"The portfolio managers in our recent surveys see little to no chance of rates declining beyond what was seen this year," reports Technical Data, a Boston research firm.

Keith Brodkin, chairman of the investment management firm of Massachusetts Financial Services Co., says anybody who purchases fixed-income investments now "should buy them for that purpose."

The ups and downs of interest rates are inherently unpredictable. If any of the "experts" could forecast these things with any certainty, they could quickly convert that knowledge into riches in the financial futures market, and would have no need to sell their services to others.

One way to deal with the uncertainty is to diversify maturities, mixing short-term with longer-term investments so that if rates rise, the increase in the yield of the short-term securities (known as "cash" on Wall Street) at least partly offsets the declining prices of the other holdings.

The incredible journey

The 20-second round-trip: The quick odyssey of plastic purchase

By Rob Wells
AP Business Writer

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

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

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

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

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

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

The network encompasses 9 million miles of fibre optic cables that link about 20,000 banks and other finan-

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Outmoded mortgage contracts cost economy

Associated Press

NEW YORK — This is a story of mortgage lending regulations designed to help homebuyers and safeguard society's economic well-being but which, according to Columbia University economists, are:

- Forcing lenders to deny loans to borrowers who already have demonstrated their credit-worthiness, while simultaneously endangering the lender's prospects for collecting on existing loans.
- Often causing hardships for the very borrowers who could most benefit from such financing.
- Holding back consumer spending.
- Lowering state tax revenues, thus adding pressure for either a reduction in state services or an increase in tax rates.

The situation arises when owners of mortgaged homes seek to refinance their properties at today's relatively low interest rates and are turned down by lenders, disqualified because the properties have fallen in value.

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Starting a fund for the disabled

N.Y. Times News Service

When Karen Greenberg and Jeffrey Rubin of Baldwin, N.Y., learned their son was autistic, financial planning took on a new meaning.

Ricky, who is 6 and will always need help with personal and household chores, is "likely to live long after us," Ms. Greenberg said.

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SMART MONEY

By Leonard Sloane
N.Y. Times News Service

Selling against the box

Q: With a short sale against the box, in which the short sale is covered by the purchase of an equivalent number of shares, what is the cost basis in determining profit or loss?
— Marion Cadley, Garden City, N.Y.

A: In a short sale against the box, shares are sold in the same quantity as shares already owned. This technique is often used to lock in a paper profit and postpone a taxable gain. At some later date, you will close out the short position by buying the equivalent number of shares. Your gain or loss will be measured by the difference between the price of the stock sold short and the cost basis of the stock used to close the short sale.

"Long-term or short-term capital gain taxation is determined based on the holding period of the original stock owned at the time of the short sale," said Peter Weitsen, a partner in Mendlowitz Weitsen, an accounting firm in East Brunswick, N.J. "If the original stock was held for more than one year at the time of the short against the box and new shares are acquired to cover the sale, any losses will be taxed as long-term regardless of the time period between the short sale and the date the new shares are acquired."

The exception? Losses on the transaction are disallowed if the short is covered within 30 days of the sale or if the original shares are acquired within 30 days of the short.

Redeeming matured bonds

Q: Are corporations or their paying agents under any obligation to notify bondholders of the procedure to be followed for redeeming registered bonds that have matured?
— Samuel Jarkesy, Wayne, N.J.

A: When a bond is held to maturity, the issuing corporation, municipality or paying agent is not required to notify all bondholders. These bondholders have the obligation to present the security for collection.

"If an issue is being redeemed prior to the original maturity date, commonly known as a call," the issuer must notify the holders, said Michael Appelbaum, first vice president of Merrill Lynch & Co. And if the bonds are held in an account at a brokerage firm, "the firm has the responsibility to collect all principal and interest payment for the client, whether at maturity or in the event of a call."

Social security

Q: Can someone who is 62 or older collect Social Security benefits without retiring?
— Michael Cominotto, New York, N.Y.

A: If you are 62 or older and still working, you may be able to collect Social Security benefits. A person between 62 and 65 can earn up to $8,040 in 1994 and collect all benefits. A person 65 or older can earn up to $11,160 and collect full benefits. For people with more compensation, there is a deduction from benefits based on earnings.

Sawl Woolfson, a spokesman for the Social Security Administration, provided the following examples: A 62-year-old entitled to a monthly benefit of $600 who earned $20,000 would collect just $1,220 in benefits in 1994; a 65-year-old entitled to a monthly benefit of $1,000 who earned $40,000 during the year would collect $2,987 in benefits.

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	Joint	100,000	100,000
RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS			
Various types of restricted savings	IRA	$ 100,000	Combined total of $100,000
	Keogh	100,000	
	401(k)	100,000	
	457	100,000	
TOTAL		$ 600,000	$ 300,000

N.Y. Times News Service

Banks can stop selling, cashing savings bonds

By Bill Doyle

Q: I've been buying U.S. savings bonds for my grandchildren's birthdays for more than 25 years. Recently, my bank put up a sign saying it will not sell or redeem those bonds.



Doyle

Can you tell me the reason for this? Where could my grandchildren go to cash the bonds?

A: U.S. savings bonds can be redeemed without cost to the owner at any authorized savings bond paying agent. That includes virtually all banks, savings and loan associations and credit unions in this nation. For simplicity's sake, we'll call them all "banks."

If the paying agent bank does not know the person presenting a bond for redemption, the owner is required to establish his or her identity. The bank does that by following the "Identification Guide" furnished to all savings bond paying agents.

Boiled down, that means the person who brings in a bond must prove he or she is the owner. That's usually no big thing. Most of us have a driver's licence, birth certificate or similar forms of identification.

Only a small number of banks stopped being savings bond agents, citing that selling and redeeming bonds is a bother and competes with banking accounts, such as certificates of deposit.

However, after getting complaints from customers, most of those banks came back into the savings bond program. Depositors who want savings bonds are likely to take all their business to banks providing that service. Why don't you do the same thing?

Q: I bought series EE savings bonds at my bank for many years with no problem. Now that new EE bonds come from the Federal Reserve Bank, many of them have been lost, never received or poorly distributed.

For my daughter's bat mitzvah, three separate bonds never arrived in the mail. The guests who gave those bonds are angry. Our family is angry.

How can we fix the system the government broke?

A: The government denies the system is broken nearly as badly as you seem to think. A Bureau of the Public Debt spokesman asserts the non-receipt rate for EE bonds is less than three-tenths of 1 percent. He adds that even that minuscule amount is "unacceptable and is being worked on."

Your complain is with the U.S. Treasury Department's Regional Delivery System. It's called "regional" because it was tested in Ohio, gradually expanded to other parts of the country and now is nationwide.

Before the birth of the RDS, you could walk into a bank, pay for a bond and walk out with it in hand.

Now, you fill out a simple order form -- PF F5263 -- and pay the local bank for the bond. Your order is forwarded to a Federal Reserve Bank, which issues the bond and mails it to you or to whomever you direct.

The local bank should offer the buyer of a gift bond a gift certificate, showing that the bond has been purchased and is on its way.

Normal delivery time is less than three weeks. If the bonds haven't arrived in a month, check with the bank where bat mitzvah guests placed their orders and tell that bank to follow through with the district Federal Reserve Bank.

Q: Can you help us figure out when to cash E and EE bonds so that we do not lose any interest?

A: To do that, you must redeem each bond on the first day of the month in which interest accrues and increases the bond's redemption value. For most Es and EEs, that is every six months after the issue date. But there are a lot of exceptions to that general rule. For instance, interest accrues monthly on EEs issued since March 1, 1993.

You should get your hands on a sheet headed "Table of Interest Accrual Dates for U.S. Savings Bonds." It's available free from the Public Affairs Office, U.S. Savings Bond Division, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20226.

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CREDIT: Computer asks several questions

(From 1B)

cial institutions and 10 million merchants in 247 countries and territories worldwide.

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

Visa anticipates such electronic banking networks will play an even more important role in consumers' lives as interactive television and other advances in technology gain wider acceptance.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

■ Does the purchase exceed your credit limit?

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

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

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

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

After you've walked off with the purchase, the second half of the transaction takes place in which the store, the store's bank and your bank have to settle the tab, or clear the transaction. This also is done through VisaNet but typically takes about 3½ days.

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

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

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

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

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

A fortress of finance

Associated Press

They don't leave much to chance at Visa's nerve center.

From backup batteries to earthquake-proof walls, Visa International security planners went to considerable lengths in designing the McLean "super center," one of the credit card giant's two computer complexes.

The McLean center and a sister operation in Britain together processed about a $500 billion in transactions on 300 million cards circulated in 247 countries and territories last year.

The importance of the McLean center isn't evident from the exterior, and Visa wants it that way. There are no Visa signs on the bland stucco walls of this squat office building; for security reasons on a recent press tour, Visa asked that the exterior not be photographed.

The building is designed to withstand an 8.0 earthquake on the Richter scale of ground motion, about the same size of the quake that nearly razed San Francisco in 1906.

The center of this $300 million computer and communications network has three sources of power: the local utility, three diesel-powered backup generators, and in case those fail, a basement with two enormous banks of lead-acid batteries. The monthly utility bill: about $42,000.

Visa leases 9 million miles of fiber optic cables in an overlapping system designed to avoid system crashes if a single line is severed.

Strange things happen sometimes to these cables, says John Spengler, Visa's operations manager at McLean. He recalled the time when a farmer in Texas cut a cable by digging a grave to bury his cow.

The cooling system for the computer and communications technology is water fed, with 24,000 gallons stored underground in case of a local supply disruption, said Spengler. Design of the building's plumbing took a cue from a the cooling systems of nuclear reactors.

All of this is aimed at keeping the Visa system running around-the-clock, although breakdowns aren't impossible. In 1991, for example, the credit card authorization system didn't work for 18 minutes on a busy shopping Saturday before Christmas.

For Visa International executive vice president Roger Peirce, in charge of technology, the resulting confusion was a defining event. Afterward, he sought to shrink the 50 minutes of "down time" the center allows itself each year to no more than a few minutes.

MORTGAGE: Some owners must re-qualify

(From 1B)

A loan made four years ago on the basis of 80 percent of value, for example, might now equal 100 percent of market value, even with payments made over the years, and nobody likes to lend more than 100 percent.

The problem exists mainly when lenders, such as banks, seek to resell mortgages to government-sponsored corporations, such as the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (Freddie Mac) and the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae). About 70 percent of all mortgage loans are resold.

Such mortgage purchasing agencies insist that homeowners with existing mortgages requalify for loans, and they set upper limits of about 80 percent to 95 percent of market value.

But, said Professor Joseph Tracy, "the entire requalification process is unnecessary." The risk, he said, is already built into the system, since the the borrower, if refused a new loan, remains a borrower with the existing loan.

In fact, the denial of refinancing might even endanger the quality of the existing loan, since it raises chances that those experiencing economic hardship will eventually fall behind in payments.

The demand for requalification of existing borrowers, the authors of the study say, is the result of an outdated mortgage contract, and they recommend that in the future the requalification requirement be eliminated.

One possibility they suggest is a conversion clause written into the original mortgage contract that would permit an automatic refinancing of the mortgage after the payment of a fixed fee.

While co-author Andrew Caplin, vice chairman of economics at Columbia, conceded it would be difficult to change existing mortgage contracts, he said it would be easier to write the conversion clause into brand new ones.

The professors, in cooperation with Charles Freeman, a Chemical Bank business risk manager, said the economic damage can be measured in $65 billion worth of residential mortgages that would have been refinanced had prices not fallen.

They arrived at that figure, apparently the first such quanitification of the phenomenon, after studying 35,000 mortgages originated in the 48 contiguous states by Chemical between June 1989 and May 1992.

With lower monthly payments, they said, "it is likely the extra money would have been used to purchase other consumer goods."

However, they added, as matters turned out, the reduction in disposable income due to high interest payments may have cut into state services or forced taxes higher than they might have been.

TRUST: Parents must grapple with concerns

(From 1B)

Parents of children with mental and physical disabilities must grapple with a host of concerns about their children's well-being. An important one is financial security, particularly as medical advances lead to longer life spans.

Setting aside sufficient money is only part of the challenge. A child who directly inherits money from parents may lose government benefits like education, housing and Medicaid. Or the government could confiscate the inheritance as a reimbursement for expenses already incurred.

Establishing a special kind of trust can protect the inheritance and the benefits. Known as a Supplemental Needs Trust, the fund is usually used for discretionary spending on clothes, hobbies, therapies and comforts not provided by public funds.

Two recent pieces of legislation make these trusts more important than ever. The budget law of 1993 tightened the rules on qualifying for Medicaid. Many states have added some of their own restrictions, too. That means disabled people may have to spend down any assets not held in trust before becoming eligible.

Separately, New York State modified its law on supplemental trusts in July, making it clear that it will not raid these funds for reimbursement. Other states are taking similar steps.

To play it safe, the trust document should state that the fund is intended to supplement rather than supplant government assistance, said David Goldfarb, a partner in the New York law firm of Goldfarb & Abrandt.

For guidance, look for a lawyer specializing in trusts and estates or government programs. The process is too complex to be handled by someone in general practice, said Alan King, national director for estate planning at Citibank, New York.

Moreover, the trust should be integrated into an estate plan, King said. The trustees should ideally be family members or close friends.

Ms. Greenberg, a partner in Prosperity Planning Inc., which specializes in the financial needs of the disabled, recommends financing the trust not only with available assets, but also with a life insurance policy payable to the trust upon the death of the second parent.

Called a second-to-die policy, the product is about half the cost of personal life insurance.

If the parents prefer, they can stipulate that such a trust be established upon their death. This approach eliminates the cost and paperwork of filing a tax return for the trust each year and accounting for its assets.

Ms. Greenberg and Rubin, for example, place some money each month in a special joint account.

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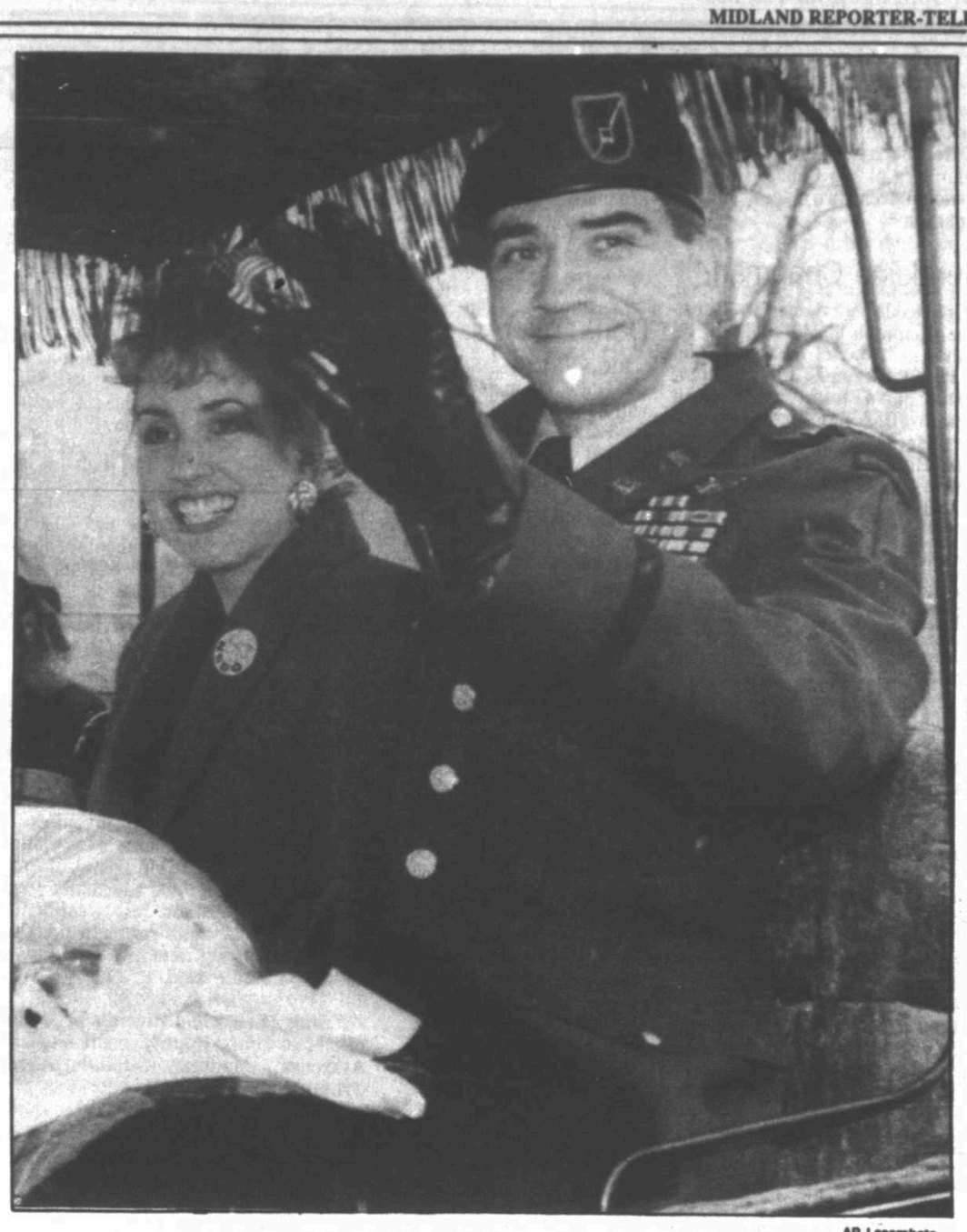
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Chief Warrant Officer Michael Durant, with his wife Lorrie, waves to area residents who line the streets of Berlin, N.H., Sunday, to honor their hometown hero. Durant was shot down and held captive by Somali warlord Mohamed Aidid's forces in October.

Thousands honor pilot during parade

By Frank Baker
Associated Press

BERLIN, N.H. — His injuries are healing, but Army helicopter pilot Michael Durant says the pain of knowing 18 soldiers died fighting with him remains.

"I think about those guys every day, and I realize how fortunate I am," he said at a news conference Sunday at Berlin High School, his alma mater. "They died doing what they loved best. The fact that they aren't here any more is a sad thing for me and their families."

Durant's hometown, a blue-collar city in northern New Hampshire, held a rally and its biggest-ever parade for him Sunday.

Several thousand people lined Main Street to watch Durant and his wife, Lorrie, ride by in a horse-drawn carriage. New Hampshire's entire congressional delegation was on hand for a rally in the Berlin High gym.

"What he represents is what's best about Americans — good people trying to do good things," U.S. Sen. Judd Gregg said.

Durant, dressed in his Army uniform, was accompanied at the rally by his 1-year-old son, Joey, and parents, Leon and Louise.

"You've given us more than a homecoming celebration, you've given us memories that we will carry forever," said Durant, who joined the Army after graduating from high school in 1979.

Durant, 32, injured his spine and broke his right thigh when Somali warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid's forces shot down his combat helicopter on Oct. 3. A mob broke some bones in Durant's face while he lay on the ground, and he was shot once in the arm while in captivity.

Durant wears a back brace and limps, but said he expects to fully recover from his injuries within a year. Whether he will fly again for the military won't be known for some time, he said.

Durant said he understands Somali anger over Operation Restore Hope.

"There were unnecessary losses on both sides," he said. "It's a difficult situation fighting in an urban environment; nobody's wearing uniforms, everybody's got a gun. I'm sure innocent people were killed. . . . It's just something that happens."

Durant has been recuperating at his home in Clarksville, Tenn., since being released from a hospital last month. He said he was looking forward to returning to a more private life and spending uninterrupted time with his family.

"I hope I don't see a camera again for a while," he said. "We're even going to put our own in a bag and leave it."

Also Sunday, about 180 soldiers returned from Somalia to Fort Drum, N.Y. Army Chief of Staff Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan attended a 45-minute welcoming ceremony.

Administration to alter communications

WASHINGTON (NYT) — The Clinton administration is poised to make broad changes in communications policy, and will give its support this week to legislation that would break down the legal barriers that currently separate the telephone and cable television industries.

On Tuesday, Vice President Al Gore plans to give the first of two major speeches outlining this and other principles in the administration's plan for a "national information infrastructure."

Broadly, Gore will support bills now pending in Congress to permit greater competition between cable and telephone industries, as well as moves to relax restrictions that now bar local telephone companies from competing in long-distance service.

He is also expected to push for new measures to insure that advanced communications services reach schools, inner cities and rural areas.

The White House is also drafting plans to establish an electronic procurement system for the federal government, and it plans to expand the amount of government information available over computer networks without charge.

These measures, formulated with the input of private industry, represent a level of broad new agreement on how to overhaul communications law that would have seemed unthinkable just a few months ago.

The new consensus is being driven largely by the forces of technology and changes in the marketplace, which are undermining the assumptions behind the thick mesh of regulation in recent decades.

As a result, there is now a strong chance that Washington will adopt the most far-reaching changes in telecommunications policy since the breakup of the old Bell System 10 years ago. The changes would have a great impact on both consumers and business.

The message closely dovetails with both bipartisan efforts in Congress and with a new level of agreement in the normally fractious communications industry. But although there is broad agreement on principles, any opposition to the changes will come in battles over the details — for example, safeguards that might be imposed to prevent unfair competition.

"The stars are now aligned for historic legislation in 1994, there's no question about it," said Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., and chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Telecommunications.

Markey and Rep. Jack Fields, R-Texas, have introduced legislation that would let telephone and cable television companies compete head-to-head.

Clinton hosts family, friends for Christmas

Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton and his wife, Hillary, welcomed close friends and family members — including distant cousins, aunts, uncles and in-laws — to the White House on Sunday for a Christmas party.

The soiree was part of a Christmas tradition dating to Clinton's days in the Arkansas governor's mansion when family members gathered from across the country at Christmas time.

"It's the family party," said the president when asked about the gathering while jogging Sunday morning.

The guest list, both family and scores of friends from Clinton's Arkansas days, was said by some White House officials to exceed 500 people, although the exact number of guests was unclear.

Clinton's mother, Virginia Kelley, and her husband, Dick, spent Saturday night at the White House, as did Mrs. Clinton's brother, Hugh Rodham.

Kelley, the fourth husband of Clinton's mother, brought family with him.

Relatives of Clinton's father, W.J. Blythe, were invited from Texas, but it was not known whether the guests included two people who claim to be Blythe's offsprings by women other than Clinton's mother. Blythe died in a car accident shortly before Clinton's birth.

Popcorn and movies were prepared for the dozens of children.

The party, one of several thrown by the Clintons during the holiday season, capped a festive weekend for the First Family.

Earlier Sunday, the Clintons attended Foundry United Methodist Church to watch their daughter, Chelsea, perform in a skit about finding Jesus in modern times. Chelsea, 13, played a role in the "Nutcracker" earlier in the Christmas season.

Several of Chelsea's friends accompanied her to church. The president and first lady sang Christmas carols with the congregation.

Clinton nodded his head when the Rev. J. Philip Wogaman talked about the civil rights movement in a sermon that also embraced feminism and gay rights.

Alluding to administration plans to overhaul the welfare system, but not mentioning Clinton by name, the preacher said welfare reformers should not forget that some people cannot survive without benefits.

Defense nominee may ponder Japanese

■ News Analysis

WASHINGTON (AP) — As Bobby Inman ponders the moves he would make as defense secretary, he may be thinking of Japan — not so much the U.S.-Japanese defense alliance as the unusual cooperation between Japanese government and private industry.

Inman, a retired Navy admiral, is known to believe the U.S. government could benefit from imitating aspects of the Japanese government's way of doing business.

"Some people joke that I see the Defense Department as some form of MITI," Inman told Fortune magazine in 1986, referring to Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry, which helps companies develop new products. "I'm not so sure I disagree."

Inman isn't likely to reveal many of his ideas on defense policy until his Senate confirmation hearing next month. But some of his past statements suggest he'll put a heavy emphasis on changing the way the Pentagon does business.

Inman touched on the subject in remarks at the White House on Thursday when President Clinton announced his choice to replace Defense Secretary Les Aspin. Inman spent 31 years in the Navy and the past decade in private business.

"In these last 10 years I've learned a lot about how business works, and I would hope to spend a lot of my time on bringing best business practices to the Department of Defense," Inman said.

Inman is known as a strong advocate for overhauling the way the Defense Department buys things, and how it deals with the thousands of U.S. companies that form the defense industrial base.

These issues are of growing importance as the government struggles to keep a strong supplier base while cutting defense purchases and research spending.

NAACP defends Michael Jackson as media victim

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The NAACP supported Michael Jackson Sunday, saying he had been victimized by the media.

Shannon F. Reeves, West Coast Region Director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, called a news conference to discuss "the media bashing of entertainer Michael Jackson and to address how other economically powerful African-Americans have been victimized by the press," a news release said.

Reeves did not answer a request for comment made Sunday through her publicist. The news conference was to be held today.

Jackson is accused in a lawsuit of molesting a 13-year-old boy he befriended. He has denied wrongdoing, and his representatives say the allegation resulted from a failed extortion attempt by the boy's father.

No criminal charges have been filed; authorities are investigating.

Jackson is believed to be secluded at his Neverland ranch in Los Olivos, about 150 miles north of Los Angeles. He probably will make a statement this week, Jackson attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. said Friday.

A chimpanzee rode out of the ranch Sunday in a pickup truck with two men. An arcade-sized video game was delivered Saturday, and a woman who wanted to give Jackson an envelope containing copies of prayers and a letter was turned away at the main gate.

Jackson is scheduled to give a deposition in the boy's lawsuit on Jan. 18. The trial is to begin March 21.

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Neil Truex Sr.

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Truex died Saturday.

He was born March 30, 1953, in Midland and graduated from Midland High School in 1972. He worked for Jesse Barber, a Midland construction company, for six years before working for Kenneth Curry Construction Company for two years. He worked for Midland Independent School District for eight years before becoming self-employed. He was a member of Cuthbert Avenue Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his father, William R. Truex, in 1991, and a brother, Gary Lee Truex.

Survivors include two sons, Earnest Neil Truex Jr. and Jerrod Dean Truex, both of Midland; his mother, Ruby Long Truex of Midland; five brothers, Wayne Truex of London, Texas, William Truex, Eldon Truex, Ronald Truex and Dearl Truex, all of Midland; three sisters, Lois Friedrichs and Belinda Merriman, both of Midland, and Patricia Truex of Odessa; six nieces; six nephews; and several great-nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers are Jimmy Friedrichs, Robert Friedrichs, James White, Johnathan Furman, Gary Truex and Michael Campbell.

Honorary pallbearer is Richard Thompson.

Memorials may be made to Midland Christian School in honor of Neil Truex Jr. and Jerrod Truex.

Robert Stephens

Graveside services for Robert Bruce Stephens will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Fields, of Cotton Flat Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Stephens died Saturday at a local hospital.

He was born July 26, 1938, in Emporia, Va., where he was raised. He moved to Dallas in 1955 and to Midland in 1975. He was self-employed until retirement.

Survivors include a son, Robert Bruce Stephens Jr. of Groton, Conn.; two daughters, Tina Louise Petronella of Midland and Terry Lynn Petronella of San Angelo; a brother, John L. Stephens of Kansas City, Kan.; two sisters, Barbara McGibbony of Kemp and Peggy Lehmberg of Big Canoe, Ga.; six grandchildren; two nieces; and six nephews.

Geraldine Chapman

Graveside services for Geraldine Chapman of Midland will be at 10 a.m. today at Resthaven Memorial Park with Jerry Hilton, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Chapman died Thursday at a local hospital.

Louis Coldren

Graveside services for Louis F. Coldren of Midland will be at 9 a.m. today at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Bob Porterfield, of West Kentucky Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Coldren died Friday at his residence.

Doris Tiller

BIG SPRING — Services for Doris Ruth Tiller, 65, of Coahoma will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel with ministers Ralph Beistle, of Lubbock, and Russ Mullins, of the Coahoma Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

Mrs. Tiller died Saturday at a Midland hospital.

She was born Nov. 12, 1928, in Ballinger. She recieved a bachelor's degree from Abilene Christian University and a master's degree from Sul Ross University. She married Rod Tiller on June 3, 1948, in Colorado City. In 1954, she moved to Coahoma, where she was a member of Coahoma Church of Christ. She taught school for 30 years, 28 years in Coahoma. She was a member of the 1941 Study Club in Coahoma and the Retired Teachers Association.

She was preceded in death by a brother.

Survivors include her husband, Rod Tiller of Coahoma; a son, Ronald Mark Tiller of Houston; a daughter, Rhonda Susan Tiller of Midland; and two grandchildren.

Many small towns struggle to find room for young offenders

By Kelley Shannon
Associated Press

SEGUIN (AP) — As big cities struggle to make room for young offenders in crowded juvenile detention centers, small towns are confronting a more basic question.

Where do you put youths accused of violent crimes when you have no detention center, or only a very small one?

For many Texas counties, the answer is to ship the kids out of town.

"You try not to do that, but when you have to, you have to," said Susan Dow, media and legislative coordinator for the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission in Austin.

Juvenile officers are being assigned to drive young people to out-of-town detention centers, where they wait for their cases to move through the juvenile justice system.

The trips sometimes keep officers away for several hours at a time. Counties are charged from about $60 to $130 per day per youth for the out-of-town incarcerations.

In Texas, a state with 254 counties, there are only 52 juvenile detention centers, Ms. Dow said.

"There's no determining who will have a juvenile detention facility," she said. "It's who has the money to build one."

Unlike many rural communities, Guadalupe County has a seven-bed juvenile detention center, a converted office with an open area and four adjoining rooms. Lately that hasn't been enough.

Detention officer Bob Miller is haunted by the terror last month of a group of teen-agers pulling him to the floor, hitting him with a metal chain and handcuffing him.

The youths, ranging in age from 14 to 16, restrained Miller's 23-year-old female partner with handcuffs and leg shackles before taking her keys and fleeing. The juveniles were apprehended the next day. Some were sent to a another small but more secure detention center in Atascosa County, about 60 miles away.

"I've never had one of them assault me before," said Miller, 61, a former Air Force drill sergeant. "I'm trying to work my way through it."

Maribeth Powers, Guadalupe County's chief juvenile probation officer, said the attack is indicative of the increasingly violent youths her office deals with.

"The terminology in the detention world is we need a lockdown," she said.

Larger cities, like San Antonio, usually are overflowing with juveniles of their own. Bexar County's detention center stopped taking out-of-town youths two years ago, said chief juvenile probation officer Jose Castillo.

"We have a real problem in that we're working to meet Bexar County's needs," Castillo said.

Frank Allen, chief juvenile probation officer in Comal County, contracts with Atascosa, Medina, Guadalupe and Travis counties.

POLICE REPORTS

Car accident

A Midland police officer and two other residents were treated and released at Memorial Hospital and Medical Center Sunday after a two-vehicle accident.

According to a police report, Sgt. Terry Garner, 44, and Anita Woods, 23, were headed north on Midland Drive in a police vehicle about 1:50 p.m. The vehicle had stopped at a red light at Neely Avenue when it was struck from behind by an automobile driven by James Carlin, 68.

The report stated that Carlin told investigating officers he fell asleep while driving. No charges had been filed Sunday evening and an investigation continues.

Sunday — Vandalism: Hillary Dominguez reported four vehicle tires being slashed at 2403 Holloway Ave. at 9:34 a.m.

Burglary of a Vehicle: Greg Valdez reported a radar detector and assorted compact discs taken from a vehicle at 937 N. Dallas St. at 9:52 a.m.

Report: Documents cite problems within Texas Guard

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Documents from an investigation of the Texas National Guard cite widespread problems within the agency, including misuse of military aircraft, contract fraud and discrimination, the Corpus Christi Caller-Times reported Sunday.

According to documents compiled during the two-year probe of the Guard, millions of dollars in equipment is missing, contract fraud may have cost taxpayers millions of dollars and caused damage to the environment and personnel files were tampered with to keep certain Guard members in the agency.

The investigation also concluded that Hispanic guardsmen have been victims of discrimination.

Guard officials contend the allegations are from disgruntled officers.

But Eddie Cavazos, chairman of the Texas Employment Commission and a former Corpus Christi lawmaker, says he is not surprised by the charges.

Cavazos led the campaign urging Gov. Ann Richards to appoint a special investigator to examine discrimination complaints against the Guard, which employs about 22,000 Texans.

However, discrimination was only one of many allegations made by Guard members, Cavazos said.

"I heard accusations of missing equipment, drug dealings, fake bonuses and so forth," he said.

John Rohmfeld, a 38-year-old former soldier at the Corpus Christi armory, compiled "Report on Corruption in the Texas National Guard." The report, a 90-page, typewritten daily diary, outlines "four years of discrimination, bigotry, double standards, cover-ups, humiliation and overt hostilities" in the Texas Guard from August 1988 to July 1993.

Rohmfeld, a former Air Guard colonel, said that while he was a guardsman, millions of dollars in missing equipment could not be accounted for. Among the missing equipment were M-16 rifles, hand grenades, night scopes, artillery rounds and other ammunition, according to his report.

"Cover-ups and denials could be expected to discourage probes into Texas National Guard affairs," the report added.

The report also says top Guard officials operated with the intent of stifling minority promotions.

"Their racism and arrogance is unbelievable, as is their political power to strike down highly qualified officers," said the report by Rohmfeld, who is Anglo.

The allegations have produced several investigations, including probes by the FBI and Defense Department inspector general, and a joint state and federal equal-opportunity probe.

State bar's efforts to regulate ads by lawyers may fail

DALLAS (AP) — The State Bar Association's attempt to regulate lawyer advertising may, for a third time, fail from a lack of response.

The state's more than 57,000 lawyers were asked last month to vote on a proposed rule to ban lawyer advertising that appeals to emotions or contains unsubstantiated claims. The referendum fails automatically if at least 51 percent of the ballots aren't returned by Monday.

State Bar President Lonny Morrison said that only 42.53 percent of the state's lawyers had returned their ballots by last week.

The State Bar has circulated referendums on the issue twice before, failing both times to get a 51 percent response. This time, Morrison blames the holiday and organized opposition for the poor ballot showing.

"I think lawyer advertising has been devastating to the image of our profession," said Morrison. "I think it's the single most contributing cause of the negative image that people have of lawyers."

Lawyers opposed to the referendum, known as Texans Against Censorship, have asked lawyers who advertise not to return their ballots.

"This whole thing was started by a bunch of trial lawyers who don't advertise, and they want to make our ads ineffective," said Dallas lawyer and opposition leader Brian Loncar. "It's an economic thing, not a public perception thing."

The State Bar currently prohibits its lawyers from making false or misleading statements in advertisements, but the proposed rule is designed to better define what is misleading, Morrison said.

Under the proposal, lawyers whose print or electronic advertisements include more than basic information, such as name and location of the firm, must submit copies to the State Bar.

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The business and advertising departments of the Midland Reporter-Telegram will be closed Friday, December 24, in observance of the Christmas Holiday and will have the following deadlines:

EDITION	DEADLINE
Saturday, Dec. 25	Wednesday, Dec. 22
Sunday, Dec. 26	
lifestyle, oil, entertainment	Tuesday, Dec. 21, noon
Nueva Vista, Dec. 26	Tuesday, Dec. 21, noon
Sunday, Dec. 26	
main, local, sports	Wednesday, Dec. 22
Monday, Dec. 27	Wednesday, Dec. 22
Tuesday, Dec. 28	Thursday, Dec. 23, noon
Teleview, Jan. 2	Wednesday, Dec. 22
Neighbors, Jan. 5	Thursday, Dec. 23, noon

The Circulation Department will be open Christmas Eve and Christmas Day from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. and can be reached at 688-2700.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

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DEAR ABBY

Foreign visitors discover rude treatment by U.S. Customs

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I came to the United States from the Netherlands in 1960 with a fairly good knowledge of the English language, but I took quite a ribbing about my pronunciation, and ignorance of your slang words and expressions.



Van Buren

Over the years, friends and relatives from the Netherlands have come over to visit me, and they all agree that the U.S. Customs officers give foreigners a very hard time. (Not all foreigners are terrorists, drug dealers or thieves, you know.)

My 87-year-old mother was made to wait while the customs officer rewrote all her forms. (If he could read them, they must have been legible, right?)

Recently my nephew came over with his wife. Their plane had been delayed eight hours, arriving at Kennedy Airport at 3 a.m., where the customs officers were downright nasty!

I don't know if the same is true at other international airports, but I'd like to know if other travelers have had problems with customs officers. Perhaps they should all be sent to charm school.

Abby, if you print this, please don't use my name, as I fly back home every year, and I don't want to be "strip-searched" next time I fly. — FREQUENT FLIER IN NEW YORK

DEAR FREQUENT FLIER: It would take more than "charm school"; it would take "reform" school.

I, too, had a nasty run-in with a U.S. Customs officer: On returning from the Orient in 1963, a customs officer in Honolulu insisted that the pearl necklace I was carrying in my purse had been purchased in the Orient.

I told him that I had owned it for 10 years. He refused to believe me, so I telephoned my insurance agent in San Francisco, who verified the fact.

This occurred on a Sunday. All the telephone circuits were busy, so it took four hours to complete the call; consequently, I missed my plane and had to take a later flight home.

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter married a man with two children who lived with them. They later had one child together. For many years, we included the stepchildren in our family gatherings. After they were grown, we decided that the stepchildren should be excluded. (We asked our daughter to handle this.)

Our son-in-law and his children were very hurt and angry. (Can you believe they nearly divorced over this?) Now, he no longer speaks to us, and neither he nor our daughter comes to family parties. She insists that we were wrong, but we don't believe we were.

What do you think? And how can we rectify this situation? — PERPLEXED IN MICHIGAN

DEAR PERPLEXED: I think you were not only wrong, you were incredibly insensitive, tactless and cruel. You owe your daughter, her husband and the children you offended an apology.

DEAR ABBY: I've been reading about all the crybabies who are angry and disappointed because they did not know their biological parents.

Abby, did they ever stop to think that they might have been the aftermath of a drunken party?

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I would not have walked next door to see my natural mother or father. I am 71 years old. Please withhold my name. — A MISSISSIPPI MALE

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Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

New research indicates that more Americans are smoking

By Michael Janofsky
N.Y. Times News Service

After years of admonitions about the dangers of smoking, some Americans may be growing weary of the message. New evidence suggests that a steady decline in cigarette smoking over the last 25 years may be ending, with one recent study hinting that a resurgence may be under way.

Surprisingly, the shift appears to include groups that have historically been at the forefront of enlightened attitudes toward health habits — adults in their 40s, people with college educations and those in households with more than $35,000 in annual income.

People in these groups, which include new smokers and those who have quit, appear to have emerged into a new category of "social smokers" who enjoy lighting up only occasionally.

"I call it pleasure revenge," said Faith Popcorn, a New York marketing consultant who specializes in trends. "People are feeling tense. They're sick of being so perfect — going to bed early, working hard, eating all the right food, being absolutely politically perfect. So they decide to have a cigarette. It's arrogance, in a way."

While industry statistics show that domestic cigarette sales have been falling for more than a decade, some scientists and marketing experts say some pockets of society still resist health warnings against smoking.

Further, the emerging patterns demonstrate that the activities of health groups and people active in the antismoking movement might have reached a saturation point — at least until a new force like higher cigarette taxes or stronger connections between smoking and disease initiate another decline.

Fueling the notion that smoking is on the rise within these groups is the latest annual health survey conducted by Princeton Survey Research Associates for Prevention magazine, which provides a snapshot of the nation's attitudes toward health issues.

It shows an increase of five percentage points, to 30 percent, in 1992 in the number of adults who identified themselves as cigarette smokers. Based on a telephone poll of 1,250 people 18 years of age or over, the survey reflected the highest level of smoking in the United States in eight years. The survey had a margin of sampling error of plus or minus three percentage points.

The Prevention survey also showed that the number of people 40 to 49 years of age who smoke increased 11 percentage points, to 32 percent; that the number of smokers with more than a high school education rose nearly seven percentage points, to 25.9 percent; and that those with annual household incomes of more than $35,000 increased to 26.7 percent, from 19 percent in 1991.

"We do get aberrations," said Tom Dybdahl, director of research for Prevention magazine. "If next year we get a 28 percent, it could mean there hasn't been a real increase. But clearly, what we have shown is the end of the decline. Whether there really is an increase, we'll need more time to know."

In the face of the steady decline in cigarette sales, the larger number of smokers tends to suggest that the smoking population may be shifting away from those who smoke a pack a day or more to those who may puff only once a day or twice a week and do not necessarily consider themselves full-time smokers.

Yet, not all those who track levels of smoking in the United States would attribute an increase, or at least the leveling off, only to sudden bursts of indulgence by non-traditional groups.

Among the most comprehensive national studies are those conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a federal agency whose headquarters are in Atlanta, which has tracked the rate of smoking in the United States for nearly 40 years.

Its most recent survey, for 1991, of people who call themselves smokers, with nearly 44,000 respondents and a margin of sampling error of one percentage point, showed a negligible increase to 25.7 percent, or 46.3 million, from 25.5 percent.

But Michael Eriksen, director of the agency's Office on Smoking and Health, discounted the notion that the smoking population has necessarily grown from the groups identified by Prevention magazine and Ms. Popcorn.

"There could be a very small number of people who don't want to be politically correct," Eriksen said.

Smaller catches bring stiffer rules

WASHINGTON (NYT) — It has been 17 years since Congress passed the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act, regulations intended to reverse the steep decline in the nation's fishing. But the slide continues.

Although the law imposed strict catch limits and shortened fishing seasons and all but banished foreign trawlers from American waters, fish stocks off every coast are under more pressure than ever from bigger and more efficient boats and nets.

Fisheries regulators, whipsawed by economic, environmental and political interests, are constantly struggling to minimize overfishing and, at the same time, maximize returns for boats and crews.

Worried about the outcome of this struggle, Congress has again stepped in and mandated still more fishing restrictions. In a last-minute vote before Thanksgiving adjournment, the lawmakers ordered a new set of rules imposing stricter limits and shorter seasons.

An important difference in the new legislation is that it focuses not on the deep offshore waters regulated by the Magnuson Act but instead on shallow inshore waters, specifically the shoreline waters of the Atlantic coast that once teemed with fish.

Many of the details of the new regulations will be decided by a compact made up of the Atlantic Coast states from Maine to Florida.

For the short term, as the new rules take effect, the fishing situation for many recreational and commercial fishermen will probably get worse before it gets better.

Along the Atlantic Coast, the weakfish catch has fallen 85 percent since 1980, the summer flounder catch has fallen 70 percent since 1989, and the decline in landings of cod and haddock has left the New England fishing fleet foundering in economic woe.

In the Gulf, red snapper flourishes only in areas where wrecks prevent trawling.

Up and down the Pacific Coast, there are still salmon, perch and bass to be had. But in many cases, particularly outside Alaska, now the nation's most productive fishing region, stocks exist only because hatcheries are producing fingerlings.

Put smile on your face, ex-senator says

By Lawrence L. Knutson
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After four years in retirement, former Sen. William Proxmire of Wisconsin is all smiles.

He says smiling, measuring your life in "smiles per hour," is good for you. As far as the 78-year-old Proxmire is concerned, that means near-constant smiling. And writing about the benefits of it.

Proxmire, who was one of the Senate's most senior Democrats when he retired in 1989 after a 32-year congressional career, is launching a new book to push his point. He published it himself.

The book, "Your Joyride to Health," consists of an extended 306-page conversation among four members of an imaginary family on how to improve health and how smiling will do the trick.

Not just flash-and-dash smiling, mind you. Real smiling. And very prolonged smiling. Pretty much nonstop smiling in fact.

"Break your record," Proxmire advises. "Make your smile continue for a full minute, then five minutes, then half an hour. Smile when you fall asleep at night. Smile when you wake in the morning or the middle of the night."

What Proxmire has in mind is really determined, even-when-it-hurts smiling.

"Even when you feel terrible. Smile!" one of his fictional family members says. "The dentist is drilling your root canal. Smile! The corn on you little toe is killing you. Smile! Or better still: Laugh."

Some people might say all of this smiling is too much of a good thing; Proxmire insists it pays off.

He says it is the extra ingredient needed in a daily regimen of vigorous exercise, low-fat diets, no smoking, no alcohol and no drugs.

His reasoning: Smiling makes you feel happier and feeling happy makes you more open to sticking to the diet and exercise needed to improve and maintain health.

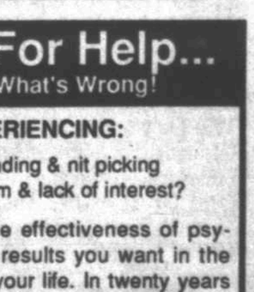
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Police: Son throws parties for friends after killing dad

HOUSTON (AP) — Police say a teen-ager accused of killing his father made various excuses to relatives about the man's absence and told friends that blood stains in the family home were the result of a fight with intruders.

Jose Gonzales' body was found decomposing in the trunk of a stolen car parked in a southwest Houston parking lot Dec. 12, but it remained in the morgue unidentified for days.

Meanwhile, his 17-year-old son, Jose James Gonzales, was entertaining friends at their southwest Houston home, police said.

Houston homicide Sgt. Bill Stephens said family members called police saying Gonzales was missing and that every time they asked his son about it, he made excuses to explain his father's absence.

"At one point he told some of the family (his father) was in the mental hospital for a nervous breakdown. He was telling different people different things," Stephens said.

"Family members also said that the boy was having parties every night in the house," he said.

When friends asked about blood stains on the floor and a bullet hole in a wall, he bragged he had shot some intruders.

Stephens said the youth also made different excuses when his father's employer called. Gonzales, 40, was a computer programmer with the Houston Independent School District.

Detectives went to the home and found blood stains on the floor. Police said that when detectives questioned the teenager, he told them he had been having problems and had been kicked out of the house.

Authorities said the youth told them that on Dec. 10, he went back to the house and got into an argument with his father. Police said the youth has said he shot his father with a .22-caliber pistol he bought

Lockheed's largest union to vote on contract proposal

Old contract covers 6,000 of Fort Worth plant's 18,000 workers.

FORT WORTH (AP) — Lockheed's largest union is to vote today on a three-year contract proposal that was tentatively accepted by negotiators in the final hours of its current pact.

Lockheed and its machinists union reached the tentative agreement late Saturday, agreeing to extend until this evening's vote the old contract covering 6,000 of the Fort Worth plants 18,000 workers.

"Lockheed Fort Worth Co. and Machinists District Lodge 776 have agreed to a one-day contract extension," said a joint statement from Lockheed's chief negotiator, Charlie Moore, and union head Pat Lane. "The company has made a different offer to the machinists. The machinists agreed to take it to its members for a vote."

Machinists had labeled a former contract inadequate because of provisions increasing worker payments for health care while decreasing scheduled cost-of-living pay raises.

Company and union officials declined to release details of the agreement, which came after weeks of bargaining and narrowly averted a Sunday midnight deadline for cancellation of the previous contract.

Lockheed informed union members Dec. 5 that at midnight Sunday, it would end the three-year agreement that it signed in 1990 with former F-16 contractor General Dynamic's Corp.

General Dynamics sold the plant this year to Lockheed for $1.52 billion.

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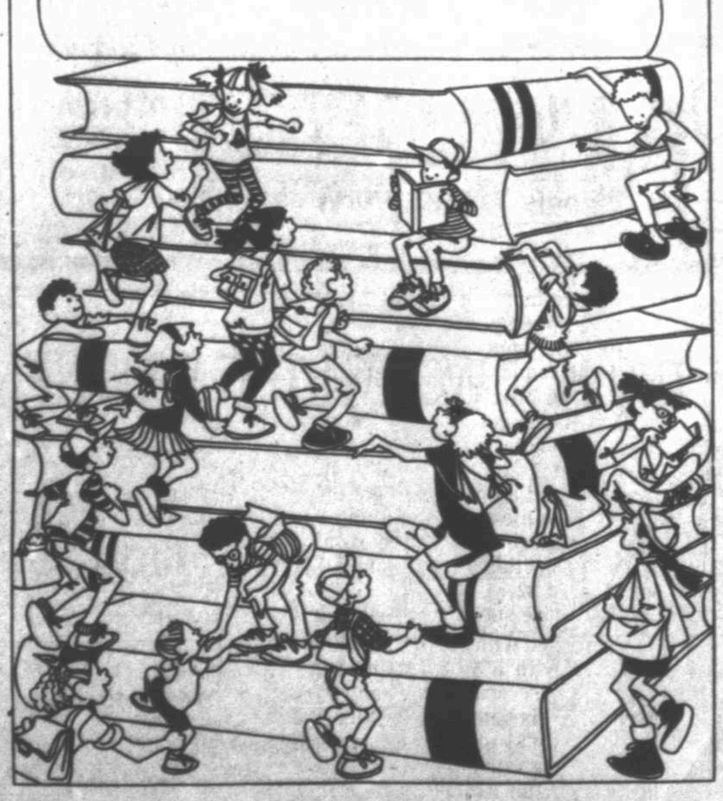
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Permian Abstract Co.
Permian Basin Area-Wide Phone Book
Midland Need to Read/ Permian Distributing Inc.
Petro Communications Inc.
Phillip's Petroleum
Pine/Hurricane Office Supply
Polanco Bookkeeping
Quality Body Works
R & R Limited
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Sylvan Learning Center
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Texaco, Inc.
Texas Commerce Bank
Texas Instruments
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Midland Reporter-Telegram

Oilers hit playoff gusher

■ Oilers honor departed Jeff Alm the only way they know how by winning a divisional title.

By Alan Robinson
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH — Warren Moon's only promise before Houston's biggest game of the season was that the Oilers would honor the late Jeff Alm by playing with his reckless abandon and pent-up emotion.

Wearing No. 76 stickers on their helmets to remember their teammate, the Oilers did exactly that in clinching the AFC Central title Sunday. They took the crowd and the Pittsburgh Steelers out of the game early for a 26-17 win and their ninth straigth victory.

The Oilers (10-4), usually tentative at Three Rivers Stadium, scored two quick touchdowns and applied relentless defensive pressure. They also won for just the seventh time in 25 games at Pittsburgh.

Afterwards, the Oilers dedicated the victory to Alm, the defensive lineman who took his life Tuesday after being involved in an auto accident that killed a childhood friend. He was to have returned to the Oilers' lineup this week from a leg injury.

"It was a very emotional week for us," said Moon, 19-of-38 for 268 yards and a touchdown. "It was hard to put it out of our minds, but I think the team did a great job of staying focused. We wanted to win for Jeff, and we're send-

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AP Laserphoto

Houston Oilers' running back Gary Brown, left, carries Pittsburgh defenders Deon Figures (21) and Rod Woodson (26) into the end zone for a first quarter touchdown Sunday in Pittsburgh.

SPORTS WATCH

TV Sports

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BOXING — Zach Padilla vs. Ray Olivera, noon, ESPN.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Colorado State vs. Rice, noon, HSE.
North Carolina vs. Pittsburgh, 8 p.m., ESPN.
UCLA vs. Houston, 7:30 p.m., HSE.
NBA — Hornets vs. Bulls, 7:30 p.m., WGN.
NFL — Giants vs. Saints, 8 p.m., ABC.

Texas Scores

NFL — Houston Oilers 26, Pittsburgh Steelers 17.
NHL — Dallas Stars 3, Vancouver Cancucks 1.
SWC WOMEN — Texas Tech 80, Western Illinois 61.
Oklahoma State 77, Houston 57.
Rice 68, U.C.-Irvine 45.
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Sports Today

PREP BASKETBALL — Lubbock Cooper girls at Midland High, 2 p.m.
El Paso High boys at Midland High, 8 p.m.

MHS games set

The Midland High girls and Midland High boys basketball teams will play at the MHS gym today.

The 15-1 Lady Bulldogs will host Lubbock Cooper at 2 p.m. in a non-conference game before the Christmas break and the junior varisty girls will play at noon. The MHS girls, the defending champions in District 4-5A, are off to an 2-0 start in district play, but won't play another district game until they meet Midland Lee after the first of the year.

The 5-6 Midland High boys will try to climb to the .500 level when they host El Paso High for a non-conference outing at 8 p.m. at the MHS gym. The MHS boys won two of three games and the consolation championship in the Coppell tournament over the weekend. The MHS boys will not have a district game until they meet Lee after the first of the year at Chaparral Center.

Stars win

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Andy Moog returned to the nets after missing eight games with a groin injury to backstop the Dallas Stars to a 3-1 victory Sunday over the Vancouver Canucks.

Dallas ended a two-game losing streak when the veteran Moog stopped 30 shots, including 14 in the hectic second period.

Mike Modano and Dave Gagner scored for the Stars in the first period and Russ Courtnall added another in the third.

Gino Odjick scored for the Canucks, who are 10-15 in their last 25 games after a promising start.

Modano scored his 25th goal of the season and Gagner's goal gave him points in 13 consecutive games.

Slaughter hurt

PITTSBURGH — Webster Slaughter, the Houston Oilers' leading receiver, tore two knee ligaments Sunday against the Pittsburgh Steelers, sidelining him for at least the rest of the season.

He was attempting to block cornerback Rod Woodson when he became trapped between several defenders and crumpled to the turf.

Slaughter, in his eighth NFL season, was taken to the Oilers' locker room on a stretcher.

The Oilers didn't speculate when Slaughter could play again. He tore medial collateral and anterior cruciate ligaments in his left knee on the second play of the second quarter. An anterior cruciate tear is usually the most serious injury an athlete's knee can sustain.

"It was real tough to see him go down," quarterback Warren Moon said. "It's not easy to replace a Webster Slaughter."

A longtime Cleveland Browns receiver who signed with the Oilers as a free agent last year, Slaughter leads the Oilers with a career-high 77 receptions for 904 yards and five touchdowns in 14 games.

He has 421 career receptions for 6,224 yards and 36 touchdowns

Slaughter's only catch before he was hurt was a 21-yarder that set up an Oilers' field goal attempt, but Al Del Greco missed a 41-yarder.

Bills win Miami shootout

■ The Dolphins, who had the best league record just three weeks ago, are now in the "outhouse."

Associated Press

For a while, it seemed like the Buffalo Bills scored on every play.

Four turnovers helped the Bills outscore Miami 38-3 in a 13-minute span, and they took charge of the AFC East race by winning 47-34 Sunday.

■ NFL Roundup

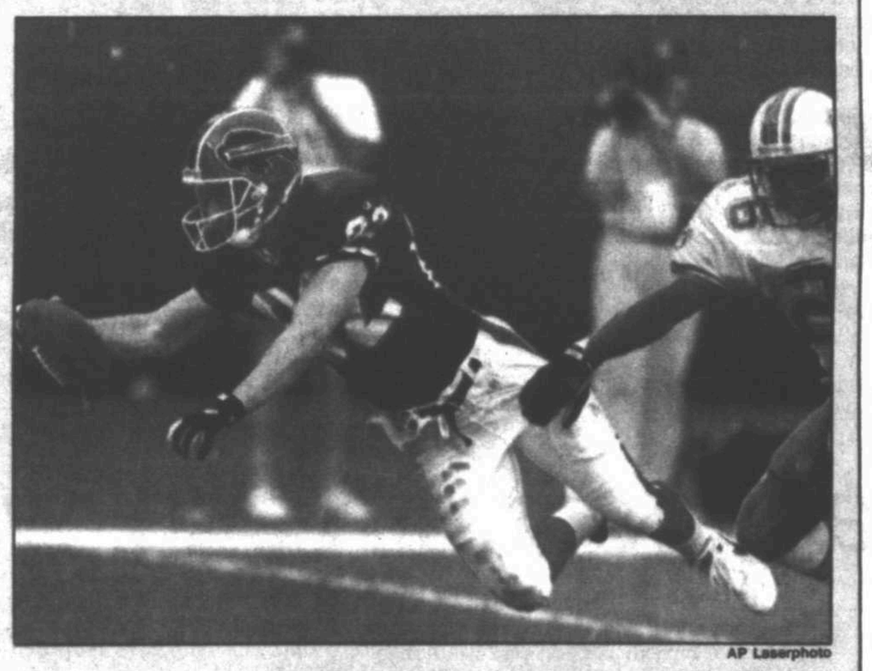
Buffalo's defense scored on Mickey Washington's 27-yard interception return and Nate Odomes' 25-yard fumble return. The Bills led 47-20 after striking for three touchdowns in the first six minutes of the second half, with each score resulting from a turnover.

"All of a sudden, we started to play like Santa Claus," Miami coach Don Shula said.

"In the third quarter," Buffalo receiver Don Beebe said, "I was thinking, 'This is good. I don't even have to go out on the field.'"

By winning the highest-scoring NFL game this year, Buffalo assumed sole possession of first place in the AFC East at 10-4 with two games left in the regular season.

"If it makes everybody mad that Buffalo is still in the hunt, well, good," tight end Pete Metzelaars said.



AP Laserphoto

Buffalo wide receiver Don Beebe (82) goes over the goal line Sunday with Miami safety Jarvis Williams trying to hang on.

Stunned Miami, which had the league's best record just three weeks ago, fell to 9-5. The Dolphins have lost three in a row — all at home. They have two more losses than the Bills within the division, which gives Buffalo the advantage in a tie-breaker.

"It seems to me like we're sitting in the outhouse," Miami linebacker Bryan Cox said. "We have to find a way to get out."

A few hours later Sunday, San Francisco won its 10th NFC West title in 12 years. The 49ers and Houston joined Dallas and the New York Giants as teams assured of playoff spots.

Green Bay and Miami also could have clinched playoff berths with wins, but both lost.

49ers 55, Lions 17

At Pontiac, Mich., Steve Young led San Francisco to scoring drives on all of its first-half possessions and left late in the third quarter

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U.S. draws Colombia for Cup

By Barry Wilner
AP Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS — Forget all the alleged schemes and machinations designed to give the United States the easiest route to the second round of the World Cup. If that was in the works, somebody messed up.

The United States drew rising South American power Colombia, Romania and Switzerland on Sunday as its first-round opponents in next summer's World Cup. All three will be rated ahead of the Americans, especially Colombia, the most improved team in the world in 1993.

"We have one of the two toughest groups," said American player Peter Vermes. "FIFA didn't set up everything for the U.S., that's for sure."

"Colombia has beaten the United States twice, 1-0 and 2-1," said U.S. coach Bora Milutinovic. "It's time for the United States to beat Colombia."

Actually, Colombia is 8-1 against the Americans, while Switzerland is 3-0-1 and Romania is 0-1-1.

Germany, the defending champion, will open the soccer extravaganza against Bolivia in Chicago on June 17 to start the monthlong tournament.

The Americans, hosts of soccer's showcase for the first time, will open at the Pontiac Silverdome outside Detroit on June 18 against the Swiss. The Americans will play Colombia and Romania

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AP Laserphoto

Larry Mize and trophy ...a Montego Bay joy

Mize wins $550,000 Christmas

By Bob Green
AP Golf Writer

■ Johnnie Walker World Championship

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica — Had this been match play, Larry Mize would have won nine holes earlier.

Mize was 10 up on the field with nine holes to play Sunday and breezed to 10-stroke victory over Fred Couples in the $2.7 million Johnnie Walker Championship.

But he now has a problem: How to compose a thank-you note to Greg Norman for a $550,000 Christmas present.

"It's a nice problem to have," Mize grinned after collecting that first place prize. "I'll think of something."

Mize got into the 28-man field for this event only two weeks ago when Norman, the British Open champion, withdrew. It was the last of 372 pro events around the world this year.

Given entry into the tournament, Mize opened a three-shot lead through 54-holes with rounds of 67, 66, 68 on the Tryall Club course.

The he simply ran away and hid over the final 18 holes. He played them without a bogey and without a "5" on his card.

"That's as good as I've ever played. The other guys will kill me if I don't say that. I won't soon forget this round today," Mize said after his 6-under-par 65 produced a 266 total and a final round that was devoted to a race for second.

"I never even thought about catching Larry," Couples said. "I'm second and I'm 10 shots back. That's hilarious."

Couples, who won the inaugural event last year, offset a double bogey-7 with nine birdies in a round of 64 for a 276 total.

Still, he needed help to take sole possession of second. He got it when Masters champion Bernhard Langer of Germany three-putted the final hole from 40 feet and dropped out of a tie for second.

The five-foot second putt Langer missed cost him $50,000. Couples won $300,000 and Langer collected $200,000.

Colin Montgomerie of Scotland, three back at the start of the final round, was the only man who ever had a shot at overtaking Mize.

And that ended quickly. Montgomerie bogeyed the third and fourth holes and Mize birdied them. That put the leading margin at 7 and, essentially, it was all over.

"Colin had a tough day, got off to a bad start," Mize said. "That gave me some room and I just kept the pedal down."

Montgomerie played the front side in 40 — hitting two spectators with a single shot on the eighth hole — while Mize was out in 32.

"I hit more spectators than fairways," Montgomerie said.

He finished with a 74 and fourth alone at 278. Curtis Strange came on with a 66 for fifth at 279, 13 strokes back.

No one else was closer than 15 shots in the rout that was exceeded this year only by Nick Price's 12-stroke triumph in the Sun City $1 million challenge in South Africa. The eight-shot winning margin by Davis Love III in Las Vegas was the largest on the American tour this season.

The victory was the third of the season and the eighth around the world in a 12-year career for the 35-year-old Mize.

Even though he won the Masters in 1987 — beating Norman with a 140-foot pitch-in birdie on the second playoff hole — this ranks as the the most lucrative.

Raiders arrive in El Paso, form conga line

EL PASO (AP) — Spike Dykes says his team will have fun this week and his players have wasted no time in proving it.

The Texas Tech Red Raiders (6-5) arrived in El Paso Sunday to begin preparing for their meeting with No. 19 Oklahoma (8-3) in Friday's John Hancock Bowl.

"This is a great tribute to our football team," said Dykes, Tech's head coach.

The Red Raiders were met by the traditional contingent of mariachis, beauty queens and folkloric dancers, who coaxed players into an impromptu dance in the lobby of the El Paso International Airport.

They formed a conga line, then several players broke away to strut their stuff while chanting "Texas Tech, Texas Tech" as the band performed "La Bamba" in the background.

The display was a marked contrast to the Sooners' subdued arrival Saturday. The Sooners got off the plane and quickly moved on to begin practicing at an area high school. Tech doesn't begin practice until Monday.

That doesn't mean the Red Raiders don't have their mind on the game, however.

"I think our guys have been well focused on their preparation," said Dykes, adding, "'We've got some work to still do."

The team conducted two-a-day workouts back home in Lubbock. Running back Byron "Bam" Morris said it was difficult to go through that kind of preparation this late in the year. "It was cold. Everybody was tired," he said.

All are eager for the game, but probably none more so than Morris, who comes into the Hancock Bowl with a long list of accomplishments.

The Doak Walker Award-winner set a Southwest Conference season record this year by rushing for 1,752 yards, besting the previous mark of 1,744 yards set by Earl Campbell of Texas in 1977.

Morris led the nation in scoring with 134 points — 12.18 per game — and finished second in rushing yardage, 159.3 per game.

His running is complemented by the passing of Robert Hall, who completed 216 passes for 2,894 yards and 21 touchdowns this season, and receiver Lloyd Hill, who holds the SWC record for career pass receiving yards with 3,059.

"OU always has a great defense. We've got a great offense," said Morris. "It's going to be a great match up."

NFL: Vikes stun Pack

(From 1C)

with a 45-10 lead.

The 49ers (10-4) extended their NFL record of consecutive seasons with 10 wins to 10. The 55 points were the most ever allowed by Detroit at home. The Lions (8-6) remained tied with Green Bay for the NFC Central lead.

Young, the NFC's leading passer, threw for 354 yards and four touchdowns. Jerry Rice caught an 80-yard touchdown pass, John Taylor scored on a 68-yard catch and Dexter Carter ran 50 yards for a score.

Vikings 21, Packers 17

At Milwaukee, Jim McMahon won his 10th straight start against Green Bay and revived Minnesota's chances of repeating as NFC Central champion. Green Bay, meanwhile, missed a chance to clinch its first playoff spot in a non-strike season since 1972.

McMahon threw for three touchdowns, matching his season total entering the day. Scottie Graham ran for 139 yards for the Vikings (7-7).

The Packers (8-6) had won six straight at County Stadium. But second-year coach Mike Holmgren left the game 0-4 lifetime against Vikings coach Dennis Green, another former San Francisco assistant.

Chiefs 28, Chargers 24

At Kansas City, Mo., Joe Montana threw a go-ahead touchdown pass one play after sustaining a concusssion in the third quarter.

The Chiefs (10-4) overcame a 17-0 deficit and remained with Buffalo and Houston for the home-field advantage in the AFC. Kansas City has won eight straight regular-season games against San Diego (6-8).

Montana called a 40-second timeout after Junior Seau flattened him. Appearing wobbly, he threw a 4-yard pass to J.J. Birden for a 21-17 lead, then left the game.

Raiders 27, Buccaneers 20

At Los Angeles, Jeff Hostetler threw a 27-yard TD pass to Alexander Wright and Napoleon McCallum ran 5 yards for another score in the first quarter as the Raiders kept the playoff hopes intact.

Los Angeles (9-5) finishes at Green Bay and at home against Denver. Tampa Bay (4-10) has lost 10 or more games for 11 straight seasons and 20 straight games against teams from California dating back to 1980.

Redskins 30, Falcons 17

At Washington, the Redskins forced Bobby Hebert into six turnovers and beat Atlanta for the 10th straight time at RFK Stadium.

A.J. Johnson scored on a 69-yard interception return, Monte Coleman returned a fumble 29 yards for a score and Washington (4-10) got a safety on a bad punt snap.

Hebert threw four interceptions and fumbled twice as Atlanta (6-8) lost a chance at the playoffs.

Patriots 20, Browns 17

At Cleveland, New England managed to win a close game when Leonard Russell capped an 80-yard drive with a 4-yard TD run with two minutes left.

New England (3-11) won its second in a row. Before that, the Patriots had lost seven straight games, six of them by less than a touchdown.

Cleveland (6-8) lost for the sixth time in seven games, and lost its hope of a playoff spot. Browns quarterback Vinny Testaverde threw an interception into the end zone with 4:50 left, setting up the Patriots' winning drive.

Bengals 15, Rams 3

At Cincinnati, Derrick Fenner ran 1 yard for his first touchdown of the season and erratic Doug Pelfrey kicked three field goals — while missing two and an extra point.

Both victories by the Bengals (2-11) have come at home against the Los Angeles teams, the Rams (4-10) and Raiders.

Rams rookie Jerome Bettis had his fourth straight 100-yard game, gaining 124 on 24 carries.

Cardinals 30, Seahawks 27

At Seattle, Greg Davis tied the game with a team-record, 55-yard field goal as time expired in the fourth quarter, then kicked a 41-yarder 6:45 into overtime that lifted Phoenix over the Seahawks.

Davis also kicked a 50-yard field goal in the fourth quarter. Steve Beuerlein passed for a career-best 431 yards and three touchdowns for the Cardinals (5-9), who were 4-12 in their last two seasons.

Seattle (5-9) never got the ball in overtime and lost its fourth in a row. Rick Mirer became the top rookie passer in NFL history with 2,576 yards.

Eagles 20, Colts 10

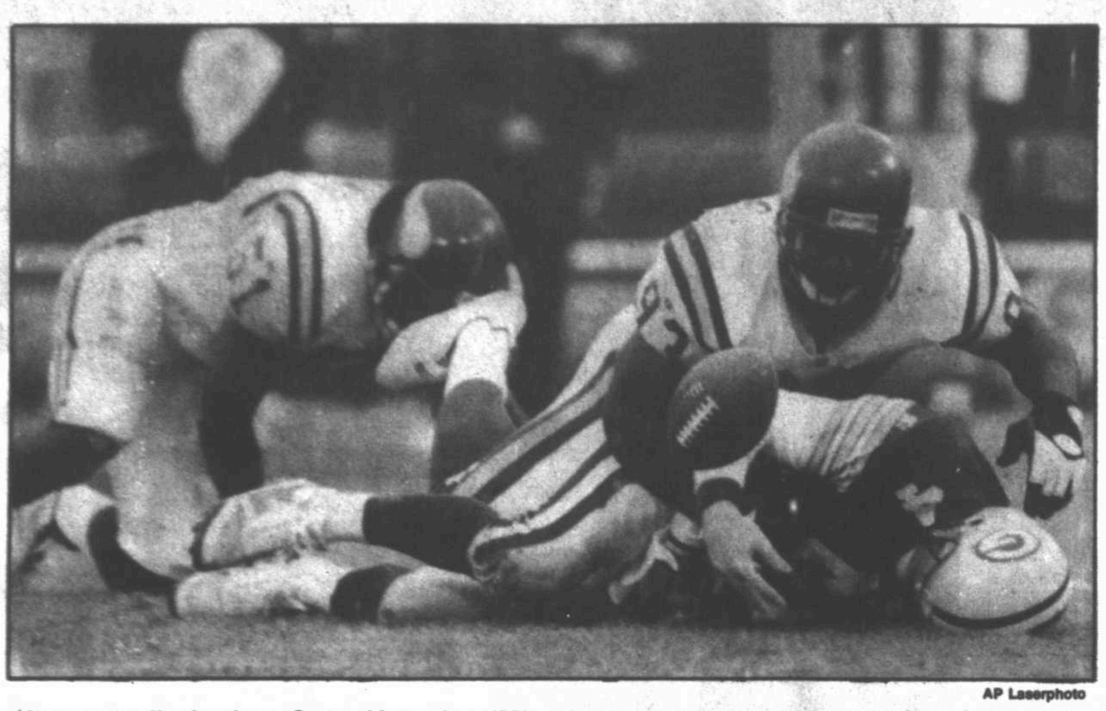
INDIANAPOLIS — The Philadelphia defense took the heat off Bubby Brister and kept it on woeful Indianapolis.

The Eagles sacked Jeff George four times and forced three fumbles, two of which set up a field goal and a 14-yard touchdown pass from Brister to Calvin Williams.

Philadelphia (6-8), which had lost eight of nine games since Randall Cunningham went out with a broken leg, also had a 1-yard TD run by Heath Sherman and a second field goal by Roger Ruzek, giving the Eagles their most points since the fourth game of the season.

Indianapolis (4-10), meanwhile, managed only one field goal by Dean Biasucci in the first quarter and a 24-yard TD pass from George to Reggie Langhorne in the fourth period that ended a streak of 20 quarters without a touchdown.

The Eagles took a 10-3 lead at the half, then scored again midway through the third quarter. The TD pass to Williams came one play after George was sacked by Clyde Simmons and fumbled.



AP Laserphoto

Minnesota linebacker Greg Manusky (93) sacks Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre, forcing a fourth quarter fumble Sunday. The Vikings upset the Packers.

NFL Playoff Possibilities

By The Associated Press

AFC East

Buffalo Bills—Can win division with two wins. If Bills and Dolphins tie, Buffalo wins division based on better division record. Bills are tied with Oilers and Chiefs for home-field advantage throughout playoffs.

Miami Dolphins—Can win division with two wins and two Buffalo losses.

N.Y. Jets—Can win division with two wins and two Buffalo losses and one Dolphins loss.

AFC Central

Houston Oilers—Clinched division. Oilers are tied with Bills and Chiefs for home-field advantage throughout playoffs.

Pittsburgh Steelers—Can only make playoffs as wild card.

AFC West

Kansas City Chiefs—Can win division with two wins. Chiefs are tied with Bills and Oilers for home-field advantage throughout playoffs.

Los Angeles Raiders—Can win division with two wins and two Chiefs losses. If Raiders beat Broncos in final week, would win tie-breaker over Denver for division title if finished with identical records based on better division record.

Denver Broncos—Can win division with two wins and two Chiefs losses.

NFC East

New York Giants—Clinched at least wild-card. Can win division and clinch home-field advanatge throughout playoffs with two wins.

Dallas Cowboys—Clinched at least wild-card. Can win division with two wins based on head-to-head record against Giants.

Philadelphia Eagles—Can only make playoffs as wild card.

NFC Central

Green Bay Packers—Can win division with two wins.

Detroit Lions—Can win division with two wins and one Packer loss.

Minnesota Vikings—Can win division with two wins and two losses by Packers and Lions.

Chicago Bears—Can win division with two wins and two losses by Packers and Lions and one loss by Vikings. Vikings have division title tie-breaker on Bears based on head-to-head record.

NFC West

San Francisco 49ers—Clinched division.

New Orleans Saints—Can only make playoffs as wild card.

Atlanta Falcons—Can only make playoffs as wild card.

Price, Williams ignite Cavs to 32-point win

Associated Press

■ NBA Roundup

RICHFIELD, Ohio — Mark Price had 21 points and John Williams was perfect from the floor as the Cleveland Cavaliers stopped a five-game losing streak with a 122-92 victory Sunday over the Los Angeles Lakers.

The Cavs, finally finding an opponent colder than themselves, handed the Lakers their third straight loss and their seventh in the last eight games. The Lakers, off to their worst start since 1966, have lost five in a row at the Richfield Coliseum.

The 122 points marked a season-high for the Cavs, as did their 60-percent shooting. The 30-point win was their most lopsided of the year.

Williams scored 20 points on 8-for-8 shooting, and Gerald Wilkins added 18 for Cleveland while Tyrone Hill grabbed 13 rebounds.

Nick Van Exel scored 16 points, Elden Campbell 15 and Sedale Threatt 14 for the Lakers. Campbell also had 10 rebounds.

Los Angeles failed to reach 100 points for the eighth consecutive game. It has lost five games by 20-plus points.

The Lakers led for much of the first quarter and were still within a point until Hill's dunk started a 12-2 Cleveland surge midway through the second quarter, putting the Cavs ahead 45-34.

Hill's tip-in made it 63-47 at the half, and Cleveland — which has routinely blown double-figure leads this season — pulled away in the third quarter, building the lead to 23 points on Gerald Wilkins' reverse dunk late in the period.

The Lakers never got closer than 19 points in the fourth quarter.

Magic 97, Kings 91

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Shaquille O'Neal scored 27 points and grabbed 17 rebounds and three other players had 16 points each to lead Orlando over Sacramento.

Anfernee Hardaway, Scott Skiles and Nick Anderson had 16 apiece for the Magic, which closed a five-game road trip with a 3-2 record. Mitch Richmond led Sacramento with 32 points and Wayman Tisdale added 22 points and 10 rebounds.

The loss was the Kings' eighth straight at home, breaking the team's Sacramento-era record. It tied a 1971-72 franchise record when the Kings were known as the Royals and played in Cincinnati.

O'Neal, coming off a 36-point, 15-rebound effort in a win at Phoenix, was held to two points in the fourth quarter as the Kings came back from an 88-75 deficit with 7:44 to play.

Richmond had five points in an 11-2 run, and his two free throws pulled the Kings within 90-86 with 4:04 to go. Richmond's 3-pointer with 1:59 to play made it 93-89, but the Kings got no closer.

Gerlich teaches the 'Tech' way

LOCKNEY, Texas (AP) — The Lockney girls basketball team runs the same basic offense and defense as Texas Tech did during its national championship season and, every now and then, the Lady Horns do everything just about right.

First-year head coach Krista Gerlich allows herself a little smile on those occasions — before she plunges back into teaching her players and settling in the newest role in her basketball life.

"It's a lot more frustrating than I expected," Gerlich said last Wednesday, one month into her first season as a high school coach. "It's a lot easier to do the things you want to do than to teach other people how to do them."

The Lady Horns are a case in point.

"Our main offense and defense are exactly what we did at Tech," Gerlich said. "But you definitely have to water it down. The things that Sheryl (Swoopes), Stephanie (Scott), Cynthia (Clinger), Noel (Johnson) and I did were a lot easier to do. Our kids can see what to do, but they don't quite have the maturity to complete it."

That's not surprising, considering that Lockney has five sophomores and only two seniors on its varsity. Still, the Lady Horns are a respectable 6-7 this season and won their District 3-2A opener last week.

"We're slowly getting there, but I'm having to teach them everything that I want them to do," Gerlich said. "Sometimes you have to break it down more and explain it to them. They really don't ask why you want them to do something. I wish more of them would ask why."

Gerlich is qualified to answer the questions. She learned basketball from her father, Jim Kirkland, who coached her at Sudan and Spearman. She refined the craft in Marsha Sharp's Tech program, earning All-Southwest Conference honors three years in a row and helping the Lady Raiders win the national title.

She had her Lady Raider jersey number retired earlier this month and remains a celebrity across the South Plains.

"They're really big on teasing me about it, because everywhere we go I have to sign autographs," Gerlich said of her players.

Opposing fans have been extremely polite, Gerlich said.

"I've had a real nice reception from opposing fans," she said. "They've all been wonderful. They wish us good luck — until we play them."

Gerlich spends her mornings teaching three classes of informal geometry — "You get to wear shorts to class," she said jokingly — and also works with the Lockney junior high girls basketball teams in the afternoons.

"I knew what I was going into," she said. "It hasn't been a disappointment at all. To sum it all up, it's just frustrating.

"Not everybody has the same goals or work ethic as I had as a player. That's probably the most frustrating thing — some of the kids won't give their all."

But then, sometimes, it all almost comes together.

"If they play the way I've seen them play a couple of times, we can just about play with anybody in our district."

Valenzuela, Jackson reject baseball arbitration

NEW YORK (AP) — Fernando Valenzuela and Bo Jackson were among 12 free agents to reject salary arbitration Sunday night. They now now have until Jan. 8 to re-sign with their old teams.

Seventeen free agents were offered salary arbitration by their former clubs on Dec. 7 and had 12 days to think about the offers. Five of those 17 then agreed to contracts — either with their old clubs or new teams — before Sunday's deadline.

The 12 rejecting arbitration were: Valenzuela, a pitcher formerly with the Baltimore Orioles; outfielders Jackson and Tim Raines (Chicago White Sox); pitcher Bob Ojeda and catcher Junior Ortiz (Cleveland Indians); outfielder Hubie Brooks (Kansas City Royals); outfielder Dion James (New York Yankees); outfielder Dave Henderson Oakland Athletics); pitcher Bruce Hurst (Colorado Rockies); pitcher Charlie Hough and shortstop Walt Weiss (Florida Marlins) and first baseman Gerald Perry (St. Louis Cardinals).

Of those 12, James has agreed to sign with the Chunichi Dragons of the Japan Central League and Hough has agreed to an $800,000, one-year contract with the Marlins. The Yankees offered James arbitration in case his Japanese deal fell through; Florida offered Hough arbitration because lawyers on both sides haven't agreed on whether the deal is for a major- or minor-league contract.

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NFL Standings, Summaries

Summaries

Bills 47, Dolphins 34

Buffalo	9	17	21	0—	47
Miami	7	13	7	7—	34

First Quarter
Buf—K.Davis 1 run (kick failed), 4:54.
Mia—Ingram 14 pass from Mitchell (Stoyanovich kick), 10:08.
Buf—FG Christie 38, 13:40.
Second Quarter
Mia—FG Stoyanovich 41, 2:56.
Mia—Jackson 16 pass from Mitchell (Stoyanovich kick), 4:46.
Buf—K.Davis 12 run (Christie kick), 7:59.
Buf—FG Christie 32, 13:33.
Buf—M.Washington 27 interception return (Christie kick), 13:41.
Mia—FG Stoyanovich 18, 15:00.
Third Quarter
Buf—Odomes 25 fumble return (Christie kick), :17.
Buf—K.Davis 1 run (Christie kick), 2:48.
Buf—Beebe 28 pass from Kelly (Christie kick), 5:59.
Mia—Kirby 30 pass from DeBerg (Stoyanovich kick), 7:38.
Fourth Quarter
Mia—Ingram 7 pass from DeBerg (Stoyanovich kick), 1:34.

	Buf	Mia
First downs	28	24
Rushes-yards	44-129	11-23
Passing	245	400
Comp-Att-Int	20-31-1	32-59-3
Punts	3-45	2-42
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-2
Penalties-Yards	9-45	7-40

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Buffalo, Davis 13-64, T.Thomas 26-52, Brooks 1-7, Gardner 2-5, Reed 1-3, Kelly 1-(minus 2). Miami, Higgs 5-13, Byars 3-8, Kirby 1-6, Mitchell 1-2, Fryar 1-(minus 6).
PASSING—Buffalo, Kelly 20-30-1-245, T.Thomas 0-1-0-0. Miami, Mitchell 12-24-2-155, DeBerg 20-35-1-273.
RECEIVING—Buffalo, Metzelaars 7-65, T.Thomas 4-34, Reed 3-65, Beebe 3-49, McKeller 2-22, Brooks 1-10. Miami, Kirby 9-148, Ingram 6-80, Fryar 5-59, Jackson 3-42, McDuffie 3-41, Martin 3-38, Byars 2-11, Higgs 1-9.

49ers 55, Lions 17

San Francisco	14	17	14	10—	55
Detroit	0	10	0	7—	17

First Quarter
SF—Taylor 68 pass from Young (Cofer kick), 5:02.
SF—Beach 20 pass from Young (Cofer kick), 11:40.
Second Quarter
Det—FG Hanson 51, :05.
SF—Rice 80 pass from Young (Cofer kick), :26.
SF—Rathman 2 run (Cofer kick), 10:33.
SF—FG Cofer 43, 11:43.
Det—D.Moore 12 pass from Kramer (Hanson kick), 14:02.
Third Quarter
SF—Rathman 1 run (Cofer kick), 5:06.
SF—Lee 12 pass from Young (Cofer kick), 6:53.
Fourth Quarter
SF—FG Cofer 21, 5:33.
Det—H.Moore 31 pass from Kramer (Hanson kick), 12:17.
SF—Carter 50 run (Cofer kick), 12:34.

	SF	Det
First downs	26	16
Rushes-yards	37-172	18-81
Passing	393	207
Comp-Att-Int	20-28-0	19-29-0
Punts	0-0	3-48
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	4-3
Penalties-Yards	9-50	6-45

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—San Francisco, Lee 18-66, Carter 1-50, Young 3-19, Walker 4-15, Rathman 7-13, Taylor 1-12, Bono 3-(minus 3). Detroit, D.Moore 14-66, Kramer 3-8, Lynch 1-7.
PASSING—San Francisco, Young 17-23-0-354, Bono 3-5-0-39. Detroit, Kramer 19-29-0-220.
RECEIVING—San Francisco, Lee 6-50, Rice 4-132, Taylor 1-115, Jones 3-51, Beach 2-37, Williams 1-8. Detroit, D.Moore 6-67, H.Moore 4-74, Perriman 3-23, Green 2-21, Holman 2-15, Matthews 1-13, Lynch 1-7.

Redskins 30, Falcons 17

Atlanta	7	0	7	3—	17
Washington	0	16	0	14—	30

First Quarter
Atl—Pritchard 29 pass from Hebert (Johnson kick), 2:34.
Second Quarter
Was—Safety, Coleman tackled Alexander in end zone, 4:40.
Was—Rypien 1 run (Lohmiller kick), 9:12.
Was—Johnson 69 interception return (Lohmiller kick), 14:51.
Third Quarter
Atl—Broussard 2 run (Johnson kick), 5:15.
Fourth Quarter
Atl—FG Johnson 41, 10:21.
Was—Byner 8 run (Lohmiller kick), 11:54.
Was—Coleman 29 fumble return (Lohmiller kick), 12:49.

	Atl	Was
First downs	22	8
Rushes-yards	35-182	19-38
Passing	196	129
Comp-Att-Int	24-43-4	13-23-1
Punts	4-44	7-40
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	10-80	0-0

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Atlanta, Broussard 26-162, Pegram 8-20, Alexander 1-0. Washington, Ervins 10-16, Byner 2-12, Brooks 4-9, Rypien 2-1, Mitchell 1-0.
PASSING—Atlanta, Hebert 24-42-4-233, Tolliver 0-1-0-0. Washington, Rypien 13-23-1-129.
RECEIVING—Atlanta, Pritchard 8-92, Haynes 5-63, Pegram 4-14, Rison 3-35, D.Sanders 2-16, Hill 2-13. Washington, Howard 3-44, Monk 3-17, Ervins 3-11, R.Sanders 2-41, Byner 1-9, McGee 1-7.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Washington, Lohmiller 42.

Vikings 21, Packers 17

Minnesota	0	7	7	7—	21
Green Bay	3	7	0	7—	17

First Quarter
GB—FG Jacke 20, 14:33.
Second Quarter
Min—Ismail 6 pass from McMahon (Reveiz kick), 2:06.
GB—Sharpe 37 pass Favre (Jacke kick), 13:39.
Third Quarter
Min—C.Carter 6 pass from McMahon (Reveiz kick), 6:52.
Fourth Quarter
Min—C.Carter 25 pass from McMahon (Reveiz kick), 3:43.
GB—Clayton 11 pass from Favre (Jacke kick), 9:09.

	Min	GB
First downs	21	16
Rushes-yards	38-154	19-67
Passing	207	253
Comp-Att-Int	22-31-0	20-33-1
Punts	7-39	5-39
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-73	4-35

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Minnesota, Graham 30-139, McMahon 5-15, Craig 1-2, Salisbury 2-(minus 2). Green Bay, Thompson 9-40, Favre 5-24, E.Bennett 5-3.
PASSING—Minnesota, McMahon 22-31-0-207. Green Bay, Favre 20-33-1-256.
RECEIVING—Minnesota, C.Carter 6-106, Jordan 5-29, Craig 5-19, A.Carter 3-26, Graham 1-11, Truitt 1-10, Ismail 1-6. Green Bay, Sharpe 6-106, J.Harris 5-50, E.Bennett 4-44, Thompson 2-36, Clayton 1-11, C.Harris 1-5, Lewis 1-4.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Minnesota, Reveiz 51, 54.

Patriots 20, Browns 17

New England	0	10	3	7—	20
Cleveland	7	7	0	3—	17

First Quarter
Cle—McCardell 10 pass from Testaverde (Stover kick), 13:56.
Second Quarter
NE—FG Bahr 23, 3:46.
Cle—McCardell 10 pass form Testaverde (Stover kick), 9:27.
NE—K.Turner 6 pass from Bledsoe (Bahr kick), 14:04.
Third Quarter
NE—FG Bahr 34, 10:55.
Fourth Quarter
Cle—FG Stover 23, 4:58.
NE—Russell 4 run (Bahr kick), 12:58.

	NE	Cle
First downs	23	18
Rushes-yards	27-120	27-80
Passing	203	297
Comp-Att-Int	19-47-1	21-31-2
Punts	5-40	4-39
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-15	10-83

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—New England, K.Turner 4-63, Russell 14-38, Bledsoe 4-9, Gash 3-6, Croom 2-4. Cleveland, Metclaf 12-48, Vardell 14-33, Testaverde 1-(minus 1).
PASSING—New England, Bledsoe 19-47-1-210. Cleveland, Testaverde 21-31-2-297.
RECEIVING—New England, Brisby 6-77, Timpson 3-42, Coates 3-36, K.Turner 3-17, Croom 1-14, Russell 1-11, Cook 1-7, Crittenden 1-6. Cleveland, Metcalf 8-81, Carrier 4-81, McCardell 4-51, Kinchen 2-46, Hoard 1-17, C.Williams 1-14, Vardell 1-7.

Bengals 15, Rams 3

L.A. Rams	0	3	0	0—	3
Cincinnati	3	6	3	3—	15

First Quarter
Cin—FG Pelfrey 43, 5:51.
Second Quarter
Cin—Fenner 1 run (kick failed), 11:01.
LA—FG Zendejas 32, 14:16.
Third Quarter
Cin—FG Pelfrey 28, 4:51.
Fourth Quarter
Cin—FG Pelfrey 25, 8:27.

	LA	Cin
First downs	14	20
Rushes-yards	32-166	37-170
Passing	107	223
Comp-Att-Int	11-24-0	16-30-0
Punts	5-46	3-43
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-Yards	4-35	5-30

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Los Angeles, Bettis 24-124, Rubley 5-22, Gary 2-18, Lester 1-2. Cincinnati, Fenner 15-89, Green 18-76, Klingler 4-5.
PASSING—Los Angeles, Rubley 11-24-0-107. Cincinnati, Klingler 16-30-0-223.
RECEIVING—Los Angeles, Ellard 4-68, Bettis 2-11, Drayton 2-8, LaChapelle 1-9, Carter 1-8, Gary 1-3. Cincinnati, McGee 6-90, Query 5-74, Fenner 2-33, Carroll 2-17, Frisch 1-9.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Los Angeles, Zendejas 26. Cincinnati, Pelfrey 44, 52.

Raiders 27, Bucaneers 20

Tampa Bay	0	10	0	10—	20
L.A. Raiders	14	3	0	10—	27

First Quarter
LA—Wright 27 pass from Hostetler (Jaeger kick), 9:40.
LA—McCallum 5 run (Jaeger kick), 11:09.
Second Quarter
TB—Cobb 5 run (Husted kick), 3:18.
LA—FG Jaeger 50, 12:28.
TB—FG Husted 57, 14:50.
Fourth Quarter
LA—FG Jaeger 33, 3:49.
LA—Hostetler 1 run (Jaeger kick), 4:59.
TB—Cobb 2 run (Husted kick), 7:46.
TB—FG Huster 31, 13:26.

	TB	LA
First downs	24	17
Rushes-yards	30-101	23-17
Passing	265	248
Comp-Att-Int	21-34-0	19-30-0
Punts	4-38	5-41
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	13-85	12-102

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Tampa Bay, Cobb 22-59, Erickson 2-20, Workman 3-16, Royster 3-6. Los Angeles, McCallum 6-16, Bell 7-14, Jordan 4-1, Hostetler 6-(minus 14).
PASSING—Tampa Bay, Erickson 21-34-0-295. Los Angeles, Hostetler 19-30-0-260.
RECEIVING—Tampa Bay, Workman 7-62, Copeland 5-74, Hawkins 3-94, Ro.Hall 2-25, Cobb 2-15, C.Wilson 1-19, Royster 1-6. Los Angeles, Wright 6-104, Brown 4-44, Horton 4-27, Ismail 3-49, Jett 1-23, Bell 1-13.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Tampa Bay, Husted 49.

Chiefs 28, Chargers 24

San Diego	10	7	0	7—	24
Kansas City	0	14	7	7—	28

First Quarter
SD—Harmon 28 pass from Humphries (Carney kick), 1:35.
SD—FG Carney 38, 3:47.
Second Quarter
SD—Young 3 pass from Friesz (Carney kick), :03.
KC—Allen 1 run (Lowery kick), 7:28.
KC—Davis 9 pass from Montana (Lowery kick), 12:50.
Third Quarter
KC—Birden 4 pass from Montana (Lowery kick), 10:21.
Fourth Quarter
KC—Davis 28 pass from Krieg (Lowery kick), 2:06.
SD—Means 2 run (Carney kick), 9:53.

	SD	KC
First downs	20	20
Rushes-yards	28-94	29-104
Passing	174	217
Comp-Att-Int	20-39-2	22-36-1
Punts	5-43	6-36
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	6-45	10-83

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—San Diego, Butts 15-61, Means 10-22, Harmon 1-12, Hendrickson 1-0, Jefferson 1-(minus 1). Kansas City, McNair 8-42, Anders 3-29, Montana 4-17, Allen 14-16.
PASSING—San Diego, Humphries 1-1-0-28, Friesz 19-38-2-161. Kansas City, Montana 18-32-1-168, Krieg 4-4-0-53.
RECEIVING—San Diego, Pupunu 6-48, Miller 5-67, Harmon 5-53, N.Lewis 2-16, Young 1-3, Means 1-2. Kansas City, Allen 5-20, Davis 4-84, Anders 4-30, Birden 3-26, Hayes 2-36, Cash 2-19, Barnett 1-3, McNair 1-1.

Cardinals 30, Seahawks 27

Phoenix	7	0	7	13	3—	30
Seattle	10	10	0	7	0—	27

First Quarter
Sea—Warren 45 run (Kasay kick), 1:13.
Sea—FG Kasay 37 8:55.
Pho—R.Hill 58 pass from Beuerlein (G.Davis kick), 10:37.
Second Quarter
Sea—FG Kasay 47, 14:06.
Sea—Edmunds 1 pass from Mirer (Kasay kick), 14:50.
Third Quarter
Pho—Clark 20 pass from Beuerlein (G.Davis kick), 10:48.
Fourth Quarter
Pho—Centers 16 pass from Beuerlein (G.Davis kick), 1:52.
Pho—FG G.Davis 50, 9:51.
Sea—Mirer 1 run (Kasay kick), 13:38.
Pho—FG G.Davis 55, 15:00.
Overtime
Pho—FG G.Davis 41, 6:45.

	Pho	Sea
First downs	26	19
Rushes-yards	29-71	36-212
Passing	405	153
Comp-Att-Int	34-53-2	15-31-0
Punts	2-48	5-50
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	9-53	3-20

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Phoenix, Moore 24-62, Bailey 2-7, Centers 1-6, Beuerlein 1-(minus 1), Proehl 1-(minus 3). Seattle, Warren 27-168, Mirer 5-18, Blades 2-13, J.Williams 2-13.
PASSING—Phoenix, Beuerlein 34-53-2-431. Seattle, Mirer 15-30-0-165, J.Williams 0-1-0-0.
RECEIVING—Phoenix, Clark 12-152, Proehl 6-78, Centers 6-61, Bailey 6-53, R.Hill 2-69, Edwards 1-12, Reeves 1-6. Seattle, Martin 4-74, J.Williams 3-16, Blades 2-31, R.Thomas 2-25, Green 2-14, Edmunds 2-5.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Phoenix, Davis 41. Seattle, Kasay 39.

Eagles 20, Colts 10

Philadelphia	10	0	7	3—	20
Indianapolis	3	0	0	7—	10

First Quarter
Phi—FG Ruzek 21, 6:52.
Phi—Sherman 1 run (Ruzek kick), 12:25.
Ind—FG Biasucci 39, 14:58.
Third Quarter
Phi—Williams 14 pass from Brister (Ruzek kick), 6:30.
Fourth Quarter
Phi—FG Ruzek 25, 4:28.
Ind—Langhorne 24 pass from George (Biasucci kick), 10:42.
A—44,952.

	Phi	Ind
First downs	23	16
Rushes-yards	39-151	12-31
Passing	189	230
Comp-Att-Int	21-39-1	21-39-0
Punts	6-41	6-49
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-3
Penalties-Yards	6-45	5-34

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Philadelphia, Walker 18-79, Sherman 11-45, Joseph 8-24, Brister 2-3. Indianapolis, Potts 11-31, George 1-0.
PASSING—Philadelphia, Brister 21-39-1-217. Indianapolis, George 21-39-0-252.
RECEIVING—Philadelphia, Williams 6-105, Walker 6-29, Joseph 4-40, Bavaro 2-16, M.Johnson 1-12, Bailey 1-8, Sherman 1-7. Indianapolis, Langhorne 7-90, Hester 4-66, Cash 3-31, Dawkins 2-16, Arbuckle 2-12, Potts 1-15, Cox 1-12, Culver 1-10.

Standings

National Football League
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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Buffalo	10	4	0	.714	283	218	5-2-0	5-2-0	6-4-0	4-0-0	5-1-0
Miami	9	5	0	.643	302	273	4-4-0	5-1-0	6-4-0	3-1-0	4-3-0
NY Jets	8	6	0	.571	256	207	3-5-0	5-1-0	6-4-0	2-2-0	5-2-0
Indnplis	4	10	0	.286	179	310	2-5-0	2-5-0	4-6-0	0-4-0	2-4-0
New England	3	11	0	.214	167	259	1-5-0	2-6-0	2-10-0	1-1-0	0-6-0
Central											
x-Houston	10	4	0	.714	334	231	6-1-0	4-3-0	9-2-0	1-2-0	6-0-0
Pittsburgh	8	6	0	.571	286	256	5-2-0	3-4-0	6-4-0	2-2-0	2-3-0
Cleveland	6	8	0	.429	253	277	4-4-0	2-4-0	4-7-0	2-1-0	3-2-0
Cincnnati	2	12	0	.143	153	282	2-5-0	0-7-0	1-11-0	1-1-0	0-6-0
West											
Kan. City	10	4	0	.714	284	237	6-1-0	4-3-0	8-3-0	2-1-0	6-1-0
LA Raidrs	9	5	0	.643	273	268	4-3-0	5-2-0	6-5-0	3-0-0	4-3-0
Denver	9	5	0	.643	333	234	5-2-0	4-3-0	8-3-0	1-2-0	4-3-0
San Diego	6	8	0	.429	245	253	3-4-0	3-4-0	5-6-0	1-2-0	3-5-0
Seattle	5	9	0	.357	240	274	3-4-0	2-5-0	5-7-0	0-2-0	1-6-0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-NY Giants	10	3	0	.769	245	158	6-1-0	4-2-0	2-2-0	8-1-0	5-1-0
y-Dallas	10	4	0	.714	322	213	5-2-0	5-2-0	2-2-0	8-2-0	5-1-0
Phila	6	8	0	.429	219	255	2-5-0	4-3-0	2-2-0	4-6-0	3-5-0
Phoenix	5	9	0	.357	282	253	3-4-0	2-5-0	1-1-0	4-8-0	3-4-0
Washington	4	10	0	.286	218	293	3-4-0	1-6-0	1-3-0	3-7-0	1-6-0
Central											
Green Bay	8	6	0	.571	292	252	5-2-0	3-4-0	2-1-0	6-5-0	4-3-0
Detroit	8	6	0	.571	248	248	4-3-0	4-3-0	2-0-0	6-6-0	2-4-0
Minnesota	7	7	0	.500	233	271	3-4-0	4-3-0	1-2-0	6-5-0	6-2-0
Chicago	7	7	0	.500	214	190	3-4-0	4-3-0	2-2-0	5-5-0	3-4-0
Tampa Bay	4	10	0	.286	203	334	3-4-0	1-6-0	0-2-0	4-8-0	3-5-0
West											
x-San Fran	10	4	0	.714	432	248	6-0-0	4-4-0	2-1-0	8-3-0	4-2-0
New Orlns	7	6	0	.538	257	269	3-3-0	4-3-0	1-2-0	6-4-0	3-3-0
Atlanta	6	8	0	.429	289	337	4-3-0	2-5-0	1-2-0	5-6-0	4-2-0
LA Rams	4	10	0	.286	187	319	2-4-0	2-6-0	2-1-0	2-9-0	1-5-0

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

Saturday's Games
Denver 13, Chicago 3
Dallas 28, New York Jets 7
Sunday's Games
Washington 30, Atlanta 17
Buffalo 47, Miami 34
Houston 26, Pittsburgh 17
Cincinnati 15, Los Angeles Rams 3
Minnesota 21, dGreen Bay 17
New England 20, Cleveland 17
Phoenix 30, Seattle 27, OT
Kansas City 28, San Diego 24
San Francisco 55, Detroit 17
Los Angeles Raiders 27, Tampa Bay 20
Philadelphia 20, Indianapolis 10
Monday's Game
New York Giants at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 25
Houston at San Francisco, 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 26
Atlanta at Cincinnati, noon.
Detroit at Chicago, noon.
Indianapolis at New England, noon.
Los Angeles Raiders at Green Bay, noon.
New Orleans at Philadelphia, noon.
New York Jets at Buffalo, noon.
Pittsburgh at Seattle, 3 p.m.
Cleveland at Los Angeles Rams, 3 p.m.
New York Giants at Phoenix, 3 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Denver, 3 p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 3 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 27
Miami at San Diego, 8 p.m.

Arbitration

NEW YORK (AP) — The 12 players who on Sunday rejected salary arbitration offers from their former clubs. These players have until Jan. 8 to re-sign and then may not sign with their former clubs until May 1 (x-offered arbitration but already has agreed to terms):

OFFERED
AMERICAN LEAGUE
BALTIMORE (1) — Fernando Valenzuela, lhp.
CHICAGO (2) — Bo Jackson, of; Tim Raines, of.
CLEVELAND (2) — Bob Ojeda, lhp; Junior Ortiz, c.
KANSAS CITY (1) — Hubie Brooks, of.
NEW YORK (1) — x-Dion James, of.
OAKLAND (1) — Dave Henderson, of.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
COLORADO (1) — Bruce Hurst, lhp.
FLORIDA (2) — x-Charlie Hough, rhp; Walt Weiss, ss.
ST. LOUIS (1) — Gerald Perry, 1b.

NBA

NBA Standings
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	15	5	.750	—
Orlando	13	9	.591	3
Boston	11	12	.478	5½
Miami	9	11	.450	6
New Jersey	8	14	.364	8
Philadelphia	8	14	.364	8
Washington	6	16	.273	10
Central Division				
Atlanta	16	5	.762	—
Chicago	13	8	.619	3
Charlotte	12	10	.545	4½
Indiana	10	11	.476	6
Detroit	8	13	.381	8
Cleveland	8	14	.364	8½
Milwaukee	5	17	.227	11½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	21	1	.955	—
Utah	17	7	.708	5
San Antonio	15	9	.625	7
Denver	9	13	.409	12
Minnesota	8	14	.364	13
Dallas	1	21	.045	20
Pacific Division				
Seattle	19	2	.905	—
Phoenix	16	4	.800	2½
Portland	13	10	.565	7
Golden State	12	10	.545	7½
LA Clippers	9	12	.429	10
LA Lakers	8	16	.333	12½
Sacramento	5	17	.227	14½

Sunday's Games
Late Game Not Included
Cleveland 122, LA Lakers 92
Orlando 97, Sacramento 91
Milwaukee at Portland, (n)
Monday's Games
Dallas at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at LA Clippers, 9:30

Cavaliers 122, Lakers 92

LA LAKERS (92)
Christie 2-7 2-2 6, Campbell 6-10 3-4 15, Divac 6-9 0-1 12, Peeler 2-6 0-0 4, Van Exel 6-12 3-4 16, Threatt 5-8 4-4 14, Bowie 1-6 2-2 4, Worthy 1-4 0-0 2, Smith 4-10 3-3 11, Lynch 3-4 0-2 6, Harvey 1-3 0-3 2. Totals 37-79 17-25 92.
CLEVELAND (122)
Wilkins 7-14 4-5 18, Williams 8-8 4-6 20, Daugherty 3-6 2-4 8, Price 9-13 1-1 21, Brandon 1-5 5-5 7, Phills 6-12 3-5 15, Hill 4-7 4-4 12, Ferry 6-7 0-0 13, Guidinger 2-4 2-2 6, Toney 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 47-78 25-32 122.

LA Lakers	24	23	20	25—	92
Cleveland	29	34	24	35—	122

3-Point goals—Los Angeles 1-4 (Van Exel 1-2, Divac 0-1, Peeler 0-1), Cleveland 3-3 (Price 2-2, Ferry 1-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Los Angeles 36 (Campbell 10), Cleveland 52 (Hill 13). Assists—Los Angeles 21 (Van Exel 8), Cleveland 34 (Brandon 9). Total fouls—Los Angeles 21, Cleveland 21. Technicals—Hill, Los Angeles illegal defense 2, Cleveland illegal defense. A—17,308.

Magic 97, Kings 91

ORLANDO (97)
Anderson 7-13 2-2 16, Turner 0-4 0-0 0, O'Neal 12-21 3-7 27, Hardaway 6-13 3-5 16, Skiles 5-11 4-6 16, Kite 0-2 0-0 0, Scott 3-7 0-0 7, Bowie 5-8 0-0 10, Royal 1-1 3-4 5. Totals 39-80 15-24 97.
SACRAMENTO (91)
Simmons 3-9 2-2 8, Tisdale 9-17 4-4 22, Peplowski 0-1 1-2 1, Webb 6-10 1-2 13, Richmond 9-19 11-13 32, Chilcutt 3-6 0-0 6, Williams 1-8 1-2 3, Breuer 0-1 0-0 0, Les 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 0-2 0-0 0, Wilson 3-7 0-0 6.Totals 34-80 20-25 91.

Orlando	28	24	27	18—	97
Sacramento	21	20	28	22—	91

3-Point goals—Orlando 4-12 (Skiles 2-4, Hardaway 1-2, Scott 1-3, Anderson 0-3), Sacramento 3-12 (Richmond 3-9, Webb 0-1, Williams 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 52 (O'Neal 17), Sacramento 49 (Tisdale 10). Assists—Orlando 24 (Skiles 9), Sacramento 25 (Richmond 7). Total fouls—Orlando 21, Sacramento 20. Technicals—Tisdale, Orlando illegal defense 2. A—17,317.

College Basketball

Sunday's College Scores
By The Associated Press
EAST
Cornell 99, Cortland St. 63
Gannon 97, Columbia Union 47
Harvard 92, Vermont 64
Maine 112, E. Illinois 82
Marist 101, Army 89
New Hampshire Coll. 94, St. Michael's 78
Phila. Textile 91, Dowling 65
St. Francis, Pa. 86, Canisius 71
Virginia Union 89, Claflin 68
SOUTH
Davidson 82, Clemson 79
Wake Forest 83, Appalachian St. 78
MIDWEST
Illinois St. 74, N. Iowa 61
Minnesota 79, W. Carolina 61
Missouri 64, Coppin St. 63
Teikyo Marycrest 90, Monmouth, Ill. 75
FAR WEST
Washington St. 79, E. Michigan 64
TOURNAMENTS
Holiday Inn-Coca Cola Classic Championship
Lincoln Memorial 77, Lenoir-Rhyne 63
Third Place
Wingate 59, Dist. of Columbia 54

Women's Scores

EAST
Drexel 75, Fairleigh Dickinson 57
Norfolk St. 74, St. Augustine's 56
Northeastern 68, Boston College 65
Penn St. 94, Pittsburgh 65
Phila. Textile 92, Adelphi 59
Rhode Island 100, Manhattan 63
Villanova 77, Temple 48
SOUTH
Fla. International 72, Auburn 46
Iowa 72, James Madison 44
N.C. Charlotte 90, Wake Forest 87, 3OT
MIDWEST
Augustana, S.D. 94, Bemidji St. 62
Miami, Ohio 78, Illinois 66
Missouri 88, E. Illinois 52
N. Dakota St. 96, Valley City St. 58
Northwestern 89, Holy Cross 58
Notre Dame 82, Louisiana St. 80
Ohio St. 105, Kansas St. 70
Rosary 70, Viterbo 55
SOUTHWEST
Oklahoma St. 77, Houston 57
Rice 68, U.C.-Irvine 45
FAR WEST
Boise St. 66, UCLA 64
E. Washington 73, Portland 64
TOURNAMENTS
Navy Classic
Third Place
W. Carolina 79, St. Francis, NY 75
Pizza Hut Shocker Classic
Championship
Wichita St. 75, Minnesota 70
Third Place
Texas Tech 80, W. Illinois 61

Minnesota 79, W. Carolina 61

WESTERN CAROLINA (3-3)
Ford 3-7 0-0 6, Thompson 2-9 5-8 9, Vandemark 1-1 1-2 3, King 8-16 5-6 21, McCollum 7-12 0-1 15, Scholtz 0-0 0-0 0, Hunter 0-2 3-4 3, Bradley 1-2 2-2 4, Gibson 0-1 0-2 0, Scott 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-51 16-25 61.
MINNESOTA (6-2)
Carter 5-10 4-4 14, Grim 5-9 0-1 11, Kolander 5-7 2-2 12, Lenard 5-12 2-2 15, McDonald 2-3 1-2 6, Orr 4-5 0-0 10, Nzegamasabo 1-2 0-0 2, Wolf 0-1 2-2 2, Baker 0-2 2-2 2, Thomas 2-2 1-3 5, Crittenden 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-63 14-18 79.
Halftime—W. Carolina 23, Minnesota 33. 3-Point goals—W. Carolina 1-14 (McCollum 1-5, Bradley 0-1, Ford 0-1, King 0-3, Thompson 0-4), Minnesota 7-14 (Lenard 3-6, Orr 2-3, McDonald 1-1, Grim 1-2, Carter 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—W. Carolina 28 (Thompson 8), Minnesota 33 (Carter 8). Assists—W. Carolina 10 (King 3), Minnesota 25 (McDonald 6). Total fouls—W. Carolina 17, Minnesota 23. A—13,505.

NHL Results

National Hockey League
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
NY Rangers	23	7	3	49	124	84
New Jersey	19	10	4	42	117	87
Philadelphia	18	15	2	38	134	132
Washington	14	16	2	30	104	105
Islanders	13	15	3	29	115	108
Florida	12	15	5	29	88	95
Tampa Bay	10	19	4	24	82	103
Northeast Division						
Pittsburgh	16	9	7	39	117	110
Boston	16	10	7	39	110	98
Buffalo	16	15	3	35	115	99
Montreal	14	12	6	34	102	89
Quebec	14	14	5	33	121	115
Hartford	10	19	3	23	91	115
Ottawa	7	24	3	17	102	170

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	21	9	5	47	125	96
St. Louis	17	11	5	39	105	106
Dallas	16	12	7	39	124	114
Detroit	17	13	2	36	139	118
Chicago	16	10	4	36	96	79
Winnipeg	12	18	5	29	117	140
Pacific Division						
Calgary	19	10	5	43	130	107
Vancouver	17	16	0	34	107	108
San Jose	11	19	5	27	85	109
Anaheim	12	20	2	26	85	105
Los Angeles	11	19	2	24	118	133
Edmonton	8	22	5	21	96	124

Sunday's Games
Quebec 7, San Jose 5
Dallas 3, Vancouver 1
Boston 2, Florida 1, OT
Tampa Bay 3, Buffalo 3, tie
N.Y. Rangers 6, Ottawa 3
New Jersey 4, Philadelphia 2
N.Y. Islanders 6, Pittsburgh 3
St. Louis 4, Edmonton 1
Chicago 2, Anaheim 0
Monday's Games
Anaheim at Winnipeg, 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Calgary, 8:35 p.m.

Stars 3, Canucks 1

Dallas	2	0	1—	3
Vancouver	0	1	0—	1

First Period—1, Dallas, Modano 25 (R.Courtnall, Klatt), 1:47. 2, Dallas, Gagner 12, 11:36.
Second Period—3, Vancouver, Odjick 10 (Murzyn, Ward), 5:36.
Third Period—4, Dallas, R.Courtnall 10 (Gilchrist, Ledyard), 12:21.
Shots on goal—Dallas 5-3-4—12. Vancouver 8-15-8—31. Power-play Opportunities—Dallas 0 of 3; Vancouver 0 of 5. Goalies—Dallas, Moog, 8-7-4 (31 shots-30 saves). Vancouver, McLean, 12-11 (12-9). A—14,092.

Nordiques 7, Sharks 5

San Jose	2	1	2—	5
Quebec	2	2	3—	7

First Period—1, Quebec, Young 9 (Finn, Gelinas), 5:18. 2, Quebec, Young 10 (Sundin, McKee), 9:50 (pp). 3, San Jose, Otevrel 1 (Sykora), 13:17. 4, San Jose, Errey 8 (Pederson, Gaudreau), 16:54.
Second Period—5, San Jose, Whitney 1 (Zettler), 6:07. 6, Quebec, Sakic 14 (Kamensky, Sundin), 7:47 (pp). 7, Quebec, Young 11 (Sundin, Sakic), 17:52.
Third Period—8, San Jose, Gaudreau 5 (Elik, Zmolek), 1:24. 9, Quebec, Wolanin 2 (Rucinsky, Fraser), 4:19. 10, Quebec, Fraser 7 (Ricci, Lapointe), 9:07. 11, San Jose, Makarov 10 (Otevrel, Ozolinsh), 16:14 (pp). 12, Quebec, Kamensky 11 (Wolanin), 18:47 (en).
Shots on goal—San Jose 10-9-11—30. Quebec 13-6-10—29. Power-play Opportunities—San Jose 1 of 5; Quebec 2 of 7. Goalies—San Jose, Waite 2-5-0 (29 shots-23 saves). Quebec, Snow 3-1-0 (30-25). A—14,729.

Bruins 2, Panthers 0

Boston	0	1	0	1—	2
Florida	0	0	1	0—	0

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Boston, Bourque 9 (Donato, Smolinski), 15:22.
Third Period—2, Florida, Barnes 7 (Fitzgerald, Benning), 19:54.
Overtime—3, Boston, Juneau 10, 1:55.
Shots on goal—Boston 9-17-8-3—37. Florida 7-9-13-0—29. Power-play Opportunities—Boston 0 of 3; Florida 0 of 6. Goalies—Boston, Blue, 4-4-2 (29 shots-28 saves). Florida, Vanbiesbrouck, 10-10-4 (37-35). A—14,698.

Lightning 3, Sabres 3

Tampa Bay	0	3	0	0—	3
Buffalo	1	1	1	0—	3

First Period—1, Buffalo, Audette 7, (Plante, Svoboda), 8:51 (pp).
Second Period—2, Tampa Bay, Gallant 1, 2:33. 3, Buffalo, Presley 8 (Smehlik, Hannan), 11:10 (sh). 4, Tampa Bay, Klima 13 (Bradley, Cole), 14:19. 5, Tampa Bay, Chambers 2 (Creighton), 14:40.
Third Period—6, Buffalo, Smehlik 7 (Hannan, Presley), 7:47 (sh).
Overtime—None.
Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 9-10-8-2—29. Buffalo 5-7-14-1—27. Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 0 of 4; Buffalo 1 of 4. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Puppa, 7-16-3 (27 shots-24 saves). Buffalo, Hasek, 10-7-2 (29-26). A—13,721.

Rangers 6, Senators 3

Ottawa	1	2	0—	3
N.Y. Rangers	2	2	2—	6

First Period—1, Ottawa, Kudelski 26 (Yashin, Kekalainen), 13:43; 2, New York, Zubov 6 (Leetch, Messier), 17:20 (pp). 3, New York, Kovalev 5 (Nemchinov, Beukeboom), 18:10.
Second Period—4, New York, Kovalev 6 (Nemchinov, Olczyk), 3:42. 5, New York, Amonte 9 (Larmer, Zubov), 6:43. 6, Ottawa, McLlwain 10 (Archibald, Daigle), 8:24. 7, Ottawa, Lamb 5 (Filimonov, McBain), 9:03.
Third Period—8, New York, Nemchinov 9 (Kovalev, Olczyk), 7:35. 9, New York, Gartner 16 (Messier, Zubov), 17:32.
Shots on goal—Ottawa 8-10-7—25. New York 10-11-16—37. Power-play Opportunities—Ottawa 0 of 4; New York 1 of 4. Goalies—Ottawa, Billington, 5-16-1 (37 shots-31 saves). New York, Richter, 17-4-3 (25-22). A—17,935.

Devils 4, Flyers 2

Philadelphia	1	1	0—	2
New Jersey	0	2	2—	4

First Period—1, Philadelphia, Beranek 22 (Brind'Amour, Yushkevich), 4:49 (pp).
Second Period—2, Philadelphia, Recchi 19 (Eklund, Butsayev), 6:10. 3, New Jersey, Emma 4 (MacLean, Modry), 13:23. 4, New Jersey, Modry 2 (Emma, Niedermayer), 16:41 (pp).
Third Period—5, New Jersey, Emma 5 (Richer, MacLean), 1:12; 6, New Jersey, Zelepukin 14 (Dowd, MacLean), 15:25.
Shots on goal—Philadelphia 10-7-10—27. New Jersey 17-10-10—37. Power-play Opportunities—Philadelphia 1 of 3; New Jersey 1 of 6. Goalies—Philadelphia, Roussel, 16-9-0 (37 shots-33 saves). New Jersey, Terreri, 10-6-1 (27-25). A—13,205.

Islanders 6, Penguins 3

N.Y. Islanders	1	3	2—	6
Pittsburgh	1	1	1—	3

First Period—1, New York, Turgeon 14 (Lachance), 6:38 (sh). 2, Pittsburgh, Jagr 15 (Tocchet, Stevens), 15:14 (pp).
Second Period—3, New York, Malakhov 2 (King, Turgeon), 2:50 (pp). 4, New York, King 16 (Malakhov, Thomas), 5:17; 5, Pittsburgh, Murphy 8 (Jagr, Francis), 8:03 (pp). 6, New York, Thomas 18 (Turgeon, King), 10:41 (pp).
Third Period—7, New York, Green 9 (Dalgarno, McInnis), :31. 8, Pittsburgh, Stapleton 3 (Mullen, McSorley), 12:58. 9, New York, Dalgarno 5 (Green, McInnis), 13:09.
Shots on goal—New York 7-12-7—26. Pittsburgh 7-10-16—33. Power-play Opportunities—New York 2 of 6; Pittsburgh 2 of 7. Goalies—New York, Hextall, 12-12-3 (33 shots-30 saves). Pittsburgh, Wregget, 10-4-4 (26-20). A—16,594.

Blues 4, Oilers 1

St. Louis	0	3	1—	4
Edmonton	0	1	0—	1

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, St. Louis, Hull 19 (Janney, Butcher), 2:48. 2, St. Louis, Hull 20 (Brown, Janney), 7:59 (pp). 3, St. Louis, Prokhorov 2 (Hedican, Crossman), 12:22. 4, Edmonton, Rice 9 (Corson, Weight) 17:47, (pp).
Third Period—5, St. Louis, Hull 21 (Janney), 8:34.
Shots on goal—St. Louis 12-9-9—30. Edmonton 11-17-16—44. Power-play Opportunities—St. Louis 0 of 1; Edmonton 1 of 3. Goalies—St. Louis, Joseph, 15-9-5 (44 shots-43 saves). Edmonton, Ranford, 8-15-5 (30-26). A—13,628

Blackhawks 2, Ducks 0

Anaheim	0	0	0—	0
Chicago	0	0	2—	2

First Period—None.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—1, Chicago, Murphy 14 (Smith, Roenick), 4:02. 2, Chicago, Graham 6, 19:43 (en).
Shots on goal—Anaheim 8-6-8—22. Chicago 8-10-15—33. Power-play Opportunities—Anaheim 0 of 1; Chicago 0 of 3. Goalies—Anaheim, Tugnutt, 6-9-1 (32 shots-31 saves). Chicago, Belfour, 14-7-2 (22-22). A—18,472.

Johnnie Walker Golf

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica (AP) — Final scores and money winnings Sunday of the $2.7 million Johnnie Walker Championship on the 6,760-yard, par-71 Tryall Club course:

Larry Mize, $550,000	65—	266
Fred Couples, $300,000	64—	276
Bernhard Langer, $200,000	69—	277
Colin Montgmrie, $130,000	74—	278
Curtis Strange, $100,000	66—	279
Nick Faldo, $87,500	70—	281
Brad Faxon, $87,500	72—	281
Vijay Singh, $75,000	69—	282
Steve Elkington, $75,000	72—	282
Ernie Els, $75,000	73—	282
Fulton Allem, $65,000	73—	283
Sam Torrance, $64,000	70—	284
Gordon Brand Jr., $62,500	67—	285
Corey Pavin, $62,500	68—	285
Tom Kite, $59,000	68—	287
Lee Janzen, $59,000	68—	287
Steve Richardson, $59,000	70—	287
Jeff Maggert, $59,000	74—	287
Costantino Rocca, $59,000	76—	287
David Frost, $56,000	70—	289
Jesper Parnevik, $54,500	72—	291
Ben Crenshaw, $54,500	73—	291
Ian Woosnam, $52,500	72—	292
Davis Love III, $52,500	73—	292
Jim Gallagher, $51,000	74—	293
Seiki Okuda, $50,000	74—	297
Bradley Hughes, $50,000	77—	303
Peter Baker, $50,000	76—	307

Coolum Golf

COOLUM, Australia (AP) — Final leading scores Sunday from the $134,000 Coolum Classic, played on the 6,918-yard, par-72 Hyatt Coolum Resort Course (Australian unless noted):

David Diaz $24,120	67—	275
David Ecob	69—	279
Jeffrey Wagner	70—	279
Peter McWhinney	69—	280
John Clifford	66—	282
Max Stevens	70—	282
Tim Elliott	68—	283
Jeff Senior	69 -	283
Craig Jones	71—	284
Jeff Woodland	72—	284
Michael Clayton	74—	284
Peter Senior	76—	284

Senior Money

PONTE VEDRA, Fla. (AP) — Final leading money winners on the Senior PGA Tour:

1. Dave Stockton	$1,175,944
2. Bob Charles	$1,046,823
3. George Archer	$963,124
4. Lee Trevino	$956,591
5. Chi Chi Rodriguez	$798,857
6. Mike Hill	$798,116
7. Jim Colbert	$779,889
8. Bob Murphy	$768,743
9. Ray Floyd	$713,168
10. Simon Hobday	$670,417
11. Gibby Gilbert	$661,378
12. Jim Albus	$627,883
13. Al Geiberger	$608,877
14. Rocky Thompson	$571,844
15. Isao Aoki	$557,667
16. Tom Wargo	$557,270
17. Larry Gilbert	$515,790
18. Jim Dent	$513,515
19. Dale Douglass	$499,858
20. J.C. Snead	$487,500
21. Dewitt Weaver	$472,220
22. Jim Ferree	$424,333
23. Kermit Zarley	$414,715
24. Bob Betley	$407,300
25. Bruce Crampton	$366,762
26. Gary Player	$360,272
27. Jack Kiefer	$333,511
28. Walter Zembriski	$331,960
29. Tom Shaw	$324,386
30. Miller Barber	$318,986
31. Harold Henning	$314,104
32. Tom Weiskopf	$296,526
33. Don January	$274,338
34. Tommy Aaron	$266,611
35. Dick Hendrickson	$243,262
36. Don Bies	$239,781
37. Charles Coody	$221,982

Transactions

Weekend Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press
BASEBALL
American League
TEXAS RANGERS—Signed Bill Ripken, second baseman, to a contract with Oklahoma City of the American Association.
National League
CHICAGO CUBS—Traded Bob Scanlan, pitcher, to the Milwaukee Brewers for Rafael Novoa, pitcher and Mike Carter, outfielder.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
INDIANA PACERS—Placed Pooh Richardson, guard, on the injured list. Activated Vern Fleming, guard, from the injured list.
MIAMI HEAT—Placed Willie Burton, guard-forward, on the injured list. Activated Keith Askins, forward, from the injured list.
NEW YORK KNICKS—Placed Glenn Rivers, guard, on the injured list. Signed Corey Gaines, guard.

Women's Box

Tech 80, W. Ill. 61

TEXAS TECH (8-1)
Robinson 6-8 4-7 16, Wiley 3-5 1-2 8, Atkins 8-10 4-6 20, Heath 3-6 0-0 6, Johnson 1-4 0-1 3, Pruitt 0-0 1-2 1, Kersey 0-0 0-0 0, Scott 0-0 0-0 0, Farris 4-5 2-3 10, Parker 0-0 0-2 0, Sunvall 0-0 0-0 0, Truesdale 5-10 4-8 14, Thomas 0-1 0-0 0, White 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 30-49 18-33 80.
W. ILLINOIS (2-5)
Haskett 1-9 0-0 2, Pitterson 3-6 4-6 10, Edwards 1-1 0-0 2, Higgs-Lohnes 7-16 0-0 20, Adelman 3-17 0-0 8, Stahl 1-3 0-0 2, Vincent 2-4 1-3 6, LaFrance 2-4 2-2 7, Hamisch 1-3 0-0 2, Nohl 1-2 0-1 2. Totals 22-65 7-12 61.
Halftime—Texas Tech 38, W. Illinois 35. 3-Point goals—Texas Tech 2-4 (Wiley 1-1, Johnson 1-3), W. Illinois 10-25 (Higgs-Lohnes 6-11, Adelman 2-9, Vincent 1-1, LaFrance 1-3, Stahl 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Texas Tech 40 (Atkins 10), W. Illinois 38 (Pitterson 9). Assists—Texas Tech 23 (Johnson 5), W. Illinois 18 (Adelman, Vincent 5). Total fouls—Texas Tech 14, W. Illinois 27.

OILERS: Playoff spot to Houston with victory

(From 1C)

ing the game ball to his parents."

Alm's picture was flashed on the scoreboard as both teams stood at attention prior to the national anthem, and several Oilers said he was constantly in their thoughts.

"I thought about it every time I turned around and saw that 76 on a helmet," defensive end William Fuller said. "At the same time, you have to put it out of your mind, and concentrate on what you have to do. And we did what we had to do."

And they did it early, scoring twice in 1:30 of the first quarter on Moon's 38-yard screen pass to Gary Brown and Bo Orlando's 38-yard interception return for a 14-0 lead. The Steelers never caught up, psychologically or on the scoreboard.

"We were fired up, the crowd was fired up but they quieted the crowd right way," Steelers cornerback D.J. Johnson said. "They did a great job of taking the crowd out of the game."

The Oilers' 6-0 division record assures they will win the division even should they lose their final two games. The Steelers (8-6) lost their first division home game in three years and probably must beat Seattle and Cleveland to make the playoffs as a wild card.

"They said we couldn't win in the cold, we couldn't win outside, we couldn't win in Pittsburgh and couldn't win the division when we were 1-4," wide receiver Ernest Givins said. "We did all that."

Moon, winner of only three of nine previous starts in Pittsburgh, ducked a blitz to hit Brown on the Oilers' opening drive and the running back outran the secondary into the end zone with 3:53 gone. Brown also rushed 20 times for 100 yards, only the second 100-yard game by an opposing back in Three Rivers in 3½ seasons.

Defensively, the Oilers disrupted Pittsburgh with a nonstop blitz that forced two point-producing turnovers and sacked Neil O'Donnell six times.

"They never stopped coming at us," said Leroy Thompson, who gained just 19 yards on 13 carries in place of injured All-Pro running back Barry Foster.

Oilers 26, Steelers 17

Houston	14	6	3	3—	26
Pittsburgh	0	3	7	7—	17

First Quarter
Hou—G.Brown 38 pass from Moon (Del Greco kick), 3:53.
Hou—Orlando 38 interception return (Del Greco kick), 5:23.
Second Quarter
Hou—FG Del Greco 34, 3:45.
Hou—FG Del Greco 22, 7:07.
Pit—FG Anderson 26, 12:14.
Third Quarter
Hou—FG Del Greco 33, 10:46.
Pit—Green 36 pass from O'Donnell (Anderson kick), 13:09.
Fourth Quarter
Hou—FG Del Greco 21, 2:48.
Pit—Hoge 5 run (Anderson kick), 12:40.
A—57,592.

	Hou	Pit
First downs	20	21
Rushes-yards	25-117	18-38
Passing	266	347
Punt Returns	3-18	2-20
Kickoff Returns	1-21	7-75
Interceptions Ret.	2-60	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	19-38-0	24-57-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-2	6-53
Punts	4-46	7-40
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-62	5-32
Time of Possession	30:50	29:10

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Houston, G.Brown 20-100, Moon 5-17. Pittsburgh, Thompson 13-19, Stone 1-11, Hoge 2-5, Tomczak 1-2, O'Donnell 1-1.
PASSING—Houston, Moon 19-38-0-268. Pittsburgh, O'Donnell 15-37-1-256, Tomczak 9-20-1-144.
RECEIVING—Houston, Givens 5-71, G.Brown 4-80, Wellman 4-59, Duncan 3-27, Jeffires 2-10, Slaughter 1-21. Pittsburgh, Graham 7-192, Green 6-92, Thompson 3-14, Mills 2-39, Hastings 2-32, Hoge 2-25, Cooper 2-6.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Houston, Del Greco 41.


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United States soccer player Cobi Jones of UCLA is swamped for autographs Sunday prior to World Cup Coccer Final Draw in Las Vegas. The U.S. drew Colombia.

Lady Techsters third in Shootout

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Michi Atkins had 20 points and 10 rebounds to lead third-ranked Texas Tech to an 80-61 victory Sunday over Western Illinois in the consolation game of the Pizza Hut Shocker Shootout.

Texas Tech (6-1) lost to Minnesota 92-82 in overtime in the first round, but the Lady Red Raiders rebounded Sunday on the strength of a 42-point second half.

Western Illinois (2-5) got to 38-35 at halftime despite trailing by 12 points late in the half.

The Westerwind made 10 of 25 3-point shots but was held to 34-percent shooting overall.

Texas Tech shot 61 percent and made 18 of 33 free throws to only 7 of 12 for Western Illinois.

Connie Robinson added 16 points for Texas Tech. Jill Higgs-Lohnes made six of 11 3-point shots to lead the Westerwind with 20 points.

Italy draws toughest group

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

■ World Cup Analysis

LAS VEGAS — Germany was a big winner in Sunday's World Cup draw while Italy, practically a home team in New York, wound up in the toughest group.

Germany, the defending World Cup champion, will play Bolivia, Spain and South Korea in Group C during the first round of the tournament. Italy, a semifinal loser four years ago, will play Ireland, Norway and Mexico in Group E.

"The draw couldn't have gone any better for us," German defender Jurgen Kohler said. "Spain could be a our toguhest opponent, but we can't underestimate anyone. The Italian group looks the hardest."

Italy has played Ireland just twice since 1971, winning 2-1 at Dublin in 1985 and 2-0 last year at Foxboro, Mass. Norway knocked Italy out of qualifying for the 1992 European Championship, winning 2-1 at Oslo and tying 1-1 at Genoa. Italy and Mexico haven't played since a 1-1 tie in a 1985 exhibition game at Mexico City.

"In this group, you can't play a game with 50 percent effort," said Italy coach Arrigo Sacchi, who announced his team will train at the Pingry School in Somerset, N.J. "Together with Colombia, Mexico is the team that plays the most modern soccer."

The top team from each group and the four second-place teams with the best records advance to the 16-team second round. Advancing is the goal for the United States, which went 0-3 in the 1990 tournament and finished 23rd of 24 teams. The Americans drew Colombia, Switzerland and Romania in Group A.

"To qualify we need five points," U.S. coach Bora Milutinovic said, referring to the new system that awards three points for a victory and one for a tie. "With my team, I'm very sure we'll make it."

Brazil, the tournament champion in 1958, 1962 and 1970, was drawn into Group B with Russia, Cameroon and Sweden. Brazil beat Sweden 2-1 in the opening round of the 1990 World Cup and beat Soviet Union 2-1 in the first round of the 1982 World Cup.

"I think Brazil got a nice group," said Pele, who revolutionized soccer in that country. "Cameroon will be the most difficult for Brazil because African style is similar to Brazilian style."

Germany and Spain haven't played since West Germany won 2-0 in the first round of the 1988 European Championship.

"Spain will be tough, but the first game is the most difficult as we cannot understimate the Bolivians," German captain Lothar Matthaus said.

Argentina and Belgium got the easiest groups among the six-seeded countries. Argentina, a finalist in 1990 and the World Cup champion in 1986, will play in Group D with Greece, Nigeria and Bulgaria. Diego Maradona, Argentina's captain in 1986 and 1990, claimed the draw was fixed, as he did before the 1990 tournament.

"We knew beforehand who was going to be in each group," Maradona said. "With things like this, they are hurting soccer."

Belgium, eliminated by England in the second round of the 1990 World Cup, drew Morocco, the Netherlands and Saudi Arabia for Group F.

DRAW: Germany to meet Boliva

(From 1C)

at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif.

"It probably is a must game right from the beginning," said U.S. forward Ernie Stewart. "I think we are going to win the first two games. I think we have a good chance to make the second round."

Colombia won its qualifying group with a 5-0-2 record and routed two-time champion Argentina 5-0 in the final qualifying game. Romania used a late surge to win its qualifying sector ahead of Belgium, which along with the United States, Germany, Brazil, Argentina and Italy were top seeds for the 24-team tournament. The Romanians won their last six qualifying games.

Switzerland finished second to Italy in its qualifying group, which kept Portugal and Scotland — perennial World Cup teams — from advancing.

"With the U.S. as the host nation, there is going to be a lot of focus on our group," said Switzerland coach Roy Hodgson. "We're Switzerland, we participate in the World Cup once every 30 years, so everything bothers us."

The U.S. group also will play at Stanford Stadium in Palo Alto, Calif. The United States plays Colombia on June 22 and Romania on June 26.

"There are no weak teams in the World Cup, but it's a pretty tough group," said U.S. midfielder Janusz Michallik. "Obviously, everyone hopes to play the weaker teams."

The top two finishers in each of the six groups, plus the best four third-place teams, will advance to the second round. Each round is single elimination after that, leading to the final on July 17 at the Rose Bowl.

"To qualify, we will need five points," said Milutinovich, whose U.S. team — minus several key players — lost to Germany 3-0 on Saturday. "With my team, I'm very sure we'll make it."

Germany will open against Bolivia at Soldier Field and also will face Spain and South Korea. Those teams will play in Chicago, Foxboro, Mass., and Dallas. Spain and South Korea will play in Dallas on opening night.

"Thank God we didn't get an African team," said Germany coach Berte Vogts, who fears the rising teams from that continent. "We've never played Bolivia and I don't know them, but I have time to prepare."

Argentina, which won the 1986 championship and was runner-up in 1990, faces Nigeria, Bulgaria and Greece. They will play in Foxboro, Chicago and Dallas.

Brazil, also a three-time World Cup champion, has Cameroon, Russia and Sweden in its bracket. Their games will take place at the Rose Bowl, Stanford and Pontiac.

Italy, the other three-time World Cup winner, drew Mexico, Ireland and Norway. Those teams will play at Giants Stadium in New Jersey, the Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Fla., and RFK Stadium in Washington.

"In this group, you can't play a 50 percent game," said Arrigo Sacchi, coach of Italy.

Belgium got the Netherlands, Morocco and Saudi Arabia. They will play at Orlando, Washington and Giants Stadium.

"The great advantage of playing Belgium is that we know it," Dutch coach Dick Advocaat said. "We see it's players on TV every week. We know how they play. Whereas Saudi Arabia and Morocco are unknown to us."

The 90-minute draw was presided over by Joseph Blatter, the general secretary of FIFA, soccer's rulling body, and watched worldwide by a television audience estimated at 600 million.

The entertainment, in keeping with the glitter image of this neon capital, included performances by Stevie Wonder, Barry Manilow, James Brown and Vanessa Williams. Also taking part were comedian Robin Williams, boxing champion Evander Holyfield and former soccer stars Franz Beckenbauer, Eusebio, Michel Platini and Bobby Charlton.

Noticeably absent was Pele, considered the sport's greatest and most popular player. Pele has been sued by Ricardo Teixeira, the son-in-law of FIFA president Joao Havelange and the head of the Confederation of Brazilian Football. Havelange barred Pele from participating.

World Cup odds already out

LONDON (AP) — Defending champion Germany and Brazil are 4-1 co-favorites to win the World Cup, the British bookmaker Ladbrokes said after Sunday's draw in Las Vegas.

Before the draw, Ladbrokes had Germany the 7-2 favorite. Host nation United States remained a longshot at 50-1.

The odds on the Netherlands winning shortened from 8-1 to 7-1 after the Dutch drew a comparatively easy first round. Argentina went from 9-1 to 8-1. Italy remained the third favorite at 9-2.

Ladbrokes shortened Colombia's odds from 12-1 to 10-1 while Belgium went from 25-1 to 20-1. Spain stayed at 16-1 and Russia's odds lengthened from 20-1 to 25-1.

Bolivia moved out from 25-1 to 33-1, while Norway, Sweden, Ireland and Mexico all lengthened from 33-1 to 40-1. Cameroon started at 66-1 and went to 100-1 after a tough draw. Switzerland stayed at 33-1.

Romania, the United States and Bulgaria stayed at 50-1, Nigeria at 80-1 and Greece 100-1.

Morocco slipped from 100-1 to 150-1, while Saudi Arabia remained a 200-1 shot and South Korea is still rated 250-1.

Cubs trade pitcher Scanlan for Novoa, Carter

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Cubs traded right-handed reliever Bob Scanlan to the Milwaukee Brewers for left-handed pitcher Rafael Novoa and minor league outfielder Mike Carter on Sunday.

Carter was assigned to the Cubs' AAA Iowa team.

Scanlan was 4-5 with a 4.54 ERA in 70 relief appearances for the Cubs this year. In three seasons with Chicago, he was 14-19 with 15 saves and a 3.75 ERA.

Novoa pitched for the Brewers and AAA New Orleans in 1993. At New Orleans, he was 10-5 with a 3.42 ERA in 20 appearances. At Milwaukee, he was 0-3 with two complete games and a 4.50 ERA in 15 games. He had seven starts.

Carter played for the Brewers AA EL Paso and AAA New Orleans farm teams in 1993. He batted .370 at El Paso and .276 at New Orleans, where he stole 20 bases.

No. 15 Minnesota wins by 18 points

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Voshon Lenard scored 15 points and was one of five players scorinmg in double figures as No. 15 Minnesota defeated Western Carolina 79-61 Sunday.

Minnesota (6-2) held Western Carolina scoreless for nearly eight minutes in the first half and used two big scoring runs to wear down the Catamounts.

The Gophers hit nine of its first 10 shots and outscored Western Carolina 15-0 at one point to take a 17-point lead in the first half.

The Gophers also outscored Western Carolina 18-3 early in the second half after the Catamounts pulled within three points at 34-31 on a short jumper by Frankie King at 16: 10.

Lenard hit two 3-pointers during the second-half run and David Grim had seven quick points during that stretch. Western Carolina (3-3) never got closer than 12 points after that.

Randy Carter added 14 points and eight rebounds for Minnesota. Chad Kolander had 12 and Grim 11 for the Gophers.

Arriel McDonald had just six points, but it gave the senior 1,004 for his career. His eight assists also pushed him over the 400 mark. He is the Gophers' all-time assist leader.

King, who had scored 35 points in Friday's 78-71 upset of Tennessee, led all scorers with 21 points.

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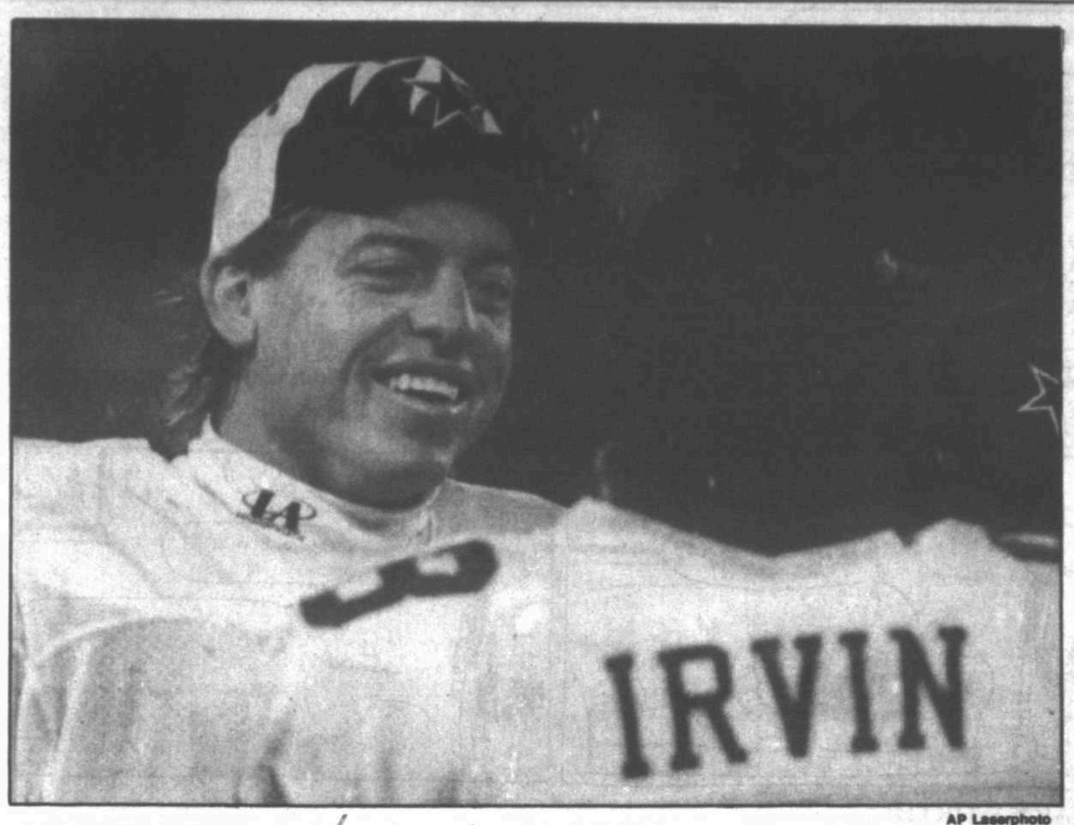
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The Dallas Cowboys, like quarterback Troy Aikman and receiver Michael Irvin, can now afford to smile after getting back in the NFL playoffs after a win over the Jets Saturday.

Dragons own UIL's Class 3A

By Jaime Aron
Associated Press Writer

WACO — Even if Southlake Carroll misses the minimum attendance needed to join Class 4A, maybe the two-time defending Class 3A champion should do the rest of 3A a favor and leave anyway.

The Dragons picked up their third title in five years Saturday night with a 14-6 victory over Cuero, extending their unbeaten streak to 47 straight.

Chances for a three-peat aren't likely, not because of factors like graduation — besides, Carroll overcame the departure of 11 starters this year — but because the school is expected to move up a class when redistricting is announced Feb. 1.

"We've always been around 500 or 550 (students) and 713 is the cut off," said coach Bob Ledbetter. "But we had a big influx of new kids in August and that kicked us over 700. So we're right on the bubble."

Ledbetter dismisses the notion that the boom of new students has impacted his program — "not many are football players or anything like that," he says — and the numbers support him.

The Dragons reloaded from the loss of half last year's dominating team to put together another steamroller this season.

Behind quarterback Kris Brown, who had never taken a varsity snap before August, Carroll tied a national record by going undefeated for the seventh straight regular season. The Dragons extended their state record for consecutive regular-season victories to 71.

With back-to-back 16-0 seasons, they're 112-5-1 since joining 3A in 1986. That, by the way, has been since moving UP to 3A.

"When you go up to 4A, you've got to be ready with a 4A program. We've been doing that by playing all 4A people in non-district," Ledbetter better said. "We did the same thing when we came up to 3A."

A move up would help answer the debate that gets fired up any time a team dominates its competition. Fans always wonder how the team would fare at a higher level and putting Carroll in a 4A district would settle it.

"If it's presented to us, then I think it'd be great. It's another opportunity to prove ourselves. We're not going to dominate, but we'll be competitive."

If Saturday's game was their last in 3A, it wasn't exactly the way the Dragons should be remembered.

Carroll faced a 6-0 halftime deficit, the first time this season the Dragons were shut out after two quarters and only the second time in 32 games they entered the locker room behind.

The third quarter, however, was much more typical. Carroll's first two drives resulted in touchdowns and the defense limited Cuero to five plays in the quarter.

"The greatest thing that could have happened to us was being behind at the half," Ledbetter said. "We told them (Cuero) could care less what you've done in the past because they outplayed you."

The eight-point victory was Carroll's closest game since a season-opening 15-13 thriller won on a last-minute field goal by Brown.

Carroll has one more last-minute thriller ahead, this one against the University Interscholastic League.

If the Dragons remain in 3A, it's merely delaying the inevitable, Ledbetter said, pointing to the growing attendance.

And if they get to 4A, a new challenge awaits them.

"If we go, it'll be exciting for us because it enables us to go into the year and say we haven't done anything," Ledbetter said.

Funny thing — he said the same thing before this season and look at the result.

Johnson's tirade a beauty

DALLAS (AP) — After hearing coach Jimmy Johnson burn their ears for giving up meaningless points against Minnesota, the Dallas Cowboys defense wasn't about to let the New York Jets make it face Johnson's wrath again.

There was little doubt Dallas would beat New York on Saturday, especially not after the Cowboys led 21-0 and the Jets' woeful offense extended its streak of touchdown-less quarters to 17.

A week before, leading the Vikings 37-13 midway through the fourth quarter, the Dallas defense let Minnesota march to an easy touchdown. Johnson responded by erupting in his post-game news conference.

Many considered the tirade a psychological ploy. If so, it worked.

"The thing we talked about all week was to play with last-play urgency all game long," said Butch Davis, the Cowboys defensive coordinator who took flak for the let-up against Minnesota.

But it was the Jets who opened the fourth-quarter looking determined. Beginning on their 9, they marched 91 yards in 12 plays to end their touchdown drought and begin boiling Johnson's blood.

New York did it by using the no-huddle offense quarterback Boomer Esiason perfected in Cincinnati. It was the first time the Jets used it Saturday and the Cowboys had trouble adapting.

But even with the postseason in focus, the Jets offense still had to line up against Cowboys starters Ken Norton and Charles Haley.

Their presence was questionable because both are suffering painful injuries that may require postseason surgery. Still, it proved Johnson's last-play urgency. Further evidence came when the Cowboys began blitzing.

"I was a little perturbed that he would double safety-blitz up 28-7 and try to knock Boomer Esiason out of the game," Coslet said.

He obviously doesn't know Johnson.

"Somebody needs to pass me a note and tell me when we can blitz and when we can't. I haven't read the manual yet. I'm just trying to win games," Johnson said.

But the defense gave in a little, putting itself in one more jam. Had they given up another fourth-quarter touchdown against a miserable offense they were sure to unleash another Johnson post-game tongue-lashing.

Somehow, they avoided both.

Bradshaw cries after loss of NFL

By John Nelson
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — Only hours after learning that Fox had outbid CBS for the NFL's glamour conference, "NFL Today" co-hosts Terry Bradshaw and Greg Gumbel sat through an emotional, even teary-eyed dinner.

"I started to cry," Bradshaw admitted later.

Two days later, Gumbel says he thinks "our reactions might have been premature. Now, we wait."

Friday night, the NFL confirmed that the Fox Television Network had taken the NFC package away from CBS, the NFL's original network. Immediately, CBS made a bid for the AFC, which NBC has televised since 1970.

The shock is still there, the confusion, the uncertainty, Gumbel said. "But I think mostly, by and large, it's wait-and-see until we find out what happens with the other situation," Gumbel said.

The CBS and NBC bids for the AFC currently are before the NFL's broadcast committee, which could make a decision as early as Monday. The loser is out of the football business.

CBS' lead football analyst, John Madden, was pessimistic, a sentiment shared by many others at CBS.

"I think it's all over for CBS, and NBC will keep the AFC," Madden said. "CBS is the odd man out."

While trying to hold out hope, even if slim, Gumbel couldn't argue too strenuously.

"I don't pretend to know enough about the whole scenario to be any kind of expert on it," Gumbel said. "I'm sure that Madden, with the people he knows and as long as he's been in the game, is much more confident of some of the things he says."

The Associated Press first reported on Dec. 8 that Fox had made a major bid for NFL games. In the weeks preceding the bombshell announcement, however, speculation was that Fox would go after NBC's AFC package. What was surprising was that Fox went after the NFC package instead and that it was willing to pay a whopping $1.58 billion over four years.

Earlier this year, CBS lost major league baseball to an NBC-ABC-major league baseball conglomerate known as The Baseball Network. Now, if its bid for the AFC is unsuccessful, CBS will be without rights to any of the four major pro sports leagues.

Both baseball and the NFL, however, were losers from a business standpoint, costing the network millions in losses. What's left — not to mention David Letterman — are more lucrative properties such as golf, tennis and the Winter Olympics, as well as CBS' exclusive $1 billion contract with the NCAA for college basketball.

"There are those of us who do a variety of things," Gumbel said, "but there will be a lot of people, here or at NBC, whoever doesn't get the AFC, looking to go elsewhere."

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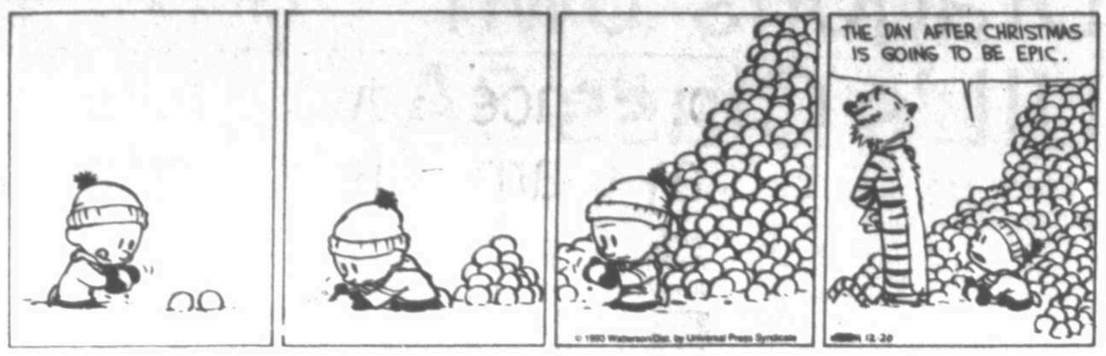
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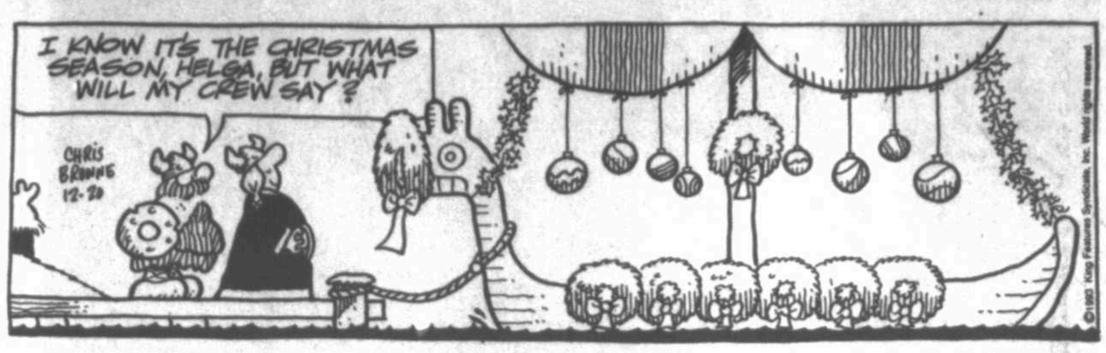
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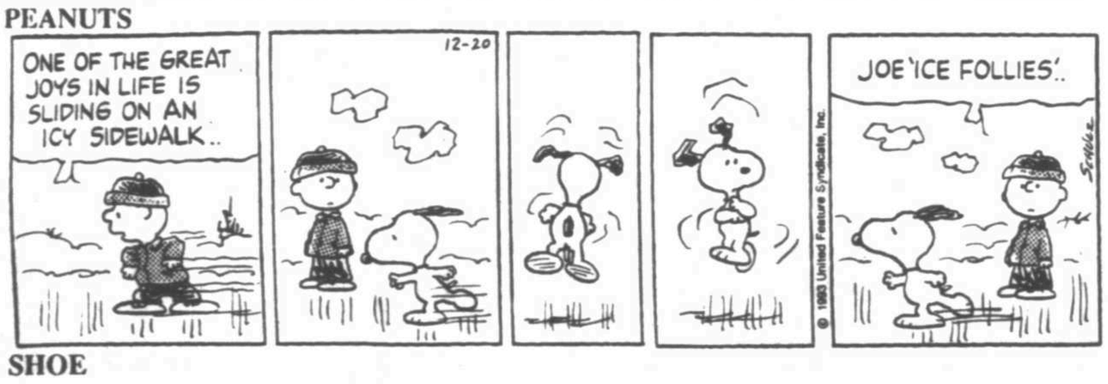
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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): An excellent day for traveling, visiting or trying to drum up interest in a winter holiday jaunt. Singles could meet someone with whom they have instant, lively rapport. Show your practical side.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Pulling together with your co-workers or relatives will give you extra muscle. Physical fitness activities build your confidence. There is smoother sailing on the career horizon. Romance is happier than in the past.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A give-and-take attitude produces a meeting of minds and a long-sought agreement. Associates will help you advance a stalled project. Finish off last-minute shopping in a familiar neighborhood.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your inventive way of presenting ideas wins support of an important new project. Influential people become putty in your hands when they see that you are committed to making them look good.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone tries to coax you into doing things another person's way. Put your foot down but be polite. You like your own space and privacy.

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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.1—As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠AJ85 ♡A75 ◇83 ♣J1083
The bidding has proceeded:

North	East	South	West
1 ♡	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	?	

What action do you take?
A.—Because of your fit for partner's hearts your hand is just worth a game try. The obvious move is to bid three hearts. Reverse our red-suit holdings and we would be content to play in a partial.

Q.2—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠AQ9873 ♡J104 ◇Q7 ♣J6
The bidding has proceeded:

South	West	North	East
2 ♣*	Pass	3 ♡	Pass
?			

*—Weak
What action do you take?
A.—Any new-suit response to a weak two-bid is forcing to at least three of opener's suit. Here you have three-card support for partner's suit when you might have had a singleton. Show it by raising to four hearts.

Q.3—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠K ♡6432 ◇KJ762 ♣Q95
The bidding has proceeded:

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♡	Pass	?	

What action do you take?
A.—You have a maximum no trump, four-card support for hearts and your king of spades must be a valuable filler for partner's first-bid suit. Raise to three hearts. Even four hearts is not beyond the pale, but let partner make the decision.

Q.4—As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠A ♡6 ◇AQ1054 ♣K97652
What is your opening bid?
A.—The problem is not so much with the first bid as with the second. If you open one club, almost any response forces you to rebid two clubs and that could result in missing a superior partial or even a game in diamonds. If you open one diamond, you will have an easy two-club rebid and get both suits into the auction.

Q.5—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠A852 ♡A104 ◇J53 ♣J75
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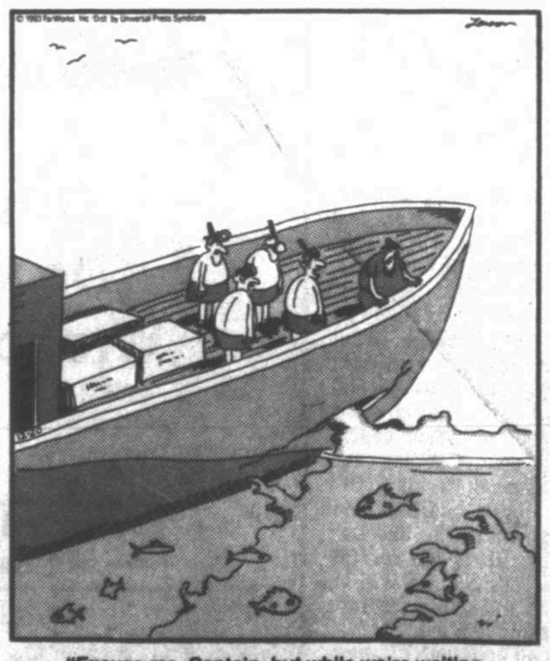
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1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
1 NT	Pass	?	

What action do you take?
A.—Depending on system, partner is limited to a maximum of 15 points. Even should North hold an absolute maximum, game would be doubtful, since you might not have a source of tricks. Therefore, there's no reason to endanger a safe partial. Pass.

Q.6—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠K87653 ♡K107653 ◇K ♣Void
As dealer, what action do you take?
A.—What a horrible hand. We certainly understand if you choose to open one spade. However, we don't like opening a hand with no sure defensive trick and, if we do open, we are not sure we will be able to halt the auction at the correct level. Pass and hope someone opens, so you can back into the auction.

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"Excuse me, Captain, but while we're waiting, would you like to join the crew and myself for a little snorkeling?"

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"Daddy did his share before he went to work."

DENNIS THE MENACE



"EXCEPT FOR NEW CLOTHES, I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING I DON'T WANT FOR CHRISTMAS."

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

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(3) KMID	2	3	News 117	Wheel of Fortune	Day One 8001		NFL Football: New York Giants at New Orleans Saints 200914						News 8136	Cheers 67001
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(13) KVOC	36	13	MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour 763914		I'll Fly Away 885575		Barenboim Conducts Strauss 894223		Barenboim Conducts Strauss 881759		To Be Announced 884846		Off the Air	
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(7) CNBC		7	Your Portfolio	Money Talk	Steals and Deals	Equal Time	McLaughlin 6180933		Tom Snyder 6177469		Real Personal	Equal Time	McLaughlin 9521353	
(10) WGN		10	Designing Women	The Jeffersons	Bullseye 139594		NBA Basketball: Charlotte Hornets at Chicago Bulls 737846				News 454440	Emergency Call	Odd Couple	Ice Cold in Alex
(11) WTBS		11	Beverly Hillbillies	Beverly Hillbillies	Dr. Seuss' Grinch		Praise (G, '88) *** (Sara Elliot, Rebecca Harrell) 661846				Miracle in the Wilderness ('91) ** (Kris Kristofferson, Kim Cattrall) 250391			Movie
(20) BET		20	Sanford	Comedy	Happening	Comicview	Video Soul				Comedy	Screen	Midnight Love Videos	
(23) FAM		23	The Waltons: The Nurse 598662		The Young Riders 142407		Father Dowling Mysteries 128827		The 700 Club 131391		Bonanza: A Christmas Story 141776		Bordertown	Maniac Mansion
(27) EWTN		27	Daily Mass 3337643		Carols From Many Lands 8834643		Catholics	Holy Rosary	Abundant Life 8830827		Roman Forum	Alabare 3985198	Daily Mass 6391223	
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(34) ESPN		36	SportsCenter	NFL Prime Monday 30/310			College Basketball: North Carolina at Pittsburgh 870643				IndyCar Review	SportsCenter 607310		NFL's Greatest
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(41) NICK		41	Looney Tunes	Bullwinkle	Partridge Family	Get Smart 528643	Dragnet 807662	Bob Newhart	Mary Tyler Moore	Mary Tyler Moore	Dick Van Dyke	The Lucy Show	Alfred Hitchcock	Superman 563001
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(52) HSE		52	Alan Warren Outdoors 68042		NBA Action 99020		College Basketball: UCLA at Houston 109846				Swimming 997204		Sports Den 333136	College Basketball
(53) COM		53	Kids in the Hall	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Way Is Up? (R, '77) ** (Richard Pryor, Gabriel McKee) 9022579				Saturday Night Live 5551310		The A-List	Stand-Up Stand-Up	Mystery Science Theater 3000 1947339	
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(15) AMC		15	Murder She Wrote (R, '93) *** (James Stewart) 400675						Little Big Man, What Now? ('94) *** 955285				The Spanish Main ('45) ** 310372	
(16) TNN		16	Dance	C'try News	Stardom	Texas	Music City Tonight 619575				Club Dance 410372	C'try News	Stardom	Texas
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(22) MAX		22	The Red Hot Rhythm Revue (R, '91) 8251662		Weekend Lampoon's Vacation (R, '83) *** (Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo) 409339				Innocent Blood (R, '92) ** (Anne Parillaud, Robert Loggia) 198346				Single White Female (R, '92) 9385865	
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British tab: Prince Edward falls in love, may marry this summer

LONDON — **Prince Edward**, at 29 the youngest son of **Queen Elizabeth II**, has fallen in love and may marry this summer, the tabloid News of the World reported Sunday.

The bride-to-be is **Sophie Rhys-Jones**, 28, a public relations consultant, the newspaper said. She and the prince met in August when she helped him with fund raising for a youth program.



Bride-to-be spends evenings with Edward, paper says.

Miss Rhys-Jones spends almost every night in Edward's rooms at Buckingham Palace, has dined with the queen, and may spend New Year's with the royal family at Sandringham, the newspaper said.

Reporter **Andrew Morton's** story of the romance — the young woman shuffled discreetly in and out of the palace in royal limos, her blushing refusal to comment — was a rerun of the courtships of the queen's two elder sons: **Prince Charles** with **Lady Diana**, and **Prince Andrew** with **Sarah Ferguson**.

Both those couples separated last year. The queen's only daughter, **Princess Anne**, also has had one failed marriage. She remarried last year.

Edward, who receives a $143,000 annual allowance from his mother, recently launched a television production company.

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NEW YORK — Striking workers picketing a restaurant on a chilly winter's night got some warm words from **Katharine Hepburn**.

"She came over to the picket line, leaned on the police barrier and said, 'Aren't you cold?'" said **Kian Frederick**, an organizer with the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union. "I said, 'Yeah, a little,' and then in her Katharine Hepburn way, she said, 'Well, why don't you go to my house to warm up? If you have to go to the bathroom or you just want to warm up, come to my house.'"

Ms. Hepburn, 86, lives two doors from the Box Tree restaurant on Manhattan's East Side. She sent her housekeeper back to the picket line later Friday night to reiterate the invitation. The workers didn't take her up on the offer, but they did thank her for two boxes of chocolate she had delivered to them.

As Ms. Hepburn left, Frederick said, she raised her fist and said: "You beat them!"

Richard Wilsker, a lawyer for the restaurant, said the dispute that led to the strike concerns pay and the way the restaurant is run. He contended that the waiters earn among the best wages of any in the city.

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MIAMI — The baby daughter of singers **Whitney Houston** and **Bobby Brown** is on the mend after a trip to the hospital.

An ambulance whisked 9-month-old **Bobbi Christina** to a hospital Saturday. She was released within an hour, a hospital spokesman said.

The baby was burned on the arm, fire Capt. **John Spadaro** said, but he did not know how it happened.

Houston, 30, has a home on posh Williams Island. She is the best selling female recording artist ever, with 55 million albums sold worldwide.

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RADNOR, Pa. — Moments with family and friends — not gifts — are the fondest Christmas memories for many celebrities famous for holiday TV specials and performances.

Singer **Rosemary Clooney**, who starred in "White Christmas," says her favorite Christmas was her first as a mother, in 1955.

"I lived with various relatives and never got a chance to build lasting Christmas traditions," Clooney said. "That first Christmas with my child held so much promise."

And costar **Bing Crosby** sang carols outside her house that year, she said in the Dec. 25 issue of TV Guide.

Barbara Mandrell said her fifth Christmas was her favorite because of the sacrifice her father made to be able to buy her a new bicycle. He worked overtime and a second job to get the money to have it under the tree.

"He'd come home very late and just drop on the sofa," said Mandrell, who didn't realize the sacrifice until years later.

Mary Travers of the group **Peter, Paul & Mary** recalled a Christmas with her 2-year-old grandaughter.

"After all the presents were opened, I turned to see which one (she) liked best. She had stripped, and climbed into a large box filled with Styrofoam popcorn and made her own favorite present."

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FORT PAYNE, Ala. — **Randy Owen** of the country band Alabama didn't have a hard time fulfilling one Christmas wish by an 8-year-old girl.

In an on-stage chat Saturday with Owen at the band's annual Christmas party for children, the girl said she wanted a bicycle and an autograph.

Owen said he would let **Santa Claus** take care of the bike.

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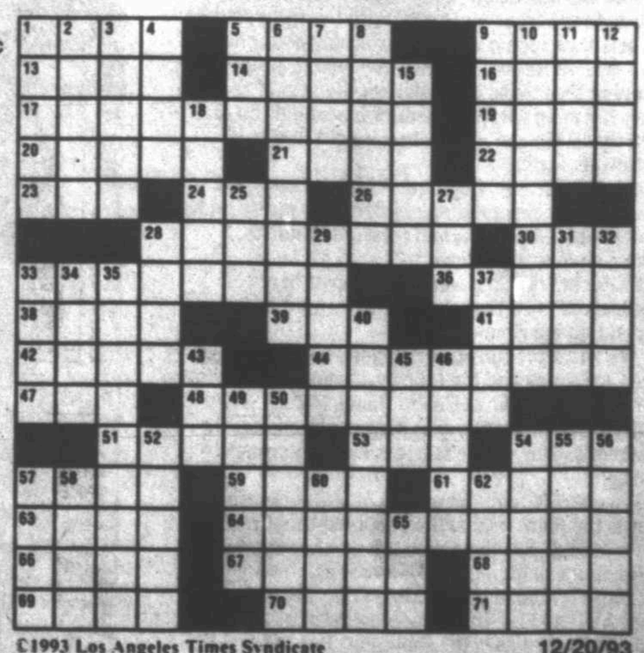
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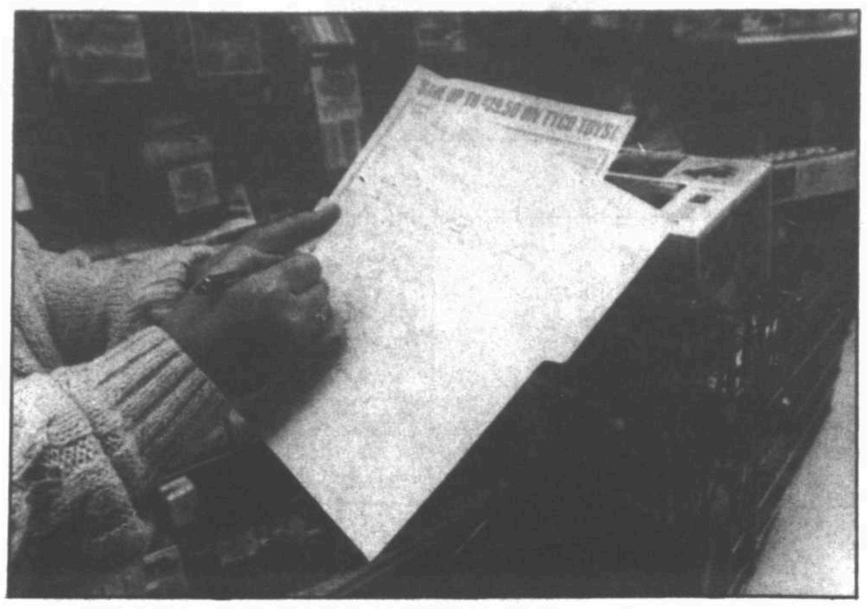


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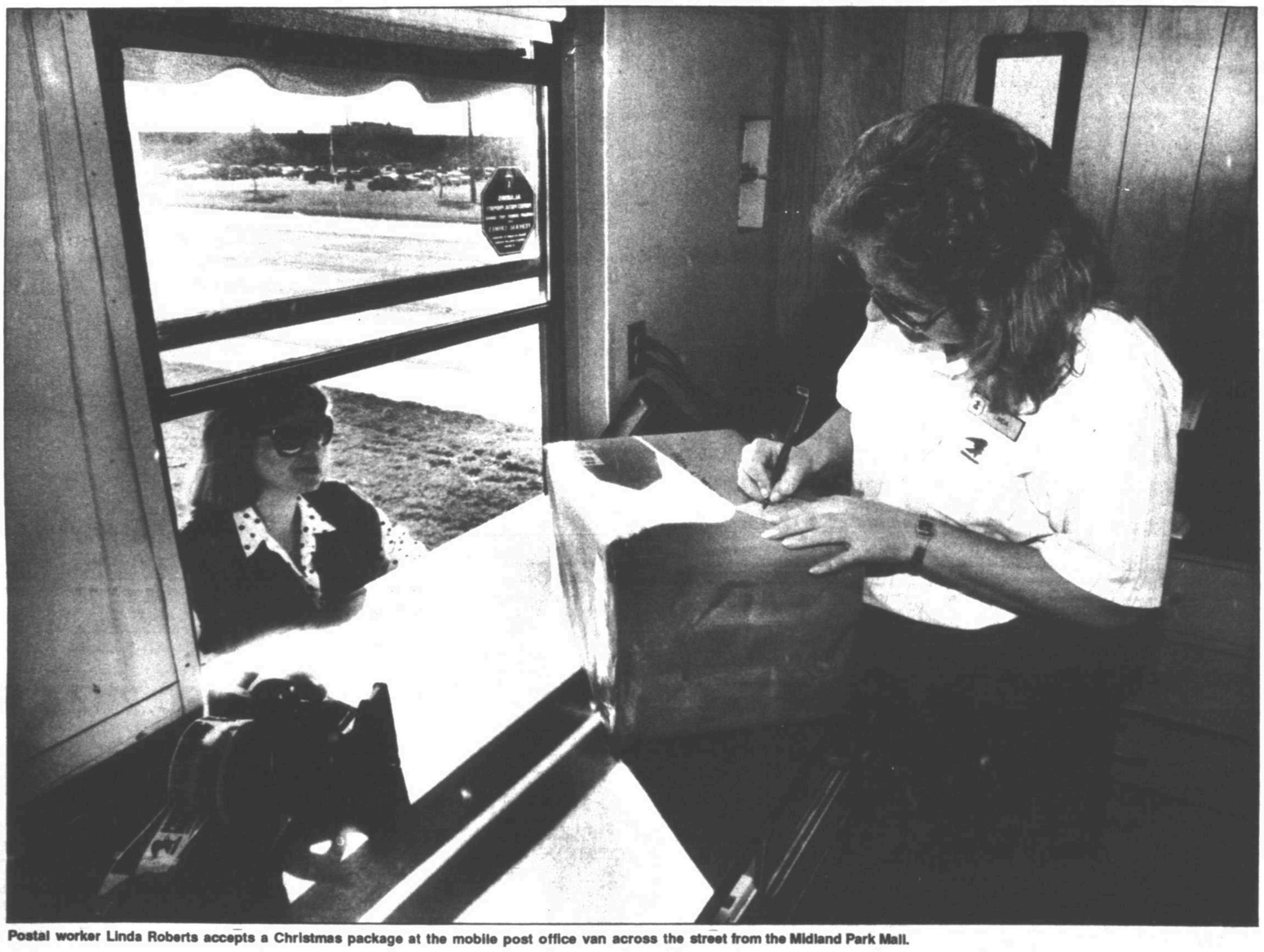
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Fran Tuttle shops for Christmas cards at Sonshine Book store in the Kingsway Mall.



Shopper Ceal Yarbrough checks her list twice while shopping at Toys 'R' Us.



Postal worker Linda Roberts accepts a Christmas package at the mobile post office van across the street from the Midland Park Mall.

SHOP till you DROP

By Katherine Poteet
Staff Writer

Christmas shopping.

Whether you love it or hate it, there is nothing quite like those few weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas when everyone is focused on spending, wrapping and giving.

From the Salvation Army volunteers poised outside to the trees and tinsel with the faint sounds of Christmas music inside, Christmas shopping has a feel all its own. It's not the casual, ambling shopping that takes place during the rest of the year. It has an exciting, hectic, frenzied kind of pace that feels a bit like being caught in a herd of stampeding cattle.

And, the pace only quickens during these last few days before unwilling children are put to bed and exhausted parents and relatives finally have a chance to sit down.

It's during this last week that stores brace themselves, as if they were ships caught before an impending hurricane.

"We will have full staff the last weekend before Christmas and the following week," said Tina Dowdy, who works at Coach House Gifts. "They really come in waves, with bigger crowds on the weekends. They come in in packs and leave in packs."

However, it's not the money or the overtime that is the point behind the shopping this time of year, as B.J. Smith pointed out as he prepared to finish up shopping for his two sons.

"Oh, it's kind of tough," he said. "My wife and I have to take turns keeping them at home while the other does the shopping. But, you know, it's worth it. Christmas morning, all the work is worth it."



Marshall Titus, employee of Jerry's Perfect Pets, plays with a golden labrador puppy. A present he would like to find under his tree this year, he said.



Ceal and Dale Yarbrough look at dolls at Toys 'R' Us.



Steven Melton checks out the latest computer games at Hastings Records and Tapes.

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Memories of childhood abuse should be challenged, some say

By Amy Kuebelbeck
Associated Press

OAKDALE, Minn. — Desperate to emerge from a dark depression, Elizabeth Carlson sought therapy. What she got instead was a terrifying belief that she had repressed memories of satanic ritual abuse as a child.

With hypnosis and mind-altering drugs, she became convinced she had created multiple personalities — including animals and a nun — to deal with sexual assaults by her parents, neighbors and godmother.

But most devastating, says the 39-year-old Carlson, is that she now realizes the abuse never happened.

She is part of a growing movement that questions whether all memories of abuse, especially those retrieved years after the fact, are true.

"The books all say, 'Don't doubt,'" said Carlson, who is suing her therapist. "I'm saying, 'If you do have thoughts that flash into your head, challenge them.'"

Such skepticism comes as a challenge to the idea that children sometimes repress memories of physical, emotional or sexual abuse, but can regain those memories as adults through psychotherapy.

Many such cases have given rise to lawsuits and even criminal charges; Chicago's Roman Catholic Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, for example, is the defendant in a civil lawsuit over alleged sexual abuse filed by a man who says he recovered memories of abuse while in therapy.

The skeptical viewpoint is gaining some ground. The American Medical Association this year adopted a resolution saying that memory enhancement techniques in the area of childhood sexual abuse are "fraught with problems of potential misapplication."

But some people with recovered memories of abuse have been able to verify their suspicions. And some experts who believe memories can be repressed say the skeptics are part of a backlash that doesn't want to admit the prevalence of abuse.

"I sure hope we don't let a bunch of accused perpetrators decide what public policy is going to be on memory repression," said Renee Frederickson, a St. Paul therapist and author of "Repressed Memories." She contends millions of people have buried memories of trauma or even entire childhoods.

The standard-bearer for the "false memory" movement is the Philadelphia-based False Memory Syndrome Foundation, made up of families who say they have been wrongly accused of abuse. Formed only last year, the group already claims 7,000 families as members.

The group was formed after parents seeking solace found patterns. Most accusers were women between 25 and 45 who had entered therapy for issues such as relationship problems, according to director Pamela Freyd. Confrontations with families were similar, and many daughters cited the "bible" of the incest-recovery movement, "The Courage to Heal" by Ellen Bass and Laura Davis.

"If you are unable to remember any specific instances . . . but still have a feeling that something abusive happened to you, it probably did," the book says in a much-quoted passage.

Parents who protest their innocence say allegations of sexual abuse have put thousands of couples across the country in a Catch-22: If they deny it, they're "in denial." Either way, they effectively lose their children.

"The only defense we've got is to say, 'We didn't do this,'" said Terry Stone, mayor of the southern Minnesota town of Madelia, pop. 2,237.

One of his nine children accuses Stone and his wife, Colette, of sexually abusing her from infancy through age 18; the daughter said she retrieved the memories after entering therapy. The therapist also concluded the other eight children were abused without talking to any of them, the Stones say.

The siblings deny any abuse, and the daughter who made the accusation has cut contact with the family. Though the Stones hope for reconciliation with their daughter, they are angry about the therapy.

But some contend that abuse is far more common than malpractice by therapists.

"There may be some excesses by therapists going on . . . (but) a lot of people have been sexually abused," said Sherry Quirk, president of the American Coalition for Abuse Awareness in Washington, D.C.

Disney seeks Virginia vow before theme park goes up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Walt Disney Co. says plans for a Virginia theme park may be scrapped if the Legislature doesn't put up money for site improvements, The Washington Post reports.

Disney will delay purchasing land in Prince William County for its proposed American history theme park until it is clear that the state's General Assembly will support the taxpayer-funded improvements, Disney chairman Michael Eisner told the newspaper.

"We have to know that there is no chance that the special-interest groups could destroy it, and that the necessary private-public partnership had been completed," Eisner said.

The company has an option on 3,000 acres of land in Prince William County. It estimates that its proposed 100-acre park would draw up to 30,000 visitors a day and produce $1.5 billion in state and local tax revenues over 30 years.

Opponents say the park would increase traffic on already crowded roads and destroy the rural area's character. They have also complained that Disney wants too much public money spent on the project.

Disney has said it expects public money will finance a new $30 million highway interchange near the park, which is projected to open in 1998. The company has indicated it may also ask for other public improvements.

Eisner said he has been told by legislators not to be concerned by opponents, but he added that he is worried.

"I've talked to legislators and the people down there and they say, 'Oh, don't worry about those splinter groups and so forth,'" he said. "I don't think you underestimate intelligent people with a cause. So, I do worry about them."

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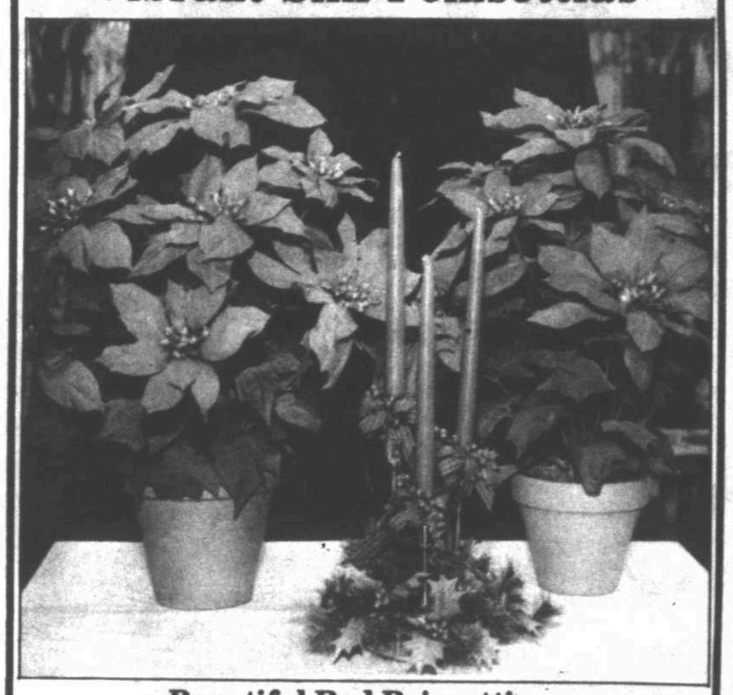
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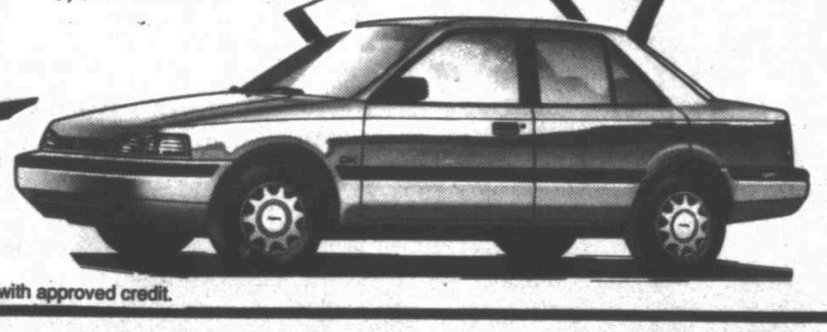
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Plans and specifications may be obtained from Jim Koontz & Associates, 3120 N. Grimes, Hobbs, N.M. 88240, (505) 392-7676 for a deposit of $25.00 which will be refunded to bidder after the bid opening upon return of plans and specifications in usable condition.

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Pre-Bid Conference:
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No other times for access to the roof will be allowed. Violation of this condition will automatically disqualify the bidder.

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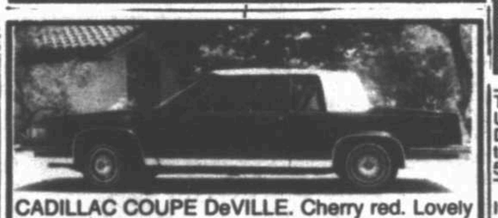
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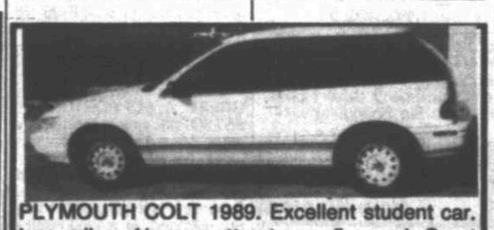
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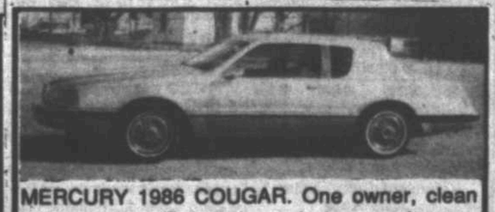
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110 Lodge Notices

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Leonard Wood, W.M. (P.T.)
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130 Personals

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150 Lost & Found

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REWARD lost on County Road 1241, small black medium haired dog (about 8 lbs.), pointed ears and no tail. Answers to "Lulu". Call 694-6658 or 697-5573.

LOST! 2 Pomeranians, 1 large black, 1 small brown. December 14 near Brookdale St., 520-5218.

FOUND On West Wall - blonde male Cocker Mix. Well mannered. Call Midland Animal Control. 685-7482.

FOUND: Schnauzer cross, gray male, blue collar. By Fairmont Park. Limps. Call SPCA, 684-7582.

FOUND! Brown Chihuahua mix dog. Wearing large red rabies tag. Midland Animal Control. 685-7420. Adoptable if not claimed.

Home for the HOLIDAYS SPECIAL! From Dec. 19th thru the 26th all dogs & puppies will be $35 and cats & kittens will be $25. This includes spay/ neutering, vaccinations, worming, testing & rabies shots. 267-7832.

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FOUND! Medium size black and white dog, with tags. 520-3006.

162 Mortgages Wanted

COLONIAL FINANCIAL SERVICES pays cash for owner carried real estate notes. 550-2025 (Odessa).

165 Investment Opportunity

MORTGAGES for sale on 6 two bedroom residential houses in Odessa. Interested parties please reply to BOX D-14 c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

200 Automobiles Domestic

BUYING/ Hauling wrecked or unwanted cars and trucks. Before 9 am, after 5 pm, 683-0812.

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Circulation District Manager

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has a position open immediately for a motivated, service oriented, person looking to begin a career in the newspaper business. This position is responsible for recruiting, training and managing adult newspaper carriers.

Qualified applicants must have a good driving record and be willing to work a flexible schedule that includes many night hours. Previous circulation experience or college is a plus but not required. We will train the right individual. You will need dependable transportation as the job requires use of a personal car. Mileage is reimbursed through the company.

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$15.00 Per Picture-Prepaid

The charge is for processing the photo and printing (wallet size preferred).

If you would like your photo returned, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Official Entry Form

I give my permission to publish the enclosed picture and information in the Midland Reporter-Telegram 1993 "Children Day"

Signature _____ Relationship to Child _____

Child's Name _____ Daytime Phone _____

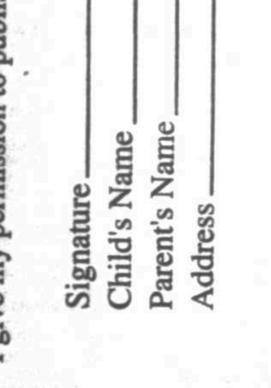
Parent's Name _____

Address _____ City _____

DEADLINE: Monday, December 20 by 5 pm

Mail the entry form to:
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SAMPLE:



Distributorships Now Available



PART-TIME INCOME OPPORTUNITY

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has early morning routes which need to be filled with dependable individuals with reliable transportation. Often asked questions:

➥ **Is it worthwhile for adults also?**

YES! 95% of our Distributors ARE adults! Morning Routes are attractive for:
- ★ ADULTS who have fulltime jobs, yet want to supplement their income with a steady part-time job!
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Depending on the size of the route(s), from $350 to $800 monthly, in some cases...even more!

➥ **OK...but how long does it take?**

The actual delivery takes 1-2 hours Monday-Saturday, and 2-3 hours on Sunday, depending on the size of the route(s). Also some time is needed each month to collect from subscribers. Many Distributors choose to handle some of this by putting envelopes in the subscribers' papers and having payments mailed to them. Some collecting in person will be necessary though, particularly on some routes more than others.

➥ **When do the papers have to be delivered by?**

Papers must be on the yards by 6 am Monday-Friday, and 7 am on weekend mornings.

➥ **Do I ever get a day off?**

The job requires a 7-day a week commitment. However, most Distributors do take days off by finding a friend, family member, or another Distributor to substitute for them!

➥ **What else?**

An initial $100 refundable deposit is required.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
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RN & LVN

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316 Sales Help Wanted

INSIDE SALES

Part-Time and Full-Time

Opening for part-time & full-time sales person to service retail and wholesale customers in our Midland store. Must be dependable, mature, and knowledgeable/interested in home decorating and paint products. Some work history, preferably in related field required. For details, apply in person or contact: Rodney Whaley 403 Andrews Hwy., Midland, TX 79701.

SHERWIN Williams

320 Skilled Trades

OILFIELD WELDER needed, must be experienced. FRICO, 682-2217 call 8 am-5 pm Monday - Friday.

METAL Stud and Acoustical Ceiling Mechanics. Experience, must have transportation. 699-6476.

330 Situations Wanted

WANTED: Contest Entries For Original Songs. Any Category. Call 689-0213.

CPA 12 years experience available per diem at $30/ hour for tax/ accounting/ computer work. Heavy computer experience. Call 915-354-2474.

335 Adult Care

WANTED non-smoking Nurses Aide for part time work. References. Call 694-1343.

336 Adult Daycare Providers

M & J SITTER SERVICE. Providing all of your daily living activity needs. Assistance in personnel care, light cleaning, cooking,..and more. To find out more about services call 580-6523.

LVN will do private duty in your home. Experienced with elderly. Reasonable rates, references. Call Leona 699-4326.

IN-HOME CARE. Home care for elderly and disabled in your home. Locally owned. 520-4425.

340 Child Care Needed

...in my home for an infant. Non-smoker. 7:30 am-4 pm. Monday thru Friday. Some light housekeeping. References required. 570-8926.

NANNY for great kids. Have fun with 3 year old boy, 21 month girl. Must have references, reliable transportation, non smoker. Tuesday 2 to 6, Thursday 2 to 10, Friday 9 to 3, Saturday 6 to 11. Start January 4th. 684-7207.

CHILDCARE for ages 6 months to 6 years. 3 children. Transportation to and from school. Non-smoker. 520-3612.

341 Child Care Providers

RAINBOW CHRISTIAN DAY CARE 1009 W. Missouri. Age 2 weeks thru 12 years. 6:30 am to 7:30 pm. 683-5161.

REGISTERED childcare! Negotiate hours, days or evenings. Snacks, lunches provided, also activities. Call 697-4479.

GRANNY'S Playhouse, licensed, 18 months to 3 years. Monday thru Friday, 6:30-5:30. 4406 Thomason, 694-0104.

NOW enrolling for Mother's Day Out. Ages 1 thru 4, come by 2000 N. Big Spring or call 686-8552.

CAREGIVER has opening for children 1 thru 4. 20 years experience. Healthy atmosphere, good food and lots of activity. 689-7380.

Young Christian mother will babysit Monday - Friday 7:30 am-5 pm. 697-9833.

405 Garage / Yard Sales

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79701

TOYS-TOYS-TOYS! Huge Selection-Lowest Prices In Town. We also have a wide selection of gift items and stocking stuffers to complete your holiday shopping. New items arriving everyday. RAINBOW TRADE CENTER 1503, W. Industrial Ave. and 1502 W. Florida. Open Everyday until Christmas. 570-4408.

79703

MOVING Sale! Oversized setional, GE washer and dryer, twin bed and dresser, stereo, desk and vacuum. Call 694-2252, leave message.

79706

HAPPY HOLIDAYS RANKIN HWY FLEA MARKET, 2840 Rankin Hwy., Midland. Friday, Saturday & Sunday. 684-5060 New and Used Merchandise. Units available. Come and do your Christmas shopping with us.

341 Child Care Providers

FAMILY Home, babies only. Will love/ care for your babies as you do. References. 694-9871.

LOVING care for you children. Openings for birth to 4 years. Hot meals, snacks. Open 7 to 5:30. 694-9830.

350 Business Opportunities

REAL Estate Opportunity. Get your real estate license quickly. Short state accredited courses. Day, weekend, evenings, Southwest College, 683-4555.

ESTABLISHED ANTIQUE STORE, Needs owner/ operator. Great location. Priced to sell. Call 683-1359.

SERVICE Station. $3,000 down and take over lease. For information call 687-0736.

WANT to buy small successful business, resporisible individual will invest maximum $250,000. Send replies to BOX E-09 Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

DOWNSTAIRS DELI for sale. Best time of year for business! Serious inquires only. 688-4542.

EXECUTIVE FRANCHISE Build and manage a business helping property owners and insurance companies restore insured property losses. Paul Davis Systems, the nation's leading organization providing this service, is now awarding exclusive territories in the Midland/Odessa area. Franchise fee starts at $25K+. We offer 27 yrs of exp, a complete business format, training and the support of our 238 active franchise territories. Insurance restoration is a $23-billion industry offering impressive income and growth opportunity. Fire, water damage, wind, accidents, vandalism and routine repairs create a constant demand for our services. Mgmt. mkt, sales or construction skills helpful. For an info packet call David Freeman at 904-730-0320.

NICE Convenient Store, sells beer, ice, gasoline. Very profitable! Hamilton & Associates, 550-4610.

VIDEO Store for sale. All movies, fixtures and etc. Serious inquiries only. 687-5478.

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

MISSION DORADO Full Privileage Membership. Fees paid. Call for more information. 699-1780.

COMMERCIAL upholstery sewing machine; button maker; some supplies. $1,000. Electric exercycle, $1,000. 2 hide-a-bed loveseats $100 each. Call to see, leave message 682-7660.

FULL Green Tree Country Club Membership for sale. Negotiable. 694-7852.

BLOW OUT SALE! Key West providing quality waterbeds, conventional beds, Futon's, and furniture. FREE delivery to Midland! 1613 A East 8th, Odessa. 580-6234.

MITCHELL'S Precast Concrete 20% OFF concrete bird baths, pots, benches, etc., new and used furniture and appliances. 3100 W. Front. 694-5701.

Exclusive at Lones Travel Service of Odessa - American Express Gold Gift Checks for your holiday giving! 563-1701.

COWBOYS SUITE TICKETS. $250/ person/ game including food & beverages, 214-556-9327.

GREENTREE Country Club membership for sale. 683-0016 or after 5 pm, 682-8743.

OVERWEIGHT???
If your FAT is unbecoming to you...You should call us!!! 685-1423 or 689-3025. VISA/ Mastercard.

FULL Greentree Country Club membership for sale. $300. 682-8077, 682-2370.

45X45X16 ft. Paint booth with intake & exhaust air $3,500. Call 580-5823 ask for Craig.

EXERCYCLE, electric model with personal exercise planner. Very good condition, $1,200, 689-8864.

TEEN CHALLENGE Christmas Trees, corner of Kansas and Andrews Hwy., open 7 days a week.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

IT'S NATURAL AND GUARANTEED! You've nothing to lose but weight! Home/ Office delivery. Beverly 520-8222.

BARGAINS on vacuum cleaners! All brands! 694-4646.

RESTHAVEN North, Garden of Love, 4 spaces. $500 each. 214-286-5332.

LADIES Mink Jacket, (natural autumn haze), Swartz appraised at $2,250. Make offer. Midland 561-9146.

TOYS, good prices. Bicycles, tricycles, dolls and miscellaneous. Order discount on $100 purchase. 684-7676.

9 FOOT Birdview Satellite MM 20/ 20, automatic drive controller, stereo automatic receiver and transponder. Video Cyver II descrambler. Priced reasonably, very good condition. 682-8302 or 570-4804.

SELF EMPLOYED? SMALL BUSINESS? ERISA Health Care Plan now available "Tax Deductible" Non-canceling. any doctor, any hospital, Rx Card. 1-800-894-1537.

TWO Secretarial desks in good condition and one small student desk. 694-7215 after 5:30.

LOSE Weight & Gain Energy. Call Ann for products and opportunity. Independent Herbalife Distributor. 550-5612.

USED commercial tanning equipment, 24 lamp. A great deal for $1,850. Call 699-6362 and leave message.

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS! Just in time for Christmas. Carroll Staton at CAT'S MEOW. Bargains to the bare walls. Boss says don't bring it home! Antique gold and silver, displays, copper, jeweler's bench, polishing machine, Foredom flexshaft, lapidary equipment, scales, clocks, watches. 30% off everything during 1993. 408 Andrews Hwy.

STEPPER, Jogger and Walker Exercise Bike. Low mileage. $150. 699-0507 or 699-6476.

FOR SALE! 300 watt linear by Palomar $225. Queen size bed with frame $100. 3 horse power garden tiller $125. Mans gold and diamond wedding band $150. Call 332-6647.

100% NATURAL Weight Loss Product. Independent Consultant. Ask about 1/2 off special. 800-674-8256, Ext. 3882; 915-336-2819.

GIRLS Schwinn bicycle, blue, 20", $35. Girls 15" Huffy, pink, like new, $35. 570-8737.

FOR sale Tandy Computer, organ, Space Invader game, big screen TV, console TV nonworking, DeVilbas paint gun, large quantity of sheet metal. Call after 6 pm, 570-1924.

24 PIECE Carousel Franklin Mint figurine set. Call 694-2252, leave message.

LOWRY Organ, Genie 44, double keyboard, excellent condition! $400. 684-4646.

★ CHRISTMAS cemetery blankets. $55. Call 697-6375.

TWO wood desks for sale, $75 and $50. 687-1738.

PROGESSIVE 5 Star Rims, 15 x 8.5, 5 lugs, fits Ford and Jeep, like new, $90 each. Nintendo games. Full Greentree Country Club membership. 689-4121.

MR. COFFEE coffee maker, works great, $7. Call 694-1260.

COMPLETE set, 104 books, Louis L'amour hardbacks. $2,200 Firm. 697-5538.

OLDER IBM Computer 10 MB HD, amber monitor with some programs, ($150). Sears Skier, ($75). 1/2 Horsepower Treadmill, ($150). 694-6911.

HANDI-CAB camper for sale. Good condition. $125. Call 683-0078.

415 Jewelry

WOMENS 14K Gold Watch - 46 diamonds. Appraised price $4,500; asking price $3,000. 558-7503.

LADIES DIAMOND RING, gorgeous, 3.5 carats, with 3 large stones. Appraised $11,000, asking $4,500. Call 697-7757 for appointment to see.

LADIES Emerald and Diamond Ring, 18K gold. $400. 682-6386 days/ 682-9078 evenings.

ROLEX
Men's President
335-4583

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

★ GREEN ACRES Pecans, Pieces $4. Wholes $4.50. Will deliver. 686-8155.

TOP QUALITY Paper Shell Pecans. $1.50 per pound. Over 15 lb.- We Deliver. 683-4714.

GARDENDALE Pecan Processing. New crop pecans, electric crackers, pecan pickers, and other harvesting tools. Candied pecans, honey butter, country fresh jellies and jams, chili products, holiday gifts, corporate gifts and shipping. Monday through Saturday 9-12 and 1-6. FM 554 in Gardendale. 366-9793.

430 Household Goods

BRAND NEW, still in plastic, any size mattress and box set with frames. Free delivery. 550-5123, 580-5514.

★ BUY! SELL! REPAIR! Washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers. $100 and up. Warranty and delivered. 550-6540.

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NEED GOOD USED FURNITURE. Buy, sell, trade. Rowe's New & Used. 1211 S. Big Spring. 687-5986.

QUEEN size waterbed, uses regular sheets, $200. 2 antique wooden rose carved velvet chairs, $500. Call 699-2405 after 4.

USED Maytag wringer washer, Ironrite pant presser, Coolerator icebox, gun cabinets, bookshelves, computer desk, day beds, rockers, recliners, bunk beds, deep freeze, refrigerator, bedroom suites, dinette sets, filing cabinets.
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600 E. FLORIDA 683-7872

WANTED. USED MATTRESSES AND USED FURNITURE. CALL 570-0747.

12 DRAWER King Waterbed, Large size headboard with mirror. $175 or best offer. 756-3693 (Stanton).

2 PIECE Sectional Hide-a-bed, $250. Baby crib, $25. Call after 5, 682-8826.

RECLINER, $25. Gas BBQ grill, $25. Refrigerator, $225. 697-8227.

SUBZERO Side-by-side Refrigerator/ freezer. Used 5 years, new coil and compressor. $2,000. 687-4307.

Girls bedroom suite: dresser, mirror, chest, 2 hutches, desk, chair, nightstand $400. Trundel bed, $175. Kenmore dryer $50. 520-4508.

6 PIECE solid wood, livingroom suite- $450. Coppertone Maytag washer and dryer- $100. 18 cu. ft. frost free Gibson refrigerator- $100. 682-3279, call anytime.

GIRLS white 6 drawer dresser with mirror and matching night stand. $200. Call 694-3129 after 5 pm.

SINGER 'Touch And Sew Duluxe Zig-Zag' sewing machine, Model 600 including all attachments. Walnut cabinet. $300. Call 684-4278.

MATCHING washer and dryer, plus gas range. Like new, all in good condition. 687-6127.

LANE Hope Chest, maple with needlepoint top, $250. Rug, 10x12, brown colors, $50. Antique Victrola, beautiful cabinet, numbered and dated, has RCA dog, lots of old records. Antique viewer with WW1 slides. Antique lamps, etc. Will trade for furniture or jewelry. 697-1862.

SOFA and Loveseat, $200. Dining table with 4 chairs, needs work, $75. 520-3039.

MAHOGANY queen size headboard. Chippendale reproduction. 686-9844.

KENMORE portable dishwasher, $75. Large Hotpoint refrigerated air conditioning unit, $150. 520-9113

KING size canopy waterbed with mirrored headboard and twelve drawers underneath, dark wood. Asking $325. Call 520-2157.

MOVING Sale! Oversized sectional, GE washer and dryer, twin bed and dresser, stereo, desk and vacuum. Call 694-2252, leave message.

QUEEN SIZE Sleeper Sofa, recliner and chairs, good condition. Please call 683-7411.

PARQUET top dining table with 2 leaves, 6 high wicker back/ wood chairs, $225. 697-3929.

5 PIECE Bedroom set, queen size, medium colored finish. Good condition. $800. Upright piano $700. 699-1818.

THOMASVILLE Mahogany dining room suite, asking $5,900. 4 white washed bar stools, asking $250. Make us an offer. 697-4944.

SIX FOOT Long Air Hockey Table, $200. 9 x 12 Wool, yellow shag rug, $400. Golf clubs, Red oriental soaking tub, household items and building supplies. 683-4361.

La-Z-Boy Rocker Recliner, dark blue, all leather, like new. Orignial $850, now $400. 697-8391.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oak: Live, Post & White. Pecan, Black Walnut, Cedar, Mesquite. Apartment size bagged wood. We deliver. 1-453-2151.

JARNAGINS Home & Garden, 701 N. Fairground Road. Oak, pecan, mesquite, cedar. Free delivery & stacked. 686-8107 or 683-2522.

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MIXED FIREWOOD for sale. Large Stacks $55 and $15 to deliver. 689-7676.

FIREWOOD: oak, mesquite, pecan and cedar stacked and delivered in Midland at no extra charge. Call Dale 570-5643.

GOOD seasoned firewood. Oak, Mesquite or Cedar. Call Larry Tucker 689-7151 in Midland.

450 Sporting Goods

JIM'S GOLF CLUB REPAIRS. BIG BERTHA clone, $60; PING-ZING clone, $184 per set. 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

TRAMPOLINE & Camping Equipment. Baxter Army Surplus - 1610 Garden City Hwy. 570-1335.

GUNS, ammo and accessories including AK MAK 90's and SKS rifles. Come by The Sports Armory, 2515 W. Industrial, Midland.

WANTED coin operated pool table. 559-9731.

SOLOFLEX with leg extensions. Excellent condition, $450. Call after 6:30 pm, 684-7162.

HOME Gym BMI, dual weight stack. Brand new. This thing has it all. $499. 697-2957.

BRUNSWICK "Orleans" pool table. Solid mahogany. Like new. $1,900. 694-3710.

PING-ZING Irons, black, 2 through Sandwedge, $475. Callaway S2H2 Irons, 2 through Sandwedge, $430. 520-6252.

LIKE NEW! Precor 7.4 Stepper/ Climber. Original cost $900, asking $450. 694-9536 or 682-1786.

460 Antiques & Art

LUCKY DOG ANTIQUES 3712 W. Wall 689-6373. Collectibles, and Furniture. DEALER SPACE AVAILABLE, call 683-1359.

BEATLES "Butcher" cover. Rare stereo version. Peeled. Excellent condition. Valued over $2,000, asking $1,150. 682-8789.

THE Cats Meow antique mall. 408 Andrews Highway, Monday - Saturday, 10 - 6. We buy and sell antiques. 687-2004.

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Complete your Christmas shopping at Linda K's - Antiques Etc., #15 Plaza Center. 40% Off all merchandise, including Pine, Primative, Flow Blue, Majolica, quilts, and much more. Saturday, Dec. 18 thru Friday Dec. 24th.

470 Musical Instruments

WURLITZER Piano. Excellent condition! Blonde, great Christmas gift. $800. 682-1514.

FENDER STRATOCASTER, Excellent condition, $300. Call 687-5139.

GEM Organ, solid state, 2 manuals, easy play features. Has rhythm, base, and percussion settings. $300, 682-3842.

KRAMER guitar with Floyd Rose Tremolo and Seymour Duncan pickups, $350 or best offer. 520-3039.

TECHNICS Digital piano ensamble, model PR50V, 8 track sequencer, 3.5 Disk drive, MIDI capable. Full size, built in amp. Cover/ Bench. Under parts warranty. Excellent condition. $2,795. 520-6110, 520-5240.

KIMBALL piano, excellent condition. $700. Call 686-0659 after 5:30 or leave message.

475 Crafts & Supplies

ELEGANT Christmas Wreaths at Bargain Basement prices. 694-7484.

480 Cameras & Supplies

MINOLTA X-7A, 5mm, 70mm, 200mm lens, 2X teleconverter, motor drive and 2 flash units. $500 or best offer. 520-5316 leave message.

485 Electronics

JVC 60 watt receiver and Denon cassette deck. Excellent condition. $200. Call 687-5139.

490 Computers & Accessories

✔ GEOMACS- everything for your Macintosh computing needs and more. Try a Macintosh today! 682-3028.

GOOL Office Equipment sells computers and P.O.S. systems. Used printers $50. 683-8774. 1403 N. Big Springs Street.

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386SX-33 with 387 coprocessor, 4Meg RAM 250Meg HardDrive, 1.2 and 1.44 floppies, 120Meg Tape, .28dp SVGA, $1250. Call 570-7665 days.

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FREE PUPPIES! Just in time for Christmas. Born 11/8. Call 683-2646.

500 Pets & Supplies

DOG TRAINING in your home. Obedience/ problem correction. Local references available. 23 years experience. 697-9943.

A PUPPY IS FOR LIFE, Not just for Christmas. Puppy and adult dog obedience classes starting January 5th. Call Permain Basin Obedience Training Club at 570-HEEL for more information.

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FULL Blood Chow puppies. Red, black and blue. Ready for pickup Christmas week. $60. 684-9754.

MINIATURE SCHNAUZER Puppies, AKC. Great for Christmas, just add the bow! Asking $200. 1 silver, 1 black. 682-5736.

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SPOTS FOR CHRISTMAS! AKC Dalmatian puppies, ready for Christmas presents. Call 685-4120 or 682-1144.

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ONLY one left, male Beagle puppy, 8 weeks old. 694-4772.

Pair of grey Cockatiels, one lovebird, cages included. 520-7026.

SPRINGER SPANIEL Puppies, AKC, excellent markings, rare in Texas! Can hold until Christmas. $250. 682-2929.

1 MALE, AKC, Toy Poodle puppy. Call 685-1050.

FOR someone special an unusual gift. Baby Iguana, brillant colors. Easy to keep. 689-7603.

POODLES, AKC, standard or mini pups, most colors, health guaranteed, top quality, can deliver. 915-636-4493.

TOY Poodle. Apricot male, 6 months old, unregistered. Current shots. Loves children. $50. 699-5510.

MINIATURE Dachshunds, AKC, for sale. Just in time for Christmas. $125. Call after 6, 397-2762.

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510 Office Supplies

GOOL Office Equipment Year End Reduction Sale on copiers, typewriters, faxes, cash registers and office furniture! 683-8774. 1403 N. Big Springs Street.

520 Store, Shop & Cafe' Equipment

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Call 682-2644
Monday - Friday 9 - 4

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FOR SALE: oilfield electric motors. Rebuilt/guarantee from 5 horsepower 1,200 - 1,800 RPM. 685-0638, 559-4167, 682-1546.

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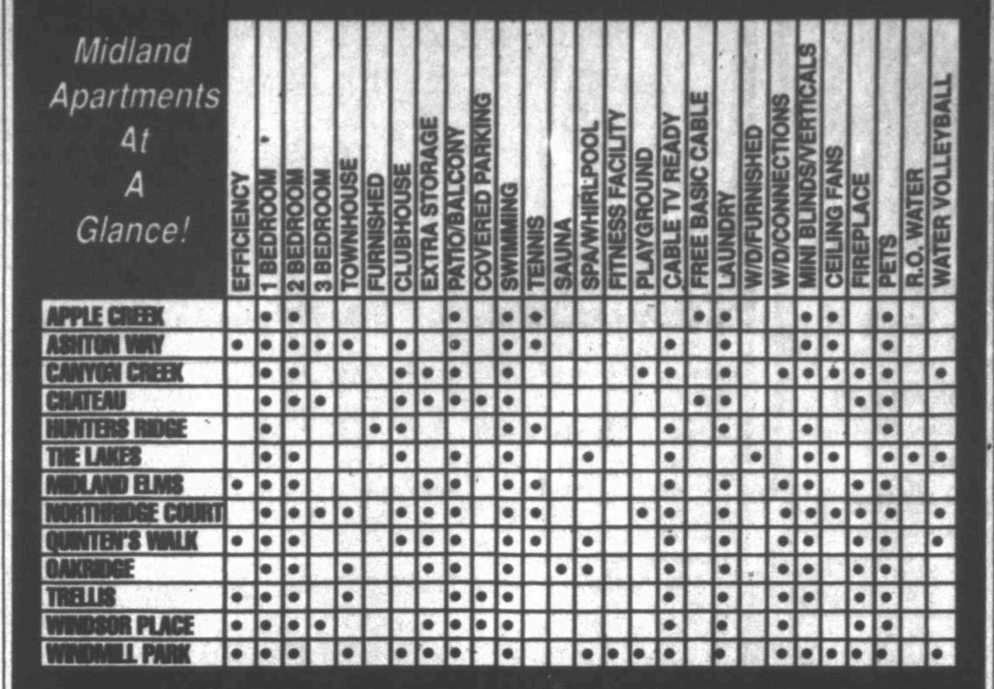
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