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## Merchants dispute Gregg widening

By BILL FOSTER

Staff Writer

The future of their businesses is at stake.

That message — delivered by a standing-room-only crowd of merchants who attended Tuesday's Big Spring City Council meeting — protested the proposed widening of Gregg Street from FM 700 to 10th Street.

"The merchants along Gregg

Street are very concerned about this project. We need the council's help, please," said Don Swinney, who spoke on behalf of business owners. Swinney operates Tex-Pure water store, 1719 Gregg St.

Swinney told council members that the 14-foot highway widening would eliminate parking in front of their firms and loss of business during construction.

A petition containing signatures and letters expressing opposition to the widening were presented to City Council by Jack Draper, owner of Faye's Flowers, 1013 Gregg St.

Meanwhile, Mayor Cotton Mize said council members do not have enough detailed information about the widening project to make an informed decision.

Councilman Russ McEwen agreed with Mize, suggesting the

council needs to await detailed information about the project before a decision is made.

"It's all hypothetical at this time. It seems logical to look at the costs, impact on each business and possible alternatives before a decision is made," McEwen said.

"Personally, I want to see the facts and figures before deciding whether to do or not to do the project. I'm not so sure that it (the

widening) might not be better for commerce on Gregg Street ... at this point I just don't know," McEwen said.

The proposal to widen the 18-block stretch of Gregg Street seven feet on each side to allow for construction of a center turn lane was announced Nov. 17 by Bill Burnett, State Department of Highways District 8 engineer.

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## How's That? Veterans

Q. I was honorably discharged from the Army due to a physical disqualification which existed prior to my enlistment. I served thirteen months of my three year entitlement. I understand, since I did not complete at least 24 months of active service, I do not qualify for veteran's benefits. Is this true? I especially wanted to continue my Servicemen's Group Life Insurance. A. The law generally denies benefits to veterans (enlisted personnel only) of military service who entered on active duty after Sept. 7, 1980, and to all other veterans (expanded to include officers) who entered military service after Oct. 16, 1981, who do not complete the shorter of 24 months of continuous active duty, or the full period for which the person was called or ordered to active duty. This provision does not apply to veterans who were discharged close to the end of an enlistment term, for reasons of hardship, or for a disability incurred or aggravated in the line of duty. It also does not apply to insurance benefits, or the provision of any benefit for, or in connection with, a service-connected disability, condition, or death.

## Calendar Nativity

TODAY

• The First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster, is having a live Nativity scene in the parking lot from 7-9:30 p.m.

• The Howard County Library will be closed Dec. 24-27. The library will reopen Dec. 28. Please use the bookdrop for returns only.

Items for the Spring board calendar must be community-wide events and will be listed no more than one week in advance. Send such notices to: Spring board, Big Spring Herald, Box 1431, Big Spring. Club notices will be printed in the "City Bits" section on page 3-A of the Herald.

## Tops on TV

### Highway to Heaven

When a lawyer adds Johnathan to his staff, they defend an unusual client — Santa Claus — on trial for protesting a store's promotion of toy weapons. — 7 p.m. on Ch. 13.

• Hooperman — 8 p.m. on Ch. 2.

• The Equalizer — 9 p.m. on Ch. 7.

## Outside Sunny

Becoming partly cloudy tonight and mostly cloudy Thursday. Turning colder north tonight and much of area Thursday. Slight chance of snow Panhandle tonight, of rain far west and Concho Valley, rain and snow South Plains and snow Panhandle Thursday. Lows tonight 22 Panhandle to 46 Concho Valley. Highs Thursday 29 Panhandle to 62 Big Bend.

## President signs bills for budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — When President Reagan signed a pair of bills raising taxes and restraining government spending, it may have paved the way for relatively sedate budget politics in election year 1988.

But it also may have set the stage for another bitter struggle.

In a brief ceremony in the White House's Oval Office on Tuesday, the president signed the two 6-inch-high stacks of legislation.

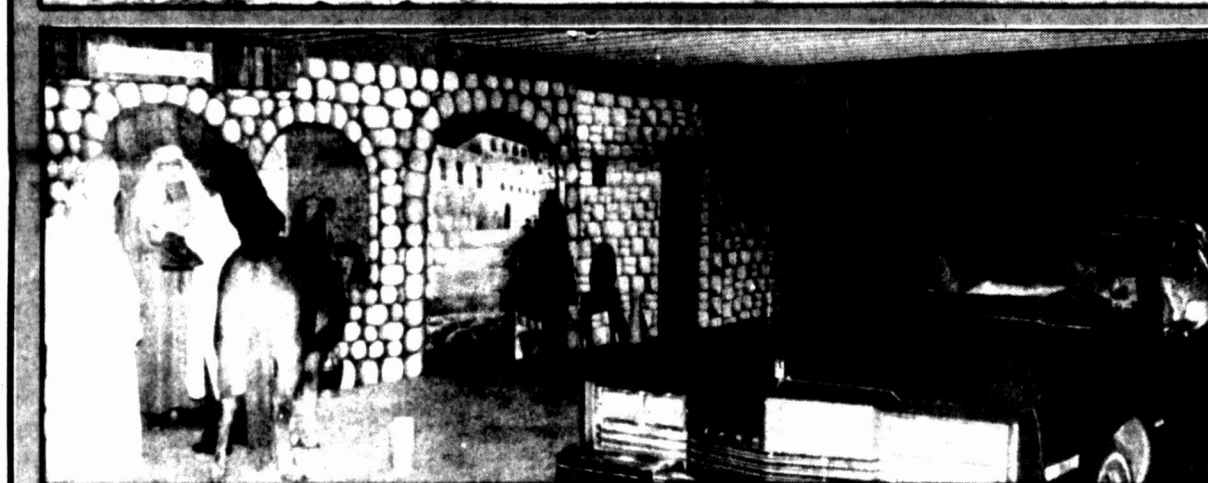
One bill enacted \$23 billion in taxes over the next two years, including \$9 billion this year, and billions of dollars in cuts in benefit programs such as Medicare and farm supports. The other provided \$600 billion for federal agencies to operate this year, but included \$7.6 billion in reductions from projected increases in expenses.

Reagan said the legislation was "a first step toward placing our country on a reliable and credible budget course."

The measures were a response to the October stock market crash that has left investors and business executives less optimistic about the American economy than they once were. One cause for the uncertainty, public officials and financiers agreed, was nervousness over the federal deficit, which reached a record \$221 billion in fiscal 1986 and \$148 billion in fiscal 1987.

A week after the stock market plunge, White House and congressional officials commenced a four-week-long budget summit, which produced a two-year, \$76 billion deficit-reduction package. The bills Reagan signed Tuesday implemented all of the savings for the first year, and most of them for the

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## Yule drive-thru

The drive-through nativity scene is the parking lot of the Church of the Nazarene, 1400 South Lancaster, has become a popular attraction since it began Monday evening. Above, dozens of cars stretching to Eighth Street waited to see the various scenes that lead to the nativity, top photo, driving between a path of luminarias. Bottom photo, the assembly watch as innkeeper turn Joseph and Mary away from the inn.

## Mother gets early Yule gift: Son freed

Herald bureau report

DALLAS — Amid a turmoil of mixed emotions about his freedom after spending more than a year behind bars for a robbery, 19-year-old Randy Ty Senegar calmly plotted a way to give his mother a surprise.

Instead of telling his mother he was being set free, Senegar arrived unannounced Monday on the doorstep of her Grand Prairie home.

"I've never seen anybody look like that," Senegar said. "Her eyes got real big. She thought she'd never see me there again. When the tears started coming, I just grabbed her and hugged her."

Senegar's ordeal began when the victim of an October 1986 rape and robbery picked his mug shot from a

group of photographs. Although her assailants wore masks during the assault, the Grand Prairie woman testified that she connected a neck scar to Senegar.

Senegar was in the Grand Prairie jail at the time police were investigating the crime, arrested for a technical violation of a probation sentence he'd received at 17 in connection with a car burglary.

Senegar pleaded innocent to the robbery charge at a trial in March. Alibi witnesses told the jury Senegar was at home and eating breakfast at a McDonald's the morning the crime took place. But the jury convicted him after the testimony of the victim and that of a jail cellmate, who told the court Senegar had confessed to him.

Senegar was sentenced to 60 years in prison.

But within three months of his conviction, the case against Senegar began to unravel.

Senegar passed two polygraph tests, maintaining his innocence in each. Among the other evidence uncovered by private investigator Roger Costen were the statements of two women who say they overheard a man and a teenage boy bragging about the crime.

The cellmate who testified against Senegar at the trial is the brother of the youth who was bragging and who authorities say now is a suspect in the rape and robbery, said Senegar's attorneys, Roger Joyner and Peter Lesser.

By mid-summer, Joyner and Lesser, who took the case after the trial, persuaded Norm Kinne, Dallas County's chief felony prosecutor, to investigate the new

evidence.

At Kinne's instruction, Dallas County investigators probed and confirmed the evidence implicating the two others, one of whom — the adult — was in prison on an unrelated conviction. The two women passed polygraph examinations about the conversation they'd overheard, and the juvenile suspect failed a lie-detector test in which he denied involvement in the crime.

Monday's dismissal of Senegar's case by State District Judge Gerry Meier at the request of defense attorneys and prosecutors is an example of how traditional adversaries can work together to right a wrong, Lesser said.

"Roger and I have nothing but praise for (District Attorney John) FREE AT LAST page 2-A

## IRS takes blame for W-4 mess

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans are getting an \$86 million Christmas present from the Internal Revenue Service, which is admitting it made a mistake in originally making its new W-4 tax withholding forms too complex.

After a year-long effort to get Americans to fill out the new forms, the IRS threw in the towel Tuesday and said no taxpayer would be penalized for having too little in taxes withheld from their paychecks this year.

IRS Commissioner Lawrence B. Gibbs cited the confusion over the W-4 forms and a desire to make this year's tax filing go smoothly as key reasons for the decision, which he said would cost the government an estimated \$86 million in penalty payments it otherwise would have collected.

Gibbs made his comments at a news briefing at which he unveiled the final IRS forms to be used by taxpayers to file their returns by April 15.

More than 98 million Americans will receive their 1987 federal income tax form packages in the mail beginning Dec. 26. The new forms incorporate for the first time the long list of changes made by the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

"With so much at stake — public confidence, the credibility of tax reform, a smooth-running filing season — we want to be sure that we have covered all our bases, that significant numbers of taxpayers won't be surprised come tax time," Gibbs said.

The IRS has been under attack all year over its new W-4 withholding forms, which were required by Congress to implement the new tax law. The new forms were supposed to permit taxpayers to more accurately balance their withholdings with their tax liability.

The initial furor over the W-4 form last January forced the IRS to issue a shorter, less-complicated W-4A form. The agency said Americans who filed either form with their employers by June 1, 1987, would not be penalized if it turned out they had too little in payroll taxes withheld.

Now the agency has abandoned altogether any effort to collect penalty payments on wage income this year, although Gibbs said penalties still will be assessed for underpaying taxes on other income.

In another gift to taxpayers, the IRS announced it will not impose a penalty for failing to submit Social Security numbers for dependent children ages 5 and older. If taxpayers fail to include the information on this year's tax forms, they will get warning letters.

## Winners

### Judge says decoration entries tripled

Herald staff report

The number of entries in this year's Big Spring Christmas decorations contest tripled in comparison to last year, according to judge Edna Womack.

Womack, along with Annematt Angel and Lucy Knox, judged about 40 entries before naming winners this week.

"We're so pleased people were that interested," Womack said.

In the residential category, C.D. Read, 2313 Brent Drive, won first place, Randy and Paulette Mason, 3200 Duke Ave., won second and Mr. and Mrs. James R. Wright, 605 Bucknell St., won third. Kay Morehead, 807 Highland, won honorable mention.

The drive-through nativity scene at the Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster St. was the overwhelming winner and judge's choice in the religious category, Womack said. Arnold Collins, 806 San Antonio Way, won second place and Irene Buchanan, 1308 Mesquite St., won third place.

Sue and Freddy Ward, 2610 Albrook Drive, and Irma Gomez, Meadow Road, received honorable mentions.

Bob Noyse, 2402 Cheyenne Drive, and Troy Gray, 2306 Marshall Drive, received awards in the original homemade category.

Johnny R. Stanley was noted for his waiting room display at 307 W. 16th St.

Top winners in the commercial category were State National Bank, 901 Main St.; Rumors, 305 W. 16th St.; and Colorado River Municipal Water District, 300 E. 24th St.

Citizens Federal Credit Union, 701 E. FM 700, and the Veterans Administration Hospital, 2400 Gregg St., received honorable mentions.

In the show window category, Inland Port 213, 213 Main St., received top honors. Blum's Jewelers Inc., 14 Highland Mall, was awarded second place and Added Touch Florist, 602 Main St., received third place. Country Flowers, 1701 Scurry St., received honorable



The house of C.D. Read at 2313 Brent won in the residential category of the 1987 city Christmas decorating contest. See page 2-A for additional photos.







# State

## Airline, attendants reach agreement

GRAPEVINE (AP) — Faced with a strike during the Christmas travel rush, American Airlines agreed to scuttle a controversial wage scale that left outraged flight attendants poised for a two-day walkout.

Just hours before the strike was to begin at 12:01 today, the nation's second-largest airline agreed to a six-year contract that kills the two-tier wage scale that began in 1983 and pays new employees less than veterans, American spokesman John Hotard said.

"We will be calling the strike off. Everybody can celebrate Christmas," Patt Gibbs, president of the Association of Professional Flight Attendants, said Tuesday night. "It's an agreement that I can put to the membership, that I can endorse and that I can urge them to vote for."

The plan "maintains the principles of both sides," American negotiator Charles Pascuito said. "Every flight flying and every flight attendant's going to be happy on every trip (today). It's a win-win situation. The company, I know, is happy with the agreement, and I think the union can make the same statement."

The contract merges the two tiers over six years into a single market-rate scale in accordance with contracts the Fort Worth-based company previously negotiated with the pilots and the groundworkers' unions, Hotard said.

"So we are very pleased that this has happened only hours before the flight attendants were to go on strike," he said. "The union board has approved it and it will now be put to the membership and they will have a certain length of time of several weeks to ratify it."

Under the two-tier system, A scale workers made an average of \$25,000 to \$27,000 per year, while B scale workers averaged \$12,000, Ms. Gibbs said.

"You were developing a real two-class system where people were



Members of the Association of Professional Flight Attendants celebrate the news Tuesday night at APFA headquarters in Euless that a pending strike had been canceled just hours before the 12:01 a.m. deadline. Showing their upbeat emotions are strike coordinators Kaye Preston, center, and Suzette Ahrendt, right, and picket coordinator Deborah Seale.

treated different, even though they were doing the same job," she said. "We weren't out to try to kill the company. We were out there to work jointly with management to make American better for everybody."

Ms. Gibbs had predicted earlier that the airline would never negotiate the two-tier system out of

the contract, "so they are the ones that chose the battleground we're on today."

The strike authorization vote ended Monday and was tallied Tuesday, although union officials wouldn't give the totals.

As Ms. Gibbs announced the vote during an afternoon press conference at Dallas-Fort Worth Inter-

national Airport, hundreds of flight attendants chanted, "No more B scale."

Although workers voted in favor of a strike, the decision to walk out came only after a spirited closed-doors meeting Tuesday in which many attendants expressed concerns to Ms. Gibbs.

## Dallas police officers fired for reported physical abuse

Herald staff report

DALLAS — Dallas Police Chief Billy Prince on Tuesday fired an officer for abusing a handcuffed prisoner and suspended a second officer who instructed witnesses to withhold details of the beating from the department's internal investigators.

Officer Teddy Weeks, 33, was dismissed for "using unnecessary force" against Herman Jones, 34, who was a burglary suspect when Weeks assaulted him on August 7, said Lt. Doug Kowalski, of the department's internal affairs division.

Officer M.A. Hackbarth, 30, was dealt a 15-day suspension without pay for instructing three other officers who witnessed the assault "to be vague in their reports" to internal investigators, Kowalski said. Prince also transferred Hackbarth from the department's Southeast Division to its Northwest Division.

"We felt like we needed to get him in a different area ... and see if he has any more problems," Prince said.

Former police officer Eva DeChoudens also was cited at the hearing for failing to protect Jones, who was in her custody at the time, Kowalski said. Prince dismissed DeChoudens and her partner on Dec. 8, 11 days after the pair conducted an illegal search in South Dallas and DeChoudens shot and wounded 16-year-old Vanessa Smith.

Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price lauded the firing, saying it indicates Prince is trying to remove problem officers from the force.

City Councilwoman Diane Ragsdale questioned whether Prince's decision was influenced by the fact that Dallas Area Rapid Transit Board member James Buerger witnessed the attack.

"Things seem to move pretty fast when an elite white male has the courage to report it," Ragsdale said.

Prince said dismissal is standard discipline for "physical abuse under these circumstances."

Buerger, who was riding on patrol with DeChoudens the night of the beating and reported it to the officers' supervisors, said he was satisfied with the disciplinary actions.

"If he (Prince) thinks this is appropriate, then I think it is," Buerger said.

The incident occurred about 11:30 p.m. on Aug. 9, shortly after Weeks, a two-year veteran of the force, responded to a burglary alarm and spotted Jones in a business in the 2000 block of Grand Avenue, Kowalski said. Jones knocked Weeks to the ground and fled, Kowalski said. When Weeks caught up with him, Jones knocked Weeks' pistol from his holster and hit the officer as he scrambled to retrieve it, Kowalski said.

DeChoudens and Buerger picked up the chase, caught Jones and handcuffed him, Kowalski said. They took Jones to the 1700 block of Grand, where Weeks struck him with his forearm and roughly shoved him up against a wall, Kowalski said.

### City Bits

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day's Herald.

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The following couples have filed for marriage license:

Gregg Alan Moody, 27, Marlin and Brenda Carol Hillin, 19 of same.

Domingo Flores Barron, 20 Bay City and Deborah Amelia Pieazo, 19 507 N. E. 6th Street.

Ronald Mark Launder, 40, 1506 11th Place and Linda Granham Williams, 47, 404 E. 15th.

This letter is to whoever removed the Christmas Wreath from our daughter's grave. I do hope the Lord will forgive you and you will think twice before you do a thing like that again. Have a Merry Christmas, Willie Mae Brunson.

FOR Sale- Kirby Vacuum cleaner with attachments and shampooer. Call 267-5015.

STANLEY Home Products, Cynthia Boadle, 267-2976. Stock on hand -Dealers needed.

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# Opinion

## Loan default solution wrong

In 1978, defaults on guaranteed student loans cost the U.S. government \$200 million. By 1990, the annual cost is expected to top \$2 billion.

Students who fail to repay their loans are not simply taking money from the federal government — although that would be bad enough. They also are reducing funds available for other educational programs — not only for colleges but also for elementary and secondary schools.

Secretary of Education William Bennett has cause to label the situation intolerable. But he has seized upon a solution that also is intolerable. He would prohibit loans to students attending schools with high default rates.

Frustrated by the rising price tag on defaults, the Senate recently passed legislation that would cut off loans to students at schools whose default rate exceeds 25 percent. The House properly balked at that provision and tied up the bill in conference committee.

Stepping in where the House refused to tread, Bennett proposed administrative action to stop loans at schools where the default rate exceeds 20 percent.

Educators have responded with a chorus of protest, and rightly so. While Bennett would hold them responsible for loan defaults, they have only a small, indirect say in who receives loans and no role in repayment.

Indeed, most who default have already graduated or dropped out of school. Bennett correctly wants schools to do a better job of counseling students on the amount they borrow and on their obligation to timely repayment. But he goes too far when he proposes making schools directly culpable for the financial behavior of former students.

Critics also point out that Bennett's proposal would eliminate loans for many low-income and minority students — even those who are good risks to repay their loans — to attend the schools of their choice.

That's because the highest default rates are recorded at community colleges, trade schools, black colleges and other schools with large minority and low-income enrollments.

A more promising alternative is offered by Rep. William Ford, D-Mich. Ford would offer more grant money but no loans for students in their first and second years of college, when they're most likely to drop out and default on loans. For third- and fourth-year students, he would make available loans but no grants.

Another creative proposal now being tested likens repayment to income level, on the theory that defaults can be reduced if students' monthly payments do not exceed a specified percentage of their earnings.

A loan program that generates \$2 billion in defaults each year needs adjustment. Bennett unfortunately has reached for a simplistic and inequitable solution by dumping the entire problem on colleges. He should try again.

### Quotes

"I'm convinced that time will tell us this is a major victory for the American people and the nation's economy." — Sen. Lawton Chiles, D-Fla., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, after Congress sent a deficit-reduction package to President Reagan.

"Our sadness is all the more painful because the tragedy struck with the approach of Christmas." — President Corazon Aquino of the Philippines, discussing a ferry-oil tanker collision that left at least 1,530 people presumed dead.

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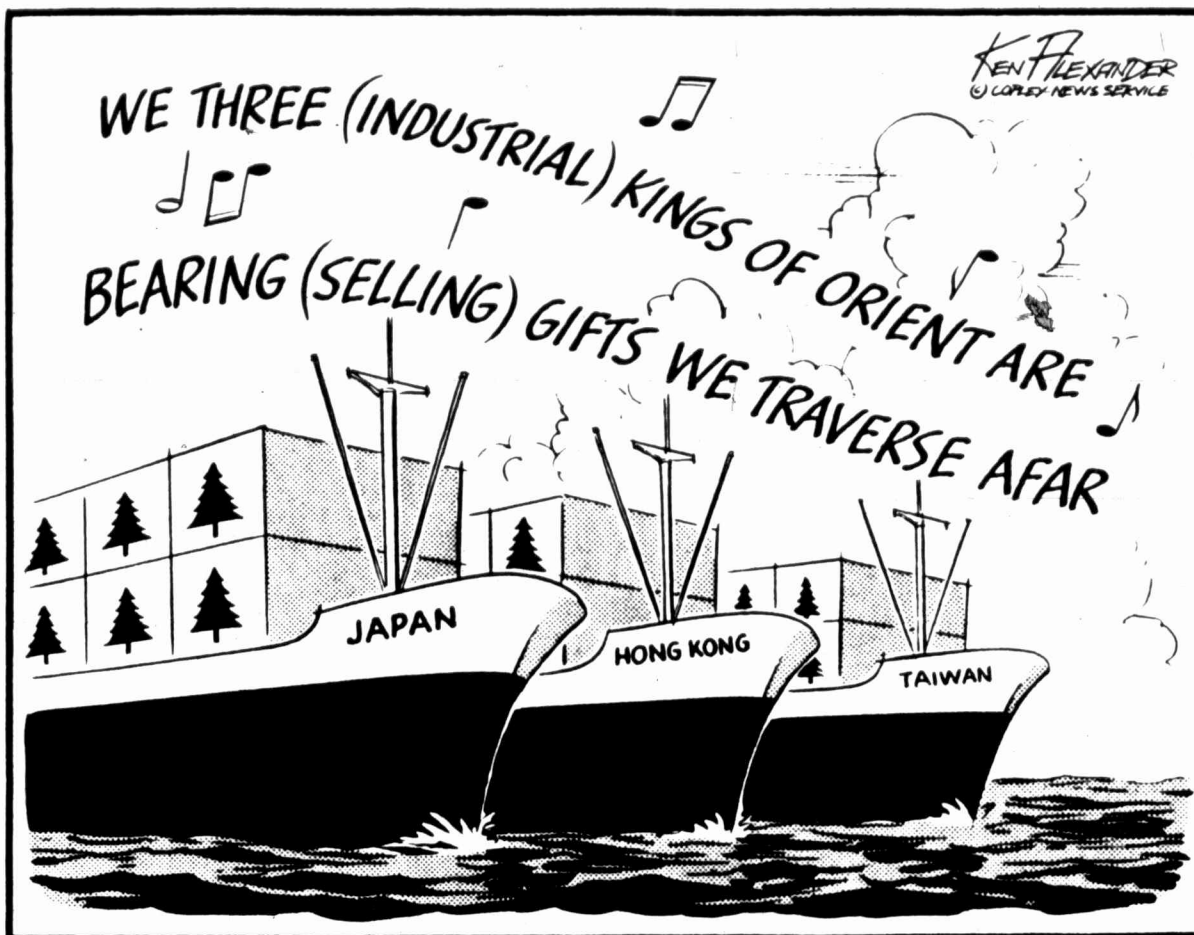
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## Haig's record with company prompts doubts about ability

By JACK ANDERSON  
and JOSEPH SPEAR

WASHINGTON — Alexander Haig's recent track record in the business world raises serious questions about what kind of president he would make.



Jack  
Anderson

During his four years on the board of directors of Allegheny International, the Pittsburgh-based conglomerate has been beset by Securities and Exchange Commission charges — which the company did not contest — as well as a flood of shareholder lawsuits claiming mismanagement and misappropriation of funds by company executives and directors, and a New York Stock Exchange threat to delist the company.

There is nothing to suggest that Haig ever claimed to be or was in fact in charge of Allegheny, which primarily manufactures consumer appliances among other products. But he was closer to the action than some, serving on the directors' executive and finance committees, which work closely with company management.

And as a former chief executive of United Technologies, Haig might have been expected to have at least an inkling that a once-vibrant corporation was virtually crumbling around him.

Haig's connection with the troubled company was made painfully public at the Republican candidates' debate in Houston on Oct. 28.

A process server posing as a reporter served Haig with a civil complaint alleging that Allegheny, its officers and directors had engaged in "fraud and deception" in a Texas real estate deal. Allegheny plans to contest the charges.

The SEC investigation of Allegheny began shortly after a *Business Week* story in August 1986. The article questioned the company's business practices and the extravagant fringe benefits it gave to its executives while its net worth and stock price plunged and its operating losses soared.

Two months after the critical article appeared, Robert J. Buckley resigned as Allegheny's board chairman and chief executive officer.

On Sept. 9 of this year, the SEC filed suit in federal court here, citing Allegheny's violations of security laws and seeking an injunction to force corrective action by the company. Allegheny signed a consent decree the same day, admitting no wrongdoing but promising not to commit any more violations.

According to the uncontested allegations in the SEC complaint, which has been studied by our reporter Frank Byrt, basic accounting records and internal controls were not maintained from 1981 to

1985. This resulted in material misstatements of financial worth in company reports, the SEC said.

Among the abuses, the SEC said, were:

- Use of the company's five jets (the "Allegheny Air Force") for personal trips by executives and directors;
- Purchase of more than \$100,000 worth of wine for personal consumption;
- Use of company-owned automobiles and luxury condominiums for executives' personal pleasure;
- Financial and legal services obtained by executives at company expense.

The uncontested SEC complaint also accused the company, its officers and directors of making "false and misleading" proxy statements to shareholders, by failing to report their personal use of company assets and their part in company transactions from which they benefited personally.

One question the SEC investigation did not answer was how the board of directors could have failed to be aware of what was going on throughout the years when Allegheny was being run onto the rocks.

Net worth plummeted from \$787 million in 1982 to less than \$200 million today; since 1983, the company has posted operating losses of \$271 million, and the price of Allegheny International stock has dropped from \$35 to \$5.

In addition to the \$20,000 a year Haig is paid as director, he also received \$50,000 a year as a consultant — until August 1986, the month the *Business Week* story appeared. A company spokesman said the consultancy was terminated at that time "by mutual consent."

By press time, Haig had not responded to requests for comment.

CONFIDENTIAL FILE — "Star Wars" may already have begun. The military confrontation between U.S. and Soviet space weapons is expected any time, as both superpowers reach the point where their developing high-tech weapons should be tested outside the laboratory.

In fact, some intelligence analysts believe that the Soviets tested a satellite-blinding weapon as long ago as 1975. U.S. early-warning satellites were temporarily blinded by intensely bright flashes coming from the Soviet Union.

The Defense Intelligence Agency suspected that the Soviets had perfected a ground-based laser capable of discombobulating U.S. satellites. But the CIA promptly shut down this theory, reporting that the "laser attacks" were nothing more than large gas fires along Soviet pipelines.

The laser theorists didn't buy the CIA's explanation, though. According to one secret report, the flashes occurred over a three-month period, with one "attack" lasting four hours. The dazzling lights were possibly 10,000 times as bright as any naturally occurring light flashes.

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Let's say we are stupid enough to sell the Japanese Atlanta's airport. What will they come after next?

They buy Nashville and take over country music. Instead of Willie Nelson you'll be listening to Tex Wang singing, "I may be a Nip, but I shoot from the hip, come a ty ri, rippy rippy aaa..."

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## Saluting our best: YRPPIES

By BILL FOSTER  
Staff Writer

An unrecognized group of professionals populate America's backroads.

Collectively they are called YRPPIES — pronounced yerppies — (Young Rural Professionals).

YRPPIES were nurtured in the same generational cradle as their counterparts — the YUPIES (Young Urban Professionals) and YUMPIES (Young Upperwardly Mobile Professionals).

Members of all three groups were born on the wave of economic prosperity that swept the nation during the 1950s.

Their values and ideologies were influenced by the social unrest and technological genesis of the 1960s.

They became adults during the apathetic "me" decade of the 1970s.

However, YRPPIES have emerged from the shared experiences of the past 30 to 40 years with a radically different lifestyle preference than that of their big city peers.

They are as equally career oriented as their metropolitan cousins. Unlike YUPIES and YUMPIES, however, YRPPIES have chosen to pursue the future in the more sedate environs of small town America.

Materialistic status symbols of success are unimportant to YRPPIES. They wear outdated clothes and bargain price shoes, instead of high fashion designer apparel. They drive compact, economy cars instead of Porsches and Audis.

A YRPPIES' choice of clothing and transportation is an outward reflection of their values.

Here's are some other characteristics that distinguish a YRPPIE:

- Taking time to visit with a friend is more important to them than rushing to complete a job assignment or close a business deal.

- Viewing a movie at the local theater is a more enjoyable evening to them than rubbing elbows at a high-society gathering.

- They are registered Democrats, not Republicans.

- They are generally conservative, both on the job and in their private lives.

YRPPIES have chosen to make their stand in small town America because that's where they feel most comfortable — away from the hectic pace, and glamor of the urban sprawl. Their theme song is John Cougar Mellencamp's "I was Born in a Small Town."

YRPPIES are not courted by politicians as a voting block. There's not enough of them to make it worthwhile to spend valuable campaign dollars to attract their interest — besides, YRPPIES usually ignore such glittering advertisements.

So, while the the YUPIES and the YUMPIES compile their fortunes in the economic meccas of America, I salute the lowly YRPPIES.

From this day forward may they be remembered as an acronym worth mentioning.

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Please write your name and address on the letter and include a daytime phone number for verification. Letters submitted without signatures won't be published.

Address letters "To the editor," Big Spring Herald, Box 1431, Big Spring, Tex. 79720.

## Japanese invasion begins with golf courses

By LEWIS GRIZZARD

So now we have a treaty with the Russians. Great. But what are we going to do about the Japanese?

Our trade imbalance with them was enough of a problem, but now the Japanese have come up with a new plan that's even sneakier than what they did on the Day of Infamy.

They're trying to buy our country. All of it.

They started off with golf resorts. The Japanese are striking at the very backbone of this great nation by buying up all the golf resorts.

There are not enough golf courses to go

around for all the golfers in Japan. Joining a golf club in Japan requires a down payment of all your yen and then some, and you call the pro shop for tee times years in advance.

Ever play behind Japanese golfers? I have. They're slower than Gladys and Bernice who hit it 3 feet and won't pick up their ball if it takes them 30 shots to get it in the hole.

I heard a story about Japanese golfers. It was a Saturday at an American course and suddenly play came to a complete stop.

The ranger went out to find the problem and came upon a Japanese foursome. The problem was the Japanese had lost all but one ball.

Each player would hit the last ball, get in the cart, go out and mark it, and then return the ball for the next hitter.

They were hanged on a makeshift gallows

near the practice tee.

They're taking over our golf courses, and now they're after our airports.

A group of Japanese have offered to buy Atlanta's Hartsfield Airport, which runs neck and neck with Chicago's O'Hare as the world's busiest.

And Andy Young, the mayor of Atlanta, said, "I think I ought to at least listen to their offer."

Andy, have you lost your mind? The Japanese get their hands on Atlanta's airport and they're in easy striking distance of Fort McPherson Army Base, Dobbins Air Force Base, and the Varsity.

Atlanta might make it without the two military bases, but nobody wants to go into the Varsity and order two chili dogs and have them topped with rice instead of onions. Plus, I can't imagine a Japanese per-

casting Co. set up a permanent, coast-to-coast network.

In 1941, American forces on Wake Island surrendered to the Japanese.

In 1948, former Japanese premier Hideki Tojo and six other Japanese war leaders were executed in Tokyo.

In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson, on his way home from a

visit to Southeast Asia, held an unprecedented meeting with Pope Paul VI at the Vatican.

In 1968, 82 crew members of the U.S. intelligence ship Pueblo were released by North Korea, 11 months after their capture.

In 1975, Richard S. Welch, the Central Intelligence Agency station chief in Athens, was shot and killed outside his home.

### Today in history

Today's highlight in history:

Forty years ago, on Dec. 23, 1947, the transistor, a major breakthrough in the field of electronics, was invented by Walter H. Brattain, John Bardeen and William Shockley of Bell Laboratories. The transistor effectively replaced the much bulkier vacuum tube, and paved the way to

the even more compact integrated circuit.

On this date: In 1783, George Washington resigned as commander-in-chief of the Army and retired to his home at Mount Vernon, Va.

In 1788, Maryland voted to cede a 10-square-mile area for the seat of the national government. The area became the District of Columbia.

In 1805, Joseph Smith Jr., the founder of the Mormon Church, was born in Sharon, Vt.

In 1823, the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement C. Moore was published anonymously in the *Troy (N.Y.) Sentinel*.

In 1913, President Woodrow Wilson signed the Federal Reserve Act into law.

In 1928, the National Broad-

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By Associated Press

## Fast care saves boy

RENO, Nev. — Prompt emergency care helped account for the survival of a 20-month-old boy who was trapped in a car under water for 20 to 25 minutes, the child's doctor says.

Dr. Barry Frank said Stephen Edmonds came out of a coma and was fussing, crying and shaking his head Tuesday a day after the car wreck.

"I think we can safely say at this point that he's going to survive," Frank said.

## Mafia bosses convicted

NEW YORK — Two elderly reputed Mafia leaders and two lower level mobsters face up to 20 years in prison for their roles in a longtime criminal enterprise that included bribery, loansharking and extortion.

A federal jury in Brooklyn on Tuesday convicted Joseph Armone, 71, and Joseph N. Gallo, 76, of racketeering conspiracy after six days of deliberations in the 3-month-old trial.

Armone is an underboss in the Gambino crime family, while Gallo is said to be the former consigliere, or adviser to the family's leaders.

## Survey: Pilots worried

WASHINGTON — One in five commercial airline pilots has had at least one near collision with another airplane over the past two years, according to results of a survey of pilots published today.

The poll conducted for USA Today and Cable News Network also found that pilots are deeply concerned about fatigue in the cockpit, the quality of the air traffic control system and the problem of wind shear.

## Renault cars recalled

WASHINGTON — Chrysler Corp.'s Jeep-Eagle dealers are recalling 64,500 Renault Alliance cars from the 1983 model year to fix pollution control systems, the Environmental Protection Agency says.

EPA's inspections of cars in use found that they exceed federal emissions standards for unburned fuel and carbon monoxide, the agency said Tuesday. EPA said dealers would install an air bleed assembly in an engine vacuum hose to improve the air-fuel ratio and would modify engine temperature sensors.

The Alliance cars involved are about half those assembled that year under the Renault nameplate by American Motors Corp. The cars were sold by AMC dealers, who became Chrysler's Jeep-Eagle dealer network after Chrysler's purchase of AMC.

# Baby donor

## Mother grieves for stillborn girl

LOMA LINDA, Calif. (AP) — A woman who had hoped her doomed baby's vital organs could be used to save other infants was grieving because the child was stillborn, but relieved the ordeal had finally ended, her doctor said.

The stillbirth made the baby's heart and liver unuseable for transplant, but her corneas and heart valves would be transplanted, officials at Loma Linda University Medical Center said.

Doctors planned to remove the organs from the baby's body Tuesday evening, said Dr. Joyce Peabody, chief of neonatology at the hospital. Hospital officials were not available for comment early today.

Brenda Winner, 30, delivered the baby girl Tuesday at Loma Linda and named her Jarren.

The girl was diagnosed in the womb as having an anencephaly, a fatal, congenital defect in which most of the brain is missing or severely underdeveloped.

Anencephalic infants die within weeks after birth as their breathing, controlled by the brain stem, slowly fails. Before she was declared brain dead, the baby was to have been placed on a respirator to keep her organs functioning for use in transplants.

The stillbirth left Mrs. Winner and her husband, Michael, grieving not only for the loss of their child, but because they had hoped Jarren's birth might save other babies, said Dr. Elmer P. Sakala, chief of obstetrics.

The Winners held Jarren in their arms long enough to say goodbye after the girl was delivered, said hospital spokeswoman Anita Rockwell.

The stillbirth ended without resolving medical ethics issues that were hotly debated and that have been closely watched by right-to-life groups.

The anti-abortion Right to Life League of Southern California stressed the need to ensure the child was brain-dead before her organs were transplanted.

The California Pro-Life Medical Association also became involved, and wanted a medical examiner to



Associated Press photo

Dr. Elmer P. Sakala, left, and Dr. Joyce Peabody announce that a brain-damaged and doomed female fetus that doctors had hoped to keep alive long enough to procure its major organs for transplant was stillborn Tuesday afternoon at Loma Linda University Medical Center. Doctors tried for six minutes after the delivery to save the fetus, most of whose brain was missing.

confirm brain death.

"The issues about brain death and prolonging life obviously did not come into play since the baby was born dead," said Peabody.

However, she added Loma Linda would continue efforts to make use of anencephalic children for organ transplants.

"I think I stand on that and our feelings on that have not changed," she said. "If a family approaches us ... based on our experience today, we would still want to try it again."

Mrs. Winner and her husband, a 29-year-old utility worker from Arcadia, learned of their unborn

baby's condition through an ultrasound test on Aug. 29. Mrs. Winner then called 118 hospitals before she found Loma Linda willing to try to utilize the child's organs.

The heart of an anencephalic Canadian newborn girl was transplanted into newborn Paul Holc at Loma Linda on Oct. 16 in an operation that inspired the Winners' desire to donate their child's organs.

It was the first such case in the United States that was announced, although Dr. Leonard Bailey, who has pioneered several newborn heart transplants at the hospital, has hinted there have been others.

# World

By Associated Press

## Soviets break record

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Soviet cosmonauts raced toward a rendezvous today with a space station and its record-breaking crew, while a struggling NASA was taking another step toward getting Americans back into space.

Cosmonaut Yuri Romanenko's 321-day stay in orbit and the postponed crucial test of a space shuttle booster in Utah capped a year of major Soviet strides and methodical U.S. recovery from 1986's Challenger disaster and other rocket failures.

## Israelis close camps

JERUSALEM — Israeli soldiers closed off two refugee camps and large-scale arrests were reported today as Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin defended the army's use of live ammunition to quell Arab rioting.

The government also closed nearly 900 grade schools, keeping home 350,000 students in the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip until Sunday.

The crackdown appeared to have an impact, with only scattered tire burning and stone throwing reported in occupied territories by late afternoon. Many West Bank and Gaza Arab shopowners and laborers who had been striking went back to work.

## Zimbabwe parties unite

HARARE, Zimbabwe — Zimbabwe's prime minister and chief opposition leader agreed to unite their political parties in an effort to end ethnic strife that has troubled the nation since independence in 1980.

"The nation must feel jubilant at this moment, at this act which has brought us together," said Prime Minister Robert Mugabe after he signed an accord with opposition leader Joshua Nkomo in Harare on Tuesday. "We are one."

Nkomo cautioned, "It is the beginning of unity, for unity is not just the signing of documents. Unity is what follows."

## 77 injured in crash

NOVA IGUAQU, Brazil — Rescue crews used metal cutters and power saws to pull passengers from the wreckage of two commuter trains that collided head-on during rush hour. Police said two people were killed and 77 injured.

Among the injured were 15 people listed in critical condition at hospitals in Rio de Janeiro, 40 miles south of Nova Iguaçu.

The accident occurred at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and involved one train packed with commuters and another that was nearly empty.

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# Food

## Howard College women's group gives peek inside cookbook

The Howard County Junior College District Women's Association has gathered its members' favorite recipes to create a unique, local cookbook.

In addition to the enjoyment local chefs should get from testing these favorites, they will have the added satisfaction of helping the education of local students. Proceeds from the sale of the cookbook go to the organization's scholarship fund to benefit Howard College and SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf students.

To purchase the cookbook, contact Ann Duncan, 263-4887.

### Sausage Pinwheels

Kaye Wylie

- 4 c. Bisquick
- 1 stick melted oleo
- 1 c. milk
- 1 lb. hot sausage
- 1 lb. regular sausage

Mix the two sausages together. Set aside.

Mix Bisquick, oleo and milk. Refrigerate about 30 minutes. Divide into three batches. Roll each into a rectangular shape and spread with sausage. Roll as a jelly roll. Wrap in plastic wrap and freeze.

To bake — thaw a few minutes and slice. Bake at 350 degrees for 15-20 minutes.

### Cheese Straws

Jan Foresyth

- 2 sticks margarine
- 2 c. Cheddar cheese, grated
- 2 c. Rice Crispies
- 2 c. flour

Melt cheese and butter. Remove from heat, stir in flour and rice crispies. Roll into balls and mash with fork on cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 degrees for 15-20 minutes.



### Mushroom Barley Soup

Mary Graham

- 6 T. Kitchen Bouquet
- 1/2 lb. butter
- 1/2 lb. onion, finely chopped
- 1/4 t. garlic powder
- 1/2 lb. mushrooms, large dice
- 6 oz. flour
- 1 lb. barley
- 3 qts. chicken stock
- 1/2 lb. mushrooms, finely chopped
- 1 qt. milk, hot
- 1 pt. half and half, room temp.
- White pepper (to taste)
- Salt (to taste)
- 1/2 c. parsley, finely chopped

In a large skillet, saute onion, large diced mushrooms, and garlic powder in butter. Do not brown. Add flour, stirring until smooth. Stir in Kitchen Bouquet, and set aside.

In a large pot, cook barley in chicken stock for about 30 minutes

over moderate heat. Skim off froth. Add finely chopped mushrooms and cook for 5-8 minutes. Lower heat to simmer.

Add the mushroom-onion mixture to the barley. Slowly blend in the hot milk and half and half. Season with white pepper and a small amount of salt.

Sprinkle each bowl of mushroom barley soup with finely chopped parsley and serve.

Serving size: 24

COMMENTS: This soup should be served the same day it's prepared. On the second day, add 2 T. of Kitchen Bouquet to "freshen up" color and flavor.



### Avocado-Chicken Soup

Diane Linhart

- 2 ripe avocados
- 1/2 c. minced onions
- 1 c. thinly sliced celery
- 3 T. butter
- 2 1/2 c. water
- 2 (10oz.) cans cream of chicken soup

Saute onion and celery in butter until transparent. Add water and simmer for 5 minutes. Blend in soup. Heat until boiling. Take from heat.

Smash avocados and add to soup. Serve at once.

COMMENTS: Good cold. Garnish with slice of avocado.

### Watergate Salad

Lisa Fort

- 1 pkg. lime jello
- 1 (8oz.) can crushed pineapple (with juice)
- 1 (8oz.) carton cottage cheese
- 1 (8oz.) container cool whip
- 1 c. chopped pecans

Dissolve jello in pineapple juice that has been drained from can of crushed pineapple. Add pineapple and cottage cheese to jello mixture. Mix well and fold in cool whip and pecans.

Chill to set (1 hour) before serving.

Serving size: 16.

### Yogurt Dip

Cheri T. Sparks

- 1 16oz. yogurt, plain unflavored
- soy sauce (to taste)
- 3 green onions, finely chopped
- 1 med. jar of pimientos
- Mix all — cool in refrigerator for 1 hour. Serve with crudites or chips.

Serving size: 12.

COMMENTS: Low-calorie and good for you!

### Smoked Oyster Dip

Pam Campbell

- 1 (8oz.) pkg. cream cheese

- 1/4 c. milk
- 2 t. lemon juice
- 1 t. worchestershire sauce
- Salt and pepper
- 1 T. grated onion
- 1 flat can smoked oysters (drained and chopped)
- Beat together all ingredients. Add oysters. Chill.

COMMENTS: If you like smoked oysters, this is the best!!

### Spicy Pecans

Karen Reeves

- 5 c. pecan halves
- 1 stick butter
- 1/4 t. salt
- 1 T. Worchestershire sauce
- 1 t. tabasco sauce
- 1 t. black pepper
- Melt butter and add spices. Pour over pecans and mix well. Place in baking dish and bake 30 minutes at 300 degrees, stirring occasionally. Cool.

### Garden Pasta Salad

Petra Valdez

- 1 c. Miracle Whip salad dressing
- 1/4 c. chopped parsley
- 1 t. dried basil leaves, crushed
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 (8oz.) pkg. Kraft mild cheddar cheese, cubed
- 2 c. broccoli flowerets, cooked
- 1 c. (4 oz.) tri-color corkscrew noodles, cooked and drained
- 2 med. tomatoes, cut into thin wedges
- 1/2 c. chopped walnuts (optional)
- Combine salad dressing, parsley, basil and garlic; mix well. Add cheese, broccoli and noodles; mix lightly and chill.

Arrange tomatoes on platter and top with salad; sprinkle with walnuts, if desired.

Serving size: 6



### Cheesy Croissants

Camilla Pachall

- 1/2 c. soft-style cream cheese with chives and onions
- 1/2 c. shredded Monterey Jack or Mozzarella cheese
- 6 small croissants, split
- Mix cheeses, spread 1 rounded tablespoon of mixture between halves of each croissant. Wrap tightly in foil.

Place on uncovered grill over medium hot coals. Grill 3 to 4 minutes until heated turning about every minute. (Also, can be wrapped in wax paper and heated until cheese melts in microwave.)

### B.R.'s Chicken Enchilada

Casserole

Leslie Earnst

- 2 whole chickens
- 1 1/2 lrg. onions, chopped
- 2 cans cream of mushroom soup
- 1/2 lrg. green pepper, chopped
- 2-6 jalapenos (to taste)
- 1 doz. lrg. flour tortillas
- 2 lbs. longhorn cheese (grated)
- salt and pepper (to taste)
- Boil chicken in salted water until

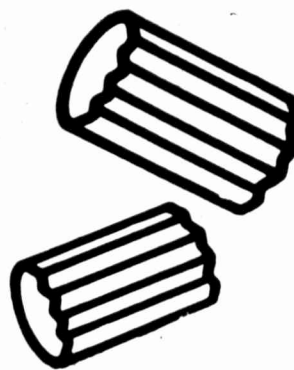
done. Remove the bones and cut chicken into medium sized pieces. (Reserve broth for egg drop soup for later.)

Remove seeds and finely dice the jalapenos.

Mix all ingredients, including 1/2 half of the cheese together in a large greased casserole dish. Top with the rest of the cheese and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until cheese melts and the center is warm.

Serving size: 5

COMMENTS: Delicious! Serve with salad and green vegetables.



### Easy-Stuffed Manicotti

Linda Conway

- 1 lb. hamburger
- 1 jar mushrooms
- 1/2 onion, chopped
- Salt, pepper, oregano, and garlic, to taste
- 8 Manicotti
- 1 jar spaghetti sauce
- 1 pkg. Mozzarella cheese
- Brown hamburger, onion and mushrooms together. Season with salt, pepper, oregano and garlic, to taste.

Cook manicotti according to box instructions. Cool.

Stuff manicotti with hamburger mixture. Place in a baking dish. Pour spaghetti sauce over the stuffed manicotti.

Cover with mozzarella cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

Serving size: 4

### Ann's Green Pepper Steak

Deb Covell

- 1 lb. beef, chuck or round
- 1/4 c. soy sauce

- 1 clove garlic
- 1 1/2 t. fresh grated ginger (or 1/2 t. ground)
- 1/4 c. salad oil
- 1 c. green onion, thinly sliced
- 1 c. red or green pepper, cut in one-inch squares
- 2 stalks celery, thinly sliced
- 1 T. cornstarch
- 1 c. water
- 2 tomatoes (cut in wedges)

With a very sharp knife, trim fat from meat and cut beef across the grain into thin strips 1/8 inch thick.

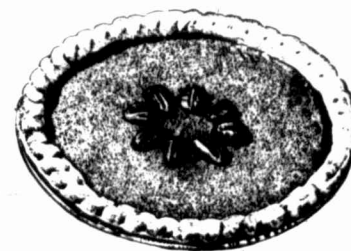
Combine soy sauce, garlic and ginger. Add beef, toss and set aside.

Heat oil in a large frying pan or wok. Add beef and toss over high heat until browned. Taste meat. If it is not tender, cover and simmer on low heat for 30-40 minutes. Turn heat back up and add vegetable. Toss until vegetables are tender crisp — about 10 minutes.

Mix cornstarch with water. Add to pan, stir and cook until thickened. Add tomatoes and heat through. Serve over hot rice.

Serving size: 4

COMMENTS: Can substitute Chinese pea pods for peppers.



### Easy Lemonade Pie

Lisa Fort

- 1 8 oz. can frozen concentrated lemonade
- 1 can Eagle Brand milk
- 1 8 oz. container Cool Whip
- 1 graham cracker crust

Beat lemonade concentrate (undiluted) and Eagle Brand milk. Fold in Cool Whip. Pour into graham cracker crust and chill until it is set.

Serving size: 8

COMMENTS: Use pink lemonade for best results.

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# Lifestyle

## Husband's noisy sleeping grinds away at wife's nerves

**DEAR ABBY:** If you are asked if it's OK to sleep together before marriage, please say yes — if only for one night and no hanky-panky.

This is a second marriage for both of us. Frank and I have been married for three months and I've hardly slept a wink. Why? Because Frank grinds his teeth in his sleep. It's worse when he's under a lot of tension.

I've asked him to see his dentist about the possible damage he's doing to his teeth and to get fit for a teeth guard, but he says there's no damage to his teeth and he can't sleep with an appliance in his



Dear Abby

mouth. What can I do? I've tried to awaken him when the noise becomes intolerable, but he's a very deep sleeper and won't wake up even when I kick or slap him. Abby, I love Frank, but I'm grow-

ing very resentful. Don't suggest separate bedrooms. He says he didn't get married to sleep alone. Help me.

**NO SLEEPING BEAUTY IN TAMPA**

**DEAR NO BEAUTY:** You don't say how long Frank's been grinding his teeth in his sleep, but something's got to give — and it will be Frank's teeth.

A custom-made teeth guard for night wear would be well worth the trouble and investment, but to get to the root of the grinding problem, another kind of doctor may be able to reduce Frank's tension.

But that's another letter. Frank says he didn't get married to sleep alone. Well, tell him frankly that you didn't get married to stay up all night, so the next move is his, or you are moving — to the couch.

**DEAR ABBY:** I just read the letter from "Capt. Dave Thurston," who met his wife through your first Operation Dear Abby when he was stationed at Korat Air Force Base in Thailand in 1966.

Well, a Sgt. Bill Asher was stationed at the same air base when all those letters arrived. He answered a letter from Marilyn Fleming, a Southern California girl, and they started a correspondence. They met in February of 1968 and were married three months later.

Bill was reassigned to Japan, and their first two daughters, Shelli and Tammy, were born in Tokyo, and a third daughter, Tina, was

born in California.

I know this story well because I happen to be their eldest daughter. I just want to say thank you, Abby. If it weren't for you, I wouldn't be here and neither would my sisters.

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### Group hears Christmas readings

The Hyperion Club met on Thursday, Dec. 17, for its annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Joseph Bader, with Mrs. Sonny Shroyer as co-hostess.

Mrs. Jack Irons reported on the club's participation in a Christmas party for Big Spring State Hospital patients. A thank-you letter from the Rainbow Project was read.

Tim Haynes' program of Christmas Readings was a joy and inspiration.

The January meeting will be hosted by Mrs. Jack Irons and Mrs. Gerald Wooten.

### Rook Club exchanges presents

The Rook Club met Dec. 18, at the house of Norma Murdock.

High score was won by Gene Duncan.

Coffee, sandwiches and cake were served.

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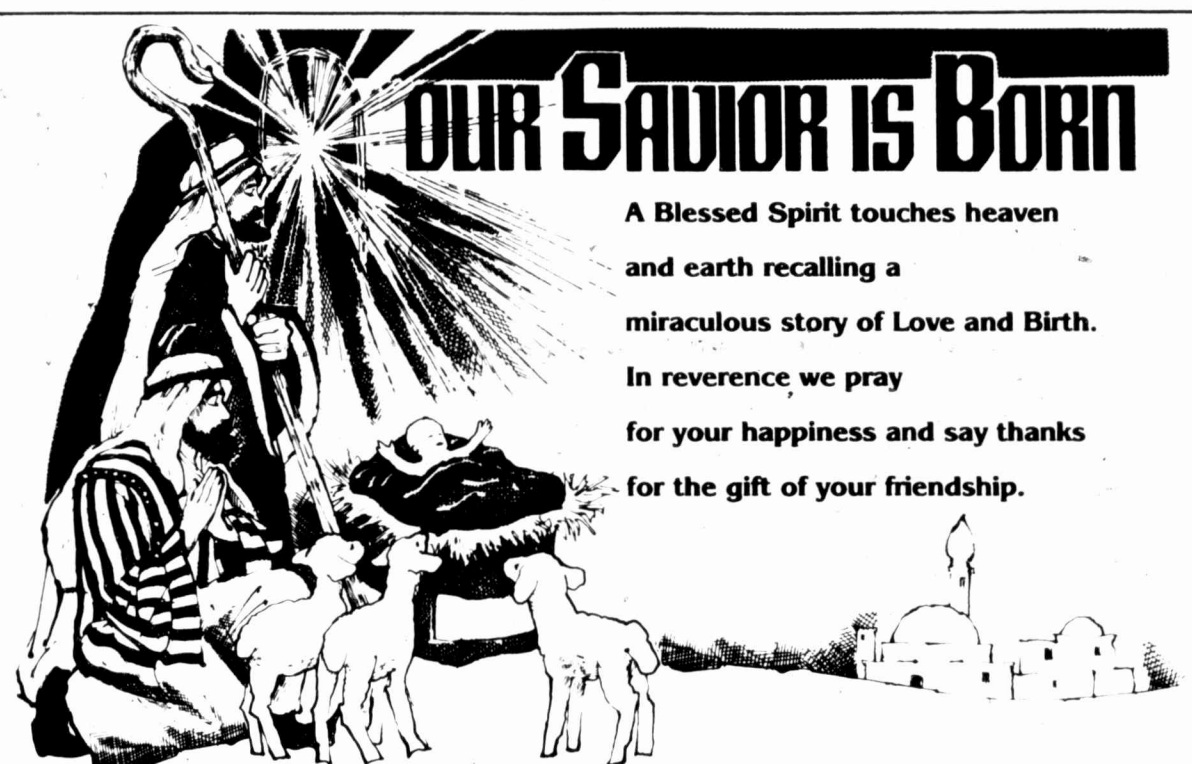


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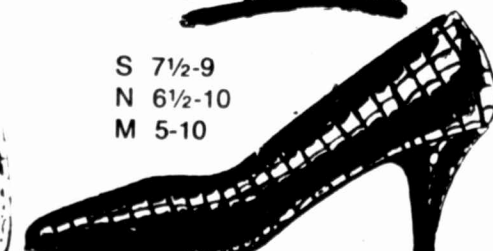
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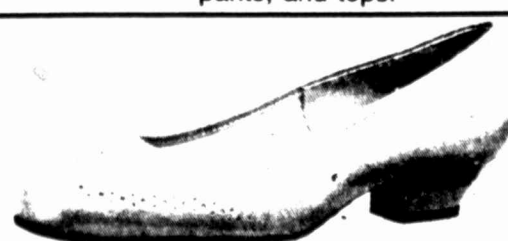
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## Academia

Douglas A. Hoelscher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hoelscher, Garden City, was one of 50 Tarleton State University students recently inducted into the Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter of Alpha Chi, the national honorary society.

Douglas is a 1985 graduate of Garden City High School and he is majoring in agricultural economics at Tarleton.

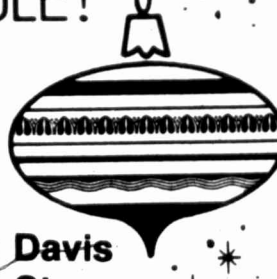
The Alpha Kappa Chapter was established at Tarleton in the fall of 1968. There are over 279 chapters in the U.S. and District of Columbia. Membership is limited to the upper 10 percent, academically, of the

junior and senior classes.

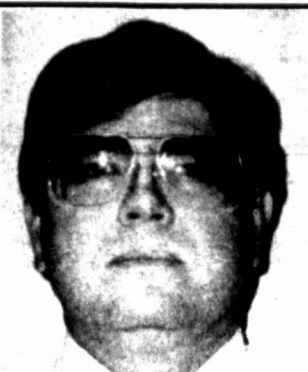
Laura Lynn Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Warren, of Hilltop Road, has received words from the University of Manchester, England, that her thesis, "The Status of School Public Relations in Texas," has been accepted and she will be awarded the master's degree in Education and the Media.

She studied in England on a Rotary scholarship from September 1986 until June 1987. Laura is employed by Media Southwest, a public relations firm in Abilene.

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# Cavs skin Cougars

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — With just two bowl appearances in 99 years of football, the University of Virginia is still in its post-season apprenticeship and yet to taste defeat.

"I came in with a bowl win and I'm going out with a bowl win," senior defensive end Sean Scott said Tuesday night after the Cavaliers beat bowl-seasoned Brigham Young 22-16 in the All American Bowl.

"There's nothing sweeter," said Scott, a holdover from 1984.

## All American

### Bowl

when Virginia beat Purdue in the Peach Bowl.

Quarterback Scott Secules passed for 162 yards and Kevin Morgan and Marcus Wilson ran for 82 and 77 yards respectively as Virginia finished 8-4. The Cavaliers, runners-up in the Atlantic Coast Conference, won despite a 394-yard passing show by Sean Covey of the 9-4 Cougars, second in the Western Athletic Conference.

David Miles caught 10 of Covey's passes for 188 yards, including a 50-yard reception that led to the game's first score, a 20-yard field goal by Leonard Chitty.

But Virginia countered with two touchdowns, on runs of 2 yards by Secules and 25 by Morgan, to take a 14-3 halftime lead.

"We came in trying to establish the run and we did a good job on the ground," Secules said of Virginia's 187 rushing yards.

BYU made it 14-9 in the third period when Fred Whittingham,



Brigham Young lineman Gary Klump bows his head in dejection in the closing minutes of Virginia's win over BYU's in the All American Bowl Tuesday night in Birmingham, Ala.

the Cougars' leading runner,

took it in from the 8.

The teams traded scores in

the final period. Virginia got

eight points on Secules' 22-yard

touchdown pass to John Ford

and his conversion pass to Wilson. Covey threw 1 yard to Whittingham to end the scoring.

BYU failed on two late possessions. On the first one, Virginia stopped Covey for no gain on fourth-and-one, and on the other, Covey threw four straight incomplete passes.

"Give Virginia credit, but we hurt ourselves with a dropped touchdown pass, a muffed extra point and other things," BYU Coach LaVell Edwards said. "Basically, we did it all, out there to spoil our chances."

But Scott was convinced Virginia had a big role in BYU's failure.

"As a defensive unit, it was our best game this year," he said. "They said it would be an air show but they only scored 16 points. I'm proud of our defensive effort."

He had a right to be. He made the crucial tackle with 3:50 left when Covey failed on fourth and one at the BYU 46. Scott stopped him on a rollout.

But the Cougars felt they were given a bad spot by the officials.

"I thought we had it (a first down). The play was right in front of me," Edwards said.

Covey agreed. "The ball was clearly a foot over the marker," he said. "We had the momentum going then, and who knows what would have happened. But I'm not making any excuses. We had our chances."

Covey took the blame for the four straight incompletions after the Cougars got the ball for a final try at their own 25 with 1:18 remaining.

"Twice on that last series, I tried to go deep and twice I tried to get the first down," he said. "I just made some bad reads."

# Landry might play other quarterbacks

IRVING (AP) — Now that he's received his Christmas present from the team, Dallas Coach Tom Landry may give one to reserves Paul McDonald and Kevin Sweeney in the Cowboys' final game.

It all hinges on Saturday's Minnesota-Washington game — if Minnesota wins, it automatically knocks St. Louis out of the playoffs and frees Landry to give some of his reserves liberal playing time against the Cardinals.

The Cowboys and Cardinals meet Sunday in a regular-season finale at Texas Stadium.

"I might take a shot at playing McDonald and Sweeney if nothing is at stake," Landry said. "I'd be tempted to try some guys who haven't worked to see what they could do."

"If the Cardinals are still in it, then I'm going with my strongest lineup with either Steve Pelluer or Danny White at quarterback."

The veteran McDonald hasn't played a down with the Cowboys. Sweeney, a rookie, was Dallas' quarterback in the three replacement games.

Landry praised Pelluer, who directed the Cowboys to a 29-21 victory Monday night over the Los Angeles Rams, knocking them out of the playoffs.

"I asked the team in the war-mups to give me a break, to put something under my Christmas tree," Landry said. "They did. Pelluer handled himself with a lot of poise. He moved the team and didn't make any big mistakes. That game helped him

a lot. I couldn't see many things to fault him on."

The Cowboys snapped a four-game losing streak with their first victory in December since 1985.

"We were happy to have anything happen good," Landry said.

Landry got some bad news when doctors operated on linebacker Jesse Penn for a broken leg. It was the third broken leg suffered by a linebacker in three games. Mike Hegman and Eugene Lockhart also are out with broken legs.

"We broke our own legs this time," Landry said. "(Linebacker) Steve DeOssie fell on Penn."

Landry said he said he certainly wasn't going to take it easy on former assistant Gene Stallings, the Cardinals' coach.

"I'd feel bad for a moment, but not for too long if we knocked Gene out of it," Landry said. "Of course we have a soft spot for Gene. He's one of our people. But we don't intend to give him the game."

The Cowboys hurt their position in next spring's NFL draft by defeating the Rams, but Landry said he never thought a loss was beneficial no matter what draft position it damaged.

"There's no substitution for winning," he said. "Winning makes you better."

The Cowboys, 6-8, are out of the playoffs for the second consecutive season. St. Louis defeated Dallas 24-13 in the opening game of the season.

# ASU griddier makes All-America

By The Associated Press  
Sophomore running back Johnny Bailey of Texas A&I and three defensive players have been named to The Associated Press Little All-America college football team for the second straight year.

The other repeaters are defensive linemen Pierce Holt of Angelo State and Rich Romer of Union (N.Y.) and defensive back Freddie Thomas of Troy State.

The 5-foot-9, 180-pound Bailey has rushed for 3,609 yards in two seasons and is more than halfway toward becoming college football's first 7,000-yard rusher.

Last year, as a freshman, he became the third player ever to rush for 2,000 yards in a season. He averaged 7.4 yards while gaining 2,011 yards in 271 carries in 1986 and had the same 7.4 average this year although he carried only 217 times for 1,598 yards in 10 games.

The Little All-America team consists of players from Divi-

sions II and III of the NCAA and all NAIA schools.

Senior Gary Collier of Emory & Henry is the Little All-American quarterback. Collier completed 152 of 249 passes — 61 percent — for 2,317 yards and 33 touchdowns, with only 10 interceptions.

Joining Bailey at running back is senior Russ Kring of Mount Union, who carried 282 times for 1,364 yards and scored 19 touchdowns.

The wide receivers are senior James Ashley of Southwest (Minn.) State and sophomore Chris Vogel of Knox College. Ashley led all of college football with 108 receptions in 11 regular-season games for 1,732 yards and 20 touchdowns. Vogel was the top receiver in Division III with 78 catches for 1,326 yards and 15 touchdowns.

The tight end is 6-4, 235-pound senior Chris Verhulst of Chico State who caught 44 passes for 615 yards and three touchdowns.

The all-senior offensive in-

terior line consists of tackles Rich Negrin of Wagner and Richard Van Druten of Abilene Christian, guards Duane Goldammer of Mankato State and Moses Horn of Texas A&I and center Mike Favor of North Dakota State.

Gardner-Webb sophomore Jeff Parker is the placekicker. Parker was successful on 16 of 20 field goal attempts and 46 of 47 extra-points.

Joining Holt, Romer and Thomas on the all-senior defensive unit are linemen Ronnie Glanton of Livingston (Ala.) and Lou Weiers of Clarion, linebackers Tom Doctor of Canisius, Troy Jackson of Indiana (Pa.) and Lee Marchman of Mars Hill and defensive backs Mark Dorner of Juniata and Chuck Downey of the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

The Little All-American punter is senior Jeff McComb of Southern Utah, who had a 44.4-yard average on 42 kicks.



## Two points

Big Spring Steers' junior guard Abner Shellman (10) puts a layup in for a basket during Monday's Big Spring-Pecos ballgame in Steer Gym. Steers trailing on the play are Doug Young (24), Thane Russey and Ian Walker (20). The Steers won the game 67-65.

# Yankees, Mariners make five-player swap

SEATTLE (AP) — A five-player trade with New York Yankees, bringing left-handed pitcher Steve Trout and outfielder Henry Cotto to Seattle, should help the Mariners immediately, club president Chuck Armstrong says.

"We like this trade very much," he said Tuesday.

In return, the Yankees received three pitchers; left-hander Lee Guetterman and right-handers Clay Parker and Wade Taylor. Guetterman and Parker were added to the Yankees' 40-man roster, while Taylor was assigned to Fort Lauderdale of the Florida State League.

The trade is the third major deal between the clubs in eight years. In 1979, the Mariners traded outfielder Ruppert Jones

and pitcher Jim Lewis to New York for pitchers Jim Beattie and Rick Anderson, outfielder Juan Beniquez and catcher Jerry Narron. In 1982, the Mariners shipped pitcher Shane Rawley to the Yankees for pitchers Gene Nelson and Bill Caudill and outfielder Bobby Brown.

"I think the deal has the potential for really helping us in 1988," Armstrong said. "We gave up something in the future in Parker and Taylor, but we think this really helps us for next season."

Guetterman was the key player in the deal for the Yankees.

"Guetterman has the ability to start and relieve," General Manager Lou Piniella said. "He will get a chance to make our starting rotation, but should the starting

staff become too crowded, he would be used effectively out of the bullpen."

Guetterman, 29, was 11-4 with a 3.81 earned run average for the Mariners last season after being recalled from Calgary of the Pacific Coast League, where he was 5-1 with a 2.86 earned run average.

Parker split last season between Seattle farm teams at Chattanooga in the Southern League and Calgary in the Pacific Coast League. He had a combined 15-6 record in 28 starts. Taylor was 2-5 at Bellingham in the Northwest League.

Trout, obtained by the Yankees from the Chicago Cubs for three pitchers last July 12, was 0-4 with a 6.60 ERA for New York after going 6-3 with a 3.00 ERA for the Cubs. Cotto split the season between New

York and Columbus in the International League, batting .235 with five home runs and 20 runs batted in for the Yankees.

Armstrong said Cotto will be given every chance next spring to become Seattle's starting center fielder.

Armstrong pointed out that Trout was being reunited with Billy Connors, Seattle's pitching coach. Connors was Trout's pitching coach in 1984 when the Cubs won the National League East. Trout was 13-7.

The Mariners play their home games in the Kingdome, an inviting home run park.

Armstrong said the Mariners didn't want to part with Guetterman, but had to give up something to get something.

"We gave up a pitcher who had an outstanding year for us," he said.

Piniella likes the future of Parker and Taylor.

"The addition of these young players has enabled us to replace some of the young people we had to yield in previous deals."

Piniella added, "I wish nothing but the best for both Henry and Steve. Cotto will have an opportunity to play every day and it gives Roberto Kelly the opportunity to play center field for us."

The Mariners set a club record in victories with 78 last season under second-year Manager Dick Williams. Williams, 58, has said next season will likely be his last as a major league manager. It also is the final season of a three-year contract with the Mariners.

# Witt re-signs with Angels

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Saying he feels loyal to the California Angels, free agent pitcher Mike Witt is back in the fold after re-signing for two years for \$3.2 million.

Witt, a winner of 64 games over the last four seasons, agreed Tuesday to an annual guaranteed salary of \$1.4 million plus \$200,000 a year in awards bonuses.

The 27-year-old starter chose to remain with the Angels despite three other offers, the most tempting coming from Oakland and the Yankees.

"I'd like to congratulate both Oakland and New York for the way they handled the situation. They both made substantial offers. But it swung toward the Angels, to whom I felt a certain amount of loyalty," said Witt, who broke in with California as a 20-year-old in 1981.

"We're extremely pleased to finalize Mike's signing," Angels general manager Mike Port said. "There is no secret about his importance to this organization. I feel his greatest achievements lie ahead."

Despite declining from an

18-10 record with a 2.84 earned run average in 1986 to 16-14 and 4.01 last season, Witt remained vital to the Angels and parlayed that need into a \$550,000 raise over his 1987 salary.

"We openly indicated how much we relied on him, and there was heavy competition for his services," Port said. "Signing Mike was a priority for us."

Witt, who won't regain free agency rights until 1992, wasn't bothered by having to accept a two-year contract, recognized as the new unwritten limit throughout the industry.

# Righetti signs lucrative pact

NEW YORK (AP) — Pitcher Dave Righetti, who set a major-league record with 46 saves in 1986, apparently is bypassing free agency until at least 1990 and signing a three-year contract worth nearly \$4.4 million with the New York Yankees.

Righetti, a left-handed reliever, tentatively agreed to the deal just two days after accepting the Yankees' offer of salary arbitration last weekend, according to reports. The contract would make him the highest-paid pitcher in Yankees history.

Last season, Righetti was 8-6 for

the Yankees with a 3.51 earned run average and 31 saves.

Although Righetti's agent, Bill Goodstein, would not confirm the numbers in the contract, or even that there was an agreement, WNBC-TV reported that the contract would be signed today.

The New York Times reported that the deal would pay him \$1.3 million in 1988, \$1.45 million in 1989 and \$1.55 million in 1990, plus bonuses. The New York Daily News said incentives could amount to \$500,000.

Before accepting the offer of arbitration, Righetti turned down a

two-year, \$2.7-million offer from the Yankees, holding out for another year on the contract.

Los Angeles, San Francisco, Texas, Oakland and Cleveland were among the clubs that made offers. Righetti also was wooed by the Tokyo Giants, according to Goodstein, but turned down what the pitcher termed a "mind-boggling" offer to play in Japan.

Goodstein said the Dodgers made a last-minute attempt to lure away Righetti, but they did not allow Righetti enough time to make a decision on a three-year deal.



## Aggies down Valparaiso to win Met tournament

By The Associated Press  
Southwest Conference basketball teams have captured the championships of two holiday basketball tournaments in as many nights.

Texas A&M defeated Valparaiso, 72-67, Tuesday night to capture the title in the Met Life Classic at San Francisco. The victory came just one night after Houston captured the title in the Spindletop Blowout in Beaumont.

In other non-conference, non-tournament games, Baylor slipped past Coppin State, 67-64, and

Middleton hit a six-footer with 11:10 left, putting the Bears ahead for good at 45-43. Baylor's lead increased to nine, 65-56, with 2:50 left when Michael Williams hit a fastbreak layup off Robert McLemore's assist. Williams finished the night with 13 points.

But the Eagles refused to give up as Otis Barbour hit a pair of 3-pointers and Larry McCollum scored on two tip-ins. Meanwhile, the Bears could manage only a pair of free throws from Williams as time ran out.

The Eagles led by as much as eight in the first half, going ahead 30-22 on Robert White's 3-point play with 2:32 remaining.

But the Bears, keyed by Middleton's two field goals and a pair of free throws, cut it to 30-29 with five seconds left. Coppin then took a 33-29 lead into the half after Phil Booth launched a 3-pointer from 30 feet at the buzzer.

Melvin McCants scored 19 points, including eight straight in the first half, to lead No. 10 Purdue to an 82-59 victory over Texas Tech.

Texas Tech led 9-8 when the Boilermakers went on a 10-0 run capped by a 19-foot jumper by Everette Stephens with 11:21 left in the half.

The Red Raiders, 3-4, closed to within 22-18, but McCants outscored Texas Tech 8-3 in the next 1½ minutes to give Purdue a 29-21 lead. The Boilermakers, 8-1, took a 38-26 halftime lead on a 3-pointer by freshman Bill Reid.

The Purdue defense and Texas Tech's poor shot selection kept the Red Raiders from scoring a field goal until freshman center Maurice Artis hit a 15-foot jumper in the lane at 16:43 to make the score 6-4.

### SWC

No. 10 Purdue whipped Texas Tech, 82-59.

Grambling visits Texas Christian and Arkansas hosts Alabama in the only games involving SWC teams tonight.

Darryl McDonald and Paul Crawford combined for 29 points to lead the Aggies to the victory over Valparaiso.

McDonald paced the tournament champions with 20 points, while Crawford followed an 18-point performance against San Francisco on Monday with 19.

Texas A&M, 7-4, led all the way and moved out to a 49-40 lead with 11:08 left in the game before Valparaiso closed to within 54-52. The 6-foot-5 Crawford then got loose for a slam dunk with 6:41 remaining and the Aggies regained control.

Center Jim Ford had 22 points and Harry Bell 17 for Valparaiso, 5-3.

Center Darryl Middleton scored a game-high 24 points to lead the Baylor Bears to a 67-64 win over the Coppin State Eagles.

Baylor increased to 7-4, while the Eagles fell to 3-5.

## Houston backcourt shines; Rockets blast Hawks 122-103

By The Associated Press  
The Houston Rockets' No. 1 reason for trading Ralph Sampson was to strengthen a chronically weak backcourt.

On Tuesday night, Sleepy Floyd paid the first dividend on that trade.

Floyd scored 27 points and fellow guard Allen Leavell added 26, leading the Rockets to a 122-103 victory over Atlanta, snapping a four-game losing streak.

The Hawks, who got 20 points from Dominique Wilkins, never led

### NBA

in the game and the loss ended a five-game winning streak.

Leavell, who hit 11 of 14 shots, expected to be replaced in the starting lineup by Floyd, who was traded to Houston along with Joe Barry Carroll for Sampson and Steve Harris.

Instead, Fitch used them both. "The Floyd-Leavell combo is what they make of it," Fitch said. "It didn't look too temporary tonight."

Floyd was nine of 16 from the field and 8-for-8 at the free throw line, giving the guard combo a 67 percent average from the field.

Akeem Olajuwon scored 14 points for the Rockets and shared rebound honors with Rodney McCray with 13 each.

But it was Floyd and Leavell who stole the spotlight.

After using 14-3 and 10-0 second-quarter spurts for a 62-48 halftime lead, the Rockets scored the first 10 points of the third quarter and overcame a 15-2 surge by Atlanta to hold a 95-76 advantage going into the final period.

"We played loose on their guards," Wilkins said. "We thought after awhile, they'd start missing."

Mavericks 111, Bulls 100  
Mark Aguirre scored 32 points for Dallas, but ironically none of them came in the fourth quarter

when the Mavericks pulled away from Chicago.

The Mavericks outscored the Bulls 16-4 early in the final period to extend a six-point lead to 101-83 with 6:33 left. The Bulls, who got 28 points from Michael Jordan, got no closer than 11 thereafter.

Derek Harper scored 20 points and James Donaldson had 18 rebounds for the Mavericks, who swept both games of the season series with Chicago.

Celtics 118, 76ers 115  
Boston, which lost by 31 points in its last game at Philadelphia, rallied down the stretch to beat the 76ers at the Spectrum for the first time in two years.

Larry Bird scored nine of his 31 points in the final five minutes for the Celtics, who trailed 110-109 with 1:33 to play when Bird tossed in a 3-pointer to put Boston ahead to stay.

Charles Barkley, who led all scorers with 40 points, had a chance to tie with 31 seconds remaining, but missed the second of two free throws to make it 112-111. Dennis Johnson scored 20 points for Boston, while Cliff Robinson had 26 for the 76ers.

Nuggets 119, Suns 104  
Denver stayed a half-game ahead of Dallas in the Midwest Division as Alex English scored 16 of his 26 points in the first quarter against Phoenix.

The Nuggets got 24 points and 10 rebounds from Danny Schayes and 20 points from Lafayette Lever while extending their homecourt record to 10-1.

English's early burst helped give the Nuggets an 18-5 edge, and they went on to shoot 59 percent from the floor in the first period en route to a 39-25 advantage.

James Edwards led the Suns with 23 points and 18 rebounds and Larry Nance added 21 points, but Phoenix never got any closer than 12 points in the second half.

Bucks 122, Knicks 105  
ROCKETS page 3-B

## Illinois overpowers Missouri

By The Associated Press  
On a night Illinois again had Missouri's number, Derrick Chievous passed one of college basketball's magic numerals.

The Fighting Illini beat No. 17 Missouri 75-63 Tuesday night for their fifth straight victory over the Tigers and sixth in seven meetings.

Chievous, despite a woeful 6-for-20 performance from the field, scored his 2,000th point to extend his own scoring mark at Missouri.

Nick Anderson scored 18 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for Illinois, 8-2, but the sophomore wanted to talk defense, especially how he and Steve Bardo combined to shut down Chievous.

"We were just trying to stop him from getting the ball, beat him to the position," Anderson said of Chievous, who scored 15 points but had entered the game averaging 23. "He's a great player, but I think the defense got to him a little bit. He wasn't making the shots he normally makes."

Missouri Coach Norm Stewart blasted Chievous for not taking those shots.

Chievous, who now has 2,011 points, said it was simply an off night.

In other games involving ranked teams, No. 1 Arizona beat Washington State 89-55; No. 5 Wyoming defeated Boise State 59-55 and No. 10 Purdue downed Texas Tech 82-59.

Illinois led 36-29 at halftime and Anderson made two free throws and tipped in a missed shot to give the Illini a 65-51 lead with 5:50 remaining, and Missouri, 4-2, got no closer than eight points.

Missouri had threatened at 42-39 with 15:09 to play, but Illinois went on a 10-2 run with Anderson scoring four of the points.

"Our bench came in and did a super job," Illinois Coach Lou Henson said. "Anderson did a super job."

Kenny Battle added 15 points for Illinois, which rebounded from a home loss to No. 4 North Carolina on national television last Saturday.

### TOP TEN

No. 1 Arizona 89, Washington State 55

Arizona was playing its first game since attaining its first-ever No. 1 ranking on Monday and the Wildcats lived up to the billing.

Sean Elliott and Steve Kerr



Arthur Thomas (11) of Arizona State begins a drive around Eldridge Recasner of the University of Washington during first half action in their game Tuesday night in Seattle.

scored 20 points apiece as the visiting Wildcats, who jumped to a 9-0 lead, improved to 10-0 overall and 2-0 in the Pac-10.

LaVar Ball led Washington State, 2-6 and 0-2, with 12 points as no Cougar starter scored in double figures.

No. 5 Wyoming 59, Boise State 55  
Wyoming committed 27 turnovers and needed a key steal with three seconds left to remain undefeated.

The visiting Cowboys, 7-0, led 57-55 and had Fennis Dembo on the foul line with 10 seconds to play. He missed. Boise State rebounded and started up court, but Chris Childs tripped and Wyoming's Willie

Jones grabbed the ball and was fouled with three seconds left.

Childs led the Broncos, 6-1, with 17 points of Childs. He had brought them within 55-54 with just under two minutes to play with a 3-point goal.

### OTHER GAMES

Richmond won its sixth straight, upsetting Georgia Tech 73-67 to hand the Yellow Jackets their first home non-conference loss in 40 games.

Louisville won its third in a row after dropping its opening two games as it beat Eastern Kentucky 87-69 behind the 19 points of Pervis Ellison.

Central Michigan's Tommie

Johnson scored 53 points as the Chippewas beat Wright State 97-68. The senior guard made 19 of 25 from the field, including 10 of 14 3-pointers.

Richard Scantlebury made two free throws with three seconds left in overtime to lift Coastal Carolina to a 106-104 victory over Wake Forest.

Seton Hall improved to 10-2 as Mark Bryant's 26 points led three players over 20 points in the Pirates' 98-76 victory over Holy Cross.

Louisiana State ended a two-game losing streak with a 93-74 victory over Southwest Texas State behind the 30 points of Jose Vargas.

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FORECAST FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1987

**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** Today and tonight are wonderful times to maintain a "good will toward mankind" attitude, since there will be no annoyances or other distractions. Harmony will be the prevailing influence all day.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Visit as many friends as you can, since each one will add to your contentment. If you want to buy a loved one a present, make it unique.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) Even if bustling crowds usually make you a bit uncomfortable, today you'll enjoy the feeling of camaraderie which will be present.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 21) Many new conditions and ideas will develop today, so make use of them and make your daily life more in-

spring. Get plenty of rest.

**MOON CHILDREN** (June 22 to Jul. 21) If any unusual circumstances arise today, handle them wisely and with good humor. Don't risk your reputation.

**LEO** (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) You can find some great success if you involve yourself in some public functions. Be sure you wear your "Sunday Best" for these events.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Present your co-workers with some thoughtful, but inexpensive, gifts, and they will look at you in a new light. Remain cheerful today.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) If you are invited to several parties tonight, try to attend as many as possible without tiring yourself. Be

thoughtful to your loved ones.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Get your home in perfect order, then have as many guests in as you can fit — the more the merrier. Be a charming host or hostess.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Your communication skills are especially sharp right now, so make any calls which will benefit you. Be very careful while driving.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Study your financial situation carefully, and you can reap fine rewards in the near future. Listen carefully to any advice you get.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Show those in positions of power that you are ambitious, and you'll get fine results. Get into the spirit

of the Holiday and enjoy yourself.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Doing something unusual for your mate can bring you both much happiness. Be sure that your plans for the Holiday are all worked out.

**If Your Child Is Born Today**  
He or she will have many talents, some of them quite unusual, so be sure you don't thwart his or her creative nature. Your progeny will always use the best from the past, but will add modern touches which will make projects quite unique. Sports are a must here.

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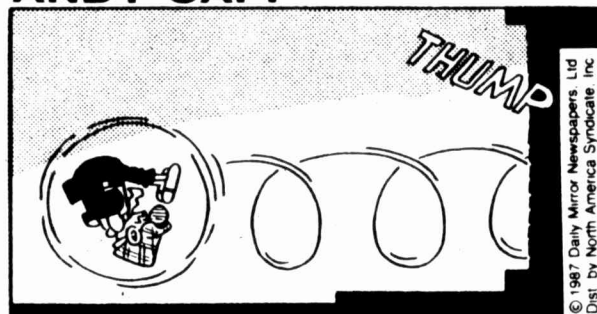
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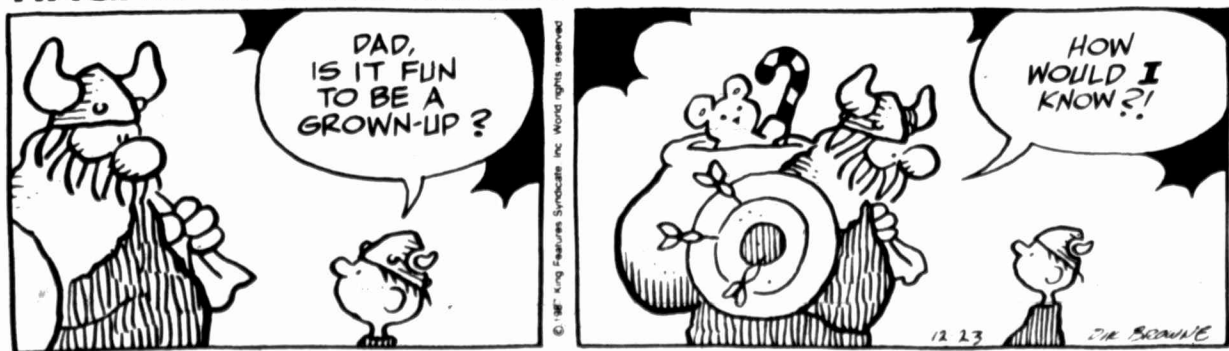
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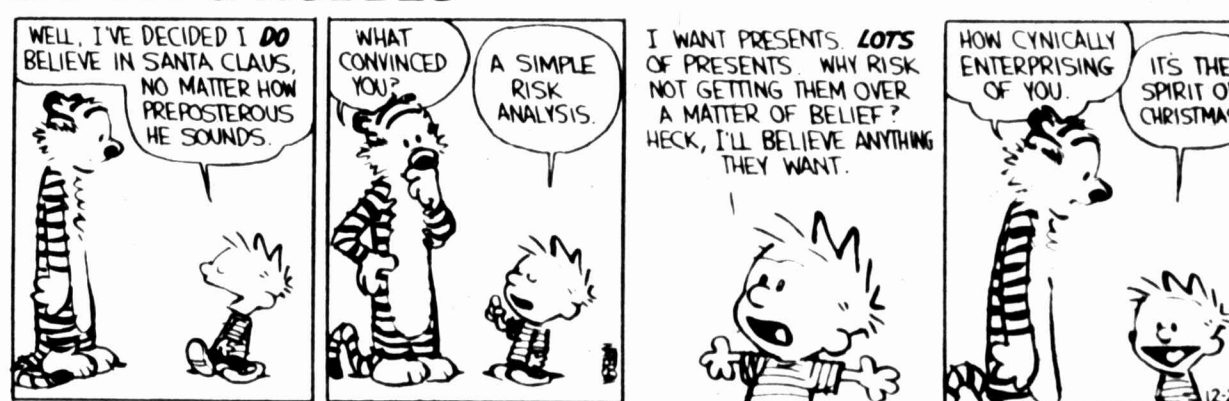
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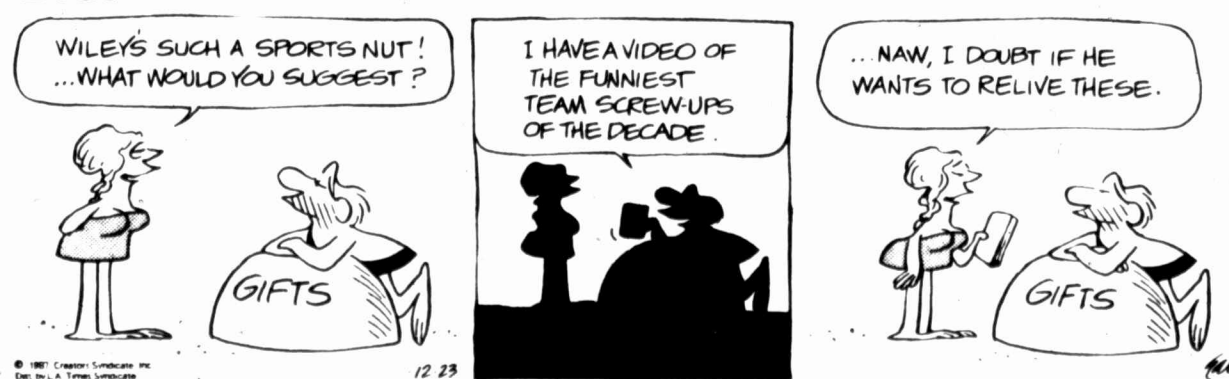
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2. A red bike;  
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Dear Santa,

Our teacher Ms. Flores are because we are can not write ye talk to tell our want.

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For Christmas Cabbage Patch L Sylvia

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I want a bike, three wheel and ing my mom a motorcycle. And doll and girl stu

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I want Babie O some pompoms some cookies u you.

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## City, county offices release holiday schedules

### Herald staff report

Several city and county organizations will be closed or have reduced operations during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

All City Hall offices will be closed Dec. 24, 25, 31 and Jan. 1-3, according to clerk Margaret Burdette. The offices will be open for business Dec. 28-30 and Jan. 4, she added. The city landfill will be closed on Christmas Day, but will be open for business on other days, Martha Calvio of the Public Works Department said. She added that there will be no trash collections Dec. 24, 25,

31 or Jan. 1.

Trash collection will be made on the next regular collection day following those dates, she said.

At the county level, the tax assessor and the county clerk's office will be closed on the same days as City Hall, tax deputy Phyllis Hattenbach said.

Big Spring public schools let out for the holidays Friday, according to administrative secretary Ruth Budke. She said that classes will resume Jan. 4.

The district's administration and business

offices will be closed for the same days, Budke noted.

Forsan's schools also dismissed Friday and will resume Jan. 4, Business Manager Rob Robertson said. Administration and business offices will be closed Dec. 23-27 and Jan. 1-3, he added.

Coahoma's schools and administrative office will follow the same holiday schedule as Big Spring and Forsan, administrative secretary Judy Parks noted. The district's tax office will be closed Dec. 21-29, and will be open Dec. 30 and 31, Tax Collector Myrtie

Burns said.

In keeping with tradition, the *Herald* will not publish an edition Christmas. In addition, the Christmas Eve paper will be an early-morning edition, according to Circulation Manager Billy Warden.

He added that the Jan. 1 paper also will be an early-morning edition.

The *Herald* business office will close at noon Dec. 24, and reopen at 8 a.m. Dec. 26, according to Business Manager Angie Awtry.

## BSHS tankers drown Seminole

By STEVE BELVIN  
Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School swim team finished the first half of its season on a positive note by sweeping a dual meet from Seminole Friday afternoon at the YMCA pool.

The Big Spring boys outpointed Seminole 40-25 while the Big Spring girls outscored Seminole 27-25. It was the last action before the Christmas break for BSHS tankers. Big Spring's next competition will be Jan. 7 in the Andrews Relays.

Needless to say, the wins by his young swimmers, made Big Spring swim coach Harlan Smith very happy. "I knew it would be close because our teams are similar in size and ability," said Smith.

"We had real good swims from some people who hadn't been able to put it together before. In other meets we've had some key swimmers out. But everyone was healthy for this one. It was a tremendous effort. It's a real nice Christmas present," said Smith.

Leading the boys was freestyle Johnny Webb, who won three first places, on his way to a record-



Big Spring freshman Josh Free digs through the water as he participates in the 100 yard butterfly event during the Big Spring-Seminole dual swim meet Friday afternoon at the Big Spring YM.

CA. Free won the event in a time of 1:23.76. Both the Big Spring boys and girls outscored Seminole.

setting day. Not only did Webb swim on the winning 400 yard freestyle relay team with Mark

Lynch, Josh Free and Tommy Juarez; he set school records in the 200 and 500 freestyle.

Webb swam a 2:02.00 in the 200 race, breaking the mark of 2:03.99 set by Chris Batchelor in 1982.

Webb also bettered the 500 record of 5:31.92 set last year by Scott Ferguson. Webb's time was

5:26.89.

Lynch was also a double winner for the boys, winning the 160 individual medley and 100 backstroke. He swam 1:53.81 in the 160 individual medley and 1:07.51 in the 100 backstroke. Both are personal bests.

Other first places for the boys came from Free in the 100 butterfly and Chris Meyers in the 100 breaststroke.

Janie Gonzales paced the Big Spring girls as she swam to two first places.

Gonzales swam a 2:25.54 to win the 160 individual medley, and a 7:45.20 to win the 500 freestyle.

Other first places by the girls were Erica Clarkson in the 100 freestyle (1:10.59) and Sally Lopez in the 100 butterfly (1:36.84).

Smith said his troops will be ready to go back to work after the break.

"Now we'll start directing everything towards the district meet. The kids have been working hard and they see the results of all that work. I think it will carry over into next year," Smith concluded.

## Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I love my brothers, bring them some presents and mommy to. I want a Barbie bed and Barbie clothes and its okay to bring me another Barbie.

Love,  
Dallas Allen

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas to you and everyone in Big Spring Tex. my mama thinks i have been a good little boy all year so this is what i want:

1. A little dog;
2. A red bike;
3. A baby cat;
4. some story books;
5. A mickey mouse watch;
6. A real horse to ride.

Love and kisses  
Felipe Anguiano  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
Our teacher, Mrs. Borrego and Ms. Flores are writing this letter because we are in Headstart and can not write yet, but we sure can talk to tell our teachers what we want.

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Barbie, Cabbage Patch Doll and a purse.

Love,  
Sylvia Muniz

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike, a horse, and also a three wheel and Santa, please bring my mom a little ring and a motorcycle. And my sister, Sissy, a doll and girl stuffs.

Love,  
Mark Garcia

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a bike, motorcycle. You will find a coke under the tree for you.

Thank you  
Ruben Soliz

Santa,  
I want Barbie Care Bear and also some pompoms and there will be some cookies under the tree for you.

love  
Christina Rios

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas me want a bike, a dirt bike and also I would like a truck too.

Justin Cox

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a doll and a toy. I've been a good girl.  
Thank You  
Vanessa Pacheco

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a big book when I get bigger, and boys things.

Thank You  
Jeremiah Baeza

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a pretty motorcycle and a hammer.

Thnak You  
Tony Martinez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a dragon, a monster, a ghost, and a toy that talks.

Thank You  
Isaac Willborn

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a purse and a Barbie doll.

Thank You  
Kolisha Boyd

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a Barbie, and a Teddy Bear.

Thank You  
Sarah Vick

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a racing car, a train, a tractor, and some toys.

Thank You  
Joe Canales

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like, Big foot, a bike, a skooter, a remote control racing car, a guitar, a alpie, colors, and a telephone.

Thank You,  
Nick Valencia

Dear Santa,  
I want transformers, two guns, G.I. Joe, and some cars. For my sisters, bring them a doll for Christmas.

Love,  
Anthony Hilario

Dear Santa,  
I want for Christmas a Mickey Mouse Doll, some numbers for me to learn and also some play dishes. For my sisters bring them some Rainbow Britle Dolls.

Love,  
Veronica Romo

## Steers outdistance Chiefs

By STEVE BELVIN  
Sports Editor

At times the Big Spring Steers' district hoop opener against the San Angelo Lake View Chiefs resembled the fable, "The Hare and the Tortoise."

Big Spring was the hare, speedy and always building large margins. The Chiefs were the tortoise, gutsy, but always several steps slow.

But like the fable, everytime the Steers would build a big lead, it seemed they would slow down and coast. Meanwhile the Chiefs steadily trudged on, catching up time and time again.

But unlike the fable's ending, the Steers were smart enough not to coast too much as they defeated the Chiefs 89-68 Friday night in Steer Gym.

From the start it was evident the Steers had too much firepower for Lake View. Several times Big Spring appeared on its way to a clear-cut blowout, and each time the Chiefs made a run and made the game interesting.

But in the end it was a balanced Big Spring scoring attack that proved too tough for the San Angelo team.

The Steers had four of its five starters in double figures. Thane Russey scored nine points, and was the lone starter not in double figures.

As usual, senior forward Brian Mayfield led Big Spring in scoring with 19 points. He was followed closely by guard Abner Shellman and forward Doug Young, both scored 17. Guard Ian Walker was a step behind with 16 points.

In the first quarter Big Spring made a 8-2 run in the last three minutes of the period to take a 20-9 lead going into the second stanza. The lead quickly grew to 26-11 with 6:36 remaining in the first half.

But behind the scoring of forward Eric Dumas, Lake View battled back, cutting the margin to 37-28 at the half.

Lake View's Albert Perez popped a three-pointer at the start of the third quarter, cutting the Big Spring lead to 37-31. The teams battled on even terms for the next four minutes and Big Spring led 49-41 with 1:42 left in

the third period.

Then Big Spring's Walker got hot and Big Spring outscored Lake View 11-2 the remainder of the quarter. Walker, a 5-10 junior, scored eight points in the run, including two, three-point goals. Big Spring led 60-43 going into the final quarter.

In the final quarter the Chiefs battled back behind the shooting of guard Tony Allen. With four minutes left in the game, the Big Spring lead was trimmed to 68-62.

Then the Steers made their most impressive run of the game, outscoring Lake View 21-6 the remainder of the contest and hustling for their first district win.

"I'm proud of the way the kids came through," said Steers coach Boyce Paxton after the game. "One of our goals is to have a balanced attack and that's what we had tonight. Ian Walker had a run there in the third quarter and I think that made the difference in the game. We had two little lulls in the game and we had somebody to pick us up both times," said Paxton.

Walker had perhaps his best game of the season, hitting seven of 14 field goals and dishing out five assists. Shellman was eight of 17 from the field while collecting five steals. Mayfield played his usual strong game, sinking eight of 13 field goals, blocking seven shots, getting three steals and pulling down 12 rebounds.

Dumas, a 6-2 forward, paced Lake View with 17 points and 13 rebounds. Allen followed with 16 points.

The Steers are now 9-4 overall while Lake View falls to 3-8 overall and 0-2 in league play.

The Steers will play Pecos Monday at Steer Gym at 3 p.m.

### FRESHMEN WIN

Louis Soldan scored 20 points and blocked six shots while leading the Steers freshmen to a 78-31 win over Greenwood Friday.

Mike Williams scored 14 points and dished out seven assists. Fermin Gutierrez added six steals in the win. The freshmen are now 7-3 for the season.

JV'S MAKE IT A SWEEP

The Steers junior varsity won their district opener by defeating Lake View 52-44.

Brandon Burnett scored 21 points for Big Spring and Joe Downey added 10 points.

Big Spring is now 4-8 overall. The JV Steers will play Pecos at 1:30 p.m. Monday in Steer Gym.

**BIG SPRING (89)** — Abner Shellman 8 0 17; Ian Walker 7 0 16; Doug Young 6 4 17; Thane Russey 3 3 9; Brian Mayfield 8 3 19; Fred Reid 1 1 3; Tony Lewis 0 0 0; Tyrone Foster 0 0 0; Steve Gill 1 1 3; Bruce Jones 0 1 1; Tony Spears 2 0 4; totals 36 76; 13-20, 89.

**LAKE VIEW (68)** — Albert Perez 4 0 9; Tony Allen 5 5 15; Roiger Hernandez 2 2

6; Eric Dumas 7 3 17; William Lisenby 0 0 0; Sam Hall 3 2 8; Lance Coe 1 0 2; Todd Ninnick 2 1 5; Nick Soto 0 2 2; Andy Baker 0 2 2; Jeff Parker 0 0 0; totals 24 59; 17-24, 68.

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Big Spring 20 17 23 29 — 89  
Lake View 9 19 15 25 — 68  
Technical — Big Spring bench, Three Pointers — Big Spring: (Walker 2, Shellman 1, Young 1); Lake View (Perez 2, Allen 1); Turnovers — Big Spring 13; Lake View 26; Rebounds — Big Spring 39; Mayfield 12, Shellman 8, Young 5; Lake View 33 (Dumas 13, Hernandez 6); Assists — Big Spring (Walker 5, Mayfield 2); Lake View (Perez 3, Hernandez 2); Blocked Shots — Big Spring (Mayfield 7); Lake View (Hall 2); Steals — Big Spring (Shellman 5, Mayfield 3); Lake View (Ninnick 2).

## Lady Steers romp

SAN ANGELO — The Big Spring Lady Steers continued their winning ways as they defeated the San Angelo Lake View Maidens 60-46 Friday night in 2-4A basketball action.

The win was Big Spring's 14th without a loss. The Lady Steers are now 3-0 in district play. Coach C.E. Carmichael's troops are ranked seventh in the state in the latest Texas Association Basketball Coaches poll.

Lake View falls to 6-8 overall and 1-3 in league play.

The Lady Steers' win sets up a battle of district unbeaten when Big Spring meets Pecos Monday in Pecos. Pecos is 4-0 in league play and 8-3 overall.

The Maidens played Big Spring close for a quarter, the score was tied 14-14 after the first eight minutes of play. Then Big Spring post player Tami Wise took control of things and Big Spring was on its way to victory.

Wise, a 6-0 junior, scored 10 of her game-high 23 points in the second stanza. Big Spring led 28-17 at the half.

"I thought Lake View played pretty good," said Carmichael. "Their coach told me they played one of their better games. They had a hard time stopping Tami Wise inside. She played a very good game and led us in rebounds with 11."

Like they have all season, the Lady Steers shot well, making 50 percent of their field goals and 62 percent of their free throws. For the season Big Spring is shooting 48 percent from the floor and 61 per-



TAMI WISE

...23 points, 11 rebounds

cent from the line.

"We're playing good consistent ball, but we've got the kind of team that has to be ready for every game," said Carmichael.

Senior guard Katrina Thompson followed Wise with 14 points. Sophomore forward Gisla Spears played a strong game with 13 points and eight rebounds. Michelle LeGrand added 10 points.

The Lady Steers will play Pecos Monday at 3:30 p.m.

**JV'S FALL**  
The Lady Steers junior varsity dropped a 45-32 decision to the Maidens. Tracy Schaffner led Big Spring with eight points.

**BIG SPRING (46)** — Tami Wise 11 1 23; Katrina Thompson 5 4 14; Gisla Spears 5 3 13; Michelle LeGrand 5 0 10; totals 26 80.  
**LAKE VIEW (46)** — Tiffany Thomas 1 2 4; Cinnamon Hamilton 4 3 11; Kelly Allard 6 0 13; Yolanda Ramirez 2 0 4; Sheryl Matthews 6 2 14; totals 19 74.

Three Pointers — (Allard 19).  
**SCORE BY QUARTERS**  
Big Spring 14 14 14 18 — 60  
Lake View 14 14 15 — 46

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# Refinery officials plan 'total turnaround'

By SARAH LUMAN  
Business Writer

For the first time in its history, the Fina Oil and Chemical Company refinery located east of Big Spring on Interstate 20 will undergo a "total turnaround" during four weeks in January and February.

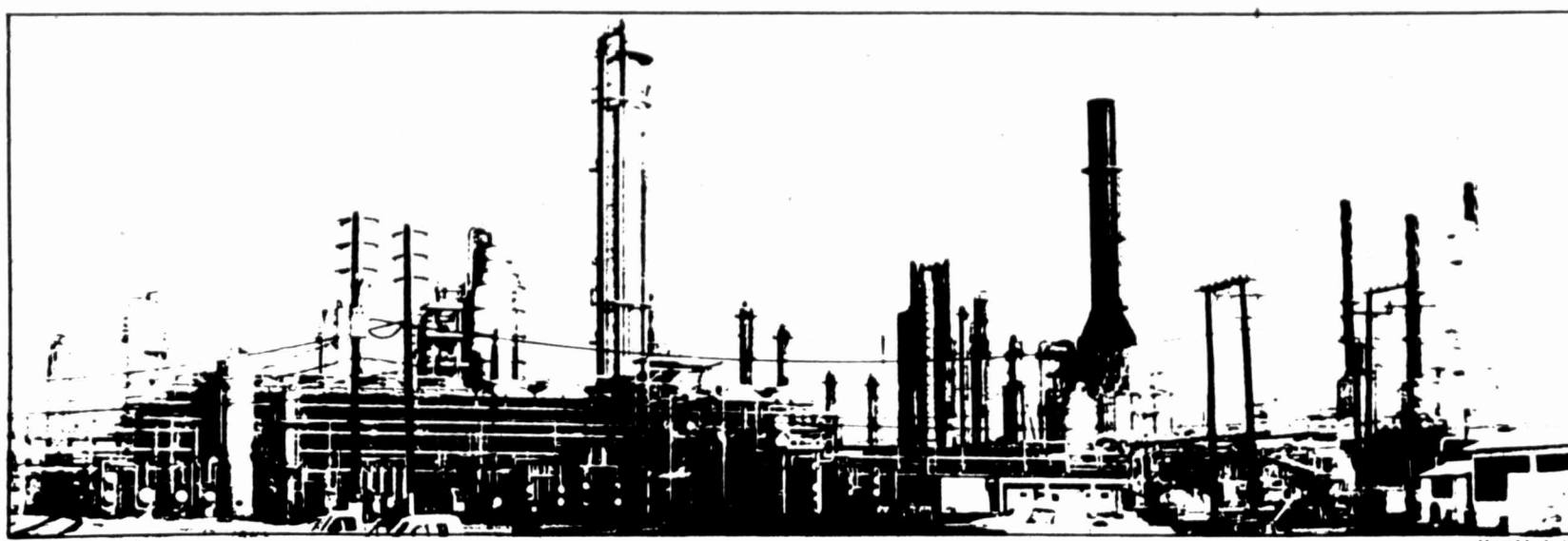
Normal operations will be suspended to allow its workforce to concentrate on detailed maintenance and major repairs, making the plant more likely to remain in business, according to refinery manager R.J. "Bob" Johnston, improving its efficiency and equipment.

"Whenever we talk about a turnaround and a shutdown, people become concerned that maybe Fina isn't going to start back up again," he said. "But our aim is to get better, to make improvements that will keep this refinery in business."

Turnaround is the industry term for overhauling and cleaning out refinery equipment. During the turnaround, scheduled to begin Jan. 11 and finish Feb. 4, 1988, all refinery personnel will be working.

In addition, approximately 110 more people will be working on maintenance and repairs to the plant's equipment, according to E.H. Boullioun, Jr., manager of project engineering at the plant.

He said the turnaround means the refinery will undergo inspection, maintenance and repairs which could not be accomplished



The Fina Oil and Chemical Company refinery, located east of Big Spring on Interstate 20, will undergo a detailed maintenance and inspection procedure in January and February 1988.

without halting its normal operations.

"We're going to be doing the inspections, maintenance and repairs we normally do when we shut one unit down for turnaround, except that we'll be doing it on all our units. Everything will be shut down except the loading dock at this facility, but we are going to continue to make our marketing commitments," he said.

Turnaround operations in the past have been conducted on single units in the facility. Because some people had to continue to work normal operating shifts during those

partial turnarounds, the process was less efficient than overhauling an entire refinery at one time, he said.

"All our operations people out here started working in this refinery in maintenance," Johnston said. "Because of that, they all have maintenance experience, and we will be utilizing that experience with our own personnel during the turnaround."

Boullioun said the turnaround will involve a shutdown of the refinery, but the plant will continue to operate and will be brought back to its full capacity of 60,000 barrels

per day at the end of the turnaround. He and Johnston estimated the cost of the turnaround will exceed \$6 million.

"We'll be making one and a half million dollars' worth of capital improvements to the refinery," Johnston said, "and about four and a half million more will be spent on the turnaround itself in maintenance and cleanout costs."

"We're trying, with that kind of investment, to improve our equipment and cut back our energy costs, do everything we can to keep this refinery in operation," he said.

Boullioun added, "We're going to

be doing the kinds of repairs we can't do on the run—that is, during regular operations."

"Much of our equipment is spared—that is, we have two units, so that when we have a problem, we can shut down a unit of rotating equipment, for example, and bring the second unit into operation while we repair the first."

"But we have some equipment that is not spared, and we will be inspecting those units during the turnaround and going in to do the repairs we could not do on the run. We are bringing in contractors for some of our maintenance, and we

will have about 260 to 270 people out here.

"We'll be working six days a week, ten hours per shift, two shifts per day," he said. "We'll be doing a lot of welding, and we'll have electrical contractors, insulation and refractory contractors coming in with outside people who have the necessary skills for the type of welding and maintenance work we need."

"Fina has done this type of turnaround before at various locations successfully," he said. "It just so happens we haven't done it this way at this location in the past."

The refinery was originally constructed in 1928 and began operating in 1929, Boullioun said, with the first chemical operations beginning in 1951. The refinery has not undergone a major partial turnaround for 3 1/4 years, he said.

"It's kind of like having your car serviced," he said. "After you've driven 50,000 miles, you take the car in and have it repaired and inspected so you can go another 50,000 miles."

Major repairs are expected for cooling towers and the big vessels, such as storage tanks, furnaces and pipelines within the refinery, Johnston said, and will include work on units ranging from internal inspection of the "cat cracker" to replacement of the cyclones used to separate reflux from charge materials in the vacuum tanks and heat exchangers.

## Secretary Verity needs to learn basic economics

By TOM PETERS

I was thinking of sending newly confirmed Secretary of Commerce C. William Verity a copy of my latest book, "Thriving On Chaos," after reading that he was going to spend the next year jawboning corporate chieftains for better American product quality.

I've changed my mind, after reading excerpts from a recent speech he gave the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Instead, I think I'll send him a copy of the latest edition of economist Paul Samuelson's classic economics text.

In his talk, Verity criticized Japan's refusal to match the dollar's devaluation with an equal rate of price increases. He said that this failure to jack up prices amounts to an official act of "dumping." Such a suggestion is another mindless escalation of our trade battle with the Japanese, which, as usual, seeks to shift the blame for questionable performance from "us" to "them."

Japan's economic and social systems are different than ours. Its corporate strategists, not under the influence of Wall Street's sharp-penciled analysts, emphasize market share over profits.

(As usual, cultural differences are involved, too. Overall lower profits of Japanese corporations are due in part to their assuming a major share of the national welfare bill. Government provides the majority of human service benefits in the United States; corporations shoulder a large share of the load in Japan.)

Verity also brushes over the fact that Japan's firms have responded to the new reality. Bellwether Honda, for instance, has implemented eight price increases, amounting to an almost 30 percent overall price hike, since late 1985.

Moreover, Japan's firms overall have swiftly moved to slash costs by almost 25 percent in the last two years, abetted by their very flexible wage structure.

However, the real "profit problem" is ours, not Japan's. A reporter challenged me recently, "If things are as bad as you say they are, now come U.S. profits are high?" Part of the answer is that American firms have responded to the beneficence of the plummeting dollar by raising prices.

Faced with Wall Street's opprobrium and the fidgety raiders, as soon as the magnitude of the dollar's fall forced the Japanese to act, many of our firms matched their price increases to be sure. This resulted in a sweeter bottom line.

But in the first week of any Economics 101 course, students learn that this was, instead, the time to hold the line on price in order to grab some market share back and to cause further agony for Japanese and other market opponents.

But we copped out—heaven forbid we should practice such longish-term, pro-competitive thinking.

But an even more important point gets lost in the shuffle: An economy's performance is, say the economic primers, aimed to increase the well-being of all our citizens' welfare; that is, to raise the standard of living over the long haul.

Basic economics does not suggest anywhere that maximizing either short- or long-term total corporate profits is an objective. To the contrary.

Serious competitive battles between firms are supposed to drive down prices to the point that no margin is left. With the lowest possible prices, the society achieves maximum benefit—even companies, which in the long run enjoy the privilege of staying in business and growing.

Perhaps one reason Verity fails to appreciate such economic basics is that his background is in the steel industry, which, by the way, seems a strange place to search for a commerce boss at a critical juncture, given steel's lousy grades on competitiveness.

Over the last two decades, Big Steel has been almost as protected from real market conditions as farmers have been.



Peters on excellence

## Not only the name has changed

Herald staff report

Cosden Refinery, located east of Big Spring on Interstate 20, really is not Cosden anymore—it's Fina Oil and Chemical Company, according to refinery manager R.J. "Bob" Johnston.

"People still call it Cosden," Johnston said, "but actually that name left with the chemical operations."

According to project engineering manager E.H. Boullioun, Jr., the chemical operations at the plant were closed in the early 1980s and the name officially was changed July 1, 1985.

Much of the equipment constructed for the chemical operations now stands idle, but some units, such as the huge double-walled concrete storage tanks at the west end of the refinery, have been put to other uses, Johnston said.

"We used to use those to store nitrogen," he said. "But we do not make nitrogen here anymore, nor ammonia. So now we use those tanks to store our fuels—although right now, they're empty."

All about the refinery, pipe and fittings, replacement parts and new material are lying near the units which will be overhauled during the plant's planned \$6-million,



BOB JOHNSTON

four-week total turnaround.

New cyclones to separate the reflux materials from the charge materials in the heat exchangers, pre-shaped pipeline joints ranging in diameter from six inches to several feet, insulating sheets to recover the outside of the plant's huge crude-oil storage tanks and new finned pipeline sections for the cooling units are among the parts

awaiting installation.

"We'll also be doing an inspection and maintenance in the cat cracker," Johnston said.

In addition to the normal maintenance and repairs scheduled during the turnaround, some units will be upgraded to improve operating efficiency.

In one such project, a flash tank will be added to the refinery so that vaporized products can be separated from the liquids before the liquids enter the plant's heating units, Johnston said.

The refinery, constructed in 1928, came into operation in 1929, Boullioun said. In 1951, the first petrochemical units were added, and the chemical operations were expanded through the next two decades.

"At one time what made Cosden unique was that this location was the only one in which we took in crude oil at the front end, and had completed plastics at the back end as a product," he said.

The refinery now operates solely to produce fuels and asphalt. Cosden Refinery originally was a fuels refinery, Boullioun said, and the Cosden name was derived from the family who owned and operated the plant, founded by Joshua Cosden.

## Coahoma bank opens house for holidays

By SARAH LUMAN

Staff Writer

Coahoma State Bank celebrates Christmas this week with an open house, which also marks a change in the bank's leadership and staff, according to W.A. "Dub" Moore, Jr.

The public is invited to the event, Moore said. A \$100 savings account will be awarded in a drawing Dec. 23 as the celebration draws to a close; anyone attending the open house, which will continue through Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, may register for the savings account.

In addition to Christmas and the changes in leadership at the bank—including the return of Bill Read to the staff after an absence of more than two years—the open house will mark the ninth year since the bank moved into its present quarters, Moore said.

Read opened the bank in July 1961, with four employees. Chartered in March, the bank opened with \$100,000 in capital and \$50,000 in surplus, according to Read, who said the bank's first location was at 100 South First St. in downtown Coahoma.

In 1978, Read said, the construction began on the new building, a white Spanish-style brick structure on Interstate 20 that opened Jan. 15, 1979.

Read operated the bank in its present location through many economic changes. During the most recent oil boom, the bank's total assets exceeded \$19

million, he said. Since the bank began operating, it has handled more than \$1 million in capital accounts.

Two and a half years ago, Read left the bank. In October, a major change in the ownership of stock in the bank put Moore in the presidency and returned the bank to local control. The changes in management and directors, Moore said, all have been done for the good of the bank.

"We want to bring people back to Coahoma State Bank," he said. "We want them to know that Bill Read is back in the Coahoma State Bank, and that he is working with us closely."

Read's specialty will be public relations, Moore said, explaining that control of lending programs and daily operations will remain in his province as chief executive.

As an example of its progressive attitude, the Coahoma State Bank offers a MasterCard service available to local businesses—the first of its kind in the area, Moore said—which is currently used by more than 100 local businesses.

"We're planning to add to our services with such items as loans through FHA, and we'll add Freddie Mac and those services, though that will take some time," Moore said.

In addition to Moore and Read, the bank's directors are Jim K. Williams, chairman of the board, Shannon Boyles and John Marr, Moore said.

## Business briefs

### Trucking seminar slated

FORSAN — Van's Well Service of Forsan will sponsor a shortened form of the Department of Public Safety's seminar on the new federal regulations covering motor vehicle carriers, according to DPS trooper Marvin Keenan of the License and Weight Service.

Scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 29, the seminar will take place in the fellowship hall of Forsan Baptist Church. Persons planning to attend should contact Van's Well Service, (915) 457-2278, for a reservation.

### CRMWD reports profits

The Colorado River Municipal Water District likely will finish 1987 with 25 percent more revenue than anticipated.

Savings in electric energy costs from pumping nearly 2.3 billion gallons less water than estimated, pumping from more economical sources, and fuel rebates from power companies in the amount of \$113,629 contributed to the increase.

The electric energy bill for 11 months was

\$2,868,873, or 29.38 percent less than projected for the period.

Water deliveries amounted to 14,580,992,517 gallons, down 13.59 percent from expectations. Municipal customers took 13,129,937,860 gallons and oil and industrial customers 1,402,561,740 gallons, almost all in unpotable water.

### Phones coop plans bonus

Wes-tex Telephone Company cooperative subscribers are going to receive a New Year's bonus, according to Office Manager Bob Wilson.

Checks totalling \$251,000 will be mailed Jan. 4 to some 3,000 present and former subscribers to the company's telephone service, Wilson said.

The payments—known as patron capital refunds—represent subscribers' share of the telephone company's profits between 1963 and 1977, according to Wilson.

Wes-tex was formed as a cooperative in 1955 and provides telephone service to customers in Ackerly, Luther, Vincent, West Stanton, Lenora, Lomax, Garden City and St. Lawrence.

"This is the first capital credit distribution Wes-tex has made since it was founded," Wilson said.

## Businessbeat

By SARAH LUMAN  
Business Writer

Overheard on the beat this week:

... Look for a new store a block west of Birdwell on FM 700 in early March — Harris Home Center is currently under construction there, according to Corky Harris of Harris Lumber and Hardware.

The 15,000-square-foot new store will be operated in conjunction with Ace Hardware Centers.

"It's what they call their 'store of the future,' and it isn't your ordinary hardware store," he said. "It will contain a retail lumber and hardware operation, lawn and garden items, appliances and electronics for the home—televisions, VCRs, stereo equipment and the like."

Planned to open sometime in March, the Harris Home Center will be locally owned, and will also have a video rental department with an expected inventory of about 1,500 tapes at competitive prices.

It's not expected to affect Harris Lumber.

... With Christmas fast approaching, The Gift Wrapper in Highland Mall might be a good place to keep in mind.

Open from noon until 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, the seasonal store specializes in holiday gift wrapping.

Prices range upward from the minimum of \$1, and the store can provide gift boxes for customers.

... Texas Instruments' Susan Ratliff says that TI engineer Russell Logan, a Coahoma native who attended Howard College, Texas

Tech and Southern Methodist University, was elected to the position of Fellow, the highest membership grade of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

Ratliff says Logan, who is chief engineer and senior fellow for Texas Instruments Avionics Systems in Richardson, received the honor in November.

Logan's selection for the fellowship was announced by the IEEE board of directors, she said, with a citation for contributions and leadership in the engineering development of airborne radar systems.

Logan's mother, Mabel Hood Logan, resides near Colorado City, according to Ratliff, and were a pioneer family of this area. Mrs. Logan maintains a home on the family's ranch near the Spade community.

... Southern Magazine is searching for innovative businessmen—and women.

According to Ken Engle, project coordinator for the magazine, "A Southern Innovator may be an entrepreneur or someone working within a corporation who leads that corporation in an exciting new direction."

The sole restriction is that the roots and ways of the candidate remain Southern, Engle says. If you know someone who qualifies, Engle wants to hear from you before Dec. 24. He can be reached at (404) 377-1367, or in care of Southern Magazine, 201 E. Markham, Suite 200, Heritage West Building, P.O. Box 3418, Little Rock, Ark. 72203.

... Ethel Trotter, Big Spring, won a trip for two to Honolulu recently in a contest sponsored by ClayDesta Communications.

Trotter took the grand prize in the long distance company's sweepstakes. Her name was drawn Saturday, Dec. 5 at Highland Mall, in ClayDesta's promotional contest. Trotter said she recently selected ClayDesta for long distance service following a decision by her employer, Coleman Machine and Supply, to use ClayDesta.

Dennis Bratton, Anthony Cimino, Randy Erians, Dennis Wells and Betty Wright, all of Big Spring, also were named winners in the contest.



Business beat



RUSSELL LOGAN



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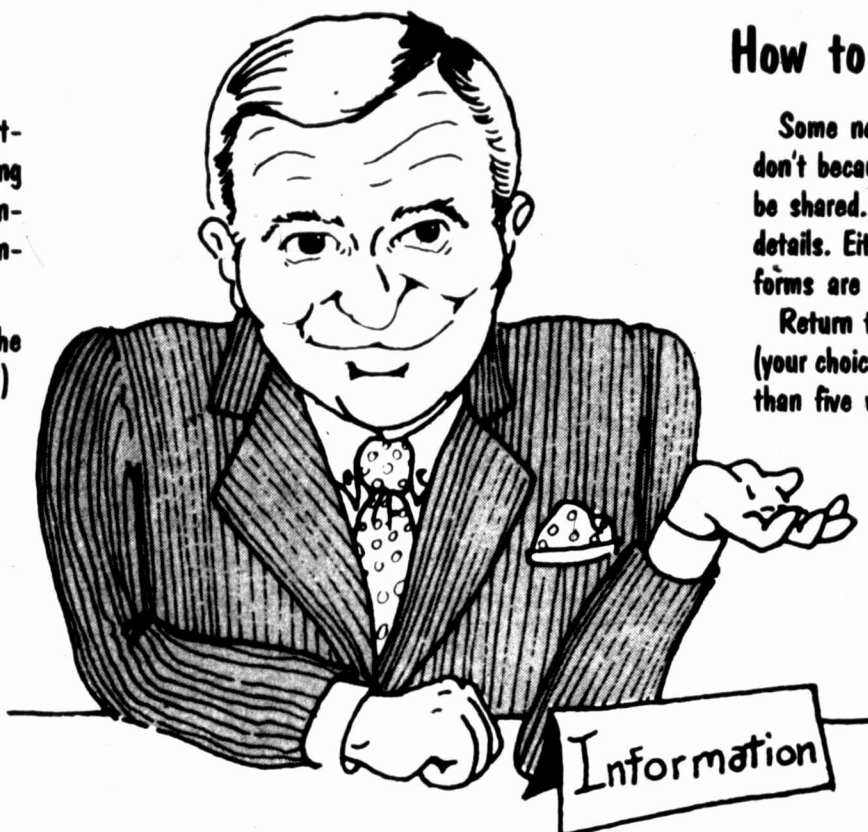
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# BUSINESS & INDUSTRY REVIEW

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**COOKED TO ORDER** — The secret of the fine flavor of food served at Jack & Mattie's Cafe is the chef — Jack Taylor himself. He prepares everything from scratch with the style and confidence that only can come from experience.

## Just good home cooking

Everything is cooked to order at Jack & Mattie's Cafe, 901 West 3rd St. No frozen entrees. No fillers added. No pre-prepared foods. Just good old-fashioned home cooking and plenty of it.

Mattie Taylor says they've been in the food business "all our lives." Jack was chef at the Holiday Inn here for about 10 years, and the Taylors operated the Permian Snack Bar for over 8 years.

Jack & Mattie's Cafe is open for breakfast and lunch — from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Monday through Friday, they close at 2 p.m. on Saturdays. Jack & Mattie's serves breakfast all day. And customers rave about the homemade buttermilk biscuits and the giant homemade cinnamon

rolls. (Better come early; these run out quickly.) One egg with choice of meat, hash browns, biscuits, gravy and coffee is \$3.00.

The daily luncheon plate is priced at \$3.95. You get soup, salad, homemade rolls, potatoes and two vegetables, choice of at least six entrees, drink and dessert. Entrees change daily, but include chicken fried steak, grilled beef liver, breaded veal cutlet or roast beef. Dessert is different every day.

There are a lot of "regulars" at Jack & Mattie's, and the atmosphere is relaxed and friendly.

Anything on the menu can be prepared to go. You can phone ahead at 267-9611 to place your order.

## T.J.'s for winter boot/shoe repair

"It's boot weather now," says Tina Barnett, of T.J.'s Boot & Shoe Repair. "And that's been keeping us busy repairing heels and half soles."

Tina says she has added an extra step on half sole repairs: a special finish that make the repairs look like new. "And at no extra charge," she adds.

Anyone who has to stand all day, particularly on concrete, will want to look into having crepe soles added to their boots or shoes, another service Tina provides to make feet ever so much happier.

The shop offers one-day service on most repairs to customers who request it. Repairs brought in before noon one day are ready by noon the following day.

Tina is now able to do vinyl and suede dyeing, in addition to the leather and fabric dyeing already featured. Belinda Woodall has joined the staff to head the dyeing services.

The shop repairs belts ("we shorten about 10 a week"); fixes rips in purses; repairs vinyl or leather suitcase tears, straps and zippers, replaces snaps and zippers on jeans; adapts and repairs orthopedic shoes and has even made leather hunting boots for dogs.

"Our motto is service," Tina stresses. "We'll tackle any leather or vinyl problem a customer brings in — and we do it with a smile and a thank-you."

Other services popular in cold weather are water-proofing of shoes and boots, and elastic covers for cowboy hats.

The shop carries the popular hand-sewn and hand-beaded moccasins.



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## Exclusive interview with Santa

By WALT FINLEY

"I suppose you want the same thing the others want," he said, jabbing a fistful of sugar plums into a fruit jar, "and I'll tell you the same thing I told them, and that's all."

"No, I have never received gifts from any of the Rockefellers, and yes, I get some rather unusual requests from what you would probably call 'prominent individuals.'"

But you have to realize that such communications fall under the category of privileged information. Our operation is rather special in that regard. The concept of 'public record' does not apply here. I am not a bureaucrat."

He was probably telling the truth. At least he didn't dress like a bureaucrat. If his red suit was any indication, he was a lot flashier. And then there was the long hair and the beard and his disconcerting habit of punctuating sentences with "ho, ho, ho."

He seemed a little too jolly and secure to be just another political operative who had gotten in over his head. But he was fat, and fat cats usually have something to hide.

"Ho, ho, ho," he shouted. "Ho, ho, ho, yourself," I told him, "I'm on deadline."

He walked back to his desk and sat down heavily. He stared at each other for several moments. He spoke first.

"How would you like to have your newspaper, maybe a whole string of magazines and a television station and some of my helpers as leg men?"

"I won't be bought," I told him flatly.

"It was just a test," he grinned. "I like to know what kind of person I'm dealing with. Ho, ho, ho."

"A likely story." "Okay, you may continue with the interview," he said reaching for some sugar plums, "what do you want to know? I'll be as candid as possible."

"No more ho, ho, ho," I asked skeptically.

"No more ho, ho, ho," he agreed.

Most of what he told me will remain off the record, which is highly unusual for a guy like me. Most of it was actually pretty boring, anecdotes about stockings and fireplaces and such, or real personal stuff that is nobody's business but his. If you think I got snowed, well, that's your problem.

I will say that his primary concern is one of equity. He hates to be tricked, and because he doesn't have the time or staff to keep track of everybody who expects something from him at this time of year, he does get fooled.

"There's not really much I can do about it," he said. "I certainly am not going to start spying on people — there's too much of that kind of thing going on without me getting into the act."

This is not to suggest that he

doesn't know a great deal about who's been very, very good and who hasn't. He just doesn't flaunt it.

He told me a certain TV anchorman who had written to him asking that his partner get fired so that he could deliver the news alone every night, and run more stories about car crashes, people who want to marry Russians, and bears.

"All that clown is going to get from me this year," the big guy chuckled, "is a beanie with a propeller on the top."

His biggest complaint didn't surprise me a bit, but then I didn't find what it was until we had talked some time and were on pretty good terms. By that time I was calling him "Nick," and he had slipped back into his habit of ending each sentence with "ho, ho, ho."

He had just shown me some confidential letters that he said were representatives of the kind of mail he gets all the time. They were shocking.

"You see what I mean," he said, "greed is rampant everywhere. You have no idea how it upsets me when I get a letter from some 9-year-old asking for all, ALL the peanut butter in the world."

"Naturally I didn't answer that particular letter, but then I get a note from the same kid about a month later offering me a fifty-fifty partnership if I'll just come up with the peanut butter. And then I get a letter from the kid's attorney threatening me with some kind of lawsuit."

"And the adults are worse. To them, it's all one big 'Let's Make a Deal.'"

"They write and tell me that because they didn't poison any cats or spit in anybody's soup that they want a new car. But not just any old new car, it's got to be bigger or faster or have more electric automatic junk in it than whatever their best friend is driving."

He was growing despondent. I figured it was time to leave. I felt sorry for him, and in my business you can't afford to feel sorry for anybody.



'NICK' UPSET — "You Have no idea how it upsets me when some 9-year-old writes asking for all, all the peanut butter in the world."



HOLIDAY MAGIC IN MARTIN COUNTY — There is a certain magic about Christmas and it sparkles to life in the above photo of Mr. and Mrs. Don Tollison's home, 1/2 mile east of Stanton on East Highway 80.

## Home for Christmas

The Christmas season is one of sharing. Mr. and Mrs. Don Tollison share their tradition of decorating and displaying their home 1/2 mile east of Stanton on East Highway 80.

The picture perfect Christmas card scene of the house, a surrey hooked up to a wooden horse on the front lawn, a shiny 1930 Model A Ford, restored by Tollison, in front of the house are spotlighted by dazzling lights.

"People in Martin County and surrounding towns have come to expect our Christmas display during the past 11 years," Tollison, a Martin County commissioner, said.

"And if we don't set it up in early December, people start asking about it," he added.

"My children want us to look at the display every night," said Kathryn Burch, Martin County Extension Agent.

Many residents of Big Spring and Midland drive to Stanton to view the charm and beauty of the display.

The white Victorian house just outside of Stanton and just off the highway has an expansive lawn with a circular veranda, gingerbread trim and windowed turret. The house evokes romantic visions of holiday parties and ladies in skirts of days gone by.

A lighted, antique windmill, a

tree with rope swing, a yard bench of stone and horse stables, create a turn-of-the-century tableau.

THIS HOME, now owned by Don and Robby Tollison, was built in 1907 by N.H. Hunt of Big Spring under the guidance of then owners J.E. and Nettie (Bell) Millhollon. The two-story house has seven rooms, including three bedrooms and two baths. The Millhollons acquired the site for the home along with 34 sections of land after they trailed their cattle from Glasscock to Martin County in 1900.

Hunt built many structures along the Texas and Pacific Railroad, but he and the Millhollons probably had no idea that this house that was built in the wide-open spaces of Stanton would some day face a main highway and boast the seal of an official Historic Medallion Home. The Texas Historical Commission designated the house a Medallion Home in 1974.

They would probably have been even more amazed to see the inside of his structure and the grounds featured in United Artists 1969 "Midnight Cowboy" starring Jon Voight and Dustin Hoffman.

Although the house seems perfect for movie set, it was built to suit the practical tastes of the Millhollons. In 1970, the house was put into a bank trust managed by Sam Wilkinson who sold it to his grandson Mike Hull. Hull and his

wife immediately began restoring it, according to Tollison.

Then in 1974, the Hulls sold the house to Norman Wright who continued to restore it until Don and Robby Tollison of Stanton, formerly of Midland, purchased it in 1977. Over the years, the house has been repaired, repainted and decorated with antiques and is in prime condition.

Upstairs, sunlight from the turret windows falls softly on photographs of the Tollisons, including their son Mike, 26, and their daughters Mary Beth, 21, and Stacy, 11.

The family photographs are a modern touch, but most of the Tollison's additions to the home have been antiques. Ms. Tollison admitted she did not become an avid antique collector until she moved into the house. She said a sense of history from being in the house has "grown" on her. Since they purchased the property she and her husband have begun buying antiques from around the country.

The house is filled with antiques reminiscent of another era — a cast iron 1913 New Home treadle sewing machine, a rocking chair with sewing compartments under the seat and a wooden cabinet from the top of a lawyer's bookcase. Accents of quilts, lace curtains and keepsakes complete a look of

antiquity.

The sense of history in the house has "grown" on all of the Tollisons. Tollison collects Jim Beam model cars and has restored a 1932 Model A Ford. He also bought a white surrey — complete with gas lamps. Stacy collects porcelain dolls that she displays in her room that is filled with furniture from the early 1900s. There also is a quilt of Mrs. Tollison's that her grandmother made for her as a graduation present. Mrs. Tollison collects painted saws and pictures of windmills, some grouped in her living room.

The Tollisons are 16-year residents of Stanton. She teaches junior high school math, and has taught school in Midland and Stanton since 1959. Tollison formerly owned M&M Meter Service.

Additions the Tollison's have made to the Stanton site include an antique windmill and horse stables. They also have blended some modern-day conveniences with their antiques. They placed a trampoline in what used to be a hallowed out dipping trough for cattle, and added a pool with a solar dome.

Mrs. Tollison said the family likes to share the ambience of Stanton's history by having an open house at Christmas. They also open their home for weddings, receptions and parties for friends.

## Letters to Santa...

Dear Santa,

I think you are great. I want a Bible for Christmas and skates. I want a new brother. I want some games. I want a bike. I want a swimming pool, too.

Love,  
Jan Holland

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. When you go to houses give the children toys. I want to have G.I. Joe & Transformer and Big Foot.

I like toys all of them are my favorite. The toys you give neat. I like to play all day with toys. But my parents tell me to go to sleep. Christmas is the best!

Your friend  
Tommy Juarez

Dear Santa,

I want a football for Christmas with a kickstand. I want a cat.

Love,  
Adrian

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. What I want for Christmas is a Cleanup Robot and the game Mouse Trap. I really want a T.V. a small one.

Your friend,  
Suzi Ruth

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. What I really want for Christmas is a radio control 4X4 pickup. I also want the regular battleship. I want Law and Order, too. I would like Sripintor.

Your friend,  
John Duncan

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. I want you to bring me a Tub Doodler, and a

jewelry maker. Get in Shape Girls thing and it has three batons in it. I love you Santa.

by Love  
Dillard

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. I want a Corn Silk and a doll. I also want a Cricket doll.

Your friend,  
Keri Brantley

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. I want you to bring me a baby Heather and a Wild Poppel and a Grow Baby and a polo ball.

Love  
isabel Marquez

Dear Santa,

I am just writing to see if you are good just like us. I think you are great! I want a bike. I also want a Care Bear. My last things, yo-yo and a pair of dothis and a pair of gloves.

Ho, Ho, Ho  
From  
Yvonne Morin

Dear Santa,

I think you're great Santa your clothes look Wow! It will be fun. I love Christmas. Santa will you give me a real big cat home so my cat can live there?

Love,  
Bill Joe

Dear Santa,

I want long rangers, skateboard, key chain, tape, measure staplers, gloves, 8" D size batteries, and a remote control car.

Love,  
Russell Briggs

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. I hope it snows a lot this year. I want a bike, doll, ring and a box with a Key to it. I will be good ok. I dream of a white Christmas.

From  
Martha Dyck

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, a fish, and fishing hooks, some drums, and some arrows, a remote control car, and a little trampoline, I will love a rocker, a jambox, with some head phones, and some toys.

Your friend,  
John David Pruitt

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. I hope you bring me toys. And I hope you come in Christmas. And I want the whole collection of the Thunder Cats. I want you to come with the reindeer.

By Paul Moreno

Dear Santa,

I think you're great. I want a bike for Christmas and a talking Heather; and some skates. And I want Vidoe art and a baton. I love you Santa.

By Jackie Ann Garza

Dear Santa,

I want a GI Defiant and a toy M16 machine and two dollars. I want a remote control stealth fighter. I want a pencil sharpener and a Saga

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## Sheriff wanted pop-gun

CHRISTMAS PAST

From generation to generation, the magic of Christmas is always new and fresh to starry eyed and expectant children.

The following letters to Santa Claus were written 54 years ago and published in the Dec. 22nd, 1933 edition of the Stanton Reporter.

Dear Santa,

I want a little bat and ball. I want a pear of gloves and some firecrackers, and some candles. Please bring me a pop-gun. Please bring me some fruits, nuts, and some candy.

Dan J. Saunders  
Lenora Texas

Dear Santa,

We're little sisters. We want you to bring us some new dolls, for we have been good girls. Bring us some new dresses and anything else you can spare.

Please do not forget my brother, Geo. Billy, my mother and daddy. Bring them something else.

Your little girls,  
Bobby Jean and  
Patsy Wilkinson  
Valley View, Texas

Dear Santa,

Do bring me a doll as big as my little brother, a washing machine, a clothes lines, iron and ironing board, and don't forget that I have a little brother, and please bring him a pacifier and rattle.

Billie Evelyn Lindsay  
Merrick



## Friends of Museum volunteers are honored

Several friends of the Museum volunteers were honored for their service to the Martin County Historical Museum at the annual Christmas open house on December 18.

Those who had worked their first 25 hours and gained name pins were: Colleen Holloway, who had worked 85 hours, Gerry Yardley, Jimmie Hopper and Ron Houston. Those getting 100 hour pins were: Ramsay Abbott (146 hours), Frances Biggs (141 hours), Mary Kathryn Bristow (107 hours) and Ron Houston (106 hours). 200 hour pins were given to June Reid and Mary Prudie Brown. Lora Bell Tom received a 300 hour pin (373 hours) and Dorothy Deavenport received her 500 hour pin (665 hours).

The volunteer years goes from Dec. first to November 30th each year. These volunteers do everything from cleaning to sitting at the Old Jail. They were the hostesses along with the Board of

Directors for the annual Open House and supplied all the food for this affair.

Members of the Friends of the Volunteers include: Ramsay Abbott, Donald Avery, Frances Biggs, Mary Kathryn Bristow, Mary Prudie Brown, Helen Castro, Dorothy Deavenport, Billie Flanagan, Karen Graves, Ruby Haggard, Coleen Holloway, Jimmie Hopper, Ron Houston, Doris Hull, June Reid, Lora Bell Tom and Gerry Yardley. There are several members who are on the inactive list at this time and will be working with us again soon.

On Dec. 15, the Friends met at the Museum to make plans for the Open House. A new slate of officers were presented and elected by acclamation. Ramsay Abbott, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Colleen Holloway, Secretary-Treasurer, Billie Flanagan, Mary Prudie Brown, Reporter and Dorothy Deavenport remains coordinator of Old Jail Volunteers.

## Stanton Noon Lions Club vote to help Head Start Program

Stanton Noon Lions Club met in weekly session Dec. 15 with Paul Kosh, president, presiding. The Club voted to contribute to Head Start Program that provides fruit to the children at Christmas. Announcement was made that wives of the members are invited to attend next week's meeting.

Tom Angel, program chairman, introduced the new elementary principal, Mr. White and the music

teacher, Mrs. Etheridge, who presented the program. Jose Rivera was dressed as Santa Claus, Jamie Williamson as Rudolph and Nathan Cook as a Christmas tree.

These students acted out their characters as the chorus sang the songs which they represented. They sang several other Christmas songs concluding with "We Wish You A Merry Christmas."

## Ma Bell will ban smoking

Southwestern Bell will ring in the New Year with a policy banning smoking in all but a few designated areas in company facilities, according to Darlene Gifford, area manager-public relations.

"The new policy sweeps through all levels of management and non-management employees," said Ms. Gifford. Even John F. Hayes of St. Louis, president of SWBT, has pledged to abide by the policy which permits smoking only in break rooms, lounges and portions

of cafeterias and lunch rooms.

Ms. Gifford said the company will provide free smoking cessation seminars for employees and their families beginning in January. We also are promoting an "adopt a smoker" program so non-smoking employees can help smokers kick the tobacco habit.

She said the company's president is "not a light smoker" and his support of the policy shows his interest in employee health.

## Grady school dismissed Tuesday

School was dismissed Tuesday at 1:15 p.m. for the beginning of the Christmas holidays. (Shortened bell schedule). Classes will resume at 8:20 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 4, 1988.

### SPORTS

January 4, 1988 (Monday) — Jr. High Basketball, Grady vs. Klondike, here — 6:00 p.m. "B" boys game at 5:00 p.m.

January 5, 1988 (Tuesday) —

High School Basketball — Grady vs. Garden City — there — 6:30 p.m. JV boys at 5:00 p.m.

January 8, 1988 (Friday) — High School Basketball — Grady vs. O'Donnell — there — 6:30 p.m.

January 9, 1988 (Saturday) — 36th Annual Grady Jr. High Basketball Tournament — 1st game for Grady girls — 11:30 a.m. vs. Loop 1st game for Grady boys — 12:45 p.m. vs. Loop.

## Peceptor Laureate delivering gifts

Peceptor Laureate Alpha met Dec. 17 in the home of Mary Prudie Brown for the annual Christmas party. After a salad supper was served, Helen Cobean presided during the business meeting.

Plans were finalized for delivering gifts to shut-ins. It was voted to give a memorial to member, Edith

Beattie's husband. Members gathered around the Christmas tree and received gifts from their Phi Pal, at which time the name of their pal was revealed.

New Phi Pal names were drawn for the ensuing year. Nine members were present.



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## Letters to Santa...

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master system.

By David Miller

Dear Santa,

I want a bike for Christmas. Santa do you know how to get in the school? If you do write back. Santa I'm going to the north pole. Then I will see you and your house. And maybe live with you if you don't care.

To Santa

From Justin Allgood

Dear Santa,

I want a punching bag and a Brave Star and a GI Joe camouflage Sleeping Bag. I want a mouse trap, too.

I have been a pretty good boy this year. The line to talk to you was too long, so I wrote to you. (I'm shy just a little). I want a power-on, too, with a phantom striker.

See you Christmas Eve

Rory Payne  
401 N. St. Bonifare  
Stanton, Tx. 79752

Dear Santa,

How are you? Please send me a remote control big foot. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Justin Whitley

Dear Santa,

How are you? Please send me a dog. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Nia B

Dear Santa,

How are you? Please send me a piano, bike and a bike. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Debbie Morin

Dear Santa,

How are you? Please send me a pot glue. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Johnny Klein

Dear Santa,

How are you? Please send me. A

remote control big foot. I love you. Merry Christmas.

William Perry

Dear Santa,

I have been extra good this year. I wish for a doll.

Alicia Garcia

Dear Santa,

I have been extra good this year. I would like a TV.

Kyle Herm

Dear Santa,

I have been extra good this year. I would like a bike and a real brown bear.

Tony Moreno

Dear Santa,

I have been extra good this year. I would like a bike.

Bonnie Benitez

Dear Santa,

I have been extra good. I would like a Barbie.

Aracell Hernandez

Dear Santa,

I have been extra good. I would like a bike.

Kassie Graves

Dear Santa,

I have been extra good this year. I would like a computer.

Tisha Nicholson

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I would like a cabbage patch with yarn hair.

Julie Adams

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I wish for a scooter. A cabbage patch that talks and a bike.

Carrie Sotelo

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**This is Christmas**  
Sleigh bells. Carols.  
Holly wreaths. Snowflakes.  
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**Peace on Earth**

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the Christmas Star  
like the Magi  
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strings.

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike  
have been good

Dear Santa,  
How are you.  
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Merry Christ

Dear Santa,  
How are you?  
bike and a dog  
Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
How are you?  
big foot and a  
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Dear Santa,  
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Dear Santa,  
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like football h  
pads and jam



# Letters to Santa...

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Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I would like video games, and new tubes for my scooter and bike.

Michael Gillis

Dear Santa,  
I have been extra good this year. I would like some gloves and agresor.

Eric Aguirre

Dear Santa,  
I have been extra good this year. I wish for a scooter, atar, and simon. I would also like some skates, red wheels and black shoe strings.

Erik Henson

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike for Christmas and I have been good boy this year.

Larry McCampbell

Dear Santa,  
How are you. Please send me a bike.

Richard Yanez

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Please send me a bike and a dog. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Tina Hinojosa

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Please send me a big foolt and a remote control. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Edward Sequira

Dear Santa,  
How ar eyou. Please send a remote control car, Trans Am, a puppy. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Bob Haislip

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Please send me a remote control and a TV. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Kayla McWhorter

Dear Santa,  
How areyou. Please send a remote car and riding horse. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Serrika

Dear Santa,  
Dear Santa,  
How are yoy. Please send me a big foot. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Enemorio

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Please send me a soccer ball, transa car. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Stacey Young

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Please send me a remote control car. Merry Christmas. I love you.

George Ruiz

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Please send me a remote control car, and big foot. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Bobby Rubio

Dear Santa,  
How are you. Please send me a remote control car. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Austin Kelly

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Please send me a remote control car and I love you. Merry Christmas.

Pablo Gonzalez

Dear Santa,  
How are you. Please send me a bike.

Gilbert Perez

Dear Santa,  
I would like some presents for Chriwstmas. I would like a Nintendo and a keyboard. I would also like football helmet and shoulder pads and jambox with a tape. I

would like a basketball and every thing else a surprise.

Your Truly,  
Jason Williams

Dear Santa,  
I want a my little pony and a little stuffed dog a ring and maybe a rabbit and a lady lovely look.

Love, Julie

Dear Santa,  
I want a scooter ho yes Iwant a menybike.

Love Jason

Dear Santa,  
I want some toys for Christmas. Santa I want a trampoline.

Love, your friend,  
Cindy

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa, I want a minibike, I want a fourwheeler, I like you Santa. You are my like Santa,

For Erik  
Love Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want a keyboard, and a robot and a arrot and a VCR and lady lopez lock and copy.

Love, Kaycie Cox

Dear Santa,  
I been very good. I want a scoolater for Christmas and a trampoline and a game and a balloon and a ride for my doll and a bicycle.

Your friend,  
Martha Florez  
I love you Santa

Dear Santa,  
Remote control car, truck, pogo ball, hungry, hungry hippo, soccer game, a real three Wheeler.

I love you Santa.

Joshua

Dear Santa,  
I want a toy dinosaur and a G.I. Joe.

Love Dario

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline and bar from Andrea.

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a bicycle.

Max

Dear Santa,  
I want a wagon and a bike and som toy cars.

Huberto

Dear Santa,  
I been a good boy and I want a bicycle and a pet dog and a pet cat.

Love Gary

Dear Santa,  
Santa I want a new jambox ok and some tubes for my bike and the barbie ice cream maker and dru9ms and a new TV and a new

telo for and the loze csat of barbie and the racers and all of the tapes!

Wendy

Dear Santa,  
I want some bobby dolls and color book and a jambox and colors.

Tina

Dear Santa,  
I would like some presents for Christmwas. I would like a nintendo and a basketball goal about 7-ft. tall. I would also like a Dallas Cowboy shirt. I would want it to be #34 and a nerf miniature golf set and you can make every thing else a surfprize.

Yours Truly  
Taylor Looney

Dear Santa,  
I want a baseball bat. I want a ghost appear. My sister wants a baby doll taht could talk to her. Can you get me a toy castel? Get me a new bike. I love to play while I'm outside.

Truly yours,  
Ricky

Dear Santa,  
I want some more smell markers! And I want some sky commanders. A little puzzle. Can I have a screen computer?

I want a billion & million & trillion brothers. I wsonder what your reindeer and elfs are doing!

Merry Christmas.

From Cory

Dear Santa,  
Santa please send me a bicycle, a jambox, with a tape a darrtboard.

Randy

Dear Santa,  
I love you. Santa please bring a raid I like raids. Santa are you coming to town. I know that you know that you love me.

Martha

Dear Santa,  
I want a butter scream computer. And things for the salvation army.

Dear Santa,  
I have been good would you please bring a keyboard and a newborn baby doll and a cheerleader suit and a new sewing kit and a jewel box and a new watch.

I love You  
To Santa Claus  
From Misty Dawn Reynolds

Dear Santa,  
Santa I wish I had a radio.

Dear Santa,  
I have been extra good this year. I wish for a bike and a doll.

Terry Villa

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. I would like a scooter.

Christopher Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I have been extra good this year. I would like a scooter and a t.v.

Joey Holguin

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I would like golf clubs and a scooter.

Chad Smith

Dear Santa,  
I have been extra good this year. I would like to win the \$10,000,000 sweepstakes. I know this is a little much. Actually, Santa, I could really use a small microwave oven and/or a set of sheets. Thank you.

Love,  
Miss Welch

Dear Santa,  
I want some jets for christmas and a computer too and toys for christmas too Santa i want a dog, dart. Christmas is a day for toys santa I want toys. Merry Christmas.

Eli

Dear Santa,  
Santa bring me sum toos. I am happy are you hapy?

Sara

Dear Santa,  
I want a car and a bike and a boots and a ball and a bat and a tranpuln and a pig and a trifwiller and aperet and a klok and a plan and a whill bar and a Santa Claus. And a bi b gun and a bravstar man and his ber.

Santos

Dear Santa,  
My name is Norma i am in the secont grade. I wish for a hool-a-hoop, and some new clothes, a computer. A nekles and thats all.

Norman



Dear Santa,  
I want a new brick red scooter for Christmas and Baby heather here's what me and my sister want it's Barbie Ice cream shoppe. I want a lot of barbies boys and girl barbies so i can play with them and if you can give me a little white puppie and some food for the puppie or a little bitty white and gray rabbit whith some lettuce for the rabbit what I really want is thou-sand puppets so I can have some puppet shows I also want a club hosue for Christmas.

Love,

Dear Santa,  
I wot a men y blk I wot at skuter. I wot a bebe pelet gun.

Luv, Jerry

Dear Santa,  
Want two kittens, poney, com-puter, jank in-the-box, a pior from you three pones a she-ar doll.

From Sheila

Dear Santa,  
I my ben good at scool. Der Santa See letters, page 4

## Hallelujah

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM ALL OF US AT MOVIE MADNESS HAPPY NEW YEAR

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## Obituaries

### I.B. Hale

I.B. Hale, age 72, of Stanton, died at 10:45 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15th, in Midland Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18th, in the Primitive Baptist Church in Midland with Elder J.E. Barrington, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Mr. Hale was born August 9, 1915 in Coahoma and moved to Stanton in 1946.

He is survived by four sisters, Edna Mae Hale and Imogene Evans, both of Stanton, Almira Dickie of Gatesville and Lois Hart of Reno, Nevada.

Serving as pallbearers were Bob Drummond, Bill Higgins, Dennis Walker, Phil Honsey, Raymond Kirkpatrick and Nelson Mahvlin.

### Maurice Alvin Petree

Maurice Alvin Petree, 82, of Stanton, died at 12:36 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19th, in Midland Memorial Hospital.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 22, in the First Baptist Church with R. Ev. Dennis Tofano, pastor, officiating. Masonic graveside services were held at 4:00 p.m. in Potosi Cemetery, Potosi, Texas under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Mr. Petree was born October 15, 1905 in Potosi and had lived in Stanton 58 years. He was married to Mary Erlene Lockley, Nov. 29, 1928 in Abilene and was a retired farmer.

He was a member of the Stanton Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, York Rite, Eastern Star and 58 year member of the Order of Demolay.

Survivors include his wife of Stanton, three sons, Bobby Petree of Stanton, Wayne Petree of Odessa and Maurice Petree of Houston; a daughter, Joyce Allen of Lubbock; a sister, Dena Cunningham of Arlington; four brothers, Guy Petree and Joe Petree, both of El Centro, CA.; Merle Petree of Topock, Arizona and Billy Petree of Alhambra, CA.; 8 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were Mason Coggin, Prentiss Hightower, Simmy Foster, Benny Welch, Eldon Welch, Ross Hay, Allen Lucas and Mitch Holt.

## Piano students of Mason play in Duet Festival

Piano students of Phyllis Mason played in a Duet Festival. The contest was held recently at various piano studios in the city of Midland and was sponsored by The Midland Music Teachers Association. The following teams all received a high 1 rating plus a grade:

Jeremy Louder and Jaclyn Chandler, 98, Laci Chandler and Kristen Wyckoff, 97, Ashley Miller and Jolynn Graves, 99, Courtney Cepley and Milanda Cannon, 97, Karla Hull and Blaine Hall, 99, Laurie Adams and Laura Herm, 99, Laura Herm and Stephanie Wilson, 100.

An honorary duet recital was also held at Midland College on November 17, at 7:45 p.m. Participating in the recital were these duet teams: Ashley Miller and

Jolynn Graves and Laura Herm and Stephanie Wilson.

An all girls recital recently occurred at Midland College in December. Students were selected by the teachers of the Midland Music Teachers Association. The students of Phyllis Mason, who is a member of MMTA, who were chosen were Laura Herm, Ashley Miller and Jolynn Graves. Laura Herm is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Herm. She played a selection by Beethoven-Farewell to the Piano. Ashley Miller played L'Arabesque, by Burgmuller, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merv Miller. Jolynn Graves, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Graves, played a Christmas selection, Sleigh Ride.

### Hardman gains Tech degree

Mary Beth Tollison Hardman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Tollison, graduated, Magna Cum Laude, from Texas Tech University, December 19, 1987 with a Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education. Her degree emphasis was in early Childhood Development. Ms. Hardman was a 1984 graduate of Stanton High School. She has accepted a position with the Brownfield Independent School District and will continue to make her home in Lubbock with her husband Rod.

### E.S.L. classes booked at Grady

E.S.L. classes (English as a second language) are held in the Boy Scout meeting house behind Grady School on Mon. 6 to 9 p.m. and Wednesday 7 to 10 p.m. Classes are free and all material is furnished.

Classes have stopped during the holidays but will resume on Jan. 4, 1988.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact the teacher, Lydia Perez, at 1-263-8063.

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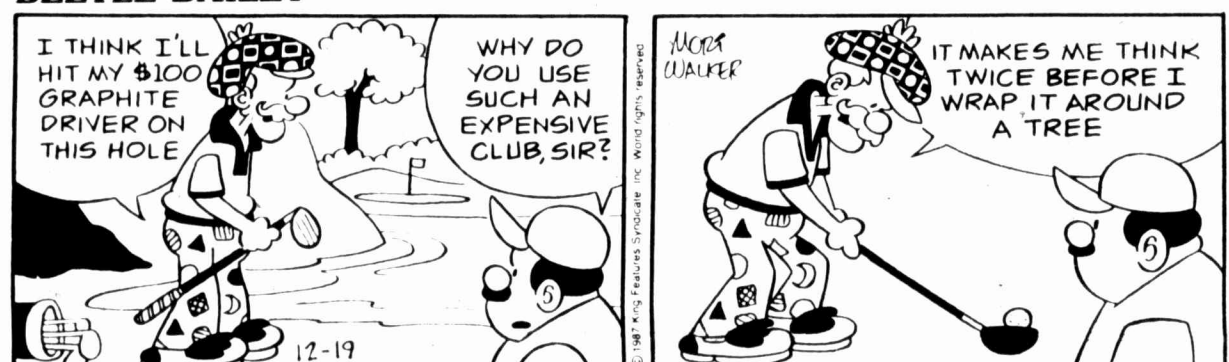
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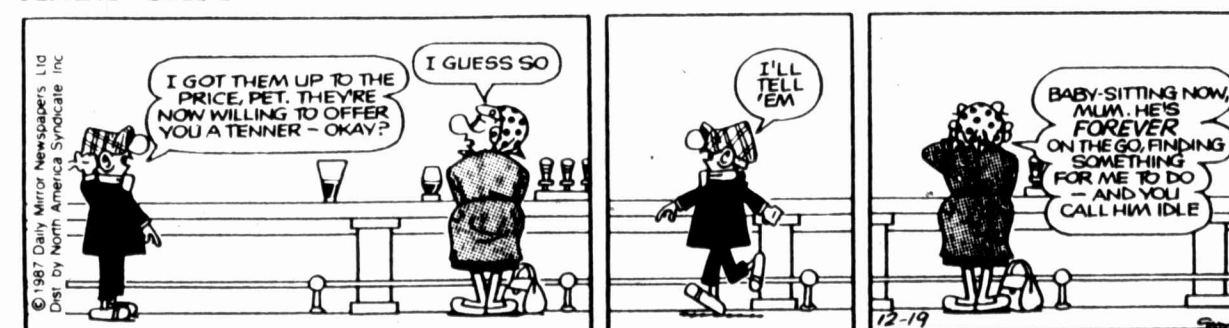
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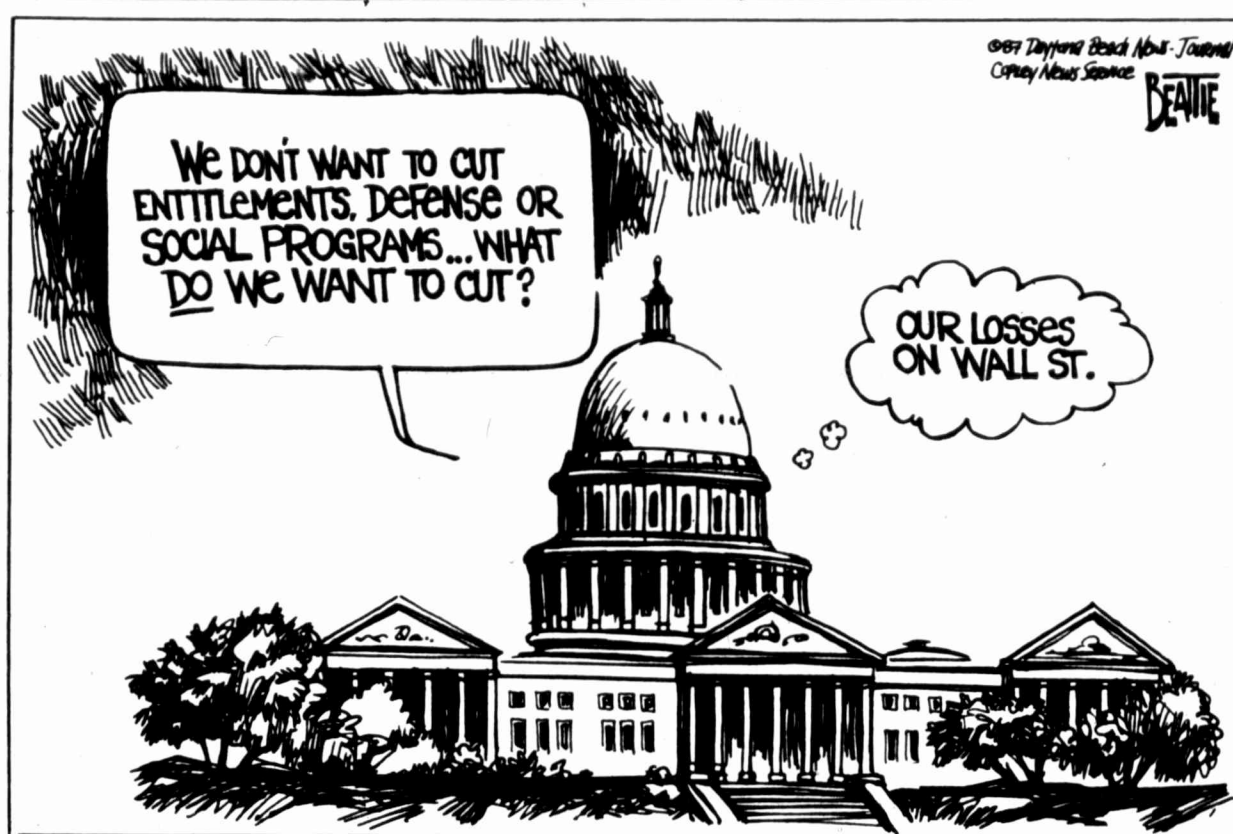
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# Editorial/opinion



## Discover the key

(This is a rerun of a column written 20 years ago. It was requested by my only sure reader and a very important person — my mother.)

AN OPEN letter to my drinking cousin, Bobby Harris, Oklahoma City:

I've always figured I was a better writer than talker. Since mother called and told me Robin Rea had been struck and killed by a car while rushing to board a school bus — I'm not sure.

"Bob's darling daughter was only nine years old," mom kept repeating between sobs. "Wait, contact him — he needs you."

I TELEPHONED several times and when you, Arlene or one of your daughters answered I hung up. I didn't know what to say. Now, I don't know what to write.

I'm silenced by my inability to communicate. It hurts!

In the past, we've always been able to "talk things out." Several times it's taken a couple of days on a creek bank, but we chatted "O'l man trouble."

I THINK I know one of the questions you're probably asking yourself — why Robin?

You're the one who raced motorcycles, dived off the Lake Texoma bridge, fought Red Koreans, fell from a steep cliff and knocked me out not long ago.

Our last time out on Blue River, I said: "I always feel closer to God at a time like this." You nodded.

Why Robin and not you?

BOB, I HAVEN'T got the answer.

Meanwhile, I want you to read this Santa Claus letter.

"Dear Santa," it says. "The

thing I want most for Christmas is LOVE. Perhaps you can't give that, but if you can, Dear Santa, please take that gift to one of my friends.

"You see, Santa, I know a mother whose heart is not full of love for the boy her daughter loves. She is thinking only of her selfish pride. If only she could learn to love, their problems would be solved.

"AND, SANTA, there is another I want to receive the gift of love. This one is a young man who is a close friend of our family. It seems as if the worst of the world looks good to him. I am sure that if he knew real love he would instead find the peace and happiness he seeks.

"Santa, if you will, take love to a teenage girl I know, for she is so rebellious and full of resentment toward her father and mother. She has forgotten the love they have for her.

"IF YOU COULD replace the feeling in her heart with love, she would know how great is their love.

"Santa, if I could have what I really want for Christmas, it would be the gift of love for everyone, including the boys in Vietnam of every race and creed.

"And I want love in my heart for everyone, for if I do have it, there won't be room for hate, resentment or revenge for even little things.

"I REALLY don't expect you to have this gift of love to offer, of yourself, but you can help us to remember that God did give such a gift, when He gave His only begot-



WALT FINLEY

ten son in whose name we commemorate this season."

The letter came to us last year from a blue-eyed, 94-year-old lady in Oklahoma's "little Dixie" who still pens poetry. She signed her name, but to use it would prove only that, in too many places, such a reaction demonstrates a need for the gift she asks.

HOWEVER, KNOWING Mama Ladd, my grandmother, like I do, I just want her to know I'll be "home" for Christmas in Durant, Okla. — just like I've been 40 of the 43 years of my life.

Bob, I'll see you there. Maybe, we can discover the key this Christmas season.

"Mom, Doogie, Marie, Lonkie, Alta, Russ, Mike, Jim and other wonderful kin folks don't let Santa come down the chimney until 11 p.m. — I should arrive by 10:45 p.m. Christmas Eve.)

(Bob and Mama Ladd are dead)

radio for Christmas and a few tapes. And if you would bring me some batteries for Crickett, my camera, and computer. Oh yeah if you bring the radio put a cord with it to.

Your friend,  
Casey

Dear Santa,  
I want a my little pny, I want a Baby popple, I want a doll name Crickett, I want a baby pony, I want a doll name Patty Play Pal, I want a cabbage patch kid, I want a baby cabbage patch kid.

Jennifer Delgado  
Age 7, second grade

Dear Santa,  
I love you Santa, and I wish for the doll name Juie aNd the doll at grows to one day old. and grows and grows. and my little pony with a lont of pnys and at will be all.

Sally Chapa

Dear Santa,  
I want transformer.

Joey

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control airplane, and a robotg video trival tv.

Love, Justin

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby doll and radio. I love you Santa Claus.

Mandy

Dear Santa,  
I want a transformer. Merry Christmas.

from Leroy

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer, I want a captain power, I want a GI Joe, I want a transformer, I want a Santa Claus suit, I want a radio.

from Jason Salgado

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a my little pony and a radio and a can of slime and a fivaL and a jambox and a Barbie and the rockers set and a cricket doll and a video.

Love, Amy

## Letters to Santa...

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I who bare root.

Nancy Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I want a motorcycle. pleace for cramas I live 80 east Sant Micheil. I want it to be red and black. OK. and a new watch and some walke takeys. and a BB gun and skates and some playguns and soccer ball. OK.

Raymond

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want Baby Heather, a new bike, Crickit, Kid sister, some clothes, new shoes, and a swimming pool.

Love,  
Laurie Deann Adams

Dear Santa,  
I want my buddy, football, remote control car.

Jeffrey Adams

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike, and a baby hether. And a little cat, and a dog. I want swimming pole. I love you santa.

Erika Lucas

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a camer & a ring & some jereing and a patty play and some mighty play stuff.

Rachel Burnett

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me a dolls.

Sincerely  
Robbie Jo

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me a kitn.

Sincerely Cassie

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me baby Cabbage Patch.

Love Ana Maria

Dear Santa,  
For Christsm please bring me pex tlls.

Kristina

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me a ball.

Love Glori

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me a baby Heather and a baby Tulle.

Sherre

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me a bike.

Love, Mendy

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, bring me a bike and arrow. I love you.

From Trenton

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me a rock polsher, a scooter, a big foot.

Love you,  
Jimmie Rogers

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me...

Love, Laurie

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me to kittens.

Love, Leslie

Dear Santa Claus,  
I forgot to tell you that I want a radio for Christmas and a few tapes. And if you would bring me some batteries for Crickett, my camera, and computer. Oh yeah if you bring the radio put a cord with it to.

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Love, Amy

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bike computer and a snoopy sno cone set.

From Brandon

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want some video games, and the video games, and the video art and a bike and a remote control car.

Love Kory

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a robot and a car and Merry Christmas to Santa Claus.

From Juan

Dear Santa Claus,  
I like a radio to play. I want a fival. I like a car to play. I like a bike red and I love you. Santa Claus. Merry Christmas! I like a video to play on Sunday! I like a G I T o y

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a pretty good girl the year. I hope you can bring a cricket doll, jam box, pink jam box, hot looks Stacey! snoopy snowcone set, pink clock, sweaters, a talking fival, soem guess jeans and some surprises. A heart family play ground. Thank you.

Love Dana Fryar  
Second Grade

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a blue bike with to walkie-talkie.

Merry Christmas  
From Greg

To Santa  
I want a doll, monster mash and a TV. Boots, plane.

I love you, Santa  
From Carrie

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. Please give me a ball. Santa is love?

Elier

Dear Santa,  
I want a trampoline for Christmas. Merry Christmas Santa.

Love you Santa,  
Brenda

Dear Santa,  
Well I just want to tell you what I want for Christmas is a bike and a talking doll and I really believe in you Santa. That's why I ask you for that. I hope you'll get it for me. I really act good with Mom and Dad.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I like you I have a list toning balls. A waing dog and cat. A chr. song. I am in sect. grad the end.

Dear Santa,  
I want toys and cios to is Mrs. Clas ok is Rydoff ok are you ok to Santa. I love you Santa.

Dear Santa,  
Hi! My name is Jody Louder. I'm seven years old this Christmas. I want the game Mouse Trap. I would lilke some Construx. Please bring me a electronic game. I would like a Mintendo too. A remote control car would be nice too.

Love,  
Jody L.

Dear Santa,  
I'm ten years old this Christmas. Please bring me a remote control car.

Jeremy Louder

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is my favorite. It's a few puppies. I like puppies cause they are so cute. I also like puppies, cause they like to play with you. I also want a set of jewelry to were. I like jewelry cause when I go to church or out of town I'll have some earrings and some necklaces to were. I also want a piano it's real it's almost like a booklet. It's really fun to play too. I do believe in you Santa. Santa Claus your one of a kind. I love you.

Your's truly,  
Lisa marie Arnn

Dear Santa,  
I want a jambox and some tapes. I want clothes, cabbage patch kid and any kind to. I want makeup, a hair dryer, and a bottle of coke and lots of others.

Love,  
Misty

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me keyboard, doll and skateboard. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Harmony Hargrove

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me bike, gun and piano. I will put a cookie by my

Love and Kisses  
From Zackary Huckaby

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me gun, piano and piano. I will put a cookie by my

Love and Kisses  
From Jonathan Burnett

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me racing car, bear and gun. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Dancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Zackary Huckaby

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Love and Kisses  
From Anthony Hinojosa

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me gun, piano and bike. I will put a candy cane by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Prancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Felix Salgado

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me motorcycle, cowboy boots and a cap. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Jamie Martinez

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the cookies and toys last year. Please bring me a mickey mouse, ring and dress. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Amanda Montez

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me 3-wheeler, starwars and cowboy stuff. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Colton Pardue

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me Barbie, bike and book. I will put a candy cane by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Dancer. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Jessica Alvizo

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me Sonie ranger, skateboard. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Dasher. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Donald Herman

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the cookies last year. Please bring me a gun, racing car and truck. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Stoney Brown

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me racing car, truck and tractor. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Chad Dillard

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me race car, teddy bear and water gun. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Blitzen. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From JJ Salizar

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me laser tags, racing and train. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Brett Bennett

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me a GI Joe, Shart and robot. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Steve Hinojosa

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me train, race car and gunr. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Dail Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me bike, teddy bear and GI Joe. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

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Santa please send me a bicycle, a jambox, with a tape a darrtboard.

Randy

Dear Santa,  
I love you. Santa please bring a raid I like raids. Santa are you coming to town. I know that you know that you love me.

Martha

Dear Santa,  
I have been good would you please bring a keyboard and a newborn baby doll and a cheerleader suit and a new sewing kit and a jewel box and a new watch.

I love You  
To Santa Claus  
From Misty Dawn Reynolds

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me a dolls.

Sincerely  
Robbie Jo

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me a kitn.

Sincerely Cassie

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, please bring me baby Cabbage Patch.

Love Ana Maria

Dear Santa,  
For Christsm please bring me

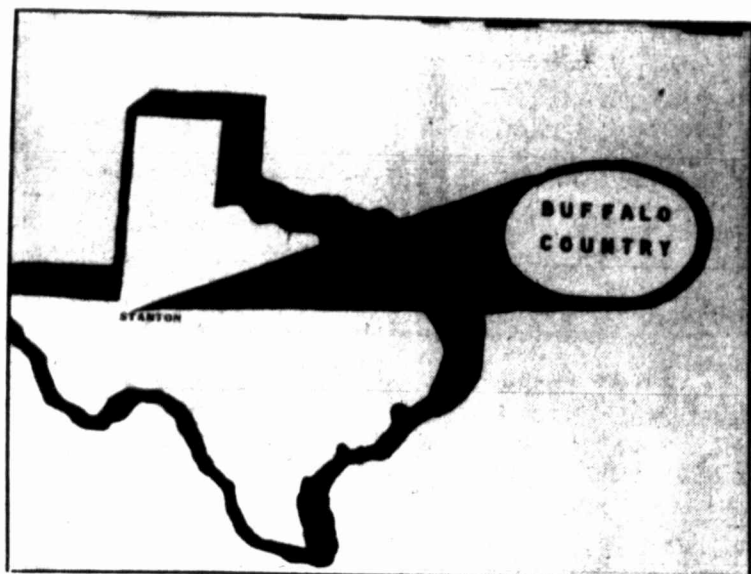
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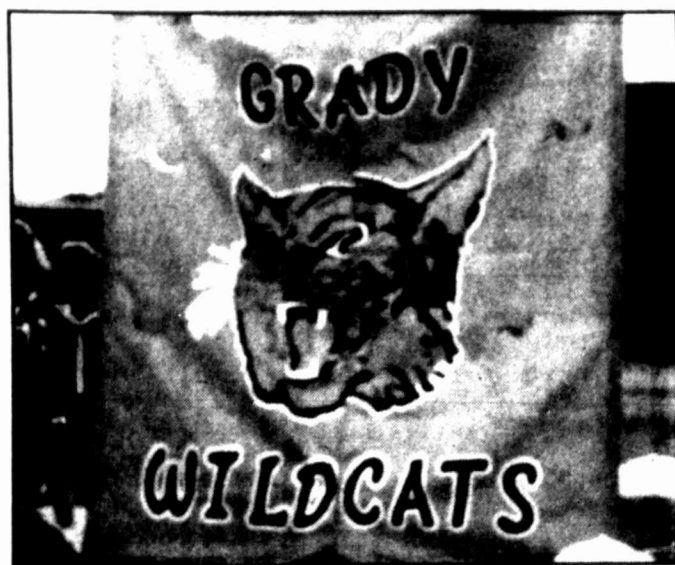
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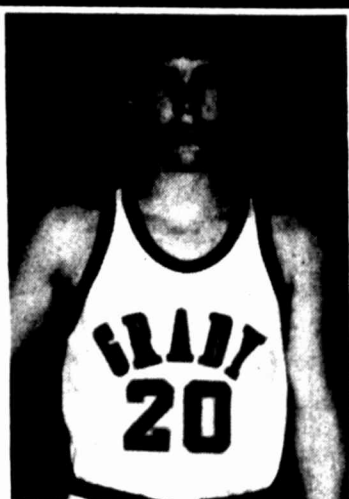




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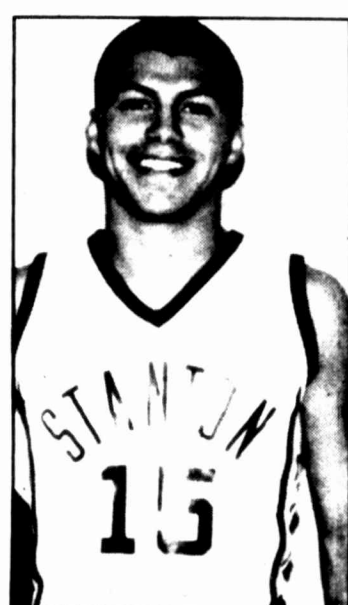
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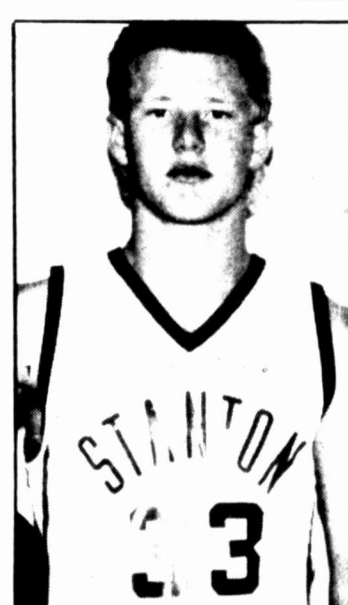
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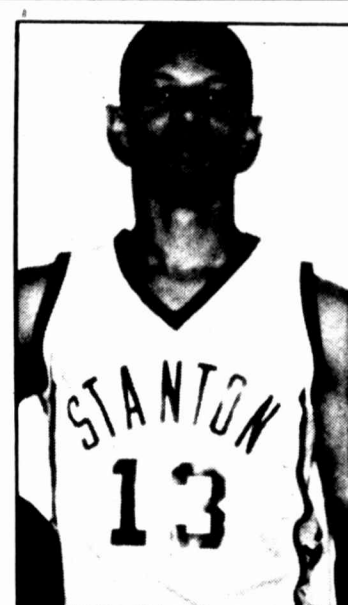
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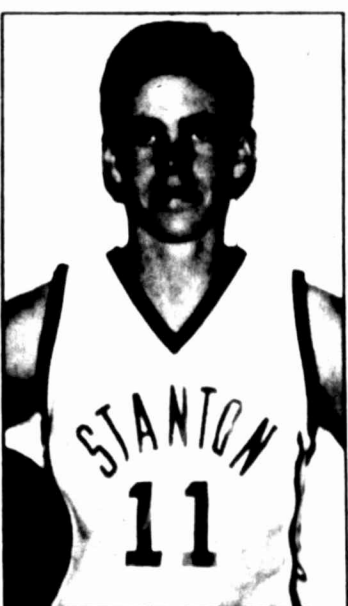
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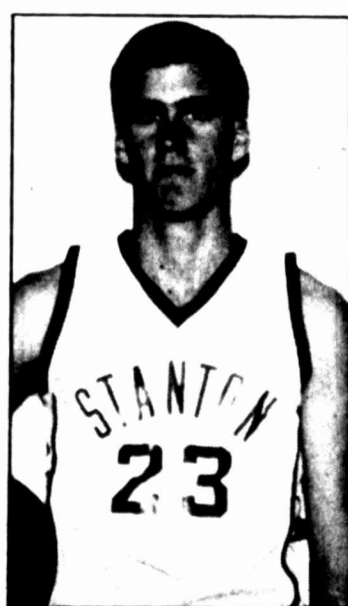
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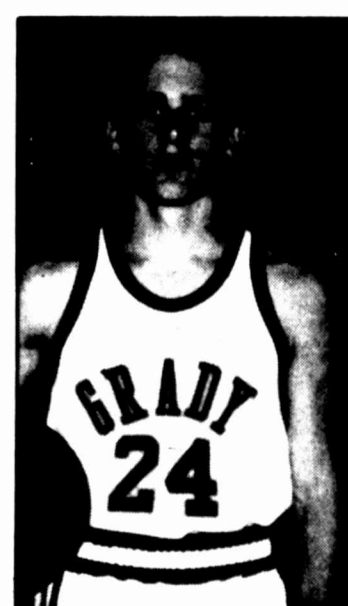
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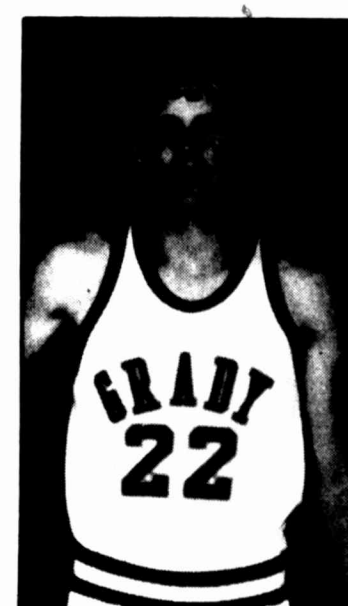
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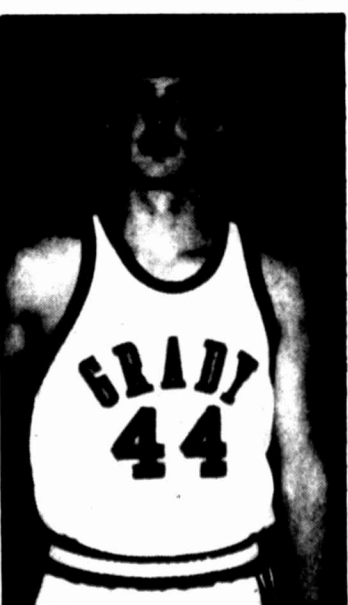
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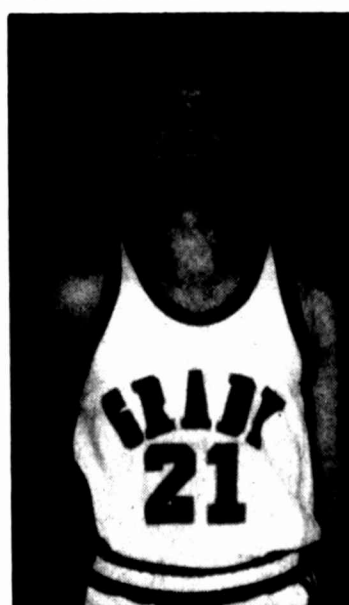
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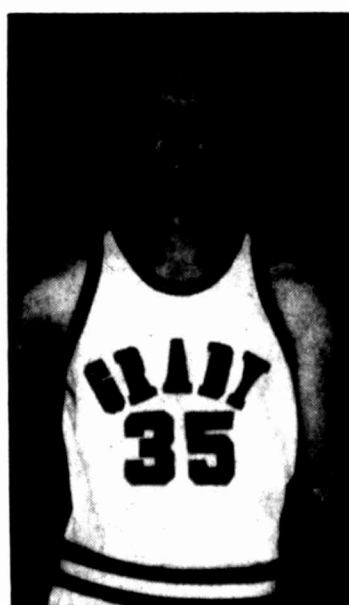
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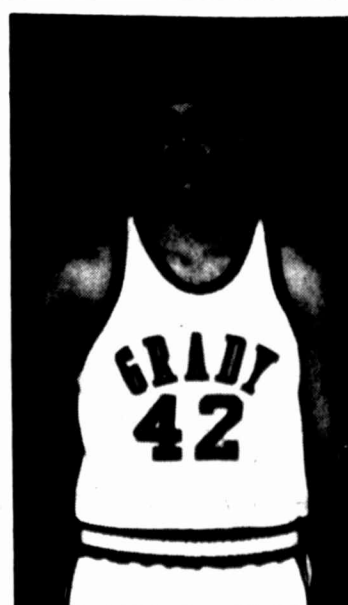
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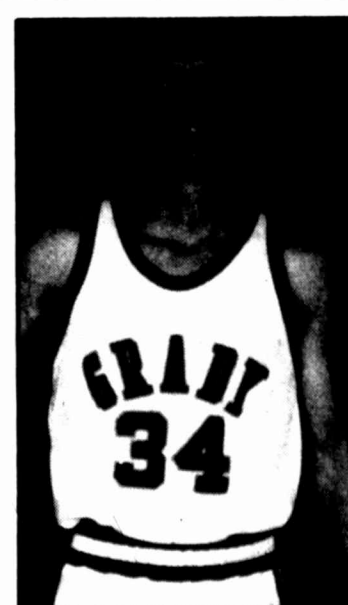
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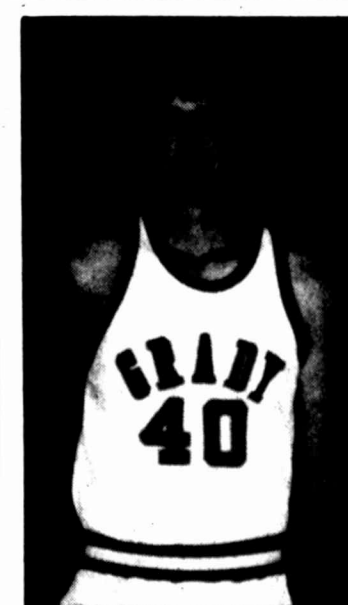
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Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Memorial Service: 11 a.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
Sunday Masses: 8-9:30 a.m.  
Holy Days: 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday Confessions: 5-6 p.m.  
Baptisms: Appointments Only  
Week Days: Monday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

Iglesia Bautista Calvario  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
Evening: 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Leandro Gonzales

Belvue Church Of Christ  
1200 West Blocker St.  
Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.  
Night Worship: 6:00 p.m.  
Monday Ladies Bible Study  
Wednesday Services: 1:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church  
208 E. St. Anna  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.  
Youth (YMYF): 7:00 p.m.

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300 S. College  
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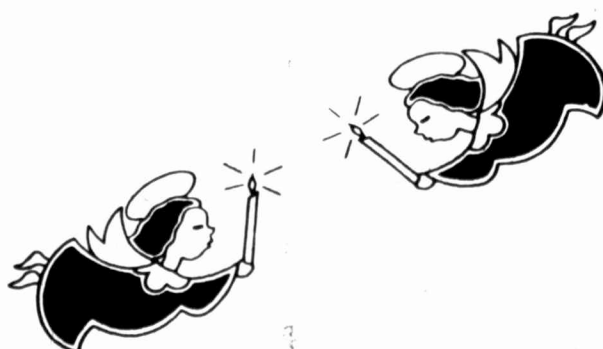
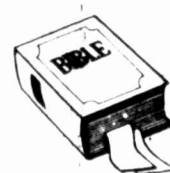
South Side Church Of Christ  
710 S. College  
Sunday: 11 a.m.  
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First Baptist Church  
200 W. Broadway  
Channel 5 Cable  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship: 10:55 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.  
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Worship: 6:00 p.m.

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**BE SURE YOUR CHILDREN'S VOCABULARY INCLUDES THE WORD "NO"**

It's time to send your children off to school again, to prepare them for the world they must one day confront. The school will do a good job of this, but your cooperation is also needed in order to make sure that they don't learn the wrong things. As everyone knows, we are living in an era where drug abuse is rampant, and the children are being lured into this trap at a shockingly early age. Don't fail to warn them about this, as a part of their preparation for the new school year, for it can be vastly more important than their clothes or books. Moreover, you can reinforce your efforts by enrolling them in the Sunday school at your House of Worship. With all this, you can rest assured that the vocabulary your children develop in school will include the proper use of the word "NO", as the password to a happier, healthier and longer life.

Many a dangerous temptation comes to us in fine colors that are but skin-deep.  
—Mathew Henry

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."  
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1981 GMC Jimmy — call after 5 p.m. 756-3455.

## HELP WANTED

**HELP WANTED:** Part-time secretary needed for Entomologist office. 20 hours per week. Applicant must be a High School graduate with 1 year secretarial experience, type 55-60 wpm., computer knowledge preferable, take dictation, able to run office machines and able to meet the public. Applications available at Entomologist's office in the Martin County Courthouse between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Phone 756-2251. An equal opportunity employer.

**NOTICE:** On the afternoon of Friday, December 18, 1987, my vehicle, a 1986 red Chevrolet Pickup was hit and damaged while parked in the Stanton Elementary School parking lot. If anyone witnessed this accident or knows of the other party involved, I would appreciate your response. Thank you, Leslie Welch, Box 1384, Stanton, Tx. 79782.

## THANK YOU

**PRECEPTOR Laureate Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi,** would like to thank each one who participated or contributed in the sale of the Christmas decoration, which was given away Dec. 12. The winner is Melinda Allred.

## LEGALS

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
TO: Douley Ray Edmiston, respondent. Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court, 118th Judicial District of Martin County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Stanton, Texas, by filing a written answer, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days after the date of service of this citation, to Petitioner's Petition filed in said court on the 4 day of November A.D. 1987, numbered 4190 on the docket of said court, and styled, in the matter of the marriage of Norma Jean Edmiston Petitioner, and Douley Ray Edmiston Respondent. The nature of Petitioner's demand is set out and shown by a true and correct copy of Petitioner's Petition, accompanying this citation, and made a part hereof.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Stanton, Texas, this the 4 day of November A.D. 1987.

Attest: Virginia James Clerk,  
District Court, Martin County, Texas  
4508 December 9, 16, 23 & 30, 1987

## CITATION BY PUBLICATION

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
TO: Aurelia A. Zamudio, Respondent.

**GREETINGS:**  
You are hereby commanded to appear and answer before the Honorable District Court, Martin County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Stanton, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Benjamin Zamudio, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 7 day of April, 1987, against Aurelia A. Zamudio, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 4121 on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of Marriage of Benjamin Zamudio and Aurelia A. Zamudio", the nature of which suit is a request to Divorce.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree of the children interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the children adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Stanton, Texas, this the 4 day of November, 1987.

Virginia James Clerk,  
Dist. Court,  
Martin County, Texas  
4509 December 9, 16, 23 & 30, 1987

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
TO: CHARLES CLOPTON and FAYE CLOPTON, Defendants

**YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED** to appear and answer before the 118th District Court in the Courthouse in Stanton, Martin County, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance hereof, being at or before 10 o'clock a.m. on Monday the 18th day of January, 1988,

## Letters to Santa...

Continued from page 8

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the cookies and toys last year. Please bring me a Boy mouse and girl mouse. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Cynthia Marquez

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me Barbie, car and Barbie House. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Becky Escontrias

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the toys last year. Please bring me a drum, train and bed. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Dasher. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Jeremy Clanton

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the gifts last year. Please bring me a cabbage patch premise and a boy premise. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Erwin Wheeler

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the cookies and toys last year. Please bicycle, etch-then and there to answer the petition of Stanton National Bank in Cause Number 4186, styled Stanton National Bank v. Charles Clopton, et al, in which Stanton National Bank is plaintiff and CHARLES CLOPTON and FAYE CLOPTON are Defendants. The said petition, filed October 28, 1987 discloses that the nature of the suit is as follows: for collection of principal and interest unpaid on promissory notes.

If this citation is not served within 90 days of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

**ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT** on this the 30th day of November, 1987, at Stanton, Martin County, Texas.  
Virginia James, Clerk  
of the District Court  
Martin County, Texas  
4510 December 9, 6, 23 & 30, 1987

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING INTERESTS AGAINST THE ESTATE NELWAYNE COOK, DECEASED.** Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the estate of NELWAYNE COOK, were issued to EDDIE COOK, Independent Executor, on the 15th day of December, 1987, in the preceding styled "In the Estate of NELWAYNE COOK, Deceased," No. 1162 in the County Court of Martin County, Texas which is still pending and that said person now holds such letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in Martin County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to said Independent Executor, at the address given below before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed and within the time prescribed by law. EDDIE COOK, c/o JAMES L. MCGILVRAY, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 921, Stanton, Texas 79782.

a-sketch and Dr. stuff. I will put a cookie by my stocking for my favorite reindeer Rudolph. I will have a snack for you, too. It is a surprise!

Love and Kisses  
From Kayla Owen

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a bike for Christmas and I have been good boy this year.

Larry McCampbell

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you. Please send me a bike.

Merry Christmas.  
Richard Yanez

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please send me a bike and a dog. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Tina Hinojosa

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please send me a big foot and a remote control. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Edward Sequera

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you. Please send a remote control car, Trans Am, a puppy. I love you, Merry Christmas.

Bob Haislip

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please send me a remote control and a TV. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Kayla McWhorter

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you. Please send a remote car and riding horse. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Serrika

**Dear Santa,**  
Dear Santa,  
How are you. Please send me a big foot. I love you, Merry Christmas.

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**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please send me a soccer ball, transa car. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Stacey Young

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please send me a remote control car. Merry Christmas. I love you.

George Ruiz

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please send me a remote control car, and big foot. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Bobby Rubio

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you. Please send me a remote control car. I love you. Merry Christmas.

Austin Kelly

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please send me a remote control car and I love you. Merry Christmas.

Pablo Gonzalez

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you. Please send me a bike.

Gilbert Perez

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like some presents for Christmas. I would like a Nintendo and a keyboard. I would also like football helmet and shoulder pads and jambox with a tape. I would like a basketball and every thing else a surprise.

Your Truly,  
Jason Williams

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a little pony and a little stuffed dog a ring and maybe a rabbit and a lady lovely look.

Love, Julie

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a scooter ho yes I want a menybike.

Love Jason

**Dear Santa,**  
I want some toys for Christmas. Santa I want a trampoline.

Love, your friend,  
Cindy

**Dear Santa,**  
I love you Santa, I want a minibike, I want a fourwheeler, I like you Santa. You are my like Santa,

For Erik  
Love Santa

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a keyboard, and a robot and a arrot and a VCR and lady lopez lock and copy.

Love, Kaycie Cox

**Dear Santa,**  
I been very good. I want a scoolator for Christmas and a trampoline and a game and a balloon and a ride for my doll and a bicycle.

Your friend,  
Martha Florez  
I love you Santa

**Dear Santa,**  
Remote control car, truck, pogo ball, hungry, hungry hippo, soccer game, a real threewheeler.

Joshua

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a toy dinosaur and a G.I. Joe.

Love Dario

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a trampoline and bar from Andrea.

**Dear Santa,**  
What I want for Christmas is a bicycle.

Max

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a wagon and a bike and som toy cars.

Huberto

**Dear Santa,**  
I been a good boy and I want a bicycle and a pet dog and a pet cat.

Love Gary

**Dear Santa,**  
Santa I want a new jambox ok and some tubes for my bike and the barbie ice cream maker and druags and a new TV and a new tefolor and the loze csat of barbie and the racers and all of the tapes!

Wendy

**Dear Santa,**  
I want some bobby dolls and color book and a jambox and colors.

Tina

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like some presents for Christmas. I would like a nintendo and a basketball goal about 7-ft. tall. I would also like a Dallas Cowboy shirt. I would want it to be #34 and a nerf miniature golf set and you can make every thing else a surprise.

Yours Truly  
Taylor Looney

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a baseball bat. I want a ghost appear. My sister wants a baby doll taht could talk to her. Can you get me a toy castle? Get me a new bike. I love to play while I'm outside.

Truly yours,  
Rick

**Dear Santa,**  
I want some more smell markers! And I want some sky commanders. A little puzzle. Can I have a screen computer?

I want a billion & million & trillion brothers. I wsonder what your reindeer and elfs are doing!

Merry Christmas.  
From Cory

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Walt and Roy Lee





MR. & MRS. KENNETH BUCHANAN — announce the engagement of their daughter Sheryl Ann Buchanan to Tracey Lee Spinks son of Mr. & Mrs. Guy Spinks.

The couple is planning a Feb. 6 wedding at 7 p.m. in Midland at Crestview Baptist Church.

Ms. Buchanan is a graduate of Midland Lee, and is presently attending Midland College with plans to major in Elementary Education. The future bride-groom is a graduate of Stanton High and has attended Midland College and Texas Tech University.

He is presently employed with Spinks Construction in Midland.

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### Rhonda Myers weds Turner

Rhonda Rochelle Myers of Midland became the bride of Randell Lee Turner, also of Midland, 3 p.m. Dec. 11 in Stanton in a private ceremony conducted by Justice of the Peace F. E. Kennedy.

The bride is the daughter of Linda Jones of Midland and Rod Myers of Sevierville, Tenn. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Wade Turner of Stanton.

The bride attended Ford High School in Quinlan and is attending Midland College. Her husband attended Stanton High School, Texas A&M and University of Texas of the Permian Basin. He is district manager for Modern Distributing Co. of Texas in Bedford. After a honeymoon in Dallas, the couple lives in Midland.



Randell Lee Turner and Rhonda Rochelle Myers.

### Homemakers Club plans spring events

The Stanton Extension Homemakers Club met December 17 at the home of Mary Kathryn Bristow, for their monthly meeting and Christmas luncheon.

Plans were made for their meetings through the spring months.

Members present were: Gerry Yardly, Jean Henley, Ruby Haggard, Fern Britton, Mrs. W.T. Wells, Joyce Wells, Viola Wilkinson, Trica Karygl, Lurline Morrison, Helen Ruth Louder, Nancy Brough, Cherie Montgomery, Crystal Webb, a former member who now lives in Midland, and the hostess Mary Kathryn Bristow.

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