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Reagan asks immunity for former aides

By MICHAEL PUTZEL
AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON — President Reagan today called on the Senate Intelligence Committee to grant limited immunity to former White House aides John Poindexter and Oliver North to compel them to testify in the investigation into the Iran-Contra scandal.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes, in a hastily called but nationally televised briefing for reporters, read a statement from Reagan declaring that limited immunity is "not amnesty or clemency."

Both Poindexter, Reagan's former national security adviser, and his former aide North have refused to testify before congressional committees probing the secret arms sale to Iran and diversion of profits to the Contra rebels in Nicaragua. They claimed their Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination.

But Speakes said that, under legislation enacted 16 years ago, Congress can confer "use immunity" on witnesses that will enable them to testify and shield them from prosecution.

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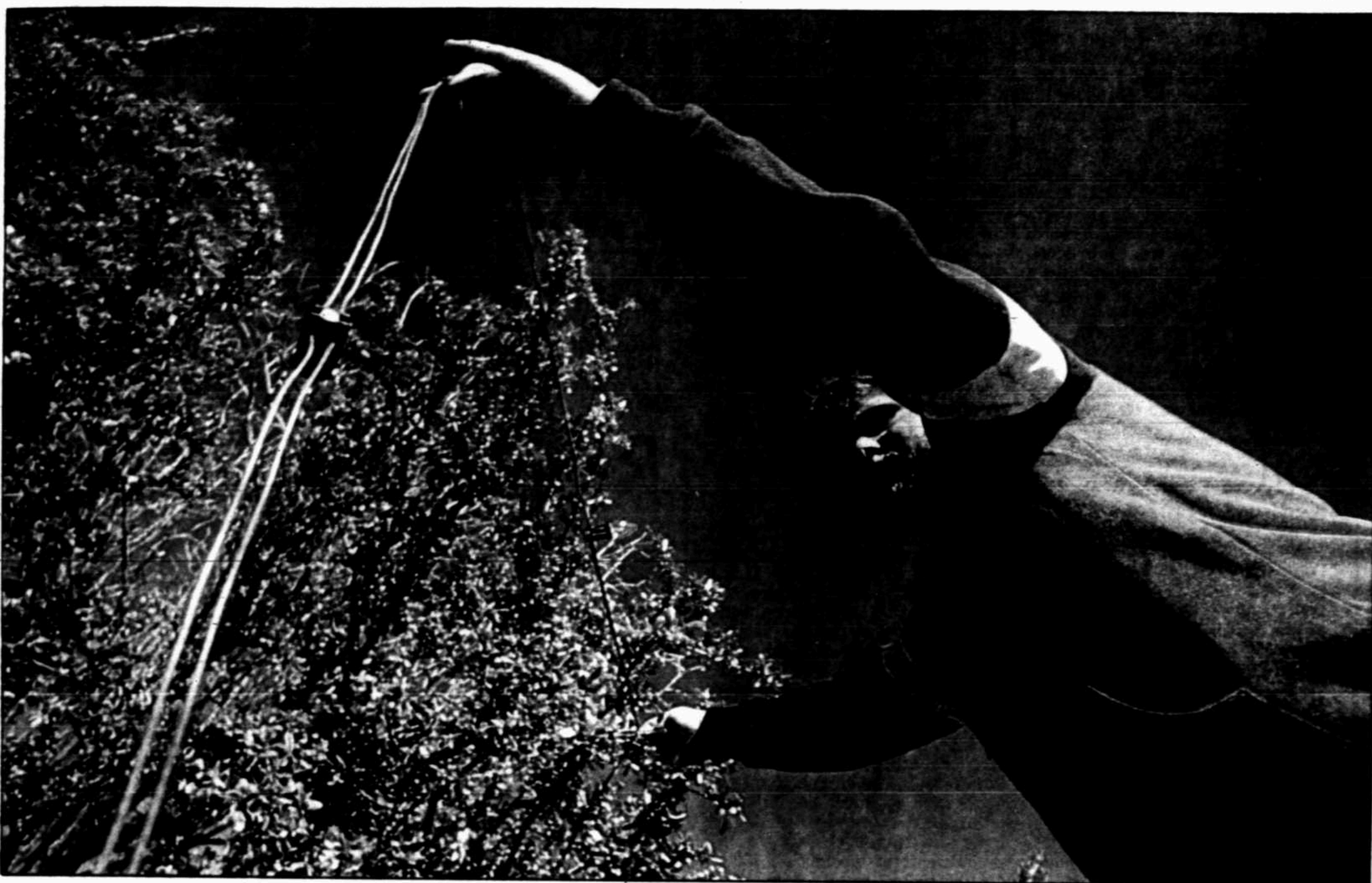
tion based on information they provide.

Such a grant would not preclude prosecutors from bringing charges based on evidence gathered outside the testimony, and Speakes said it would not interfere with the investigation expected by an independent counsel.

In issuing the presidential statement, Speakes said it is "the president's desire to have the full story about Iran come out now, the alleged transfer of funds, Swiss bank accounts...everything."

Congressional investigators have said they are frustrated in their probe by the refusal of Poindexter and North to answer questions.

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Lighting the way

Darwin Baker of Capp Electric helps another family get into the holiday spirit as he strings Christmas lights in a tree at 1402 Community Lane.

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Texans would pay more taxes to see services improve

By JIM WARREN
Reporter-Telegram Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — Texans generally think public education and state services for the poor are adequate but would be willing to pay more in taxes to improve those services, a new poll indicates.

A University of Texas survey of 673 randomly selected eligible voters suggests that Texans would support tax increases for better human services, child abuse protection, law enforcement, public education and crime victim programs.

But citizens are sharply divided on

how to raise additional revenue to pay for improved state services. A state lottery was the top choice, with 35 percent saying they favor it. The next largest group — 17.7 percent — said they would rather pay higher sales taxes, while 16.4 percent favor pari-mutuel betting to raise money.

Slightly more than 9 percent favor a corporate profits tax, 8.5 percent said they would want a personal income tax, 7.5 percent endorsed higher user fees and 5.7 percent said they didn't know.

The poll, a joint project of UT's Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs and the UT School of Social

Work, has a margin of error in either direction of about 2 percent.

Max Sherman, dean of the LBJ school and a former state senator, said the poll should give lawmakers "a barometer to see what people are thinking" when the 70th Legislature convenes Jan. 13.

Martha Williams, dean of the School of Social Work, said the poll shows what programs Texans support and how citizens rank their priorities. "There are certain selected programs that people are willing to support with a tax increase," she said.

When people were asked, "Do you

think there are enough services for poor people in Texas, or not?" 44.8 percent said yes and 42 percent said no.

But in the next question, when asked "Would you be willing to pay higher taxes to fund improved services for the poor, or not?" 48.5 percent said yes and 45.1 percent said no.

A majority of Texans — 56.7 percent — think public education is excellent or good, while 37.4 said it is fair or poor. By a more than 2-1 margin — 69.5 percent to 27.2 percent — Texans said they would pay more in

taxes to pay for improvements in public education.

Those polled overwhelmingly favored insurance reform and proposals to reform personal injury laws, issues expected to top the legislative agenda. Large majorities said they support a dollar limit on court judgments and out-of-court settlements, stronger regulation of insurance rates, a limit on legal fees, a cap on pain and suffering damages and a system to punish those who file frivolous lawsuits.

Respondents strongly backed — by 85.3 percent — an open container law to ban drinking and driving.

Also, 71.9 percent said they would pay higher taxes for stronger crime protection.

The poll reflected similar surveys on partisan identification. More people called themselves Democrats — 38.5 percent — than Republicans — 30.8 percent — while 16.8 percent said they were independents and 13.8 percent said they belonged to another party, would not answer the question or had no opinion.

Also, close to 80 percent said organized religion is very important or important in their lives, and only 20.5 percent said religion is not very important or not important at all.

Iran-Iraq dispute delays OPEC production accord

GENEVA (AP) — OPEC's hopes for decisive action to dry up the world oil glut and boost prices have been dampened by the resurfacing of one of its most intractable problems: the war between Iran and Iraq.

The 13 oil ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries were entering their sixth day of deliberations today on a plan for cutting oil production in an attempt to push up prices.

After Monday's session, conference sources said the key obstacle was Iraq's refusal to be committed to a lower level of oil production than Iran. The sources spoke on condition they not be identified.

Iran and Iraq have been at war for more than six years.

Despite OPEC's inability to clinch a quick agreement, world oil markets rallied Monday. On the New York Mercantile Exchange, contracts for January delivery of the main U.S. grade of crude oil were up 26 cents, to \$16.36 a barrel, late in the day.

The proposed OPEC production cuts would drop the group's output, currently running at about 17 million barrels a day, by about 7 per-

TRC rejects cuts, pushes import fee

By STEVE LEVINE
Reporter-Telegram
Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — Saying only a national oil import fee can resurrect the domestic energy industry, the Texas Railroad Commission Monday unanimously rejected a plan to curb the state's oil production by 10 percent.

Commissioner Clark Jobe praised Dallas oilmen H.S. Bennett and William Burrow for proposing the cutbacks, but said

"the only person that can help... is the president of the United States." With only two Texas fields producing at full allowable now, Chairman Jim Nugent said, the 10-percent reduction would have a "miniscule" impact on price and production.

Commissioner Mack Wallace pointed out that foreign oil imports in November hit 6.37 million barrels per day, up more than 1 million barrels from the same time last year.

"That, in and of itself, is tantamount to scandal," Wallace said.

"If you want to talk about scandal, you're seeing the domestic oil industry being dismantled before your eyes."

"We're on what's called an Arab yo-yo right now," he said. "They can raise the price if they want to, and they can drop the price if they want to."

Without a national energy policy, Nugent said, Americans will become "a bunch of cowering consumers subject to foreign control, direction and price."

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is estimated at 1.7 million barrels daily.

Iraqi officials said Monday that they had not backed down from their refusal to accept a production level lower than Iran's. Iran has an OPEC quota of 2.3 million barrels a day, although a series of Iraqi air raids on Iranian oil terminals has recently kept Iran's output far below its quota.

Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh has flatly rejected Iraq's request for parity with Iran.

Both Persian Gulf countries are desperate for oil revenues to finance their war, which began in September 1980.

A senior Iraqi delegate said after Monday's session that he saw no hope for a compromise with Iran.

"There has been absolutely no change. There will be absolutely no change," he said, speaking on condition that he not be identified.

If OPEC managed to reach a firm agreement on production cuts, oil prices would be expected to rise, oil industry analysts said.

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Voyager flies around Pacific storm

MOJAVE, Calif. (AP) — The experimental aircraft Voyager today skirted a swirling Pacific storm, perhaps the toughest test of its attempt to circle the globe without refueling.

Pilot Dick Rutan, 48, took the controls early today while co-pilot Jeana Yeager, 34, slept after five hours of flying and 1 1/2 hours of data acquisition, said Peter Riva, spokesman here for the project.

The weather hampered transmission of the information, Riva said.

"They are skirting the northern edge of Tropical Storm Marge, which is centered over the Marshall Islands, and experiencing light turbulence," he said. "The tailwinds are increasing in proportion to the degree of turbulence."

The plane was expected to enter an area of severe weather by mid-morning, and stay in it for about two hours, he said.

The pilots, who left California at 8 a.m. Sunday, were expected cross over the Philippines around 10:30 a.m. PST after shutting down the experimental craft's front engine and taking advantage of the strong tailwinds.

The engine shutdown, expected by Monday evening, was delayed first to give Rutan more time to sleep, then to allow the plane to pass through the storm.

Voyager had flown 5,123 miles by 3 a.m. PST today. Bad weather has forced a change in Voyager's flight

plan, reducing the expected mileage to about 25,500 miles from 27,700.

"Oil consumption is negligible, and fuel burn is slightly above what was predicted, probably due to the difficulty in reducing fuel flow with both engines running," Riva said.

Len Snellman, the project's chief meteorologist, said Rutan had a bright moon and smooth air the first night out and "I was wishing I was with him."

"I won't be wishing I was with him when he gets involved here," Snellman added Monday as he pointed to a video monitor displaying a satellite picture of the storm. "The best weather is behind him."

Map of prison area found on American

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Officials said one of the maps found in the sock of an arrested American showed the area around the prison where convicted American mercenary Eugene Hasenfus is serving a 30-year sentence.

The U.S. Embassy meanwhile said it still is waiting for an answer from the leftist Sandinista government on its request to visit the man arrested last Friday and identified by Nicaragua as 49-year-old Sam Nesley Hall.

"We still haven't received an answer to a note asking that we be permitted to see the person identified as Sam Nesley Hall," embassy spokesman Al Laun said Monday night.

Laun said the embassy sent the note to the Sandinista government Saturday night, shortly after Foreign Minister Miguel d'Escoto announced Hall was arrested near an air force base.

"We haven't insisted that we be given access to him nor have we sent another note because we believe that a civilized government needs to receive only one note," Laun said. Government officials who spoke on condition of anonymity said Hall was being interrogated by state security officials at the El Chipote jail in an area of downtown Managua that was heavily damaged by a 1972 earthquake.

Officials said he has not been charged, but is being held for questioning under a 4-year-old national emergency law that gives security agencies wide powers of search and arrest.

Spokeswoman Angela Saballos on Monday quoted Foreign Minister Miguel d'Escoto as saying Hall may be

Family, friends call 'counterterrorist' real 'flag-waver'

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Sam Nesley Hall, an American jailed in Nicaragua and accused of spying, is a likable patriot with strong feelings about terrorism and communism, brothers, friends and acquaintances say.

"Some people may write him off as a flake, but here's a kid who came from a good family and really got into the human-rights thing," said Republican state Rep. Russ Guerra Jr., a longtime friend of Hall's from nearby Englewood.

"Sam's a flag-waver, always has been," a brother, Michael Hall, who is a high school principal in the Cincinnati area, told The Cincinnati Enquirer. "He felt strongly about the communists and their infiltration in the Americas. And he really felt a cause about the Contras. He talked and wrote about them all the time. He is a person with very strong feelings, and he's a doer."

In Washington, U.S. Rep. Tony Hall, D-Ohio, said he knew his brother supported the Contras, but, "I didn't know what he was doing in Nicaragua. I wasn't aware of the type of activities he's allegedly been participating in."

"I love him.... I want to help him. Our views are different, but we're brothers."

Sam Hall, a Dayton native who described himself as a counterterrorist and was reportedly arrested Friday, rarely discussed what he did, even though he operated openly in Africa

and Central America, said Lawrence E. Hussman Jr., an English professor at Wright State University.

Hussman said Hall paid him and another author \$10,000 each to write the as-yet unpublished biography, "Freelancer: Sam Hall Counterterrorist." Hussman said Hall may have wanted the publicity as protection against assassination but especially "because he believes the terrorism network needs to be exposed."

Hall financed and led nine counterterrorists, mostly South Africans, who called themselves "the free-lancers" and specialized in rescuing people kidnapped in Africa, Hussman said.

Nicaraguan officials on Monday said one of the maps found on Hall when he was arrested showed the area around the prison where convicted American mercenary Eugene Hasenfus is serving a 30-year sentence.

Hall allowed himself to be captured by rebels in 1983 in El Salvador so he could spy on them and later won release using bogus press credentials, Hussman said.

Hall, 49, son of a former Dayton Republican mayor, is a former Democratic state representative who worked in real estate, construction, broadcast advertising sales and most recently as a furniture salesman near Tampa, Fla.

He apparently decided to become a counterterrorist after witnessing terrorist attacks on

Israel in 1961 while working for a Dallas company building villages in the Sinai peninsula, Hussman said.

In a June 1985 interview, Hall said he was working to aid the Nicaraguan contras with an Alabama-based group, Civilian Material Assistance. CMA founder Tom Posey said Hall had not worked with the group for 18 months. On Monday, Posey announced a fund-raising campaign on Hall's behalf.

Charles "Bo" Foreman, a friend of Hall's since 1968 who employed him for three years as a construction project manager, said Hall's reported arrest "did not surprise me one bit. Like a cat with so many lives, he's going to get caught eventually."

But Foreman said he knew little of what Hall did.

"Sam kept a lot of things to himself," said Foreman.

Fred Krumholtz, a former local Democratic Party official who has been a family friend since Hall was a boy, said Hall "wanted to be a soldier of fortune. I think Sam was out for the glory more than anything."

Hall has said he had a drug problem in the mid-1970s. He was admitted to the psychiatric wing of a local hospital in 1976.

He has been divorced three times and has three children.

was mined in 1983 in a campaign sponsored by the CIA.

Reports in the United States said the arrested man is the brother of U.S. Rep. Tony F. Hall, D-Ohio. The congressman's brother is named Sam Nesley Hall and in recent years told interviewers in the United States that he was working to help the Contras.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said Monday, "We will not even be able to confirm that he is an American until we have a chance to speak to him and see who he is, what he is and why he is there."

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"I love him.... I want to help him. Our views are different, but we're brothers," the congressman said.

The government has said Hall initially posed as a writer but later confessed he was a member of a private organization called the Phoenix Battalion. Officials said the unit conducts military intelligence work around the world on behalf of U.S. interests.

The Interior Ministry said the man was carrying an American passport with visas stamped for El Salvador, Israel and South Africa.

In a June 1985 interview with The Associated Press, Hall described himself as a self-employed military adviser and counterterrorist who wanted to stop communism. He said he was working with a private group called Civilian Military Assistance of Flint City, Ala., to aid the Contras.

tried in a People's Tribunal, a special revolutionary court, as was Hasenfus. Hasenfus was arrested Oct. 6 after bailing out of a rebel cargo plane shot down by Nicaraguan troops, and was convicted last month on terrorism and other charges.

The official Sandinista newspaper Barricada on Monday quoted Interior Minister Tomas Borge as saying one of the maps allegedly found on Hall showed the area around Tipitapa prison, 12 miles east of Managua.

Hasenfus, 45, and an estimated 1,500 members of the late President Anastasio Somoza's military are held at Tipitapa. The leftist Sandinistas overthrew Somoza's government in July 1979, and the U.S. Congress recently approved \$100 million in aid

to the Contra rebels, who are fighting to overthrow the Sandinistas.

Barricada quoted Borge as saying Hall also carried a map of the Pacific port of Corinto, where ships from the Soviet bloc deliver military cargo for the Sandinistas. The harbor

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Bennett and Burrow proposed the 10-percent reduction this summer, saying the commission could impose the curb using its authority to prevent wasting of the state's resources. Their proposal would place the reduction on all oil and gas wells other than stripper wells and those using tertiary recovery methods. Most of the state's major oil companies and independent drillers opposed the plan during a hearing on the request last month, saying it would create only a small vacuum of oil supply that foreign producers and other states could easily fill.

"It's not quite fair to formulate a national energy policy on

the backs of two Texas fields," Wallace said Monday.

Recent political events — Texas' Jim Wright's ascension to the speaker's chair in the U.S. House, the Democrats' control of the Senate and Republican Bill Clements' victory in the Texas gubernatorial race — could help move either Congress or the president toward imposing a foreign oil tariff, Wallace said.

Wallace, who has toured the country and testified before Congress on the subject for two years, said he would continue to point out that because of its strategic importance, oil deserves at least the same protection from foreign competition as timber, agricultural products and machine tools receive.

Regan testifies; Inouye to head panel

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House Chief of Staff Donald T. Regan today appeared before a Senate Intelligence Committee seeking to learn who authorized the secret diversion of Iranian arms sale profits to Nicaraguan Contra rebels and what President Regan knew about it.

At the same time, Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, a member of the Watergate Committee in 1973, was chosen to head a similar committee — to be formed when the new Congress convenes in January — to look into the Iran-Contra connection. The committee membership will be six Democrats and five Republicans.

Regan, the first of four Cabinet-level officials scheduled to testify before the committee this week, entered the committee's closed hearing room without commenting to reporters outside.

The White House, apparently attempting to show the president is cooperating with congressional investigators, said he would not claim executive privilege to avoid testifying.

So far, some key players have claimed their Fifth Amendment rights against self-incrimination and withheld testimony from congressional panels.

Secretary of State George P. Shultz was to appear before the closed committee hearing later today, along with National Security Council official Howard Teicher. Attorney General Edwin Meese III and Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger were scheduled to testify Wednesday.

All four Cabinet-level officials were appearing at the closed-door hearings voluntarily. All will be required to testify under oath.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes confirmed a report in the Jerusalem Post that Teicher submitted his resignation as director of the political-military affairs for the NSC over the weekend. It is to be effective in March.

Teicher accompanied former national security adviser Robert C. McFarlane and Lt. Col. Oliver North on their secret trip to Iran last May.

Speakes said the resignations of Teicher and other NSC officials are to allow Reagan's new national security adviser, Frank Carlucci, to appoint his own staff.

Democratic leader Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia announced the choice of Inouye and named the other Democratic members of the panel as senators George Mitchell of Maine, Sam Nunn of Georgia, Paul Sarbanes of Maryland, Howell Heflin

of Alabama and David Boren of Oklahoma.

Majority leader Robert Dole of Kansas designated these Republican members: Senators Warren Rudman of New Hampshire, James McClure of Idaho, Orrin Hatch of Utah, William Cohen of Maine and Paul Trible of Virginia.

Byrd and Dole said they had decided not to have the two non-voting ex-officio members they had originally planned, thus making it an 11-member panel.

Rep. Richard Cheney, R-Wyo., who served as chief of staff to President Ford, today said that the president should reject suggestions he come to Capitol Hill to testify. Cheney said he had supported Ford's decision to testify before a congressional committee after pardoning former President Nixon.

"I think this situation's radically different from the circumstances President Ford faced," Cheney, a member of the House Intelligence Committee, said on the "CBS Morning News" today. "In the Iranian situation, we're talking about a set of circumstances where the president's already said publicly he does not know everything that went on."

"I'm afraid he would find himself in a position where he wouldn't be able to answer an awful lot of the questions that have been asked," CIA Director William Casey had been scheduled to testify before the intelligence committee today, but he was hospitalized Monday after suffering what authorities at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington said were two "minor cerebral seizures."

Sen. David Durenberger, R-Minn., a chairman of the intelligence panel, said he hoped the CIA director would be able to testify by the end of the week.

In other developments: Eleven of the House Judiciary Committee's 21 Democrats asked the three-judge panel that will name the independent counsel in the Iran-Contra affair to give the counsel a broad mandate, including other programs to aid the Contras and the Justice Department's conduct in its inquiries into the matter.

The Justice Department has begun an internal inquiry into the department's delaying of an FBI probe into a cargo airline linked to efforts to supply arms to Iran and the Contras. Two department sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Michael Shaheen, head of the department's Office of Professional Responsibility, may also examine Meese's investigation into the Reagan administration's arms sales to Iran and the diversion of profits to the Contras.

A leading fund raiser for the Contras, retired Gen. John K. Singlaub, told CBS News that he believes Lt. Col. Oliver L. North was not acting on his own in the Iran-Contra arms operation. North was fired from his job as National Security Council aide after Meese said North knew about the diversion of funds to the Contras from the Iranian arms sales. "I am confident that he had some authority from those above him before he did things he's now accused of having done," Singlaub

said in the interview broadcast Monday night.

North's office helped provide film footage of Soviet helicopters used in a television advertising campaign earlier this year that was part of an effort to influence congressional votes on U.S. aid to the Contras, according to Robert Goodman, whose Baltimore area political and media consulting agency produced the commercial. The advertisement was paid for by a group run by Carl Russell Channell, who helped raise money for the Contras. Goodman told The Baltimore Sun on Monday that his agency had three contacts with North's office while working on Channell's account.

Vice President George Bush released a chronology of his office's contacts with Felix Rodriguez, a former CIA officer who coordinated flights that supplied the Contras, showing that he had personally met with Rodriguez three times. The vice president said he knew nothing of discussions regarding aid to the rebels.

Reagan secretly telephoned Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone in July 1985 to ask him to quietly try to convince Iran to help free U.S. hostages in Lebanon. The Washington Post reported in today's editions. Japan sent an envoy to Iran the following month, the newspaper quoted Akira Hatano, former Japanese justice minister, as saying.

Durenberger said one important line of questioning aimed at the witnesses would involve the source of the authority to conduct arms shipments to Iran.

It has previously been disclosed that the Iran arms sale decision was contained in a secret White House covert intelligence "finding," or order, issued by Reagan in January 1986 and not revealed to Congress.

But Durenberger said there were actually "multiple" intelligence findings dealing with Iran between December 1985 and January 1986.

He said the other findings also contained language preventing their disclosure to Congress. And he said Reagan would be asked about their contents.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., the intelligence committee's other chairman, told reporters that Regan's questioners would "ask who gave Colonel North the authority... who gave those orders and what was reported back to the president...."

Meese said last month that North knew of the diversion of the arms sale profits to the Contras. Meese also said that former national security adviser Vice Adm. John Poindexter knew about it in a general way.

Insulin developer dies

Sir Frederick Banting, the co-discoverer of insulin, and two others died in a 1941 plane crash.

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Bridge panel asks: Would a light bulb turn you on this Christmas?

New York Times News Service

SAN FRANCISCO — Californians are being urged to choose an unusual Christmas gift for friends this year — a light bulb for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. Price: \$100.

In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the bridge's opening last month, officials draped a temporary three-mile strand of lights along its arch-shaped suspension cables between San Francisco and Yerba Buena Island in the center of San Francisco Bay.

The lighting is not weather-proofed and is to be removed in the spring. But the nightly show of sparkling lights has been such a hit that it now seems likely to become permanent.

Bay Area citizens are working to raise \$700,000 for a longer, permanent necklace of lights that would stretch more than five miles along the full length of the bridge between San Francisco and Oakland. Next May, the towers of the Golden Gate Bridge between San Francisco and its northern suburbs will also be illuminated on its 50th birthday.

State and city agencies are expected to pay most of the cost of the Bay Bridge lighting project, but more than \$100,000 has been raised so far by grass-roots fund-raising. Among other things, residents are being urged to donate \$100 to pay for one of thousands of lights to be strung on the bridge. Donors are promised a certificate pinpointing "their" light on the bridge.

Thousands of dollars for the lighting project have been contributed by motorists who have said "keep the change" when they present a dollar bill for the 75-cent toll on the bridge. But some toll collectors have been unhappy with the extra book-keeping chores these contributions have presented them and are now demanding five-dollar bills as a minimum contribution.

An anniversary of a different kind has been causing this question to be asked in southern California:

Of all the artifacts from the history of the motion picture industry, what items are most appropriate to be preserved in a transparent time capsule commemorating the 100th

birthday Hollywood? Charlie Chaplin's cane? Harold Lloyd's horn-rimmed glasses? Judy Garland's ruby slippers from "The Wizard of Oz"? John Wayne's six-shooter from "Stagecoach"?

The Hollywood Chamber of Commerce has invited "the world" to send in nominations for enshrinement in the capsule, which will be roughly five feet square and made of acrylic plastic.

The suggestions are being solicited as part of a yearlong celebration, scheduled to begin Feb. 1, of the 100th anniversary of the day when a land huckster from the Middle West named Harvey Wilcox bought a piece of land on the outskirts of Los Angeles and began peddling homesites in a place he called Hollywood.

The moviemakers came a few years later, and the rest, as they say in Hollywood, is history.

Nominations for items to be placed in the shrine to Hollywood history should be addressed to: Hollywood Centennial Celebration, Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, 7000 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif. 90028.

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Man hit by Gonzalez files complaint, demands apology

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A man punched by U.S. Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez has filed an assault complaint and says the congressman, whom he called a communist, should apologize for his actions.

Bill Allen beat Gonzalez to the punch on Monday, telling reporters at the same restaurant where the incident occurred that the two men "could talk" about the dropping of the misdemeanor complaint if Gonzalez apologized.

"But pigs will sprout wings and fly before that happens," Allen said two hours before 90 friends of Gonzalez gathered at the restaurant to pay tribute to Gonzalez.

"I don't want anything done to him, really. I just think he owes the people who elected him an apology. That's not action becoming of a grown man who's supposed to represent law and order in this country," Allen said.

Allen, 40, then went to the police station, talked with detectives and filed a formal assault complaint.

"The statement will be turned over to the municipal court and if

they determine there is enough evidence to go with it, then a warrant will be issued for Mr. Gonzalez's arrest," said patrolman Richard Valdez.

At the restaurant, Gonzalez said Allen provoked the fight on Dec. 4 by calling Gonzalez "our No. 1 leading damned communist."

"If Mr. Allen is really a gentleman of self-respect and he's willing to admit that he provoked it, I'm willing to say, 'of course, I'm willing to shake hands with you.' I'm not interested in pressing charges against him," Gonzalez said.

Supporters played two "rap" songs that were written after the incident and presented gag gifts to the 70-year-old congressman, whom they called a "freedom fighter."

Allen, earlier, criticized Gonzalez's voting record and said the incident was not funny.

"It kind of surprises me and shocks me...how they can call Mr. Gonzalez a freedom fighter when he takes the freedom to say all the bad things about my president, Mr. Rea-

gan," Allen said. "Yet, whenever someone disagrees with him...he attempts to stop that person from making that statement. He deprives them of that freedom."

Allen said the incident occurred when he overheard Gonzalez say the president should be impeached.

"We were sort of amused and after we listened to it for a while, I made the comment to the man sitting across the table from me that it sounded like a communist," Allen said.

He said Gonzalez did not hear the comment, but one of the men who was sitting with Gonzalez did.

Allen said Gonzalez came back to the table later and Allen admitted he had called him a communist and that's when Gonzalez struck him.

Allen said he suffered a bruise near his left eye and still has blurred vision.

Gonzalez said if the same situation arose again he would react in the same manner.

"I did what I did because I had to," he said.



Covered bumper to bumper

Paul Gordon shows off his motor home covered with bumper stickers that he has collected throughout his travels. Gordon, from Venice, Fla., has

made Texas' Lower Rio Grande Valley his winter home for the past 10 years.

AP Laserphoto

Man swallows cyanide, hooks up device to set bed on fire

AUSTIN (AP) — An unemployed 21-year-old Austin man swallowed "a large amount" of cyanide and then apparently hooked up an elaborate device that set his bed on fire after he was dead, authorities said.

The victim was identified as Alejandro Martiz, whom police described as an intelligent young man who studied laser technology, physics and other advanced subjects while in high school.

His body was discovered shortly before 7 a.m. after firefighters were called to the home that Martiz shared with his brother and mother.

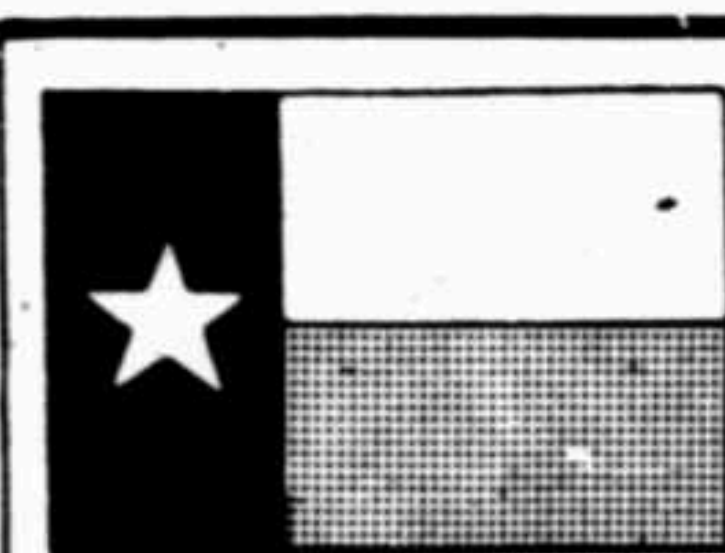
Inside his bedroom, police discovered that Martiz placed a tube filled

with a flammable liquid on a bookcase above his bed. A clamp at the end of the tube allowed the liquid to slowly drip onto the bed, eventually soaking it.

Underneath the bed, authorities discovered an electric heater. They theorized that a timer on the heater was set to go off at a predetermined time. Heat radiated through the bed until it ignited the liquid, police said.

"We're leaning toward suicide," said Sgt. Juan Gonzalez of the police homicide detail. "Everything points in that direction. We have no indication that it was anything else."

Police did not discover a suicide note, he said.



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Authorities originally believed Martiz died of smoke inhalation, but an autopsy indicated he died after ingesting the cyanide, said the Travis County medical examiner, Dr. Robert Bayardo. "He was dead before the fire started," Bayardo said. Bayardo said authorities had not

determined how Martiz obtained the cyanide.

Firefighters were called to the fire at 6:50 a.m. The blaze, which was confined to the bedroom, was put out in five minutes.

Firefighters had to break down the bedroom door to get to the

flames, and discovered Martiz still in bed.

His brother, Pedro Martiz, who was asleep in another room, smelled smoke and tried to reach his brother, but could not open the locked door, authorities said. Pedro Martiz was not injured. His mother, Milton Martiz, arrived home from her overnight shift as a nurse at the City Jail while firefighters were still at the scene.

Gonzalez described Martiz as "moody," and said he quit his job as a city of Austin library worker without an explanation in August. The victim's brother said he studied business and finance at Austin Commu-

nity College. Alejandro Martiz was not presently enrolled in school, but planned to return to ACC next semester, his brother told authorities.

If the death is ruled a suicide, Martiz will be the second Austin resident this year to die from self-induced cyanide poisoning. On May 19, Kenneth Wayne Faries, 24, a former University of Texas student, died after taking a poisoned Anacin-3 capsule.

The death originally was thought to be a homicide, and thousands of Anacin-3 capsules were removed from Austin store shelves. A detailed investigation, however, proved the cyanide that killed Faries came from a UT laboratory to which Faries had access.

Officials say disconnection of gas line cause of Fort Worth explosion

FORT WORTH (AP) — Someone deliberately disconnected a gas line responsible for an explosion that reduced to rubble a section of the downtown area, authorities say.

Investigators discovered a flexible gas line was intentionally disconnected from a grill at a hamburger shop demolished in the blast that took out five other businesses and damaged 37 others at an estimated cost of \$2 million, said Fire Marshal Don Peacock.

Peacock said the cause of the Dec.

7 blast was ruled arson.

Fire investigators and engineers representing insurance companies discovered the disconnected hose, Peacock said.

"The investigation is now considered a criminal investigation and will be pursued to determine the responsible agents involved," Peacock said at a news conference Monday, and added that investigators have no suspects.

"Escaping gas accumulated until it reached an ignition source, probably

a pilot light from other equipment, and the gas exploded with destructive force," Peacock said.

Authorities originally thought the explosion was triggered near the sandwich shop, but could not examine gas lines closely until the debris was cleared on Saturday, he said.

Investigators originally suspected it was caused by a gas leak, but officials from Lone Star Gas Co. were unable to uncover evidence of a leak.

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Panel proposes large pay raises for Reagan's Cabinet members

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal advisory commission, calling top officials' salaries woefully inadequate, is urging immediate pay raises of 60 percent to 80 percent for members of Congress and the Cabinet, judges and the heads of government agencies.

Pay for members of the House and Senate, which would have to pass on the proposal, would go from \$77,400 to \$135,000. Cabinet secretaries' salaries would almost double — from \$88,800 to \$160,000.

If approved by President Reagan, the recommendations of the panel, chaired by General Foods Corp. Chairman James L. Ferguson, could be submitted to Congress as part of the president's fiscal 1988 budget proposal on Jan. 5. The raises, for 3,000 top federal officials, would be automatic unless both the House and the Senate overturn them.

Reagan's salary of \$200,000 would not be changed.

Similar recommendations from five previous commissions on the same issue never have been enforced in full. And there were suggestions Monday from members of Congress that boosting their pay into

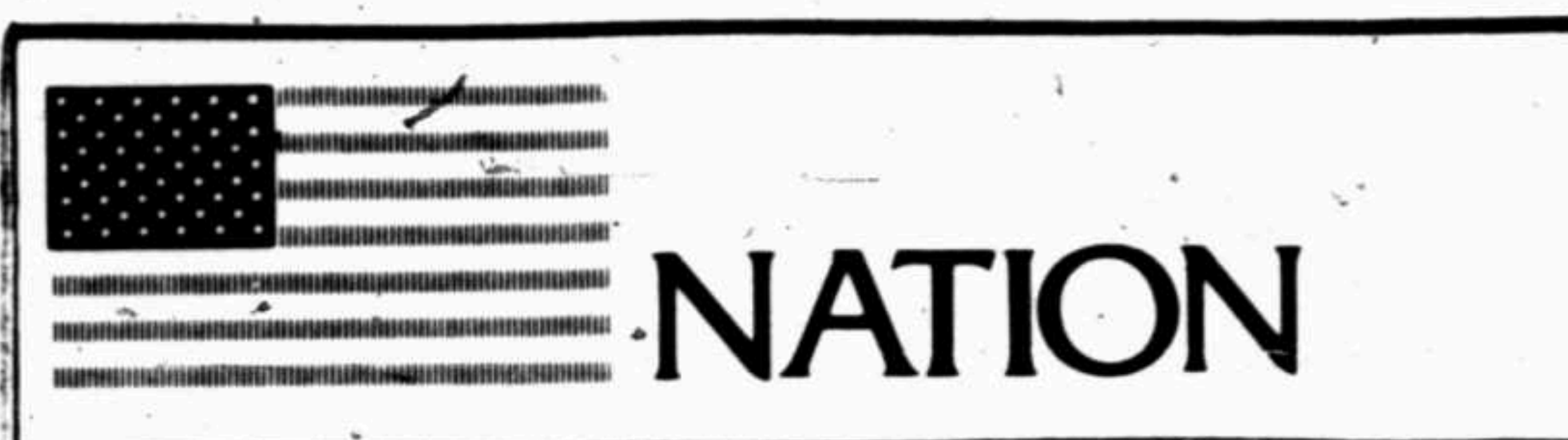
the six figures is as politically unacceptable now as in the past.

"The idea that officials can't live on incomes already five times greater than that of the average American worker is absurd," said Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Mich., who vowed to oppose any increase.

Also criticizing the commission's plan was consumer advocate Ralph Nader, who urged a "citizens' revolt" to fight the pay increases.

"At a time when there's a recession, huge government deficits, cutbacks in student loans, infant nutrition programs, asbestos removal programs, these same government officials are telling us that they need a 75 percent pay increase," Nader said today on the "CBS Morning News."

"I think elderly people who aren't going to get their full Social Security index increase in January, and families and workers who have suffered real wage and family income decline in recent years, are going to generate a citizens' revolt, contact their members of Congress, and do what citizens have done in the past — say no to any congressional salary grabs," Nader said.



The recommendations submitted Monday to Reagan called for the heads of agencies such as the FBI and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to get raises of 73 percent, boosting their pay from \$77,400 to \$135,000, the same as recommended for members of Congress.

Salaries for the nation's 821 federal judges would be boosted also — from \$81,000 to \$130,000 for trial judges and from \$85,700 to \$135,000 for appellate judges. The annual pay of Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and his retired predecessor, Warren Burger, Vice President George Bush and House Speaker-designate Jim Wright, D-Texas, would be raised to \$175,000. The Supreme

Court's eight associate justices would receive a salary hike from \$107,200 to \$165,000.

All of those officials, along with the 2.1 million other civilian federal employees, already are scheduled to get 3 percent annual pay boosts on Jan. 1, compared with an annual inflation rate of 0.7 percent over the past year.

However, the panel of six corporate executives, two lawyers and a former comptroller of the currency said the inflation-adjusted buying power of top federal officials has dropped 41 percent since 1969.

"No group... has fallen so far behind inflation as those to whom we entrust the reins of government," said the panel, known formally as

the Commission on Executive, Legislative and Judicial Salaries.

Periodic cost-of-living adjustments over the last 10 years have totaled 31 percent, the commission said, widening the pay gap between corporate and government leaders and making it "increasingly more difficult to attract and retain... the best and the brightest people this country can offer."

Other than cost-of-living increases for all federal workers, the last time Reagan recommended a large pay boost for top government executives was in 1981. The recommended 16 percent raise then was rejected by Congress.

"In simple terms, Congress has been unwilling to take the abuse for voting itself a salary increase," the commission said. "In an attempt to circumvent the dilemma, congressional pay has been linked to that of top-level executive branch officials and the senior ranks of the judiciary in the hope of seeing congressional salaries rise with them."

Lawmakers last year established the mechanism for the automatic raises, giving themselves 30 days after Jan. 5 to allow opponents to orga-

nize votes for overturning the boosts.

The commission estimated the annual cost of the recommended raises at \$149.9 million. But it offered no figure for the added costs of the fringe and pension benefits that are tied directly to salary levels nor the associated costs of uncapping the \$70,800 pay ceiling on some 8,000 other senior federal executives indirectly related to the salaries of their bosses.

Ferguson said Reagan, during a meeting Monday with some of the commission members, "was clearly aware this is an issue that needs to be addressed."

However, both he and White House officials said Reagan did not indicate whether he would implement the increases or a portion of them as part of the federal budget.

Other administration officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said Reagan is likely to confer with his Cabinet officers and congressional leaders before deciding on how big a raise to adopt. Most likely, a range of options will be presented to Reagan, said one.

Ex-presidential aide eyed in violation of federal ethics laws

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department is seeking an independent counsel to investigate whether former presidential aide Lyn Nofziger violated the law by helping a New York firm obtain a \$31 million military contract, sources say.

Federal law enforcement sources who asked not to be identified said Monday the department filed a motion requesting appointment of an independent counsel by a special, three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Word of the decision to turn the matter over to a special prosecutor came as the firm, Wedtech Corp. of the Bronx, filed for reorganization under Chapter 11 of federal bankruptcy laws.

Wedtech said its financial difficulties "are of recent vintage" and blamed "adverse publicity regarding allegations of improprieties in the context of certain trans-

actions entered into in the early 1980s."

According to the law enforcement sources, the independent counsel was expected to look into whether Nofziger had violated federal ethics laws when he intervened at the White House to help Wedtech obtain a \$31 million Army contract for small military engines in May 1982.

Nofziger, who had left his job as President Reagan's special assistant for political affairs four months earlier, allegedly received stock from Wedtech valued at several hundred thousand dollars.

Under the 1978 Ethics in Government Act, a former high-ranking government official may not approach his old agency for a one-year period with the intent of influencing officials on behalf of a client.

Justice Department spokesman Patrick Korten said he had no comment on whether the department had

filed the motion asking the appeals court panel to name an independent counsel.

According to published reports in recent months, Nofziger wrote to the White House on behalf of Wedtech, which grew from a small spare parts manufacturer to a \$100 million a year business. During its period of growth, the company had been recognized as a minority-owned business, eligible for no-bid contracts.

Nofziger, who suffered a mild stroke on May 4, 1982, has said he does not remember the letter. He is now a partner in a Washington-based consulting firm, Nofziger-Bragg Communicators.

The case has been under investigation by the U.S. attorney's office in Manhattan and the Manhattan district attorney's office. Besides the Wedtech case, questions also have been raised about Nofziger's 1982 intervention on behalf of a Los Angeles area firm which

obtained a contract to sell rice to South Korea.

New York State is trying to determine whether Wedtech falsely called itself a minority-owned business to win contracts. Last week, Wedtech suspended operations and laid off most of its 1,500 employees.

"The continuing barrage of such adverse publicity" led to financial institutions refusing to supply credit to Wedtech, leaving it "in a cash short position and unable to fund continuing operations," said court papers filed by along with Wedtech's Chapter 11 petition at U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan.

Wedtech stated as of June 30 it had total assets of \$218.6 million and total liabilities of \$151.5 million.

But Wedtech "estimates that its operations for the 30 days following the filing of the Chapter 11 petition will result in a net cash flow deficit of \$1.7 million," the papers said.

Reagan's decision to breach SALT II treaty under fire

By TIM AHERN

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than half the members of next year's Congress are urging President Reagan to reverse his decision to breach the SALT II nuclear arms control treaty, but the pressure is drawing sharp criticism from the administration.

Fifty-eight of the 100 members of the Senate which convenes Jan. 6 appealed Monday to Reagan to retire enough nuclear weapons to put the United States back under the numerical ceilings on various categories of weapons contained in the unratified 1979 pact.

That action follows last week's overwhelming approval of a similar appeal that was made by Democrats who will be in next year's House. The Democrats will have a 258-177 House margin in the next Congress and the appeal was in a resolution passed during a closed-door caucus of those incoming Democrats.

But the administration's Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, in a statement Monday, asserted that the move harms the United States' ability to negotiate successfully for new, verifiable arms agreements with the Soviets.

"Congressional pressure for selective compliance with SALT II undercuts the U.S. response to Soviet violations and compromises the ability of U.S. negotiators in Geneva to gain effective verification provisions in new agreements," the agency contended.

The United States violated the ceilings in the pact on Nov. 28, when a B-52 bomber converted to carry nuclear-tipped cruise missiles became operational.

It was the 131st of the big bombers to be modified for cruise weapons rather than bombers. The treaty permits only 130 modified bombers unless other weapons, such as missile-firing submarines, are retired to compensate for the higher number of cruise-carrying bombers.

The U.S. action breaching the SALT II treaty was criticized by America's NATO allies and the Soviets, who pledged that they would continue to live up to the pact.

The treaty was never ratified by the Senate, meaning it was not binding on the United States.

During the 1980 presidential campaign, Reagan criticized the treaty as "fatally flawed," although once in office, he pledged to live up to its limits as long as the Soviets did likewise.

Reagan has repeatedly charged the Soviets with violating the treaty and he announced last spring that his administration would no longer be bound by SALT II weapons limits

in making decision on how to build the U.S. atomic arsenal.

In its statement, the U.S. arms control agency said the Soviets are continuing to violate arms control agreements with the United States in serious ways.

Congressional calls for maintaining the unratified treaty "mark a sharp departure from a long-standing bipartisan policy of insisting on full Soviet compliance with arms control agreements," the statement said.

Two separate letters were sent Monday from the Senate. One was signed by 57 senators, including 47 Democrats and 10 Republicans. The other was an individual appeal from a 58th legislator, Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., who will be majority leader next year.

The letter from the 57 legislators called the U.S. action an "open invitation to the Soviets" to violate several of the numerical limits in the treaty.

Sen. Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., who organized the letter, said, "We could probably have gotten more than 57, but a lot of them are overseas and a lot are out of pocket."

The House Democrats promised last week to seek binding legislation that would force the United States back into compliance.

Bumpers, asked if he would seek similar legislation, said, "I don't want to talk about that now because I hope it won't be necessary."

But he conceded a bill will probably be introduced if Reagan doesn't change his mind. Bumpers said he would support it, as did Sens. John Chafee, R-R.I., and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., who attended the news conference.

Bumpers argued that it is in America's interest to respect the treaty since the Soviets, who have more and different types of missiles, are more constrained by the pact than is the United States.

Since 1973, the Soviets have destroyed 541 strategic weapons launchers to remain under the treaty limits while the United States has destroyed only 48, according to Bumpers.

Soviet deployment of the new SS-24 long-range missile will force dismantling of other weapons to keep the Soviets under the SALT II limits, the letter said.

"Given the Soviets' past dismantling record and their ongoing strategic modernization program, U.S. violation of a key SALT II sublimit is an open invitation to the Soviets to exceed those same limits, which to date they have respected," it added.

Poll reveals majority believe they'll go to heaven over hell

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly three-quarters of Americans believe they have a good chance of getting to heaven, but they think nearly a quarter of their friends will go to hell.

A poll of 604 adults conducted by USA Weekend magazine found that 80 percent believe heaven exists and 67 percent believe in hell.

Seventy-two percent of them rate their chances of going to heaven as good to excellent. However, they believe only six out of 10 of their friends are going to heaven, and nearly one in four will go to hell.

All but 4 percent believe in a supreme being, according to the survey. Nearly 60 percent think of God as a man, while none think of God as a woman and 37 percent say God is

neither. Eighty-seven percent say religion is important to them, and 73 percent consider themselves religious.

Women tend to be more religious than men. Seventy-two percent pray every day, compared to 55 percent of men. One respondent in five reported reading the Bible daily.

Nearly half of homes with children say grace before meals. Sixty-five percent belong to a place of worship, 45 percent attend services once a week, but 14 percent attend only one to five times a year. And 48 percent donate time to their church.

Fifty-two percent married someone of the same faith, and 23 percent said they would be upset if their child chose another religion.

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Figure to consider

There are some good ideas whose times have come and then a few that really don't deserve to be mentioned.

Fitting that last category nicely is one stemming from a presidential commission. Recently, a story in The Washington Times reported the commission this week will recommend pay raises of 46 percent for Cabinet secretaries and 55 percent for members of Congress and directors of agencies. The President's Quadrennial Commission on Executive, Legislative and Judicial Salaries will ask the president to include the raises in his 1988 budget.

Under a draft version of the report, federal employees at the level of a Cabinet secretary, who now make \$88,000, would have their annual salaries boosted to as much as \$130,000. Members of Congress, deputy Cabinet secretaries and agency directors would have their pay raised from \$77,400 to about \$120,000.

Now we fully appreciate and agree with the argument that higher salaries lure a better qual-

ity of workers into governmental service. But there is a time and a purpose to everything, including salary increases, and it simply isn't the time when people out of governmental service are being forced by economic circumstances to tighten their belts.

There's another — even better — reason: The Office of Management and Budget anticipates for 1987 federal budget deficit of \$163 billion — if the economy grows at a rate of 3.5 percent. If it grows at a rate of 2.5 percent, the deficit will rise to \$175 billion.

That's a figure to be concerned with. Another is \$3.35, per hour that is. That's the minimum wage. Many of our working poor — teenagers on their own, workers displaced by plant closings or shutdowns, many working women — rely on that amount to put groceries on the table.

Though it's not enough to keep them above the poverty line, they probably could teach our federal officials a thing or two about surviving on an inadequate income.

JACK ANDERSON

Ex-Congressman pens complaints

WASHINGTON — Former Rep. George Hansen, R-Idaho, is serving five to 15 months in the Petersburg (Va.) Federal Prison Camp for failing



Jack Anderson

to list certain transactions in a required financial disclosure report. He is scheduled to be paroled this week.

Prison authorities could well be releasing Hansen in self-defense.

He is the adult version of the obstreperous brat in O. Henry's "The Ransom of Red Chief," who raised so

much cain that his hapless kidnappers wound up paying his father to take the kid back.

Hansen has always been a maverick. In his seven terms in the House, he was a pain in the posterior of bureaucrats in the Internal Revenue Service, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and other agencies he believed were constricting the rights of individuals. During his 5½ months in prison, his critical faculties have grown even sharper.

Hansen has penned a steady stream of letters to former colleagues in Congress, written a magazine article lambasting the "American Gulag," filed numerous complaints with prison officials and telephoned us on a regular basis. "They can swallow me like Jonah in the whale," said the 6-foot-6 arch-conservative, "but I can still give them indigestion."

Shortly after our Thanksgiving Day report on Hansen's blistering review of the prison cuisine, he went on a hunger strike. In a memo to the camp administrator, D.A. Chapman, Hansen explained that for months he had "tried and watched others try to correct obvious hazards" in preparation and handling of food, "only to be rejected, refused and even ridiculed."

Therefore, he wrote, "I shall not be eating any such food which is handled or processed in the Petersburg Prison kitchen facilities except a very few items which I might comfortably ingest with some degree of safety." Since Dec. 1, Hansen has subsisted on milk, soda and fruit or vegetable juices.

We wrote to the Petersburg prison warden, Jeff Clark, listing most of Hansen's complaints. The warden responded, and we then spoke to Han-

sen for his rebuttal. Here are a few examples:

— Hansen: Inmates on the way to meals, work and recreation must pass a large electric transformer leaking carcinogenic PCB. Clark: There was "a small leak confined to the concrete slab" under the transformer; it was repaired in August. Hansen: The cleanup was in September, and meanwhile the inmates waiting for dinner stood in the PCB puddle.

— Hansen: The dining room is infested with roaches and flies, and garbage is flushed out the back door of the kitchen into a main pathway, eventually making its way into the Appomattox River. Clark: "The camp dining and kitchen area is not fly- and roach-infested, nor do we flush garbage into the river." Hansen: "It is impossible to get from point A to point B without walking through the slop (from the kitchen). The sidewalk goes right through the slop puddle and the hill beside it is treacherous to take it from the sidewalk into the river when it is holed. ... Roaches constantly fall out of the milk dispenser."

— Hansen: Food is hauled in a truck bed encrusted with slop and slime. Clark: "The food is placed in covered containers and does not come in contact with the truck bed. The truck is periodically cleaned." Hansen: The truck bed is "holed, not scrubbed or disinfected."

— Hansen: Inmates were forced to "rappel" over a cliff along the river to retrieve mistakenly dumped stones now being used at a prison official's residence. Clark: "During the repair of a walkway at one of our government-owned houses, the walkway stones were mistakenly discarded over a sloping embankment. Rather than to replace the costly stones, they were retrieved. ... As a safety precaution, the inmates were provided a safety line to maintain their footing." Hansen: "It was a cliff, the footing was bad and one guy was hurt by the rope strung around his waist."

Jack Anderson is a syndicated columnist who along with Joseph Spear and Dale Van Atta writes this column for United Feature Syndicate.



LETTERS

Fuhrman move opposed

We home owners adjoining the Fuhrman residence at Midkiff and Sinclair streets object strongly to converting this home into business offices. This has been a one-family residence neighborhood for 30 years, people owning their own homes.

We object to the devious methods being used to do this; notices of meetings of the planning commission being stuck in the classified ad section of the newspaper; a contract being drawn up ("hammered out" in one afternoon meeting, as the paper later said) and signed by city officials and the corporation officials that will use the offices, before notifying any adjacent homeowners of the proposed change; a contract, incidentally, that will take this expensive property off the tax rolls and thus increase our tax burden, and use it for offices when there are so many new and vacant office buildings all over town that would welcome gladly any new tenants.

This contract calls for the city to pay the corporation \$122,500 a year for services such as counseling older city employees about retiring. It calls for the city to mow, edge, prune, and keep in repair an irrigation system on a lawn that covers 2.7 acres, the equivalent of 12 100-foot residential lots.

It the city is maintaining this

property, will the city also be liable if someone is injured on the premises?

We object to the traffic problems this business property will create, with the offices being allowed to have up to 50 people at a time on the premises. Midkiff carries 30,000 cars a day, by the city's traffic count. Sinclair is a dead-end lane in front of the home, going into the Fuhrman driveway and then emptying back into Midkiff; all of this only two blocks from the busy intersection of Golf Course and Midkiff.

Another homeowner and myself, at different times, inquired at the city planning office about opening our offices in our homes. We were told we could do that if we used the telephone only, no employees or visitors allowed because of the traffic problems it would cause.

The proponents claim that moving this business into this residence is not a zone change from one-family residences only; just a specific use permit. Will this still be a one-family residence neighborhood only when specific use permits allow stores, filling stations and other business establishments to move onto Midkiff adjoining this office building?

Dan E. Holland
Midland

Who 'killed' Frosty?

My daughter and husband spent Thursday morning, Dec. 11th, building "Frosty" the snowman. As we traditionally do each year that we have a snow, we topped Frosty's head with the "magic" black hat and wrapped his neck with a favorite muffler.

About 7:45 p.m. that same Thursday a carload of teenagers not only destroyed our snowman by thrusting him against our front glass door but they also stole the hat and muffler.

The hat held sentimental tradition for our 6-year-old each year as our Frosty the Snowman came to life. That "magic" hat topped another very special head 13 years ago when I met my

husband at a college dance. The old black felt hat is now misshapen and worn out and good for nothing but our Frosty's head and our memories.

It is sad that teenagers in this city have nothing better to do than destroy and steal someone's personal property. Our winter wonderland was destroyed, but the hearts of a 3-year-old and 6-year-old were crushed: "Why did those mean boys do that?"

To those boys I would like to say, "Ba humbug!" And an especially big "ba humbug" to their parents — parents who don't know where their kids are or what their kids are doing, in the car the parents provide them.

Rebecca Middleton
Midland

EVANS & NOVAK

Dole gives Reagan way to save SALT stance

WASHINGTON — With his political enemies barely concealing their glee over the perceived demise of the Reagan Revolution, President Rea-

gan has received a private note from Senate Republican leader Robert J. Dole outlining his intentions to force a Senate vote on the seven-year-old, never-ratified SALT II.

That is Dole's strategy for protecting Reagan's decision to abandon the 1979 arms control treaty in the face of escalating Soviet violations. If the Democrats try "to force" SALT II compliance by cutting defense appropriations, Dole told Reagan, he will counterattack by proposing formal treaty ratification in the Senate. Considering still unrevealed new Soviet violations, chances are excellent for the one-



Rowland Evans



Robert Novak

third plus one vote needed to block approval.

That will test not only the extent to which the Iran-contra scandal has crippled Reagan's control of national security policy at a tense time in East-West relations. It also will be a symbol for the nation and the world of whether the Reagan presidency is functioning, or ceased on Nov. 25 — the day the contra connection to the Iranian arms deal was revealed.

That twilight of his presidency seemed at hand last Wednesday. The House Democratic Caucus, by overwhelming voice vote, passed a resolution to limit nuclear weapons authorized and funded by Congress to SALT II ceilings. The gesture of defiance seemed to fulfill the prediction of Democrats and premonition of Republicans that the current crisis, like Watergate a dozen years earlier, would limit presidential power.

The biggest problem Dole's blocking strategy faces is procedural — getting the treaty out of the Foreign Relations Committee. He considers the chance about 50-50. If he can bring the treaty to a vote on the Senate floor, Dole is confident of winning by losing. But the vote could show a surprise: senators moving away from Reagan because of the current crisis.

Dole's move into the forefront of the arms control struggle puts him close to Republican conservatives, giving them the leader on that front they have lacked. They lobbied the president hard to get out of SALT II and won last spring when he overruled bureaucratic opposition in the

State Department and from NATO allies to announce U.S. withdrawal. He hammered in the final nail last month by ordering the 131st B-52 bomber to be equipped with cruise missiles — violating a treaty ceiling on MIRVed (carrying more than one warhead) launchers.

Supporting Dole's move is a minority of the Senate, about to be fortified with secret intelligence pointing to a major new Soviet violation. This not fully completed finding corroborates U.S. fears the Soviets have breached another treaty limit: 820 MIRVed intercontinental ballistic missile launchers — an infinitely more serious violation than Reagan's decision to put cruise missiles on the 131st bomber.

The finding that the Soviets have exceeded the 820 limit on MIRVed ICBMs — blockbuster weapons designed to destroy ground-based U.S. offensive missiles — came to the U.S. in a remarkable way. It happened at the Reykjavik summit when Mikhail Gorbachev handed the president a sheet of white paper containing two lists of figures showing U.S. and Soviet nuclear arsenals. All the subliminals, such as MIRVed ICBMs, were listed separately in English.

For the first time ever, the paper drafted by Gorbachev's own advisers showed Soviet MIRVed ICBMs at 820. That happens to be exactly the SALT II ceiling for Soviet heavy land-based launchers carrying MIRVed warheads. For years, the U.S. and Soviets had carried that all-important figure at the 818 level, leaving a narrow margin of two missiles for upward movement.

U.S. intelligence believes the jump from 818 to 820 is a tacit Kremlin admission that it has deployed two new operational SS-24 ICBMs. No other explanation would suffice. Moreover, U.S. spy-satellite photographs clearly show the location of those two SS-24 launchers on camouflaged railway flatbed cars at the Plesetsk nuclear testing ground.

U.S. analysis of new Soviet missile testing proves they are indeed SS-24s. Three similar launchers at Kostroma also have been photographed and analyzed as SS-24s. That puts the Soviet total of MIRVed ICBMs at 823 — three over the treaty limit in the most fateful category of nuclear weapon.

Neither Dole nor his Senate colleagues have yet been briefed on this latest U.S. intelligence finding that gives new high cards for Reagan to play against the Democrats on Capitol Hill in defense of his SALT withdrawal decision. But by the time Dole executes his plan to defeat the treaty on the floor, this latest Soviet violation will be well-known.

In a White House paralyzed by un-

controlled scandal and seeking to save Reagan's last two years, there is no forward agenda. Presidential hopeful Dole has insisted there must be one for the party to survive in 1988. Now, he has proposed how to show the world that congressional Democrats have not taken over foreign policy from the president.

Rowland Evans and Robert Novak are syndicated columnists for News America Syndicate.

CHARLEY REESE

Hunters find primal freedom in outdoors

I am a deer hunter. Please note the precise use of language. I said hunter, not shooter. I still have the same three bullets I bought several years ago when I decided to introduce my son to the sport.

Some-where between 80 and 85 percent of all deer hunters in any given season just hunt, instead of shoot. That's because contrary to the urban hysterics who despise a sport they don't understand, Bambi is a lot smarter than most deer hunters when it comes to making his way through the woods. His eyes, nose, and ears are lot keener than the average hunter's skinning knife.



Charley Reese

The morning. The diligent types are already in the woods by the time I'm having my morning cup of coffee. Truth be known, if it's a choice between shooting a deer and having my morning cup of coffee, I'll take the coffee.

It's not that I have any inhibitions about shooting a deer, if an old buck's karma should put it within range of my rifle. I buy into the whole cycle of life, which includes killing and dying. After all, hamburgers, bacon, pot roast and veal scaloppini don't get to the plate without somebody killing and skinning an animal.

It's just that what non-hunters don't understand is that hunting is a complex ritual of which actually shooting a deer is a small part and, as I said, often even a non-existent part. I have noticed that the most fanatic of urban nature lovers rarely, if ever, go near nature. They seem to like it best when it is neatly framed within the pages of a coffee table book or comfortably presented by a public television channel.

Hunters and fishermen actually love the real thing. I fish, not because I especially want to catch fish, but because I love staring at the wa-

ter and would feel like a fool, standing there for hours on ends with my hands in my pockets. I like camping, wandering through the forests, and sitting for hours watching a patch of woods. Having a rifle and looking for a deer gives grown men an excuse for doing what boys do without any excuse at all.

I've watched amateur golfers, tennis players, and bowlers — supposedly doing nothing more than engaging in recreation — act like John McEnroe, but deer hunters, whether they succeed or fail, always enjoy themselves. The campfire circle always rings with laughter and good stories. No one may have seen a deer during the day, but everyone saw something beautiful or wonderful or funny. The hunter always arrives at his camp with regret and whether he has a deer isn't a factor.

I remember one season sitting in the croch of a tree, swaying in a brisk wind and being pelted by a fine, cold rain. Below me stretched a tangled field surrounded by woods painted dark with moisture. Low, gray clouds sailed swiftly across the sky from northwest to southeast. Not another human was in sight and it

seemed, for a time, as if I were alone on the planet.

Of course there were no animals in sight either as deer have better sense than to be out in such weather. But how else can a middle-aged man climb a tree and cling there in the rain without being hauled off to the funny farm unless he hugs along a rifle and does it during the hunting season?

We humans are creatures of the field and forest. Our fecundity has made urban life a necessity but it remains nevertheless an unnatural environment. These lighted, man-made caves we inhabit, the artificial stone turf we walk and drive on, the conditioned air we breathe, the electronic ghosts we watch, the ever-present noise and babble are all driving mankind insane. One need not be surprised urban man is industriously, at enormous expense and sacrifice, working to destroy himself for reasons no one understands or will remember.

Hunters are those humans who have not yet gone over the edge.

Charley Reese is a syndicated columnist for King Features Syndicate.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 16, the 350th day of 1986. There are 15 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 16, 1773, the Boston Tea Party took place as American colonists, disguised as Indians, boarded a British ship in Boston Harbor and dumped more than 300 chests of tea overboard in a protest against tea taxes.

On this date:

In 1770, the German composer Ludwig van Beethoven was born.
In 1800, Napoleon Bonaparte was divorced from the Empress Josephine by an act of the French Senate.

In 1905, the entertainment trade publication "Variety" came out with its first weekly issue.
In 1916, the monk who wielded powerful influence over the Russian court, Gregory Rasputin, was

murdered.
In 1944, the World War II Battle of the Bulge began in Belgium.

In 1960, a United Air Lines DC8 and a TWA Super Constellation collided over New York City and crashed, killing 134 people.

In 1980, President-elect Ronald Reagan chose Gen. Alexander M. Haig to be secretary of state, and Raymond Donovan to be labor secretary.

In 1982, Environmental Protection Agency head Anne M. Gorsuch became the first Cabinet-level officer to be cited for contempt of Congress.
Today's Birthdays: Author Victor S. Pritchett is 86. Author Arthur C. Clarke is 69. Actress Liv Ullmann is 47.

Thought for Today: "Pleasure is very seldom found where it is sought." —Samuel Johnson, English author-writer-critic (1709-1784).

I must confess that I am not the most diligent hunter. I love a camp fire at night and a sleeping bag in

BOSTON (AP) — A guest at a party is responsible for the behavior of his or her guests.

According to the Massachusetts courts and legislatures, a host can be sued if it can be shown that his guests have caused damage.

Although few such lawsuits are filed, the possibility is still before courts. "It's a volatile issue," says Smith, an associate director of the Massachusetts Association who led a roundtable discussion on beverages in their homes make them potentially liable.

The issue came to national prominence with a ruling by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in the case, Kelly vs. The guests' car struck a house, causing \$100,000 in damage. The driver, a guest, was injured and his host was sued.

The court said the host was liable for the accident, outlining several similar lawsuits. "Where the social host continues to do so even after

Volcker all but resigns Fed Reserve Board

WASHINGTON (AP) — Paul Volcker, one of Paul Volcker's closest allies on the Federal Reserve Board, is resigning, but he believes the departure may strengthen Volcker's monetary policy.

Volcker, 72, who has been health for more than two months, announced Monday he was resigning from the board.

His resignation will give Reagan the rare opportunity to name six of the seven members of the Federal Reserve Board. Volcker will be the only member of the board who was not a Reagan appointee.

But some economists believe that the departure of so many time members of the board past year may force the administration to reappoint Volcker next August when his term expires.

That possibility had been a long shot until recently the administration's push for economists with pro-growth views with Volcker's mainstream concerns about inflation.

Volcker's resignation followed an announcement by J. Rice that he was leaving at the end of this year. The has yet to fill that position.

Vacancies in the past have allowed Reagan to appoint a new vice chair of the board and name as members Wayne Angell and Heller. Reagan earlier had Martha Seeger as a board member.

Reagan's appointees have adhered to the supply side theory of inflation, which currently and what was lower interest rates to keep the economy from slipping into a recession.

The central bank's growth of the nation's money — interest rates. The Fed supply enough funds to healthy economic growth, guarding against supplying money that inflation is rising. Volcker, appointed as chair of the Fed in 1979 by President Jimmy Carter, engineered a successful double-digit inflation rate, ravaging the country at the time without the price of recession in 1981 and 1982.

In February, the Reagan administration decided to cut the weather discount rate, making Volcker's resignation a foregone conclusion.

But analysts said in recent days the Reagan appointees have been taking a more moderate approach toward Volcker. They said the resignation may add further pressure on the administration to reappoint Volcker.

"One by one the ex-members of the central bank are appearing from the scene," said Sinal, chief economist for Lehman Brothers of New York. "I think Volcker's hand is strengthened with all of these changes which will increase the call for his return."

David Jones, an economist at Aulby G. Lanston & Co., a securities dealer, said the administration also may try to retain Volcker because of his heavy and instability caused by Iranian affairs.

"The administration is in a bind because of the Iranian by they want the stability Volcker gives by serving as chairman," Jones said.

He said that the possibility Volcker will be reappointed is enhanced by the turmoil in the Fed's chief economist, Donald T. White House chief of staff, and the names of possible candidates to fill the vacancy were Rogers, Bank of Dallas; Friedman, an economist at Harvard; and Robert Ort, secretary of commerce for the U.S. Treasury.

While the chairman's only a four-year-term, the Fed has terms of length of service designed to prevent any one person from filling all of the seats on the board.

Volcker, a professor at Yale University for 23 years, was appointed to the board by President Nixon.

Social host laws would hit alcohol servers 'close to home'

By FRED BAYLES

BOSTON (AP) — A guest is served drinks, then drives. There is an accident, an injury, sometimes a death. Who is responsible?

According to the Massachusetts Supreme Court, and courts and legislatures in at least 14 other states, the host can be sued if it can be proven he "knew or should have known that his guest was drunk."

Although few such lawsuits have materialized in those 15 states, the touchy question of a host's responsibility is still before courts and legislatures elsewhere.

"It's a volatile issue that hits close to home," said Tom Smith, an associate director with the American Bar Association who led a study on legal questions surrounding drunken driving. "Many people serve alcoholic beverages in their home and social host laws would make them potentially liable."

The issue came to national attention two years ago with a ruling by the New Jersey Supreme Court.

In the case, Kelly vs. Gwinnell, a couple served the equivalent of 13 drinks to a guest in less than two hours, then let him get in his car and drive away.

The guest's car struck another car while trying to pass on a curve. The driver of the second car suffered a broken ankle and jaw. She sued both the intoxicated driver and his hosts.

The court said the hosts bore responsibility for the accident, outlining specific criteria that would permit similar lawsuits.

"Where the social host directly serves the guest and continues to do so even after the guest is visibly intoxic-

cated, knowing that the guest will soon be driving home, the social host may be liable for the consequences of the resulting drunken driving," the court said.

Other state courts also have ruled in favor of some type of host liability. Courts in Minnesota, Iowa and California extended so-called dram shop laws, rules governing licensed sellers of alcohol, to private citizens. Those decisions were later overruled by the state legislatures.

Courts in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Michigan, limited their rulings to the serving of alcohol to minors. In Illinois, Georgia, Colorado, it was the legislatures that acted, passing laws that also limit social host suits to cases involving minors. Louisiana and Indiana have laws on the books permitting suits for the excesses of adult guests.

The court rulings and legislative action brought new public debate to the issue of drunken driving.

"It's a difficult question that cuts both ways," said David Horowitz, a Los Angeles superior court judge who participated in the ABA study. "The public wants to stop driving under the influence and at the same time, they don't want to be held to some possible liability if they do serve someone who ends up in an accident."

An Associated Press-Media General poll taken last year found that while those questioned favored tough measures against drunken driving, 65 percent felt hosts should not be liable for a guest's later actions.

But so far, the expected onslaught of lawsuits has

failed to materialize. A New Jersey legislative commission studying the impact of Kelly vs. Gwinnell found no evidence of a significant increase in cases.

Jury Verdict Research Inc., a private Ohio company, found only a few social host suits among the 2,500 cases it reviews each month from around the country.

"As of now, there is not a big flood of these cases," said Jeanine Fisher, an assistant research director.

Some predict the cases will increase as attorneys become more familiar with the concept of host liability. "The trend among lawyers in drunk driving cases is to find out where the person got the alcohol from and if it's a social host, you just don't drop the case anymore," said Victor Colman, a research analyst with the San Francisco-based Prevention Research Center, a state and federally funded organization that studies issues connected with alcohol abuse.

Fear of such lawsuits prompted the legislatures of Iowa, Minnesota and California to overturn court decisions that favored host liability.

"The people were not excited about having liability extended to them," said Tom Mann, an Iowa state senator who sponsored legislation exempting hosts from the state's dram shop act. "We felt that act was not meant for those who provide drinks at a social occasion who may not have the same trained eye as a bartender."

Lawmakers in other states, including Idaho, Oregon, New Mexico, Rhode Island and Maine, have passed legislation defining a host's responsibility. In many cases the action came in response to the liability insurance crisis of the past two years.

"There were strong feelings on the part of some legislators to eliminate social host liability," said Polly Reeves, a Maine state representative who chairs the legislature's Legal Affairs Committee. "We compromised for a strict definition of liability."

In New Jersey, a special legislative commission recommended a package of laws that limit social host suits to auto accidents. The law also requires plaintiffs to prove the guest's blood alcohol was at least .15. It is illegal to drive in New Jersey with a .1 reading.

"When you're serving someone you have to perceive that person is impaired," said Raymond Lesniak, a New Jersey state senator who served on the commission. "We had expert testimony saying it is hard unless it is .15 and above."

Lesniak said the legislation came despite pressure to pass a law overturning the Supreme Court decision.

"We could have taken the easy way out and exempted the host from liability," he said. "But there are advantages to making the host responsible. We restricted it to get the really irresponsible person."

"If a person keeps serving or insists that an intoxicated person continue drinking, we think they have a responsibility as a host," said Ron Servis, public affairs director for Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

But some fear such legislation may be asking too much of hosts. James Mosher, director of the Prevention Research Center, said homeowners may someday face the same constraints as bar owners when it comes to serving alcohol to friends and family.

Volcker ally resigns Federal Reserve Board

WASHINGTON (AP) — Henry C. Wallich, one of Paul Volcker's closest allies on the Federal Reserve Board, is resigning, but analysts believe the departure may end up strengthening Volcker's grip on monetary policy.

Wallich, 72, who has been in poor health for more than two years, announced Monday he was resigning from the board effective immediately.

His resignation will give President Reagan the rare opportunity to name six of the seven members of the Federal Reserve Board. Volcker will be the only member of the central bank who was not originally a Reagan appointee.

But some economists speculated that the departure of so many long-time members of the board in the past year may force the administration to re-appoint Volcker as chairman next August when his term expires.

That possibility had been considered a long shot until recently, given the administration's push to appoint economists with pro-growth views at odds with Volcker's more mainstream concerns about inflation.

Wallich's resignation follows the October announcement by Emmett J. Rice that he was leaving the board at the end of this year. The president has yet to fill that position.

Vacancies in the past 12 months have allowed Reagan to appoint Manuel Johnson as vice chairman of the board and name as board members Wayne Angell and H. Robert Heller. Reagan earlier had appointed Martha Seeger as a board member.

Reagan's appointees have generally adhered to the supply-side view that inflation poses little dangers currently and what was needed was lower interest rates to keep the current economic recovery alive.

The central bank controls the growth of the nation's money supply and thus influences the cost of money — interest rates. The Fed seeks to supply enough funds to promote healthy economic growth while guarding against supplying so much money that inflation is reignited.

Volcker, appointed as chairman of the Fed in 1979 by President Carter, engineered a successful assault on the double-digit inflation that was ravaging the country at the time, but not without the price of a steep recession in 1981 and 1982.

In February, the Reagan-appointed majority on the Fed out-voted Volcker on a decision to cut the bell-weather discount rate, nearly provoking Volcker's resignation.

But analysts said in recent months, the Reagan appointees on the board have been taking a more conciliatory approach toward Volcker and they said the resignation of Wallich may add further pressure on the administration to re-appoint Volcker.

"One by one the experienced members of the central bank are disappearing from the scene," said Allen Sinai, chief economist at Shearson Lehman Brothers of New York. "I think Volcker's hand is strengthened with all of these changes and this will increase the call for him to stay."

David Jones, an economist with Aubrey G. Lanston & Co., a government securities dealer, said the administration also may feel pressure to retain Volcker because of the upheaval and instability caused by the Iranian arms affair.

"The administration is under siege because of the Iranian blunder and they want the stability Volcker could give by serving as chairman again," Jones said.

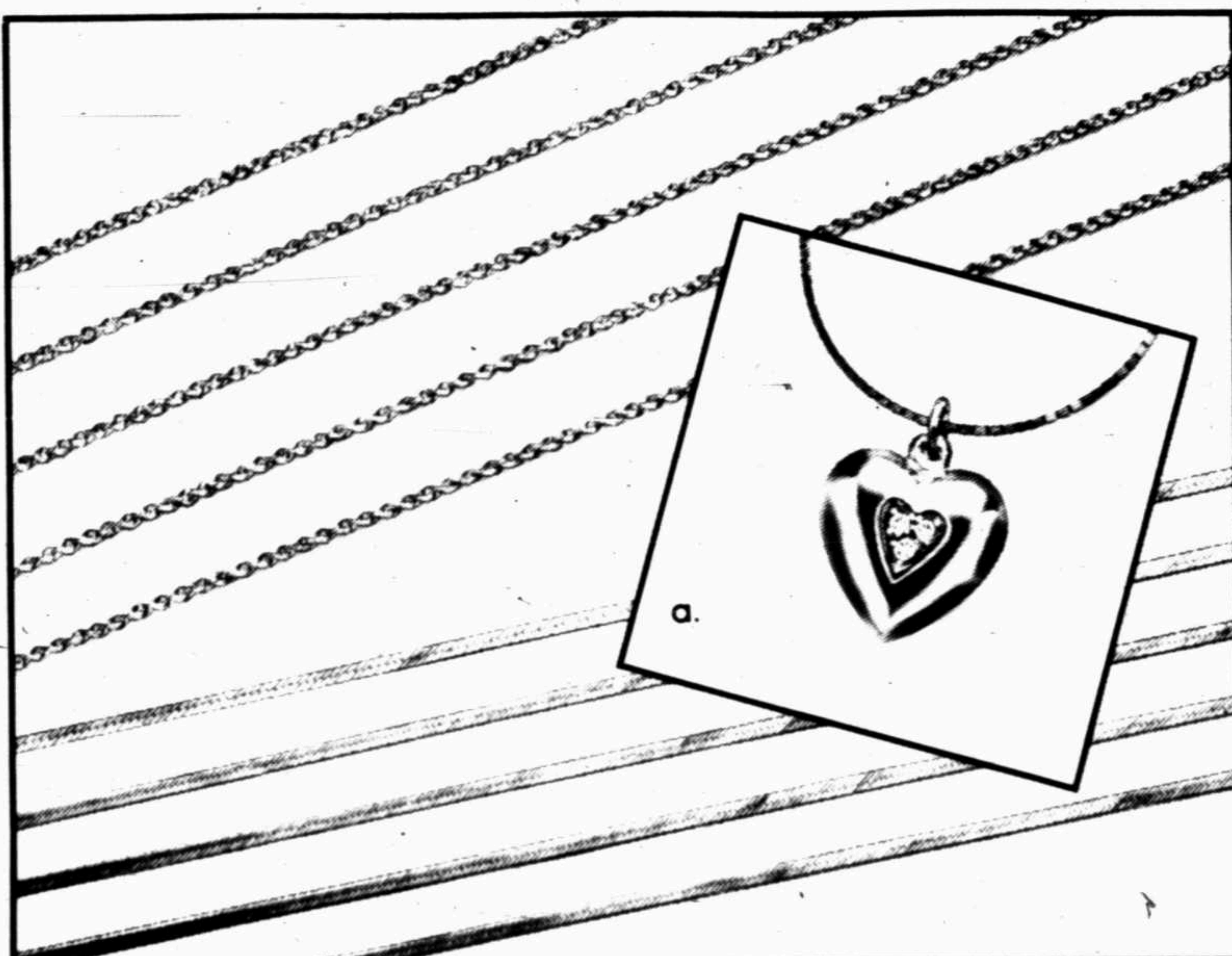
He said that the possibility that Volcker will be re-appointed is also enhanced by the turmoil surrounding Volcker's chief critic inside the administration, Donald T. Regan, the White House chief of staff.

Among the names mentioned as possible candidates to fill the Rice or Wallich vacancies were Robert D. Rogers, chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas; Benjamin Friedman, an economics professor at Harvard; and Robert Ortner, under secretary of commerce for economic affairs.

While the chairman's position is only a four-year-term, the board positions have terms of 14 years, a length of service designed to insulate the board from political pressures by preventing any one president from filling all of the seats.

Wallich, a professor of economics at Yale University for 23 years, was appointed to the board in 1974 by President Nixon.

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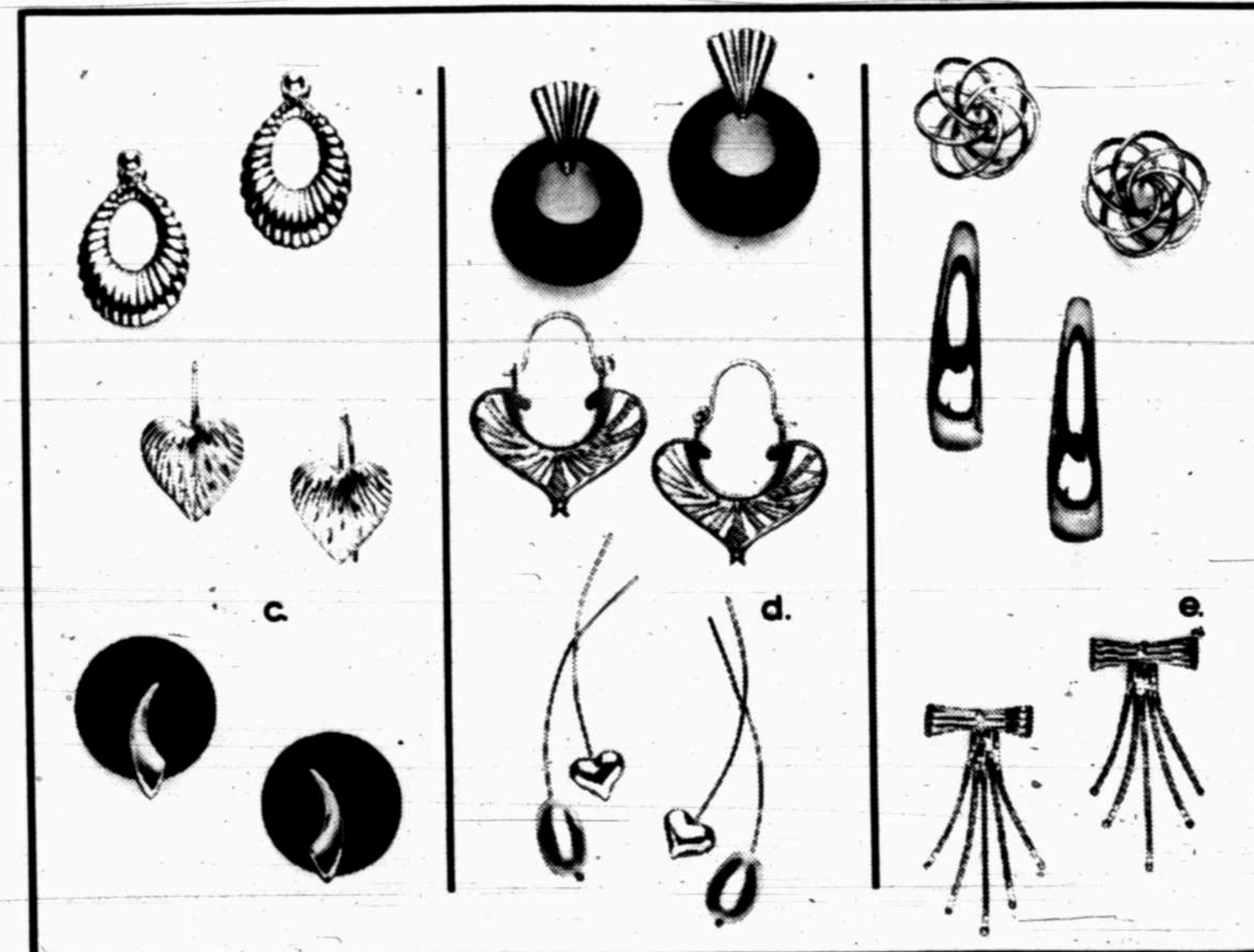
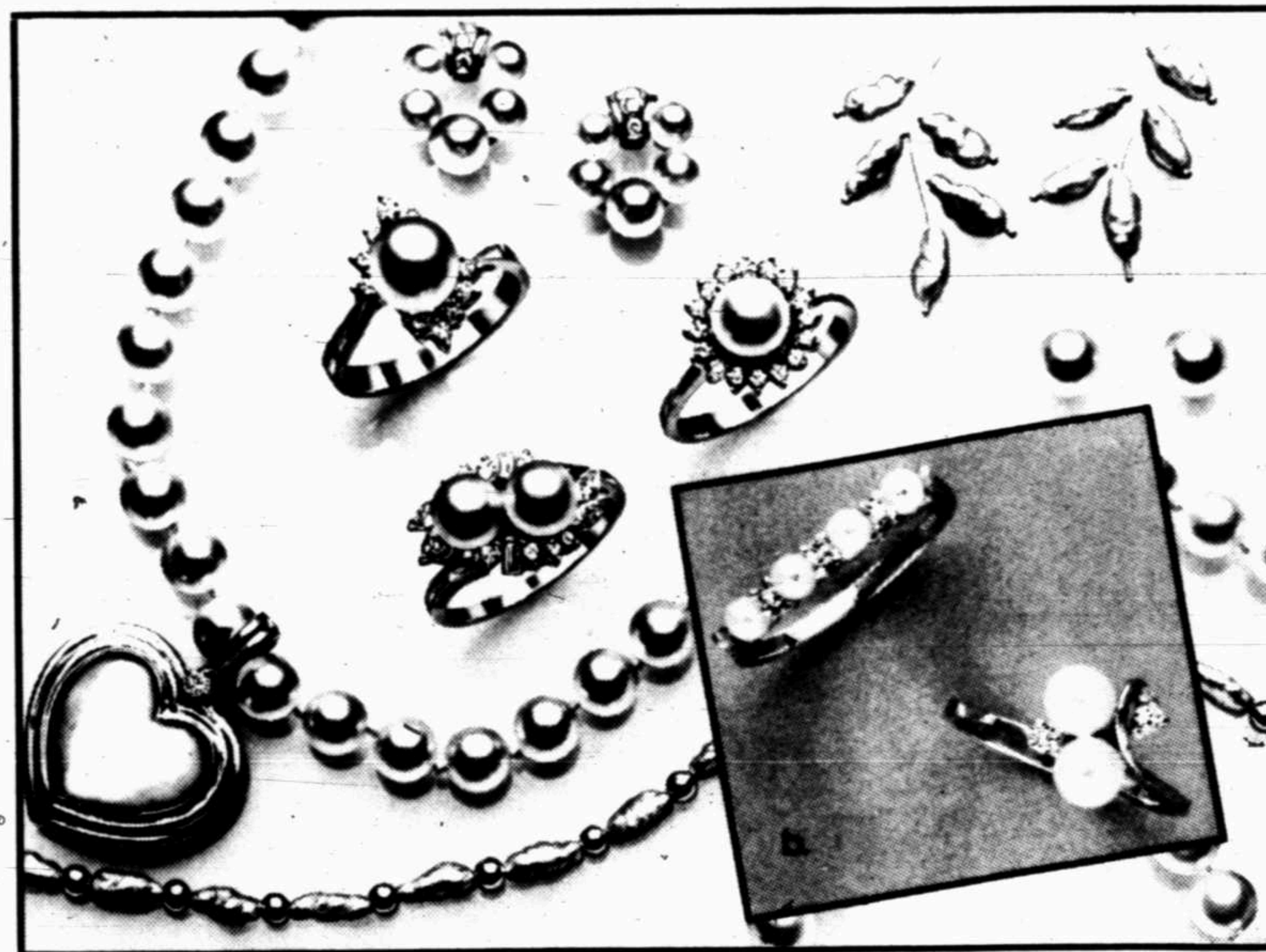
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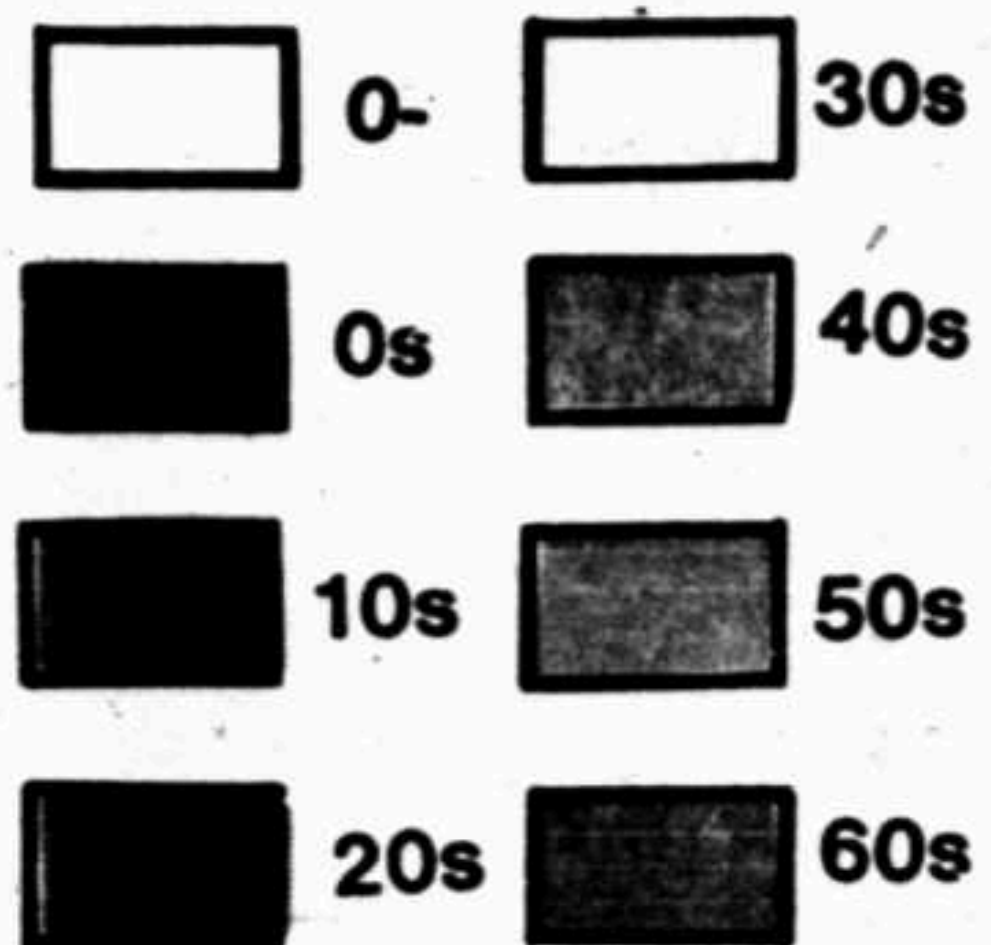


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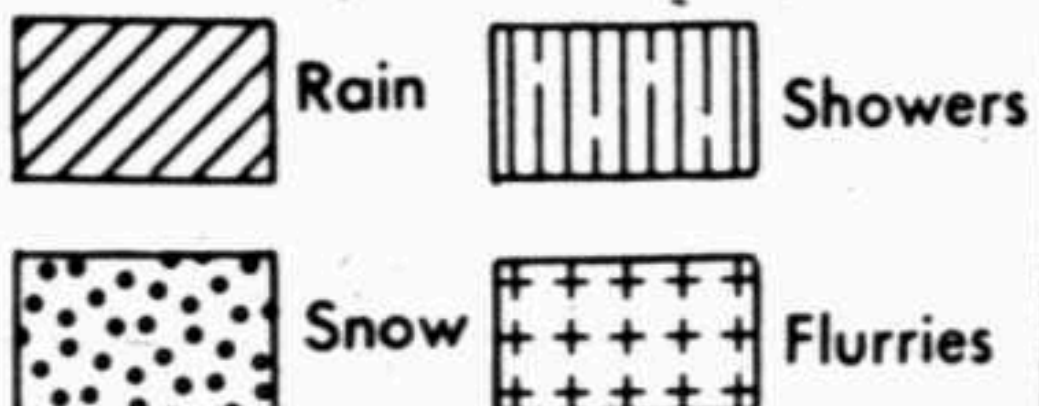
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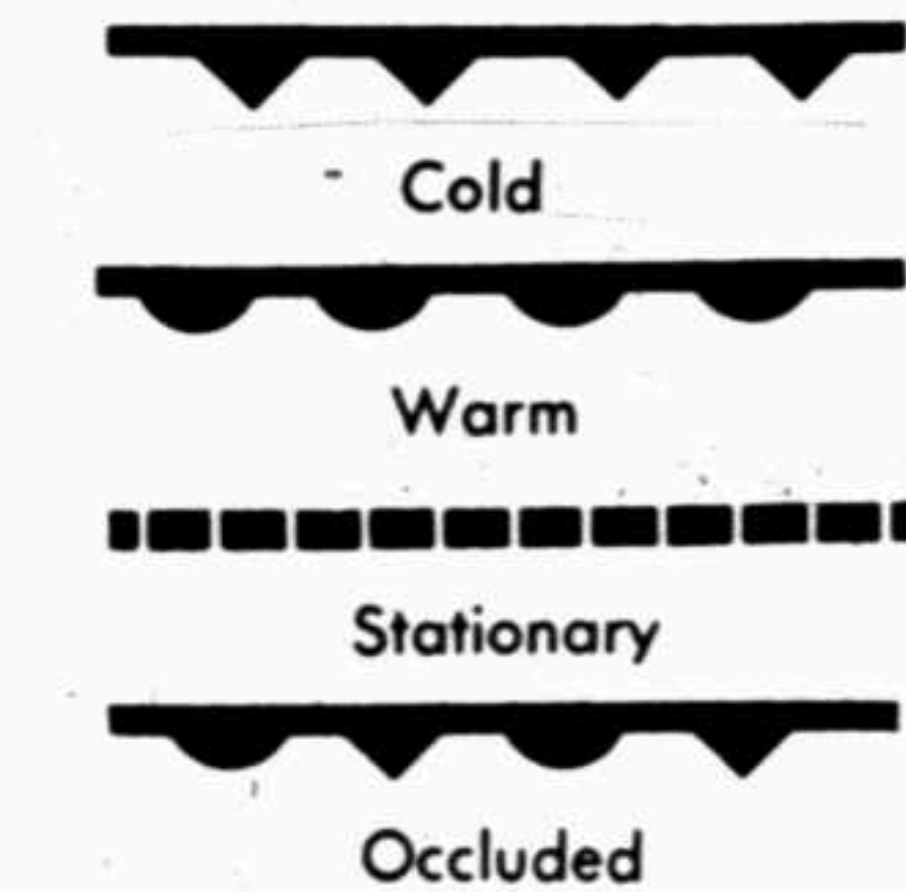
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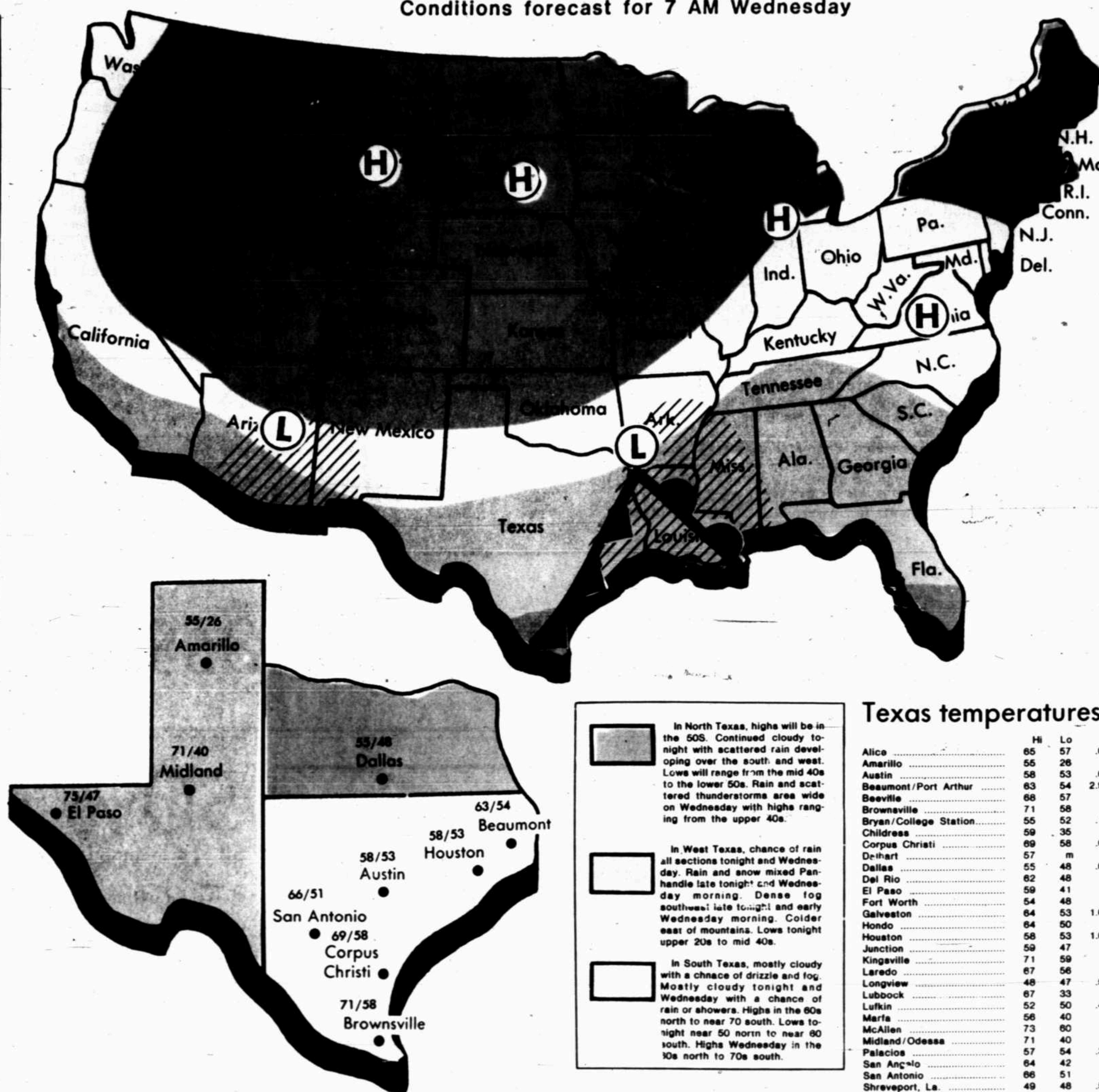
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Conditions forecast for 7 AM Wednesday



Chance for rain grows midweek

From Staff and Wire Reports

Permian Basin skies will turn cloudy and the chance of rain will increase by midweek, according to forecasters with the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Air Terminal.

Forecasters say tonight will be cloudy, with a 20 percent chance of rain. The low will be in the upper 30s and winds will be light and southerly.

Wednesday's forecast calls for cloudy skies and cooler temperatures. The high is expected to reach only into the low 50s. Winds will become northerly at 10 to 15 mph.

Monday's high of 71 was 5 degrees cooler than the record of 76, set on the same day in 1977. The overnight low of 40 was 25 degrees warmer than the record of 15, set in 1972.

STATE

Dense fog blanketing parts of the Lone Star State today lowered visibilities to less than one-quarter mile in some sections, prompting travelers' advisories.

Fog that shrouded North Central and Southwest Texas also extended into the lower Rio Grande Valley in the south and the Gulf coast near Galveston.

The National Weather Service posted travelers' advisories for North Texas, the Hill Country and Edwards Plateau due to hazardous driving conditions created by the heavy fog.

Meanwhile, light drizzle covered eastern sections of the state and in parts of South Texas. Skies were mostly cloudy statewide, except for partly cloudy conditions in West Texas.

Winds were light and variable statewide with wind speeds generally less than 5 mph.

Low temperatures ranged from the 20s to the 40s in West Texas, the 40s and 50s in northern sections and 50s and 60s along the Gulf and in the south. Extremes were 29 degrees at Amarillo and 61 degrees at Brownsville.

It should remain mostly cloudy statewide through Wednesday.

NATION

A low-pressure system off the California coast brewed bad weather today for much of the West, while another low-pressure system scattered rain in the South.

The low pressure off central California spread showers into coastal sections of California and into Arizona and was expected to push locally heavy rain and snow into southern California, where travelers' advisories for snow and gusty winds were posted for mountains above 7,000 feet.

The low pressure was expected to move into Arizona and New Mexico late today and Wednesday, causing rain and mountain snow.

Texas temperatures

	H	L	Pp
Alice	55	37	0.1
Amarillo	55	28	
Austin	58	33	0.3
Beaumont/Port Arthur	63	54	2.98
Beville	66	57	
Brownsville	71	58	
Bryan/College Station	55	52	1.1
Childress	59	36	
Corpus Christi	69	58	0.2
De-Hart	57	m	
Dallas	55	48	0.1
Del Rio	62	48	
El Paso	59	41	
Fort Worth	54	48	
Galveston	64	53	1.00
Hondo	64	50	
Houston	58	53	1.63
Junction	59	47	
Kingsville	71	59	
Laredo	67	56	
Longview	48	47	5.1
Lubbock	67	33	
Lufkin	52	50	4.7
Marfa	56	40	
McAllen	73	60	
Midland/Odessa	71	40	3.2
Palacios	57	54	
San Angelo	64	42	
San Antonio	66	51	
Shreveport, La.	49	48	5.5
Stephenville	51	48	
Texasarkana	46	45	m
Waco	54	51	0.2
Wichita Falls	53	49	0.2

County forecasts

Midland, Ector, Glasscock, Upton, Reagan, Crane, Gaines, Andrews, Dawson, Borden, Martin and Howard counties: Tonight...cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain. Lows upper 30s. Light south wind.
Wednesday: cloudy and cooler with a 50 percent chance of rain. Highs lower 50s. Wind becoming north 10 to 15 mph.
Stirling, Coke, Irion and Tom Green counties: Tonight...cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain. Dense fog developing after midnight. Lows mid 40s. Light south wind.
Wednesday: dense early morning fog, otherwise cloudy and cooler with a 50 percent chance of rain. Highs mid 50s. Wind becoming north 10 to 15 mph by midday.

Midland statistics

FORECAST

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High 71 degrees
Overnight Low 40 degrees
Sunset today 5:47 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:43 a.m.
Precipitation none inches
Last 24 hours 50 inches
This month to date 29.33 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 a.m.	41	6 p.m.	61
7 a.m.	41	7 p.m.	57
8 a.m.	39	8 p.m.	49
9 a.m.	38	9 p.m.	49
10 a.m.	44	10 p.m.	49
11 a.m.	50	11 p.m.	51
noon	61	midnight	48
1 p.m.	67	1 a.m.	53
2 p.m.	69	2 a.m.	50
3 p.m.	71	3 a.m.	48
4 p.m.	71	4 a.m.	48
5 p.m.	69	5 a.m.	43
		6 a.m.	41

Weather elsewhere

Albany, N.Y.	51	33	cdy
Albuquerque	44	34	cdy
Anchorage	59	28	cdy
Ashville	58	41	rn
Atlanta	58	41	rn
Atlantic City	49	32	cdy
Baltimore	44	27	cdy
Birmingham	56	39	0.1
Bismarck	43	13	cdy
Boise	37	20	cdy
Boston	43	31	cdy
Buffalo	38	34	cdy
Casper	42	30	cdy
Charleston, S.C.	54	50	0.4
Cheyenne	44	30	cdy
Chicago	47	34	cdy
Cincinnati	48	28	cdy
Cleveland	45	29	cdy
Columbia, S.C.	59	38	cdy

Dayton	48	32	cdy
Denver	49	25	cdy
Des Moines	41	30	cdy
Detroit	38	22	cdy
Honolulu	85	73	cdy
Indianapolis	49	32	0.1
Jackson, Miss.	51	49	4.3
Jacksonville	63	54	1.0
Kansas City	47	42	cdy
Las Vegas	50	34	0.3
Little Rock	48	44	0.6
Los Angeles	86	54	cdy
Louisville	51	38	cdy
Memphis	53	39	cdy
Minneapolis	42	28	cdy
Mobile-St. Paul	39	26	cdy
Nashville	53	37	cdy
New Orleans	56	53	9.7
New York City	41	38	cdy
Oklahoma City	48	48	cdy
Omaha	35	25	cdy

Philadelphia	47	27	cdy
Phoenix	72	53	cdy
Pittsburgh	43	28	rn
Providence	42	29	cdy
Raleigh	59	29	cdy
Reno	46	16	cdy
Sacramento	54	49	cdy
St. Louis	49	43	cdy
San Diego	66	54	cdy
San Francisco	63	50	0.8
San Juan, P.R.	49	48	5.5
Shreveport	49	48	5.5
Spokane	35	25	cdy
Syracuse	37	35	cdy
Tampa-St. Petersburg	79	60	cdy
Topeka	48	38	cdy
Tucson	72	52	0.4
Tulsa	48	48	0.1
Washington, D.C.	55	30	cdy
Wichita	49	42	cdy

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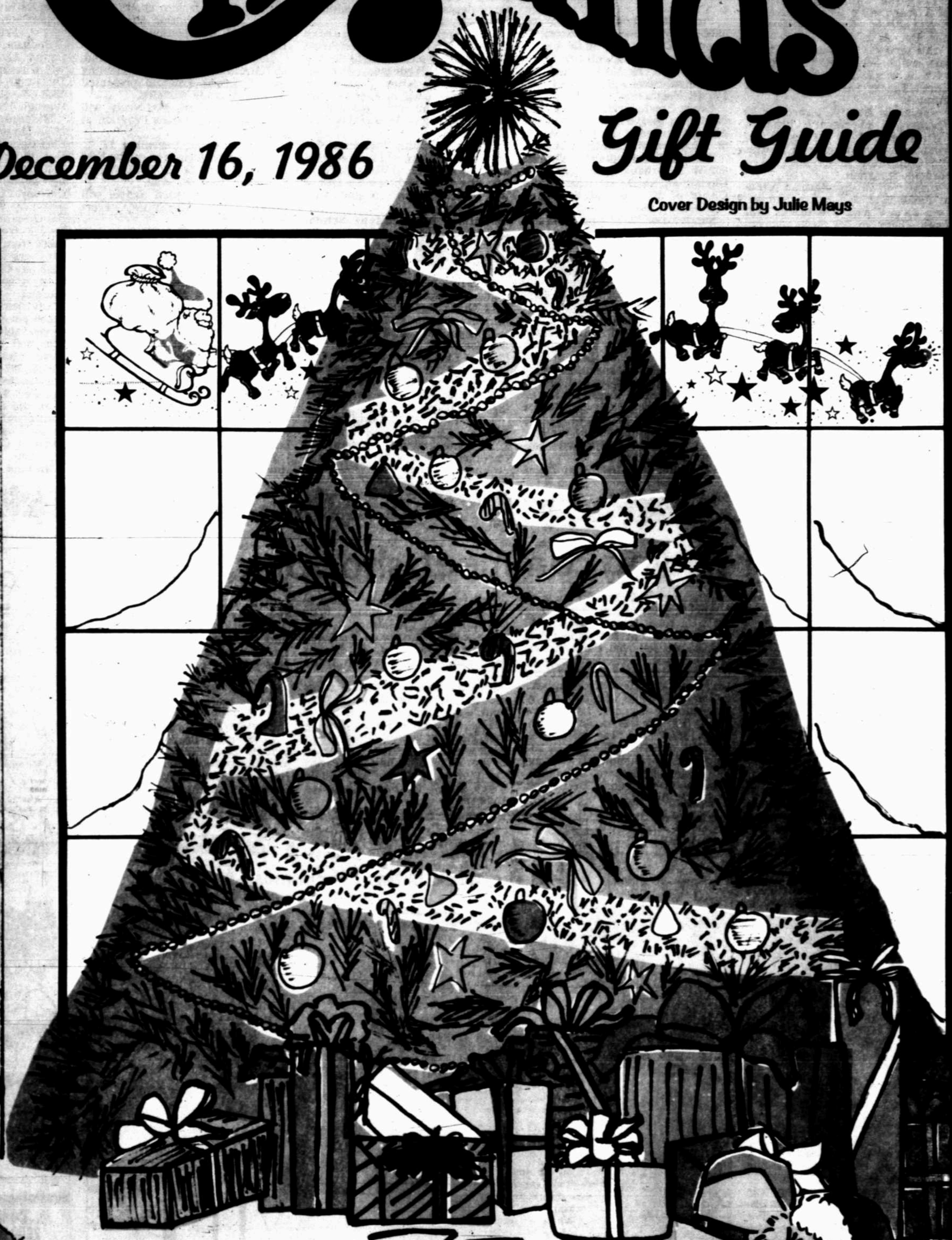
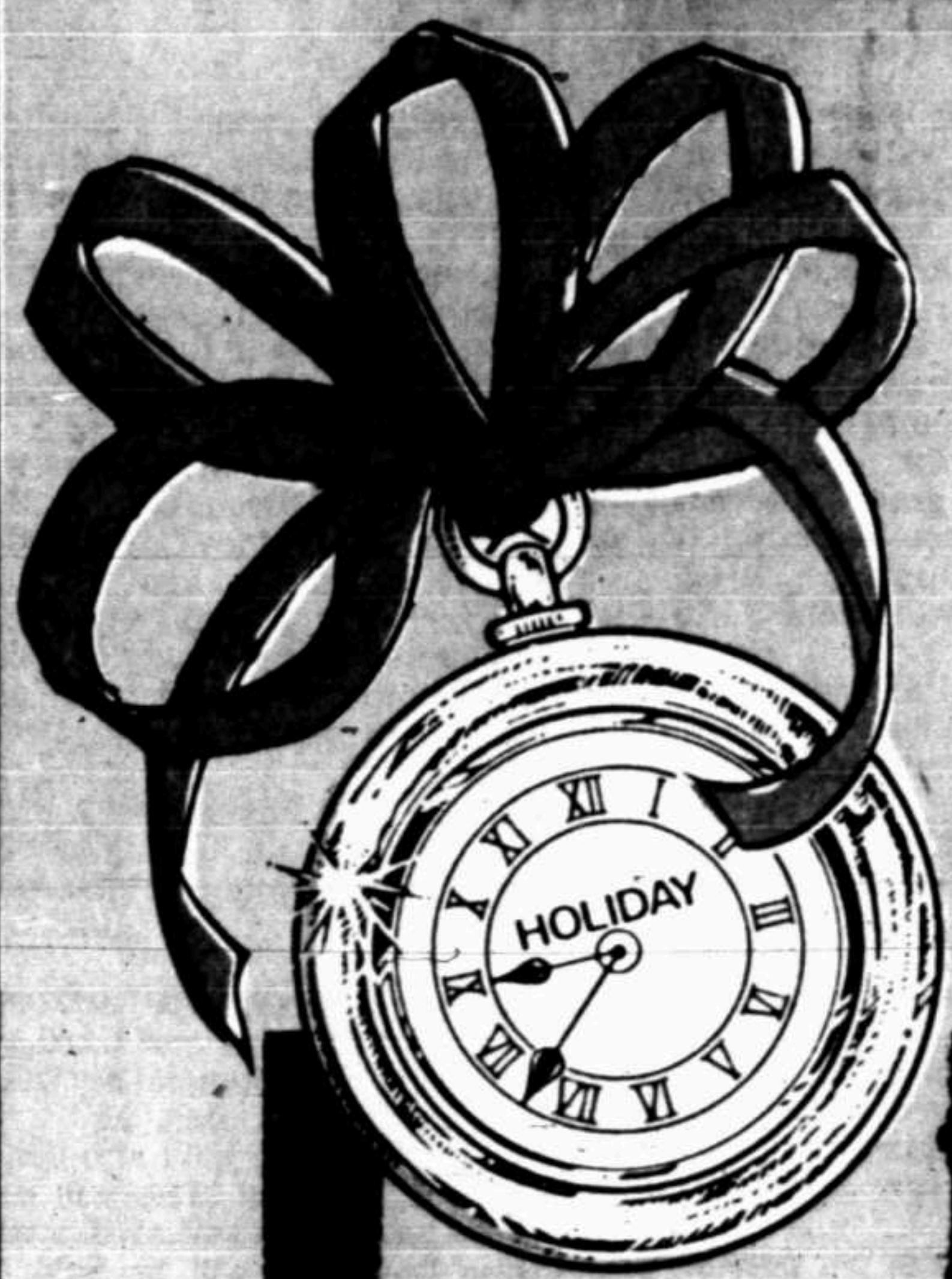
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Holiday Activity Guide

The following events and activities are open to the public during the holiday season. Unless otherwise stated, admission is free.

Christian Church of Midland, 2808 Neely, will present a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Wednesday, Dec. 24 at 6 p.m.

This service will consist of Christmas songs, Scripture, a devotional with an emphasis on the birth of Christ. The service will last about 45 minutes.

Crestview Baptist Church, 3300 Thomas St., will present a Christmas Children's Choir Program on Wednesday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m. Featuring Children's Choirs ages three through 6th grade.

Crestview will also have an Annual Candlelight Service on Sunday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. The service will feature both familiar carols and contemporary music and conclude with a Candlelight Lord's Supper Celebration, led by Dr. Kenneth L. Hall, Pastor.

First Baptist Church of Midland, 2104 W. Louisiana, will present a living nativity scene from 7 to 8 p.m. on the evenings of Dec. 21, 22 and 23. Adults from the church and live animals will appear in all the traditional roles of this scene of the birth of Christ. Located on the corner of Louisiana and Garfield.

On Wednesday, Dec. 24 a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with music and message by Dr. Daniel Vestal, Pastor, will begin at 10 p.m.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) located at 1301 W. Louisiana will present an Advent Service

Sunday, Dec. 21 at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. titled "Will Christmas Ever Come?"

In addition a Carols and Candlelight Service will be held on Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.

First Church of the Nazarene, 1208 W. Wall Ave., will present on Sunday, Dec. 21 at 10:45 a.m., a Christmas Cantata entitled "Everlasting Lord" by Mosie Lister. The combined choir will be directed by Ferald Meighen.

Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 North Garfield, will celebrate a candlelight service of carols and lessons at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 24.

Kelview Heights Baptist Church, 402 W. Scharbauer, presents "Little Christmas Lamb" by the Junior Choir of Kelview at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17.

Sunday, Dec. 21, at 9 and 10:45 a.m. the Adult Choir of Kelview will perform a musical titled "Old Fashioned Christmas." See and hear what Christmas was like before traffic jams and frantic shoppers; this musical was inspired by a diary from 1883.

Memorial Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 1001 Andrews Hwy., will celebrate Sunday Morning worship at 10:50 a.m. on Dec. 21. The service will include special music by children, youth and adult choirs, directed by Teresa Armstead and associate minister Stan Sawyer. Senior minister Clark Ford will preach from the scripture text of the day. The service will also include baptisms and communion.

On Wednesday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.

Memorial will celebrate Christmas Eve with a Candlelight Service. Traditionally styled, this family Christmas Eve service will include communion. Carols will be accompanied by brass, flute and handbells with arrangements by associate minister Stan Sawyer.

Metropolitan Community Church, 3201 W. Wall, will celebrate a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 11 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 24.

Midland Christian Fellowship, 200 S. Baldwin, will present a Christmas play by the youth group titled "To All People" on Wednesday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m.

"Cradle the King With Praise" a Christmas Cantata, will be presented at 7 p.m. Dec. 21 and Wednesday, Dec. 31 a watch-night service from 8 p.m. to midnight will conclude with communion.

Midland Independent School District, has listed events at the different schools in order of the date they will occur.

Tuesday, December 16

Lee Freshman High School Drama Dept., 1400 E. Oak Avenue, will present three one-act plays with a Christmas theme at 7 p.m.

Houston Elem., 2000 W. Louisiana, will present a program titled "The Signs of Christmas" at 7 p.m. First, second and third grade students will participate in the program which will include Christmas songs, readings and poems.

Milam Elem., 301 E. Dormand, will hold a PTA meeting at 7:30 p.m. Sixth grade students will present a Christmas Program as part of the evening's program.

South Elem., 200 W. Dakota, will have a PTA meeting at 7 p.m. during which the South Choir will perform.

Alamo Junior High, 3800 Storey Avenue, will host a choir program at 7 p.m. featuring the Alamo, Goddard and San Jacinto choirs.

San Jacinto Junior High, 1400 North St. N., will sponsor a Christmas Band Concert at 7:30 p.m.

Henderson Elem., 4800 Graceland, at 7:30 p.m. will host a PTA meeting and Christmas Program presented by fourth grade students.

Lee High School, 3500 Neely, will host a Band Christmas Program at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 17

A String Performance will be held at noon in the lobby of Texas American Bank, 2301 W. Wall.

Lee Freshman High School will present a Choir Christmas Concert at 12:30 p.m.

Midland High School choir will perform a medley of Christmas songs at 12:15 p.m. in the Petro Plex Bank, 1004 N. Big Spring.

Thursday, December 18

Alamo Junior High, will have a band concert at 7 p.m.

Lee Freshman High School will present three one-act plays with a Christmas theme at 7 p.m.

West Elem., 2101 W. Missouri, will present "A Christmas Story," a Christmas Operetta, by students of the first, second and third grades at 7 p.m.

Pease Elem., 1700 E. Magnolia Ave., will have a concert of handbells and strings at 7:30 p.m.

Midland High School Choir will sing at Republic Bank First National,

303 W. Wall, at 12:15 p.m.

Lee High School will present an Orchestra/Choir Christmas Program at 3 p.m.

Lee High School auditorium will be the site of a Christmas Candlelight Extravaganza presented by the Rebel Choirs and Orchestra at 7 p.m.

Friday, December 19

Bonham, Scharbauer and Washington Elem. first grade students will participate in tree trimming at Dellwood Mall Shopping Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave., from 11:45 through 12:45.

Midland Jaycees, will sponsor a city-wide prayer service around the Christmas Tree in Centennial Plaza Dec. 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Midland County Exhibit Bldg. will be the site of the Sesquicentennial Cowboy Christmas Ball featuring music by Frankie McWhorter and His Over the Hill Gang. To be held Dec. 20 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., proceeds from the Ball will benefit Big Brothers/Big Sister of Midland, High Sky Children's Ranch and Midland Association for Retarded Citizens.

Advance tickets are \$7 per person, \$12.50 per couple and \$50 for a reserved table of eight. Tickets at the door will be \$10 per person. For more information, contact Vicky Welch, 687-5502.

A candlelight service on Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 6 p.m. in Centennial Plaza will include speakers Charles Spence, publisher of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and Wayne Merritt, Midland Chamber of Commerce President.

Midland Lutheran Church, 2705

W. Michigan, will present a candlelighting and Christmas carol service on Wednesday, Dec. 24, at 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Special music will be provided by the choirs of the congregation and a Christmas message will be delivered by one of the pastors, Marvin Koenig or Charles Meyer.

Midland Park Mall invites you to visit Santa Claus through Dec. 24. Set up in the J.C. Penney Courtyard. While you're there to visit Old St. Nick, be sure to stop by the Community Christmas Tree Display in the Dillard's Court. These beautiful trees will be on display through Dec. 28.

Midland World Peace Event, will sponsor a 6 a.m. world healing meditation with Rev. Nina Douglas on Wednesday, Dec. 31, in Midland Center.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, located on the corners of Tyler and Garden Lane, will hold a Penitential Service at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 21.

A vigil mass will be held at 6 p.m. on Dec. 24. A Midnight Mass will be celebrated on Dec. 25 and at 10 a.m. Christmas Day Mass will be held.

Trinity Presbyterian Church, corner of Louisiana and Andrews Hwy., will sponsor a live nativity scene on Dec. 21 and 22 from 7 to 9 p.m. Members of the youth group will present the scene and informal caroling.

Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely, will have a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 24. The service will include singing and readings.

Christmas reading can meet shopping needs

By JILL LAI
UPI Books Editor

A number of authors who normally write adult fare have turned their talents to children's stories with satisfying results that will make great Christmas gifts.

Pulitzer prize-winner William Kennedy and his son, Brendan, have co-authored the story of "Charlie Malarkey and the Belly Button Machine" (The Atlantic Monthly Press, 44 pp., \$10.95) about a machine that steals belly buttons. The drawings are great and the story, though it leaves a question or two unanswered, will have children clutching their own belly buttons in mirthful uncertainty.

Poet James Dickey has put his considerable talent to work in a verse tale about "Brownie, the Tru and the Shape-shifter," (Brucoli Clark-Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$13.95) with illustrations by Richard Jesse Watson. Older grade school children will enjoy Brownie's trip to battle the All-Darkening One, who takes over every evening and lets loose the things of the dark.

James Herriot returns with his third book for children, "The Christmas Kitten" (St. Martin's, \$9.95), a re-telling of a true story about a cat basking in the midst of three basket hounds. The illustrations are by Ruth Brown.

David Oxtoby is known mainly for his portraits of rock stars. A group of paintings he once executed for a British hospital have been reproduced to illustrate "Once Upon a Christmas," (Barrons, \$14.95), a story of the night Santa traveled without Rudolph and tried to find a boy whose address was unknown.

Parents who are introducing their children to the delights of Walt Disney can keep the magic alive throughout the new year with "The New Illustrated Disney Song Book" (Abrams, 215 pp., \$25). Songs from more than two dozen Disney films and cartoons are arranged for piano and guitar, and are illustrated with drawings and photographs from the films.

If your favorite character is that smiling rodent with the big ears, "Mickey Mouse — His Life and Times," by Richard Hollis and Brian Sibley (Harper & Row, 96 pp., \$14.95) will delight you. This chronicles Mickey's early years, his TV club and his appearance in numerous films, books and even on a stamp.

With the re-release of the film "Song of the South," children may clamor for more Joel Chandler Harris stories. Van Dyke Parks and Mal-

colm Jones retell some of them in "Jump! The Adventures of Brer Rabbit" (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$14.95). Although the dialect has been mostly removed, the stories retain their charm. The watercolor illustrations by Barry Moser, known for his woodcuts, add to the appeal.

Two other books with artwork by Moser are "Washington Irving: Two Tales" (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 57 pp., \$17.95) and "The Scarlet Letter" (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 181 pp., \$22.95) by Nathaniel Hawthorne. The Irving stories are, of course, "Rip Van Winkle" and "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow."

And what is Christmas without a retelling of Clement Moore's "The Night Before Christmas"? This year's version illustrated by Robin Spowart (Dodd Mead, \$10.95) has Papa and everyone else as teddy bears.

A good collection of holiday songs and stories can be found in "The Doubleday Christmas Treasury," (125 pp., \$14.95) compiled by Jane Oliver. Plenty of cheerful illustrations brighten excerpts from "The Wind in the Willows," Christmas carols and stories such as "The Little Match Girl," by Hans Christian Andersen.

Start exposing your children to fine art at an early age with two ABC books that showcase paintings and photographs of objects d'art from museums. The books are "ABC: Museum of Fine Arts, Boston" and "ABC: The Museum of Modern Art, New York," (Harry N. Abrams, \$9.95 each) by Florence Cassen Mavers.

Knopf's Children's Classics offers "The Sleeping Beauty," (\$12.95) retold by Jane Yolen. Ruth Sander's illustrations are delicate with a fine touch for detail, with colors that echo an earlier, more rustic and romantic era.

Tis the week before Christmas,

and all through the town
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in the paper with care,
In hopes that their customers
soon will be there.

As I lie nestled
all snug in my bed,
Visions of silk
dance through my head.
Oh, wait! On the lawn!
I hear such a clatter!
I must go and see
what is the matter!

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And visions of Jem fashion doll, with Benton and rock star selling toys.

Jem to

By JOHN SWENSON
UPI Pop Writer

NEW YORK (UPI) — of being a Hologram. ly, the Holograms are business, Jem.

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And visions of Jem danced in their heads — Hasbro's hot new fashion doll, with the dual personality of career woman Jerrica Benton and rock star Jem, promises to be one of the season's best selling toys.

Jem takes on Barbie

By JOHN SWENSON
UPI Pop Writer

NEW YORK (UPI) — Six-year-old Michelle Whyte of Staten Island dreams of being a Hologram. For those of you who don't watch TV cartoons regularly, the Holograms are the support group for the biggest kid-rock star in the business, Jem.

Michelle and her first grade friends at Notre Dame Academy watch the Jem cartoon every week, then play different characters to act out their own stories after school. "I'm usually Aja," noted Michelle.

Michelle and her friends are part of a generation that is making the Jem line of fashion dolls one of the hottest items in the toy business and a definite rival to the long-time favorite, Barbie.

Though Jem has made some 60 music videos, you won't see them on MTV. The only ways you can hear the songs are by watching the show or buying one of seven dolls currently on the market. Each of the dolls, with the exception of Jem herself, comes with a cassette tape featuring three different songs.

The story collaboration developed between Hasbro's toy executives and the Sunbow production studio that creates the cartoons is unusually sophisticated.

Jem has a dual identity. In everyday life she's Jerrica Benton, co-owner of Star Light Music Company and benefactor of Starlight House, a shelter for homeless girls. In classic comic book tradition, Jerrica is able to take on super powers through the use of a secret device. Jerrica's "Jem Star" earrings connect her to a holographic computer, Synergy, which transforms her into Jem, the "truly outrageous" pop star.

Jem's little sister, Kimber, and their pals Aja and Shana form the Holograms. Most of the story lines pitch Jem and the Holograms against the "bad girl" punk rockers, the Misfits, whose leader, Pizzaz, is Jem's arch-rival.

As you might expect, there is also a boyfriend in the picture. Rio, a purple-haired character right out of "Miami Vice," goes out with Jerrica and also happens to be Jem's road manager. According to the story line he has no idea that Jem and Jerrica are the same person.

The concept was spawned by the music video explosion of the 1980s. "We wanted to get into the fashion doll section of the toy industry," said Hasbro Vice President Al Carosi. "We had identified the interest young girls have in rock 'n' roll music. With the advent of MTV, Nickelodeon and 'Miami Vice' a rock 'n' roll feeling has permeated the youth market.

"If the doll was just a rock 'n' roll doll there wouldn't be enough play pattern, it was one dimensional. Nobody knew what rock stars did during the day so we decided to make her a record company executive."

Last year the company began running Jem teaser advertisements. By the time the dolls reached the marketplace this past March the target audience was already well briefed.

"It's not too difficult for the advertising to communicate the story," Carosi explained. "We show Jem as Jem and then through the flashing earrings explain how she's Jerrica by day. Then we have another 30-second commercial about her adversaries, the Misfits."

It wasn't just the little girls who took notice. Mattel rushed out Rocker Barbie to chase Jem. It was the first head-to-head beating Barbie's seemingly invincible career has sustained.

Toyland populated with talking dolls this Christmas

By PATRICIA McCORMACK
United Press International

This holiday season toyland is populated with talking dolls, animals and laser tech toys, and the total bill for the annual buying binge may top \$12.5 billion.

The rage for electronic toys that began last year by Teddy Ruxpin has now launched a talking Big Bird, Snoopy, Smarty Bear, Mother Goose and a whole zool of chatty animals and dolls.

"Lazer Tag" looks like this year's hot toy and industry leaders believe supplies may not keep up with demand.

And the sleeper toy of 1986 may come from Erno Rubik, the Hungarian inventor of Rubik's Cube that frustrated millions some years back.

The new puzzle, "Rubik's Magic," consists of flat panels with hinges. Rick Anguilla, editor of "Toy and Hobby World," predicts it will be a hot toy for children of all ages.

"It costs \$8 and has 43 quintillion combinations but only one solution," says Anguilla.

For parents who prefer quieter toys that stimulate a child's imagina-

tion, toy stores still carry such standbys as Cabbage Patch dolls, Paddington Bears, Raggedy Ann and Andy, and Barbie and Ken.

Barbie and the Rockers, the most recent edition, is moving out of the stores very fast, according to Anguilla.

He said Jem, Barbie's chief competition who's an executive by day and a punk rocker by night, also is being snatched up by holiday shoppers.

Lazer Tag is a space-age light-emitting gun used to attack targets worn by the enemy. "Hits" are registered electronically when the gun's rays "tag" the target.

The gear makes electronic noises, spews rays and otherwise give players a thrill. Lazer Tag's retail for about \$50 for the basic game kit, \$20 for the vest and also for the sensor targets, \$35 for the helmet and \$23 for the cap.

Photon, another light toy, also is growing in popularity, Anguilla said.

One of the newest developments is a talking companion for Teddy Ruxpin. Grubbin, an animated talking toy that connects to and works only with Teddy, retails for as low as \$50. Teddy himself can be bought for \$60

and a storytelling Snoopy runs around \$80.

In Ruxpin and many other talking toys, lip, nose and eye movements are directed by a coded tape cassette tucked into the torso. Others speak only when an imbedded sensor is touched.

Baby Talk is triggered by microchips hidden in her face and chest which respond to pressure. Smooth her cheek and she'll say, "Mama, I love you."

In a recent interview, Douglas Thomson, president of the Toy Manufacturers of America, said there is no well-defined hot toy this year — "nothing to compare to Cabbage Patch at this time last year."

However, "we see some trends. Talking bears and reactive baby dolls that say something when touched or spoken to are among them."

"Real Baby for example responds when position is changed. When a bottle is put in its mouth Real Baby sucks. Rub her back and she'll say — 'that feels good.'"

"I think the real strength is going to be in staples. Things of good quality and things parents think have

good educational value for their children. Construction sets. Lego."

Thomson foresees a holiday toy shortage "because buying throughout the year has been flat. Buyers have not bought enough through the summer. Consumers will go into the stores for the holiday and they may find not enough supplies of the toys they want."

But never fear. In the midst of the electronic age, there are still old-fashioned toys that work on nothing but affection and imagination. Cabbage Patch dolls, last year's non-battery-operated champs with \$600 million in sales, are expected to run up \$300 million in sales this year, Anguilla says.

Toy and Hobby World's Hit Parade for November provides a good index of toys likely to make it to Santa's pack, reports Anguilla. The top 10 toys last month were: G.I. Joe; Pound Puppies; Barbie; Teddy Ruxpin; M.A.S.K. Action Figures; Cabbage Patch Dolls; Transformers; Lazer Tag; WWF Wrestlers; and Muscles.

Dinosaurs big business

This holiday may go down as the year of the dinosaur.

After 70 million years of extinction, the big lizards are back and hotter than ever — at least in toy stores. They range from tiny stocking stuffers to huge stuffed animals big-enough to sit on.

Models of dinosaurs are being made from construction sets and building blocks. An animated 8-foot reptile spotted in a toy store was a Lego production.

There also are dinosaur puzzles, dinosaur bathtime stickers and, from the Imperial Toy Corp. in Los Angeles, what may be the world's first dinosaur soap bubble pipe (kids blow into the tail and bubbles come out of the mouth). Imperial also makes a 6-foot inflatable Godzilla that is proving a hit.

From Small World Toys come kits full of wooden parts that one assembles — without glue — to make models of the whole dino gang. Choices include brachiosaurus, brontosaurus, triceratops and stegosaurus.

Handicapped dolls employed in therapy

Hal's Pals are handicapped dolls introduced this year by Mattel and marketed through a non-profit corporation called For Challenged Kids Inc. Hal is a one-legged ski instructor and his pals include dolls who are blind or who must rely on crutches or wheelchairs. They are used in therapy with handicapped children and also in education programs that teach other children about life as a handicapped person.

Video stirs interaction

BabyCise, an entry from Matchbox for new parents, is a video gift set that comes with a 3-by-5-foot exercise mat, bolster, three triangle playblocks, two baby bar bells and an easy-to-follow videotape with five different 10-minute segments that stimulate parent and infant interaction. Developed in conjunction with pediatricians, BabyCise is aimed at improving infants' muscle tone, motor skills and coordination.

Holiday gifts for the handicapped

By JOAN HANAUER
UPI Feature Writer

NEW YORK (UPI) — It truly is the thought that counts when buying holiday gifts for the handicapped.

Such tapes can run the gamut from entertainment to self-improvement, Shaw said, and some are tailored for a handicapped audience, such as the Richard Simmons exercise tape for the disabled.

Other suggestions included cordless telephones and software for people with personal computers.

Shaw was dubious about clothing as a gift, calling it "a very personal item that might not be appropriate."

"What might be appropriate is something a person could not find in a store — for example, a bathrobe tailored like a poncho that slips over the head. It's really convenient for a lot of people, particularly those in wheelchairs," he said.

The poncho bathrobe is available from Techni-Flair, an Arkansas outfit that specializes in clothes for the handicapped.

"We're the largest designer and manufacturer of health care clothing in the United States," said Matt Elbaum, project manager for Techni-Flair's "Designer Line."

The Designer Line was created to bring a high-fashion look to people in wheelchairs.

"We make clothes that look best and fit best when worn sitting down," Elbaum said. "When was the last time you tried something on in the store by sitting down? When you sit down your body shape changes."

The wheelchair clothes have extra shoulder room in jackets, shirts and blouses, and pants and skirts are tailored so that they won't ride down in back. Traditional fasteners are re-

placed by Velcro. Pants have pockets on the legs where they are accessible when sitting down, and hidden side zippers make it easier to get pants on and off.

People who are blind or severely vision-impaired also have special needs that should be considered when buying gifts.

"Look for things that have good color contrast for the visually impaired," said Spungin of the Foundation for the Blind.

"Look for things that are easy to manipulate. Elderly people with vision difficulties often have arthritis that limits the mobility of their hands. Stay away from devices that look interesting but have small knobs that are hard to turn."

Spungin recommended gifts that can enhance skills and abilities, as well as provide independent recreation.

A variety of such gifts can be found in the Foundation's catalogue, "Products for People with Vision Problems."

There's a standard Monopoly game board with a molded overlay identifying each property by ridges and braille, with jumbo-sized cards and tiles in braille. Sighted and vision-impaired people can enjoy the game together.

Other special games in braille and/or large print include Scrabble, Othello, Connect Four, backgammon, checkers, chess and cribbage. There also are special dominoes, an individual bingo board, playing cards, crossword books and — to make sure the vision-impaired become as frustrated as the sighted — a tactile version of Rubik's Cube.

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dren (and adults) to write.

And in fact, many of the "Dear Bubbie and Zadie" letter-writers and callers are non-Jewish adults who want to know some simple things about Hanukkah, but never knew whom to ask.

"I'm amazed," Bloom said. "Some people just want to know what a menorah is."

Even though Bubbie and Zadie were invented for Jewish children, Bloom reports that half his letters come from adults and 10 percent from non-Jews.

Bubbie and Zadie, Bloom's annual October-to-December project, "are symbols of love and sharing holiday joy," he said. Johnny Readingseed, Bloom's annual September-to-June school year project, "is a symbol of reading enjoyment."

Then there is Leinad Moolb — Daniel Bloom backwards — on his crusade to change the world, or at least the popular school-and-newspaper version of the United States "maply nonsense."

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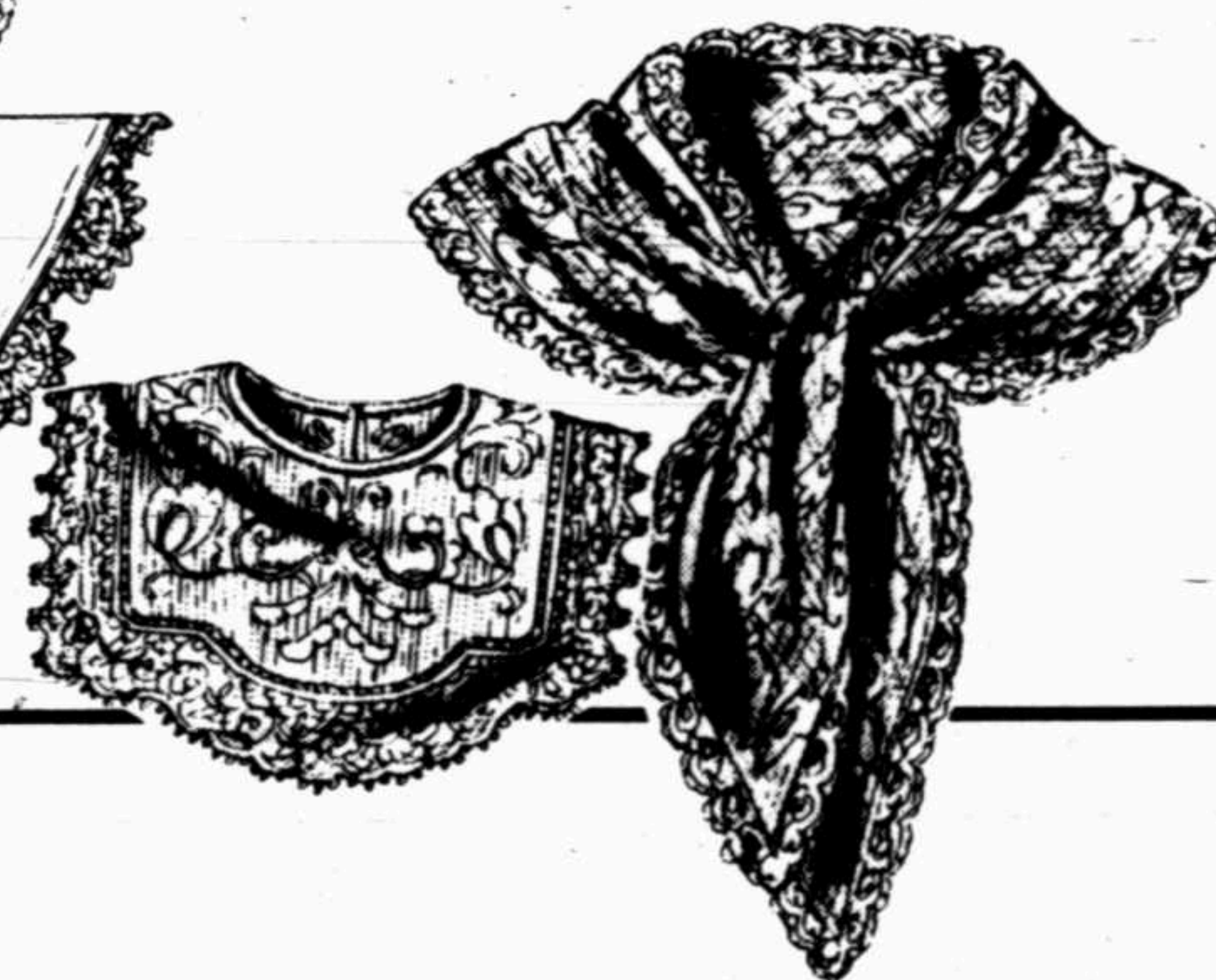
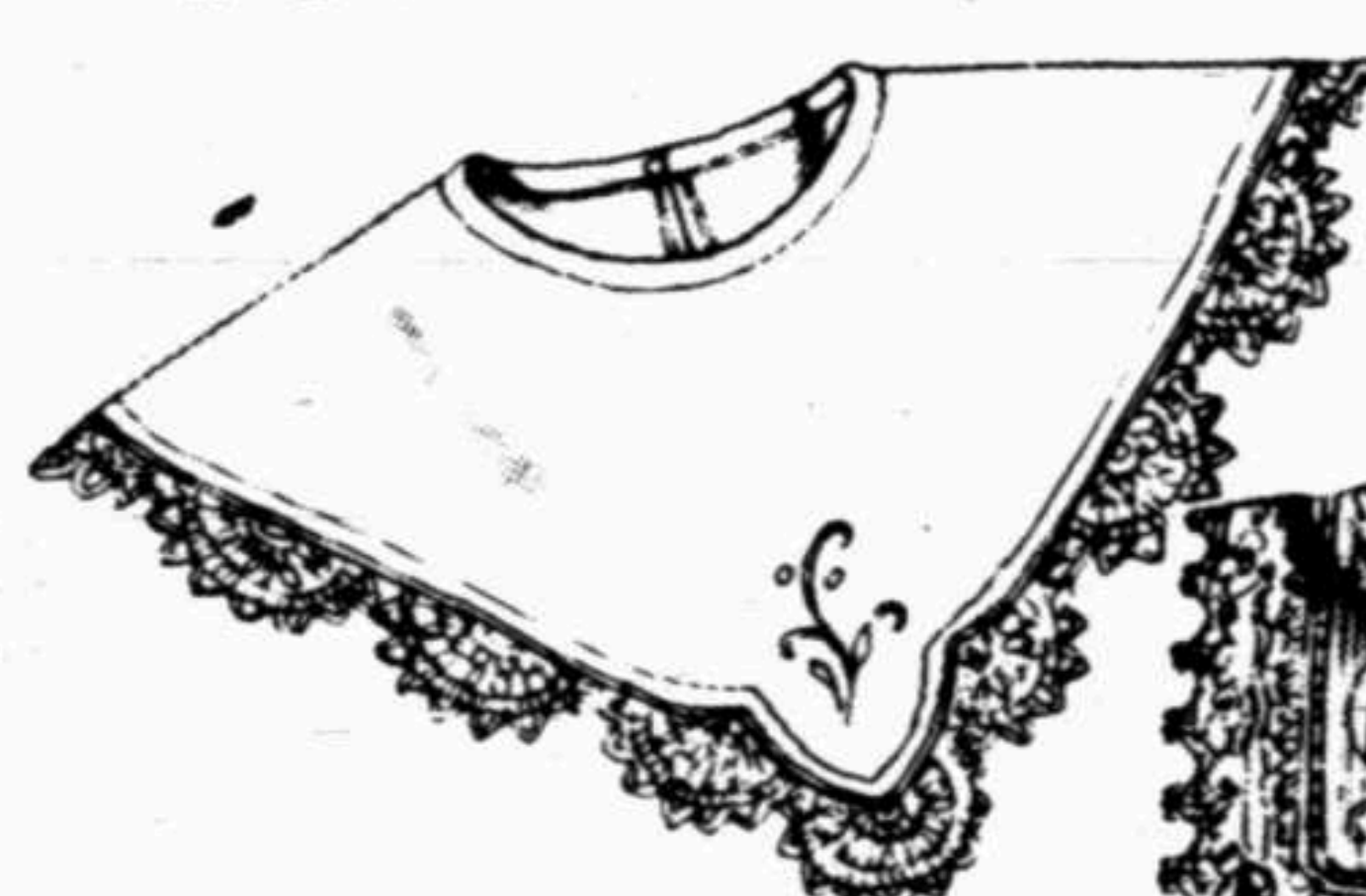
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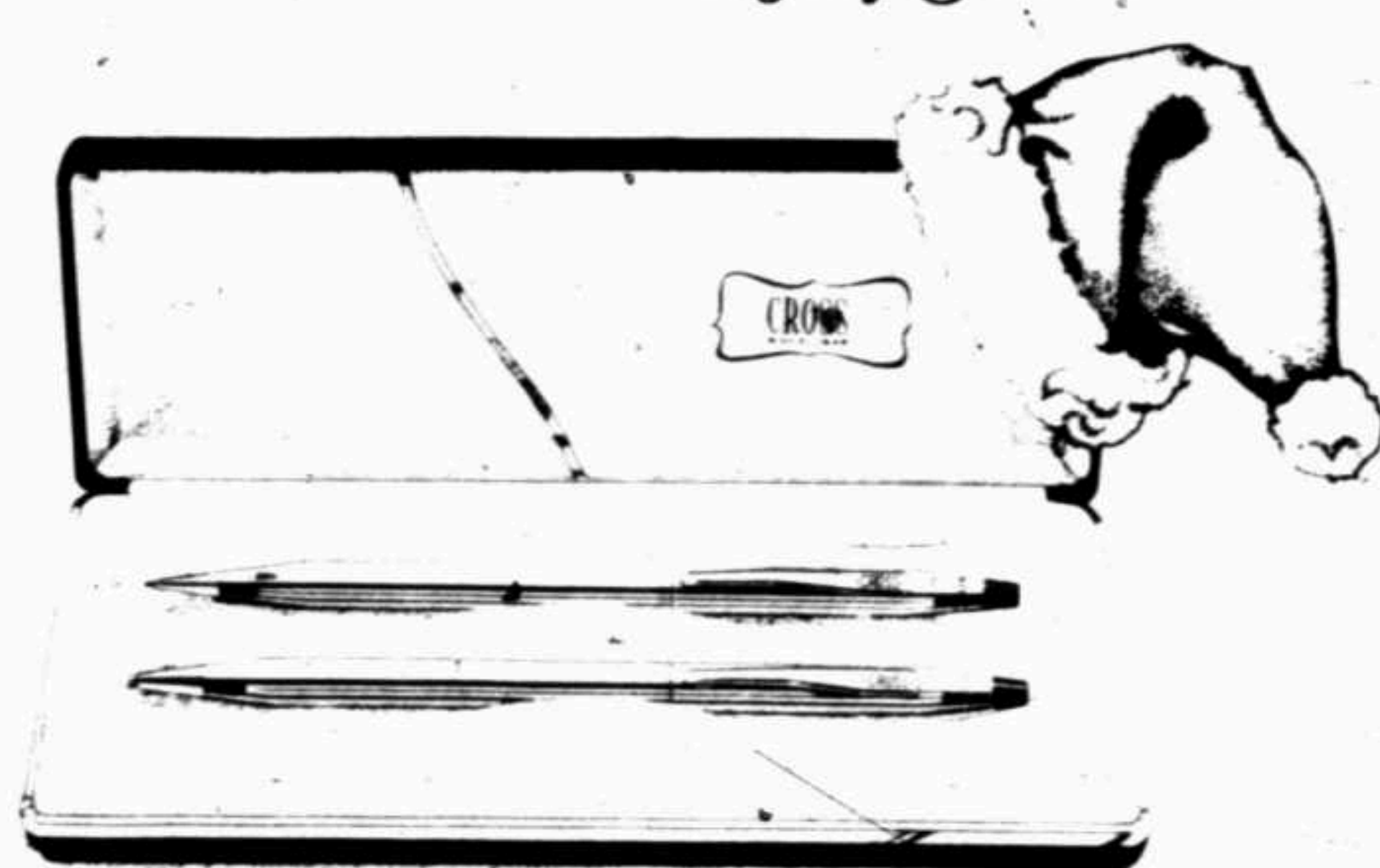
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Bloom's book is set in Alaska, perhaps not far from Santa's North Pole, and he fills it more with magical Jewish folklore than with plot. The last page lists Bubbie and Zadie's address and encourages chil-

dren (and adults) to write.

And in fact, many of the "Dear Bubbie and Zadie" letter-writers and callers are non-Jewish adults who want to know some simple things about Hanukkah, but never knew whom to ask.

"I'm amazed," Bloom said. "Some people just want to know what a menorah is."

Even though Bubbie and Zadie were invented for Jewish children, Bloom reports that half his letters come from adults and 10 percent from non-Jews.

Bubbie and Zadie, Bloom's annual October-to-December project, "are symbols of love and sharing holiday joy," he said. Johnny Readingseed, Bloom's annual September-to-June school year project, "is a symbol of reading enjoyment."

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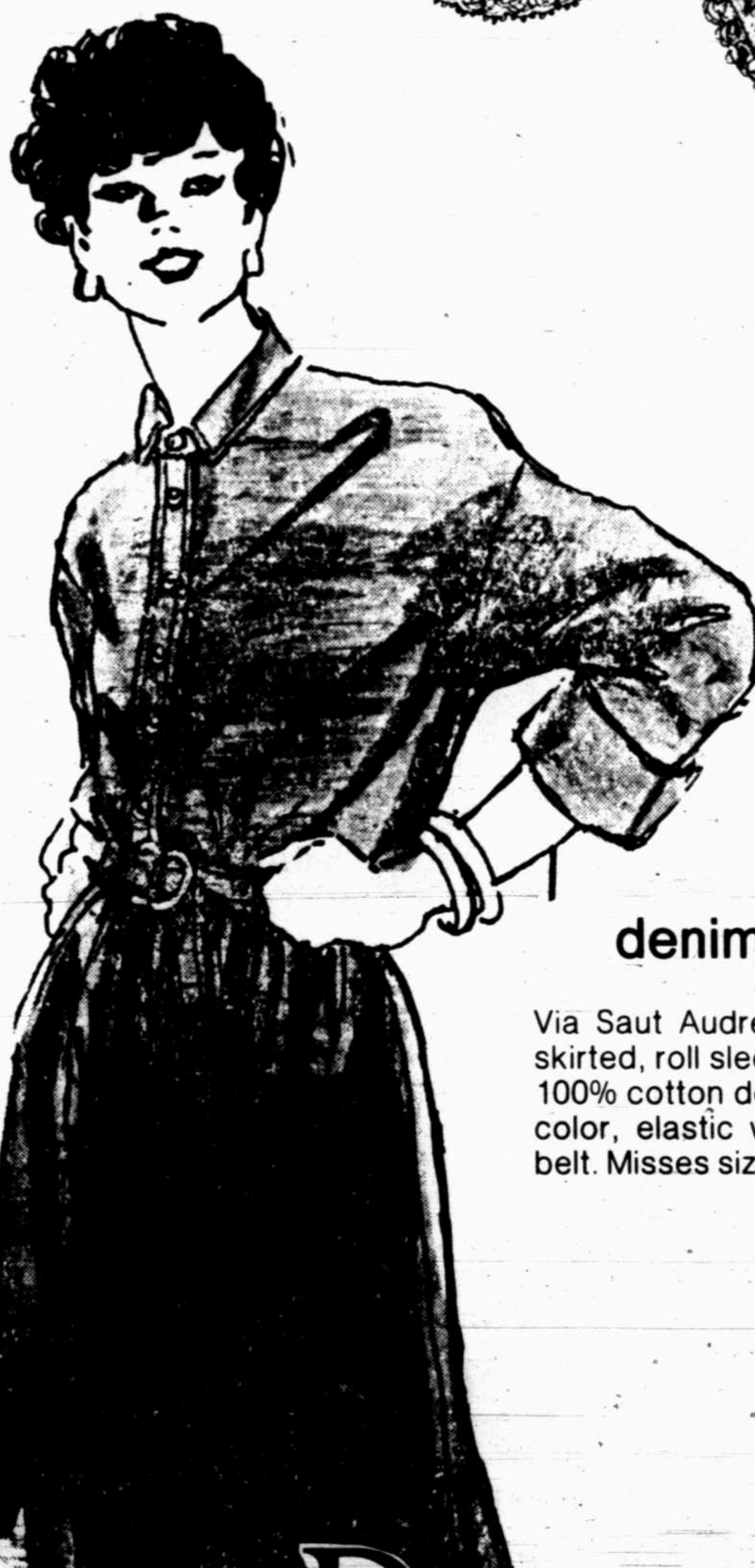
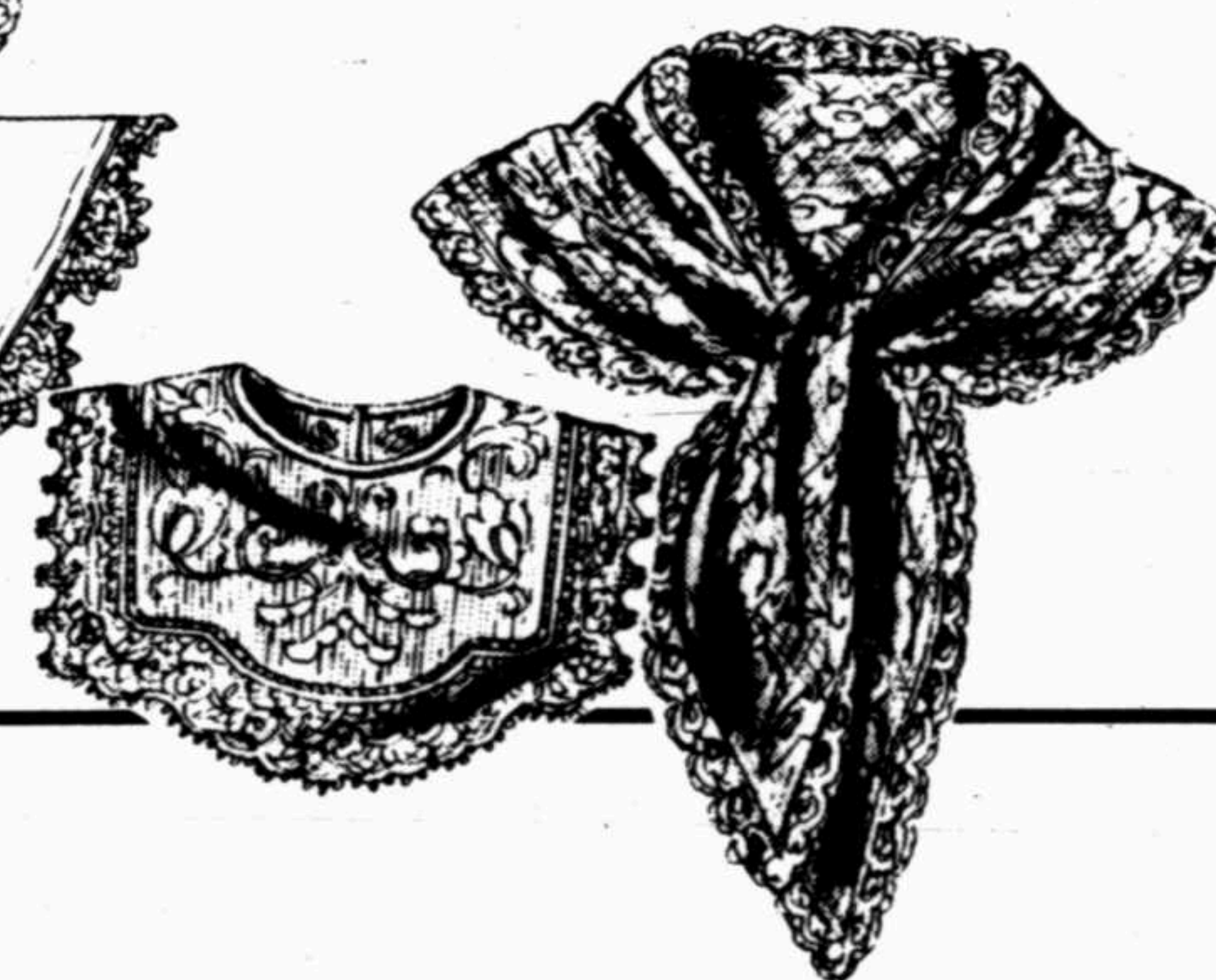
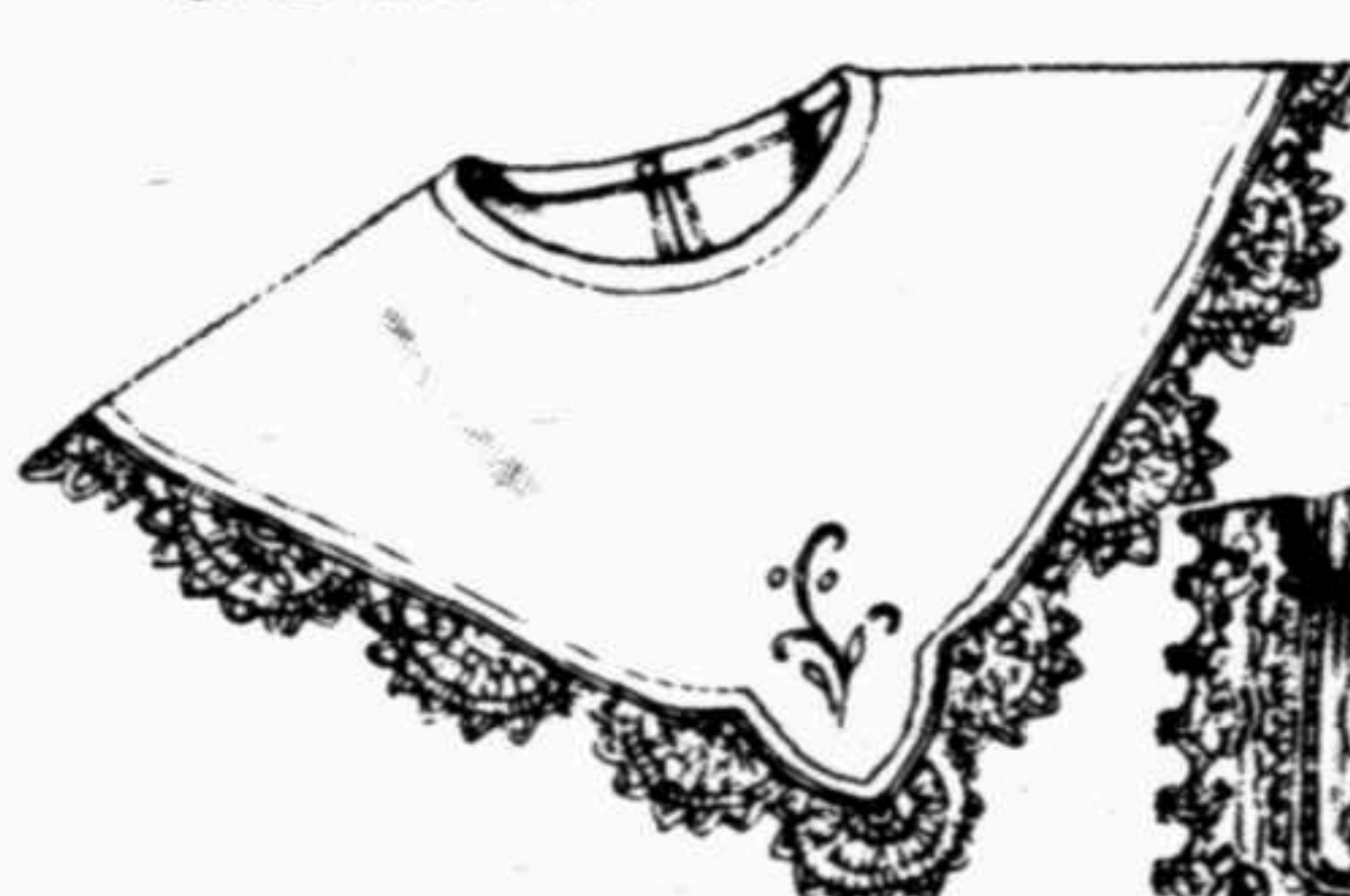
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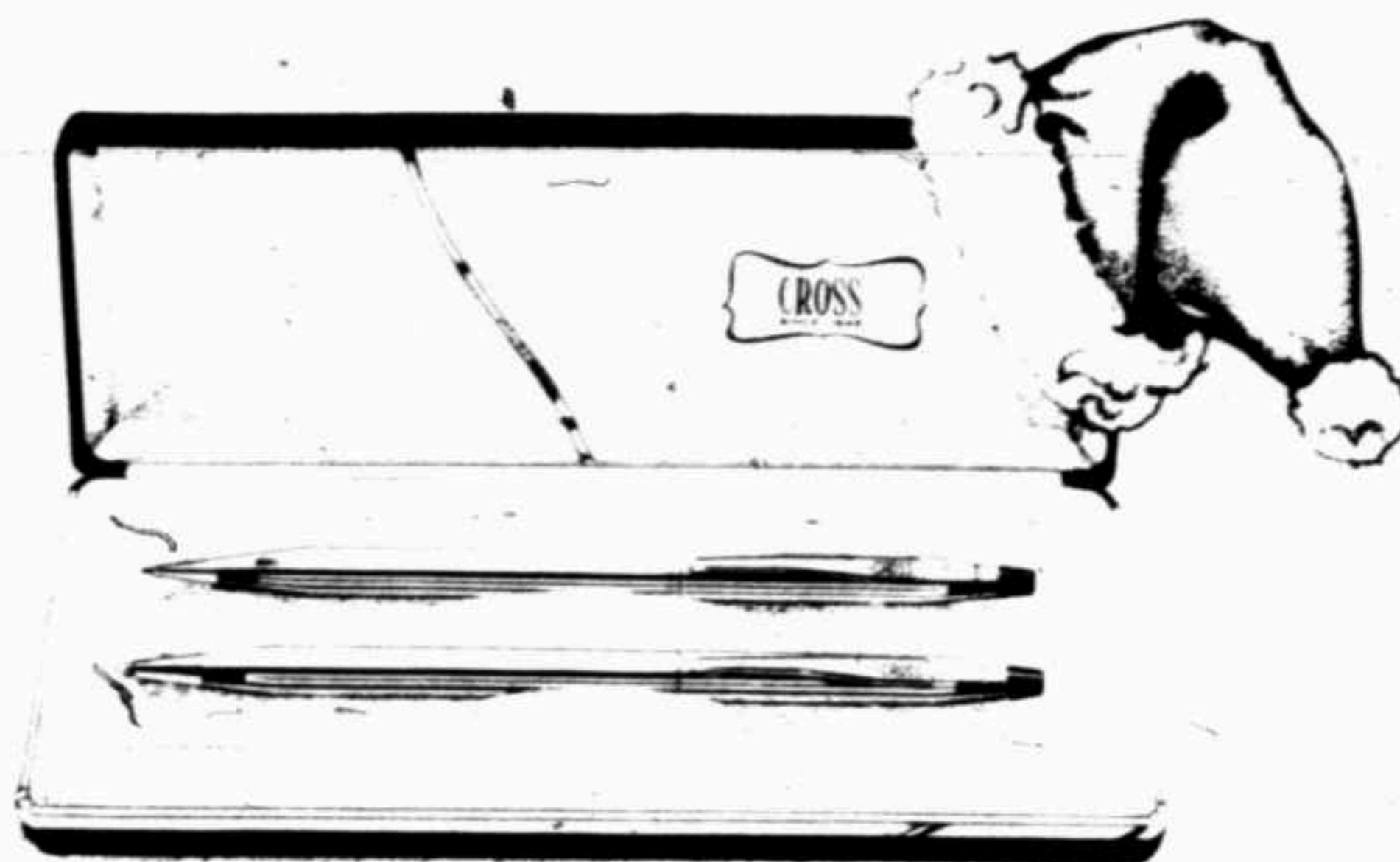
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Along with the festivities, come the 12 stresses of Christmas

By KAREN TIMMONS
United Press International

Merry, happy, caring, giving, joyous. These are the words most people would like to attach to the holiday season.

But as the season presses closer, ideal and fantasy often melt into a reality that feels more like hassled, overwrought, tense and anxious — the makings of holiday stress.

Whether it's going home to visit parents who still see you as a 12-year-old or the sure knowledge that one more shopping mall rendition of "Jingle Bells" will drive you bonkers, the intensity of activity and emotion during the holidays can turn the season into a stress filled time.

While the very thought of the frenzied shopping, baking, wrapping, decorating and socializing that characterize the season is enough to start stomach acids churning for many, experts in psychology and stress management say Christmas serenity is possible. It is even attainable if, for starters, the potential stress factors are recognized in advance.

To that end, here is a beginner's (and by no means all-inclusive) guide to the 12 Stresses of Christmas:

1. Family Togetherness

This is the biggie when it comes to holiday stress, according to many family therapists. Particularly for families whose members see each other infrequently, getting together over the holidays can trigger what psychologists like to call the "unfinished business" of the past — any of the old jealousies, hurts or resentments that have been unresolved.

"There are a lot of people who are tremendously stressed out by being with their families around the holidays," says Dr. Dean Schuyler, a Washington, D.C. psychiatrist specializing in depression. "Society says it's a family time, but they know otherwise."

Switzer advises against trying too hard to overcome negative family feelings purely in the interest of holiday serenity, even if that means staying away. "It's best to be true to yourself. Very often if you don't want to be with somebody it's because they've given you a very good reason not to want to be with them."

2. No room at the inn — Being alone

This is the flip side of family togetherness — the anxiety of being alone during a season that stresses familial relationships.

"There's a cultural myth about being with someone over the holidays," says Schuyler. "A lot of the ads you read ... focus on how wonderful it is, which is a tremendous stresser with people who are really pretty happy being alone the rest of the year. It makes them re-evaluate their aloneness. It's OK to be alone

for 11 1/2 months of the year but it's not OK at the holidays."

3. Five more shopping days 'til Christmas

It's the Saturday before Christmas, you haven't even started your shopping and the local mall is a mass of humanity fighting for Cabbage Patch dolls — eek! Stress.

Recognize in advance that it isn't going to be easy, say the experts, then make your battle plan for coping.

"If you're out shopping and everything is crowded, it's just thinking about how you want to deal with humanity," says Lynn Brallier, who directs a stress management center in Bethesda, Md. "You can either think of them as pushy slob or other humans buying gifts for loved ones."

Set a time limit so that relief is in sight and gather your determination, advises Washington, D.C. marriage and family therapist Richard Mikesell.

4. What do you want for Christmas?

It's the most asked question of the holiday season, and one few seem to be able to answer directly. Because gifts are seen as a symbol of caring, giving and receiving them can carry a lot of meaning, and therefore anxiety or stress.

"The person who avoids the 'what do you want for Christmas' query with an 'anything would make me happy' answer, for example, may be insulating himself from the rejection he might feel at not getting what he views as a fitting symbol of your affection, according to Schuyler."

"In some cases, I think people are prejudging your financial situation," Schuyler said. "In other cases they're telling you what they think you'd like to hear and in some cases they're just telling you what they really want. There's a real game quality to it."

5. Cookie failure and other questions of status

Whether it's comparing Christmas cookies with the neighbors or one-upmanship gift giving, anxiety and disappointment are bound to fall on those who play the holiday status game.

"Heaven help you, you can't win," says Dr. E. Daniel Kay, a Portsmouth, Va., psychiatrist who speaks on holiday stress and depression.

"If someone gives you something worth \$5.95 and you give them something worth \$50, then you're going to resent it and vice versa. People are so worried they're going to overbuy or underbuy and it gets really competitive."

6. I'm dreaming of a white Christmas, and other fantasies

Many people harbor a holiday fantasy that is so colored by greeting card coziness and white Christmas imagery that reality is bound to bring disappointment.

"I think the biggest reason for

holiday stress is expectations that are unmet," says Schuyler.

Adult children visiting their parents, for instance, "set up expectations of what home was like," he said. "Then when they get the realistic picture, they're disappointed."

To avoid disappointment, Schuyler advises, "plan ahead realistically, rather than let yourself be swept up in a fantasy of what it's going to be like."

7. You can't go home again

Nostalgia for Christmases past inflicts many people during the holiday season, particularly those who have recently experienced an unsettling change in their lives, such as a divorce or a move to another city.

"It makes you more aware of the losses and the changes and the distances than any other time," says holiday stress expert Kay.

"If you've had losses in the family, then it's a particularly difficult time. When it comes to holiday time you miss that person even more because there's a seat at the table that isn't filled."

8. Bull's-eye

A sure rule of thumb is that people will feel the most emotional stress during the holidays where they feel most vulnerable the rest of the year.

"For instance," said Mikesell, "if you have a childless couple that's having fertility problems, they're going to be most upset about the child part of Christmas. If someone has economic problems, they're going to be most concerned about the lack of money to buy presents."

"You want to have a lot of general awareness ... Let's say it's the fertility problem. Then you don't want to spend too much time around children. It's OK to deliberately avoid certain things that are painful."

9. Guess who's coming to dinner

Everybody has one in the family — that obnoxious aunt or uncle who rubs everybody the wrong way, the mother-in-law who smiles brightly, leans close and says, "You're 34 dear, don't you think it's time to start a family?"

"The best strategy for dealing with intrusive sorts of advice is to agree with it," says Switzer. "Just say, 'Yes, you're right. Agreement diffuses struggles.'"

10. Eat, drink and be merry

"People during the holidays try to drink a lot to numb their feelings," says stress consultant Brallier. "It's getting clearer that that's not the answer."

11. It's Christmas Eve and I still don't have a tree

The holiday season brings with it so many activities that it's easy to get stressed out trying to fit it all in.

"It's a real test of your organizational ability and your time management," says Switzer. "It would probably be real helpful for people to make lists a month ahead and really plan it out."

"And you have to be able to say

no. An awful lot of people try to do things during the holiday season that they think they should do, not that they necessarily want to. And that kind of obligation can be very stressful for most people. It's a real ability to be in tune with your own needs, your own wants."

12. How can I relax? It's Christmas!

"A big event like the holidays is actually composed of a bunch of little stressors," says Bruce E. Compas, assistant professor of psychology at

the University of Vermont, where he is evaluating a stress management program for junior high schoolers and their parents.

"It's the number of those little hassles that add up. The first message is that what you're coping with isn't the holiday it's the hassles."

Compas says there are ways to cope, "depending on if it's a little hassle that you can control or a little hassle that you can't control. If you think that it is something you can do

something about, then do something. If you can't control it, focus on how to relax."

"We find people get in trouble trying to do the wrong kind of coping. They recognize that it's not something they can do something about, but they keep banging their head against the wall. If you can't change the traffic, turn up the radio."

"If you really can't avoid it, you really can't change it, then you need to focus on what it's doing to you."

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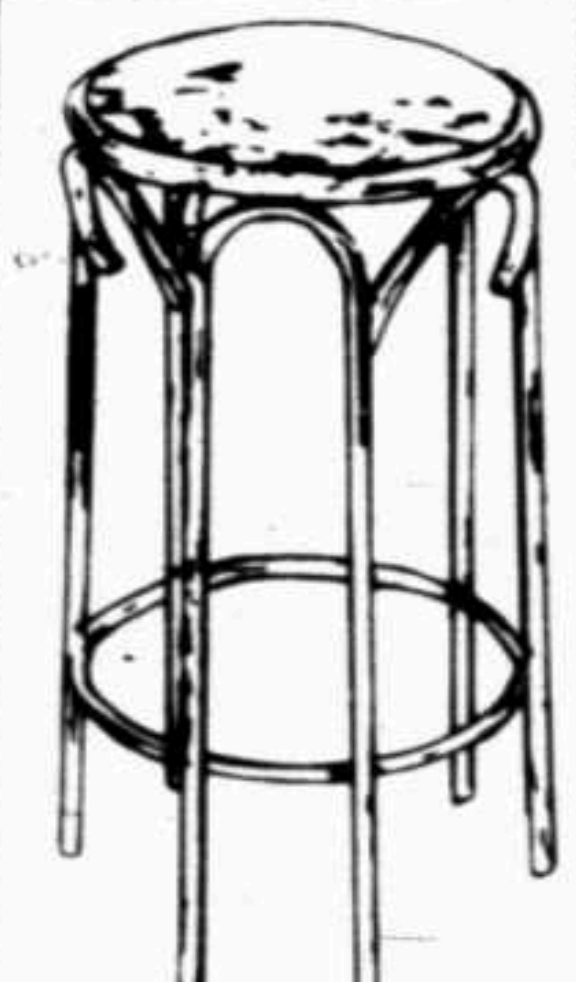
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By RICK BROWN
Staff Writer

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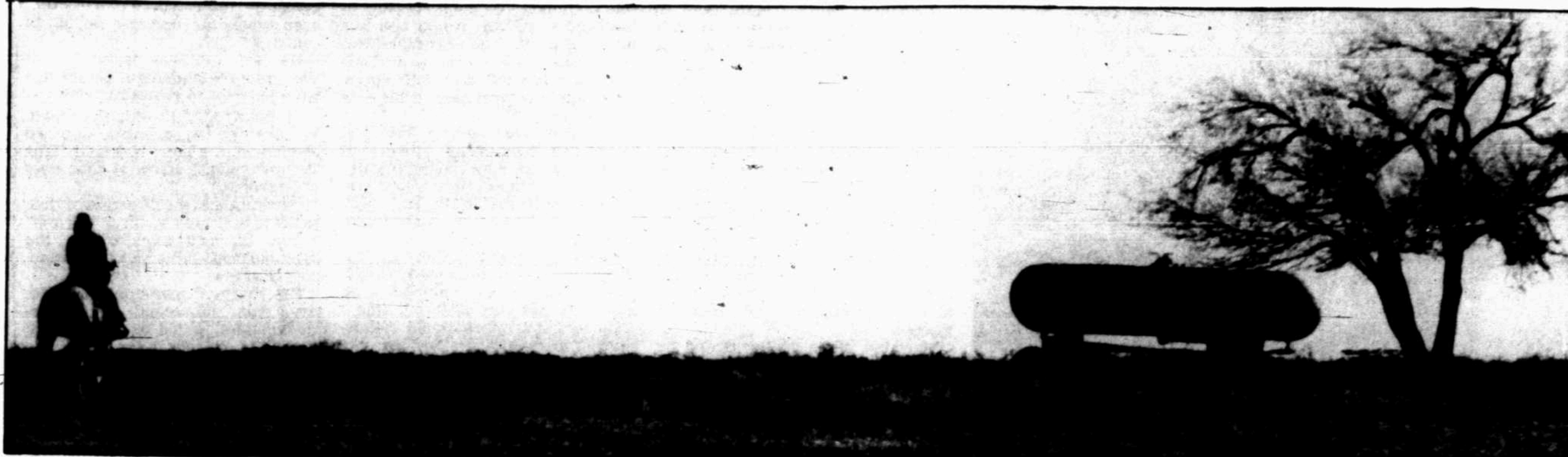
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This is the time of the year when we all eat and drink too much.

You go to a party and there is so much food and liquor available that you convince yourself it would be terribly rude to pass it up. After all, you don't want to hurt your host's feelings. They might their hard work and pr



Riding away

This lone rider gives his horse a brisk workout Monday in a field north of Loop 250 off Midland Drive.

Jerry Monnenga/Reporter-Telegram

Penalties, interest mount on late property taxes

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

Midlanders who have not yet paid their 1986 property taxes have until Dec. 31 to do so if they are to deduct those taxes from their 1986 federal income tax.

"The Internal Revenue Service has repeatedly taken the stance that all property taxes must be paid by Dec. 31," said Roland Wilkinson, chief appraiser for the Midland Central Appraisal District. "We've been round and round with them several times on that."

Property taxes are due here between the first of October and the last of January. Unpaid taxes become delinquent on Feb. 1.

Both Wilkinson and Frances Shuffield, the Midland County tax assessor-collector, said they would credit the property taxes as being paid in 1986 if payment is made at their offices as late as Dec. 31 or if envelopes

containing payment are postmarked by the United States Postal Service by Dec. 31.

Wilkinson said that some taxpayers have missed out on that deduction when loan companies carrying their home mortgages paid their annual property taxes in January.

"It's been a honest mistake on their part," he said. "It seems unfair since their money is going into escrow."

Though property-tax bills are mailed out in October, unpaid taxes do not become delinquent until Feb. 1, when penalty-and-interest charges go into effect. If taxes go unpaid by mid-year, they are placed on delinquent tax rolls on July 1. At that time, taxpayers become subjected to a 15 percent fee by the delinquent tax attorney.

By July 1, penalty-and-interest charges and the attorney's fees would total 33 percent of the outstanding tax bill, Wilkinson said.

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Penalty-and-interest charges start at 7 percent in February and increase 2 percent per month through June. In July, the penalty-and-interest charges jump 3 percent to 18 percent. After that, the penalty-and-interest rates increase by 1 percent per month.

"Some people are finding out now that it's easier to borrow money from a bank to pay off the taxes than to be liable for penalty-and-interest charges and attorney's fees," Wilkinson said.

"It certainly behooves the taxpayer to borrow if he needs to pay the

taxes," he said. "For one thing, you can spread out your payments on a bank loan." Otherwise, the taxpayer would have to contend with "at least" the 33 percent in charges and fees on the unpaid balance.

"There is no doubt in my mind that when the Texas legislators adopted the penalty-and-interest schedule, they were most certainly trying to prompt people to pay on a timely basis," Wilkinson said.

If the taxpayers does not pay the property taxes, then the tax collector can enforce a lien on the property and, "if worse comes to worst,"

said Wilkinson, "we can sell the property on the courthouse steps for the amount of taxes." In that event, any money made in the auction "over and above" the taxes would be divided among the taxing bodies on a pro rata basis.

"While we are cognizant of the economic plight of many delinquent taxpayers, we nonetheless have an ultimate responsibility to those folks who pay their taxes in a timely manner," he said.

Most taxpayers do pay their taxes on time.

As a rule, Ms. Shuffield collects more than 70 percent of Midland County and Greenwood Independent School District taxes by end of the year. "We're getting in good payments," she said. "We're getting in a lot everyday; they are coming in real well. I have no complaints." By mid-year, just before the delinquent tax attorney takes over, she usually has collected more than 95 percent of

taxes due. She is collecting about \$14-million in 1986 taxes for Midland County and Greenwood ISD.

By the end of 1986, Wilkinson expects to have collected 80 percent of the more than \$60-million in taxes for four taxing units — the city of Midland, Midland Independent School District, Midland College and Midland Memorial Hospital.

However, by mid-1987, he expects that 7 to 8 percent of taxes will be uncollected by mid-year instead of the usual 4 to 5 percent. That 7 to 8 percent would convert to \$4.2-million to \$4.8 million. In past years, he has collected by mid-year 95 to 96 percent of taxes due.

The anticipated drop in the collected rates is "mainly attributable" to the downturn in the local economy," Wilkinson said. "I really hope I'm wrong in that estimate. But come July 1987, we'll have significantly more delinquent tax accounts than we have had in years past."

Local sales tax receipts down from year ago

By RICK BROWN
Staff Writer

Financial experts with the cities of Midland and Odessa agree that the cities' double-digit drops in November state sales tax returns are deceptive.

A two-year old mistake by the state comptroller's office that sent more than \$150,000 in Odessa sales tax receipts to Midland was rectified in this month's returns, Midland Director of Finance Troy Gifford said Monday.

Midland's November share of the state sales tax totaled about \$447,000, according to statistics from the comptroller's office. The money represents a 13 percent drop compared to the November 1985 figures of \$516,000, according to the office.

Odessa's sales tax share for November totaled about \$359,000, a figure about 25 percent down from last November's payments of about \$482,000, the office reported.

Not counting the mistake rectification, the two cities' percentage drops should be about the same, Odessa Director of Fiscal Services Frank Muser said Monday.

Other than the good news that accounts are now even, sales tax payments for November show a continued downward trend commensurate with the local economies.

The comptroller's office reported that Midland's year-to-date receipts are running about 18 percent behind last year. The city so far this year has taken in a little more than \$7.3 million in sales tax. By November last year, the city had logged almost \$8.9 million in payments, figures show.

Odessa's year-to-date figures indicate a 10 percent drop in receipts, to the current \$6.9 million from the \$7.7 million that was collected by the end of November last year, figures show.

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Kent Porter/Reporter-Telegram

House fire

Local fire fighters look for remains of a trailer home at 1700 S. Fort Worth Monday night. The fire resulted in no injuries, but gutted a night.

Law officers serving warrants in connection with gambling probe

By FRANK TROMBLEY
Staff Writer

ODESSA — Federal, state and local law enforcement officers late Monday afternoon began serving search warrants in connection with an investigation into alleged organized gambling in Ector County.

Ron Butler, FBI supervisory senior resident agent in Midland, said the warrants named eight persons, six specific locations and 11 vehicles as the targets of searches that resulted in the seizure of an undisclosed quantity of gambling paraphernalia and cash.

Butler declined to confirm that the warrants specifically named a former Odessa city councilman Keith Weddel, a former Ector County grand jury foreman and a bail bondsman from Big Spring. The three were identified in television news reports Monday night.

"I shouldn't confirm that," Butler said, "but you wouldn't be too far

off." Butler said the search warrants were issued under Title 18, Section 1955 of the United States Code, which states that "whoever conducts, finances, arranges, supervises, directs or owns all or part of an illegal gambling business shall be fined not more than \$20,000 nor imprisoned for not more than five years."

Butler declined to say if the search warrants served Monday had anything to do with the appearance of former Deputy Police Chief K.R. Jones before the federal grand jury in August. "Again, that would be outside the realm of public comment," he said.

Jones was fired by Police Chief Alan Stewart last week for five alleged violations of the police Code of Conduct. One of the violations alleged association with a known gambler.

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New MISD facility will assist in raising scholarships

From Staff Reports

The Midland Independent School District's new transportation/warehouse not only will provide the district with additional space, but also will assist the district in acquiring scholarship money for graduates of Lee and Midland High Schools, according to officials.

Trustees last week voted to purchase the 50,000 square foot facility and nearly 27 acres of property northwest of

Midland from Rosaria Corporation.

Cost of the transaction was estimated at \$650,000. School Board president Bill Jackson acted as realtor in the transaction, but will not accept commission, officials said.

Instead, Rosaria Corporation will contribute 2 percent of the purchase price, \$13,000, to the MISD foundation.

Trustees also agreed to use interest from that money to award annual scholarships to graduates of Lee and Mid-

land High schools.

Criteria for the scholarship will be established later, officials said.

Officials said the MISD transportation and warehouse operations will be moved this spring from its present location at Industrial Avenue and South Moran Street to the new location at State Highway 668, three miles west of Loop 250.

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Comanche County man picks, strums on homemade guitars

BEATTIE (AP) — Boyd Butler has been making music for 60 years and making guitars for 13.

"This has a soft, mellow tone," he says, picking up a classic guitar he built. "You can play it all day and it won't hurt your fingers."

He retired from peanut farming here in Comanche County in the fall of 1973. Soon afterward, he built his first guitar.

"I had always done woodwork. I just decided I wanted to try it (building a guitar). I ordered a 'how to' book and took it from there."

Butler says, "You can order tops,

sides, necks, all pre-cut and pre-sanded. I tell them that's not building a guitar — that's running an assembly plant."

Butler, 76, learned to play the guitar at age 16. He took nine lessons at 25 cents apiece and also taught himself to play from chord books.

"Back when I was just a kid, there was no radio, nothing to entertain us. So after supper, when it was cool, we would sit on the porch and I would play the violin 'til dark."

His brother, Roy, convinced him to trade the violin for the guitar.

"I'll never forget the first dance I

played," he says. "The people stepping in time with the music made a whomp, whomp, whomp sound. After I went to bed, I could still hear them. I heard that whomp, whomp, whomp all night long."

He entertained in the area in his younger days. "I played at the last dance hall in Comanche when the City Council shut it down," he says. "Church members kicked up a fuss so it was shut down."

His dancing days stopped when he married. He and his wife, Trudie, have been together 45 years.

He sold the first guitar he built to a Navajo woman, who has played it on albums of Indian songs. His favorite guitar is adorned with inlay of pearl, nickel shaped into stars and silver taken from a Mexican peso. He is asking \$1,000 for the instrument.

"I don't really want to sell it. I guess if someone offered me \$1,000, I'll take it and try to build another one."

Each guitar is made out of several different types of wood. He has built and trimmed guitars using bois d'arc, Honduras mahogany, spruce,

cottonwood, rosewood, padauk, walnut, and even mesquite.

He cuts his own wood, and sands cow bones for the saddles and nuts of his guitars. On the average, it takes him about two months to build a guitar and another two weeks to apply the 12 to 16 coats of lacquer.

Butler designed the bracing system inside his guitars and makes the sound hole a few millimeters larger than most guitar makers. He explains he measures with the metric system because it is simpler for a person who "got too smart and 'quitted' from school in the ninth grade."

He plans to make guitars as long as he is able. He makes other wooden crafts, such as towelholders, wind-spinners and vases, and also repairs violins and guitars.

And, he keeps on making music on his homemade guitars. His favorite songs are "Crazy," "Stardust" or "Blue Skies," sung by Willie Nelson. "I don't like that rock 'n' roll stuff, and there is not too much country and western I'm crazy about. I like the songs Willie does — the easy listening music."

GARY OTT

It's easy to rationalize about eating, drinking too much

This is the time of the year when we all eat and drink too much.

You go to a party and there is so much food and liquor available that you convince yourself it would be terribly rude to pass it up. After all, you don't want to hurt your hosts' feelings. They might think all of their hard work and preparation was



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unappreciated. You can't have that, so you eat and drink to your heart's delight.

You're just being a nice guy, right?

Right. There's just one problem. Guilt. Try though you might, you can't get away from that nasty little five letter word. It follows you everywhere.

You want that last piece of pecan pie? Of course you do. But Mr. Guilt is watching.

How about one more cocktail before calling it a night? Go ahead. Sounds good, doesn't it? What's that?

I know, you feel guilty. Well fear not, I have the answer. All you need to do to get rid of all that ugly guilt is the ability to rationalize it away.

It is really easy, and fun. Here's how it works.

Say, it's 10 p.m., you've already had a huge dinner and are sitting back watching television. You think about having a little snack before hitting the sack. Should you? Of course you should.

If won't add a single inch to your waistline, if:

— You eat real fast and no one sees you.

— It doesn't taste very good, anyway.

— You eat it while standing up.

— You sneak it off someone else's plate.

— It is just sitting there and will have to be thrown away if you don't eat it.

— You take one small bite and walk around a bit before repeating the procedure.

— You eat it in the dark.

— You are just tasting it because

you are thinking of preparing a big batch later on for your friends.

— Someone else made it.

See how easy that was? Now try it yourself.

Very good. You're catching on.

Let's try something new. Been drinking a little too much lately? No problem. One more won't hurt you, if:

— You put lots of ice in it.

— You chase it with a cup of coffee.

— It is a special occasion, such as your Aunt Martha's birthday.

— You are depressed because your best friend just bought a new BMW and your present financial situation won't allow you to purchase a used pair of roller skates.

— Your MasterCard bill just arrived.

— You just found out that good-looking blond who started working at your office last week is dating a professional wrestler.

— The bottle was a gift.

— You take little bitty sips.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.



Motorcycle Santa

Santa Claus, leaning on Gary Don, showed up to help the Banshees Motorcycle Club kick off the annual "Toys for Tots" campaign with a bike ride

around Texarkana. Club members brought toys and rode around town gathering toys for needy children.

AP Laserphoto

Woman almost gave birth on plane, but baby waited until airliner landed

HOUSTON (AP) — The stork wasn't on hand, but baby Dwayne Roy Lambert almost arrived in the air anyway.

Dwayne's threatened appearance 30,000 feet above the ground forced an unscheduled landing of an Eastern Airlines flight at Houston International Airport at 2:39 p.m. Sunday. The plane was scheduled to fly non-stop from Miami to Los Angeles.

Houston Fire Department paramedics were barely out of the airport parking lot before Dwayne was delivered.

His mother, Sharon Linton, 29, was eight months pregnant.

"They (paramedics) kept telling me to hold on," she said Monday at Jefferson Davis Hospital.

"I kept telling them, 'The baby's coming! The baby's coming!'" she said about the birth of her sixth child.

Less than 10 minutes after being loaded into the ambulance, paramedics delivered the baby, who weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces.

Ms. Linton said if she hadn't missed her originally scheduled

flight out of Miami at 8 a.m. Sunday, Dwayne might have been born in Los Angeles.

Ms. Linton, a native of Jamaica, who was visiting relatives in Miami for a week, said she started having labor pains while boarding the plane.

"I didn't take them serious," said Ms. Linton.

However, 30 minutes into the flight, the pains became more intense and closer together. Finally, a flight attendant was called, who, in turn, found a doctor on the flight.

DEATHS

Edelle Daily

SAN ANTONIO — Memorial services for Mrs. Edelle Neeland Daily of Midland will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Ellis Chapel, conducted by the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Daily died Sunday in San Antonio.

She was born Aug. 28, 1901 in Elks Falls, Kan. She moved to Midland in 1944 from Brazil where she had worked as a civil servant with the U.S. Government.

She worked in Midland as a legal secretary with Kewanee Oil Company and Superior Oil Company for a number of years.

Following her retirement, she moved to San Antonio and then to San Angelo. She returned to San Antonio a few months ago.

She was a member of the Eastern Star of Midland.

State health officials say flu season starts early

BEAUMONT (AP) — Health officials say the flu season started early this year, with schools reporting increased absenteeism and medical clinics treating more severe, long-lasting cases.

"It's causing severe headaches, almost viral encephalitis-like symptoms, the doctor says," said Melinda Graham, administrator of Medical Plus. "We're seeing high fever and vomiting. It's real bad-news stuff."

About 190 Nederland High School students stayed home ill on Monday, while the school's normal absentee rate is about 70 a day, according to the school's attendance office.

Students are staying home for three or four days instead of only one or two, officials said. Absenteeism also increased last week at Port

Neches-Groves High School and the Port Arthur Independent School District.

In the Beaumont school district, 723 students were home sick last week, but head nurse Frances Williams said that is not an unusually high number for this time of year.

Public health officials, pharmaceutical laboratories and the public were unprepared for this year's early flu season, said Dr. Paul Glezen, epidemiologist at the Baylor College of Medicine's influenza research center in Houston.

Glezen said the outbreak of a new strain, A-Taiwan, in October caught public health officials and pharmaceutical laboratories by surprise.

Crippled astrophysicist believes direction of time won't change

CHICAGO (AP) — More than 20 years of a crippling disease have left Stephen Hawking voiceless and all but motionless, but they haven't kept the British astrophysicist from peering into the deepest reaches of time and space.

"The whole force of his life is in his eyes," said University of Texas astronomer John Wheeler, as he recalled on Monday how he first met Hawking at Cambridge University in 1964.

Hawking was then a brilliant young graduate student and world traveler, but he was already using a cane as a result of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

Hawking, 44, is now regarded by his colleagues as one of the most pro-

found thinkers on such subjects as black holes and the origin and fate of the universe. The disease, however, has long confined him to a wheelchair and has left him with voluntary muscle control only in his eyes and hands.

A recent tracheotomy removed Hawking's remaining powers of speech, so he now communicates through a computerized voice synthesizer, choosing words and syllables that flick past him on a computer screen.

Hawking's speech to the 13th Texas Symposium on Relativistic Astrophysics was on the commodity he knows he has very little of: time.

He told the international symposium of astrophysicists and astronomers that he now believes time will

continue in its current direction even when the universe begins to contract.

He said questions raised by his own graduate students at Cambridge have led him to revise his views.

"I was wrong," Hawking's synthetic voice told the scientists, who had assembled in a hotel ballroom. "The thermodynamic arrow of time does not reverse."

Hawking sees the direction of time as being indicated by three "arrows" — the thermodynamic arrow, the psychological arrow and the cosmological arrow.

The thermodynamic arrow is derived from the second law of thermodynamics, which states that the amount of disorder in the universe is always increasing.

National stock index does better than Texas stocks, Bullock says

By STEVE LEVINE
Reporter-Telegram Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — Largely because its energy stocks are less vulnerable than Texas', the Standard & Poors 500 outperformed the new "Texas 77" by almost 4-to-1 since 1980, Comptroller Bob Bullock reported Monday.

Bullock created the new index, reflecting the stock prices of 77 Texas-based companies, to compare those firms' performance to comparable U.S. companies. Since late 1983, the S&P 500 constantly upward, while the Texas index has remained relatively steady.

"So far, this national bull market has propped up the Texas 77...to the extent that the Texas index hasn't nosedived as the state's economy struggles to adjust to lower oil prices," Bullock said. If that market weakens, he warned, "that could re-

move the props and send the Texas 77 tumbling."

Bullock's staff also created three specialized indexes, tracking the performance of the energy, finance and high-technology sectors of the economy. While Texas' financial stocks and technology stocks have trailed Standard & Poors indexes slightly, the national energy index left its Texas counterpart behind beginning in late 1983.

"Comparing the two indexes shows the relatively greater importance to the Texas economy of the energy industry hit hardest by falling oil prices," Bullock said. "Producers, drilling companies and oil equipment manufacturers are hurting more than the integrated multinational oil corporations."

"Nearly all of the companies in the Texas energy group are currently losing money."

The Texas Financial Index, tracking 15 bank, mortgage and insurance company stocks, did not fall behind the national index until energy, real estate and agriculture loans began to sour late last year. "Nevertheless, the Texas Financial Index could turn upward when changes in interstate banking laws take effect next year," Bullock said.

Less sensitive to the vagaries of the state economy, the 15-stock Texas Technology Index has shared the difficulties of overproduction and intense international competition with the other members of the Standard & Poors Semiconductor Index.

GAMBLING

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Jones has filed an appeal of his termination and is seeking reinstatement, according to his attorney, Michael McLeish.

Asked if Monday's actions stemmed from information that had been turned over to the FBI about nine months ago by Ector County Attorney Gary Garrison, Butler said, "I can't comment on that. What I'm discussing with you now is a matter of public record, or will be public record, as opposed to disclosing the identity and/or information provided to us by individuals and that I won't comment or speculate on," he said.

In a separate action Monday, Odessa attorney G. David Smith filed notice with the City of Odessa of the intent of a local woman to sue the city and a police sergeant who allegedly assaulted, threatened and told her to move out of Odessa before appearing in court. The notice is intended to sue demands \$100,000 in damages.

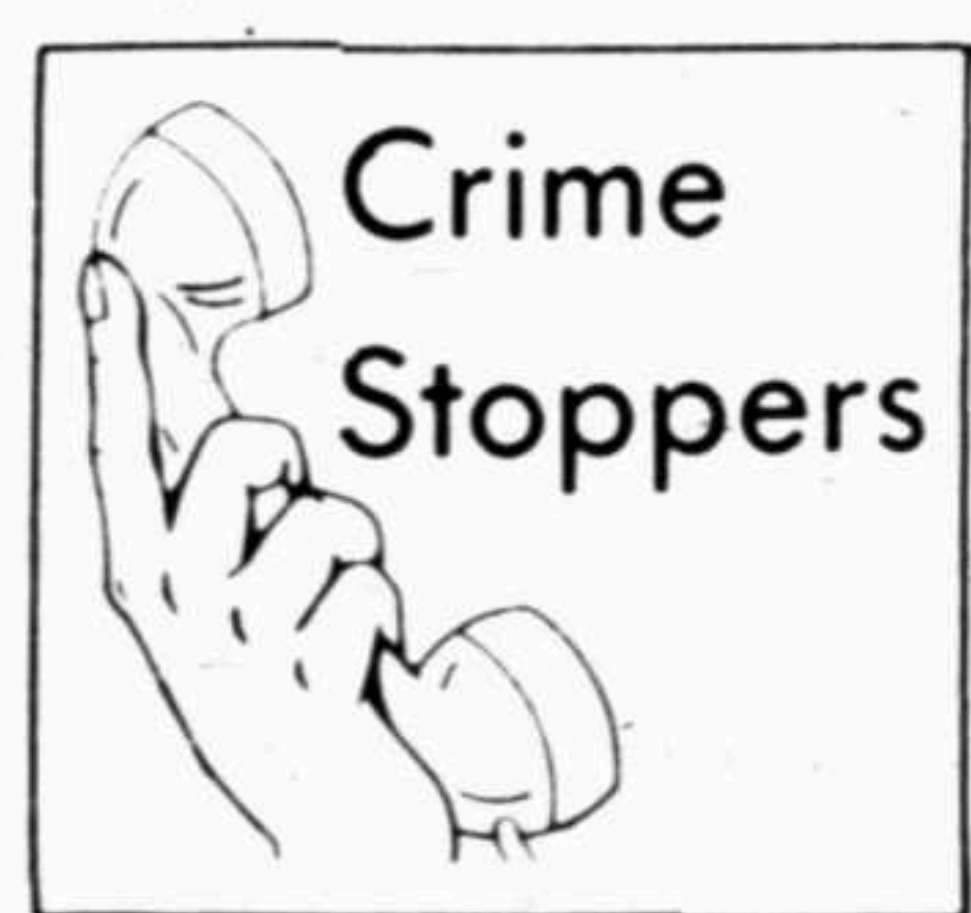
"We're alleging that he (the police sergeant) threatened her with a gun, forced her out of bed and told her to pack her things and get out of Odessa," Smith said in an interview.

Burglary information sought

This week Crime Stoppers is seeking information concerning a residential burglary that occurred in Odessa.

According to investigators, on Nov. 27 between 7 a.m. and 11 a.m., someone broke into the home of Marvin Goetsch, 1714 W. 23rd St. Burglars entered the house after breaking out a back door window. Among the items stolen were a Tappan microwave oven, a Quasar 19-inch color television set, a Winchester model 12-12 gauge shotgun, a 22 caliber Marlin semi-automatic rifle, and a pair of diamond earrings. The burglars also stole a 1984 white Ford Crown Victoria parked outside, Texas license 363-FYE.

Any information leading to the arrest and indictment of those responsible for the crime could earn \$1,000 cash this week



only. Crime Stoppers pays cash rewards for information about other felony crimes, and callers do not have to reveal their identity.

In Midland, Crime Stoppers can be reached at 694-TIPS, and in Odessa at 333-TIPS.

TV, stereo taken in home burglary

From Staff Reports

Midland County Sheriff's Department records show two sizable burglaries occurred here Monday.

At about 5:30 a.m. Monday, a mobile home of Scott Jankowiak, 4505 Patman Place, was burglarized, reports showed. The mobile home was located north of County Road 150.

Clements, judge to discuss prisons

DALLAS (AP) — Gov.-elect Bill Clements has disclosed that he will meet with U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice to discuss the state's lingering prison problems still before Justice's court.

Clements said Monday that he had received permission from Justice for a meeting if all parties to the pending

Taken were a stereo system valued at \$500, a 19 inch color television, valued at \$450 and a microwave oven, valued at \$300.

On Monday at 10:55 p.m., reports show the home of Donald E. Gifford, 1205 South, was burglarized. Taken were a video cassette recorder, valued at \$299 and a 22 inch color television, valued at \$359.

ing prison litigation agree.

"I have a letter from the judge saying that he would be agreeable to such a meeting and that he would prefer that the attorney general and the (inmate) plaintiffs' lawyers be present along with the (prison) master," Clements said. "And that suits me just fine."

Attorney General Jim Mattox said he agrees that prison problems are not a partisan issue and he and Clements would have to work together to get the problems under control.

Mattox was often at odds over prison issues with his fellow Democrat, Gov. Mark White, who Clements defeated Nov. 4.

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The money represents the cities' 1-cent shares of the state's 5.125-cent per dollar sales tax. Money sent to cities this month comes from sales that were made two months ago.

Neither Midland nor Odessa financial experts were concerned that the most recent drops might portend special budget cutting by their respective cities.

Both had anticipated the drop for budgets drawn up for the current fiscal year, which began Oct. 1, they said.

Midland city administrators had budgeted about \$7 million in expect-

ed revenues from sales tax receipts, Gifford said. "We're watching it as the year develops to see if we'll have a significant drop for the budget," he said.

Money from the sales tax contributes about 12 percent to the entire city budget, he added.

Odessa Fiscal Services Director Musser said he expects Odessa receipts to reflect a 25 percent drop over last year's figures within the first six months of the current fiscal year.

Both financial experts expressed a hope that the local economies will start improving in the spring and the tax receipts will start to rise again.

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Officials said the structure will require little modification to accommodate MISD needs in providing space to expand volume purchasing, adequate parking for the transportation fleet and a modern fueling system.

Officials also predict the federal codes will require changes in the present fueling system.

Officials said the Moran Street facility — built in 1960 as a warehouse, transportation, maintenance, and food services facility for the district's 16,000 students — no longer is adequate to accommodate all of those services for 19,000 students.

It will, however, continue to house the district's food services, maintenance operation, instructional materials center and print shop.

The food service operation is expected to take over the current warehouse.

Additional storage space will allow for expanded bulk purchasing at significant cost savings, officials said.

Church program slated

From Staff Reports

The Children's Choir Christmas program of Crestview Baptist Church will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The regular Wednesday schedule has been adjusted to accommodate the program. The schedule is as follows: Supper, 5 p.m.; Mission organizations and Sunday school workers planning meetings, 5:45 p.m.; Children's choirs, 6:30 p.m.; program, 7 p.m.

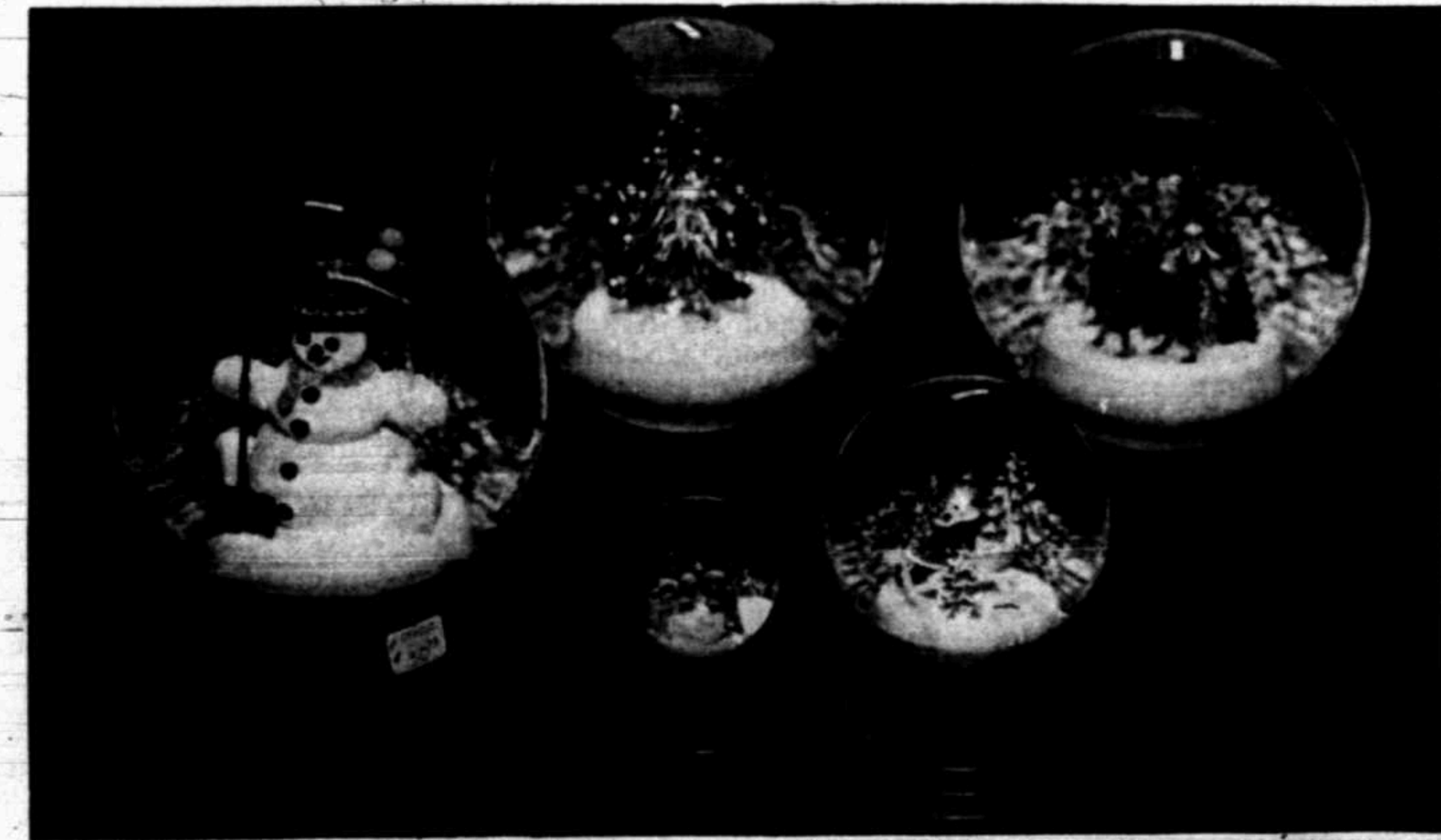


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Ortiz says immediate firing of illegal aliens could hurt economy

HARLINGEN (AP) — U.S. Rep. Solomon Ortiz says immigration officials are giving employers time to "get their house in order" before sanctions are leveled against those who knowingly hire illegal aliens.

However, Ortiz also urged against immediate firing of illegal aliens, even though an immigration reform bill enacted last month makes it illegal to employ them.

Firing the workers might prove devastating to the local economy, the Corpus Christi Democrat said. "Please don't panic," Ortiz told about 60 Rio Grande Valley employers Monday at a seminar sponsored by the U.S. Border Patrol and Immigration and Naturalization Service.

"There's no need to panic at this point. Please don't start firing people. One thing we don't want to do is get in a situation where we prevent industry and new jobs from coming into the Valley, where God knows unemployment is high," Ortiz said at the seminar, the first of its kind to be conducted in the South.

Under legislation signed into law Nov. 6 by President Reagan, employers face civil penalties ranging from \$250 to \$10,000 for each illegal alien hired.

According to the measure, an education period is in effect for the first six months of the bill's enactment. For 12 months beginning May 1, first-time offenders will be cited but not fined. At the end of the warning period, sanctions will be in full effect.

Employers do not face sanctions for undocumented workers who were on the payroll before Nov. 6. But those workers still could face deportation, said David Ayala, attorney for the Harlingen district office of the INS.

Some South Texas shrimpers attending the session told Ortiz their industry could be devastated by the new legislation.

Tony Reisinger, marine extension agent for Cameron County, said much of the shrimping industry in the Brownsville-Port Isabel area could be hurt because it depends heavily on illegal aliens.

Skilled labor would have to be found to replace the 30 percent to 40 percent of the shrimping industry work force that is undocumented, Reisinger said.

Shrimping puts \$150 million a year into the Cameron County economy and is the largest segment of the Texas fishing industry, Reisinger said.

"Trying to replace these undocumented workers is going to be very difficult," he said.

More than 1,000 people are employed on the approximately 350 vessels based in Cameron County, he said.

Henrie Gutierrez, owner of the Capt. Roman Corp. said the illegal aliens often fill positions that U.S. citizens don't want.

Woodcutter knows wood's secrets

NECHES (AP) — Leonard "Red" Davison pointed to the tiny seam in the red oak leg. "That'll bust wide open — I can bust that in just one little lick," he said with a smile. And with a swift swing of an ax, the 61-year-old woodcutter did just that.

After 20 years in the firewood business, Davison has acquired a reputation in this part of Anderson County as a man who knows his wood.

He sells firewood in front of his home on U.S. Highway 79 East, and delivers it to customers in surrounding communities such as Palestine, Jacksonville and Tyler.

Davison knows the secrets of splitting oak, gum, ash and even pine. Generally, the slicker the piece of wood and the fewer knots, the easier it is to break, he said.

In the old days, according to Davison, local residents often used the abundant pines from the East Texas forests for firewood. But burning pines produced a lot of smoke.

"It'll make a hot fire...but it'll have a tendency to smoke up your pipes."

Gum wood is difficult to split because of its sappy texture, and if it's green it won't burn, he said.

"But when it seasons, it burns hotter than oak," he said. "But, man, you couldn't hardly stay in the house with it, unless your house wasn't too good at all."

Oak is by far the most popular firewood in this area, said Davison, adding that it also is the easiest to cut.



AP Laserphoto

Leonard "Red" Davison uses his 1952 truck to haul wood to customers in East Texas. Davison, 61, has been in the firewood business for 20 years and has acquired a reputation in Anderson County as a man who knows his wood.

lest to cut.

He sells all types of oak — red, white and post. Sometimes the veteran woodcutter splits it by hand, but the past couple of years modern technology has crept in to his business, and he's used a motor-driven splitter.

The splitter helps break up even the stubborn knotty pieces of wood, or "sticks," as Davison likes to call them.

He says one can only split wood by hand so long and still be

competitive.

"This gets old," he said. "That makes the difference — having the splitter."

At a rapid pace, Davison shoves the wood he has cut from the forest through the gasoline-powered splitter. Most logs travel through easily, but the huge and cumbersome ones give off a loud crackle as they are forced apart into useable pieces of firewood.

The firewood business is good

this time of year, Davison said, although there is a good deal of competition in the area. "I do pretty good because I'm by the highway," he added.

The number of sales vary from day to day, as do the prices, Davison said. "It just depends on who and where."

Because he's been selling firewood for so long to local residents, word-of-mouth has helped him build a good reputation.

"I've been messing with wood for about 20 years," he said. "I've been selling a lot of wood a long time and a lot of people know me."

Most local residents know him simply as "Red," a nickname he was given by his grandfather when he was born.

"When I was born, my grandfather told my mother, 'That boy's going to be red-headed,'" he said. His hair went from black to red and back to black.

"Now it's getting white. It's changed several times," he said.

Davison said he sold firewood even before he stopped working for Container General, the glass plant that closed down about two years ago. Since then, he has devoted even more time to the wood business, and his sons help him occasionally.

Cutting a cord of wood now takes Davison about 45 minutes, and loading it into his 1952 truck takes about the same length of time.

He said the more he works with wood, the more he learns about it. "That's best experience with wood or anything — is by doing it."

Bustamante thinks ads targeted lawmakers against Contra aid

By PEGGY ROBERSON
Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Rep. Albert Bustamante, a freshman Democrat from San Antonio, was puzzled and offended last May when a television advertisement appeared on KENS-TV in San Antonio, suggesting he was an ally of communist leaders in Central America and the Middle East.

Bustamante, who was unopposed in both the primary and general election, said he was offended by what he called "underhanded tactics" and attempted to learn the source of the negative advertising. Eventually he telephoned the White House to complain. He was told "some group" had independently paid for the political spot that apparently ran only once or twice.

Bustamante now questions whether he and two other Texans and at least a dozen other Democratic incumbents were targeted as part of a national campaign against critics of military aid to Nicaragua.

The FBI is investigating allegations that right wing political pressure groups received the money. On Nov. 25, Attorney Gen. Edwin Meese announced that a preliminary

Justice Department investigation revealed that between \$10-30 million was diverted to the Contras attempting to overthrow the Marxist government, but contra leaders continue to insist they know nothing of the funds and are virtually broke.

OTHER TEXANS targeted with negative advertising were Reps. J.J. Pickle, D-Austin, who overwhelmingly defeated Republican opponent Carole Rylander, and E. (Kika) de la Garza, D-McAllen, who like Bustamante was unopposed.

Both Bustamante and de la Garza had voted against military aid to the Contras in the spring, but when the controversial \$100 million appropriation requested by the Reagan administration again reached the House floor in the fall, they changed positions. Bustamante said then he was not opposed to helping the "freedom fighters," but was disturbed by reports that earlier U.S. aid had been misused and he wanted safeguards and accountability built into any new appropriation. Also, he had advocated a negotiated settlement under auspices of the Contadora Group of Latin American nations over prolonged guerrilla war.

The television advertisement opposing Bustamante stated it was produced by Robert Goodman, Inc., and paid for by the Sentinel Account. The New York Times Monday said Carl R. Channell, a 41-year-old West Virginian described as "a skilled fundraiser," heads a lobby group called Sentinel.

Channell is listed also as head of the Endowment for the Preservation

of Liberty and two other political action committees, the American Conservative Trust and the Anti-Terrorism America Committee, according to The Times.

The Hearst Newspapers made an unsuccessful effort Monday to talk to Channell in Washington. He denied to The Times that he received any of the Iran arms sale money. But he was quoted as saying North assisted his agency in a publicity campaign to help the Contras. North declined to testify before congressional committees, invoking the Fifth Amendment.

Channell worked from 1979 to 1982 for the National Conservative Political Action Committee (known as Nic-Pac), one of the largest and best-known of the hard right political pressure groups.

THE MIAMI Herald reported Sunday that Channell had "worked directly with the White House" on the negative ads.

According to Robert Goodman, owner of the Goodman Agency in Baltimore, Md., who was quoted in The Times' article, \$1.5 million was spent on pro-Contra commercials since Jan. 1985.

Others in addition to the Texans reportedly targeted by the campaign were Reps. Michael Barnes of Maryland, Reps. Ed Jones, Jim Cooper and Bill Boner of Tennessee; Rep. Romano L. Mazzoli of Kentucky; Reps. Charles O. Whitley and W. G. (Bill) Hefner of North Carolina. All are Democrats who opposed military aid to the Contras. All except Barnes were re-elected.

STATE IN BRIEF

Texas congressman appointed to Appropriations Committee

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Tom DeLay was chosen by House Republicans to serve on the powerful Appropriations Committee, which approves funding for virtually every piece of legislation that passes through the House.

DeLay, R-Sugar Land, said he expects his new position will give him the chance to help cut the federal budget and reduce government spending, goals which he has espoused since arriving in Washington for his first term in 1984.

Membership on the Appropriations Committee will require DeLay to drop out of the Public Works and Transportation Committee and the Government Operations Committee under House rules.

"I am thrilled with the new assignment," DeLay said in a prepared statement. "With the Appropriations Committee being the main committee controlling the purse strings for all spending by the federal government, this is the best spot to be in for someone who wants to cut spending."

DeLay said he hopes to "reprioritize spending" for those programs legitimately deserving federal funding and cutting back on domestic spending.

Jury selection starts in lawyer's trial

URBANA, Ill. (AP) — Jury selection began in the murder trial of a San Antonio, Texas, lawyer accused in the 1977 shotgun slaying of her former boyfriend.

Sharon Nieto, 34, was charged this year in the death of Johnny Willis, who was shot in the back of the head with a 12-gauge shotgun.

Champaign County Sheriff Joe Brown alleged that Ms. Nieto arranged for the killing of Willis because she "didn't want him as a boyfriend any more."

Lee Albert Vine, 32, of Toledo, Ohio, also was charged with murder. He pleaded guilty, was sentenced to 24 years in prison, and agreed to testify for the prosecution in Ms. Nieto's trial.

Ms. Nieto and Vine were in the U.S. Air Force stationed at Chanute Technical Training Center in Rantoul at the time of the slaying. Willis had worked at the base.

Diseases kill water fowl in Texas

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service says over 300 waterfowl in two Texas counties have died from outbreaks of several diseases.

The service did not specify the Texas counties but is asking that hunters and landowners in the Playa Lakes area of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Colorado notify wildlife officials if they discover dead waterfowl.

Thousands of waterfowl die each year from bird cholera, botulism and other diseases, the service said. Scientists hope to determine the causes of death of the birds and prevent future outbreaks.

TDC board head to quit

AUSTIN (AP) — State prison board Chairman Alfred Hughes of Austin says he will resign from the panel sometime after Gov.-elect Bill Clements takes office.

"I would like to reduce my involvement with TDC (the Texas Department of Corrections) considerably and eventually be off the board. I certainly don't intend to serve my six-year appointment. But I do intend to serve until we get on the right track," Hughes said Monday after meeting with Clements.

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Feraud's worldwide designs began with three dresses

By NINA HYDE
Los Angeles Times
Washington Post News Service

It all started with three dresses. All white and cotton pique and decorated with patches of applique'd lace. Louis Feraud and his wife then, Zizi, designed them 30 years ago and made enough to fill their tiny shop in Cannes, on the French Riviera.

Brigitte Bardot snapped up three and started wearing them, and the rage for such white dresses on the Riviera has almost never stopped.

The Ferauds' dresses were copied all over the world, and they began to think about making "industry," as Feraud calls ready-to-wear.

"I could no longer make craft work," he said. "I wanted big production."

"One night I was in a club in San Remo and at least half the women were wearing my dresses. At least 100 women," he says, still a bit surprised at the idea. It clinched his decision to go to Paris and get serious about producing clothes in quantity.

The Ferauds rented a shop on the Faubourg Saint Honore and started making two collections a year. But they held on to the boutique in the south of France for two more years. "I am a prudent man," he says, grinning.

Louis Feraud was in Washington recently to show his fall couture collection and ready-to-wear designs for spring at La Maison Francaise. It was a remarkable presentation, considering one rarely sees French couture designs presented here and the spring ready-to-wear showing will not even be unveiled in Paris until next week. The crowd here, which included Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and television

newsman Roger Mudd, scooped them all.

Feraud looked like an America's Cup sailor when he arrived at the Ritz-Carlton carrying a canvas shoulder bag covered with military patches and a white vinyl zippered suitcase with two angels painted on one side. In it was his rolled-up tuxedo, which he immediately had pressed.

HIS VISIT sparked a dinner at the French Embassy that attracted a particularly stylish crowd in Washington on a night of gala parties. Some of the most elegant women in Washington, including Deeda Blair, Evangeline Bruce and Susan Mary Alsop, chose the Feraud dinner over all the International Monetary Fund fetes.

Ten years after he started his business in Paris with a couture collection, Feraud added ready-to-wear. Wives of the French president's advisers would pass the time in his store while their husbands were across the street at the Elysee Palace. Danielle Mitterrand dropped over and bought two suits and borrowed a pair of cuff links. Kim Novak, Elizabeth Taylor and Ingrid Bergman discovered the clothes, too.

American designer Oleg Cassini was at the first Feraud couture show in Paris and offered him a licensing arrangement for the United States. "I wasn't sure what I was signing, but it worked out wonderfully," says Feraud. Since then he has fine-tuned a wildly successful worldwide licensing deal, particularly in Japan, Mexico, Brazil and Australia, which helps generate more than \$300 million in business annually. That makes him more successful financially than most other European designers, except for Yves Saint Laurent, Pierre Cardin and Valentino.



Fashion designer Louis Feraud (left) began his career on the French Riviera. His creations now include fashions such as silk suits (right) with slit skirts.

His label is on everything from lingerie, luggage and hats to shoes for men and women. In fact, his men's sweaters and ties are often among the best in Paris. He makes as many as 5,000 to 6,000 of each of his most popular styles and a winning design sells equally well around the world. "No matter if it is a short Japanese



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worked at Feraud before each opened a house in Paris. "At least half of my designers are good enough to open their own houses," Feraud says proudly.

"He's one of the few couturiers in Paris who is willing to give relative newcomers a chance. I've learned a hell of a lot from him," says Mel West, a former advertising director at Hecht's.

In his large picture book that documents his work and is sprinkled with the designer's commentary, Feraud says starting a new collection is like "driving up to a busy intersection that has no traffic lights, or more simply like jumping off a cliff." To give fresh ideas to his collection, he dispatches his design staff to Tibet or Africa or Brazil looking for new forms, new colors.

Feraud, who usually works among his designers in a sweat suit and sneakers, can make a suit from scratch. "I can cut and sew pants or a skirt. Not always a jacket — that's a little difficult," he admits. But "if I couldn't show them how to make things better, then I would have no authority. And there would be no need for me."

HE WAS born in Arles, France, where his father was a baker, and he helped out in the boulangerie. "Maybe I should have stuck with baking ... maybe I would be happy doing that," Feraud says, laughing.

In fact he's doing what he loves most. He's a painter and spends part of his day painting pictures, mostly of women.

He got away from Arles by joining the military. After World War II he went to Paris where he worked for a time as a journalist. Then he married Zizi "who was very attracted to fashion," he says. "Her feeling for

fashion and my eyes as a painter went well together," he says.

They still work together, although they are divorced. (He is also divorced from his second wife, an American named Mia Fonnassagres, the daughter of photographer Irving Penn and famous model Lisa Fonnassagres.) Feraud remains unmarried.

He lets others represent him when his clothes are shown outside Paris. The show at the Maison Francaise was an exception. He sat in the audience there.

The audience loved the show and the simple, direct way it was staged. Several models were brought from New York including Washingtonians Charissa Craig and Beverly Lee. The ready-to-wear is perfect for Washington: low-key, well made, comfortable and of good value, even at about \$750 per garment. "Everyone in town owns at least one Feraud suit. They are the best value for the money," says Val Cook of Saks-Jandel, which sponsored the show. The outfits are complete costumes such as a coat with a companion blouse and skirt or a suit with a perfect blouse. Evening clothes, too, are not tricky, are easy to wear and are appropriate for Washington parties.

As subdued as the ready-to-wear is, the couture is quite the opposite — colorful, flashy and very noticeable. Each garment requires five fittings — compared with the ready-to-wear, which is bought off the rack — and has a price tag of \$5,000 to \$30,000. And they look it.

Many of the dresses he showed here had intricate hand-beaded embroidery, including huge musical instruments on the front of velvet dresses, while others were jewel-encrusted bustiers with taffeta skirts. And all this from three little white cotton dresses.

DEAR ABBY

Unborn child spared life's heartaches, joys

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: So "Hurting in Fort Worth" and her husband have decided not to have children because "there's so much wrong with the world." And now he insists on an abortion, presumably to "save" the child from all those wrongs.

Yes, indeed. That poor child will never see a butterfly. Or a rainbow. A waterfall. A smile. A dog wagging his tail. A tree. The Grand Canyon. Rio. A baseball game. A rose. Grazing sheep. A Raphael painting. The love in a spouse's eyes. "Swan Lake." A parade. A jet stream. A flame in the fireplace. A bicycle. An emerald. A sailboat. A snowflake. A fishing village. A cathedral.

That poor child will never hear a babbling brook. Or rustling leaves. A bell. "Rigoletto." The patter of rain. Another child's laughter. A piano concerto. A howling owl. The "silence" of a desert. A foghorn. A church organ.

That poor child will never read a poem by Burns. Or a love letter. Tolstoy. A science magazine. Victor Hugo. A name on a boat. A Christmas card. Mark Twain. The Bible.

That poor child will never feel excitement. Or warmth. Love. Anticipation. Awe. The atmosphere of a jazz concert. A cold shower. The satisfaction of a job well done. A friend's handshake. Reverence.

But it seems the parents have never seen, heard, read or felt any of these things either. That's why

they're willing to deprive their child of them. Maybe that's the real "wrong" in the world. — GORDON BARRETT, GRANADA HILLS, CALIF.

DEAR GORDON: True, an unborn child will never experience any of the wonderful things you so eloquently described. But neither will an unborn child feel the pain of poverty. Or prejudice. A Hiroshima. A holocaust. Or a nuclear accident. That lucky child will never be terrorized by youth gangs that kill innocent bystanders in random acts of violence. It will never have to fear disease from polluted air or drinking water, or the deadly consequences of playing in a schoolyard unthinkingly located precariously near a toxic waste dump.

An unborn child will never be seduced by drugs, or die before he's had a chance to live because of a drunken driver. He will never kill or be killed in a senseless war. (Is there another kind?) And finally, he will never know the pain of being born into a family that doesn't want him, cannot provide for him and resents his presence.

DEAR ABBY: Since you published the age classification of dogs to humans, will you please settle the near violent discussions my friends and I (all cat owners) have been having? We hope you will make similar data available concerning cats.

And by the way, "cat owners" may

be properly referred to as "cat owners." — RALPH IN LOMITA, CALIF.

DEAR RALPH: According to Dr. James Isaacs, my veterinary consultant in Encino, Calif., cats live an average of about four years longer than dogs. In cats, the first two years count for more "human years," but each year thereafter counts for fewer "human years" than for dogs.

The first six months equal 13 years, the second six months equal eight years — therefore, the first cat year equals 21 human years. The second cat year equals 10 human years, and each subsequent year equals three human years. Thus, a 10-year-old cat has achieved 55 human years.

DEAR READERS: If you can use a few laughs, here are some choice quotes from "The Third and Possibly the Best 637 Things Anybody Ever Said," by Robert Byrne. It's published by Atheneum; your bookstore should have it. If you have a sick friend (and who hasn't?), this \$10.95 "upper" would make an ideal gift. Some samples:

"It's the responsibility of the media to look at the president with a microscope, but they go too far when they use a proctoscope." (Richard Nixon)

"Every time a friend succeeds, I die a little." (Gore Vidal)

"After 70, it's patch, patch, patch." (Jimmy Stewart)

"Housework can kill you, if you do it right." (Erma Bombeck)

"I'm no different from anybody else with two arms, two legs and 4,200 hits." (Pete Rose)

"Two farmers each claimed to own a certain cow. While one pulled on its head and the other pulled on its tail, the cow was milked by a lawyer." (Jewish parable)

"In Italy a woman can have a face like a train wreck if she's blond." (Unknown)

"There is never enough time, unless you're serving it." (Malcolm Forbes)

"Veni, vidi, visa." (We came, we saw, we went shopping.) (Jan Barrett)

"Diplomacy is the art of saying, 'Nice doggie,' until you can find a rock." (Will Rogers)

"9 W." Answer to the question, "Do you spell your name with a V, Mr. Wagner?" (Steve Allen)

"My grandmother is over 80 and still doesn't need glasses. Drinks right out of the bottle." (Henny Youngman)

(For Abby's booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding," send a check or money order for \$2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents), self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054.)

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AT WIT'S END

Mystery probed

By ERMA BOMBECK

One of the great mysteries of the world is about to be probed.

Imagine, if you will, traveling in the highlands of Papua, New Guinea, where civilization is so primitive that cannibalism was practiced as recently as World War II. A collection of natives walk on the dirt road wearing nothing but grass around their waists, a machete knife and ... (flip-flop) thongs on their feet.

In another part of the world, Jacques Cousteau's son takes his team of researchers along the Amazon River to a village that time never found. A tribe of warriors with white ashes on their faces and bones threaded through their lips are dancing around a fire. The camera picks up the rhythm of their ... thong-clad feet!

No matter where you travel in this world, thongs have gotten there first. They have penetrated primitive civilization before penicillin, before Bibles, before Coca-Cola. The question is how did this little rubber sole with two straps that are held together by squeezing your toes find its way to these areas? Adidas may be, but thongs?

It couldn't have been Margaret Mead, leaving in a hurry without her shoes. Somehow, I can't imagine her in anything but sturdy Red Cross ox-

fords with arch supports. Thor Heyerdahl leaving them as a tip seems unlikely. Norwegians don't show their toes.

It has to be the Galapagos theory. Somehow, a child was playing one day on an American beach in a pair of thongs from Kinney's shoe store. The thongs got away from him and floated across the Pacific or up to Manaus where the Amazon begins.

When it washed ashore, natives probably tried to cook it. When that didn't work, they tried to start a fire with it. It was useless as a weapon, leaving only one thing. To stomp on it. It felt so good, they decided to put them on their feet. In the heat of the tropics, the thongs multiplied until everyone had sandals to wear in eight corners.

There are possibly only two places in the world now where thongs have never been seen: in the tomb of Tutankhamen and the closet of Imelda Marcos. This is significant, but I don't know why.

The "Thong Mystery" belongs right up there with the hollow-eyed men of stone on Easter Island, the Bermuda Triangle and the Shroud of Turin. We may never know.

It's just something to get my mind off addressing all my Christmas cards.

Erma Bombeck is a columnist for Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

Audience is best fun

New York Times News Service

NEW YORK — The best fun at the semiannual European ready-to-wear fashion collections isn't always on the runway. Sometimes it's in the audience. For example, Kathleen Turner, the actress, turned up with her husband, Jay Weiss, a real-estate operator, at Nino Cerruti's Paris show of his softened-up but still sophisticated line. "I like her face," Weiss said, pointing out one model to his wife. Then he quickly added, "But I like your face better." To which Miss Turner responded, "You're such a good sport."

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Four Dallas Cowboy fans hide under paper Sunday at Texas Stadium. The 23-21 loss was the bags during Dallas' loss to the Philadelphia Eagles fourth in a row for the Cowboys.

New NFL trend: Cowbags

IRVING (AP) — Losing has become more than some Dallas Cowboys fans can bear. They've started hiding their identities in "Cow Bags."

"Cow Bags" are grocery sacks with eye and nose holes cut out. It's easy to boo from inside of them without anybody recognizing you.

Two decades of winning football have spoiled the Cowboys' fans perhaps more than any other in the NFL.

Professional sports' longest active winning streak ended Sunday when the Philadelphia Eagles beat the Cowboys 23-21, eliminating Dallas from the NFL playoffs for the third time in 20 years.

A hostile crowd of 46,177 fans heavily booed quarterback Steve Pelluer, punter Mike Saxon and the Dallas defense.

Dallas' poor showing this year, combined with Sunday's chilly, wet weather led to 17,172 no-shows for the Eagles game, the second highest number in the club's history.

"I'd almost be willing to trade these tickets for an umbrella," said Phil Leonard, who was trying to unload several 50-yard-line seats.

Dallas has a 7-8 record. They have to beat the Chicago Bears in Texas Stadium on Sunday to escape a losing season. The last time the Cowboys had a losing season was 1964 when they finished 5-8-1.

The team's 20 consecutive winning seasons was the third-longest in professional sports history, behind the New York Yankees' 39 straight winning seasons and the Montreal Canadiens' 32 consecutive winning years.

"The Glory Days Are Officially Over," headlined the Dallas Times Herald.

The Cowboys started the season as NFC Eastern Division champions, and won six of their first eight games.

But injuries to quarterback Danny White and running backs Herschel Walker and Tony Dorsett helped contribute to a slide that has seen the Cowboys lose six of their last seven games. It's their worst second-half of the season since 1962.

"We're probably being laughed at around the NFL," Dorsett said. "A lot of people are extremely happy things have worked out the way they have, but we'll be back."

"We don't have anything to be proud of this year. But we've had a great past and I'm sure we'll have a great future."

"It's been a rough year for me physically," Dorsett added. "I've been beat up all year. I'm looking forward to getting myself healthy and being ready next year."

Close losses to the New York Giants and the Los Angeles Raiders with Pelluer at quarterback hurt the Cowboys.

"It tore the heart out of this team," Coach Tom Landry said.

Defensive tackle Randy White said there should be no excuses.

"I've never been in this situation before," White said. "What it boils down to is we just haven't been getting the job done. We lost that little edge you need to win football games. We need to show some pride against Chicago."

Gooden, police draw battle lines

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Dwight Gooden says Tampa police were "laying for me," while an attorney for the New York Mets pitcher says interviews he's conducted with witnesses indicate police may have used excessive force in restraining Gooden during a fight with officers over the weekend.

"The cops hit me first. It was almost like a setup," Gooden was quoted as saying in today's editions of Newsday. "They were laying for me. It happens a lot with me and the group I hang around with and the cops down here. They put the shackles on me for no reason at all and beat me."

"One guy pulled his gun and shoved the barrel right into my neck."

Attorney Charles Ehrlich said Monday that "witnesses have come forward and provided bits of it. It appears there were excessive beatings involved."

Police denied the accusation, saying the arresting officers did not act improperly when Gooden, 22, was handcuffed and ankle-cuffed during the scuffle Saturday night.

TAMPA POLICE Department spokesman Johnny Barker told Newsday that the department was not out to get Gooden.

"When you talk brutality, it can be in two ways — the use of excessive force, which is a determination that Mr. Gooden will have to make, or in the line of proper police work," Police Chief Daniel Newberger told the Tampa Tribune.

"There is no doubt that force was used. One officer was kicked in the head and will be out (of work) for three days," Newberger added. "Another officer was kicked in the groin and had to be assisted by a citizen walking down the street."

"It got to the point where it turned into a real fight and the officers had to protect themselves," said Newberger. "No one can deny that force was used, but they were talking about him being hogtied and everything. He was handcuffed and his feet were restrained by rope to keep him from kicking further. That's

what we train the officers to do." Ehrlich said his investigation of the incident continues, but that preliminary findings support Gooden's statements that he did nothing wrong.

Gooden and four companions, two of them major league baseball prospects, were arrested Saturday night on their way home from a college basketball game at the University of South Florida. They were traveling in three separate cars.

Also arrested were Sheffield, 18, a first-round draft pick of the Milwaukee Brewers this year, California Angels minor-league player Vance Lovelace, 23, who played for the Midland Angels last summer, Philip Walker, Jr., 23, and Derrick Pedro, 17.

All except Pedro were booked into the Hillsborough County jail and released on their own recognizance. Pedro was handed over to state juvenile officers, police said.

According to police reports, a 1984 silver Mercedes-Benz driven by Gooden and a red Corvette driven by his nephew, Gary Sheffield, were stopped by police after an officer spotted the vehicles weaving toward each other in traffic.

One of the arresting officers said Gooden got out of his car using profane language and initially refused to surrender his driver's license.

GOODEN, 17-6 last season when he helped the Mets to the world championship, was charged with disorderly conduct, resisting arrest with violence and battery on a police officer. His attorney said he was also charged with careless driving.

Battery of a police officer and violently resisting arrest are third-degree felonies carrying maximum penalties of five years in prison and \$5,000 fines. The disorderly conduct charge, a second-degree misdemeanor, carries a maximum penalty of 60 days in jail.

Arraignment dates were not set. Barker said Gooden and the others will be notified of a court date by mail.



Carlsbad's Trina Austin (20) searches for the ball while Midland Lee's Piette Mayfield searches for her glasses during basketball action Monday night at Chaparral Center.

Lee girls improve record to 11-1

By ERIC SCHURER
Sports Writer

Midland Lee could have been ripe for an upset.

The Rebels were "coming off an emotionally draining Tall City tournament title less than 48 hours earlier and a 6-2 Carlsbad, N.M., team looked like it was ready to do the job."

Instead, Lee shut down the Carlsbad offense early in the second quarter and cruised to an easy 60-32 win Monday night at Chaparral Center. Lee is now 11-1 on the season and has won four in a row since being upset last week in Greenwood.

The Rebels seemed to be suffering from jet lag much of the night, especially in the early going. But despite playing their fourth game in four days, Lee had little trouble in the final three periods.

"They probably were (tired), but it's a matter of us experimenting until we find the right defense that is going to work for us on a given

night," said Lee coach Shirley Stephenson. "But you can look like you're dragging on this big court, it seems like you're going slower. But I'll admit we were going pretty slow."

As drained as the Rebels may have been, once they took the lead with five minutes to go in the second quarter, it was all over. Lee held Carlsbad to just six points in each of the final three quarters while the Rebels were in double figures.

The Rebels found a press that gave Carlsbad fits in its own end, and left it shooting a meager 29 percent on offense. The tight defense enabled Lee to coast to its 11th win despite shooting just 37 percent itself.

Melissa Hart led all scorers with 14 points, and the 5-9 post had to muscle inside for all of them, hauling down seven rebounds in the process.

"Teams are trying to shut down our post game, so Melissa had to work for all of them," Stephenson said. "I also thought Leah Burnett

had a nice game."

Burnett was one of two Rebels with 10 points, making good on four of seven shots from the floor. Regina Calicut was the other. Roz Eaden added nine points and a game-high 10 rebounds for Lee.

And while it was not exactly the demonstration of the fine-tuned Rebel machine perhaps Stephenson was looking for in her final tune-up before district play, she was more than pleased.

"It was OK, I'm certainly not upset," Stephenson said. "We've been playing a lot of games, but we just like to play. Sometimes I wish the games were a little longer so I could get some of our girls more playing time."

The Rebels will now take three days off before opening District 4-5A play Friday night in San Angelo, a team the Rebels defeated a few weeks ago.

"They played us very strong early in the year, and I'm sure they're much improved," Stephenson said.

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — It was one of those rare NFL games where everybody went away happy.

Chicago Coach Mike Ditka was happy because the Bears rallied to beat Detroit 16-13.

Lions Coach Darryl Rogers was happy because rookie quarterback Chuck Long, making his first NFL start, played fairly well.

Long, after breaking in against the best defense in football, was happy to be alive and still in one piece.

"I'm proud of what the defense did and I'm proud of the bounce back we made in the second half," Ditka said. "We didn't play good. I'm not going to tell you we played good. But we do feel pretty good about the way it came out."

The Bears trailed 13-3 at the start of the fourth quarter, but rallied to win thanks to a 4-yard touchdown run by Matt Suhey and field goals of 32 and 22 yards by Kevin Butler, the latter as time expired. Butler also kicked a 41-yard field goal for Chicago's only points in the first half.

"The truest statement today was when Suhey told me, 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it.' And we went ahead and fixed something that wasn't broke," Ditka said, explaining the Bears' sluggish start. "We tried to throw the ball instead of run it, and our game is to run the football."

Doug Flutie, who took over when starting Chicago quarterback Mike Tomczak suffered a leg injury on the Bears' first possession, completed 13 of 24 passes for 130 yards.

When the Bears finally began their rally in the fourth quarter, they did it mainly on the strength of their rushing game, sparked by Suhey, who gained 42 yards on 11 carries, and Walter Payton, who finished with 83 yards on 19 carries — including 33 in the Bears' final drive.

"I was shaky," Flutie said. "I took my licks and tried to bounce back the best I could. Thank goodness for Walter Payton and the running game."

Long, the Lions' No. 1 draft pick out of Iowa, completed 12 of 24 passes for 167 yards despite being sacked six times for 63 yards in losses by the Bears' ferocious rush.

"They knew I was young," Long said. "They knew I hadn't seen everything. They were teasing off on me. They came with some blitzes. Some I picked up, some I didn't."

"I knew when we were in bad field position they were gonna throw the whole book at me, and they did."

On the whole, Rogers said he was happy with the rookie's performance, but didn't say whether Long would start Sunday's season finale against the Atlanta Falcons.

"It's rather obvious he has a long way to go," Rogers said. "It's also obvious his future is bright. It's good for us to have something like that to build on."

Eddie Murray kicked field goals of 52 and 39 yards in the first half, the first his longest of the season, giving the Lions a 6-3 halftime lead.

Detroit's only touchdown came as the result of some hustle by the Lions' punting team and a Chicago turnover.

Donnie Elder raced downfield to down a Jim Arnold punt on the Bears' 1-yard line with 7:08 remaining in the third quarter. On the first snap, Payton fumbled and Demetrius Johnson recovered for the Lions at the 4-yard line.

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Streaks on line for MHS

From Staff Reports

Midland High basketballers will be trying to add to one winning streak and stop a losing streak tonight on two non-conference cage fronts.

The Midland High boys have put back-to-back victories together for the first time this year, beating Hobbs, N.M., and Lubbock High over the weekend. The 3-7 Bulldogs will try to boost its winning streak to three games tonight when they host Class 3A Seminole at Chaparral Center at 8 p.m.

The MHS girls, on the other hand, are in a two-game losing slump after falling to the El Paso teams of Parkland and Eastwood over the week-

end. The MHS girls are now 6-4 on the season and will host Greenwood at 7:30 p.m. today in the MHS gym.

Greenwood's girls already own a victory over the 11-1 Rebels of Midland Lee, so the Bulldogs will have a tough chore at ending the losing skid. The matchup is also important to MHS since the Bulldogs start District 4-5A play Friday at 8 p.m. against Odessa High at Chaparral Center.

The Lee girls travel to Odessa Permian Friday to open defense of the 4-5A title they won a year ago.

The MHS and Lee boys travel to San Antonio Thursday for the start of the three-day Optimist Classic tournament.

Dykes says 'hay's in barn' for Tech

LUBBOCK (AP) — The Texas Tech Red Raiders finish their final exams today, freeing them to get ready for Wednesday morning's departure to Shreveport, La., for the Independence Bowl.

The Raiders will clash with the University of Mississippi Rebels Saturday at 7:05 p.m.

The team went through a two-hour workout Sunday and won't practice again until they arrive in Shreveport. Head coach Spike Dykes said that Tech's game plan is in, adding there would be little variation on what the Raiders did during the regular season.

"The hay's in the barn. All we need is to put the finishing touches on the game plan when we get to Shreveport," Dykes said.

Dykes, who led Midland Lee to the state Class 5A finals in 1983, was promoted from defensive coordinator to head coach 10 days ago following

David McWilliams' decision to accept the head coaching job at Texas.

"The distractions are behind us... that's history," senior quarterback and co-captain Monte McGuire said, referring to McWilliams' departure on Dec. 5. "We're ready to play a football game, you can tell by the way we're practicing and preparing for Ole Miss."

In Shreveport Monday, officials were optimistic that the Tech-Ole Miss clash would be the best draw in the 11-year history of the Independence Bowl.

"I think this is going to be our largest crowd ever," said Independence Bowl executive director Paul Manassa. "We've got about 2,500 reserved seats left. Mississippi has sold 9,000 tickets. We thought we'd get this kind of response with a Southeastern Conference-Southwest Con-

ference matchup... we haven't been disappointed."

Independence Stadium seats 50,450. Tech officials announced Monday that tickets to the game (\$20) and other various pre-bowl functions would remain on sale at the Tech ticket office through midweek.

Dykes announced Monday the hiring of 13-year college coaching veteran Robert Ford as his fifth assistant coach. Dykes still has four staff openings to fill.

Ford, a former standout player for the University of Houston who shares the NCAA record for longest (99 yards) touchdown reception, will join the Red Raiders as wide receivers coach.

"He's an excellent coach," said Dykes, who was Ford's coach at Belton High School in the late 1960s. "He's one of the finest coaches at his position I've ever seen."

SportScan

TV Sports...

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BASKETBALL — Rockets vs. Suns, 7 p.m., KTXV-TV.
76ers vs. Bucks, 7:05 p.m., WTBS.
Ohio State vs. Dayton, 7 p.m., USA.
HOCKEY — Canadiens vs. Blues, 7 p.m., ESPN.

Sports Today...

BASKETBALL — Seminole vs. Midland High boys, Chaparral Center, 8 p.m.
Greenwood vs. Midland High girls, 7:30 p.m., MHS gym.

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Trivia Teaser...

Today's Question: Andy Panko played in four World Series with three different teams. Name the teams?
Monday's Answer: Goltz was the football coach who succeeded Lou Holtz at Minnesota.



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First downs	16	14
Rushes-yards	40-181	21-56
Passing	11-109	10-104
Comp-Att-Int	13-26-1	12-24-1
Punts	4-49	8-49
Fumbles-Lost	5-3	2-1
Penalties-Yards	8-61	4-43

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Chicago, Payton 19-83, Suhey 11-42, Anderson 2-13, Thomas 2-12, Flutie 6-11, Detroit, James 12-35, Johnson 6-24.

PASSING—Chicago, Tomczak 2-0-0, Flutie 13-24-1, 130, Detroit, Long 12-24-1-167.

RECEIVING—Chicago, Gault 5-53, Gentry 3-30, Payton 2-8, Moorehead 1-25, Sanders 1-18, Wrightman 1 (minus 4), Detroit, Thompson 4-54, Blend 3-55, Giles 1-1.

MC Mustangs drop district cage openers

In boys action, Balmorhea threw up a box-and-one defense to defeat MC for the title. Kevin Wallum, who scored 31 points in a semifinal victory over Grandfalls, was held to two points with the defensive move.

Midland Christian 69, Grandfalls 39
Midland Christian: John Snell, 0-0-1-0; David Johnson, 3-0-1-6; Rob Pridemore, 0-0-1-0; Russ Pridemore, 2-0-2-4; Tony Corona, 4-3-3-11; Ronnie Patten, 0-4-0-4; Kevin Wallum, 13-5-2-31; Aaron

Midland Christian	10	10	14	6-40
Balmorhea	14	15	16	13-58

Midessa Vice wins again

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All-America feud begins

The matchup between USA and Conner's San Diego Yacht Club on

America's Cup

The NYYC had successfully de-

The Royal Perth Yacht Club's defender race committee upheld a protest by Australia's fastest Kookaburra II.

finals, which start Dec. 27. Each boat will race nine times with the top two boats advancing to the defender finals next month.

Morris pitches to Twins

"I've been fortunate to be on a World Series championship team and would love to bring it back to this town. I think we're very optimistic at this point. We're prepared to sign a contract, and from my point of view,

Morris, who earned about \$850,000 last year, reportedly rejected Detroit's final offer of \$2.5 million over two years. If the Twins were to sign him for more than that, it would make him the highest-paid player on the team.

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Sports Scoreboard

NHL

National Hockey League
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Philadelphia	22	7	2	46
Pittsburgh	18	12	2	34
NY Islanders	18	12	2	34
New Jersey	14	14	2	30
NY Rangers	10	14	6	26
Washington	10	14	6	26

Adams Division

Montreal	18	11	4	38
Hartford	14	14	4	32
Quebec	14	14	4	32
Buffalo	10	14	4	24
Calgary	6	20	4	16

Campbell Division

Minnesota	13	13	3	29
St. Louis	12	12	5	29
Toronto	10	13	5	25
Detroit	10	13	5	25
Chicago	8	17	5	22

Norris Division

Edmonton	20	11	4	41
Calgary	17	13	3	31
Winnipeg	16	13	3	31
Los Angeles	10	13	3	23
Vancouver	9	19	3	21

Monday's Games

Minnesota at N.Y. Islanders	7:05 p.m.
Montreal at St. Louis	7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago	8:35 p.m.

Monday's NHL Scores

Minnesota	2	2	0	4
N.Y. Rangers	1	1	1	3
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Rioting in Pakistan kills 146 people

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — Ethnic fighting erupted again today after a night in which residents stood on their rooftops to guard against rioters who had burned hundreds of buildings. The clashes have left at least 146 people dead and 545 injured.

Although thousands of Pakistani army and navy troops continued to patrol Karachi, rival groups again today battled with shotguns, daggers, knives and pistols in violence that affected about half the city.

Fighting also flared again in Hyderabad, 100 miles to the east, where a bank, two government offices and 12 shops were set ablaze, witnesses said.

The violence began late Saturday when Pathans, angered by police drug and weapons raids in their neighborhoods, took to the streets and began erecting barricades. Witnesses said full-scale rioting began Sunday when the Pathans began attacking Mohajirs and Biharis.

The death toll through Monday was 125. One more death was reported today in Hyderabad and 20 in the hard-hit Karachi neighborhood of Orangi, including 13 people burned alive while sleeping in their huts, hospital officials said.

Witnesses said the army took up positions on Orangi's hilltops, which have been used by Pathans to shoot into the densely populated Mohajir neighborhood below.

Private groups in the rival Mohajir and Pathan communities used loudspeakers overnight to exhort residents: "Stay awake and guard yourself," and "Keep your neighborhood alert."



Rioters in Karachi, Pakistan, set furniture and other objects ablaze as disturbances continue in the port city.



WORLD

Mohammed Nasim, 37, a Mohajir businessman, said today that he and his two sons took turns during the night "to guard our neighborhood, and send the alarm signal to our people on the megaphones."

"Pathans have more weapons and ammunition, and can do a lot of mischief," Nasim said in a telephone interview from his home in the Malir neighborhood.

Troops patrolling the city of 7 mil-

lion used loudspeakers to warn that anyone setting property on fire, looting or engaging in other violence would be shot on sight.

Witnesses said Monday that women and children were dragged from their homes by some rioters and stabbed or shot.

Hospital sources who spoke on condition of anonymity said 65 more people were injured today, raising the total to 545. They said some of the dead were shot, while others were stabbed or burned alive.

Businesses, schools and government offices remained closed today, and most transportation was halted. Local trains stopped running after rioters set three stations on fire, and the streets were empty of traffic or pedestrians even in neighborhoods not under curfew.

Food was in short supply, with no shipments coming in from outside. However, the Karachi international airport remained open and intercity trains were running, although behind schedule.

Benazir Bhutto, head of the opposition Pakistan Peoples Party, appealed for calm.

"All groups and people should remain peaceful, avoid violence and bring about peace and harmony in their great city," she said in a statement. She warned against "subversionists and agent provocateurs," but did not elaborate.

Miss Bhutto accused the government of failing "to control the riots as it has no roots among the people." She has called repeatedly on President Mohammed Zia ul-Haq and Prime Minister Khan Junejo to resign and hold new elections.

1,480 jailed for politics, paper says

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The number of people being held or facing trial in connection with political activities this year stands at 1,480, including 1,164 students, South Korean newspapers reported today.

Dong-A Ilbo, an influential newspaper in Seoul, said that figures released by prosecutors showed 3,450 people had been arrested so far this year on charges related to demonstrations, sit-ins and other "political conditions."

Government authorities say there are no political prisoners in South Korea, and that all those held have been charged with or are being investigated for violations of existing laws.

Dissidents claim, however, that there now are about 1,700 political prisoners or prisoners of conscience.

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Vietnam's Communists discuss changes

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — Delegates to the Communist Party's Sixth Congress are freely discussing rumors of top leadership changes with Western reporters allowed to cover the proceedings for the first time.

Lower-level government officials were pulling reporters aside to talk about reports that party chief Truong Chinh, Prime Minister Pham Van Dong, and key Politburo member Le Duc Tho, all would step down during the four-day congress that convened Monday.

The resignations, if true, would follow months of strong criticism of leadership failings, especially over economic policy. They would be the most dramatic changes in the Communist Party's 56-year history.

Chinh, 79, Dong, 80, and Tho, 75, head a list of aging revolutionaries in the 14-member ruling Politburo. All were close associates of Vietnamese independence leader Ho Chi Minh, whose Indochinese Communist Party formed in 1930 was the forerunner to the present party.

They and Le Duan led the Communists after Ho's death in 1969. These revolutionaries fought French colo-

nialists and Japanese invaders before defeating American and South Vietnamese forces to unify Vietnam under the Communist banner in April 1975.

Officially, Dong, who has been premier for more than 30 years, ranks just behind Chinh in the Politburo. Tho is officially ranked fourth behind Interior Minister Pham Hung but is widely believed to be second in terms of actual power.

At the current party congress, the first that Western reporters have been allowed to cover, none of Vietnam's leaders — seen from a distance — appeared to be in bad health.

The criticisms peaked at the opening session, where leaders said the party and government were guilty of serious failures and that it was time to "purify" those institutions. Chinh called for "bold renovation" in management of the economy, which has failed to improve despite earlier party plans and promises.

"We frankly analyze and bravely admit the serious and long-lasting shortcomings and mistakes as con-

cerns major viewpoints and policies, strategic guidance and organization of work," he said.

In an economic report, Politburo member Vo Van Kiet said the situation was "still rife with difficulties," citing unemployment, waste and shortages.

Yegor Ligachev, the Soviet Communist Party's ideologist, appeared to criticize officials for misusing Soviet aid although he did not go into details.

"We are satisfied that our cooperation with Vietnam is moving toward more realistic ground, taking into consideration the real needs and possibilities of the Vietnamese economy," Ligachev said in a speech Monday. He said the Soviet Union will continue to help as much as it can and should, but that it is most important to use funds where they "achieve the most effective results."

The congress has drawn 1,129 delegates from all parts of the country, representing more than 1.8 million members of the party.

In April, a top Vietnamese party official told the Japanese newspaper

Yomiuri Shimbun that then party Secretary General Le Duan would resign at the congress along with Chinh, Dong and Tho. Le Duan died in July.

Unseasonably warm winds unfurled hundreds of bright red Vietnamese flags hung out of homes, shops and factories in this usually Spartan capital of about 2 million.

Streets usually jammed with bicycles were cleared by authorities eagerly accommodating congress delegates, foreign observers and legions of reporters, mostly from the East bloc and Vietnamese news organizations.

Most Hanoi residents interviewed said they did not expect the congress to have any immediate effect on their daily lives. But that did not dampen interest in the almost legendary group of communist leaders that had taken them through decades of war and revolution.

Foreign Ministry guides from whom not a hint of dissent could be squeezed on previous visits to Hanoi, engaged reporters in the now popular criticism of leadership.

French mayor shaken by 'horrible, unjust death'



Police investigators examine the wreckage of a car belonging to former French justice minister and current mayor of the town of Provins, France, Alain Peyrefitte.

New York Times News Service

PARIS — A bomb exploded Monday in a car belonging to Alain Peyrefitte, a former Gaullist justice minister, killing the driver, who had come to take Peyrefitte to work.

Peyrefitte, a leading conservative columnist and mayor of the town of Provins, east of Paris, said: "I was saved but somebody was killed in my place. I'm shaken by the horrible and unjust death of this employee."

He said that he had received no death threats recently, but that he believed he had been made a target because of his conservative views.

"I'm the symbol of the simple idea that there's no liberty without order in a society," he said.

According to the Associated Press, an anonymous telephone caller to the city hall said the bomb was planted by Direct Action, but the leftist terrorist group previously has used only written statements or leaflets to claim responsibility for attacks. Police would not comment on the telephone call.

Interior Minister Charles Pasqua did not confirm the Direct Action connection directly but said in a televised interview that "those who have declared war on the Europe of bosses" — as it has done — "did not

hesitate to take the risk of killing workers," the AP reported him as saying.

A French extreme-left terror group, Direct Action, has taken responsibility for killing or trying to kill prominent people in this country in recent months. Last month, Georges Besse, the chairman of the giant car maker Renault, was shot dead in front of his house by two women. Direct Action has taken responsibility for that killing.

Some officials noted, however, that Direct Action has always used heavy-caliber pistols in previous assassination attempts and has never been known to use car bombs.

The driver killed in the incident was identified as Serge Langet, 51. He had come to drive Peyrefitte to the Provins city hall.

Peyrefitte, 61, is a member of Parliament for the Rally for the Republic, the neo-Gaullist party led by Prime Minister Jacques Chirac.

Peyrefitte was education minister briefly during the student riots of 1968. As justice minister from 1977 to 1981, he sponsored legislation to strengthen police powers.

He is the leading editorial writer for the rightist daily Le Figaro and has generally supported Chirac's conservative government.

Mexico to return planes used in anti-drug efforts

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The Mexican government plans to return to the United States three planes used for drug eradication that officials here believe do more damage than good. The Associated Press has learned.

The short takeoff and landing model, known as the Turbo-Thrush, is too fast to be used effectively in the mountain terrain where most of the fields of marijuana and opium poppies that are the base for heroin are located, said a Mexican official.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the three planes would be returned next month.

A U.S. source here said, however, that the planes have been very effective in the fight against drug crops in other countries.

"Three of these planes destroyed 13,000 acres of opium poppies in three weeks in another country

where it was tried," the U.S. source said, asking not to be identified for protocol reasons. "This was more than the Mexican fleet of 36 small helicopters destroyed in all of 1985."

The Mexican government was reluctant to use the planes from the very beginning earlier this year, but the high-ranking official of the federal Attorney General's Office said Mexico agreed to the experiment "to show our good will."

There have been repeated allegations from U.S. officials in Washington that Mexico is not doing enough in the war against the international drug trade. Mexico formally protested to the U.S. State Department, saying the charges were unwarranted.

The Turbo Thrush's speed ranges from 110 to 130 mph and can come as low as 20 meters to the ground when spraying, carrying a maximum load of 400 gallons.

The drug crops in the high mountains of northern and western Mexi-

co are mostly in small lots of up to 18,000 square feet, the official said, making spraying by a fast-moving plane difficult.

"The plane flies too high and the herbicide does not go all the way down and causes a lot of damage to the ecology around the poppy fields," the Mexican official said. "We already have complaints from farmers and at least one legal suit. Their own (U.S.) experts have confirmed that the plane is no good in Mexico."

The planes were provided under the Narcotics Assistance Program, and the U.S. government also provides pilots and technicians for training purposes.

The Mexican official said the government would rather have more of the large 212 helicopters that can fly at slower speeds and closer to the ground for more effective spraying in the mountain area.

The larger helicopters Mexico wants, he said, "can climb up to 9,000 feet and reach the fields in the Chihuahu mountains." Chihuahua, the largest of Mexico's 31 states, borders Texas and New Mexico.

The American source said Mexico's terrain "is not ideal" for effective use of the crop duster and the U.S. government "probably will try to get the larger Bell helicopters they want."

Statistics released by the federal Attorney General's Office, which works with the army on the anti-drug program in Mexico, said 4,732.5 acres of opium poppy fields and 7,187.7 acres of marijuana were destroyed in the first 11 months of this year.

The report lists 402 people arrested on cocaine trafficking charges, 6,643 for marijuana production and 1,019 on production of opium poppy and heroin.

Former African leader claims 'no recollection' of killings

BANGUI, Central African Republic (AP) — Former Emperor Jean-Bedel Bokassa I told his murder and treason trial today he had "absolutely no recollection" of some of the killings for which he is blamed during his 14-year dictatorship.

On day two of Bokassa's trial, a former Bokassa police commissioner was arrested in open court and

charged with perjury for his testimony regarding the circumstances under which Auguste Mbongo, former minister of state for public works, was arrested.

Mbongo's widow, Celestine, burst into tears on the witness stand today as she recalled her husband's disappearance in April 1973.

With Bokassa standing impassively beside her, Mrs. Mbongo testified that her husband was kept for months in solitary confinement without being allowed to communicate with her, and finally was killed without charge or trial in Bangui's Ngaragba Prison.

Asked to explain to the court why

and how Mbongo was killed, Bokassa declared:

"There was an opposition movement, but I was not informed about every detail. Mbongo was never brought before me. I no longer have my documents, and I cannot remember why he was arrested. The military tribunal dealt with many cases at that time."

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Following expansion, Matlock Furniture announces big sale

Matlock Furniture, 805 S. Big Spring, has expanded and declared a big sale on items in every category, just in time for Christmas. Vice-president Ann Matlock Hopkins said during the remodeling they found many goodies, which they didn't even know they had. These goodies and many of the new items they've just received are marked with close out prices and fantastic blue tag prices.

Lane Action Recliners are a great Christmas present. Matlock's has over 100 in stock. There are wall savers, rocker/recliners even recliners with built-in heaters and vibrators. Select from leather styles, rose, blue, gin brown, beige, green, rust, slate, Williamsburg blue and many other colors. They're all marked at sale prices, which start as low as \$169.95. Ann said "They're going like hot cakes."

To go along with these quality recliners by Lane, this family-owned business has an extensive selection of sofas, love seats and sectionals.

With sectionals in blue, peach, brown and other colors, you are sure to find one to match your decor. You'll love the extras included in these groups, such as full lay back recliners and full size sleepers. For smaller rooms, Matlock has three beautiful mini-pits, priced at just \$699.95. This is just one example of the bargains you'll find among the sectionals.

Two piece living room groups are also priced great. There are a number of two piece units, both contemporary and early American, marked at only \$499.95. A two piece bamboo group is only \$899.95.

In addition, Ann said they have just received a truck full of lamps, which are marked at excellent prices. Lamps in popular Santa Fe colors and other decorator tones, as well as brass are in stock. Some have a beautiful wheat design, other standing lamps feature magazine racks or tables.

Roll top desks also make great Christmas gifts. Matlock's start at

only \$269.

Add to this a fine selection of sleeper/sofas, wall units, gun cases, sofa-size mirrors, original art work, glider rockers and occasional tables, Broyhill bedroom suites, elegant dining room furniture, casual dining groups, and you'll see why Midlanders have shopped at Matlock Furniture for 45 years.

As always, this home-owned store has a good selection of Sealy bedding. During this big Pre-Christmas sale, you can get Sealy quality with prices starting at only \$79.95/piece.

Instant credit, MasterCard, VISA, bank rate financing and lay-away make shopping at Matlock Furniture a real pleasure. They are open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and are proud to be able to offer delivery in their new covered truck.

One look at the fine selection and low prices, and you'll know Ann meant it when she said, "We don't want to be their (customer's) first stop. We want to be their last stop."



In addition to an exquisite selection of limited edition prints and custom frames, Midland Gallery has a nice selection of gift items which are now 50 PERCENT-OFF. At this store, located in Western

Park Plaza across from Handy Dan, you can stretch your shopping dollars and enjoy plenty of nearby parking space.

Midland Gallery has big Pre-Christmas Gift Sale

Fern H. Crume and Floetta Stafford are pleased to announce that Midland Gallery is having a big Pre-Christmas Gift Sale. That's right, you'll find a wide variety of gift items marked 50 PERCENT OFF at this store, which is conveniently located in Western Park Plaza across from Handy Dan.

Figurines make great gifts, which will remind friends of

special times for years to come. Midland Gallery has a beautiful selection of figurines by Andara, Norman Rockwell, Precious Moments, Dear God Kids, Doulton and Goebel. All are 50 percent off.

During this incredible sale, you'll enjoy the same big discount on jewelry boxes and brass items.

In addition to these wonderful sale items, Midland Gallery

has truffles, beautifully packaged in Christmas colors.

The gallery also features an inspiring selection of limited edition prints, posters and custom frames. Frames can be specially designed for art, as well as items such as needlepoint work.

Midland Gallery is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Donny Rains, Ann Matlock Hopkins and John Bob Hopkins stop for just a second, during their big pre-Christmas sale, to enjoy one of the fine

sectionals that are on sale at Matlock Furniture, 805 S. Big Spring.

Sewing Machine Supply offers competitive prices, in-shop service



Catherine Claggett, Santa and his helpers invite you to do your Christmas Shopping at Sewing Machine Supply on Wall Street in the Village Shopping Center. You'll be amazed at the sale prices and Santa may even show up while you're browsing.

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At Sewing Machine Supply's new location next to Folger's on Wall Street, you'll find quality Viking, New Home and Singer machines ranging in price from \$150 up to \$1700. Select a simple straight stitch machine or a computerized one to fit your needs.

If you've been looking for a subtle way to drop Santa a hint, how about leaving this article in a conspicuous place with your favorite machine

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In addition, with the purchase of a sewing machine from Sewing Ma-

chine Supply, you are entitled to \$10 worth of fabric free from Walgreen's.

Mrs. Claggett keeps a good supply of sewing accessories, including Grab-It pin holders, Flex A Beam lights, rufflers and other attachments, which make tremendous stocking stuffers. The sewing tables they stock also make great gifts.

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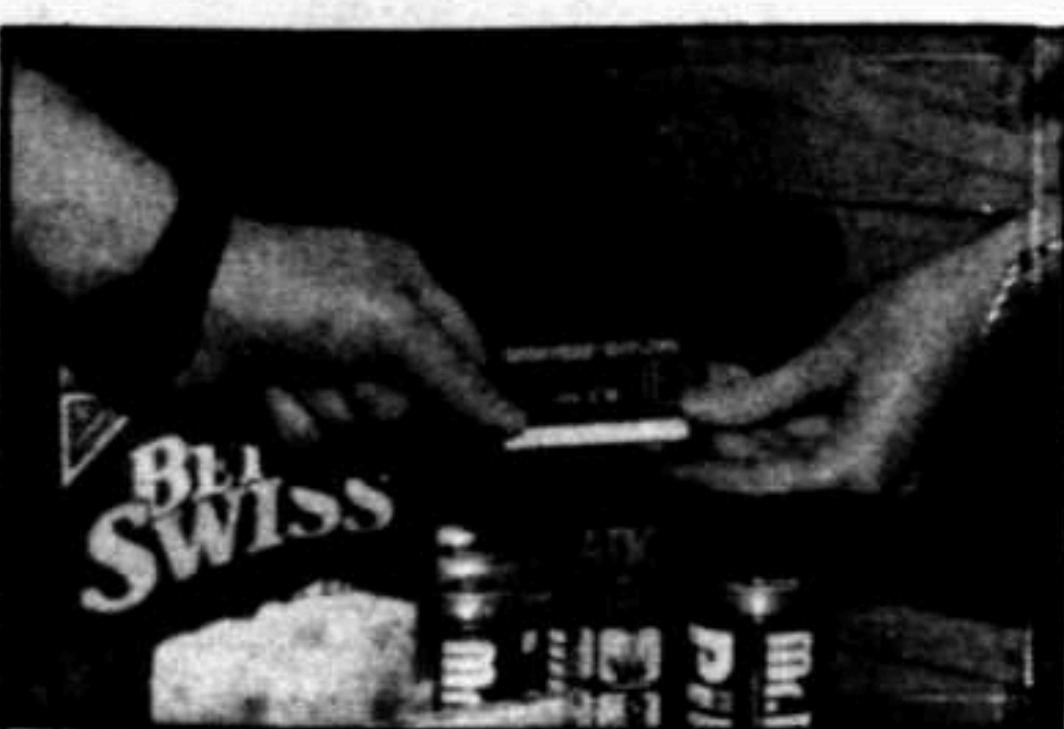
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Charm your guests with Country Charm's gifts, homemade treats

Country Charm, 4313-B Illinois, is the perfect place to finish your Christmas shopping. Decorations, gifts, even candy and cookies, can all be found at this one friendly shop. While you browse, owner Alicia King invites you to enjoy some Was-sail and fresh baked cookies or candy.

Many of the intriguing decorations you'll find at Country Charm are hand made. You can pick your decorations right off their tree. There are colorful wood ornaments, metal ornaments, felt ornaments and more.

Some of the wreaths at Country Charm are edible, being made from colorfully wrapped candies.

Wreaths of red and green, a Santa that sit on the edge of a shelf, Snowman wall hangings and brooms with decorative coverings add to the festive scene.

To go under your Christmas tree, Country Charm has a wide variety of gifts. How about a quilt with a cowboy or one with a butterfly design? For the babies, there are quilts just their size.

A wooden rocking horse, old fashioned wooden train or wagon will be adored by the children.

The antique furniture and glassware, you'll find at this friendly shop are especially charming.

Custom photo album covers, quilt racks that hang on the wall, heart shaped rugs and cotton rugs would be appreciated by many on your Christmas list.

Always a favorite, are the cookie baskets or candy and cookie baskets. Send these tasty treats now and Country Charm will deliver them. You can take your own basket in or select from some at the store.

Alicia keeps a selection of her delicious candy, whether it be fudge, peanut brittle, marshmallow fudge or another old-fashioned favorite, in a glass case. You'll want to take some home with you. You'll also want to order cookies, cakes and candy for your holiday gatherings. Divinity, fudge (old fashioned, marshmallow, white and peanut butter) or peanut brittle may be your favorite. There are also some special Christmas cookies, which are sort of like fruit cake. They'll all make your mouth water, and Alicia won't tell if you claim to have baked them yourself.

The deadline for Christmas orders is December 20.

Country Charm also makes cute suckers, which are terrific for school parties. Because each sucker

requires individual attention, it is especially important to order early.

For those who want to make their own holiday treats, but aren't quite sure of themselves in the kitchen,

ask Alicia for some good advice. Candy making supplies including Nestle's chocolate, dry macaroon coconut, caramels, food color, sucker molds and sticks, molds for mints and more - are always in stock.

Another very special thing that Alicia makes is Cookie Bouquets. They're cute and tasty. It's a perfect way to cheer someone up during this hectic holiday season. Country Charm will deliver the bouquets in

baskets. Balloons can even be attached. If you prefer, a dozen "long stemmed" cookies can be delivered in a box.

Be sure to watch for Country Charm's coupon in tomorrow's Midland Reporter-Telegram. With the coupon from the coupon book, you can get one package of red and green Christmas candy FREE, when you buy two.

Drop by Country Charm and enjoy a home made cookie, candy and hot wassail while you browse. The store is open Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Denise Carter and Alicia King of Country Charm, 4313-B Illinois, invite you to enjoy some home-made goodies and wassail while you are ordering your Christmas sweets and selecting gifts and decorations.



Pat and Percy Tate, owners of Your Graphics Are Showing, invite you to come in during their big sale, where nearly all their prints are marked 25 or 40 percent off. While you are

checking out the sale items, also look over the new pieces, like this beautiful landscape. Even the pieces that are not on sale, have new, lower prices.

Your Graphics Are Showing sale stretches your purchasing power

Percy and Pat Tate of Your Graphics Are Showing, located in Plaza Shopping Center, have announced a big Christmas sale. Nearly every print in the store is 25 or 40 percent off! This gallery will help you stretch your Christmas purchasing power.

Pat says it is exceptionally rare to find a sale like this at Your Graphics Are Showing, which has been Midland's source for quality prints for 11 years. It's not just one little bin of prints that are on sale, you'll see red (25 percent off) and blue (40 percent off) tags all over the store.

You'll also be impressed with the prices on the prints that don't have sale tags. Percy says when they went to market this year, they made their supplier aware of the troubled economic

times the Permian Basin is experiencing. They were able to negotiate a five percent price reduction from the supplier. Pat and Percy added a five percent discount to that, so customers are enjoying regular prices that are 10 percent lower than might normally be expected.

When Percy and Pat returned from market, they brought lots of new pieces of art. "This gallery has the freshest look it's had in three or four months," Percy says.

Impressionistic, contemporary, Southwestern, wildlife and landscape works cover the walls. Original lithographs by contemporary artists and reproductions of masters like Monet are in stock.

You are sure to find something you like at this art gallery.

The selection at Your Graphics Are Showing is one of the most diversified found anywhere in West Texas.

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NEW YORK (AP) — The newly renovated Carnegie Museum of Art on some of the city's most famous streets.

Among the highlights of the exhibit is a 1934 violin by Stradivari.

"Most people think of the museum as a place where you go to see art, but it's also a place where you go to see history," said a museum official.

The exhibit, which is the first of its kind in the city, will run for three months.

"We've pulled together a lot of great pieces of art, and we're excited to be able to show them to the public," said the official.

The list of performers includes a Who's Who of the city's musical scene.

The earliest brooding of the exhibit is a 1934 violin by Stradivari.

A Sept. 27, 1961, duet with Stern, the man, singer Robert.

The exhibit also includes a 1934 violin by Stradivari.

The exhibit shows a young man took over the museum.



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Exhibit offers encores of great performances held at Carnegie Hall

NEW YORK (AP) — Music lovers who can't get enough of the newly renovated Carnegie Hall can feast their eyes and ears a few blocks away on some of the legendary performances that have graced its stage.

Among the highlights of an exhibit at the Museum of Broadcasting are Leonard Bernstein's 1943 conducting debut with the New York Philharmonic; a 1934 variety show featuring Ethel Merman and Ray Bolger; and a violin duet by Isaac Stern and comedian Jack Benny.

"Most people tend to think that Carnegie Hall concerts themselves aren't preserved, but some of the greats have been saved in broadcasts on radio and television," said museum president Robert Batscha.

The exhibit, which runs through Jan. 3, complements Monday's gala reopening concert for the 95-year-old hall, which was closed in May for a \$30 million restoration.

The exhibit consists of about 25 audio and video tapes of more than 30 hours of performances, most of them from the museum's library of 25,000 tapes.

"We've pulled them together into an exhibit to specifically highlight the reopening," Batscha said. "It is an opportunity to highlight the richness of Carnegie Hall's tradition through exhibiting many of those performances."

The list of performers who can be seen or heard at the museum reads like a Who's Who of both classical and popular music.

The earliest broadcast is the 1934 variety show, a live radio broadcast that featured Bert Lahr as well as Bolger and Merman.

A Sept. 27, 1961, salute to Benny drew a host of stars. In addition to his duet with Stern, there were performances by clarinetist Benny Goodman, singer Roberta Peters and pianist Van Cliburn.

The exhibit also pays tribute to award-winning performances such as that by Carol Burnett and Julie Andrews, who won Emmys for their 1962 television special, "Carol and Julie at Carnegie Hall."

The exhibit shows an event 43 years ago that had a touch of drama. New York Philharmonic conductor Bruno Walter became ill "and a young man took over," said Batscha. "That man turned out to be Leonard Bernstein."

Carnegie Hall resounds to Sinatra's singing

NEW YORK (AP) — Sinatra sang, Horowitz played and Bernstein conducted, as Carnegie Hall reopened after a seven-month, \$30-million effort to update the famed concert hall's mechanics while restoring its 19th century acoustics.

There was wide praise for the hall's elegant appearance, but no unanimous answer to Monday night's big musical question: What, if anything, did the restoration do to Carnegie's magic sound?

Glenn Dietrow, concertmaster of the New York Philharmonic, said the restoration seemed to have improved the hall's acoustics — on the stage and in the front rows of the audience.

"There's a nice, warm, feedback," he said. "Of course, it would take an atom bomb to have ruined this place."

Peter Duchin, whose orchestra also performed, said the sound was "a lot better. There is much more focus now."

But Sherrill Milnes of the Metropolitan Opera said the sound was "a little lacking in punch where I was sitting," and many in the audience complained about the sound of the ventilation system during the Philharmonic's performance of Mahler's "Resurrection" symphony.

The New York Times said the sound was "little changed," but asked, "Is it possible that in strength-



Carnegie Hall president Isaac Stern, right, is embraced by Carnegie board chairman James Wolfensohn.

ening the floor and its underpinning the rebuilders sacrificed a measure of the hall's resonant quality?"

Cellist Yo-Yo Ma and violinist Itzhak Perlman — frequent performers at the hall and friends of Carnegie president Isaac Stern — refused to be drawn into the fray. Perlman said

he wanted to hear several concerts before judging, and Ma said he needed to hear the old and new Carnegie "side by side, like at a wine tasting."

"It's not the old sound of Carnegie (just before restoration), but the ultimate sound of Carnegie," Stern said, adding that the restoration "maximizes the Carnegie sound" by returning the hall to its 1891 condition.

The architectural elements that made Carnegie famous — the ceiling dome, the gracefully curved interior surfaces, the 4-foot-thick walls — have never changed.

But after its opening in 1891 the hall suffered several acoustic indignities. A subway line was built underneath, the mahogany floor was covered with vinyl, and a hole was cut in the stage's acoustic shell.

This year the floor was restored and acoustic doors installed to reduce street and subway noise. The acoustic shell was replaced, a change that hall officials say improves hearing in rows 3 through 13.

The hall reopened with a new lobby and marquee; new air conditioning and elevators; an expanded and improved backstage area; and a restored auditorium with 2,812 new chairs.

The \$30 million was just part of a \$50 million overall Carnegie renovation which began in 1982 and continues.

"We recreated the graciousness, grandeur and elegance of 1891 — with 21st century plumbing inside," Stern said.

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Two bombs explode in buildings housing French firms in Barcelona

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — Two bombs exploded today in buildings housing French businesses here, injuring 24 people, four seriously, police said.

Jordi Pujol, head of the government of the northeastern region of Catalonia told reporters the bombings "look like the work of ETA," the Basque separatist organization.

Police said the blasts destroyed the offices of the French companies Ricard-Anisette and Roche-Bobois and caused fires.

Most of the injured were treated for cuts caused by flying window glass and smoke inhalation and later released, a hospital spokesman said.

Firemen extinguished the fires minutes after the explosions occurred nearly simultaneously shortly after midnight, police said.

Police said the largest of the bombs consisted of an estimated 25 to 33 pounds of explosives placed in a garbage bag outside the Roche-Bobois office.

No group claimed responsibility for either of the bombings, police said.

ETA (a Basque acronym for Euzkasko Herrialdea eta Liberdade) seeks independence for the three-province northern Basque region and has claimed responsibility for the deaths of 40 people this year.

Since mid-July ETA has claimed responsibility for numerous bombings of French businesses, mainly car dealerships and stores, in retaliation for a French government policy



AP Laserphoto

An overall view of the offices belonging to the French company Ricard-Anisette in Barcelona, Spain, shows the damage inflicted on them by a powerful bomb early this morning.

of expelling suspected ETA members to Spain.

The explosions in Barcelona, Spain's second largest city and the site of the 1992 Summer Olympic Games, came less than 24 hours after France expelled the 28th suspected ETA member to Spain.

On Sunday, ETA claimed responsibility for the Thursday bombing of a

French car dealership in Barcelona in a note to Basque media.

The blasts were the fourth and fifth in Barcelona this year. ETA claimed responsibility for the three previous explosions. A policeman died in one of them.

Ricard-Anisette makes an anisette-based drink and Roche-Bobois is a furniture and decorating firm.

Whites celebrate victory of 'Christian values over a radical heathenism'

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — White officials today commemorated the anniversary of the Dutch settlers' defeat of a Zulu army in 1838, but another anniversary went unmarked — that of the first attacks by African National Congress guerrillas in 1961.

The government, which has imposed strict censorship, additionally barred two newspapers from publishing appeals by 13 anti-apartheid groups for peaceful holiday protests.

Piet Clase, minister of education for whites, told a ceremony in the Orange Free State that the Day of the Vow did not celebrate victory by one race over another, but "the victory of Christian values in South Africa over a radical heathenism."

"We celebrate...to fulfill a vow and to thank God for our survival," he said. All races "form a part of this subcontinent, and we shall have to give each other a place here."

The day commemorates the Dutch victory at Blood River in Natal province over an army led by Zulu chief Dingaan. The governing National Party is controlled by descendants of the Dutch.

The outlawed ANC, formed in 1912 to promote equal rights for all South Africans, bombed government and utility company installations Dec. 16, 1961, in its first act of violence. One black guerrilla was killed.

The ANC, which refers to the day as Heroes Day, said it was forced to take up arms to end apartheid, under which the country's 5 million whites control the government and economy while the 24 million blacks are denied a voice in national affairs.

Security operations in Johannesburg's downtown area and in neighboring black townships today could not be reported under the censorship rules imposed last Thursday. The rules extended media regula-

The media regulations require journalists to submit to censors any reports or commentary on unrest, security actions, peaceful boycotts, treatment of detainees, illegal alternative structures such as "people's courts" and a wide range of statements deemed subversive.

tions imposed under the nationwide state of emergency declared June 12.

President P.W. Botha said the media curbs, followed by arrests of alleged ANC members and other activists, were needed to forestall ANC plans to attack white areas today. There were no reports of any ANC attacks today.

However, the government said a soldier was shot and seriously wounded by an unidentified assailant Monday in Alexandra, a black township outside Johannesburg.

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Violations are punishable by jail sentences, fines and closure of the publication.

The censorship office in Pretoria said today that journalists have submitted 120 items for consideration since the restrictions were imposed.

Of those, 47 were rejected and 55 were approved, the office said in a statement. Others were referred to other departments.

Authorities on Monday barred the Weekly Mail, an independent anti-apartheid paper, and the Sowetan, a daily newspaper for black readers, from publishing appeals by 13

groups for holiday protest actions.

The newspapers have been carrying advertisements for the anti-apartheid coalition United Democratic Front's 10-day Christmas Against the Emergency campaign, which began today.

The censorship rules bar reporting or promotion of one planned aspect of the campaign, a boycott of white-owned stores. But the papers were advertising other activities, such as placing lighted candles in windows tonight and on Christmas Eve and support for detainees.

Sowetan editor Thami Mazwai said the new rules are "virtually making sure that such organizations do not have access to the public. The issue is no longer whether their statements are 'subversive' or not."

An official of the opposition Progressive Federal Party said Monday in Pietermaritzburg, Natal province, that censors had barred an unrest monitoring group of the local party chapter from publishing its December newsletter.

The official, Radley Keys said a copy of the newsletter, Outreach, was submitted to the censors Friday. He said the party was told Monday without explanation: "Approval for publication has been denied."

The party said the newsletter contained reports on people missing in the area and political violence in black townships.

Rebel leader denies getting arms sales funds

New York Times News Service

BEMBUE, Angola — Rebel leader Jonas Savimbi has denied reports that some proceeds from the Iran arms sales have helped to fund his guerrilla army fighting to topple Angola's Marxist government.

Interviewed in a heavily guarded, grass-roofed bunker deep in rebel-controlled "Free Angola," Savimbi insisted the only U.S. money he has received is from the \$15 million covert aid authorized by President Reagan early this year.

"When it was authorized, we received it directly from the government of the United States to us," he said.

Savimbi also revealed that he will ask Washington for additional military assistance next year, but his top aides said they fear political fallout from the Iran arms scandal may hurt prospects for the necessary congressional approval.

It was Savimbi's first public comment since published reports several weeks ago that some of the estimated \$10 to \$30 million in profits from the secret U.S. arms shipments to Iran had been diverted to help his 11-year battle for control of Angola.

The reports charged that some proceeds from the arms sales have been commingled with money from Saudi Arabia in a CIA-controlled Swiss bank account that was used in part to aid Savimbi and anti-Soviet rebels in Afghanistan.

Like the Afghan rebels and anti-Sandinista guerrillas in Nicaragua, Reagan has often referred to Savimbi and his 65,000 UNITA (National Union for the Total Independence of Angola) army as "freedom fighters."

"The only support that I got from the United States was that which was given by the Americans to me directly," he said. "Not by a third country. Not by a private company. Nothing."

WORLD IN BRIEF

Moors murderer helps police search for bodies

MANCHESTER, England (AP) — Notorious moors murderer Myra Hindley returned to a snowy moorland today to help police search for the remains of two children believed killed and buried there more than 20 years ago.

The father of one of the children killed by Miss Hindley and her lover, Ian Brady, showed up with a kitchen knife and told reporters he wanted to "cut her to ribbons." Police turned him back at a roadblock.

Armed police ringed Saddleworth Moor in northern England as a helicopter carrying Miss Hindley, 43, from prison flew onto the barren landscape where police with trained dogs have searched since Nov. 20.

The helicopter touched down in a snow flurry about a quarter mile from where the remains of two children — Lesley Ann Downey, 10, and John Kilbride, 12 — were found in shallow graves in 1965.

The boy's father, Pat Kilbride, 58, told reporters he came to the moor after hearing on television that Miss Hindley was being brought there. He said he slipped through one roadblock but was stopped at the next.

Police have said they hoped Miss Hindley could help them locate the graves of two other children — Pauline Reade, who was 16 when she vanished in July 1963, and Keith Bennett, who was 12 when he vanished a year later. No one has been convicted of killing them.

Rebels want U.S. bases out

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A security official said today that troops fired into the air when a group of civilians threw stones at them, but denied a report that Communist rebels fired at the troops. No casualties were reported.

A rebel spokesman meanwhile demanded that U.S. bases in the Philippines be closed immediately and

President Corazon Aquino's family estate be given to the people in "genuine land reform."

A government negotiator, Teofisto Guingona, ruled out immediate closure of the bases. He said teams from both sides will meet Dec. 23 to present agendas for a second round of peace talks.

The government-run Philippine News Agency said a group of "suspected" rebels of the Communist New People's Army fired on a constabulary station Monday night in San Gabriel about 140 miles northwest of Manila.

However, Maj. Edgar Paguio, a senior constabulary official, told The Associated Press by telephone from La Union province, "That is not true. There was a misunderstanding."

City surprises editor

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Journalist Pete Hamill, new editor-in-chief of the Mexico City News, says life in the capital has changed a lot in the 30 years since he first came here as a college student.

"But the telephones never worked," Hamill said Monday, the first day his name appeared on the masthead of Mexico's biggest English-language daily.

The 51-year-old Hamill arrived six weeks ago to take over the editorship from Roger Toll, who was moving to another division of the Novedades publishing company.

Hamill said he would continue writing his column for New York's Village Voice and "in fact I just filed one this morning."

Monday's edition of the News contained several changes in content and appearance. The sports pages had a story on the previous day's bull fights in the capital, as well as stories on each of the weekend's National Football League games.

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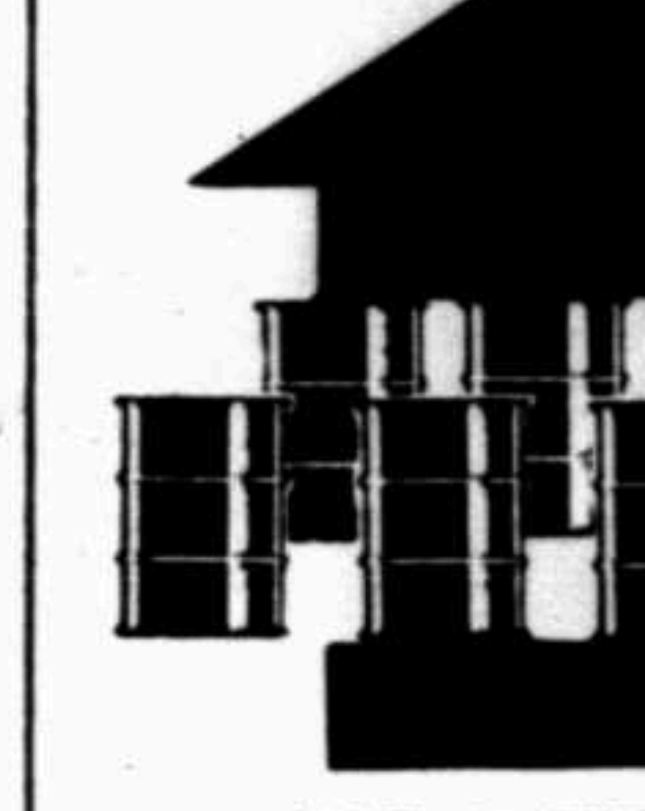
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Source: Wall Street Jour

MONEY



Dollar

LONDON (AP) — The dollar rose against all major currencies except the British pound early trading today, slipping below \$394 for the dollar's gains.

Traders attributed the rise, in part, to speculation the Organization of Exporting Countries' agreement on oil cutbacks to shore up the dollar's value.

Overall, however, the dollar fluctuated in a narrow range of dealings.

Midmorning dollar prices were pared with levels in Monday:

— 2.0200 West German mark up from 2.0140

— 1.7070 Swiss franc up from 1.6985

— 6.6265 French franc up from 6.5925

— 2.2860 Dutch guilder up from 2.2760

— 1.40175 Italian lira up from 1.3960

— 1.3903 Canadian dollar up from 1.3784

Against the trend, the pound edged up to \$1.4325. Sterling has been the market speculator's possible agreement between OPEC ministers and the dollar gain.

The dollar gain against the Japanese yen was the largest of the day, with the yen in Tokyo at 163.68 yen to the dollar, up from 163.26 yen. Later, in London, the dollar was quoted at 163.26 yen.

GOLD

LONDON's five big gold houses fixed a regular gold price of \$394.00 ounce, down from \$394.50. Gold traded in Zurich at \$393.90, down from \$394.00. Earlier, in Hong Kong, gold closed at a bid of \$394.08. Silver quoted in London at 163.26 yen. Later, in London, the dollar was quoted at 163.26 yen.

STOCKS

Blue chips

NEW YORK (AP) — The market finished mixed in a volatile session with a broad decline in a rally led by blue-chip stocks.

Analysts said the program traders played both the early drop and subsequent rebound, with the Dow Jones industrial average ending the week at 1,922.81.

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Volume on the New York Stock Exchange was 148.22 million shares, million Friday.

Declining issues of advances by about 100 overall tally on the day with 755 up, 856 down and 1,393 unchanged. The exchange index gained

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Latest quote \$16.35; previous quote \$16.10; year ago \$27.25.

W.T. SOUR

Latest quote \$15.50; previous quote \$15.25; year ago \$26.45.

Latest quotes are from Monday, Dec. 15. Previous quotes are from the previous working day.

Source: Wall Street Journal

MONEY



Dollar gains

LONDON (AP) — The U.S. dollar rose against all major currencies except the British pound in early trading today. Gold bullion slipped below \$394 in response to the dollar's gains.

Traders attributed the dollar's rise, in part, to speculation that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries was nearing agreement on production cutbacks to shore up oil prices.

Overall, however, they described the market as lackluster, with the dollar fluctuating within a narrow range in year-end dealings.

Midmorning dollar rates compared with levels in Europe late Monday:

— 2.0230 West German marks, up from 2.0140

— 1.7070 Swiss francs, up from 1.6985

— 6.6265 French francs, up from 6.5925

— 2.2860 Dutch guilders, up from 2.2760

— 1.40175 Italian lire, up from 1.3960

— 1.3803 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3784

Against the trend, the British pound edged up to \$1.4335 from \$1.4325. Sterling has been helped by the market speculation over a possible agreement among OPEC ministers meeting in Geneva. Britain is the world's fifth-largest oil producer.

The dollar gained ground against the Japanese yen for a sixth consecutive session, closing in Tokyo at 163.68 yen, up from 163.26 yen. Later, in London, the dollar was quoted at 163.90 yen.



London's five biggest bullion houses fixed a recommended gold price of \$393.70 a troy ounce, down from \$394.75.

Gold traded in Zurich at a bid of \$393.90, down from \$394.50.

Earlier, in Hong Kong, gold closed at a bid of \$393.72, down from \$394.08. Silver bullion was quoted in London at \$5.45 an ounce, down from \$5.47.

STOCKS

Blue chips rally

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market finished mixed Monday in a volatile session that began with a broad decline and ended with a rally led by blue chips.

Analysts said computer program traders played a big role in both the early drop and the subsequent rebound, with some options and futures expiring at the end of the week.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, down about 15 points at midday, closed with a 10.55 gain at 1,922.81.

Volume on the New York Stock Exchange stepped up to 148.22 million shares from 126.61 million Friday.

Declining issues outnumbered advances by about 8 to 7 in the overall tally on the Big Board, with 755 up, 856 down and 442 unchanged. The exchange's composite index gained .34 to 141.87.

Bank merger may spark trend

HOUSTON (AP) — The record \$1.1 billion merger between Chemical New York Corp. and Texas Commerce Bancshares Inc. signals the beginning of a trend to out-of-state involvement in Texas banks, banking experts say.

"If you want to be a large nationwide bank, you want presence in Texas," Gerge Hempel, associate director of the graduate school of banking at Southern Methodist University.

The merger announced Monday will make Texas Commerce a wholly owned subsidiary of Chemical, the nation's sixth-largest bank holding company. Although each will retain an individual identity, the holding company including the two firms will be the nation's fourth-largest with \$75 billion in assets.

"The consolidation and combination we're talking about is really an historic development in banking in this country," said Walter Shipley, chairman of Chemical New York. "It represents the first really large trans-national consolidation of two great banking institutions into one better institution."

"Texas banks have been under some additional need to bolster funding," said Ben Love, chairman of Houston-based Texas Commerce. "That need, as far as Texas Commerce Bank is concerned, evaporates with this merger because we have the funding abilities to supplement our current abilities."

Love denied that the deal, which tops the \$1.07 billion acquisition of Crocker National Corp. by Wells Fargo & Co. earlier this year, was an acquisition or bailout.

Analysts consider Texas Commerce among the strongest in the state, but its recent performance has suffered due to heavy loan losses and nonperforming assets. It reports \$18.9 billion in assets and is the 26th largest bank holding company in the country.



Ben F. Love, right, chairman and chief executive officer of Texas Commerce Bankshares, and Walter V. Shipley, chairman and chief executive officer of Chemical New York Corp., announce a \$1.1 billion merger.

"I don't think this could be characterized as a rescue from any perspective," Love said. "The financial services industry is changing. Texas Commerce is itself a product of 54 mergers, most of which have oc-

curred since 1972. So this is simply a continuation of a pattern." The bank has shown a small profit, with \$10.1 million in third-quarter earnings, down from \$21.4 million the same quarter in 1985.

InterFirst, RepublicBank reported talking merger

DALLAS (UPI) — Interfirst Corp. and RepublicBank Corp., two of the largest bank-holding companies in Texas, have been holding merger discussions and have called special board meetings today, The Dallas Morning News reported today.

In a copyright story, the Morning News quoted banking sources as saying the two Dallas bank-holding companies could announce a merger agreement soon.

InterFirst asked the New York Stock Exchange to halt trading in its securities "pending an announcement later today."

RepublicBank is the second-largest Texas bank-holding company, with \$22.6 billion in assets and 41 subsidiary banks. InterFirst is the state's third largest bank company with \$18.5 billion in assets and 68 subsidiary banks.

Gerald W. Fronterhouse, chairman of RepublicBank, declined comment on the report and executives with Interfirst could not be reached, although banking analysts told the Morning News top officials of the bank company met late Monday.

A merger between InterFirst and RepublicBank would likely require assistance from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and other regulatory agencies, including the Federal Reserve Board, banking officials said.

Industry experts told the Morning News the two big banks would ask the FDIC for financial assistance to help relieve the combined company from the burden of InterFirst's \$1.1 billion in nonperforming loans.

It was unclear how a merged company would be structured, but analysts said it would likely force large layoffs as the combined company eliminated overlapping services and operations.

Fed reports 0.6 percent rise in industrial output

New York Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Output at the nation's factories, mines and utilities jumped 0.6 percent last month, the biggest increase since April, the Federal Reserve reported Monday.

Most analysts, however, were reluctant to interpret the report, which was a bit stronger than expected, as evidence that the economy had begun to reaccelerate. Rather, they said, it appears that the industrial sector has strengthened a bit since the summer but that there is little prospect of a major pickup in overall business activity.

The November rise in industrial production was also spurred by transactions inspired by the new tax law that takes effect Jan. 1.

"We've been in a slowly improving production period since the oil slump reached its worst in June," commented Edward Guay, chief economist for the Cigna Corp. But he said he was "not overjoyed" by the latest figures, citing his wariness of

one month's data and the stimulus provided by the approaching tax changes.

A fairly buoyant industrial production report was foreshadowed 10 days ago when the government reported a strong advance in payroll employment for November and a rise in the length of the average workweek.

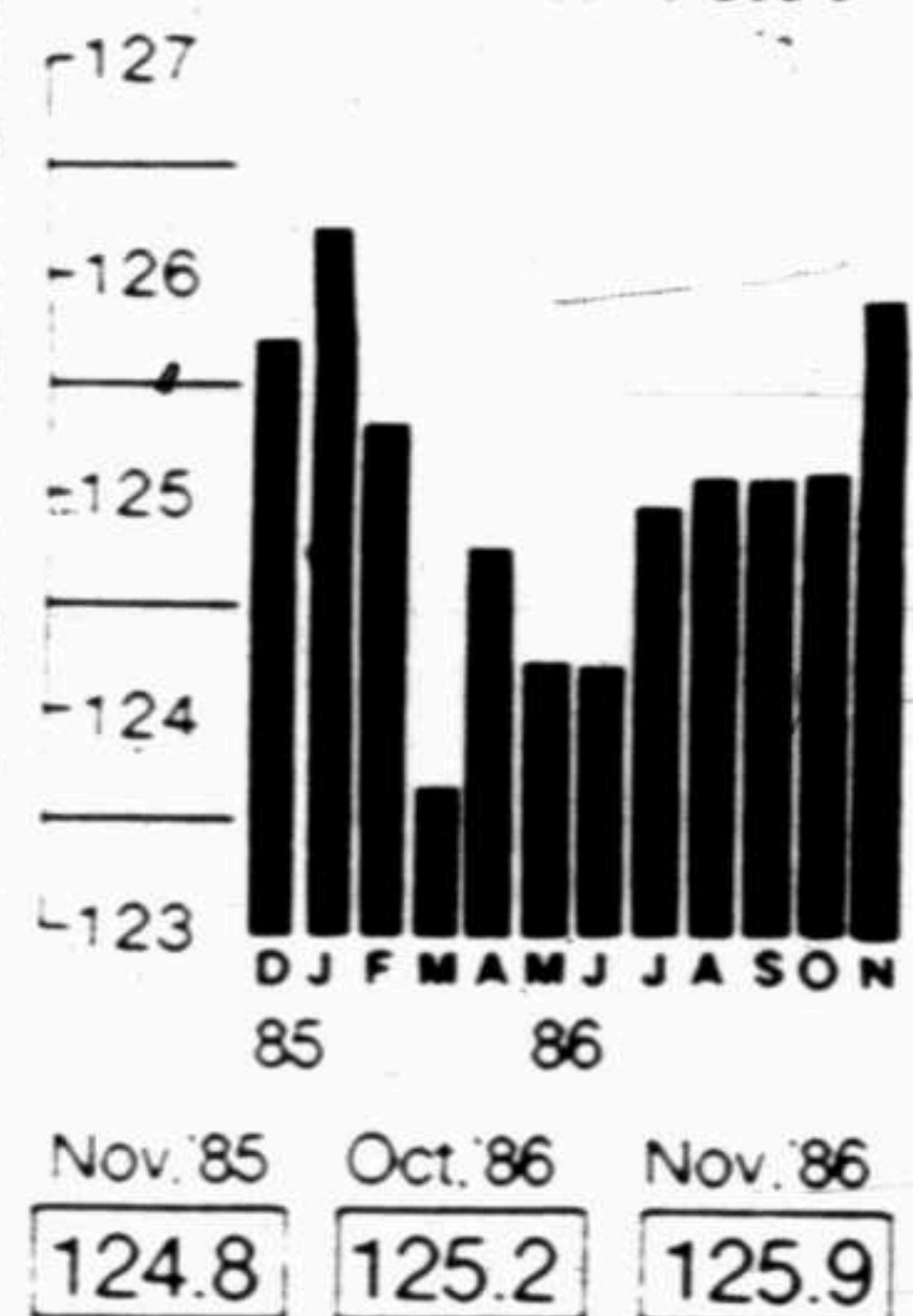
The 0.6 percent output rise last month followed three months of practically no gain. According to revised data, output increased 0.1 percent in both August and October, while it was unchanged in September.

Manufacturing production climbed 0.7 percent, paced by a gain of 0.8 percent in non-durable manufactured goods. Production of durable manufactured goods rose 0.6 percent.

Utility output also rose, by 0.4 percent, but the mining sector, which includes oil and gas extraction, fell by 0.7 percent.

Industrial Production

Seasonally Adjusted
Percentage of Capacity, with
100=1977 Industrial Activity
Source: Federal Reserve Board



Supreme Court to hear Winans appeal

New York Times News Service

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court, in a major case that could clarify the law on insider trading and securities fraud generally, agreed Monday to hear the appeal of a former Wall Street Journal reporter who was criminally convicted for passing on and profiting from his advance knowledge of what was to appear in the newspaper.

In a brief order, the Court agreed to review the convictions of R. Foster Winans, the reporter; David Carpenter, a former news clerk who was his roommate; and Kenneth P. Felix, a former stockbroker at Kidder, Peabody & Co., on charges of securities fraud, mail fraud and wire fraud.

The convictions were based on a scheme in which the defendants, together with Peter N. Brant, another former Kidder, Peabody stockbroker who became a government witness, used Winans's knowledge of what was to appear in the Journal's "Heard on the Street" columns to buy and sell stocks.

Winans was one of two authors of the "Heard on the Street" column at the time of the scheme. The participants divided almost \$700,000 in trading profits over a five-month period beginning in October 1983, with the two stockbrokers keeping most of the money and paying about \$31,000 to Winans and Carpenter, who acted as a messenger for the others.

The case has been closely watched by the securities industry because the expansive theory of securities fraud on which the defendants were convicted could broaden the liability



R. Foster Winans

both of "insiders" who have access to corporate secrets and of others who, like Winans and his codefendants, are not insiders.

The prosecution was based on the Securities and Exchange Commission's theory that Winans had committed securities fraud, with the help of his accomplices, by "misappropriating" his employer's secret publication schedule to profit in the securities markets.

In upholding the convictions in May, a divided panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, in Manhattan, based the defendants' criminal liability on Winans's

violation of the Journal's written policy against conflicts of interest, and it said that the newspaper was the victim of the scheme because of potential damage to its reputation.

The policy barred employees from buying or selling securities in anticipation of forthcoming articles and from disclosing to outsiders plans for articles on particular companies.

The SEC has developed its "misappropriation theory" in the wake of a 1980 decision in which the Supreme Court overturned the insider trading conviction of a financial printer, Vincent Chiarella, while leaving open the possibility that a similar prosecution might be upheld if based on the theory that an employee had misappropriated his employer's secrets.

The Winans case, Carpenter v. United States, No. 86-422, to be argued either in April or next autumn, is expected to produce a definitive ruling on whether the misappropriation theory is a valid basis for a securities fraud conviction.

Arthur F. Mathews, a Washington securities lawyer, said Monday that, if the Court upheld the convictions, it "could make it easier for the commission or the Department of Justice to go after lawyers, accountants and other professionals who are, some place on the periphery of corporate transactions, mergers and acquisitions," in situations where they could be accused of some kind of breach of business or professional ethics.

Texas Eastern finals sale of properties

HOUSTON (AP) — Officials of Texas Eastern Corp. and Noble Affiliates Inc. announced the completion of a previously reported agreement for Samedan Oil Corp., a Noble subsidiary, to purchase all of Texas Eastern's oil and gas properties for \$176 million.

The sale, completed Friday, includes Texas Eastern's proved and undeveloped reserves located on U.S. shores and in the Gulf of Mexico as well as its domestic undeveloped acreage.

Not included in the sale are Texas Eastern's holdings offshore California, in Alaska's Beaufort Sea and minor properties owned directly by Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. and indirectly by Algonquin Energy Inc., both Texas Eastern subsidiaries.

The sale is part of Texas Eastern's restructuring plan

to dispose of certain assets not included in its long-term strategy to focus on its core businesses.

Houston-based Texas Eastern's major businesses include natural gas transmission, petroleum products pipelining and international exploration and production. The company also is one of the world's largest marketers of liquefied petroleum gas.

The properties being purchased will add substantially to Noble Affiliates' reserve base and will enhance its existing presence in the Gulf of Mexico.

Ardmore, Okla.-based Noble Affiliates is an independent energy company with exploration throughout major basins in the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico and offshore California as well as Canada, Indonesia and Tunisia.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Tipperary extends exchange offer deadline

MIDLAND (SWN) — Tipperary Corp. has announced that it is extending to 5:00 P.M. New York City time, on Monday, Dec. 29, 1986, its outstanding Exchange Offer C to the holders of its 12 percent Senior Subordinated Convertible Notes due September 15, 1995, Non-Interest Bearing Senior Subordinated Delayed Convertible Notes due June 15, 1990 and 11-1/2 percent Subordinated Debentures due September 15, 1988. As previously announced, Exchange Offer A and Exchange Offer B made by the company in conjunction with its plan of financial restructuring expired on Dec. 4, 1986 as a consequence of the company's successful closing of its plan of financial restructuring. Accordingly, the company will only accept notes and debentures tendered pursuant to Exchange Offer C.

New home construction drops 1.8 percent

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The pace of new home construction in the United States fell to a two-year low of 1,598,000 in November, down 1.8 percent from the revised October rate of 1,628,000, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

The third consecutive monthly decline in housing starts brought the seasonally adjusted annual rate of ground-breaking to 21.4 percent below a peak of 2,034,000 in January of this year.

The November rate was the slowest since October 1984, when combined single- and multi-family homes were started at an annual pace of 1,582,000.

The setback was concentrated in the South, where depressed farm and energy sectors slashed demand for new homes and starts fell from an annual rate of 678,000 in October to 593,000 last month, the lowest since August 1982.

General Motors domestic sales continue fall

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp., the nation's biggest automaker, says domestic sales fell in early December compared with the previous year. It was the sixth straight declining sales period in a slump marked by the absence of deep-discount financing incentives.

Gains by GM's main competitors — Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. — helped boost U.S.-made car sales by 5.2 percent during the Dec. 1-10 period over a year ago, the automakers said Monday.

AFG Partners abandon bid for Lear Siegler

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — AFG Partners, which only last week revived its hostile \$1.5 billion takeover bid for aerospace conglomerate Lear Siegler Inc., abandoned that offer because of the possible loss of tax benefits.

But the partnership, a combination of Irvine, Calif. glassmaker AFG Industries Inc. and Midland, Texas oil concern Wagner & Brown, indicated Monday it remained interested in buying all or part of Lear Siegler on revised terms.

Lear Siegler had no immediate comment on the partnership's announcement, but said it still was working on its restructuring plans.

Fed board member Henry C. Wallich resigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Henry C. Wallich, a staunch inflation-fighter on the Federal Reserve Board, has resigned, giving President Reagan the opportunity to have his appointees in six of the seven positions on the board that sets the nation's monetary policy.

The Federal Reserve said Monday that Wallich, 72, was resigning because of poor health. His term would have run until Jan. 31, 1988.

The resignation follows an October announcement by Emmett J. Rice that he was leaving the board at the end of this year.

OIL & GAS REPORT

EXPLORATION HIGHLIGHTS

Wolfcamp find flows 197 barrels

From Staff Reports

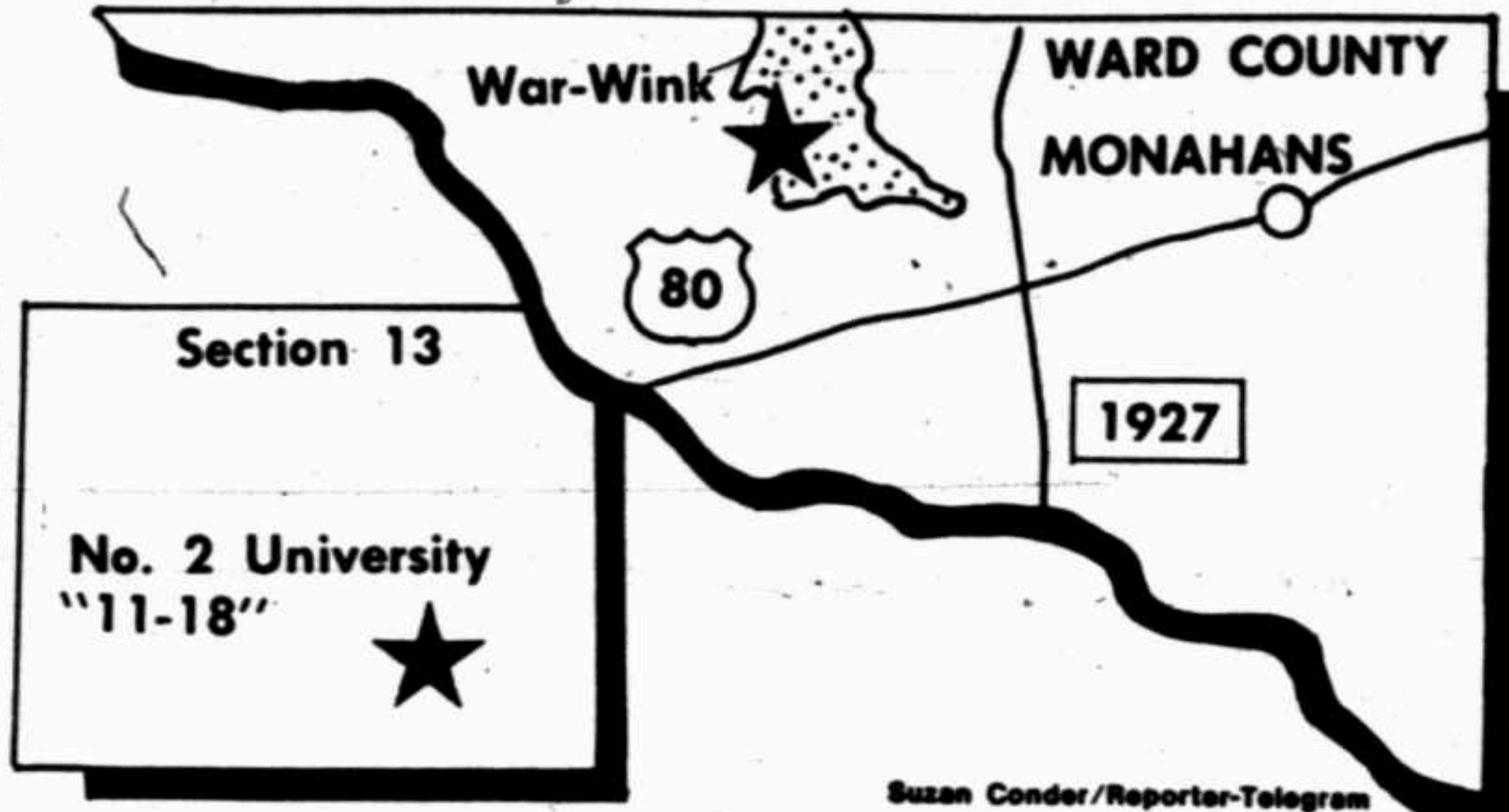
TEXACO, INC., Midland, reports a new producer in the War-Wink South (Wolfcamp) field of Ward County.

On potential test, the No. 2 University "11-18" flowed 197 barrels of 41.2 gravity crude, 150 Mcfd and 42 barrels of water on a 29/64 inch choke with a flowing tubing pressure of 150 psi. Production is from perforations at 11,227 to 11,328 ft. The interval was acidized with 3,000 gallons of acid and fractured with 140,000 gal. gel and 175,000 lb. 20/40 sand. Gas-oil ratio is 761:1.

Permitted as an 11,400 ft. wildcat, the well was drilled to 11,400 ft. and plugged back to 11,390 ft. Seven inch casing was set at 11,000 ft.

Formation tops, on ground elevation of 2,784 ft., include the Lamar at 4,040 ft., Bell Canyon at 5,070, Cherry Canyon at 5,990, Brushy Canyon at 7,215, Bone Spring at 8,560, and the Wolfcamp at 11,080 ft. Pay was topped at 11,227 ft.

Location is 1,320 ft. from south and east lines of Section 11, Block 18, ULS survey, 9 miles northwest of Pyote.



Tannehill discovery pumps 67 barrels oil

SUN EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, INC., Abilene, reports a Tannehill Sand discovery in Dickens County, northeast of the Gilpin field. The No. 1-J Pitchfork Land & Cattle Co. was finalized to pump 67 barrels of 39 gravity crude and 68 barrels of water from perforations

between 4,054 ft. and 4,058 ft. The interval was acidized with 1,000 gal. of acid. Gas-oil ratio is 328:1.

Drilled to 4,200 ft., the well was plugged back to 4,140 ft. with 5 1/2 inch casing set at 4,183 ft.

The well topped the Noodle Creek at 3,942 ft. and Tannehill Sand at 4,054 ft. on ground elevation of 2,081 ft. Pay was topped at 4,054 ft. Location is 855 ft. from south and 1,295 ft. from east lines of Section 24, Block AB, R.M. Thomson survey, 16

miles north of Jayton.

Parker & Parsley final four in Spraberry trend

The Spraberry Trend Area of Midland County has gained four new producers as PARKER & PARSELEY PETROLEUM CO. continues activity in the field.

Parker & Parsley tested the No. 1 Fasken "R" to pump 76 barrels of 39.2 gravity crude, 28 Mcfd and 84 barrels of water from perforations 7,181 to 8,722 ft.

The No. 1 Stimson "A" was completed to pump 56 barrels of 39 gravity crude, 26 Mcfd and 193 barrels of water from perforations 7,712 to 9,330 ft.

A second well on the lease, the No. 2 Stimson "A" was tested to pump 63 barrels of 39.2 gravity crude, 31 Mcfd and 183 barrels of water from perforations 7,762 to 9,364 ft.

Also, the No. 1 Stimson "B" was potential for 52 barrels of 39 gravity crude, 25 Mcfd and 175 barrels of water from perforations 7,731 to 9,532 ft.

OIL & GAS DIGEST

Thor shows better third quarter performance

TYLER (SWN) — Thor Energy Resources, Inc. announced net income of \$245,000 or \$0.44 per share on revenues of \$1,819,000 for the third quarter ended Oct. 31. This compares to net income of \$159,000 or \$0.28 per share on identical revenues of \$1,819,000 for the quarter ended Oct. 31, 1985.

For the nine month period of 1986, the company reported net income of \$36,000 or \$0.01 per share, compared with net income of \$497,000 or \$0.08 per share for the same period of 1985. Total revenues for the recent nine months were \$4,721,000 compared to revenues of \$5,458,000 for the corresponding nine months of 1985.

Oil and gas revenues decreased 50 percent for the three month period and 46 percent for the nine month period of 1986 from last year.

American Quasar proposes stock restructure

FORT WORTH (SWN) — American Quasar Petroleum Co. announced that a special shareholders meeting will be held here on Dec. 30, for the purpose of considering a plan of restructuring the Company's debt and capitalization.

Dick Lowe, president, said that as part of this plan the shareholders will be asked to approve an increase in the company's authorized common stock from 50 million, no par shares, to 2.5 billion no par shares.

Woods, parent firm alleviate debt default

DALLAS (SWN) — Sunshine Mining Co. announced that it and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Woods Petroleum Corp., have agreed with their principal lenders to restructure their debt. The execution of the binding commitment letter alleviates default on such debt arising in July when Sunshine chose not to make interest and principal payments until such debt was restructured. Terms of the restructuring call for a reduction of fixed principal amortization from \$28 million to \$2.5 million for the 12 months ending June 30, 1987, the removal of certain restrictive financial covenants, and the pledging of additional collateral.

The closing of this agreement and other debt restructuring recently completed have resulted in the company's total debt decreasing from \$270 million at the end of last year to under \$190 million.

Bogert agrees to \$7 million asset purchase

OKLAHOMA CITY (SWN) — Bogert Oil Co. signed a letter of intent to acquire various oil and gas properties and related assets of an exploration and production company for approximately \$3.7 million. The purchase, which is anticipated to close Dec. 31, 1986, consists principally of developed and undeveloped leasehold interests in approximately 175 oil and gas wells and undeveloped acreage located in Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas and Colorado. Net reserves of the oil and gas wells are estimated at 230,000 barrels and two BCF. Other assets to be acquired include lease and well equipment, saltwater disposal systems and certain rights held by the seller including its general partner interests in various partnerships.

The terms of the letter of intent require that the identity of the seller remain confidential until the consummation of the purchase.

COMPLETIONS

TRC DISTRICT 8

ANDREWS COUNTY

Shafter Lake (San Andres)
Hopper-Barnett, Inc. No. 1 Lakeside "11": 467 ft. 660 fwi, sec 11, blk A-36, PSL, 8 n.w. Andrews, Elev. 3176, TD 4900, PB 4831. Completed 11/24/86. Potentialized 11/25/86, pumping 35 bopd, gas TSTM, 60 bopd. Casing 5 1/2 at 4900. Perforations 4460-4702. Acid: 10,000 gals. 15 percent Nafco. Formation tops: Premier SD 4460, San Andres 4474. Top of pay 4460.

ECTOR COUNTY

Goldsmith North (San Andres)
Elaine Magruder Operating Co. No. 1 Amoco-Cowden "9": 1980 fwi, 660 fwi, sec 9, blk 45, T-2-N, T&P, 15 n. Goldsmith, Elev. 3318, TD 4372, PB 4589. Completed 11/29/86. Potentialized 12/11/86, pumping 75 bopd, 50 Mcfd, 60 bopd. GOR 6966:1. Casing 4 1/2 at 5854. Perforations 4219-4372. Frac: 30,000 gals. gel, 61,000 lbs. sand. Formation tops: Yates 2790, Grayburg 3931, San Andres 4245, Golieth 5305. Top of pay 4219.

MIDLAND COUNTY

Spraberry (Trend Area)
Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co. No. 1 Fasken "R": 660 fwi, 660 fwi, sec 13, blk 37, T-2-S, H.K. Ray, 15 n. Midland, Elev. 2669, TD 8800, PB 8788. Completed 12/2/86. Potentialized 12/10/86, pumping 76 bopd, 28 Mcfd, 84 bopd. API 39.2. GOR 388:1. Casing 4 1/2 at 8800. Perforations 7181-8722. Acid: 5,000 gals. Frac: 180,000 gals., 432,400 lbs. 20/40

TRC DISTRICT 8

WARD COUNTY

War-Wink, South (Wolfcamp)
Texaco Producing, Inc. No. 2 University "11-18": 1320 fwi, 1320 fwi, sec 11, blk 18, ULS, 9 n. Pyote, Elev. 2784, TD 11,400, PB 11,380. Completed 11/7/86. Potentialized 11/25/86, flowing 197 bopd, 150 Mcfd, 42 bopd, 41.2 API, thru 29/64 inch choke. FTP: 150 psi. GOR 761:1. Casing 7 inches at 11,000. Perforations 11,227 to 11,328. Acidized: 3,000 gals. 15 percent. Frac: 140,000 gals. gel, 175,000 lbs. 20/40 sand. Formation tops: Lamar 5040, Bell Canyon 5070, Cherry Canyon 5990, Brushy Canyon 7215, Bone Springs 8560, Wolfcamp 11080. Top of pay 11,227.

DICKENS COUNTY

Pitchfork Land & Cattle Co. No. 1-J Pitchfork Land & Cattle Co.: 856 fwi, 1295 fwi, sec 24, blk AB, R.M. Thomson, 16 n. Jayton, Elev. 2081, TD 4200. Completed 10/31/86. Potentialized 11/27/86 to pump 67 bopd, 68 bopd, 39 API, GOR 328:1. Casing 5 1/2-in. at 4183. Perforations 4054 to 4058. Acidized 1000 gal. Formation tops: Noodle Creek, 3942, Tannehill, 4054. Top of pay, 4054.

MITCHELL COUNTY

East Howard
Tom Rasmussen No. 8 Schattell: 330 fwi, 1754 fwi, sec 14, blk 29, T-1-S, T&P, 6.4 w. Westbrook, Elev. 2335, TD 3300, PB 3370. Completed 12/2/86. Potentialized 12/5/86, pumping 66 bopd, gas less than 1 Mcfd. API 26. Casing 4 1/2 at 3390. Perforations 3180.5 to 3315. Acid: 17,000 gals. Formation top: Lower Clearfork 3128. Top of pay 3143.

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TRC DISTRICT 7C

LYNN COUNTY

Draw, N.E. (Mississippi)
Amoco Production Co. No. 2-B Morris: 664 fwi, 487 fwi, sec 435, blk 9 TTRR survey, 15 n. Tahoka, TD 9,250. Potentialized to pump 21 bwd, 38 bwd, 22.8 API. GOR 1000:1. Casing 7 in. at 9,250. Perforations 9,020 to 9,082.

CROCKETT COUNTY

Wintershall Oil & Gas Corp. No. 11-A J.M. Shannon Estate "B": 620 fwi, 18 fwi, sec 4, blk UV, GC&SF, 18 n. Ozona, TD 1,658. Potentialized to pump 6.83 bopd, 211.81 bwd, 25.9 API. GOR 168:1. Casing 5 1/2 at 1658. Perforations at 1383 to 1476. Acidized: 6000 gal.

REAGAN COUNTY

Spraberry (Trend Area)
Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co. No. 1 State "K": 660 fwi, 660 fwi, sec 14, blk 12 ULS, 7 sw Big Lake, TD 8,950. Potentialized to pump 34 bopd, 81 bopd, 38.9 API, GOR 529:1. Casing 4 1/2 at 8,950. Perforations at 5134 to 6776. Acidized: 5000 gal. frac: 180,000 gal. 400,000 ad.

DEVELOPMENT

WINTERSHALL PLANS FOUR CROCKETT WELLS. Wintershall Oil & Gas Corp. has staked four 1,700-ft. tests in the Vaughn multipay field in Crockett County. The Nos. 103 & 116 Isabel Vaughn are located in Sec. 86 of the OP Block of the GC&SF Survey, 19 miles northwest of Ozona. The No. 48 Isabel Vaughn is in Sec. 85 of the same block. The fourth well, the No. 7 Isabel Vaughn 'B' is in Sec. 6 of the UV Block of the survey.

TRC DISTRICT 8

CRANE COUNTY

Sand Hills (Tubb)
Texaco Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Barnesley "26": 467 fwi, 467 fwi, sec 26, blk B-27, PSL, 18 w. Crane, PD 4,300.

ECTOR COUNTY

Rust Oil Corp. No. 4 Cowden Ranch "7": 1980 fwi, 660 fwi, sec 7, blk 43, T&P, 4 w. Odessa, PD 9,000.

LOVING COUNTY

Dimmitt (Cherry Canyon)
Exxon Corp. No. 12 TSL "13": 1980 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 13, blk 53, T-2-S, T&P, 11.2 n. Mentone, PD 6,800.
Exxon Corp. No. 13 TSL "13": 1980 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 13, blk 53, T-2-S, T&P, 11.2 n. Mentone, PD 6,800.

MIDLAND COUNTY

War-San (Eisenburger)
Chevron U.S.A., Inc. No. 2 TSL "G": 1980 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 39, blk 41, T-1-S, T&P, 13 w. Midland, PD 13,400. Deepen from Fusselman.

STERLING COUNTY

Cred (Wolfcamp)
Knightbridge Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Reed "C": 660 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 11, blk 30, WANW, 16 n. Sterling City, PD 7,850.

WINKLER COUNTY

Horat & McKnight, Inc. No. 1 Walton-Exxon

PLUGGED WELLS

TRC DISTRICT 8

CRANE COUNTY

McElroy
Texaco Inc. No. 2948 McElroy Unit: 4950 fwi, 2310 fwi, sec 29, blk 30, ULS, TD 3230. Plugged 11/14/86. Oil well.
Texaco Inc. No. 3260 McElroy Unit: 990 fwi, 4850 fwi, sec 32, blk 30, ULS, 5 n. Crane, TD 3109. Plugged 11/13/86. Oil well.

ECTOR COUNTY

TXL (Tubb)
Texaco Inc. No. 3105-B TXL South Unit: 1980 fwi, 1980 fwi, sec 8, blk 45, T&P, 7 n. Notrees, TD 6394. Completed 10/10/86. Plugged 9/25/86. Oil well.

MIDLAND COUNTY

Parks (Penn)
Mobil Producing TX & NM No. 903 Parks

WARD COUNTY

Armadillo Oil Co. No. 6 F.M. White: 1980 fwi, 1000 fwi, sec 30, blk 1, H&TC, 3.5 sw Grandfalls, TD 1967. Plugged 12/2/86. Oil well.

TRC DISTRICT 8

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TRC DISTRICT 8A

1. AMOCO SLATES HOCKLEY TEST. Amoco Production Co., Brownfield, has been permitted for drilling of the 48-B Alex A. Slaughter as an 8,650-ft. wildcat, three miles east of Sundown.

Location for the well is 472 ft. from south and 323 ft. from east lines of Labor 7, League 40 of the Maverick County School Land Survey.

Mitchell earnings halved

THE WOODLANDS, (SWN) — Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. reported earnings of \$447,000, or one cent per share, for the third quarter of its current fiscal year. In the corresponding year-earlier period, the company earned \$12,514,000, or 28 cents per share.

Revenues for the quarter, which ended October 31, amounted to \$133,158,000, down from \$207,322,000 in the prior-year period.

In the first nine months, the company earned \$5,962,000, or 13 cents per share, on revenues of \$431,835,000. That compared with \$34,967,000, or 73 cents per share, earned on revenues of \$618,475,000 in the same period a year ago.

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Exxon consolidates research

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Exxon USA will move up to 90 researchers from Texas to Baton Rouge next summer to consolidate petroleum and synthetic fuels research, officials said.

Exxon told about 175 employees at its Baytown, Texas, refinery on Monday that the company planned to move most of the research operation to Baton Rouge, said Clarence Eidt, vice president for petroleum and synthetic fuels research.

All will be offered the chance to move to Baton Rouge or Houston, but 90 or fewer are expected to come to Baton Rouge, he said in a prepared statement.

Eidt said consolidating the synthetic fuels and petroleum fuels process research will increase efficiency and enhance research effectiveness. Baytown and Baton Rouge are Exxon's Research and Development Labs' two primary process research facilities. The Baytown refinery — the largest in the U.S. — will keep a small research staff.

Last summer, Exxon Corp. cut its staff worldwide, telling about 40,000 employees they would be eligible for enhanced early retirement benefits or could face layoffs with enhanced benefits at the end of July.

About 6,200 employees accepted the early retirement offer. The company said it did not know how many of the 2,000 employees in Baton Rouge took or were forced to take early retirement last summer.

This afternoon's market report

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Jumbo CD interest rates have to sit to accumulate

By BILL DOYLE

Q. Most banks and savings associations pay higher interest on "jumbo" certificates of deposit than on smaller ones. It occurs to me that the interest earned on a jumbo CD is collected when the CD matures and is collected when a CD matures. Is this correct? If so, under what circumstances, since federal deposit insurance is \$100,000, the jumbo CD owner would lose the interest if the bank or S&L failed?

How does one protect against the loss of interest on a jumbo CD, without losing the principal?

A. Don't let the interest accumulate. Instead, as interest is credited to a jumbo CD, have that money either sent to you by check or put in another account in a different form or ownership, such as your spouse's name or your name and your spouse's name.

You don't have to leave the interest on a jumbo or any other CD to accumulate. You can arrange to take it out and move it elsewhere.

You'll probably have to make a decision at the time you open the CD as to how the interest payments are set. Some banks and S&Ls allow you to have the interest to alter the arrangement on CD payments after the fact. In most cases, however, you will have to make your choice when you open the CD. You can either allow the interest to accumulate or have it taken out on a set schedule, such as monthly.

Q. My wife and I have \$300,000 in bank accounts. What is meant by "insurance per account?" at banks that by account number or is it by name?

A. It's by name, technically by deposit or capacity.

You never read in this column about Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) coverage. The FDIC's Savings & Loan Insurance Corp. (SLIC) covers "insurance per account." It's stressed here that those are government provide coverage of the funds for each depositor at each bank.

If you want full insurance coverage, you should have no more than \$100,000 in any one account.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Jumbo CD interest doesn't have to sit to accumulate

By BILL DOYLE

Q. Most banks and savings and loan associations pay higher interest on "jumbo" \$100,000 certificates of deposit than on smaller CDs. It occurs to me that the interest accumulates and is collected when a CD matures. In that circumstance, since federal deposit insurance stops at \$100,000, the jumbo CD interest could be lost if the bank or S&L fails.

How does one protect against this possible loss of interest on a jumbo CD, which could be a substantial amount?

A. Don't let the interest accumulate. Instead, as interest is credited to a jumbo CD, have that money either sent to you by check or put in another account in a different form or ownership, such as your spouse's name or your name and your spouse's name.

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You'll probably have to make that arrangement at the time you open the CD and its provisions are set. Some banks and S&Ls will allow you to alter the arrangement on CD interest payments after the fact. In most cases, however, you must make your choice when you obtain the CD — either to allow the interest to accumulate or take it out on a set schedule, such as once a month.

Q. My wife and I have \$300,000 in one joint bank account. What is meant by "\$100,000 insurance per account" at banks and S&Ls. Is that by account number or is it by name?

A. It's by name, technically by different "right or capacity."

You never read in this column that either the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. or the Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corp. provides "\$100,000 insurance per account." It always has been stressed here that those agencies of our government provide coverage of up to \$100,000

If you want full insurance coverage for the \$300,000, you should have no more than \$100,000 in your name, no more than \$100,000 in your wife's name and no more than \$100,000 in your joint names at the same institution. The joint account is counted as a separate depositor for insurance purposes.

You can increase the total insurance coverage above \$300,000 by opening trust accounts — one in your name in trust for your wife and another in her name in trust for you. Each such account gets \$100,000 insurance.

With children in the family, this can go on and on.

Q. I have numerous CDs totaling more than the \$100,000 federal deposit insurance coverage. Because they all are in my name in trust for my wife and children — with less than \$100,000 in trust for each — I consider them safe.

However, all the accounts carry my Social Security number. Does Uncle Sam care? Should each CD carry the SS number of the person for whom it is in trust?

A. You're in the clear. The accounts are set up properly. The use of your SS number on each CD doesn't change the fact that each trust account is considered a separate depositor and has full \$100,000 insurance coverage.

Because you are the "grantor" of each trust account, your SS number is required. After all, the CD interest belongs to you. Your SS number is used for taxpayer identification purposes.

Q. Can a S&L end its FSLIC coverage, without informing depositors?

A. No. When a S&L terminates its FSLIC membership, it must notify depositors. Even if that happens, insurance coverage continues for two years on money then on deposit in most accounts and until maturity on CDs. The same thing ap-

The likelihood of that happening is mighty remote, unless the S&L or bank is run by a bunch of boobs. Termination of FSLIC or FDIC membership would cause a classic "run on the bank," with depositors lining up to get their money out.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but will be able to provide answers only through the column.

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Animals need caroling, too

CHICAGO (AP) — Some members of the audience barked out their wish lists to Santa Claus, who rewarded them with fish.

The "Christmas" Seals and the audience at the Sea Lion Pool all joined in as five children's choirs and several hundred adults raised their voices Sunday in the Lincoln Park Zoo's 10th annual Caroling to the Animals.

Christy Henry, 9, visiting with some fellow Girl Scouts, said she thought the animals were staring at the people for a change. "They think we're weird," she said.

"People talk to the animals all the time, so why not sing to them at Christmas?" asked Chris Ek-lund, of Hammond, Ind.

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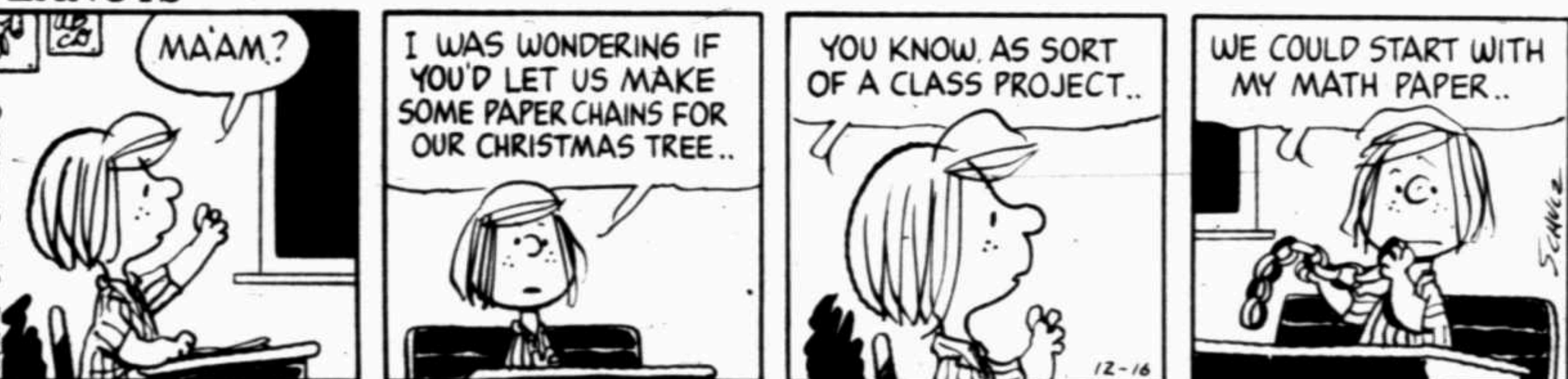
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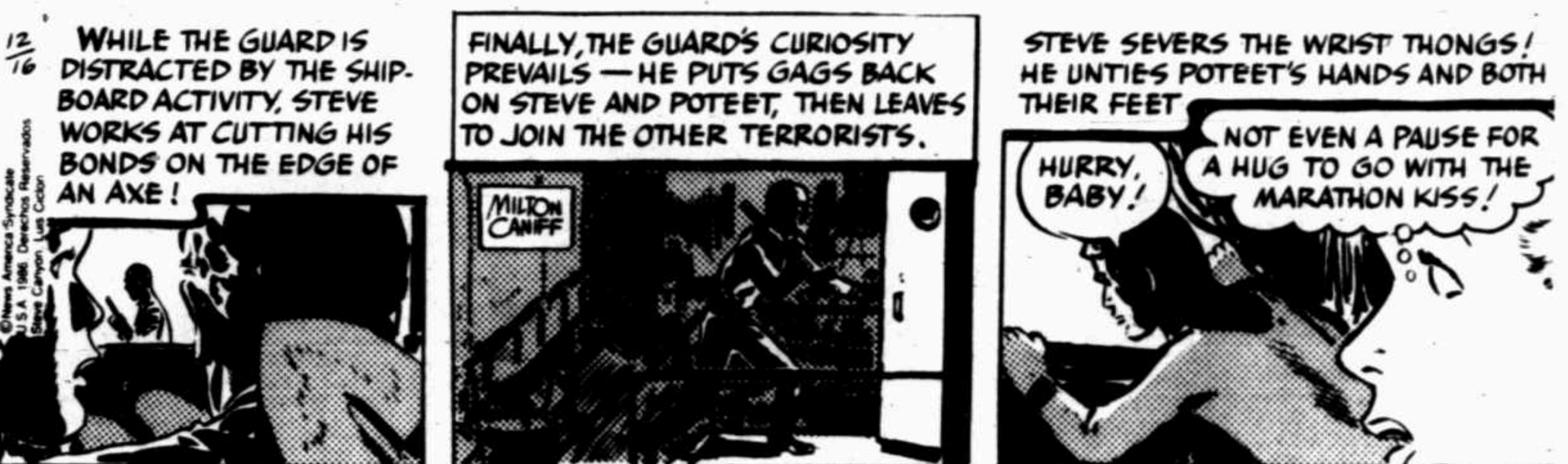
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MARY WORTH



JEANE DIXON'S
your horoscope

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By Jeane Dixon
Wednesday, December 17, 1986

YOUR BIRTHDAY TODAY: Do not dwell on the past. If you make a mistake, pick yourself up and try again. Success is closer than you think! Reach out to those who can help you. The year ahead provides a fresh start for those who need one. Family members draw closer. A positive approach brings you the money and happiness you have sought for so long. Adopting modern technology helps your business.

CELEBRITY BIRTHDATES: Author-poet John Greenleaf Whittier, New York Times writer William Safire, author Erskine Caldwell, Pittsburgh Pirates outfielder Marvell Wynne, New York Mets pitcher Bob Ojeda, Boston "Pops" creator-conductor Arthur Fiedler.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Family members are delighted to follow your lead. Take friend's financial advice with a grain of salt. Focus on one project at a time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Working quietly behind the scenes is the best way to increase your income. Know your priorities. You may decide to set new goals after consulting mate or partner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Long-range planning will bring excellent results. A stock-market tip could lead to a huge bonanza! Set aside money for a small child's education. The social scene is lively. Have fun!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Choosing the right partners is part of your formula for success. Remember to applaud their efforts. The outlook is promising for romance. Show more affection. Share the limelight with loved ones.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be on the lookout for profitable tips. The ability to speak a foreign language serves you well in business. Keep in touch with overseas contacts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Learn from your mistakes, but do not dwell on them. Turning on the charm could mean sharing some profits! Your desire for a close relationship could lead you to make an impulsive commitment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Someone puts in a good word for you. You gain access to someone who can help your career. Look around if you need financial backing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):

Ingenuity and fast action count big now! Move quickly to beat out the competition. Asking questions about jointly-owned funds could make someone close to you nervous. Probe beneath the surface.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Public relations has a great deal to do with your success at work. You get the green light on a pet project. Mental rapport is a huge plus for romance! Share your thoughts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Do not say anything that could undermine someone's trust in your good judgment. Careless handling of a distant matter could result in a misunderstanding. Draw the line more clearly between platonic and romantic relationships.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You and someone special begin to talk the same language! A direct approach works best in business and romance. A visit is sparkling.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your creative abilities are working full force today. Record your thoughts before they are forgotten. Subtlety will work much better than the direct approach in romance. Avoid making demands.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF
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THE HAND OF THE YEAR

Both vulnerable. South deals.

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Opening lead: Eight of ♥

right guess in clubs. But with just a bit of help from the defense, Svarc proved the hand was laydown as long as West held no more than one club honor.

After winning the heart, Svarc played off six rounds of diamonds, sluffing two clubs from dummy. West saw no reason to keep more than three spades, and that was his undoing. East was forced to cling to two hearts.

Ace-king of spades and a ruff cleared that suit, leaving West with three clubs and East with Q-x in hearts and a club. Now declarer, down to K-J of clubs and a heart,

could lead any club from his hand. If East held the bare ace, he would be end played and forced to lead a heart into dummy's tenace. If East was down to a bare queen, West could take his partner off the end play by rising with the ace, but then declarer would score the last two tricks with his remaining club honor and the ace of hearts. Try it.

For information about Charles Goren's new newsletter for bridge players, write Goren Bridge Letter, P.O. Box 4426, Orlando, Fla. 32802-4426.

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DENNIS THE MENACE



"I WAS MAKING A LIST FOR SANTA, BUT THEN I DECIDED IT WOULD BE EASIER JUST TO ASK FOR EVERYTHING."

THAT DAILY PUZZLER SCRAM-LETS WORD GAME

1 Rearrange letters of the four scrambled words below to form four simple words.

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My nephew likes to put the icing on his mom's cupcakes. I asked him how he got the icing so even. He grinned and said, "I licked them."

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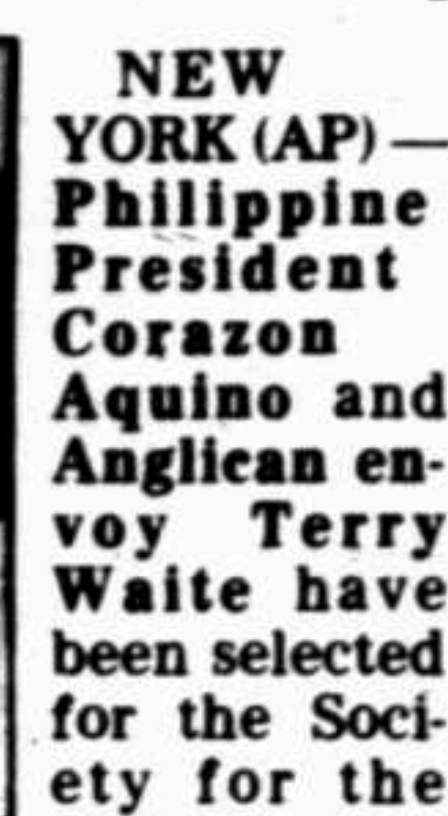
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PEOPLE

Aquino, Waite honored for efforts by Society for the Family of Man



Aquino Waite

Golden Medallion awards.

Mrs. Aquino was recognized for "encouraging the fullest democratic participation of all Filipinos, for seeking peace through political and economic change and through negotiation," the society said Monday in announcing the awards, to be given Feb. 5.

Waite, secretary to the Archbishop of Canterbury, will be honored for "his success, in the face of long odds, in gaining the release of American hostages held captive in Lebanon," it said.

The society was organized in 1963 by the Council of Churches of the City of New York. Past Golden Medallion recipients included Bishop Desmond Tutu, Henry Kissinger and presidents John F. Kennedy, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Lyndon B. Johnson and Jimmy Carter.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American Society of Newspaper Editors sent a message to South African president P.W. Botha Monday protesting the arrest of a newspaper editor and the increasing censorship of the press.

Michael G. Gartner, president of the ASNE, sent a wire to Botha saying the organization "vigorously protests and is deeply saddened by the arrest of Zwelakhe Sisulu, and the increasing censorship of the foreign and domestic press in South Africa."

Amnesty International said Sisulu, editor of the New Nation newspaper, was arrested Friday. Sisulu is the son of Walter Sisulu, one of the jailed leaders of the banned African National Congress.

The New Nation is a Roman Catholic-funded newspaper based in South Africa.

Under censorship imposed last Thursday, it is a crime to make a "subversive statement" and call for boycotts. Conviction can bring 10 years in jail or fines of \$8,000.

Newspapers that print "news or comment" about the boycott without permission are subject to possible seizure of copies and bans on publishing.

The new rules cover foreign as well as local media.

NEW YORK (AP) — Woody Allen scored big for a second time with critics whose opinions are considered a barometer of Academy Award sentiment.

The New York Film Critics Circle Monday chose Allen as best director of 1986 and "Hannah and Her Sisters" best movie. Diane Wiest, who played one of the title characters, was chosen best supporting actress and Allen, who also wrote the script, was runner-up for best screenplay.

"Hannah and Her Sisters" also was chosen best picture in voting over the weekend by the Los Angeles Film Critics.

The New York critics named Sissy Spacek best actress for her work in "Crimes of the Heart." The best actor was Bob Hoskins for "Mona Lisa" and the best supporting actor award was Daniel Day Lewis of "A Room With a View."

Hanif Kureishi's script for "My Beautiful Laundrette" was voted best screenplay.

"The Decline of the American Empire," the Cana-

dian movie in French directed by Denys Arcand, was chosen best foreign language film.

Twenty-five New York-based newspaper and magazine critics cast votes for the 52nd annual awards. An awards ceremony is scheduled Jan. 25.

The Los Angeles and New York awards, coupled with similar ones given by the National Society of Film Critics and National Board of Review, are often viewed as a barometer of Oscar sentiments. Academy Award nominations will be announced Feb. 11 with the awards given March 30.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nancy Reagan, carrying on a tradition begun by Jacqueline Kennedy in 1963, played host to children from the diplomatic corps, with some help from ventriloquist Shari Lewis and sidekick Lamb Chop.

The first lady laughed with the 372 children Monday as Ms. Lewis and Lamb Chop entertained in the East Room with Christmas carols and magic tricks.

The children, ages 6 to 11, hailed from 69 countries and many of them wore their national garb to the 23rd annual White House event.

WILDERVILLE, Ore. (AP) — When Lee Soo Man moved from Korea to New York six years ago, he sometimes would walk the streets looking for the tall, hawk-nosed GI who had given him a home during the Korean War.

Con Sellers, 64, was looking, too, and when he returned to Korea in October to research a novel about the war, he took a scrapbook with pictures of a 12-year-old boy in combat fatigues and carrying an M-1 carbine.

Thanks to some lucky breaks, they found each other last weekend after 34 years of trying.

"I looking for him all my life," Lee, 47, said Sunday in his broken English from the living room of Sellers' southern Oregon ranch house. "I only know him as Sgt. Connie. I cannot find this."

They met the first time on the streets of Taegu, South Korea, after the communists overran Seoul. Lee was a refugee from the capital and Sellers was a combat correspondent for the 38th Infantry Regiment of the 2nd Infantry Division.

"I don't know why I picked him out of the hundreds of others," said Sellers. "Maybe it was because he was standing straight and looking directly at me and not begging."

"I took him in the Jeep and took him up to regiment with me. I got him some clothes, bought him some boots and had some fatigues tailor-made for him, he was so little."

"That night there were mortars coming in and he went right to sleep. I was the one sitting up scared."

Lee stayed with Sellers more than a year, riding in the Jeep as Sellers gathered news for the regiment's Public Information Office.

Sellers was rotated home in 1952 and left Lee with the regiment after trying unsuccessfully to adopt him.

In Sellers' scrapbook, a yellowed newspaper clipping dated "With the U.S. Second Division" described his desire take Lee home with him.

"I have two sons already. One more won't make any difference," the story quoted him as saying.

"At that time, it took an act of Congress to get an Oriental into this country," Sellers said Sunday. "I saw my senator in Mississippi. But everything died."

Lee stayed with the regiment for about two months, then went home to Seoul to find his family. His father had been killed, but his mother, brothers and sister eventually returned.

Sellers went back to Korea in 1955 and tried to find Lee, but couldn't.

MARMADUKE



"He found out he's on our under-five-dollar Christmas list."

FAMILY CIRCUS



"We drew names for Christmas gifts today, and I picked my own name."

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Evening TV Schedule

TUESDAY DECEMBER 16, 1986

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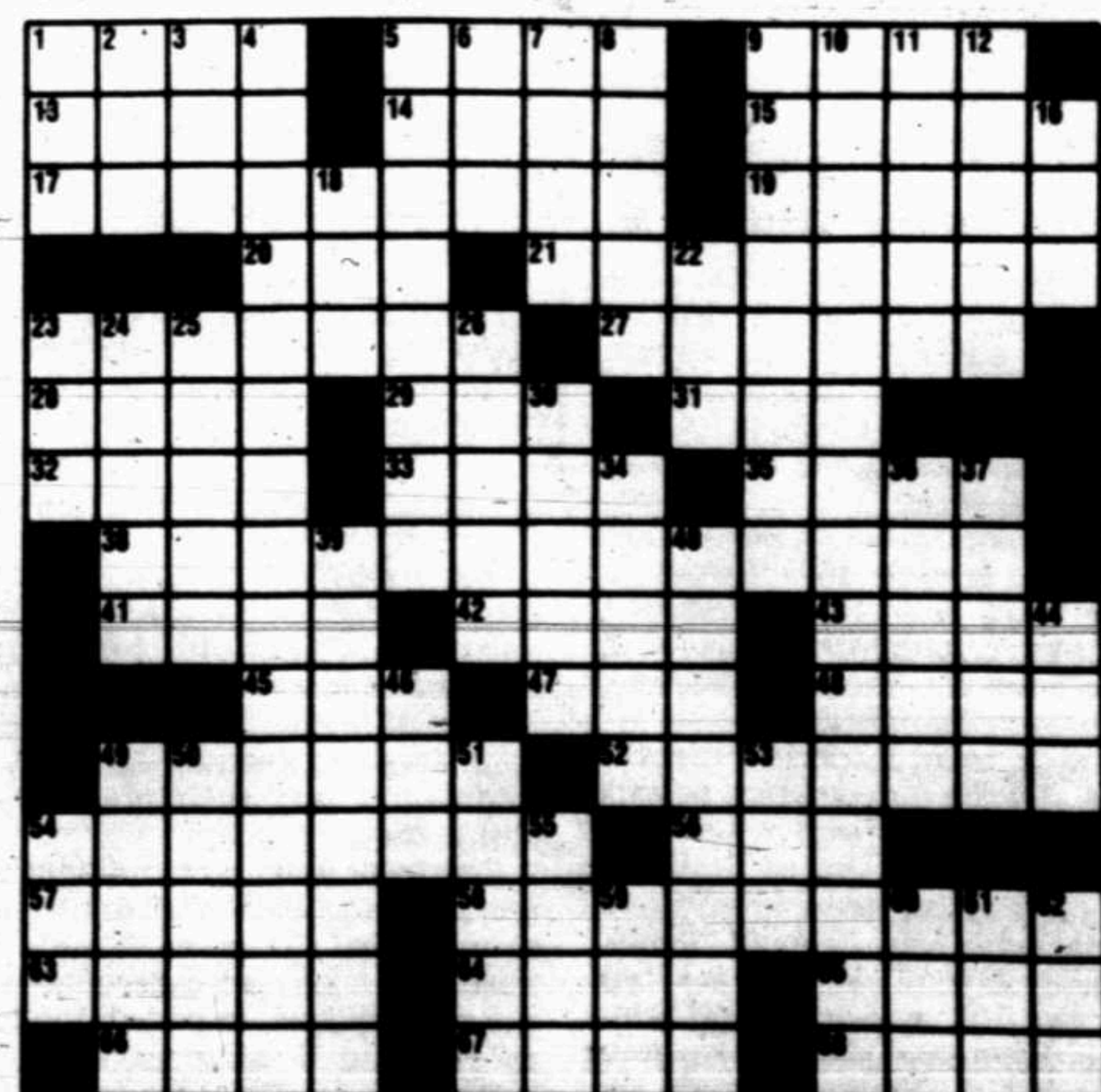
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Survivors of natural gas explosion mark day

By ELLEN HADDOW

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Some residents are still bitter about a natural gas explosion that ripped apart a building a year ago today, killing 12 workers and injuring 15, but most "are picking up and going on," a minister says.

Survivors of the Dec. 16, 1985, tragedy planned to mark its first anniversary by meeting at a flagpole where the Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Co. building once stood. A meal was scheduled for them later at the Elks Lodge.

"It's the kind of thing people have been doing all year," said AnneEllen Rhodes, whose husband, Rex, and father-in-law were killed when the two-story building erupted in flames as walls and floors caved in.

State troopers and police and firefighters from Glenwood and six other

western Colorado communities rushed to the scene as smoke billowed over the Colorado River and Interstate 70.

Dazed, burned survivors were taken to hospitals. Authorities spent hours checking in employees who had left on delivery and sales routes in order to determine how many might be trapped in the rubble.

The explosion occurred after a truck with a nearly empty propane tank was brought in for repairs to safety decals. Apparently the tank leaked and the gas was ignited by the pilot light of the building's water heater, investigators said.

The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration investigated the explosion, and fined the company the maximum \$2,000 for safety violations.

OSHA said the propane tank should not have been brought into

the building, and that the employee doing the repairs was not properly trained.

Rocky Mountain Natural Gas contested the penalty, and later paid a \$1,200 fine.

Lawsuits, most for unspecified damages, have been filed against the gas company. More are pending.

Attorneys have advised many survivors to keep silent about the disaster. Rocky Mountain Natural Gas President Don Parsons, the target of accusations by widows that the company has abandoned them, said his company's attorneys also have counseled silence.

What all talk about, at every chance, is the care and giving of the people of Glenwood Springs and surrounding communities.

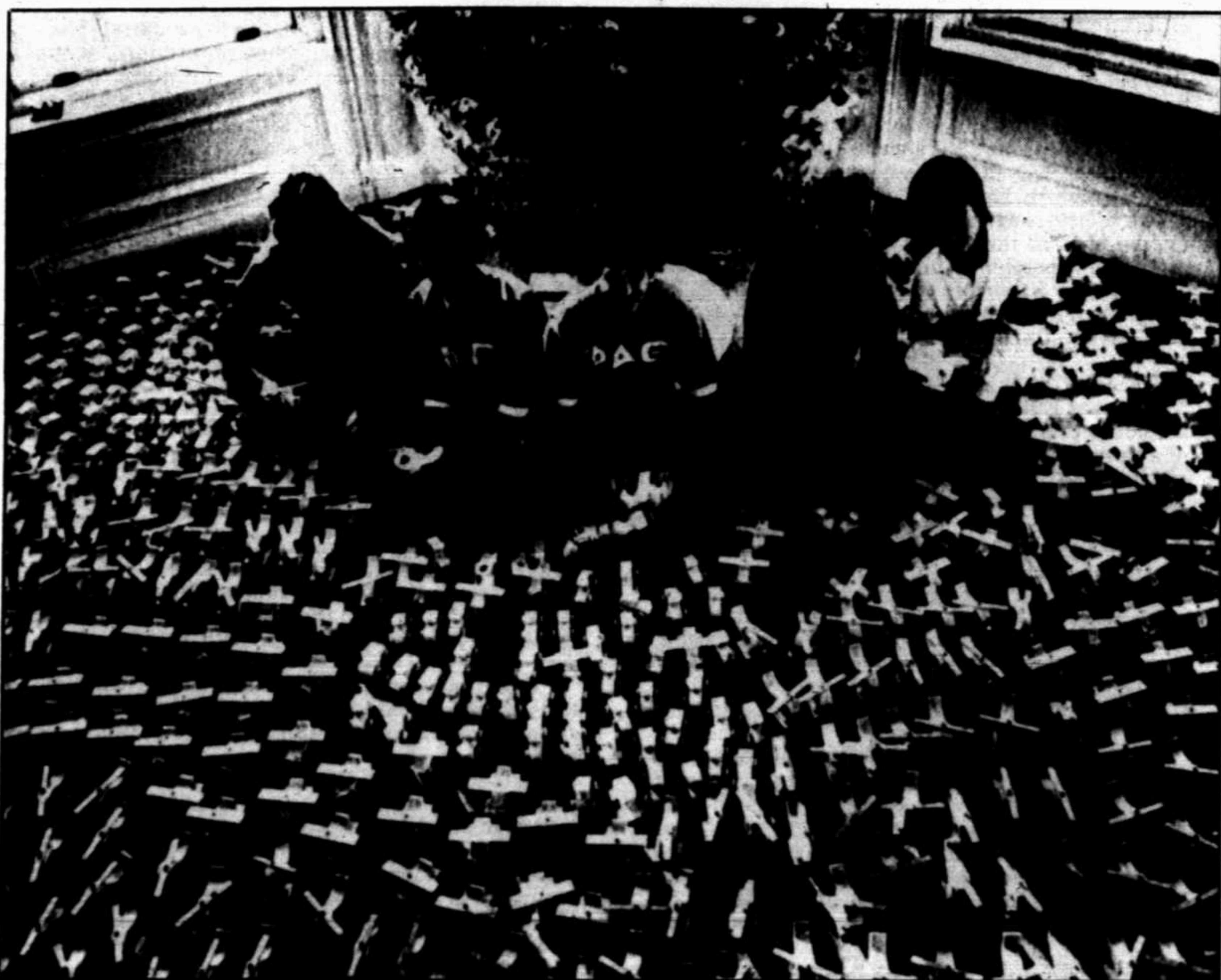
"There was a lot of pain here," said the Rev. Lonnie Green, chairman of the ministerial association

for this mountain town of 5,500 people. "While some have feelings of bitterness, overall there is a feeling of adjustment. People are picking up and going on."

"This whole area has sustained us through this year with their compassion and understanding," said Mrs. Rhodes. "I have no close family here, so these people have been an anchor."

More than \$30,000 was raised for the families and for scholarship funds for children, Green said. Another \$25,000 was gathered for a memorial: A bandshell being built at Two Rivers Park, a half mile east of the disaster.

A mental health center offered free counseling to survivors and families of the dead or injured, while clubs throughout the Colorado River Valley raised money and volunteered help.



Lotta choppers

Phi Delta Theta fraternity members, from left, Timothy Horgan of Woburn, Mass.; Eugene Tung, Saratoga, Calif.; Tony Calonna, New York, N.Y.; and Frank Modica of Shirley, N.Y. pose amid some 700 wooden toy helicopters, planes and cars under the Christmas tree at the frat house on the campus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Mass. The toys, made by the young men, will be distributed to ill and needy children at Boston-area hospitals and orphanages.

AP Laserphoto

Casey 'alert, stable' after brain seizure

By ROBERT FURLOW

WASHINGTON (AP) — CIA Director William J. Casey is described as alert and in stable condition today after suffering a brain seizure on the eve of a new round of congressional questioning on the Iran arms deal.

Casey, who was to have testified at today's closed-door Senate Intelligence Committee hearing, was rushed by ambulance Monday from his office to Georgetown University Hospital after falling ill with what doctors later called "a minor cerebral seizure."

The hospital's medical director, Dr. John Stapleton, said Casey suffered a second seizure while undergoing tests after being admitted to the hospital.

However, Stapleton described Casey late Monday as being in stable condition, "mentally clear and resting comfortably." Hospital officials said today his condition was unchanged.

The 73-year-old CIA director will be in the hospital for several days of neurological and other tests, hospital officials said.

CIA spokeswoman Kathy Pherson said today that Casey had spent a

comfortable night. She said agency officials who talked to Casey at the hospital on Monday found him "lucid and pretty cheerful...joking with the nurses."

When Stapleton was asked if Casey had suffered a stroke, he said he didn't believe so, but he added little further detail on what the seizures might be related to.

Merritt's Textbook of Neurology, a standard reference, says a minor cerebral seizure can be caused by any one of numerous conditions, including meningitis, encephalitis, physical trauma, tumors, abscesses, degenerative diseases of the nervous system, blood-vessel problems and carbon monoxide poisoning.

CIA spokesmen, commenting shortly after Casey was taken to the hospital just before noon, had said he apparently was suffering from side effects due to a change in medication, but they wouldn't elaborate.

Stapleton, questioned by reporters at a brief conference outside the hospital, was asked if there might be a connection between the seizures and the strain of the Iran investigation, during which Casey has testified at length. He has not yet gone before

the Senate committee.

The doctor said his feeling was that the timing was no more than "an unfortunate coincidence." Exhaustion from the recent events "might have been a trigger mechanism" but not the sole cause, Stapleton said.

A spokesman for the Intelligence Committee, David Holliday, said the panel's investigation wouldn't be delayed by the hospitalization. White House Chief of Staff Donald T. Regan and Secretary of State George P. Shultz were scheduled to testify today.

Sen. David Durenberger, R-Minn., the intelligence panel's outgoing chairman, said he hoped Casey would be well enough to testify by the end of the week.

In the past week, Casey has testified in private hearings that the spy agency became involved in the Iranian arms shipments in the summer and fall of 1985, before President Reagan issued formal authorization, according to members of Congress.

Casey testified, however, that he did not learn until October that profits from those shipments may have been diverted to the Nicaraguan

Contra rebels and that he did not know for certain until told by Attorney General Edwin Meese III on Nov. 24, one day before Meese's public disclosure of the matter.

Rep. William S. Broomfield, R-Mich., ranking Republican on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said Casey's sworn testimony to the panel made it clear the CIA would have to improve "internal oversight and control over certain operations."

Earlier in the Reagan administration, Casey was a subject of controversy over his personal finances and over CIA secret activities that sometimes became public, such as the mining of Nicaragua's harbors and preparation of a manual for Nicaraguan rebels counseling them in the "selective use of violence" to "neutralize" civilian officials.

Casey, who served as Reagan's 1980 campaign manager, held several jobs in the Nixon administration, including chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, under secretary of state for economic affairs and head of the Export-Import Bank.

Schultz says Iran, Iraq may negotiate end to war

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz said today a weakened Iran might be willing to negotiate with Iraq on an end to their six-year Persian Gulf war.

Other U.S. officials confirmed, meanwhile, that the United States secretly provided Iraq with detailed reports about Iranian defenses even while Tehran was purchasing American weapons with President Reagan's approval.

The information was derived from sensitive U.S. satellite reconnaissance photography and was useful to Iraqi pilots in their bombing raids on Iranian oil terminals and power plants, an official who spoke only on condition that he not be identified said Monday.

Shultz said he was not free to com-

ment on intelligence-sharing questions. But, appearing today on a U.S.-sponsored telecast to Europe, he offered an argument for weakening Iran as a way to force a negotiated settlement of the war.

"We think the principal recalcitrant party is Iran," he said. "So to the extent that Iran's military capabilities can be reduced, that presumably would bring them to a frame of mind where they are willing to sit down with Iraq and try to reach an agreement."

Shultz said the Reagan administration is in favor of an agreement that maintains the territorial integrity of both countries "and doesn't have, so to speak, a winner or a loser."

Responding to questions from London, Bonn, Paris, Copenhagen

and Rome, Shultz ruled out further U.S. weapons sales to Tehran, which touched off a furor in Washington that is still gathering force.

He said President Reagan thought it was worthwhile "to send a small signal" that he wanted an improvement in relations. "No further signals are necessary or will be given," Shultz said. "The question of any further arms sales to Iran from the United States has been settled and there won't be any more under the present circumstances."

Shultz privately opposed the Iranian purchases in conversations with Reagan. The operation was carried out primarily by the National Security Council, with the State Depart-

ment kept mostly in the dark.

"Perhaps one lesson of this Iran problem," he said, "is that that's a case where a piece of foreign policy was administered elsewhere and it would have been better if it had been in normal channels, in my opinion."

The disclosure of U.S. aid to Iraq in Monday's editions of The Washington Post added an ironic twist to the controversy over the secret U.S. arms shipments to so-called moderate elements in Tehran and the surreptitious diversion of profits to Nicaraguan rebels.

In effect, the United States was assisting both sides in the six-year-old Persian Gulf war while officially proclaiming its neutrality.

NATION IN BRIEF

Closing of world ports 'would be devastating'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Navy Secretary John F. Lehman said the United States needs to fire a warning shot across the bow of nations seeking to follow the example of New Zealand in banning U.S. warships from their ports.

New Zealand's Labor government announced in early 1985 it would no longer allow American warships to visit its ports without assurances the vessels were not nuclear-powered or carrying nuclear weapons.

Lehman, in an interview reported Monday by the independent newspaper "Navy Times," said it would be far better for the United States "to write off any foreseeable improved relations with New Zealand to make it clear to anyone else who is tempted (to ban U.S. warships) that when they're doing that, they're also going to reopen Most Favored Nation (status) and a broad range of relationships."

Having ports around the world

closed to the Navy "would be devastating" and cannot be treated as a minor diplomatic problem, Lehman concluded.

Pentagon officials declined comment Monday when asked if Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger was prepared to back his outspoken Navy chief.

Auto pollution still problem

WASHINGTON (AP) — A survey found a decline in the number of vehicles with pollution-control equipment disconnected or ruined by use of leaded fuel, but the Environmental Protection Agency's administrator says such practices are still a major problem.

Checks of 6,588 cars and light-duty trucks by the EPA in 15 urban areas showed that 10 percent had been misfueled with leaded gasoline when the car required unleaded, the agency reported Monday in an annual survey.

Twenty percent of the vehicles showed evidence of some tampering with pollution control equipment,

such as removal of the catalytic converter from the exhaust pipe, the agency said.

In last year's survey, 22 percent of the cars were reported as tampered with and 14 percent had been misfueled.

EPA Administrator Lee M. Thomas said in a statement that the incidence of tampering and misfueling was still "a major environmental problem" and "inexcusably high."

Press censorship protested

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American Society of Newspaper Editors has asked the South African government to reconsider its recent imposition of strict censorship laws and the arrest of a newspaper editor.

Michael G. Gartner, president of the ASNE, sent a wire Monday to South African President P.W. Botha saying the organization "vigorously protests and is deeply saddened by the arrest of Zwiakhe Sisulu, and the increasing censorship of the foreign and domestic press in South Africa."

Amnesty International said Sisulu, editor of the New Nation newspaper, was arrested Friday. Sisulu is the son of Walter Sisulu, one of the jailed leaders of the banned African National Congress.

"Americans cannot emphasize enough our dismay and disappointment in the continuing actions of the South African government. We urge you to reconsider these recent moves," the message said.

Reagan gives holiday plea

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan issued a holiday-season plea to young drivers, asking them to forgo drugs and alcohol while driving.

"In this festive season, Nancy and I both ask you for yourselves, your family and your country, keep alcohol and cars apart," Reagan said Monday.

The president made the request just before signing a proclamation declaring Dec. 14-20 "National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week."

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MIDLAND

WHEREAS by virtue of WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of the 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, on the 23rd day of January, 1981, in Cause No. 6453-8, where STATE OF TEXAS was Plaintiff, and Benjamin Thomas, Thelma, Priscilla and Odell M. Walker & Thelma Ann Walker, Sureties were Defendants, on a judgment rendered in said Court against Defendant and in favor of the said Plaintiff, for the sum of \$25,000.00 DOLLARS, with interest thereon at the rate of 9 per cent per annum, from date of judgment, together with all costs of suit, I did on the 15th day of December, 1986, at 3:45 o'clock P.M., levy upon the following described lots, tracts and parcels of land situated in Midland County, Texas, as the property of Odell M. Walker and Thelma Ann Walker with Ed Shelby and Willie Wilson having partial interest in certain tracts to-wit:

1. Lot 10, Blk. 042, Moody, 305 S. Tyler
2. Lot 9, Blk. 042, Moody, 307 S. Tyler
3. Lot 10, Blk. 054, Moody Addition, 507 S. Lee
4. Lot 7, Blk. 035, Moody Addition
5. Lot 8, Blk. 035, Moody Addition
6. Lot 9, Blk. 035, Moody Addition
7. Lot 1, Blk. 3, Belmont Addition, 183 acres out of Section 36, Blk. 39
8. Lot 1, Blk. 3, Belmont Addition
9. Lot 4, Blk. 6, Greenwood Addition
10. Lot 10, Blk. 13, Greenwood Addition
11. Lot 11, Blk. 13, Greenwood Addition
12. Lot 11, Blk. 36, Greenwood Addition
13. Lot 12, Blk. 34, Greenwood Addition

and on the 6th day of January, 1987, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, at the courthouse door of said County, and between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, at the residence of Jerald W. Rolston in said County, Texas, as the property of Jerald W. Rolston to-wit:

West 15th of Lot 4, all of Lot 5, and East 10th of Lot 6, Block 3, Elmwood Addition, Commonly known as 609 W. Culbert

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FOUND: Have you lost a big yellow cat, seems to be housecat. Found 12/9/86 at Walmart parking lot. It contained a check for \$131.13, a 1300 Ford, 684-5286.

MALE black lab, answers to Buster, lost in vicinity of Garfield and Neely. 682-7328 or 682-1626.

LOST! Two young boys Christmas gifts. White American Husky dog around Ward and Neely Street. Please call 682-0553.

LOST! Female West Highland Terrier, white, tags with wrong address. North of Wadley. Call 682-1994.

LOST! Goldie male Pompano, six years old. Between Slaughter and Wadley. Reward call 682-7441.

FOUND: Small apricot and white long haired female mixed dog. Narrow white collar. 4200 block of Mercaderes. Please call 687-1630.

170 SCHOOLS- INSTRUCTIONS

SEMI-DRIVER TRAINING
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150 LOST & FOUND

FOUND White puppy, 8-10 weeks old, looks like Spitz. Ward & Wadley. 682-8017, 682-3349.

160 MONEY LOANS WANTED

WE Buy Scrap Gold, Silver, old coins and coin collections. We pay top dollar in cash! Village Coin Shop, #19 North Collins. 685-1711.

TOP \$100,000 for diamonds, old gold, estate pieces, strictly confidential. Call 689-5167.

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NEED MONEY
Professional money lender.
\$2,000 to \$200,000.000.
Nationwide sources, mortgage, personal, business, debt consolidation. New ventures. Call (915) 683-0087.

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1983 Toyota Supra, red, excellent condition, 13,000 miles, \$12,000. Call David at 683-5101 or 694-8245 after 5:30.

1982 Cadillac Seville, low mileage, 11,000 miles, gray with vinyl top, 697-2730 after 5.

1979 Oldsmobile diesel, good shape, \$1500. We'll deal. 685-3892

1978 Pontiac Phoenix, approximately 90,000 miles. Good shape, new gas. Asking \$1000. Call 697-9919

1977 Ford LTD, 10,000 miles, to appreciate, very clean. 684-3700.

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1975 Cadillac, 10,000 negotiable. Call 683-5425 after 7:00 PM.

1974 Ford Mustang, air, power, low mileage. 682-1123. 2306 Cimarron.

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1968 Mustang, original owner, standard gear shift, good tires, new body. Excellent condition. \$3,250. 684-8098.

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1965 Mercury Comet, excellent condition, 77,000 miles. \$950. 687-2612.

1963 Chevrolet 2 door sedan. Totally complete, garaged. Easy restoration. 4501 Wilshire. 684-8032.

1961 Chevrolet has 1963 motor, automatic, 4 door. \$1,850. 1977 MGB Convertible. \$1,650. 694-8666.

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