

Wednesday

Happy Thanksgiving!



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Lavery)

Kindergarten students at Baker Elementary dressed as Indians for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Offices close for holiday; gift guide inserted today

Most federal, state, county and city offices will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, but banks and other financial institutions will be closed only Thursday.

There will be no issue of *The Pampa News* Thursday, but today's edition is larger due to the inclusion of the Christmas gift guide special section.

City Hall and Gray County Courthouse offices will be closed Thursday through Sunday as employees get an extended holiday weekend. Regular hours will resume Monday.

Law enforcement, fire and other emergency personnel will be on duty during the holiday.

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Commission backs Hart

By PAUL PINKHAM
Senior Staff Writer

Expressing support for "all of the moves that have been made," Pampa city commissioners Tuesday backed City Manager Bob Hart's handling of a consulting firm's evaluation of the Pampa Police Department.

Before a standing-room-only crowd of close to 100 citizens, commissioners unanimously approved a two-page statement supporting Hart's shakeup of the Police Department. The statement was read aloud by Commissioner Bob Curry.

Despite hearing an hour of citizen complaints — most of them directed at Hart's handling of the firm's recommendation to demote former police Capt. Roy Denman to lieutenant — commissioners also indicated they approved Hart's course of action.

The city manager suspended Denman for two days and cut his salary by more than \$100 after Denman talked to the press about his demotion.

"The city commissioners support all of the moves that have been made," read Curry following an hour-long closed-door session. "Changes in procedure and responsibilities of employees always cause some concern, but they also offer employees opportunity for advancement."

With regard to Denman, the two-page statement said Hart followed proper personnel procedures. Hart has maintained that Denman violated city policy by going to *The Pampa News* with his personnel gripes before following the proper appeals procedure.

Denman told the newspaper Nov. 7 that he was "the first sacrificial lamb" on the altar of the consultant's report, which he called unfair. He apparently filed his



A supporter consoles Mary Denman.

appeal that afternoon.

The report recommended demoting the 7-year captain to improve efficiency and lessen confusion over chain of command in the department by having all divisions led by officers of equal rank. Denman heads the department's service division while the criminal investigation and patrol

divisions are led by lieutenants.

The statement also said the commission is satisfied with guidelines outlined by Stephens Management Consultants Inc. of Canyon, the firm that conducted the study. The firm listed 15 recommendations to improve what it found to be low morale in the department.

Police Chief J.J. Ryzman, who has been warned to implement the study's recommendations or risk losing his job, credited the commissioners with making "an intelligent decision."

But Kenneth Elliott, a citizen who earlier had pleaded with the commission to reconsider Denman's penalty and investigate the qualifications of Stephens Management, said he was disappointed with the commission's decision. He said he and a group of citizens would meet to decide if any further steps should be taken concerning Denman and the report.

Mary Denman, the ex-captain's wife, had no comment following the commission's decision.

Earlier in the meeting she had accused Hart of telling her husband "this will show you who's in control" when he issued his suspension. Mrs. Denman said Hart later told Chief Ryzman that there would be no appeal because "I am the Supreme Court."

Mrs. Denman also said her husband met with Hart informally prior to his interview with the newspaper and was told by the city manager that his concerns would be taken into consideration.

Hart did not respond to her comments.

"My husband cannot speak because if he does, we're going to get fired. I know by me standing and speaking, we're going to get fired," Mrs. Denman said. "I'm sorry but I still believe in the First Amendment. That's why I'm standing."

Elliott questioned Hart's ability to deal with employees, the consulting firm's qualifications and the city's appeals process.

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Pampans stuff the needy with turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce — and love

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

While most Pampans will spend Thanksgiving eating turkey and all the trimmings, others will be lucky if they can muster up enough food for sandwiches or a pot of beans for their families.

Area businesses, churches and civic groups want to give the hungry and destitute something to be thankful for this year as they conduct canned food drives and prepare holiday food baskets.

At least one church will be offering a free Thanksgiving meal for the needy and lonely Thursday.

The New Life Worship Center, 318 N. Cuyler, will serve turkey, dressing, sweet potatoes and green beans from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for those wanting to be with others on the holiday. The meal is being prepared and provided by church members.

The K mart Discount Store at the Pampa Mall is joining other K mart discount stores across the country to prepare Thanksgiving meals for needy families.

Cheryl Doyle, assistant manager of the Pampa K mart, said this is the second year the chain has sponsored the holiday feasts. She estimated 10 to 15 needy Pampa families will be served through this program, which will be conducted again at Christmas.

"We get the referrals through the Salvation Army, then we go to the grocery store and

buy the turkey and trimmings," Doyle said.

"If it weren't for us, most of them wouldn't have a holiday meal, just a sandwich or something," she added. "It gives you a good feeling to help people who need it."

Doyle said that last year the discount department store served holiday feasts to 10 families at Thanksgiving and 10 families at Christmas.

Other Pampa businesses are conducting canned food drives for needy families.

Pampa Mall merchants gave discounts to customers who brought canned foods into their stores last weekend. The food is being placed into baskets for distribution to those not having funds to prepare a good holiday meal for their families.

Alco Discount Store at the Coronado Center will conduct its first canned food drive from 1 to 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Day. Alco Manager Bob Chambers said customers who bring in one or more canned items will get a 25 percent discount off a single item that's not on sale.

"Thanksgiving has always been a busy day for us," Chambers said. "After you finish eating, you need something to do, and many people go shopping."

Chambers noted the discount is good for one item only, although it will be the customer's choice which item will be discounted.

He added that he has not made arrangements for the distribution of the canned

goods, although he anticipates donating the canned goods to Good Samaritan Christian Services at 309 N. Ward.

Bill Ragsdale, Good Samaritan executive director, said that while he gets an abundance of donations during the holiday season, his organization operates as usual.

"We don't run it different now than at any other time of year," Ragsdale said. "Hopefully the people who are bringing food in for Thanksgiving will remember us in June."

"We are well-stocked right now," Ragsdale added. "We're lacking in tuna, but next week, we may need something entirely different. We try to keep certain essential foods as peanut butter, beans, canned vegetables, canned meats, macaroni and cheese."

Similarly, the Salvation Army doesn't treat Thanksgiving any differently than any other time of the year. That organization's main drive begins after Thanksgiving to prepare Christmas packages for needy families.

"The Army itself does not give out Thanksgiving baskets," said secretary Maggie Ivy. "But if people call in and want to help, we refer them to a particular family."

"We get more calls from people wanting baskets than I get from people wanting to give baskets," Ivy said, adding that most of the referral calls she gets are from clubs or organizations.

The Salvation Army already has held its annual Golden Agers Thanksgiving feast for senior citizens.

Noses stuck on grindstone

By PAUL PINKHAM
Senior Staff Writer

Most Pampans will spend Thursday visiting with family and friends, perhaps watching some football on television and certainly letting a bountiful dinner table get the best of them.

The furthest thing from their minds will be going to work.

But for some, Thanksgiving is just another day at the salt mines.

Many work so those who have the day off can have a safer, more enjoyable or more convenient holiday.

Pampa fire Capt. Don Hendricks has worked plenty of Thanksgivings in his 35 years with the department. He will be one of 10 firefighters on duty this Thanksgiving, he said.

Hendricks said he and his family celebrated Thanksgiving on Saturday, so he is not bothered by having to work the holiday this year. Thanksgiving is traditionally slow for the Fire Department, he said.

Pampa firefighters work 24-hour shifts, with every other day off. After the third shift, they get four days off.

Hendricks said no special scheduling is done to accommodate the holidays but, from year to year,

the scheduling "generally works out pretty fair." "Sometimes you work 'em all; sometimes you don't," he said. "You never can tell."

At Randy's Jack and Jill grocery store, 401 N. Ballard, clerk Frances Hughes said she opted to work Thanksgiving rather than Christmas this year because her relatives will be home for the latter holiday.

Hughes' employer will remain open until 2 p.m. Thanksgiving Day.

Hughes said she stays busy on Thanksgiving, with people stopping at the store to buy last-minute items for holiday tables.

"It's generally all the odds and ends people forget to pick up before," she said.

Dave Alexander, disc jockey for Pampa radio station KGRO, said he has mixed feelings about working Thanksgiving. He said he would like to have the day off but, in a way, views his job as a public service to those who are lonely.

"I feel like there's a lot of people out there who need somebody — are lonely — and who can switch on the radio for some company," he said. "I hate to think of people alone on the holidays."

Working holidays goes with the job, he said. Alexander works the 6 p.m.-to-midnight shift

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(Staff Photo by Duane A. Lavery)

Hughes says she chose to work Thanksgiving instead of Christmas.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News.

Obituaries

MYRTLE A. SULLIVAN
MULESHOE - Services for Myrtle A. Sullivan, 92, of Muleshoe, mother of a Pampa resident, will be at 4 p.m. today in 16th and Avenue D Church of Christ in Muleshoe. Officiating will be Frank Duckworth of Lockney, assisted by Curtis Shelburn of Muleshoe.

Burial will be in Bailey County Memorial Park at Muleshoe under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Sullivan died Tuesday.
She was born Oct. 16, 1894 in Aspermont. She had lived in Bailey County since 1924; she was a resident of the Muleshoe Nursing Home at the time of her death. She had previously lived at Lockney. She married Charles Steven Sullivan on Feb. 19, 1913 at Turkey; he died in 1968. She was a homemaker and a member of the 16th and Avenue D Church of Christ in Muleshoe. She was also preceded in death by two sons, J.D. Sullivan and J.E. Sullivan.

Survivors include a son, Tommy Sullivan, Andrews; five daughters, Babe Hall, Pampa, Mae Owen and Ruth Terrell, both of Muleshoe, Lucille Cobb, Marlin, and Leola Atchison, Perryton; three sisters, Mrs. Tooter Rhinehart and Mrs. Montie Rhinehart, both of Enasho, Mo., and Mrs. Susie Brown, Goodman, Mo.; two brothers, Floyd Leach, Bakersfield, Calif., and Oran Leach, Enasho; 15 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and 17 great-great-grandchildren.

OBIE DIE SWAIN SR.
AMARILLO - Services for Obie Die Swain Sr., 62, of Amarillo, father of a Pampa resident, were pending this morning with Austin Brothers-Mims Funeral Directors. Mr. Swain died Sunday.

Born in Cameron, he had lived in Amarillo for 38 years. He was self-employed as a car detail shop owner.

Survivors include his wife, Fannie; six sons, Kevin Swain, of the home; Gregory Swain of California, and Charles, Al Marcus, Billy Ray and Douglas Swain, all of Amarillo; nine daughters, Jo Ann Swain of California; Mauri Lynn, Pampa; Sharon Swain, of the home; and Mary, Kay, Alma, Tracy, Juanita and Violet Swain; three sisters, Gertrude, Charlie Mae and Ruby, all of Amarillo; seven brothers, L.T. Swain and Leonard Swain, both of Houston, Bishop W.C. Swain, Midland, Frank Swain, Vernon, Eddie Swain, Lawton, Okla., Donnie Swain, Amarillo, and George Swain, Texarkana; 34 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Calendar of events

FREE THANKSGIVING DINNER
New Life Worship Center is hosting Thanksgiving dinner for families who are needy or lonely from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Thursday at the Center, 318 N. Cuyler. A dinner of turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans and pie will be prepared and served by church members.

Holiday

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day, however, for those needing assistance.
Banks and other financial institutions will close Thursday but will return to regular hours on Friday.

Schools will dismiss early today at 2 p.m. to allow students and staff to prepare for their Thanksgiving meals and trips for those going out of town. Classes will be back to normal operation on Monday for elementary and secondary school students. Many college students, however, will get an extended holiday to allow for travel time.

Most businesses will be closed Thursday but some will be open for limited hours for those shoppers wanting to begin their Christmas gift buying early. Many businesses also will begin special holiday sales this weekend.

Many grocery stores will remain open — though some may have limited hours — to allow for last-minute shopping for those needing Thanksgiving meal items. Most convenience stores will be open throughout the day as usual.

The Pampa News business office will remain open until 5 p.m. today but will be closed Thursday

Hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions
Bradley Andrews, McLean
Mitzie Blalock, Pampa
Dacia Branch, Pampa
Cindy Chilton, Pampa
Michael Leith, Pampa
Dale Lewis, Pampa
Ethel Mourer, Pampa
Rosalie Patchin, Pampa
David Snuggs, Pampa
Dismissals
Ronnie Anderson, Pampa
Paula Burns, Skellytown
Madaline Dunn, Pampa
Paul Edwards, rock

Pampa Admissions
Brenda Guess, Pampa
Joshua Jackson, Lefors
Ola McCann, Pampa
Juan Perez, Pampa
Laura Ballard, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
John Duke Morgan, Shamrock
Catherine Burtram, Shamrock
Esther Stowe, Shamrock
Dismissals
George Barth, Shamrock
James Walker, Shamrock

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Nov. 25
Nancy Snider, 1115 S. Dwight, reported a burglary at the address.

A driving while intoxicated suspect was reported in the 800 block of West Brown.

A burglary was reported at JoAnn's Brown Street Bar, 758 W. Brown; two or three cases of beer were taken.

A driving while intoxicated suspect was reported in the 400 block of West Brown.

Theft of a compressor was reported at Frank's General Store, 626 S. Cuyler.

Arrests-City Jail
TUESDAY, Nov. 25

Albert Young, 27, 405 Doucette, was arrested at the address on two warrants.

Beverly Gish Anderson, 32, Amarillo, was arrested in the 500 block of South Somerville on charges of driving while intoxicated, driving without headlights and exhibition of acceleration; Anderson was released on bond.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 27
Sharon Riddle Dunlap, 35, 1526 N. Nelson, was arrested at Cuyler and Brown on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to maintain a single lane; Dunlap was released on bond.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following traffic accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Nov. 25
A 1967 Dodge, driven by Eldon G. Nichols, 625 N. Zimmers, and a 1977 Buick, driven by Randy Lee Beck, 845 E. Kingsmill, collided at Browning and Ballard. No injuries or citations were reported.

to permit employees to enjoy the holiday with family and friends.

Display advertising deadlines were set for noon today for Sunday's paper, with Friday classified line advertising deadlines at 11 a.m. today. Regular deadlines for classified will resume Friday, with customers needing to get their ads into the office by 2 p.m. for Sunday's paper.

There will be no miss service for home deliveries today or Thursday. Those missing their papers will have to wait until Friday morning to call.

Approximately 17,500 copies of today's edition are being distributed throughout the circulation area to allow more people to have access to the special Christmas gift guide.

The special section includes information about special merchandise and special prices Pampa merchants are offering area shoppers for Christmas.

The section also includes articles on holiday suggestions for gifts and activities, details on Pampa's Christmas activities plus many money-saving coupons.

He denied that Israel was involved but then issued a statement acknowledging that a third, unidentified nation had delivered the arms.

The administration went public with more details Tuesday after Justice Department investigators learned about the diversion of funds to the Contras.

Meese told a news conference that "the United States (was) providing the arms to Israel, and Israel, in turn, (was) transferring the arms, in effect selling the arms, to representatives of Iran."

The Israelis made three or four shipments in 1986, plus two shipments in 1985, one in August or September of 1985, and another in November that was sent back to Israel for reasons not yet explained, Meese said.

Although Meese filled in some pieces of the dizzying foreign policy puzzle, many gaps remained: Exactly how the arms transaction was initiated, how many deliveries were made; and the precise weapons involved.

In Israel, the prime minister issued a statement saying that, "Israel helped in transferring defensive weapons and spare parts to Iran according to a request by the United States."

"The payment was transferred by an Iranian representative directly to a Swiss bank, according to American instructions, without passing through Israel," Shamir said in his statement.

Referring to diversion of funds to the Contras, Shamir said: "Israel had no knowledge of this."

House Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Texas, said last week that National Security Adviser Vice Adm. John Poindexter, forced to resign Tuesday, told him Iran paid \$12 million for 2,008 TOW anti-tank missiles and 235 spare part units for Hawk anti-aircraft missiles.

Noses

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and also co-hosts a morning show, both of which will air Thanksgiving Day, he said. He plans to eat the traditional meal with his family early in the afternoon, before his wife leaves for work at 2 p.m.

At Coronado Community Hospital, nurse Jane Poland considers working holidays part of her job.

"Somebody has to be here to take care of things," she said. "To me, it's just like another day of work."

Poland's husband Shawn, director of respiratory therapy at the hospital, will stay home this Thanksgiving with the couple's two young children while his wife works the 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. shift.

Mrs. Poland said one can never predict how busy the hospital might be on any given holiday.

She said working holidays is not too bad because the hospital staff is like "one, big, happy family." Still, she said, the hospital attempts to make schedules so that those who work one holiday won't have to work another.

A similar policy is in effect at the Pampa Police Department, where Chief J.J. Ryzman said he likes to make sure each of his officers has either Thanksgiving, Christmas Day or New Year's Day off. He said the single officers prefer New Year's Day while the married officers prefer the two more family-oriented holidays.

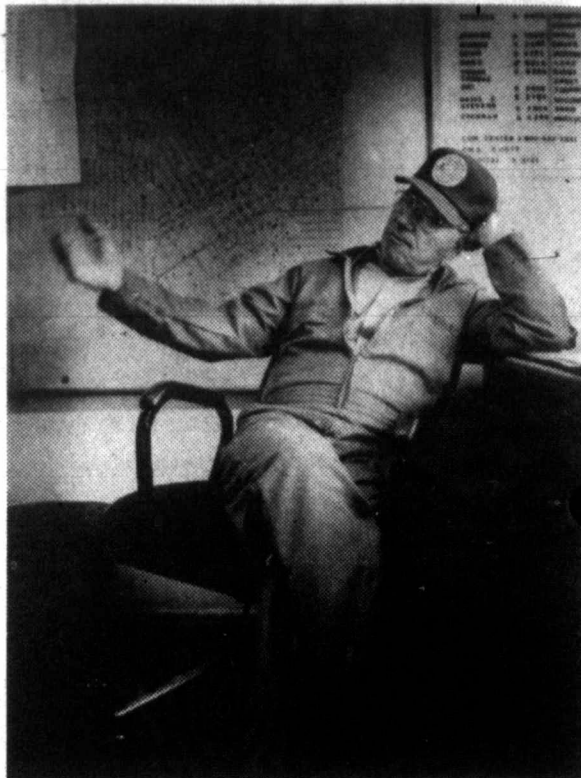
Patrolman Terry Cox, who is not married, will be working Thanksgiving. He said his working will allow married officers to spend more time with their families.

"I know it means a lot to the other guys to be with their families," Cox said.

Patrolman Ken Hopson said he will be enjoying his second Thanksgiving off in eight years Thursday. He said working an occasional holiday is part of the job for police officers.

Both Cox and Hopson agreed that Thanksgiving is generally quiet. Cox said the largest portion of Thanksgiving Day calls involve domestic disputes.

At the 7-Eleven convenience store, 400 N. Ballard, clerk Lee Adcock said working Thanksgiving is "not too bad," when working only an eight-hour



Capt. Hendricks has worked a few holidays.

shift.

"When you work for a living, if you want to exist in this society, you do what you have to do," Adcock said.

He said the 7-Eleven store is busy on Thanksgiving and other holidays, because people can get in and out quickly and get back home with their families. Holiday shoppers purchase soda pop, cigarettes, snacks and cookies — "things they can come in and get quickly for an after-dinner meal," he said.

Democrats scratching Teflon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats called it the Teflon-coated presidency, a phrase that reflected their frustration over their inability to convince Americans to blame President Reagan for any of his administration's missteps.

"He sees to it that nothing sticks to him," Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., said to the House on Aug. 2, 1983, the first recorded use of the Teflon analogy.

That remarkable ability to dodge political blame is getting its toughest test from the outpouring of information about secret arms deals with Iran and

money skimmed into Swiss bank accounts to help Contra forces in Central America.

In an exercise in political damage control, the president and Attorney General Edwin Meese appeared in the White House briefing room on Tuesday to announce the dumping of two top national security officials, the start of an investigation and the promise of reforms.

But the reaction of the politicians in this town made it clear they doubt the departure of Vice Adm. John Poindexter and Marine Lt. Col. Oliver North will satisfy the public.

Arlington approves City gas price ordinance

ARLINGTON (AP) — A new city ordinance will require gasoline dealers within 300 feet of Arlington's three major highways to post prices on signs visible from access roads.

The action, approved tentatively Tuesday by the Arlington City Council, was triggered by complaints that some stations near the Six Flags Over Texas amusement park were gouging tourists by not posting prices that are as much as double what other dealers charge.

The ordinance was approved by a vote of 6-3. It requires dealers within 300 feet of Texas Highway 360, Interstate 30 and Interstate 20 to post prices not only on pumps but on signs visible from the street.

One station near Six Flags was charging as high as \$1.59 per gallon while other stations were charging less than 80 cents per gallon.

If approved again next week, the ordinance will carry a maximum fine of \$200 a day for violations.

City briefs

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Lewis! Love The Jameses. Adv.

RENT A Booth at the Flea Market for Friday, Saturday and Sunday after Thanksgiving. Special Rates. Bring in tools and furniture or anything to sell. 123 N. Ward. 665-3375. Adv.

COUNTRY STORE and Second Time Around Sale. December 1, 2, 9-? Community Center. Sponsored by Miami Seniors 1987. Adv.

GRAND REOPENING and 10th Anniversary Specials. Wood carvings 50% off; baskets 20% off, wall accessories 20% off, mini and vertical blinds 50% off, Fireplaces \$100 off, brass planters 20% off. Now in stock Root candles, room freshener, jewelry cleaner, pearl cleaner, silver cleaner, brass cleaner, silk flower cleaner and many new items in stock at V.J.'s Imports & Gifts in the Pampa Mall. Adv.

MEALS on WHEELS 669-1007, P.O. Box 939. Adv.

BLACKWOOD BROTHERS Ministry Partners. Contact your friends about December 2, 7 p.m., M.K. Brown Auditorium. Adv.

EXTERIOR CHRISTMAS lighting, installation and removal. Call today for appointment, 665-5206. Adv.

Ill' ol' paintin' corner will be closed until Monday, December 1, for Thanksgiving. Happy Holidays! Adv.

RICK AND Leslie Swope and A.J. announce the arrival of Christopher Dirk, born November 7, in Amarillo. Grandparents are Bob and Joyce Swope, Carl E. Johnson and Jettie Jacks.

STOCKING STUFFER, Pampa Garden Club Cookbook, \$4. Call 665-7465, 665-1936. Adv.

BLONDE OAK Bedroom Suite with mattress and box springs, desk and chair. \$150. 665-6130 or 669-3508. Adv.

50th WEDDING Anniversary reception for the M.B. Smiths, First Baptist Church parlor, November 29th, 2-4 p.m.

NOW AT L and R Hair Design, 1405 N. Banks - 669-3338. Yong Menkhoff, Ken McGuire, C.J. Jackson, Brenda Rohrbacher. Call 669-3338 for our Holiday Specials. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
Partly cloudy tonight with a chance of showers possibly mixed with snow, variable winds 5-10 mph. Partly cloudy and warmer Thursday with a high in the mid 50s and northwesterly winds 5-15 mph. High Tuesday, 61; overnight low, 29.

REGIONAL FORECASTS
By The Associated Press
WEST TEXAS — Widely scattered showers tonight. Showers mixed with snow over the plains and mountains, with light accumulation over the mountains. Scattered showers possible southeast on Thanksgiving Day. Lows tonight in the 20s and 30s. Highs on Thanksgiving in the 50s, except in the 70s along the Big Bend.

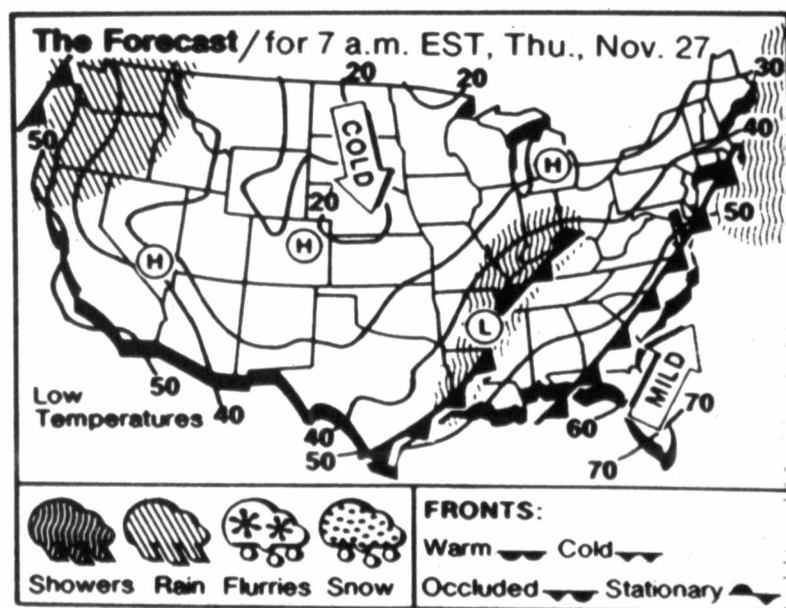
NORTH TEXAS — Cloudy with widely scattered showers late tonight. Lows in the middle 30s to near 40. Mostly cloudy Thanksgiving Day with scattered showers. Highs in the mid to upper 50s.

SOUTH TEXAS — Mostly cloudy on Thanksgiving Day with widely scattered showers. Lows tonight in the upper 30s in the Hill County to the lower 50s along the lower coast. In the lower 40s elsewhere. Highs on Thanksgiving in the 60s.

EXTENDED FORECASTS
Friday through Sunday
West Texas — Mostly fair Friday through Sunday. Little temperature change southwest, otherwise a gradual cooling trend.

Panhandle and South Plains: Lows lower 30s cooling to upper 20s by Sunday. Highs lower 60s cooling to lower 50s Sunday.

Permian Basin and Concho



Valley: Lows in the 30s. Highs mid 60s cooling to mid 50s by Sunday.

Big Bend and far West: Lows 20s in the mountains ranging to upper 30s Rio Grande of Big Bend. Highs 50s in the mountains ranging to around 70 along the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Mostly fair through the period. Mild Friday and Saturday, a little cooler Sunday. Lows Friday and Saturday mornings in the 40s. Highs Friday and Saturday in the 60s. Lows Sunday morning mid 30s northwest to lower 40s southeast. Highs Sunday in the 50s.

South Texas — Partly cloudy skies with mild days and cool nights. Warmer Saturday then turning cooler north Sunday. Friday morning lows from near 40 north to near 50 south with mid 30s in the Hill Country. Lows Saturday in the 40s north to 50s south. Lows

Sunday from near 40 north to near 60 south. Daytime highs in the 60s north to 70s south Friday. Highs Saturday mostly in the 70s. Highs Sunday near 60 north to near 80 south.

BORDER STATE FORECASTS

OKLAHOMA — Considerable cloudiness and continued cool tonight. Partly cloudy and a little warmer Thanksgiving Day. Low tonight upper 20s Panhandle to mid 30s southeast. High Thanksgiving Day 50s.

NEW MEXICO — Snow and showers decreasing from the northwest tonight. Mostly sunny Thanksgiving Day. A little warmer most sections. Lows tonight 5 to 20s mountains and north with mostly 20s lower elevations south. Highs Thanksgiving Day 40s and 50s mountains and northwest with 50s and 60s elsewhere.

Texas/Regional



Off Beat

By
DeeDee
Laramore

Thank you God!

Some people are going to wake up tomorrow, not to a joyous Thanksgiving Day, but with hearts filled with sorrow, anger or despair.

This will be a less than happy Thanksgiving for a lot of people for many reasons - poverty, disease, death of someone they love. My heart goes out to all of them.

Once there was a brave lady who probably never celebrated Thanksgiving, yet she learned a lesson about thankfulness we could all benefit from.

Her name was Corrie Ten Boom. She was Polish. She was not a Jew, but her family was sympathetic to the difficulties the Jewish people were facing in German-occupied Poland just before World War II. As conditions worsened, the Ten Booms became a part of the Jewish Underground and even hid Jews in their home.

In time, the Nazis discovered the Ten Booms' part in helping the Jews. Corrie, her sister and father were arrested and sent to concentration camps. Corrie never saw her father again, but she and her sister had the good fortune (if you could call it that) to be sent to the same concentration camp.

Coming from a very religious family, Corrie and her sister continued to practice their faith even though they knew it could mean death for them. The sisters often held secret prayer services with the other women in the camp. These services were often the only hope the women had to cling to.

Conditions were horrible, but the most distressing for them all was the flea problem. Their barracks were overrun with fleas! The women tried what little they could do to rid themselves of the pests, but it was a hopeless cause. Corrie felt they should pray to God to get rid of the fleas, but her sister gently corrected her. No, she said to Corrie, THANK God for the fleas.

Totally unconvinced, Corrie joined her sister as she thanked God for the fleas. Time passed, but the flea problem continued to be bad as ever. Then it began to dawn on Corrie. The fleas were helping the camp prisoners!

Because of the terrible infestation of fleas, the camp guards would not go into the barracks, so the prisoners were able to hold their prayer meetings safely and in secret.

As a teenager, I went with a church group to a Sioux Indian reservation in South Dakota. We spent three weeks cleaning an Episcopal boys school, preparing it for opening in September. On one of our rare afternoons off, we decided to drive through the Badlands to see a herd of buffalo. We drove for miles, but saw nary a one. Finally we stopped at a gas station where a scrawny buffalo calf stood dejectedly in a wooden pen.

That evening we joined hands for our nightly prayer circle. Each of us took turns saying a little prayer until it came time for Johnny Jenkins to say his. "Thank you, God," he said so seriously, "for the wonderful buffalo!"

My partner began to squeeze my hand as I tried my best to choke back the laughter. It wasn't long before pandemonium broke loose.

While the rest of us were in hysterics, Johnny seemed totally perplexed. As I look back over the years I see that he was the one who definitely had the advantage. Johnny was the only one of us to see beyond the obvious to the beauty of God's creation in that one mangy buffalo.

A couple of weeks ago, news commentator Paul Harvey told of how a man in his 20s was suddenly struck blind. Doctors could find no physical reason for the handicap and had no idea of how to help the young man. His wife decided to pray for her husband.

About two weeks later, while groping around the kitchen, the young man fell, knocking himself unconscious. His wife revived him and when he awoke he was able to see, just as well as he did before!

But this isn't the end... A CAT scan following the fall showed an aneurysm in the man's brain, totally unrelated to the blindness episode, yet a certain threat to the man's life. Doctors were able to repair the aneurysm, which would have gone unnoticed until it had burst, had the man not gone blind - for no reason at all.

As I look back at the bad times in my life, I can see where I could have thanked God for each of the experiences. From them I have learned patience, I have learned compassion, I have learned to depend on God and trust in his wisdom.

Thanks God... for the fleas and the wonderful buffalo!

Incentives add sales

AUSTIN (AP)—Business for Texas auto dealers boomed in September due to the low-interest and no-interest incentive programs offered by U.S. automakers, the Texas Automobile Dealers Association reported.

Because of the incentives, the state recorded a 21 percent increase in new vehicle registrations over the previous month, the association said Tuesday. "The most recent registration numbers confirm our reports that the new car and truck showrooms were packed with buyers in September," said association president Gene Fondren.

New car registrations in September totaled 67,625, up from 55,864 during August, the group reported.

Despite the increase, registrations still showed the ill effects of the sagging Texas economy. New car and truck registrations in September were lower than for the same month in 1985, Fondren said. New car registrations were down almost 13.4 percent in September from the 78,082 in September 1985. Year-to-date new car registrations were down 8.8 percent, to 478,306, compared with the first nine months of 1985.

New truck registrations in September dropped 5.3 percent to 42,994 from September 1985. Year-to-date new truck registrations were down, too, with 300,655 for the first nine months of 1986, compared with 331,394 for the same period of 1985.

Fondren said he still predicts that 1986 new car and truck registrations will be the fourth-highest in Texas history.

"Looking at the change noted when comparing 1986 to 1985 can be deceptive," he said.



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Lavery)

More than 100 Pampans crowd commission chambers Tuesday to give opinions on evaluation.

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during his statement to the commission.

He said Hart overreacted to Denman's statements in the newspaper. He said the city is lucky to have employees who are not simply "yes men."

"Had I been the individual, my statements would have been stronger," Elliott said. "Yes men are useless. You have to have people that give their ideas. You have to get feedback. You can't tell people that there is no First Amendment."

Elliott said he objected to Hart's response to "ask Roy Denman" when asked about a possible salary cut for the lieutenant. He compared the statement to knocking Denman down and "jabbing the knife in."

"Mr. Denman could not protect himself," Elliott said. "He could not respond."

Mayor Sherman Cowan said he does not read the newspaper but said Hart showed a human reaction by responding the way he did. Elliott asked the mayor why Hart did not allow Denman to display a similar human reaction.

Hart admitted he probably should have refused comment entirely when asked about Denman's salary. He said city employees have been warned that he does not like to be surprised to read about city personnel matters in the newspaper.

Elliott called for a new appeals procedure, saying that forcing Denman to appeal his demotion to Hart is "absolutely absurd." He said commissioners should consider appointing an appeals board to help "eliminate some future litigation problems that might cost taxpayers thousands upon thousands of dollars."

He said employees are afraid to come to Hart or the commissioners with a complaint.

Elliott also questioned the validity of the Stephens report and how qualified consultants Bill and Pat Stephens were to evaluate a police department. Noting that both Stephens brothers are full-

time college instructors, Elliott said the commissioners should have hired a professional firm to give taxpayers their money's worth.

"We do not believe that it's a professional survey worth the \$7,100, \$7,200 that was paid for it," Elliott said. He claimed that the Stephens brothers admitted to Borger city officials that they were not qualified to evaluate the Borger Police Department.

Hart replied that the firm was not asked to evaluate law enforcement but was hired to study management procedures in the Police Department.

"What we were trying to do with this study more than anything else was to try to identify some of our problems," Hart said. He said the firm was recommended by a number of city managers in the Panhandle.

Other citizens reiterated what Elliott said, and he drew applause from the crowd several times. But Hart was not without his supporters in the audience.

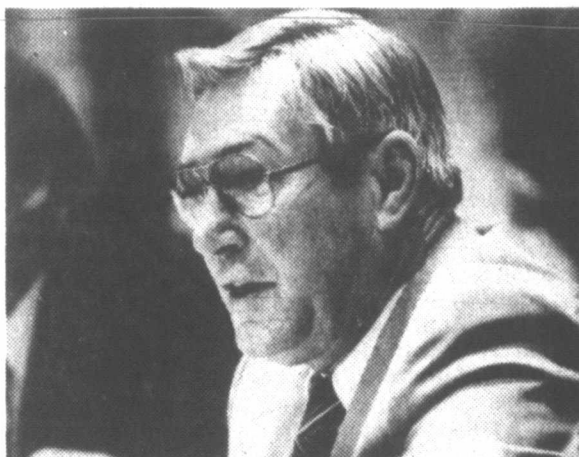
Pampan Ray Mason said Hart was the best city manager Pampa has had in the 40 years he has lived in the city. He also drew applause when he said he wanted to give Hart a vote of confidence.

"Anytime an employee can go to the news media and express his grievances out of context, it'll be a sad day for Pampa," Mason said.

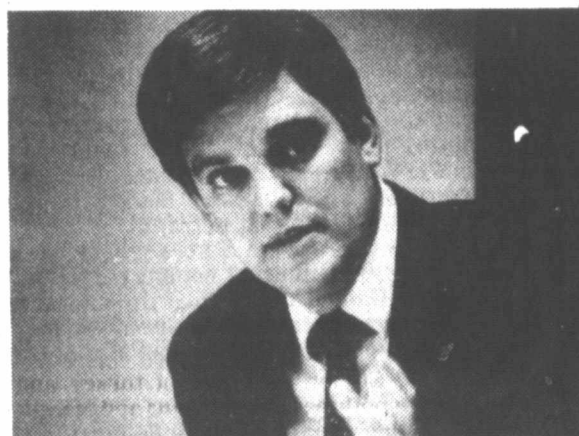
Don Reed, president of Citizens for Better Government, also indicated support for Hart. He said two members of the citizens group supported Hart in a meeting Monday night while only one member, Floye Christensen, opposed his approach.

"She has embarrassed us a number of times in the past," Reed said of Christensen.

Christensen responded before leaving the meeting that she did not think the commission meeting was the place to air the lobby group's "dirty linen."



Mayor Cowan and commissioners support Hart.



Hart responds to questions about Denman's demotion.

Court ruling permits tree crushing

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—The U.S. Forest Service has received the go-ahead to continue crushing and disposing of trees in the Sam Houston National Forest.

A U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals panel Tuesday overturned a ruling that blocked the clearing. Last Thursday, 5th Circuit Judge Jerre S. Williams of Austin agreed to halt the controversial razing of 2,500 acres in the Four Notch Area after the Texas attorney general's office argued the tree-crushing by a 52-ton machine causes irreparable environmental damage.

A fire under controlled conditions will be set later to dispose of dead wood and wild brush, U.S. Forest Service spokesman Hal Glassman said today.

City boosts emergency plans

By LARRY HOLLIS
News Editor

An emergency planning committee Tuesday received the support of the Pampa city commissioners as the key agent of emergency management within the city and county.

Commissioners adopted a resolution recognizing the Community Awareness and Emergency Response (CAER) Steering Committee as the Pampa and Gray County Emergency Management Council.

The CAER Committee is composed of key officials from city, county and state governments and agencies joining together with private business and industry personnel and other local citizens to review and enhance emergency planning.

Mayor Sherman Cowan said he and the county judge still have the final authority over emergency and disaster operations within the borders of their specific governing entities.

But the CAER Steering Committee now will have the task of planning emergency management procedures and making recommendations to the city of Pampa and to Gray County.

CAER has eight subcommittees, each with a specific area in emergency management to review, evaluate and make recommendations on.

The Steering Committee reviews the activities of the subcommittees and then formulates final policies and procedures to recommend in bettering emergency and disaster programs and plans for the city and county.

CAER oversaw the activities involved in conducting the recent Ice III disaster drill in Pampa on Nov. 12.

The resolution notes the City Commission "recognizes the important work and dedication of each member of the CAER program and how the work of the CAER organization can enhance life in

The stay issued by Williams, however, was to be in effect only until a three-judge panel of the 5th Circuit could review the case.

The panel composed of judges Henry Politz of Shreveport, La., Edith Jones of Houston and Williams issued a nine-page ruling Tuesday saying the forest service had taken steps to protect endangered species.

"There is no showing that the Forest Service's motive is anything other than the rehabilitation of the area to an effective pine forest," the ruling said.

"It is hard to conclude that the stay would serve the public interest when the purpose of the reforestation is to improve the forest rather than replace

it with buildings, industry, highways, or the like," it said.

Attorney General Jim Mattox said he was "extremely disappointed with the ruling in light of the fact that huge numbers of trees are going to be destroyed, trees that could be used for hunting and other recreational purposes for all the people of Texas."

"We're going to review the opinion to determine and see if there is anything we can do in this case between now and Dec. 9," Mattox added.

Mattox filed a federal lawsuit Nov. 13 against the forest service, calling for a halt to the destruction of the pine beetle-infested forest near Huntsville.



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Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

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Opinion

Budget cuts force changes in the U.N.

Times are tough these days at the United Nations. Just ask Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, who recently dismissed 11 of his highly paid staff members in order to cut the U.N.'s bloated budget. He also curtailed staff travel, suspended promotions for six months, and imposed a hiring freeze. Moreover, U.N. press cables have been shortened, and the fountain in front of the Secretariat has been shut off to save money — \$10,000 to be precise.

These economies were prompted by the United States' refusal to pick up its customary 25 percent of the U.N. tab for 1986. Instead, Congress voted to pay 12 percent, and now the bureaucrats over at Turtle Bay are beginning to hear footsteps.

It's about time. Since the death of Dag Hammarskjold in 1961, the United Nations has seen a succession of weak secretaries general preside over an ever-increasing number of expensive and inefficient paper shufflers. Key Secretariat positions, paying upward of \$121,000 per year, have been political plums awarded indiscriminately. The Secretariat currently employs 52,000 civil servants, including hundreds of Soviet spies. By comparison, there are a total of 4,500 employees in the U.S. State Department.

And what does the United States get for its annual contribution of \$210 million? A recent U.N. committee report disclosed that 31 percent of the organization's \$855 million operating budget is spent on social and economic activities. In the two areas alone, there are some 150 committees, commissions, subcommittees, subcommissions and numerous other working groups, all grinding out duplicate reports and resolutions. Little wonder the U.N. budget has more than tripled during the last three years.

Weary of this waste and mismanagement and compelled by Gramm-Rudman to pare the federal deficit, Congress slashed the Reagan administration's request for U.N. support. However, the president persuaded the lawmakers to increase the U.S. contribution on the condition that the international forum get its financial house in order.

This carrot-and-stick strategy is certainly worth a try. After all, the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization has begun to modify its outrageously anti-Western behavior since the United States withdrew its financial support and demanded specific reforms. Such budgetary leverage could, in time, prod the United Nations to become more responsible as well.

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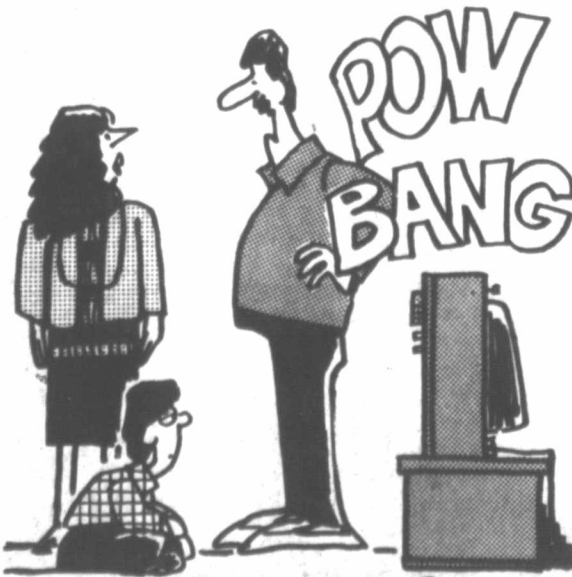
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"I SAID, HE WON'T STUDY BECAUSE HE SAYS HIS TEXTBOOKS VIOLATE HIS RELIGIOUS BELIEFS."



Stephen Chapman

Planning for vaccine supply

Vaccines are one of medicine's greatest contributions to human welfare. They have eradicated smallpox and dramatically reduced the incidence of other diseases — polio, diphtheria, measles, typhoid fever and more. This is an achievement beyond the imagination of past generations.

Consider whooping cough, an excruciating disease characterized by violent fits of coughing, convulsion, brain damage and death. Before a vaccine was introduced after World War II, it killed several thousand people a year. Today it is almost unknown. Unfortunately, the vaccine also sometimes causes serious reactions. Of the nearly 10 million children inoculated each year, about 40 suffer brain damage.

This is the stuff of public panic, but for every child who suffers severe harm, 250,000 acquire immunity to a deadly disease. By any rational measure, the rare costs are far outweighed by the vast benefits.

But in their efforts to help these few victims, the courts are not always guided by reason. Huge damages have been levied against the vaccine's manufacturers, even though they weren't guilty of negligence and even though they had provided warning of the risks of inoculation. These foster more litigation. Last year Lederle Laboratories, one maker of the vaccine, was hit with about 100 suits, as many as had been filed in the previous three years.

The worst problem is that the generosity of the courts makes it almost impossible for a manufacturer or an insurer to gauge the company's potential liability. As a result, one of the three manufacturers of the vaccine has gotten

out of the business entirely, and the price per shot has risen a hundredfold.

The same trend has affected other vaccines as well. Realizing that a few large verdicts can consume all their profits, dozens of companies have abandoned the market in recent years, and only two still invest heavily in vaccine research. The risk is that badly needed vaccines may be unavailable — saving the few from severe reactions, exposing the many to serious illness.

Fortunately, President Reagan has signed a bill intended to avert that danger. Sympathetic to the suffering of families with children badly hurt by vaccines, Congress has approved a compensation fund through which manufacturers would pay for the damage. Conscious of the need to protect drug manufacturers from outrageous damage awards, it also has shielded them from unreasonable lawsuits.

The compensation will be financed through an excise tax of about \$4 per vaccine. Anyone who can show an injury from an inoculation is entitled to funds to cover expenses for medical care, rehabilitation and the like, plus up to \$250,000 for pain and suffering. Freed from having to sue, the injured are assured prompt compensation, without having to go to court or pay a lawyer.

Though lawsuits still are allowed, that option will be less attractive. Anyone who sues forever forfeits the right to compensation from the fund. To win, a plaintiff has to prove that the vaccine maker was guilty of negligence or wrongdoing. In addition, it will be more difficult to get punitive damages, which are to blame for some of the most absurd awards and which ought to be

abolished entirely.

Despite these improvements, the Reagan administration opposes the program, and the president signed the bill only because it also liberalizes restrictions on drug exports, a measure he favors. But the Justice Department has dismissed the vaccine portion as "a major new entitlement program for which no legitimate need has been demonstrated" and which is likely to "exacerbate rather than help cure the vaccine supply crisis."

But the "legitimate need" of families unexpectedly hit with costs that may run into millions of dollars, due to an inoculation that in most places is compulsory, is hard to dispute. And while judges may misapply the law to facilitate big awards, most manufacturers apparently think the language is tight enough to prevent abuses. If the changes were likely to expose these companies to greater liability, they wouldn't be supporting them.

Critics on the other side may think the new law is bad precisely because the makers support it. But it doesn't exactly give them a license to harm children. Vaccines are already strictly regulated by the federal government. And the fund assures full compensation to the few children who suffer in spite of the best efforts of the government and the manufacturer.

No compromise is perfect, but this one reasonably accommodates the interests of both manufacturers and parents, with the only losers being lawyers. Given the need to ensure a continuing supply of vaccines, so indispensable to protecting public health, it would be irresponsible not to give it a chance.

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Paul Harvey

Webster's holstered actions

FBI Director William Webster does not avoid limelight; he just has no time for it.

He does not claim the front page of each FBI report for himself because he prefers action to rhetoric.

In the image of the legendary lawmen of the early West, Bill Webster's holstered gun commands all the respect he needs.

In New York City four reputed heads of four different crime families — the Colombo family, the Gambino family, the Lucchese family and the Genovese family — were placed on trial.

Since the FBI joined forces with Drug Enforcement Agency four years ago, there have been over 40 long-term undercover operations and 6,900 individuals convicted! In 1985 alone, joint FBI-DEA investigations led to the forfeiture of \$60 million in assets.

In 1982, the FBI drew a bead on terrorists. In January of that year, a 50-member hostage rescue team was trained, equipped, made ready. Thus prepared to anticipate crises, the FBI, in

August 1985, quietly corralled 13 Macheteros terrorists in Puerto Rico.

You don't see Bill Webster often on talk shows. You hear from him, instead, in the "sudden silence" — when the rocket bombings of federal buildings stop.

Terrorist incidents in the United States numbered more than 100 in 1977. Four years ago, 51. Three years ago, 31. Nineteen eighty-four there were 13, last year — seven. So far, five in 1986.

And last year 23 specific terrorist acts were intercepted — prevented — by the FBI. So far, one this year.

The FBI's total number of investigative personnel is only one-third the size of the police force of New York City, yet the bureau investigates violations of over 200 categories of federal statutes.

Organized crime families in the United States have numerically more manpower than the FBI, yet the FBI stands alone and effectively between them and us.

During 1985 the bureau's work led to 2,960 convictions and 3,803 indictments of organized crime figures.

My file on FBI convictions in just the past year fills 60 pages. It includes corraling "most-wanted" criminals and tracking down the nuts who put cyanide in drugstore medicines.

White-collar crime adds 15 percent to the price of everything you buy; only heaven knows how much it would add were it not for the constant vigilance of the FBI.

But there's more to the FBI than crime-fighting. The bureau also is highly regarded for providing training classes, laboratory examinations, fingerprint checks, criminal record checks and other services to law enforcement personnel.

The FBI. One of the few agencies of government that obtains more money, through fines, recoveries and potential economic loss prevented, than it costs to run it!

Bill Webster — lead on!

Competition spawns cheaper phone rates

By Robert Walters

WASHINGTON (NEA) — In its sales promotions, the Independent Communications Network promised potential customers they could make an unlimited number of long-distance telephone calls for a fixed monthly fee of \$100.

But those who signed up with ICN quickly discovered that the Cody, Wyo., firm lacked adequate circuits to serve its customers, especially during business hours. The fierce competition for access to the ICN network meant that the supposedly unlimited calls were indeed very limited.

US Sprint, the country's third largest telephone company, does indeed have adequate circuits — but its customers often find themselves on hold for 30 minutes or more when they call

to talk with company representatives.

"We know that many of you have experienced busy signals and long wait times before you were connected with one of our representatives," the Kansas City, Mo., company recently acknowledged in a mailing to its customers.

Finally, an unlikely leader has emerged to provide low-cost long-distance telephone service. It's the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., long reviled by customers and competitors for its high prices.

AT&T has just submitted to the Federal Communications Commission its fourth rate cut proposal in less than three years — and the company expects to file a fifth rate reduction plan with the FCC in December.

The alternative long-distance carriers — MCI Communications, US

Sprint, Allnet, Western Union, ITT and others — that were founded on the premise that AT&T was overcharging its customers now are scrambling to match AT&T's declining prices.

That topsy-turvy situation typifies the unsettled, newly deregulated world of telecommunications that has been dramatically transformed since Jan. 1, 1984.

That was the effective date of an historic agreement — signed by officials of AT&T and the federal government — that formally ended the company's virtual monopoly on the nation's telephone industry.

AT&T has been able to subsequently slash rates because it had a countrywide network already in place. In contrast, its leading competitors have been required to spend billions of dol-

lars to build their own networks.

AT&T estimates that when its recently proposed rates go into effect early next year, the price of its long-distance service will have been slashed 27 percent in three years.

Customers of other long-distance services now find that rates throughout the industry are virtually identical — and lower than ever before.

Moreover, they're likely to go even lower because the construction of three nationwide long-distance networks will produce excess capacity that probably will be sold at drastically reduced rates.

Thus, the competition spawned by deregulation has produced some confusion and even some deception — but also some very notable bargains for long-distance customers.

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Texas

Expert cites problems in punch-card voting

AUSTIN (AP) — Punch-card voting systems can be confounded by sophisticated computer experts or laymen armed with chewing gum, says a specialist who tests ballot systems used in Pennsylvania.

Michael Shamos of Pittsburgh told the House Committee on Elections Tuesday that the punch-card systems commonly used in Texas are fraught with potential problems.

"It's axiomatic in the computer industry that all large computer programs include errors," he testified.

Shamos, an attorney and computer expert, is a voting systems examiner for the Pennsylvania

Bureau of Elections, which tests systems used in that state.

Virtually all the systems have problems, he said. "These problems, to me, are of nightmarish proportions," he told the state lawmakers.

The tests in Pennsylvania are relatively simple, sometimes using as few as 12 ballots, according to Shamos.

"We send in some ballots and see what comes out. You'd be amazed at the number of times these systems don't count a dozen ballots correctly," he said.

"The fact that a system works on small tests does not give me great confidence that there's not

something funny going on on Election Day," he added.

Election Day "funny" business can range from sophisticated computer tampering to something as simple as a wad of gum strategically placed to plug up a hole on a punch card, according to Shamos.

In addition to fraud, punch-card systems are far from error-free, he said.

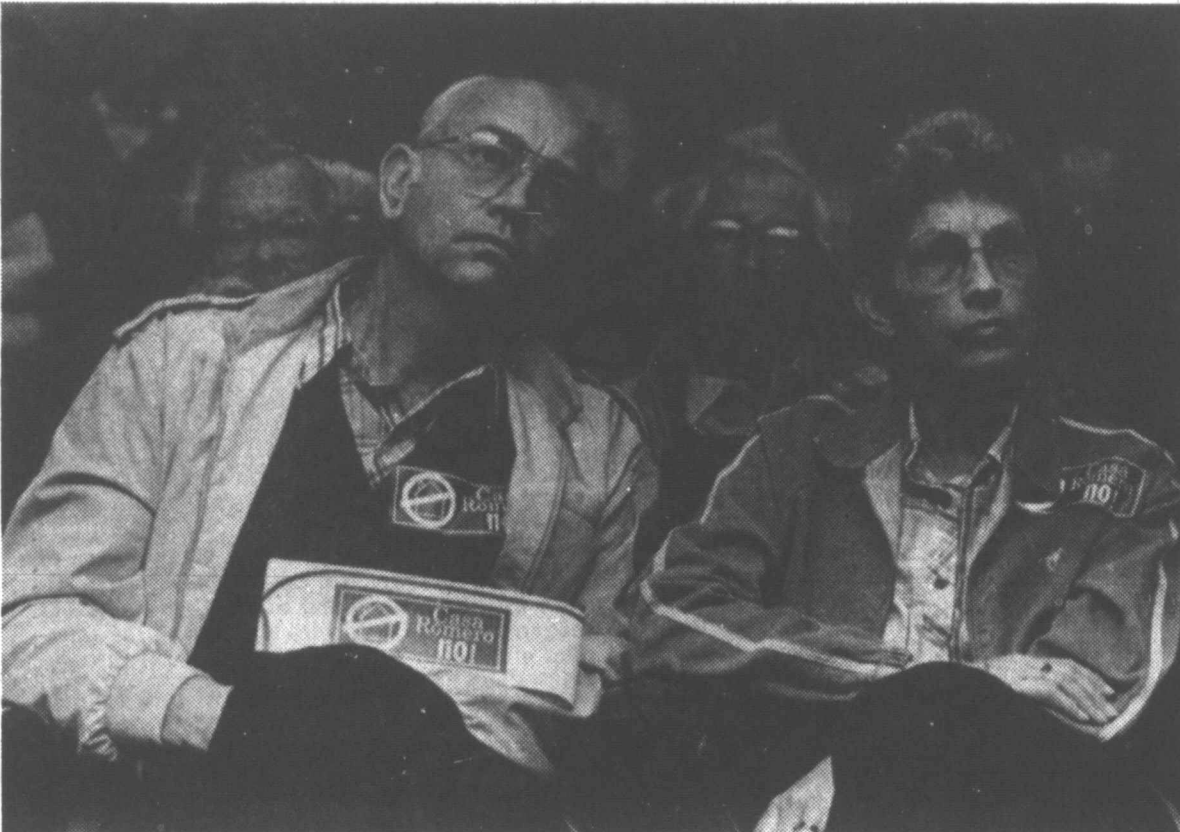
He said the best thing about punch cards is that they can be quickly counted. But he said the systems' susceptibility to fraud and error "present great dangers to the electorate." Shamos said many elections across the nation depend on a system developed by one company.

"Once you have central control you do have the possibility of central tampering," he said.

Shamos said punch cards make it difficult for voters to know when they've erred. And when they do realize they've made a mistake, he said they face the embarrassment of telling election officials "I'm stupid."

The committee is looking at the effect of computers on voting. Chairman Clint Hackney, D-Houston, said he is afraid computers have become an Election Day fixture without sufficient scrutiny from lawmakers and officials.

"There have been accusations of some problems in Texas," Hackney said.



(AP Laserphoto)

Concerned citizens of Brownsville, Jim and Audrey Nuss, listen to Cameron County commissioners temporarily suspend building permits which would have allowed the Catholic Church to relocate Casa Oscar Romero virtually across the street from the couple.

Diocese told to suspend new refugee shelter construction

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — The Brownsville Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church has until Dec. 5 to move a shelter for Central American refugees out of San Benito but won't know until Dec. 8 if it can continue construction at a new site near Brownsville.

Diocesan official Hernan Gonzalez says he doesn't know what steps the church will now take to find a home for Casa Oscar Romero.

"I'm disappointed the commission took this action," Gonzalez said Tuesday after Cameron County commissioners voted 4-0 to suspend building permits for five mobile homes and a restroom on six acres east of Brownsville.

Several elderly people wearing stickers that said "Casa Romero, no!" crowded around Gonzalez after the meeting, accusing the church of "admitting criminals" and bringing in illegal aliens that the government was spending millions of dollars trying to keep out of the country.

The commission agreed to reconsider the permits at a Dec. 8 meeting but told diocesan officials to suspend construction until then.

More than 200 people, many of them Winter Texans who live in mobile homes near the diocese's land, attended Tuesday's meeting to protest the

shelter.

Commissioner D.J. Lerma said Bishop John Fitzpatrick of the Brownsville diocese was guilty of breaking one of the Ten Commandments: "Thou shalt not steal."

"He's robbing these (mobile home) owners of money. They're losing money. The value of their property will come down if this is established down there," Lerma said. "He should be nice to the local people, not the illegal aliens."

Gonzalez said he had no comment on whether the diocese would consider another location.

Reynaldo Garza Jr., an attorney representing the diocese, said he questioned whether the commission has the authority to suspend building permits.

"Our biggest fear is the illegal aliens coming into the neighborhood. There are no controls on them at all," said Lee Zieger, who represented the mobile home owners before the commission. "Once you've dealt with a bad one, another one will be there the next day."

It has housed up to 500 people at a time. Lucio said the shelter has only enough square footage to accommodate 50 people a night without violating city building codes.

Former judge avoids prison sentence

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Former Duval County Judge Archer Parr, who escaped a prison term for violating his probation, still faces drunken driving charges in Nueces County.

State District Judge Darrell Hester ruled Tuesday that Parr would remain on probation although he was charged with driving while intoxicated.

Parr told the court he had several health problems and promised to seek treatment for what he described as a severe drinking problem.

"I don't think you'd live through another penitentiary term," Hester told Parr, 60, at the probation revocation hearing in Cameron County.

"You've made a lot of promises this morning and a lot of resolutions, and we'll see how you've kept them at the end of six months," Hester told Parr.

Hester ordered Parr to return to his court for another hearing in May.

Cameron County prosecutor Rick Lara said Parr faced up to 10 years in prison for the probation violation.

Parr had served eight years of a 10-year probated sentence on 1978 felony charges of stealing equipment and services from Duval County. He was stopped Sept. 1 and charged with DWI.

The former judge was arrested by Texas Rangers at his home in Alice earlier this month on charges he violated his probation by being arrested on the DWI charge. Hester ordered Parr be held without bond in Cameron County pending the hearing Tuesday.

The DWI charge is pending in Nueces County District Court, said Lara, who argued that Parr be kept on strict probation.

"I know I've got to have help," Parr testified. "If I'm going to survive as a human being I know I've got to. I don't have any choice in the matter."

Parr was given a deferred adjudication on the 1978 charges, meaning that at the end of his 10-year probated term Hester will determine whether to drop the charges, Lara said.

Parr said he realized he had a drinking problem in August but felt he couldn't do anything about it at the time.

"I have learned my lesson," he said. After 19 days in the Cameron County Jail, Parr said he real-

ized "what a doggone fool I've been. I thought drinking would solve my problems but it hasn't solved a doggone one of them."

Prior to the 1978 charges, Parr had served three years of a 10-year prison sentence after being convicted of lying to a federal grand jury.

Hester was appointed to hear a number of cases involving political corruption in Duval County after a special task force organized by then-Attorney General John Hill uncovered numerous cases of thefts of services and equipment from the county.

WACO (AP) — A 30-year-old postal employee has been sentenced to three 4-year terms in federal prison for selling marijuana at the main post office in Waco.

U.S. District Judge Walter Smith ordered Tuesday that Rudy Torres of Waco serve the sentences concurrently and then complete two years of special parole.

A federal jury convicted Torres on Oct. 28 of three counts of selling marijuana at the main post

office, where he was a distribution clerk.

Torres and several other postal employees were arrested by U.S. Postal Service inspectors last

May 6 on charges of selling drugs. The arrests culminated a nine-month investigation in which undercover agents made drug purchases on post office property from employees.

Drury L. Singleton, 29, of Axtell was sentenced to three years in federal prison and two years of special parole. Joe D. Rosas Jr., 29, and Vernon Clark, 39, both of

Waco, were sentenced to two years in federal prison and two years of special parole. Fred L. Smith, 41, of Waco was sentenced to five years in federal prison and three years of special parole.

White opposing merger plans

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Mark White, while reiterating general opposition to proposed state college mergers, hints that a plan to combine two South Texas schools might have merit.

White flatly rejected Tuesday proposals for mergers of Texas Woman's University and North Texas State and between the University of Houston-Downtown and Texas Southern University.

But he sounded less emphatic about a suggested merger of Corpus Christi State University and Texas A&I at Kingsville. Some boosters of the plan say it could increase the number of doctoral programs available to South Texas students.

"I do not support any of those mergers. I would just look very cautiously at the one in South Texas because there is the prospect of some enhancement and strengthening of programs," White told news reporters.

"The other prospects (TWU-North Texas and Houston-TSU), I think, would diminish educational quality. That one (Corpus Christi-A&I) has some potential — depending on how it's done," White said.

The three mergers are being considered by the Select Committee on Higher Education, which is scheduled to vote on recommendations next month.

White said any merger proposal must be analyzed carefully.

White opposing merger plans

"The way in which you strengthen those institutions is very important," he said.

"You have to make very wise choices, and certainly that expansion of doctoral programs is something that could be done. I'm just trying to make clear that some of these mergers are not, I think, well thought out."

White said merging North Texas State with Texas Woman's University would reduce alumni support for both schools.

"People that went to those schools are proud of their schools and are going to be working to support those institutions. I think that you diminish that support when you talk merger," he said.

"What do you think you'd do to the alumni support if you merged the University of Texas and (Texas) A&M? That tells you what I'm talking about."

On another subject, the governor said he hasn't made a final decision on a career after he leaves office in January.

"I've been talking to a whole bunch of people and I'm very excited about the prospects," he said. "I've had several opportunities to do that (stay in Austin) and I'm sure I'll have some responsibilities here, but I'm not certain where we'll be on a permanent basis."

Comanche Peak delayed again

DALLAS (AP) — The completion of the Comanche Peak nuclear power plant in Glen Rose has been delayed again, and the estimated cost is now almost 10 times the original estimate.

Texas Utilities Electric Co. predicted Tuesday the plant's Unit 1 reactor should be in operation by early 1989, and Unit 2 is not expected to start up until after the summer of 1989.

Estimated costs for the plant, located 80 miles southwest of Dallas, have risen to about \$7.5 billion from an estimate of \$5.46 billion made a year ago. The original estimate for Comanche Peak when construction on the plant began in 1974 was \$779 million.

Last November, Unit 1 was scheduled to start up in mid-1987, with Unit 2 beginning operation six months later. However, schedule revisions made by TUEC in July set Unit 1's opening date at after the summer of 1988 due to modifications made necessary by additional safety inspections.

A TUEC statement Tuesday said the plant eventually should generate 2,300 megawatts of power and the plant is costing \$3,300 per kilowatt.

TUEC attributed the delay and cost increase to a detailed investigation of safety measures and construction of the plant, related plant modifications and the licensing process.

Intended to correct earlier concerns about Comanche Peak's safety voiced by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and other groups, the analysis of the plant's safety has been under way since late 1984.

"At the conclusion of this program, we will be able to assure ourselves and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission that all safety concerns have been identified and corrective actions completed," said Michael D. Spence, president of TUEC's generating division. "We are committed to making Comanche Peak one of the safest nuclear plants in the nation."

Postman sentenced for selling marijuana

WACO (AP) — A 30-year-old postal employee has been sentenced to three 4-year terms in federal prison for selling marijuana at the main post office in Waco.

U.S. District Judge Walter Smith ordered Tuesday that Rudy Torres of Waco serve the sentences concurrently and then complete two years of special parole.

A federal jury convicted Torres on Oct. 28 of three counts of selling marijuana at the main post

office, where he was a distribution clerk.

Torres and several other postal employees were arrested by U.S. Postal Service inspectors last

May 6 on charges of selling drugs. The arrests culminated a nine-month investigation in which undercover agents made drug purchases on post office property from employees.

Drury L. Singleton, 29, of Axtell was sentenced to three years in federal prison and two years of special parole. Joe D. Rosas Jr., 29, and Vernon Clark, 39, both of

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Contras, critics challenge Reagan's account

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan, gripped by the deepest crisis of his presidency, is under fresh challenge from congressional critics and even Contra leaders who dispute the White House claim that profits from the secret sales of arms to Iran helped finance their war against Nicaragua's leftist government.

With many questions still unresolved, Reagan was escaping the skeptics of Washington today, setting out for a five-day Thanksgiving holiday in the solitude of his California mountaintop ranch.

The only public activity on today's schedule was the annual presentation of a Thanksgiving turkey to the president.

Reagan was forced to plead ignorance of operations within his own White House — the funneling of money from the sale of arms to Iran to the Contras — and in the balance as he prepared to leave town was whether the admission had been so damaging as to cripple his ability to function in office, as some Democrats were suggesting.

A key Republican in the Senate said the disclosures may kill off Reagan's newly approved plan to help finance the Contras' war against Nicaragua's leftist government.

Complicating matters further is the flat denial by two top Contra leaders that they had received anything like the sums that Attorney General

Edwin Meese said Tuesday were deposited in Contra bank accounts in Switzerland.

"We know absolutely nothing about the money that has been referred to today," said Adolfo Calero, leader of the Nicaraguan Democratic Force, the largest Contra army.

He said that during 1986 the Contras had received only "a trickle of money," estimating it at \$300,000 to \$500,000 in addition to humanitarian aid approved by Congress.

Reagan went before reporters Tuesday to admit he had not been informed of activities in the White House basement where the National Security Council, a presidential advisory unit, operates.

There, according to a hasty investigation last weekend by Meese, staff aide Oliver North, a Marine lieutenant colonel, oversaw a plan under which arms from the U.S. stockpile were sold to Iranians, through Israeli intermediaries, for more than they cost.

The difference between what the Iranians paid and what the United States got back — as much as \$30 million — went to numbered Swiss bank accounts, Meese said.

Reagan announced the departure of Vice Adm. John Poindexter, head of the NSC, and the firing of North, but he left it to Meese to disclose North's secret means of financing the Contras at a time

Congress had shut off U.S. assistance.

Meese said he will continue an inquiry which will announce whether any laws have been broken, and the president promised the creation of an independent commission, its members chosen by him, to conduct whether the NSC had become an independent force, answerable to no one, as critics charged.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said the panel is to be named within a few days. An administration official said former Republican Sen. John Tower of Texas would be a member, possibly the chairman.

Reagan continued to defend his decision to sell arms to Iranians in hopes of establishing relationships with moderates. However, he said, the implementation of that policy was "seriously flawed."

The Central American connection was the latest bizarre twist in a three-week crisis that has wrenched Reagan's administration and split his team. It began with the Election Day disclosure by a Lebanese magazine of the arms sales to Iran despite a U.S. arms embargo to a nation it calls a sponsor of terrorism.

Trying to close ranks with Reagan after displaying unhappiness over the Iranian arms deal earlier, Secretary of State George Shultz said he in-

tended to stay on the job. "I support the president fully, and across the board."

From Congress came calls for appointment of a special prosecutor to investigate whether the administration broke the law.

Meese said the first U.S.-sanctioned shipment to Iran took place in August or September of 1985 without Reagan's knowledge and was approved by the president only after the fact. Meese confirmed that Israel acted as the intermediary between the United States and Iran.

It was not until last February, Meese said, that Reagan learned of another shipment — this one in November of 1985. Meese said those arms were returned later to Israel by Iran.

He said that with North's knowledge, \$10 million to \$30 million collected from the Iranians by Israeli middlemen was deposited into numbered Swiss bank accounts for withdrawal by the Contras.

House Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Texas, said Meese, briefing congressional leaders, described at least one of the transactions this way: Arms were sold to the Iranians for \$19 million, after which the CIA reimbursed the Pentagon \$3 million, covering its costs.

Of the \$16 million "residue," Wright said, some \$12 million was deposited in a numbered Swiss bank account for the Contras.



President Reagan steps aside as Attorney General Edwin Meese prepares to talk to reporters at the White House Tuesday.

Lawmakers seek more resignations, predict ban on new aid to Contras

WASHINGTON (AP) — The revelation that Iranian arms money funded Contras in Nicaragua is leading stunned legislators of both parties to call for more firings and new investigations of Reagan administration foreign policy. They also are predicting that Congress will ban further U.S. aid for the Nicaraguan rebels.

Most appeared surprised by the White House announcement of the connection between secret arms shipments to Iran and military aid to the guerrillas trying to overthrow Nicaragua's leftist government.

President Reagan announced the removal of his national security adviser, Vice Adm. John Poindexter, and his assistant, Marine Lt. Col. Oliver North. Attorney General Edwin Meese said money from the Iranian arms sales went into a Swiss bank account for use by the Contras.

"Today you have a situation in which two policies are colliding around a Geneva bank account," said Sen. David Durenberger, R-Minn., chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee.

He said his panel is investigating the tangled situation, but "it is way beyond our wildest imagination" that something like it would occur. "It comes as a shock."

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., incoming chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said, "the Reagan administration has to understand that they cannot abuse the laws of democracy to foster democracy abroad."

Nunn said there should be an investigation of whether laws were violated, including the Boland Amendment, which bars U.S. support for overthrowing Nicaragua's Sandinista government, and the 1977 Arms Export Control Act, which limits the transfer abroad of U.S. weapons.

Durenberger, an opponent of Contra aid, said, "I suspect it will be a cold day in Washington before

any more money goes to Nicaragua. Ollie North may have killed his Nicaragua program."

Nunn, a backer of Contra aid, concurred. "Contra aid was already a very close question," and the latest revelation "puts it in further jeopardy."

Congress last month changed its earlier position and voted to permit \$100 million, including \$70 million in military aid, to the Contras.

Senate Democratic Leader Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., said, "It was a shocking revelation and it further shows up the chaotic state of our foreign policy."

Byrd said Reagan should "admit it was a mistake and pick up from there."

House Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Texas, said he thought the operation violated the Boland Amendment, at least in spirit, and said it "defies credulity" to believe that North "could be making foreign policy."

"Surely someone else had to be involved in discussing it," Wright said. "The president should have been aware. If nobody knew of it, that in itself is a confession of a great void in the execution of our foreign policy."

But Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., called the Iran arms-Contra connection "a bizarre twist" and urged people to "do everything possible to resist" the temptation "to act and speak before they think or before all the facts are known."

But Democrats didn't wait. Sen. Gary Hart, D-Colo., said "An atmosphere of recklessness and lawlessness has permeated foreign policy." And Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, said, "It is clear from what has been said that laws have been violated" and called for an independent special prosecutor to investigate.

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, said his view of U.S. foreign policy is "complete and total disarray, of a president not in charge of his administration."

Reagan sticks with his style

WASHINGTON (AP) — Even when confronted with the most serious crisis of his political career, President Reagan is not attacking the problem but letting his staff bring him information and propose solutions, as is his custom.

Never one to get bogged down in detail, Reagan has managed the presidency with detachment, making decisions from the options presented to him, delivering speeches when and where his aides suggest and generally playing the part of a strong leader, a role the American public found most attractive.

That leadership style, popular as it was, depended on a strong, competent staff capable of presenting problems to Reagan for his consideration and carrying out his policies with a minimum of guidance from the top.

The system broke down, it was revealed Tuesday, in the secrecy-shrouded operations of Reagan's National Security Council staff.

But as doubts and questions mushroomed re-

garding his apparently self-contradictory policy toward Iran and terrorism, Reagan remained a passive president.

In describing the most recent bizarre turn of events, Attorney General Edwin Meese, the president's longtime friend and adviser, revealed that Reagan had little to do with uncovering the skimming of Iranian weapons payments for Nicaraguan rebels.

The president himself, speaking from a prepared text, told reporters he had become concerned about the completeness of the information he had received regarding the Iranian arms shipments he previously had approved and "directed the attorney general to undertake a review of this matter over the weekend and report to me on Monday."

Asked what prompted Reagan to go to Meese and tell him to look into the matter, the attorney general said, "He didn't. I came to him."

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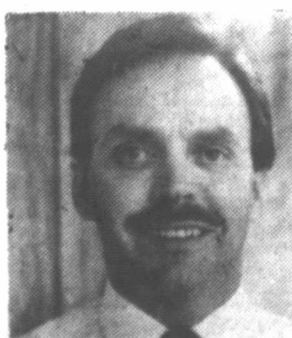
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Humorist uses down-home wit to flavor social commentary

By MICHELLE LOCKE
Associated Press Writer

DENTON, Texas (AP) — Between drought, pestilence and the occasional range war, life on the frontier was no joke.

But coping with the rigors of pioneer life forged a unique brand of humor — stories with the bite of a barbed wire fence and the charm of a country drawl, says folk humorist John Henry Faulk.

"It made the traveling easier because life was very grim," he says.

A spell of disastrously dry weather might be shrugged off as "it's so bad the buzzards are carrying rattions and wearing goggles." Or a feckless neighbor might be dismissed with the phrase, "He'd lie on credit when he could tell the truth for cash."

What made frontier Texans laugh was the combination of a sophisticated jab cloaked in country-boy naivete, says Faulk, 73, who has paired social commentary with down-home wit in a successful career in radio and television, as well as after-dinner speaking.

"I make a great deal of money and it's nothing more than that, an dealing with a Texas theme," he said in a recent interview on the campus of

North Texas State University in Denton.

"There's an ironic quality, a satiric quality," he said.

Pushing back wispy gray hair, he dropped his voice into a scratchy, backwoods drawl: "Yes, Lyndon, bless his heart, he's like a baby mockingbird. A whole lot of mouth and very little bird."

"This makes a comment. It's not a savage comment, not a cruel comment. This is the type of humor that enchants me, that delights me. It's the kind of humor I was raised on. It's a putdown, but it's a gentle putdown," said Faulk, who made some of his most famous jokes during Lyndon Johnson's presidency.

Faulk traces the roots of his own style of Texas humor to his upbringing in Austin and to the influence of J. Frank Dobie, a pioneer in the field of Southwestern literature.

"I had the good fortune of being raised by parents who were products of the frontier," he says, launching into a spate of stories detailing the extremes of country hospitality. "I can remember when there were 16 people in the house, kinfolks in varying degrees of indigency."

In 1936, a friend of the family came to listen to the radio broadcast of the presidential elections on the

radio, he says. "It was a Tuesday night I remember. Momma asked him to stay over. He left just after World War II."

Despite his upbringing, Faulk said he didn't learn to study the natural humor of folklore until he met Dobie while studying law at the University of Texas. "Dobie taught me to listen to the everyday folks," he said. "I gained a completely new look at Texans."

Shunning law, Faulk dropped out of school and turned to folk humor under the tutelage of Dobie, starting a career that has spanned jobs as a folk humorist on CBS radio during the 1950s, appearances on the television show "Hee-Haw," speaking engagements and a one-man show.

Faulk's life took a serious turn when he lost his radio job after being blacklisted. He later sued the group that branded him a communist and won a \$3.5 million judgment. He said that experience sharpened his interest in constitutional rights, a major part of his new one-man show, "Deep in the Heart," which recently completed a sold-out run at the Chocolate Bayou Theater in Houston.

A keen-eyed man with a weathered complexion, Faulk has the same double-edged qualities as the humor he describes, switching easily from rural

Texas voices to the measured diction of a statesman when he expounds on the history and implications of the Constitution.

Faulk uses his style of Texas humor to take on complex subjects such as free speech and foreign policy, staying close to his trademark folksy approach to tell tall tales about subjects ranging from pacifism to Lyndon B. Johnson.

"(LBJ's presidency) was a heyday for me," he said.

One of his most popular jokes was a Texas perspective on the presidency: "Thank God, at last we've got a president in the White House who ain't got an accent."

"It was a big hit. But you have to be from Texas to tell it," he said.

Texas humor can have a sharper edge, Faulk said. For his Vietnam era commentary, he invented a character called Cousin Ed Snodgrass who cheered the war and booed protesters.

"I'd say, 'Cousin Ed, don't you believe in the right to free assembly?'" Faulk's Snodgrass character replies, "Of course, I believe in the right to free assembly. It's a sacred American right, the right to free assembly. What I'm trying to put a stop to is this criticism."

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North reportedly ran secret Nicaraguan war

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lt. Col. Oliver North, fired for his role in diverting money from Iranian arms sales to Nicaraguan Contras, managed a secret network of former military and intelligence operatives who assisted the rebels during a two-year ban on U.S. aid, government officials say.

North, a key aide to President Reagan, emerged as the chief contact between the U.S. government and the Contras after Congress — angered by the CIA's mining of Nicaragua's harbors — barred U.S. military aid to the rebels in 1984.

But in explaining North's dismissal Tuesday, Attorney General Edwin Meese said Reagan was unaware that since January North had overseen the sale of U.S. weapons through Israeli intermediaries to Iran with \$10 million to \$30 million in profits going to the Contras' Swiss bank accounts.

"The president knew nothing about it until I reported it to him (Monday)," Meese said about the transactions. "The only person who precisely knew about this was Colonel North."

Congressional leaders immediately questioned how a Marine lieutenant colonel, who is one of several National Security Council deputy directors for political-military affairs, could have conducted such an operation on his own.

House Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Texas, said it "defies credulity" that a field-grade officer "could be making foreign policy for the United States. ... If nobody knew of it, that in itself is a confession of a great void in the execution of our foreign policy."

Administration officials said that while North always operated under orders, he would sometimes use wide discretion in carrying out policy that was entrusted to him. Besides Nicaragua, they said he was a principal planner in the 1983 invasion of Grenada, the decision to send U.S. Marines into Beirut, Lebanon, and the 1985 capture of the hijackers of the Achille Lauro cruise ship.

One administration official described North as "a cabal of one" in directing White House policy against leftist-ruled Nicaragua during the two-year congressional aid ban. The official, like most others who detailed North's activities, spoke only on condition of anonymity.

North's role as a leading, behind-the-scenes figure with the Contras dates back to early 1984 when he drafted a three-page memo that proposed relying on private Americans and third countries, including Israel, to keep the Contras supplied during the cutoff, according to current and former

White House officials.

The officials said the plan was approved orally by Reagan and that it fell to North to implement.

Although North met frequently with Contra leaders during the aid ban, officials said he often relied on assistants to handle matters he considered legally risky. Officials said three primary intermediaries were retired Air Force Maj. Gen. Richard Secord, retired Army Maj. Gen. John K. Singlaub and conservative activist Robert W. Owen.

North also has been linked to the Contra air supply operation based at El Salvador's Ilopango military airport. That operation came to light Oct. 5 when an arms-laden, American-manned C-123K cargo plane was shot down over Nicaragua and one survivor, Eugene Hasenfus, claimed the operation was run by two Cuban-Americans who worked for the CIA.

Salvadoran telephone records for one of the safe houses used by the Cuban-Americans show repeated calls in September to North's private lines at the NSC. The administration, however, has denied any involvement in the supply operation.

One well-placed administration official said North organized the air operation, using Secord, a

former top Pentagon official, to obtain the airplanes. The official said Secord also assisted North in the Iranian weapons deal, which surfaced this month with public disclosures in the Middle East.

The Washington Post reported in today's editions that Transportation Department records show that earlier this year Southern Air Transport, a former CIA company, carried four plane loads of unidentified cargo from Kelly Air Force Base in Texas to Tel Aviv.

The Post quoted informed sources as saying those shipments, in February and May, occurred at the same time U.S. arms went from the United States to Iran by way of Israel.

The Associated Press first reported North's role in aiding the Contras last year. In a letter to Congress on Sept. 5, 1985, then-national security adviser Robert McFarlane declared that no one on the NSC staff violated "the letter or spirit of the law" prohibiting U.S. officials from "directly or indirectly" aiding the Contras militarily.

North did not return telephone calls placed to his office Tuesday.

Retired Gen. Singlaub has acknowledged meeting regularly with North and receiving advice on the Contra aid program.



(AP Laserphoto)

Three-year-old Cody Dabrowski of Lake Carmel, N.Y., reaches out to a Teddy Ruxpin talking bear in a New York toy store.

High-tech gadgets, gabby critters beckon shoppers

NEW YORK (AP) — Toy guns that shoot beams of infrared light and a second-generation menagerie of talking animals will help determine whether retailers chortle "ho ho ho" or sigh "ho hum" over their sales this Christmas season.

High-tech toys are among the few standouts foreseen by industry analysts and retailers, who expect only mediocre sales increases overall this year in the \$12 billion toy market.

Some computerized cuddles come as plush toys, which have evolved into a number of new "life" forms since the species first appeared in the form of Teddy Ruxpin last year.

Action toys, from 22-year-old GI Joe to ultra-modern Lazer Tag, also are considered some of the most popular picks.

"So far there doesn't appear to be a single blockbuster hit in the toy industry as in past years when we had products such as Cabbage Patch (Kids) or Trivial Pursuit, which were big successes," said Charles Rottio, marketing projects director for the Toy Manufacturers of America.

Sales also are hindered by low supplies. Some shipments have been delayed because of production problems stemming from new technology, analysts say.

This is apparently the case for the electronic light guns marketed by Worlds of Wonder as Lazer Tag and by LJN Toys Ltd. as Photon. The space-

age version of tag, at \$40 to \$70 for the basic equipment, includes a pistol and sensor badge—a target worn by a player that beeps when hit by the gun's infrared light beam—and with Photon, a sensor helmet.

A few of this year's projected best sellers are already proven hits, including Worlds of Wonder's trend-setting Teddy Ruxpin, a talking, animated stuffed bear and Tonka's Pound Puppies line of stuffed dogs.

This year's shoppers will encounter the second generation of these critters, some of which build on the idea of Teddy Ruxpin, who talks and moves his eyes and mouth when a child inserts a cassette tape.

Some toy animals can echo a child's own words and other computer chip-controlled creatures make up random, sometimes interactive sentences.

Interactive versions include Hasbro's Yakkity Yaks, under the identities of Bingo Bear and Montgomery Monkey, Coleco Industries Inc.'s Talking Wrinkles, and Lewis Galoob Toys Inc.'s Baby Talk. A child operates the toy's mouth like a puppet or touches the figure in various places and it makes random remarks in response.

The interactive and chip-controlled toys range from \$60 to \$70, although some run a bit higher.

Airlines expecting record bookings for Thanksgiving

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of holiday travelers, spurred by discount fares and the prospects of an extra long weekend, are taking to the skies in what airlines expect to be record bookings for a Thanksgiving holiday.

The nation's jetliners are expected to carry about 10 percent more passengers over the next five days than during the Thanksgiving weekend a year ago with most of the rush coming today and Sunday. Some airlines are offering special fares for off-peak travel during the weekend, which is expected to add to the total passenger count.

"The expectations are that it will be the biggest Thanksgiving ever for air travel with 6.5 million passengers expected to travel over the five-day holiday period," said Bill Jackman, a spokesman for the Air Transport Association.

Along with the rush are likely to come delays, although Federal Aviation Administration and industry officials said the extent of the delays will depend largely on the weather.

The major airlines hope the busy holiday traffic will help move the industry into the black for the entire year. According to the Air Transport Association, the major airlines had a net loss of about \$100 million during the first nine months but could turn that around with a net profit of as much as \$700

million in the fourth quarter.

FAA spokesman Fred Farrar said the agency anticipates about 20 percent more flights than normal today with Sunday also expected to be a busy day. Normally there are about 1,600 domestic commercial airline flights daily.

The increase is not enough to cause air traffic control problems as long as the weather stays fine, said Farrar.

Many of the major airlines including United, Delta and American report bookings up 10 percent to 16 percent over last year and say there are indications of strong surges of traffic for the Christmas and New Year's travel periods as well.

Such increases reflect a dramatic gain, especially during holiday periods, when business normally is brisk and most airline seats are filled. Most travelers are taking advantage of discount fares by booking well in advance, but there are others as well who are still scrambling for a ticket.

"There are a lot of people planning in the last minute," said Bernice Rosmarin of Edison Travel in Edison, N.J., and while many will likely find an airline seat "they'll be paying top dollar" and may have to accept less than the most direct route or most convenient travel time.

Philippine cease-fire agreement reached

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — The government and negotiators for Communist rebels agreed today to a 60-day cease-fire to begin Dec. 10, a rebel negotiator said. There was no immediate confirmation from the government.

The two sides will sign the pact Thursday, said Satur Ocampo, a negotiator for the National Democratic Front.

Ocampo's announcement came four days before a deadline set by President Corazon Aquino for the rebels to accept a cease-fire. Otherwise, she said the government would break off the talks,

which have been under way since August.

The NDF, which has been negotiating on behalf of the Communist Party of the Philippines and its military wing, the New People's Army, had proposed a 100-day cease-fire. The insurgency began 17 years ago.

The government had proposed a 30-day truce, subject to extension if both sides agreed.

Also today, the command announced its support for the government's cease-fire formula and presidential spokesman Teodoro Benigno said Mrs. Aquino will announce her new Cabinet on Friday.

Playtex sells assets in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — International Playtex Inc., an American underwear maker, has sold all its South African assets to local management, the local manager said today without disclosing a reason or details.

The Stamford, Conn.-based company sold 100 percent of its assets to the local managers on Nov. 14, said Bill Quinn, managing director of Playtex Africa Ltd.

Palestinians convicted in Berlin

BERLIN (AP) — Two Palestinians accused in a West Berlin bombing were convicted today of attempted murder and weapons violations in a bombing attack they said was aided by Syria.

The court sentenced Ahmed Nawar Hasi, 35, to 14 years in prison and his accomplice, 39-year-old Farouk Salameh, to 13 years in prison. Both men had admitted to the March 29 bombing of the German-Arab Friendship Society, in which nine people were injured.

The court was expected to issue explanation of its verdict later

that could include a decision on whether Syria aided the attack.

Before the verdict was announced, a city justice official said prosecutors had issued an arrest warrant for an alleged high-ranking Syrian intelligence officer who they say helped plan the attack last March.

Syria's ambassador to East Germany, Faysal Sammak, in an interview Tuesday denied his country was involved.

"There is no connection or contact between us and these people," Sammak said.

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Amy in court



Amy Carter, daughter of former President Jimmy Carter, talks with fellow protesters during an appearance in Northampton, Mass., District Court Tuesday. She was arrested Monday night during a protest at the University of Massachusetts.

Winter Texans bringing more cheers than jeers

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) — Every year they come, in their RVs with their fishing tackle, golf clubs and summer clothes, as punctual as Santa Claus and just about as generous.

They are the "Winter Texans" who annually migrate from their chilly homes in the Midwest for the warmth and sun of the Rio Grande Valley.

The locals complain about traffic tie-ups — on the highways and in the grocery aisles.

But the complaints are of a subdued sort.

"Some people grumble that they can't get down the aisles of the grocery store, but they're smiling while they're complaining because those people bring in a lot of money into the Valley," said Chuck Giles, manager of the Valley Chamber of Commerce in Weslaco.

Estimates are that the snowbirds pump almost \$100 million into the economically depressed area and its border towns in Willacy, Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr counties. They come from places as near as Oklahoma and as far away as Canada.

The grateful Valley businesses return the favor by offering such things as senior citizen discounts, dances, bingo games and favored Kosher foods.

Unemployment is higher in the Valley than in other parts of the state. The citrus industry is recovering from a devastating freeze in December 1983. Peso devaluations since 1982 have forced many merchants on both sides of the border to shut down operations and lay off workers.

"I'm sure we give a boost to the economy," said Pearl Vance, a retired postal worker from Okla-

ma. "I'm sure the long lines aren't here before we get here, but then it's like Christmas everyday."

Mrs. Vance, who lives with her husband, Robert, in a trailer park in Weslaco, said that winter visitors try to schedule their shopping trips to make it more efficient for everyone.

"We try to go to the grocery store when the working people aren't there. We try to go at times when we can stay away from them," she said.

The estimated 100,000 snowbirds who visit from November through April bring in about \$92 million, and that \$92 million turns over several times, said Dr. Gilberto de los Santos, a professor at Pan American University in Edinburg.

"You have to look at the new money coming in and what does it mean in terms of the overall GNP in the Valley. When you look at the services provided and all that, it's still a small amount to the whole economy of the Rio Grande Valley," said de los Santos, whose university did a study of the economic impact of the Winter Texans.

Roy Romero, a travel counselor at the Texas Tourist Bureau, says many Winter Texans return to the area because they know that it needs their money.

"Some of them say, 'we bring down a lot of money and we should be given special treatment' and we say, 'we enjoy having you,'" Romero said.

"We kind of try to turn it around, telling them 'you sure are real nice people.' We don't try to look at everybody with a dollar sign on them, but they get more than their fair share," he said.

Garage sale junkies converge on big sale

By ROBERT CADWALLADER
Waco Tribune-Herald

ROSEBUD, Texas (AP) — Lewis Montgomery felt he had nothing to be ashamed of.

He'd been out shopping at several of the 110 garage sales in Rosebud Saturday, and he had a few good bargains to show for it — including the Bic lighter-size radio receiver he had in his hand.

He had talked its owner down from a dollar to a quarter.

"A lot of people don't like to do it because they think it's beneath them to buy things at a yard sale," said Montgomery, a resident of Tokio, a community near West. "But once they see the prices they can get, they are astounded."

Montgomery and wife Linda were among the swell of out-of-towners who filled Rosebud to the brim Saturday during its tourist-attraction effort.

It was the most fun the Montgomerys had had in the three years since they moved from San Diego, a haven of garage sales, they said.

"My brother was one of those who wouldn't go to a yard sale for nothing," Montgomery said. "They felt so sorry for us because we bought clothes and things at a yard sale."

Then one day his brother, a trucker, and his wife stopped by to visit. They decided to stay the weekend, but they needed some clothes.

"So we took them out shopping at yard sales and junk stores," Montgomery said. "He goes to them all the time, now."

Rosebud promoters, many of whom had their own garage and sidewalk sales, spent a lot of Saturday beaming about their first-ever garage sale cooperative.

They had spent weeks targeting Saturday as they day Central Texas would discover the Falls County town of 2,000.

"This is the most people Rosebud has ever had since I've been here, and I've been here since 1970," said Barbara Little. She had several tables of things set up on the sidewalk in front of the Physical Attractions health club that she owns downtown.

Bacteria in food served at school

HOUSTON (AP) — An unidentified bacteria was found in turkey, dressing and gravy served last week at Frost Elementary School where more than 300 students developed food poisoning, city officials say.

City Health Department spokeswoman Shirlene Bridgewater said Monday that there was "a problem with the way the turkey was handled in terms of time and temperature. It was cooked ahead of time and taken out of the refrigerator several times for handling and deboning."

The exact bacteria that caused the diarrhea, abdominal cramps and vomiting has not been isolated, but salmonella and shigella have been ruled out, Ms. Bridgewater said.

The type of bacteria should be identified next week.

She and Ellen Klein agreed that the attendance, which was especially heavy during the early morning hours, beat the attendance record held by the Rosebud Reunion Sesquicentennial parade.

Things were going so well that it was decided unofficially by mid-afternoon that Rosebud would start having a similar event twice a year.

"We want people to know that Rosebud is here," Mrs. Klein said.

Throughout the town, a visitor couldn't go more than a block without seeing a garage sale sign in front of a house and cars parked on both sides of the street.

They came from all over Central Texas and beyond.

Jean Reed and Ann Bush were a couple of serious shoppers from Houston, who left there at 5 a.m. Saturday to get into Rosebud before the choicest items were bargained away.

"Houston gets kind of boring after a while," Ms. Reed said.

Ortencia Salas and her husband made about 20 dozen tamales to sell at Lynda Soward's aunt's house.

At \$4 a dozen, she sold out of the tamales.

Lynda Soward is going to learn how to make tamales.

Which is not to say she and the other three families using her aunt's garage had any trouble unloading a lot of the shoes, nails, lamps and dishes stacked in the front yard.

But customers don't try to bargain down the price of tamales like they do everything else.

Mrs. Soward admits it's a little tiring cutting already cut-rate prices.

"It's nice when they pick up something and want to buy it for that price," she said. "That Christmas centerpiece — I wanted \$2.50 for it, but I said I would sell it for \$1.50. They said they would give me 50 cents, and I said, 'naw.'"

Judy Patterson was trying to sell for a dollar a pair of jeans that had been washed only twice, but one shopper offered 10 cents. She stuck on the tag price and finally got it.



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Report: Tax revenues eroded by falling farmland values

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sharp declines in farmland values and other economic crunches have eroded tax revenues so much in some rural areas that local officials often have to pinch pennies to fix potholes and pay for fire protection, an Agriculture Department report says.

Overall, property taxes account for about 27 percent of local tax revenues, the report said. But the share can average 50 percent to 70 percent in some parts of the Midwest and West.

The value of farmland has dropped to an average of \$596 per acre from a peak of \$823 in 1982, the report said. And that has meant a crunch on the rural tax base, particularly where agriculture is dominant.

According to a study by Tom Stinson, a former USDA economist now at the University of Minnesota, rising unemployment in the farm sector has increased the demand for public services in such areas as education, job retraining and placement, and mental health counseling.

The elimination of federal revenue sharing, until recently a key source of money for some counties, cities and townships, and possible cuts in state aid have added to local concerns, he said.

Stinson, whose work is described in a forthcoming issue of Farmland magazine, analyzed tax bases in farm-dependent rural counties in Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska and North Dakota. Some of his findings:

■ Tax delinquency rates have increased substantially. The dollar value of overdue taxes more than doubled in parts of Iowa and Minnesota between 1980 and 1985. In some Nebraska counties, delinquencies rose 70 percent in the same period.

■ Based on 1982 levels of local government spending, declines in agricultural property values over

the last few years could have produced a combination of tax increases and expenditure cuts in some areas that range from \$13 to \$199 per person.

"The decline in farmland values has been well documented for several years, but it's only now that rural cities and counties are realizing they have a problem," Stinson said. "That's because assessed land value in some areas are only adjusted periodically."

Falling property tax revenues alone probably wouldn't put many rural communities on the edge of hardship, he said. But when reduced tax revenues coincide with cuts in income from other sources, local governments may be forced to trim budgets and raise tax rates.

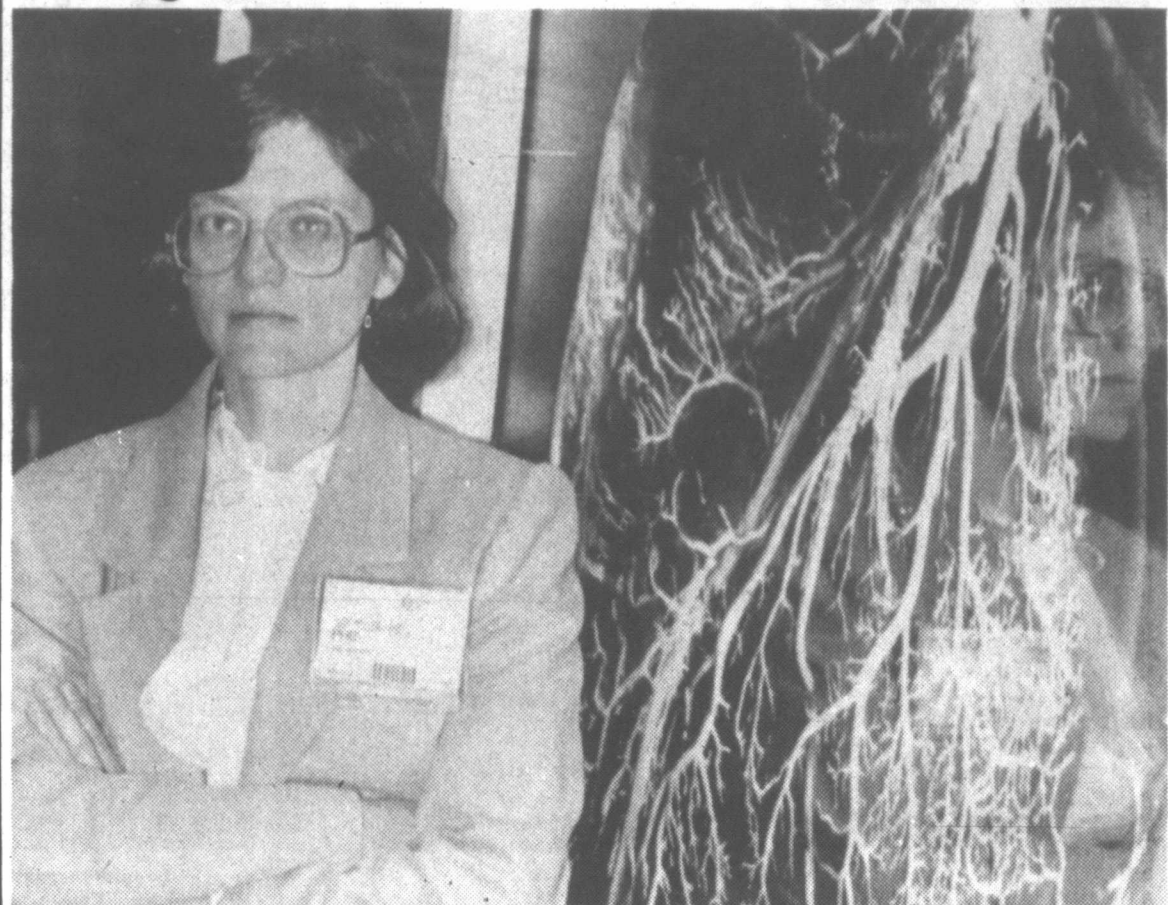
That has been the situation facing some school boards, townships and county governments in Arkansas, Minnesota and Nebraska, Stinson said.

County governments and school systems will be affected most directly by cutbacks in federal and state aid, and tax declines. In the areas studied, Stinson found that about 67 percent of farm-generated property taxes went to pay for the local school system, another 30 percent went to the county government, and 3 percent to townships for highway repairs, police and fire protection, and other services.

Stinson said that communities in grain-producing states like Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Minnesota and Arkansas will face the biggest challenge to keep municipal services intact.

Local governments dependent on farm generated property taxes in other states may have less of a problem because of their more diversified economies, he said.

Talking salt



Dr. Judy Miller of the Indiana University School of Medicine stands beside a large picture of a human heart in Dallas recently. Dr. Miller is part of a research group investigat-

ing a blood test which may identify people who need to reduce their salt intake to keep down their blood pressure.



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Tuxedo Park has a new look and new style

EDITOR'S NOTE — A century ago, Griswold Lorillard arrived at a fancy ball in Tuxedo Park wearing a tail-less dinner jacket, creating a sensation and establishing a fashion trend. The cut of the tuxedo hasn't changed much since then, but the blue-blooded neighborhood that gave it its name has a new look and a new style.

By RICK HAMPSON
Associated Press Writer

TUXEDO PARK, N.Y. (AP) — The men who once went house-to-house to wind the clocks or feed the goldfish don't make the rounds any more. Nannies have given way to baby sitters, and the last real butler left town a decade ago.

The talk at the club runs to high property taxes and low water pressure. The Autumn Ball, at which the tail-less dinner jacket was introduced to America, has not been held in 15 years. The oval horse track is a swampy meadow and the stables have been converted to homes.

"Nobody lives here any more who amounts to a row of beans," growls Pierre Lorillard Barbey, 78, the last Lorillard in Tuxedo Park.

A century ago, his ancestor Pierre Lorillard built this community with a stone-and-iron front gate to keep out the unwashed, unwanted and unwanted — in other words, most of the era's 56 million Americans.

The gate and its 24-hour guard are still in place. But as Tuxedo Park celebrates its 100th anniversary, they have proved scant protection against the forces that changed American society: world wars, immigration, income taxes and the Great Depression.

The exclusive enclave that lent the tuxedo its name has evolved from a late spring and early fall resort — a place to go before Newport or after Saratoga — into a suburb where split-levels sprout

next to mansions and The Season runs from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.

The story of Tuxedo's century, though, is not one of riches to rags. Thanks largely to newcomers who renovated the park's great houses and converted its carriage houses into homes, Tuxedo today is a pleasant community, a museum of American architecture and a monument to its founder.

Lorillard was head of a tobacco dynasty. In 1885, having sold his Newport mansion, he began planning a hunting preserve for himself and friends in the foothills of the Ramapo Mountains, about 50 miles northwest of New York City.

The rocky, craggy, densely wooded area was known as Tuxedo, the corruption of an Indian expression for "Home of the Bear."

Working without motorized machinery through the worst winter in years, 1,800 workers brought from Europe built the gatehouse, the club, 22 homes, a sewer and water system, a dam, a fish hatchery and 18 miles of roads.

To keep animals in and people out, 24 miles of barbed wire — enough to stretch halfway to Wall Street — was stretched around the perimeter of the 5,000-acre park.

When Tuxedo Park opened May 30, 1886, eight months and \$1.5 million after work began, it looked as if it had been there forever.

Architect Bruce Price, his daughter wrote, "fit in the buildings with the surrounding woods... The gate-lodge and keep were built with graystone, with as much moss and lichen on it as possible. The shingle cottages were stained the colors of the woods — russets and grays and dull reds — to neutralize the newness of the buildings."

Nestled in wooded enclosures off the park's winding roads, houses had a view of Lake Tuxedo, but not of their neighbors.

On Oct. 28, Lorillard's son, Griswold, arrived at the first Autumn Ball wearing a tail-less dinner

jacket. With his scarlet satin waistcoat, he looked, reported one magazine, "like a royal footman."

Although the tuxedo was to become the essence of formality, at the time the garment reflected Tuxedo Park's relative informality.

As an exhibition this year at the Tuxedo Historical Society makes clear, the park was designed as a place to do things. It boasted one of the nation's first golf courses, tennis courts and a mile-long, lighted toboggan run. There were skating, sailing, curling, fishing and hunting.

By the time the founder died in 1901, Tuxedo had become one of America's most prestigious resorts, with Astors, Juilliards and Pells as residents. "If you live in Tuxedo one year," said Mrs. Lorillard, "you will meet everybody you've ever heard of."

Tuxedo's games became primarily social — and very formal. The rich increasingly preferred more elaborate European styles of clothing, manners and architecture, and the original rustic cottages, with their arched stone doorways, massive chimneys and overhanging eaves, were joined and sometimes replaced by chateaux, manor houses and villas.

"Tuxedo was the most formal place in the world," recalled the late Emily Post, who once lived there. "Nobody ever waved or hello-ed or hi-ed. You bowed when you shook hands." Only five men ever called her by her first name in Tuxedo, she said, and never in public.

But the new century provided Tuxedo with a series of shocks, the worst of which was the Depression.

Many great houses were closed or sold for practically nothing. Some burned, some slid into disrepair and some were demolished. The result, in so insular a community, was a palpable sense of isolation and decay.

In 1940, a 108-acre estate with a mansion, two

cottages and a boathouse sold for \$15,000. A year later, the founder's grandson urged the admission of non-residents to the club, asking, "What is blue blood, anyway?" Mrs. Post defected to Martha's Vineyard.

Finally, in 1952, the enclave incorporated as the village of Tuxedo Park in the town of Tuxedo. Undeveloped land was put up for sale by the Tuxedo Park Association, and the gates were opened to anyone with the money to buy. No one came.

By the early 1960s, about a third of Tuxedo's 250 houses were unoccupied, but there was little or no market for them. Old money thought Tuxedo was passe; new money thought it was closed to outsiders.

But in an era of crime, pollution and suburban sprawl, a home in a planned, walled community with clean air and water an hour from Manhattan persuaded more and more commuters to overlook the cracked plaster and chipped paint.

Typically, this new breed of Tuxedon would wolf down dinner after work and spend the night scraping, painting and hammering the big old house back into shape.

"Then we'd go to parties on weekends and talk about it," says Mayor Frank S. Bell Jr., who bought his 10-bedroom, nine-fireplace mansion for \$40,000 in 1969.

Five years after the last empty one was filled, houses still are discussed in Tuxedo with an intensity reserved elsewhere for the pennant race or the stock market.

The park's median family income is about \$50,000, almost twice as much as that of any other community in Orange County.

Most residents describe Tuxedo Park reverentially. Emily Davie Kornfeld, who made her debut at the Autumn Ball more than 50 years ago, describes Tuxedo as "our own Shangri-La," where "Children run free. Dogs run free."

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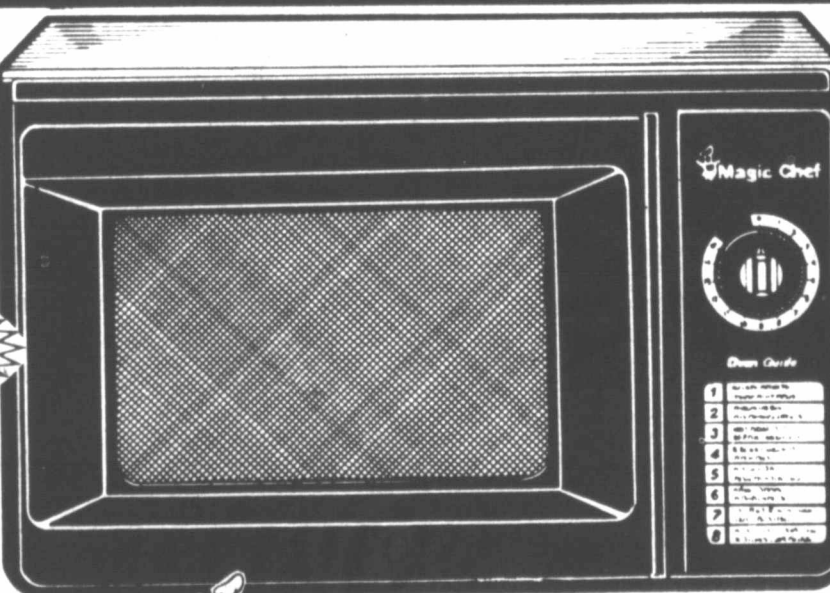
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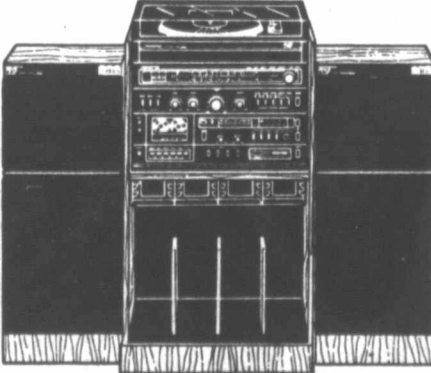


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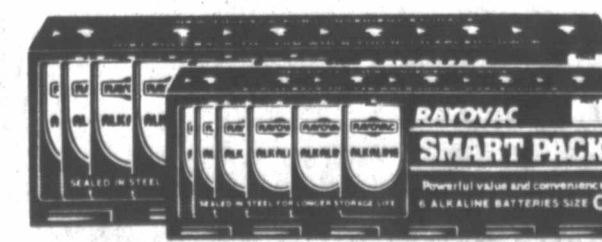


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John Gogas of Midland finds himself dwarfed by his large sail while spending a chilly afternoon windsurfing at Pleasure Lake, 30 miles east of Midland. Gogas bought a new wetsuit this year and hopes to be able to windsurf year round. Pleasure Lake is usually a dry playa lake bed.

Judge orders INS to halt some deportations

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A federal judge has ordered the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service to halt deportations of illegal aliens who may be eligible for immigration amnesty.

The order by U.S. District Judge Lawrence Karlton affects aliens nationwide who may be eligible for permanent legal residency under the amnesty provisions of the immigration reform bill signed earlier this month by President Reagan.

"This isn't going to save the world. It's going to address some of the problems (of the immigration law)," Karlton said as he issued his order.

Specifically, the temporary restraining order is intended to protect the immigration amnesty rights of illegal aliens who left the country voluntarily without being informed of their potential amnesty rights after Reagan signed the immigration bill Nov. 6.

The bill provided that illegal aliens in the country at that time would be eligible for amnesty from deportation if they met certain work and residency minimums, but the amnesty would not apply to those who entered the country illegally after passage of the act.

Karlton also ordered the INS to either positively determine the amnesty rights of each individual alien arrested in the United States, or post signs in English and Spanish at each INS center advising aliens of their amnesty rights.

The amnesty provisions of the new immigration bill provide temporary legal status to aliens who can prove they have lived in the United States continuously

since Jan. 1, 1982 or before. Those granted temporary status would then be eligible to apply for permanent legal alien status and, eventually, citizenship.

The amnesty provisions are considerably more liberal for agricultural workers, who would have to prove only that they worked 90 days in the fields of the United States during the 12 months prior to May 1, 1986.

Karlton delayed for five days the portion of his order prohibiting further deportations, in order to give the INS time to get instructions to all of its offices and agents.

Other portions of the order require that the signs be posted within 10 days and that INS guidelines for implementing the new immigration law be published within 10 days in the Federal Register.

INS attorneys had argued that they didn't have the manpower or resources to undertake the kind of notification program sought by attorneys representing various aliens rights groups.

But Karlton agreed with the California Rural Legal Assistance attorneys representing the alien rights groups that aliens who left voluntarily to avoid formal deportation proceedings should not lose their rights to legal residency because they weren't informed of the amnesty law.

"It will make for administrative problems," Karlton said of his order. "Nonetheless, when one compares the hardships, they tip very strongly in favor of the plaintiffs," he added.

Karlton said he did not believe he could issue his order at this time in the form of a permanent injunction.

Some say publicity worse than fumes

By JENNIFER DIXON
Associated Press Writer

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas (AP) — Blooms of the deadly red tide that killed more than 2 million fish, shut down oyster harvests and dented the Texas tourism industry, seem to have vanished.

But resentment over the bad publicity it caused lingers.

"The press painted a picture that this amorphous mass of red death had somehow swallowed the Texas coast and it just wasn't true. But when you smear red ink on a graph the public tends to get the impression there is a tremendous problem," said Dick Bushnell, spokesman for the South Padre Island Tourist Bureau.

The red tide washed into this far South Texas resort in mid-October from the north, but Bushnell said unlike other areas along the coast, South Padre was only brushed by the tide's killing fumes.

At least one convention was canceled and untold tourist dollars were lost, he said.

Mark Hamner, general manager of the South Padre Hilton Resort, said the way the red tide was reported "carried a lingering effect in areas where we could have generated additional business but didn't. People still ask about red tide and we haven't had red tide in three weeks."

Besides tourism, "we have no industry unless you count T-shirts. We sell what we have — sunny weather, pretty beaches and a nice place to stay," Hamner said.

Red tide is a phenomena caused when water temperature, salinity, weather and other factors combine to spark the unchecked reproduction of a dinoflagellate, a type of microorganism, said Don Hockaday of Pan American University's Coastal Studies Laboratory on South Padre.

Blooms of red tide emit at least two toxins that cause irritation to human eyes, the nose and throat, and kill fish, Hockaday said.

The organism builds up in shellfish such as oysters, and eating contaminated shellfish can cause illness, health officials said.

A killing red tide had not struck the Texas coast for at least 20 years when the blooms began forming in late August along the upper coast.

Within the first 10 days of September, major fish kills were reported from San Louis Pass to Cavallo Pass near Port O'Connor.

From Sept. 9 through early November, red tide blooms were spotted from the air along most of the coast between eastern Matagorda Bay to the lower Laguna Madre, said Tom Heffernan, director of field operations for coastal fisheries of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

No blooms have been reported since early November and no dead fish have been sighted recently, he said.

Preliminary estimates place the red tide fish kill at 2.2 million, mostly mullet and menhaden, not desirable species to sports fishermen. But Heffernan said thousands of redfish, speckled sea trout, Southern flounder and Atlantic croaker were among the victims.

Beaches in Corpus Christi were closed as a result of the red tide, which also prompted the state health department to suspend oyster harvests.

Health department spokesman Kirk Wiles said oyster harvests are still suspended between San Louis Pass to the Rio Grande because traces of the red tide toxins continue to show up in oysters.

"Overall, the state of the industry is not too great at the moment," Wiles said.

"You can't see dead fish and no one is complaining about the fumes, but it doesn't mean the organism is totally gone," he said.

Oyster harvests had been shut down since early September, but Wiles said he had no estimate of the economic impact on the industry.

The effect on the tourism industry is also difficult to gauge, Bushnell said.

The red tide hit South Padre during its off season — the lull between summer vacationers and the arrival of Winter Texans.

"We're still getting calls now," from out-of-state residents wondering about red tide, Bushnell said.

"While the red tide disappeared in a short time, the after effects ... continue, although it's fading," said Bushnell, who at a news conference last month stripped his bathing suit and went swimming in the Gulf to call attention to the red tide's absence from South Padre.

South Padre Town Manager Eddie Campirano also blames media accounts for canceled hotel reservations in the resort community, although the red tide had disappeared and the dead fish had long been buried.

"Just the association of being a Texas beach resort and the fact that there was a red tide in the Texas Gulf water is what hurt us," Campirano said. "The media accounts with dateline: South Padre Island, that hurt."

But DeWitt Thomas of Capt. Thomas Charter Fishing said he used the publicity to double his business.

"The press blew red tide out of such incredible proportion that we were getting calls from all over the country, and the red tide never affected the (Laguna Madre) bay," Thomas said. He said he convinced his callers to come down to Port Isabel to fish and "it was the best October I've ever had since I've been in business."

Colombian prisoners end hunger strike

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Dozens of Colombian prisoners who went on a hunger strike a week ago demanding extradition called it off after being assured that Mexico and Colombia would attempt to conclude an exchange treaty, Colombia's consul here said.

The official, Rubi Garcia Tollon, said in a phone interview that the group of 135 prisoners in Mexico City jails halted the hunger strike over the weekend after discussions with her and with Colombian Ambassador Jose Antonio Alvarado Pantoja.

A letter sent by leaders of the strike to the ambassador said the decision was made "to facilitate all types of requests and negotiations to achieve in good time our being with our families and then joining society as men useful to our country."

The consul said the prisoners called off the strike peacefully, "since they understood that a long time is needed to complete a bilateral treaty. They wanted to see that the Colombian government started the procedures of negotiation."

"Therefore, the Colombian government has issued an invitation to Sergio Garcia Ramirez, the attorney general of Mexico, to start the negotia-

tions in Colombia, and the ambassador and I will meet with him," the consul said.

She also said that those prisoners who had started to suffer from dehydration received the necessary medical treatment in their respective prisons.

Meanwhile, Alfredo Rios Galeana, said to be one of Mexico's most dangerous bank robbers, and 12 other escaped prisoners remained at large Monday after a weekend breakout.

A group of armed men and women burst into a courtroom at the Southern Prison and freed them Saturday.

Antonio Sanchez Galindo, director general of prisons, said eight guards were wounded in the shootout.

The government news agency Notimex reported Monday that Salvador Lopez Calderon, the warden of the Southern Prison, was removed from his post on the order of Mayor Ramon Aguirre. It said the removal followed an inspection visit Sunday that fought "irregularities" in the prison's operations.

Rios Galeana, a former director of the police radio patrol battalion for the state of Mexico, was captured in 1985, several years after breaking out of a prison in Pachuca, northeast of the capital.

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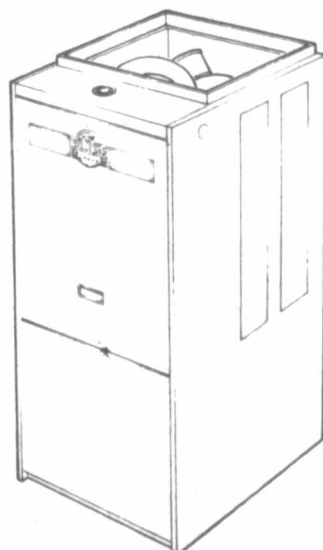
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Dr. Juan Felipe Santos, a former migrant student, will soon be a neurologist after completing his residency at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami.

Former migrant student soon to become medical specialist

LAREDO (AP) — Former migrant student Dr. Juan Felipe Santos is about to become a neurologist, and while other people are impressed by his success, Santos says it all seemed natural enough.

"Actually, I...never felt at a disadvantage, to me the whole thing was natural. I don't remember being particularly stressed or having to do any extra work — not to where I had to stay up by candle light and read books," Santos said.

He and 11 other former migrant students were honored recently at the annual state Migrant Conference.

When Santos attended Laredo High School during the mid-1970s, there were no formal migrant programs.

School was something to do when Santos wasn't working. He helped his father pick onions after school to support the family of 13, he said.

The Santos family lived in a 2-

room house and during the summer, his clan followed the harvest from Laredo to Hallock, Minn., and Wild Rose, Wis., to support themselves.

Despite his family's poverty, Santos completed his studies at Nixon in 1978 and went on to receive the College Assistance Migrant Program Scholarship and graduated from St. Edward's University in Austin.

He then obtained a medical degree from Baylor University

Medical School in Houston.

The notion of becoming a doctor did not strike Santos until he saw two Mexican-American medical students being interviewed on television.

"I don't remember any specific details, I just remember they looked like me and that was the first time I'd seen any Chicano interviewed who was in an institution of higher learning. I thought if they can do it, so can I," he said.

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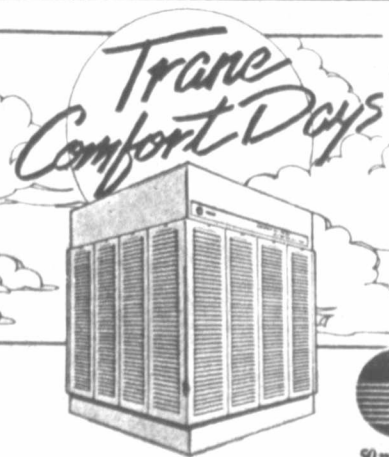
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Days can be hectic for woman who takes care of wild animals

CINCINNATI (AP) — If the commotion from Cheryl Brown's six young children isn't enough, the racket from a dozen wild animals leaves no doubt that the 32-year-old mother's residence is a real animal house.

Word has spread of Mrs. Brown's talent for nursing sick and wounded animals. Though it is strictly a hobby, she estimates that animal clinics, neighbors and friends have trusted more than 200 wild animals to her care this year.

"It gets more than hectic," Mrs. Brown said. "In the spring, when we get into our busy season, I not only take them well, but I take them sick or hurt."

"It's kind of like a dumping ground for people who don't want their animals any more."

She decided to establish her halfway house for wild animals when Matthew, her fifth child, was born with cerebral palsy. She quit her job at a wholesale produce market to care for her son.

Realizing that she would have time on her hands, she turned to a childhood interest of caring for injured animals. She learned animal care from her parents, who were farmers.

"It just spread by word of mouth, really. We've had people give us animals from as far away as Lexington, Kentucky, and Springfield (Ohio)," she said.

Mrs. Brown mainly nurses wild animals: foxes maimed by traps, crows with broken wings, bald groundhogs.

The bald groundhog was her favorite. It had been bought by a family as a pet and developed a vitamin deficiency.

"Groundhogs are totally delightful," she said. "They're like drawing back a rubber band and letting it loose."

Mrs. Brown has six children, ages 3-13, who she says are too young to help rear the animals. She has some informal training from zoo keepers, and has taken classes in animal care. But most of her learning has come from practical experience, she said.

"When you sit down and do your own evaluation, it varies from what they teach you," she said. "You can look their diet up in a book, but I find that they aren't very accurate. It varies from case to case."

Word of Mrs. Brown's ability has begun to spread within professional animal care ranks. She receives frequent calls from the Hamilton County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the Animal Protective League.

Though a new animal is brought in almost every week, most of her patients are returned to the wild. Only those too disabled to fend for themselves get a permanent home in her household.

Her current guests include a three-legged fox, a crow with a broken beak, a blind baby raccoon and a parrot.

Mrs. Brown says about half of the animals she gets were found injured in the wild. The other half were wild animals bought as pets and rejected by humans who no longer wanted to care for the animals.

Her philosophy about pet ownership has been ingrained by her dealings with negligent owners.

"If they can thoroughly invest in the animal and be responsible for its entire lifespan, they should take it, but they should stay away from any wild animal," she said. "A wild animal is not a pet and should not be a pet, regardless of how many generations are raised in captivity."

Meantime, Mrs. Brown will keep her door open to owners who want to surrender wild pets.

"I'll keep taking them in. We've gotten into a routine. It's gotten easy to work around them," Mrs. Brown said.

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Petroleum geologists plumb unemployment depths

ODESSA (AP) — During 31 years as a well-paid professional, Will Green never expected to be laid off.

Then one day last May, his employer, BHP Petroleum, called a meeting.

"They had a big meeting at the Hilton and you got a packet to see if you had a job or not," said Green, who is president of the West Texas Geological Society.

As he expected, the 54-year-old Midland petroleum geologist found his walking papers inside the envelope. BHP had decided it no longer wanted to explore mature oil provinces such as the Permian Basin, and like many companies was cutting costs to survive the oil slump.

About 25 percent of the petroleum geologists in America, many of them with master's or doctoral degrees, are out of work right now, according to a recent American Association of Petroleum Geologists survey.

The unemployment rate

among Midland and Odessa petroleum geologists is 29 percent, and in other areas the rate climbs even higher. In Denver 34 percent are unemployed; in Oklahoma City 39 percent; in Billings, Mont., 44 percent; and Caspar, Wyo., has the highest rate, 45 percent.

And geologists like Green, well-treated and well-paid throughout their careers, have been forced to find other work or become independents.

Green has become an independent, working with a landman and investor to develop oil prospects.

"The price of oil is down about 50 percent, but the cost of drilling is down 40 percent," so though profits have been squeezed, it's still possible to find places to drill profitably for oil and gas, Green said.

His first prospect is ready for sale, and he won't know what he and his informal partners can

make until it sells, meaning his future income remains in doubt.

"Only time will tell. A lot depends on the price of oil," Green said. "I'm having a lot of fun. I still miss paydays."

Chuck Durfee, 49, also of Midland, found another way out. He left his limited partnership in the oil and gas business to buy a commercial greenhouse.

Not that he was eager to leave the oil industry.

"If the opportunity had been there, I would have stuck with it," Durfee said.

But in January as oil prices were sliding, he sat down and thought about what he would like to do if he got out of the oil business. Gardening was a hobby, and garden centers told him their business had not dropped as much as other retail businesses.

In September, he bought a greenhouse between Midland and Odessa and started Windswept Farms of Midland Inc.

Durfee was raised in a family

business, and had operated the family service station as a young man, but that was the extent of his independent business experience, he said.

"I don't think I'll make as much the first four or five years, but after that, I think I'll make more. The business has room to grow," Durfee said.

AAPG President Bruno Hanson of Midland said most geologists got some kind of severance package when they were laid off, and some are still living on that.

"Some of them are working in fast-food places, some of them are cutting lawns just to keep busy," Hanson said.

Some become independents after being laid off, and if it doesn't work out, they may have depleted their resources, he said.

Hanson said AAPG has 43,000 members worldwide, and foresees a need for only 25,000 petroleum geologists by 1990. Some will retire, and few geologists are

being trained, Hanson noted, but a large number are going to have to find another line of work.

Meanwhile, the ability to find new oil reserves is being destroyed, he said. Professionals are leaving petroleum geology and young people are avoiding the field.

From 1980 to 1983, 30,000 people were enrolled annually in petroleum geology programs, but now only 4,000 to 5,000 are in those programs, he said. "Many have dropped out," going into other areas of study.

AAPG is trying to find ways to place its members in jobs, he added. Geologists can do more than find oil, and finding sites suitable for hazardous waste disposal, locating new water supplies and finding ways to conserve and better use water could provide 3,500 jobs, Hanson said.

AAPG also is screening geologists to work in Third World countries, assessing mineral deposits, possibly in conjunction with the World Bank, an international development organization.

Perhaps 1,000 to 1,500 geolog-

ists can find work through that program, Hanson said. Geologists also could help with the chronic shortage of science teachers at the high school level, he noted, because geology programs turn out scientists with expertise in several fields.

"A lot of them require almost a minor in math, almost a minor in chemistry and almost a minor in physics," he said.

Teaching doesn't pay as well as geology, but it could provide jobs for 2,000 geologists, Hanson said. Corbett Gaudin Jr., a marketing professor at the University of Texas at the Permian Basin, said he has started seeing geologists in his classes.

Many young geologists are going into the Masters of Business Administration program, hoping to broaden the appeal they have for employers, Gaudin said.

The school keeps no numbers on how many petroleum geologists it is retraining. "Some are still employed, but don't know how long they will be," Gaudin said.

Morris named East Texas State president

COMMERCE, Texas (AP) — An East Texas State University vice president emerged from a field of four candidates to be named president and chief executive officer of the school.

Dr. Jerry Morris, 51, will replace Dr. Charles J. Austin, who resigned earlier this year to accept a position with the University of Alabama at Birmingham after four years as CEO.

Morris, vice president for academic affairs since 1982, was the only internal candidate to be named a finalist for the position. Others were Dr. Ronald L. Appibaum, vice president for academic affairs at Pan American University in Edinburg; Dr. William Fulkerson Jr., president of Adams State College in Colorado; and Dr. Charles S. Hardwick, vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.

In making the announcement, Leon J. Coker, chairman of the ETSU board of regents and the Presidential Screening Committee, said Monday that Morris "is a man well qualified to assume the role of president and chief executive officer for East Texas State University at this point in its history."

Morris will be the ninth president and chief executive officer of East Texas State.

"The decision by the Board of Regents to offer this appointment to me is the highest compliment I could have received. To say that I am grateful for this chance is a gross understatement," he said.

Morris made a pledge to work closely with the ETSU-Texarkana faculty and President John Moss, his faculty and staff.

Morris has been with the university since 1970, when he served as director of placement services.

In 1971, he was named dean of admissions and records. He served in that position until 1973, when he became dean of the graduate school.

As vice president for academic affairs, Morris served as chief academic officer and second in

command to the president. He supervised the total academic program at ETSU, including the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business and Technology, College of Education, Graduate School, Library, continuing education, academic programs and services, organized research and the registrar's office.

He is a native of Arkansas and received his high school diploma from Cotter (Ark.) High School in 1953. He was awarded three degrees by the University of Arkansas — the bachelor's degree in

biology and physical education in 1960, the master's degree in educational administration in 1964 and the doctor of education in administration, sociology and higher education in 1971.

Prior to joining the ETSU staff, Morris worked as editor of the "Arkansas School Boards" newsletter. He was also junior high principal, high school principal and assistant superintendent for the Mountain Home school district in Mountain Home, Ark.

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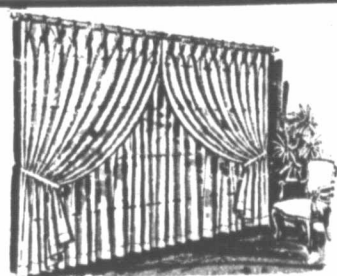
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Stealing the show



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First-grader Adam Vaught nearly stole the show from Isiah Thomas recently when the Pistons star asked him to tell his classmates at Detroit's Clark Elementary School what he knows about electric safety. About 850 children waited in the gym for the lecture by Thomas and a crew from Detroit Edison.

Financial woes cause cash crunch

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — Gulf States Utilities Co.'s cash crunch is forcing it to come up with millions of dollars in bond payments that it normally wouldn't have to make for another 26 years, company officials said.

The utility must make a payment of at least \$55.1 million in late 1987 on pollution-control bonds that were backed by insurance agreements with American Mutual Bond Assurance Corp., GSU spokesman Kim McMurray said Monday.

The agreements, which enabled GSU to get a lower interest rate on the bonds, required criteria that the company now can't meet, McMurray said.

Under those agreements, GSU now has two choices — make a cash reserve deposit of \$55.1 million or have a \$110 million promissory note drawn against the company's assets with payment due in about a year, McMurray said.

A promissory note will be

Artists' gathering offers chance to learn

UTICA, Miss. (AP) — For nearly four decades, Southern artists have gathered up their paints, brushes and easels and made fall and spring pilgrimages to the Mississippi Art Colony, a four-day workshop organizers believe may be the last of its kind in the Southeast.

For many professional and amateur artists, the colony has become a wellspring of creativity — a peaceful getaway where they can focus exclusively on their craft.

"This is where I recharge my batteries," said Lallah Perry, an art instructor at Delta State University who has attended the colony for more than 30 years. "It's an opportunity to talk and think about painting on a different level than when you're teaching."

The colony is one of the rare instructional art groups to be managed and directed by artists themselves and operates without generating a profit, said director Bess Dawson.

Fees for housing, food and instruction usually total about \$200.

"We just try to break even," Ms. Dawson said. "This is something that we do for and with each other."

The colony is organized by a board of direc-

tors which also stages a traveling art show of each colony's best works. The art pieces, displayed in libraries across the state, are chosen by an instructor hired to lecture and provide constructive criticism.

"Sometimes our instructors are very formal," said Ms. Dawson, who also owns a McComb art gallery featuring only Mississippi artists. "They'll set up their still lifes and make everyone paint and draw specific things."

But others, like the instructor at the colony's fall 1986 session, approach the session with a different attitude.

"I'm making things pretty open. I let the artists work on their own and then I go around and help them, encourage them or whatever," said Jere Allen, an art teacher at the University of Mississippi.

Allen said he was flattered when asked to lecture at the colony because he admired its role in the development and longevity of Mississippi art.

"I was thrilled when they invited me to the colony. It's been influential on many artists," said Allen, who grew up in Alabama. "I wouldn't dream of turning it down."

Colony members say the annual workshops

have been important in preserving Southern art traditions and encouraging novice artists and instructors.

"A lot of art teachers have come out of this colony ... and some of them otherwise might not have worked in art at all," said Alex Loeb, who began attending the colony in the early 1960s and now serves as president.

Since 1973, the colony has been held here at Camp Henry S. Jacobs, its fourth location. Nestled in a wooded, hilly area off Mississippi 18, the campground is equipped with a swimming pool, tennis courts, an activity center and cabins. It hosts youngsters during the summer and winter, and 30 to 40 artists in the spring and fall.

The first colony was held in 1948 at Allisons Wells Hotel in Way, a stately structure in the Mississippi Delta with a large ballroom and basement, perfect for the painters to spread out and create.

Inspiration for the gathering came from hotel owners and artists John and Hosford Fontaine and fellow artists Karl and Mildred Wolfe. The Wolfes had attended an art colony in Wetupka, Ala., and thought a similar arts haven would be good for Mississippi.

Warden seeks to make prison more cheerful

MARION, Ill. (AP) — Soothing earth-tone walls and gleaming, razor-sharp barbed wire.

The two images mix easily in the view of Gary L. Henman, who last June became warden of the nation's toughest prison, the U.S. Penitentiary at Marion.

The 46-year-old Henman is in charge of a major, three-year renovation inside the maximum security prison. He says he wants to give the much-maligned prison a more humane look. The work began before he took over, but Henman plans to add a personal touch.

"I'm big on graphics and earth tones. It gives you a little sense of warmth," Henman said. "We want to make the place as bright and cheerful as it can be."

He mentioned research that shows certain "soft" colors have

a quieting effect on behavior, and quiet behavior is something there is often a shortage of in the confining, confrontational world at Marion, where most inmates remain in their cells 23 hours a day.

"If it looks like a cage or looks like a hole, that's what it is," Henman said.

With that softer image in mind, Henman ordered decorative changes for the prison's interior.

Security, however, is never far from his mind. In addition to new paint, inmates will be getting new furniture — all of it made of concrete. Concrete bed frames, shelves, tables and desks.

Something seemingly so innocent as a chair leg or metal footlocker can be deadly inside Marion, Henman said.

There are no earth tones in Henman's view of Marion's "mission," as it is commonly referred to by the federal Bureau of Prisons.

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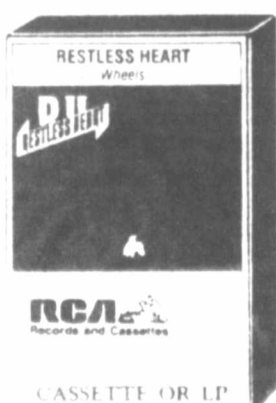
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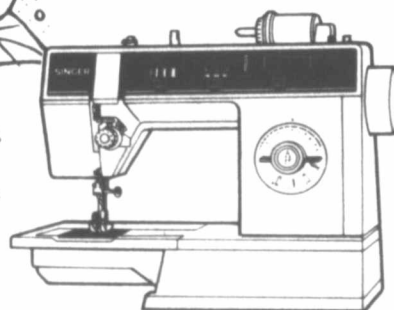
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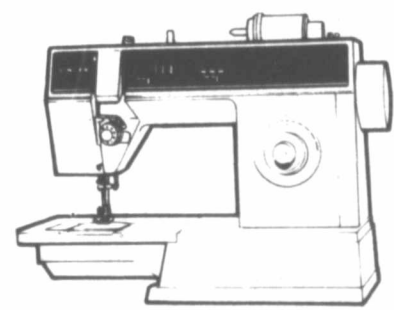
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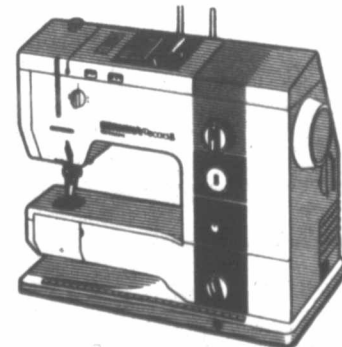


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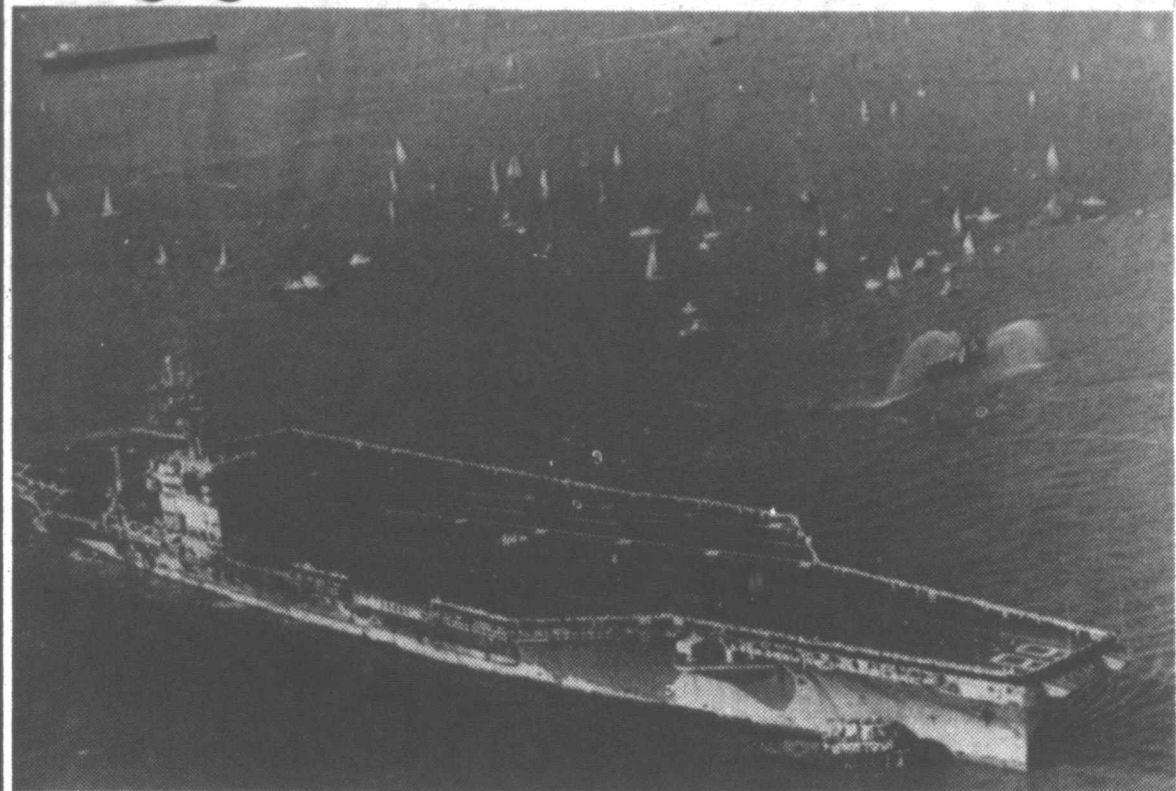
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Growers say sugar cane industry should remain stable through decade

WESLACO, Texas (AP) — Texas sugar cane growers are weathering the depression in agriculture with profits and steady prices, say members of the state's only sugar mill.

"Unlike any other crop in the Valley, you've got the best deal in town," W.R. Cowley told members of the Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers Inc. at their 15th annual meeting Monday.

Valley sugar cane growers haven't rebounded from a devastating freeze in 1983, but the industry can expect steady prices through the rest of the decade, said Cowley, a management consultant to the growers cooperative.

"I feel encouraged and confident in the industry. You have a viable industry with a potential for a return with a profit," Cowley said.

Texas' sugar cane producers have devoted 29,500 acres throughout the Valley to the crop this year and officials of the cooperative expect a minimum of 36,000 acres will be planted in 1987.

"The fate of the Rio Grande Valley sugar growers looks better this year than in many years," said

cooperative president Jack Nelson. "We've had some bad years because of the freezes, they've harmed us economically and we have not recovered to date," said Humberto Vela, cooperative spokesman.

"The whole agriculture sector is depressed and you don't know when it will stabilize. But in sugar you know it will be stable," Vela said.

Cowley said the Texas cane industry faces a world surplus of sugar, unfair trade practices, and "too many sugar substitutes and more in the mill to be put out."

Nevertheless, "sugar prices are exhibiting a degree of stability so often lacking in past times," Cowley said.

He said increased use of sugar by Third World nations could cut down the surplus.

The growers face a more receptive audience in Washington with Democrats in control of the House and Senate next year, Cowley said. The Democrats appear more receptive to the idea of legislation dealing with unfair trade practices, he said.

Professor says MIA remains can't be positively identified

DALLAS (AP) — Very few of the remains of missing-in-action servicemen returned from Southeast Asia can be positively identified, and saying they can be is cruel to their families, a researcher says.

Dr. Michael Charney, a forensic anthropologist and professor emeritus of physical anthropology at Colorado State University, said he has examined the remains of 19 servicemen identified by the military and concluded that the identification can be verified in only two of them.

Charney, in Dallas Saturday to address a meeting of Vietnam veterans, said military officials "were making judgments that nobody could make. So I have been tearing at them ever since. It's not right to do this to the families. They should tell them the truth."

Charney, 74, is director of forensic science laboratory at Colorado State. He said he is an expert on bone identification and facial reconstruction and one of 34 certified forensic anthropologists in the United States and Canada.

Charney said he told a House subcommittee in September that if his sample of 19 investigations held for all returned MIA remains, 90 percent have been misidentified.

But Col. Keith Schneider, a Defense Department spokesman, said Sunday that it was "complete and total rubbish" to contend that 90 percent of MIA remains have been misidentified.

Charney said his work has changed the way the military refers to the identification process, a contention Schneider disputed.

At one time, Charney said, military officials claimed that identifications were biological, but "they now longer say the bones match."

"Now they say identification is made by exclusion," he said. "That means that if several people have been found and one hasn't, what is found is the missing person."

Schneider said the military has never claimed that identifications were purely made by forensic means and said it was "rather amusing" that Charney would say that his efforts led to a

change in military procedure.

"We've said that identifications are based upon all the material that is available," he said, including medical records and crew manifests.

Charney, 74, said he and other experts have become involved with the identification question because families of MIAs want to be sure whom they are burying.

Schneider said that three independent forensic scientists visited the U.S. Army Central Identification Laboratory in Honolulu last December and examined cases involving more than 30 MIAs, including a case where the remains of 13 servicemen had been mingled together.

The scientists said most of the identifications were sound and legally supportable, according to Schneider.

Of the 13 commingled bodies, the panel agreed with two of the identifications, Schneider said.



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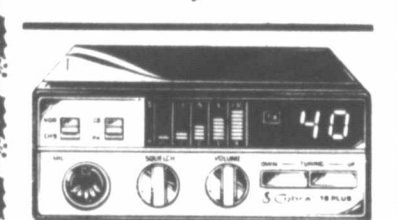
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Sports Scene

Pampa tourney opens Friday

By JOHN GERDEL, Jr.
Sports Writer

It's been a long dry spell. But even the most dedicated basketball fan should be able to get his or her fill of the sport this weekend as the Pampa Chamber of Commerce resumes a high school invitational Friday.

Eight teams, including the Harvesters, will play in six games Friday and another six on Saturday, marking the first time a basketball tournament has been held here since the early 1970s.

Among those featured in the tournament will be Morton, the 2A state champions last year, and Dimmitt, contenders in the 3A state finals last season.

Other contenders include Tascosa and Palo Duro, both from Amarillo; Lubbock Dunbar, Big Spring and Plainview.

Morton, which posted a 32-6 record on the way to the state crown, will be bringing James Anderson, a 6-foot, 3-inch junior all-stater. Morton's squad, which finished with a 32-7 record last year, includes All-Stater Jerry Joyce, 6-feet, 4-inches, among its seven returning lettermen.

Friday's six games include the opening round, plus two contests in the consolation bracket. The first round has Tascosa meeting Dimmitt at 11 a.m.; Plainview faces Morton at 12:45 p.m.; Big Spring and Pampa will

play at 2:30 p.m. and Palo Duro and Dunbar go at 4:15 p.m.

The first two games in the consolation bracket, featuring the first round losers, are slated for 6 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. Friday.

On Saturday, the action once again gets underway at 11 a.m., this time in the winners semifinals. After two winners games, the finals in the consolation bracket will be held. The weekend action concludes with the third place game at 6 p.m. and the title tilt at 8 p.m.

Randy Harris, chairman of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee, said "We hope to make this a showcase holiday tournament, like the Lions Club tourney in Fort Worth."

If the tourney is a success, Harris would like to see it include all of the previous year's state champions someday.

Harris noted that some of the teams will be spending a couple of nights in Pampa and that several groups of fans have also reserved rooms at area motels for the duration.

"Morton and Dimmitt will just about close up town," he predicted.

Floyd Sackett, executive vice president of the chamber, predicted that the tournament would bring \$400,000 to Pampa and termed the estimate conservative.

Coronado and Northgate motels are providing rooms at a reduced rate for those teams staying overnight, and several local restaurants, including Stephenson's, Dos

Cabellaros, Dyer's, Danny's Meat Market, Hondo's and McDonald's, are assisting with the meals and hospitality.

In addition, each of the teams will be sponsored by a local business, according to Sackett.

The teams and their local sponsors are Pampa and Heritage Ford, Palo Duro and Culberson-Stowers Inc., Tascosa and the First National Bank, Big Spring and the Cabot Corp., Dimmitt and Celanese Corp., Dunbar and The Pampa News, Morton and KGRO-KOMX radio stations, and Plainview and the Citizens Bank.

Representatives from the local sponsors will meet the teams on arrival and assist them in any way needed during the tournament, Sackett explained.

Tickets for the tournament include a tournament pass for \$10; Saturday only pass, \$5; adult individual game tickets, \$2; and student individual game tickets, \$1.

Sackett indicated the chamber hopes to make this tournament a yearly event, but that community support is needed if the chamber is to break even on the tournament.

Some school districts have already indicated an interest in participating in the tournament next year, according to Harris, and a waiting list is being compiled. Other possibilities include expanding the tournament to include top girls teams.



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Sherry Johnson, Lyn Bezner prepare programs.

Pampa stops Caprock

By JOHN GERDEL Jr.
Sports Writer

Never fear, basketball is alive and well in Pampa.

The Harvester boys varsity, off to a slow start on the season after losing their first two outings, battled back Tuesday night for a 60-55 victory over Amarillo Caprock in their home opener.

The squad's next outing is Friday at 2:30 p.m. in the third game of the opening round of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Invitational Basketball Tournament. Big Spring will be the Harvesters' foe for the first-round game.

Apparently finding the friendly confines of McNeely Field House to their liking, the Harvesters put forth a tremendous effort to be certain the first home game went in the win column.

"They did play hard," said Robert Hale, Pampa boys varsity basketball coach, in a post-game interview. "They played with the best poise we've had because it's hard to play with poise until you get that first win."

"You really don't know what you're doing until you get that first win."

That first win didn't come easy. The Harvesters trailed most of the night and didn't go on top until the fourth quarter. In that final stanza, Pampa outscored the Longhorns, 17-10.

"Our kids have been hustling all along," Hale said. "What they are really trying to

do is learn to play hard and win. That's a hard thing to teach, but they took a giant step toward that tonight."

Hale also thought that playing at home was an asset. "Our kids have been wanting to play at home," he said. "That's what we needed and that's what we got tonight."

Lonnie Mills led the Harvesters in scoring with 18 points, including eight field goals, and Troy Owens also hit double figures with 13. But Hale called the game a team effort.

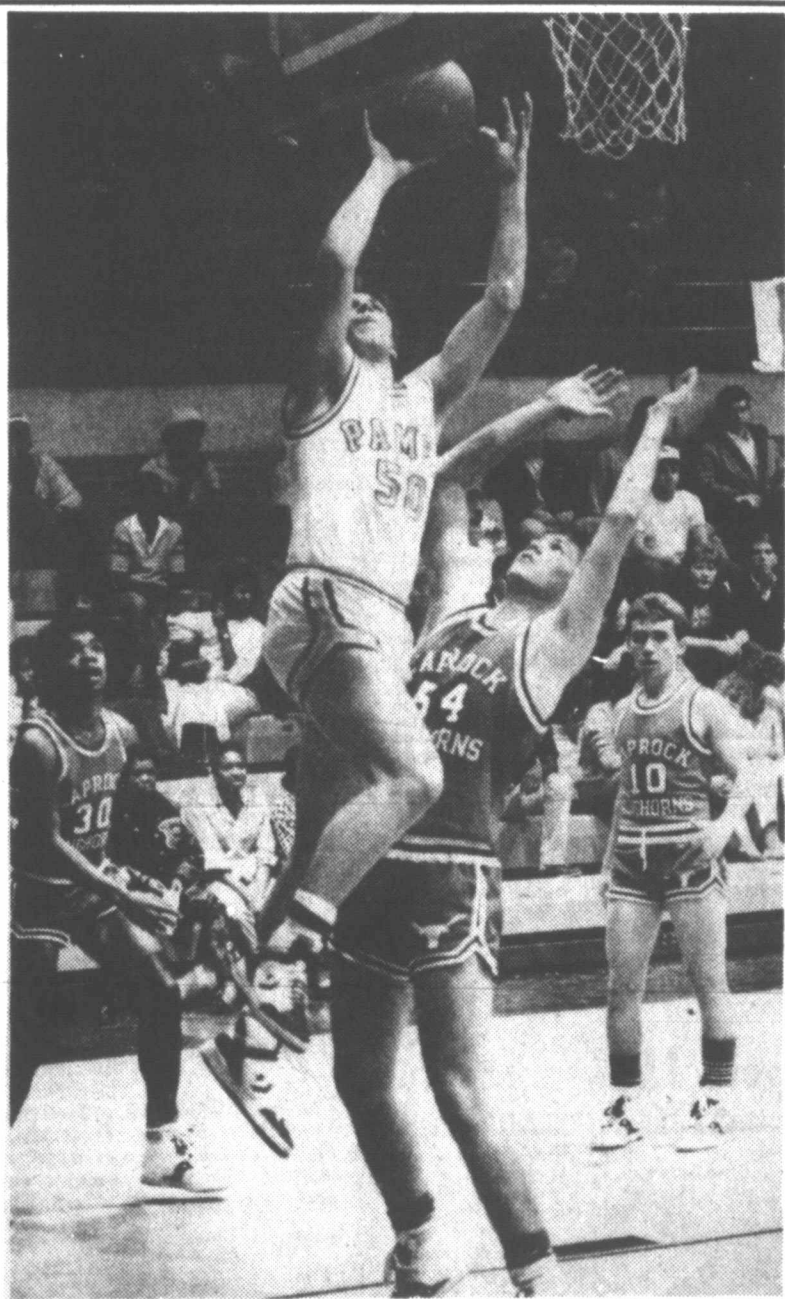
"I just told the kids ... the most important part of the victory was that it was a team victory," Hale explained. "We got a lot of help from a lot of kids."

"I think every kid we had suited up tonight came in the ball game and did an excellent job, helping toward getting that victory," Hale continued. "We didn't have a kid that did not contribute."

The Longhorns jumped out to an early lead, edging Pampa 17-13 in the first quarter. The Harvesters recovered half that margin in the second round and went into the intermission trailing 30-28.

Both teams stayed even in the third quarter, scoring 15 points, although the Harvesters tied the score and even forged ahead briefly. But the fourth quarter intensity demonstrated by the Harvesters was something that the Longhorns couldn't match.

Mills also led the Harvesters in rebounding with 15, nine on defense and six on offense.



(Staff Photo by John Gerdel Jr.)

Troy Owens, 50, shoots for two.

A&M pushes players to settle phone bill

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M's athletic department is pushing to see that five football players settle with local long distance phone companies to keep criminal charges from being filed against the players, a university police official said.

Three long distance companies doing business in College Station filed complaints Monday with university and Bryan police against 11 A&M students accused of illegally using telephone access codes to make thousands of dollars of long distance calls.

Five students — one A&M track athlete and four non-athletes — have been arrested. One non-athlete has not been located, police

said.

Bob Wiatt, A&M security and traffic director, said arrest warrants for the football players cannot be issued before next week because his office cannot complete necessary paperwork until then.

A&M plays its final regular season game at Texas on Thursday night, and a victory for the Aggies would clinch the Southwest Conference championship and a berth in the Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day.

Wiatt refused to name the football players. But Marvin Thomas, credit manager for Star-Tel, one of the companies that filed a complaint, said two of the players are starters.

The other companies filing complaints were University Communications and MCI. Wiatt said the athletic department called him to express unhappiness with the complaint, "but they know my policy," he said.

"Once we accept anything as a criminal matter, we don't sweep it under the rug."

The athletic department "probably is moving heaven and earth" to settle the players' accounts with the companies, Wiatt said.

At least two of the players met to settle their accounts with one of the companies on Tuesday morning, according to an athletic department source who requested anonymity.

Weekend tournament promises excitement

A 14-year halftime is long enough!

With that thought in mind, the Pampa Chamber of Commerce and the Pampa High School Athletic Department have again joined hands to produce an exciting basketball tournament. The top-calibre eight-team affair will be conducted Friday and Saturday at McNeely Fieldhouse.

That's where the first one was played, although it was then known as Harvester Fieldhouse. The dates were January 1-2, 1954, and only a four-team field participated. But it included the Texas state champion Pampa Harvesters, the Oklahoma state champion Chickasha Chicks, along with the Cougars of Ada, Oklahoma and the Buffaloes of Birdville. When the four-game event was concluded, PHS was the champion with a 41-17 victory over the Chicks. The Harvester team that started that night was possibly the finest to put on a Green and Gold uniform, a unit

comprised of Gary Griffin and E.J. McIlvain at forwards, Jimmy Bond at center, Ken Hinkle and Harold Lewis at guards. Reserves, seeing plenty of action for Coach Clifton McNeely, were Buddy Sharp, George Depee, Buster Carter, Benny Cartwright and Bill Culpepper.

That game was memorable as the same four teams participated the next year. A luncheon was held at noon at the midway point of the second tournament, with all teams in attendance. A very talented daughter of Dr. E. Douglas Carver, pastor of the First Baptist Church, provided musical entertainment, singing the top hit tune of the day, a ditty entitled "Seventeen". Chickasha coach Harley Day took mild offense, feeling it was a needling for the fact his usually potent team had been held to only 17 points in the championship game the year previous, low-water scoring effort that still stands as a tourney record. Day was further peeved by

Sports Forum

Warren Hasse



the fact PHS had drilled his team 79-54 in the first round game the night before the luncheon. But he quickly recovered and was back for Tournament No. 3 the next year.

The tournament expanded into an eight-team affair in 1966, and continued in that format through the 1972 event, a total of 15 straight seasons. The changing times...increased television times...increased television football coverage, increased expenses, proliferation of new tournaments...brought a halt to the event at that point. Almost miraculously, and probably contrib-

ing as much to the hiatus, was the fact Pampa NEVER lost a game in the 15 years, coming off with 15 championships.

But that story is expected to change this year. The strongest eight-team field ever secured, coupled with an inexperienced and comparatively short PHS team, should result in the championship trophy going out of town. Besides, the Fieldhouse trophy case is too small already, quite obviously. The 15 previous trophies aren't in it, and only ONE of the FOUR Texas State Championship silver basketballs

is there. Does anyone know where all of the other three are?

Three 5-A teams are entered (Palo Duro, Plainview and Tascosa), along with defending state champion Dimmitt (3A) and defending state champion Morton (2A), with Big Spring, Lubbock Dunbar and Pampa filling out the field. For basketball fans, it will be a delightful bounce-bounce orgy with six games daily, starting at 11 every morning.

All of it is being made possible by good planning and hard work by the Chamber Sports Committee, led by Randy Harris, and under direction of Chamber Manager Floyd Sackett. Each team will have a host business firm, which is providing financial support for the honor of being a team host. In that group are Celanese, Cabot, Heritage Ford, Citizens Bank and Trust, Culberson-Stowers Chevrolet, First National Bank and Radio Stations KGRO-KOMX. Gary Kel-

ton, manager of McDonald's, is providing hospitality arrangements for the coaches, and many advertisers are lending their support through the program.

It's good to have the tournament back in operation. It will be a very beneficial event for the Harvesters to gain some experience against strong competition prior to the start of District 1-4A play. The presence of the visiting teams and their fans will be a holiday season spurt for the local businesses. And for the fans, it affords an opportunity to see some of the state's finest basketball athletes in action each day.

Although the name has been changed from the Top O' Texas Invitational to the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Invitational the same excitement will be there. Congratulations and thanks to all those involved in putting it all together. A good job well done for the community.

Wheeler gears up for Wilson Friday

By JOHN GERDEL Jr.
Sports Writer

There are 16 football teams left in the 1A playoffs, including Wheeler and Wilson. But neither of them is found in the Top Ten in the Harris Ratings.

Nevertheless, Wheeler head coach Preston Smith expects a tough game Friday at Childress. Wheeler and Wilson square off at 7:30 p.m. in the Fair Park Stadium.

"Wilson is probably the best football team we have faced all year," Smith said Tuesday in a telephone interview. Harris rates the Wheeler Mustangs a six-point favorite in the regional contest.

Gary Lewis, head coach of the Wilson Mustangs, had a one-word description of Wheeler's entry in the playoffs: "Awesome."

Then he added, "It's going to be a heck of a ball game."

Wheeler, which relies on a grind-it-out, clock-eating offense, will get a sample of its own medicine in this contest. Lewis, after reviewing films of Wheeler contests, described his offensive approach as similar to that of Wheeler's.

"They come out of a power I," Smith said of the Wilson offense, and "try to run over you. They

have eight or nine kids over 200 pounds."

Three Wilson players to watch on offense are Chris Burtch, a 225-pound senior running back; Justin Bednarz, a 190-pound senior tailback, and Greg Spears, a 180-pound quarterback.

Smith also said that Burtch, a linebacker on defense, and Craig Wuensche, a defensive tackle, are threats.

"They run multiple defensive sets, but basically a five-man front," Smith said of the Wilson offense.

This is Wilson's second trip to the playoffs in as many years. "But this is as far as we have been," Wilson's Lewis said.

Looking over the Wheeler team, Lewis remarked, "Defense is their strong suit. I haven't found a weak spot."

Wheeler's middle linebacker Richard Smith and the "Front Seven" of the Wheeler defense were also major concerns for Lewis.

Dickie Salyer, Wheeler's star running back and defensive end, may also be back in the lineup. He was injured early in the season.

"Salyer is going to the doctor (today)," Smith said. "If the doctor releases him, he may play a little bit on defense."



Bubba Smith grinds out some yardage.

(Staff Photo By John Gerdel Jr.)

Clements threatens to close Mustang football

By PAUL LONG
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Gov.-elect and Southern Methodist University Board Chairman Bill Clements declined to rule out the possibility that the school's board of governors may seek the resignations of athletic department personnel.

"Those are all options that will be considered," pending the outcome of an investigation by the school into the latest allegations of NCAA violations, he said.

However, Clements said no resignations were requested Tuesday in a closed meeting of SMU's board of governors.

Clements also said if problems in the athletic department persist, the school will not hesitate to abolish SMU's football program.

He said he is "dead serious" about the possibility of abolishing the football team.

"I'm tired of all this monkey business, this Mickey Mouse business, going on in our athletic department and our football team," he said.

The board of governors also approved abolishing "special admissions" stan-

dards for football players. Clements said many schools have separate admissions standards for athletes, such as lower SAT scores. He acknowledged that the new policy could hurt the football team's ability to compete.

"But I don't want any misunderstandings about how serious we are in our pursuit of academic excellence," Clements said.

He said the new policy, which goes into effect immediately, affects only football players. But he said the university would not hesitate to place other sports under the policy if necessary.

Football players enrolled under the old policy are unaffected, officials said.

The investigation into alleged NCAA violations will be chaired by Dr. Lonnie Kliever, professor of religious studies and faculty athletic representative to the NCAA.

Clements said the probe will be finished by Jan. 1.

The SMU football program is in the second year of a three-year probation imposed by the National Collegiate Athletic

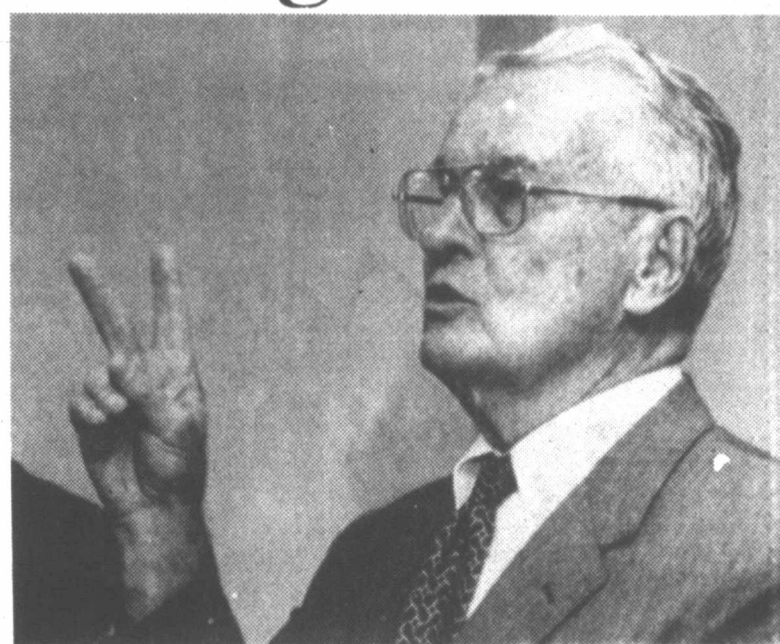
Association for recruiting violations. The NCAA could suspend SMU football for up to two years if it verifies the latest allegations.

In an interview telecast Nov. 12 by Dallas station WFAA-TV, former linebacker David Stanley said earlier this month that he received \$750 a month while he was playing for the Mustangs, even after SMU was placed on probation last year.

The Dallas Morning News reported on Nov. 14 that Stanley and Albert Reese, a starting tight end on this year's SMU team, were living this year in rent-free apartments provided by an SMU alumnus.

Also in Tuesday's board meeting, members agreed to a suggestion from the faculty senate that a special commission.

The board of governors said the commission will include faculty, students, trustees and alumni. The commission will examine questions such as the relationship of intercollegiate athletics to academic goals and priorities, the question of continued participation in the Southwest Conference and funding of the athletic department.



Clements

Wildcats take three

CANADIAN — Booker's varsity boys ran into a little bit of a problem Tuesday night here: they managed only 23 points while the Wildcats were collecting 60.

But Greg Nichols, Canadian basketball coach, had an explanation. "We just play a tough man-to-man defense and they couldn't handle it," he said.

In the opening quarter, the Wildcats posted a 16-8 lead, then added eight more points in the second round for 24-13 half-time margin. That was all the Wildcats would need, but they picked up 20 points in the third quarter and 16 more in the final period.

Robert Cervantes, working on the inside, hit nine field goals to lead Canadian with 18 points. Ross Poyner scored 14 and Luke Thresher had 13, both for the Wildcats. Canadian is 2-0 for the season.

Canadian Girls 54, Booker Girls 22

The Candian varsity girls scored double figures in every quarter while holding their Booker counterparts to single numbers and rolled to an easy 54-22 win. The Lady Wildcats are 3-0.

Stephanie Harris was the top scorer for Canadian with 10 points.

In a girls junior varsity game, Canadian stopped Booker 32-10.

Mustangs tip Spearman

SPEARMAN — Marlo Hartman poured in 33 points, going 15 of 17 from the field, as the Wheeler Lady Mustangs stopped the Spearman girls 79-63 Tuesday night.

DeAnn Jolly hit 27 points for the Wildcats, dropping eight of 11 attempts from the field. Tammie Baker scored eight points and Bridgett Wallace scored seven and led the rebounding with 13.

"There wasn't a whole lot of defense," Jan Newland, Wheeler

girls coach, said of the high-scoring game. "We were shooting a little better," Newland added, noting that point production was a problem in the first Canadian game.

The Lady Wildcats are 2-0. The Wheeler boys varsity will begin play after the football playoffs.

In a junior varsity game, the Wheeler girls stopped Spearman, 43-39, as Marcie Smith scored 28 points.

Akers' job rides on game

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas A&M will play for the Southwest Conference title on Thanksgiving night, while Texas may be playing for Coach Fred Akers' job.

Texas A&M, 8-2, can win its second consecutive trip to the Cotton Bowl by beating Texas in the oldest rivalry in the Southwest Conference.

Texas didn't receive a bowl bid this year for the first time since Akers replaced Darrell Royal, who resigned after the 1976 season. Royal never had a losing football season in 20 years.

A Texas loss would drop the Longhorns to 5-6, which would be their first losing season in 30 years, and also would fuel speculation that the Thanksgiving game might be the last for Akers, 48.

"I've had too many other things to think about," Akers says when asked about his job being in jeopardy.

His 10-year record at Texas is 86-30-2 but he was won only five of nine games against the Aggies.

Texas lost 37-12 to Texas A&M in 1984 and 42-10 last year, and another loss would be the first time that the Longhorns have fal-

len to the Aggies in three consecutive years.

Texas A&M Coach Jackie Sherrill was asked about Akers' job security and said, "No question, the pressure is building every day, and you guys (media) add to it. But no one asked to be a football coach. It goes with the territory."

Akers' first-year offensive coordinator, Dwain Painter, said an announcement that Akers is staying would boost recruiting.

"We'll own this state," Painter said. "I've got some verbal commitments from some of the top players in the state, from them and their parents. The only thing holding it up is the negative things that have been said."

Texas Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds said, "We'll try to figure out what to do (about Akers' job) and how to handle it later this week."

The Aggies have won 20 of their last 24 games and 15 of their last 17 conference games under Sherrill. Texas is 14-13 in its last 27 games.

Texas A&M's squad has been healthy all season, while Texas has had 19 starters miss.

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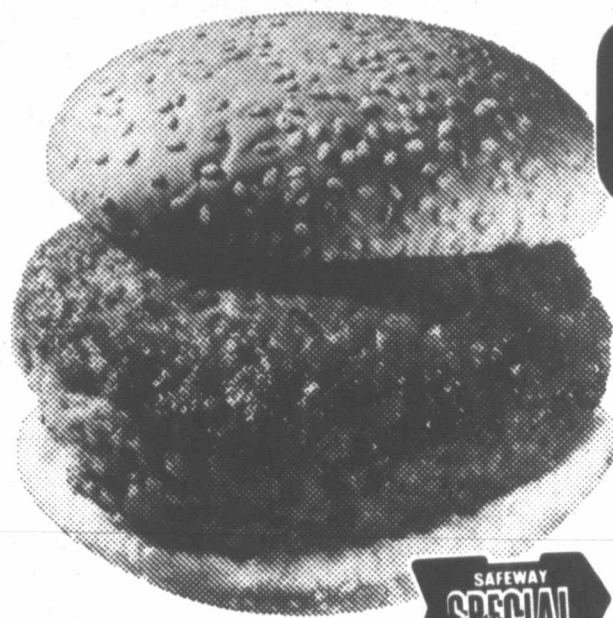


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Lifestyles

Group proves Christians can play rock 'n' roll

By PAUL PINKHAM
Staff Reviewer

Take away the message and the group David and the Giants sounds like a better-than-average rock'n'roll band.

But, oh, what a difference the words can make!

Whoever believes Christians can't play rock'n'roll should have been at M.K. Brown Auditorium Monday night when David and the Giants, a group of four reformed, secular rock musicians from Mississippi, led a full-scale revival in the auditorium's Heritage Room. The group includes former childhood star Keith Thibodeaux, who portrayed Little Ricky Ricardo on the *I Love Lucy Show*.

The 260 or so fans of all ages that showed up can attest to the fact that these boys came to play.

And praise.

And witness.

Combining four superb musical talents and the music of today with a strong desire to share the power that led them away from the hard-rock world of drugs and alcohol, the group's members took their audience on a revivalist journey that culminated with what can only be termed their anthem, simply entitled "Noah."

The song was easily their most effective plea for lost souls. Many in the group broke into spontaneous hand-waving and even crying as lead singer David Huff strummed chords of foreboding on his acoustic guitar and conjured up images of the taunting the Genesis arc-builder must have endured.

"Noah — everybody's talking 'bout you. Haven't you got better things to do? Don't look like rain

today. It's just another sunny day."

But the taunting soon turns to weeping and wailing when the foretold flood arrives, depicted in the form of thunder and lightning by David and the Giants with the aid of tapes, drum rolls and other electronic musical devices. Thousands of lost voices can be heard calling out for Noah to save them.

Even the spotlights got into the act, creating lightning for the flood. Band members are not shy to point out that the events of today parallel those of Noah's time.

Prior to their production number, David and the Giants played some straight ahead, mid-70s sounding rock'n'roll with one big difference from what's heard on the radio.

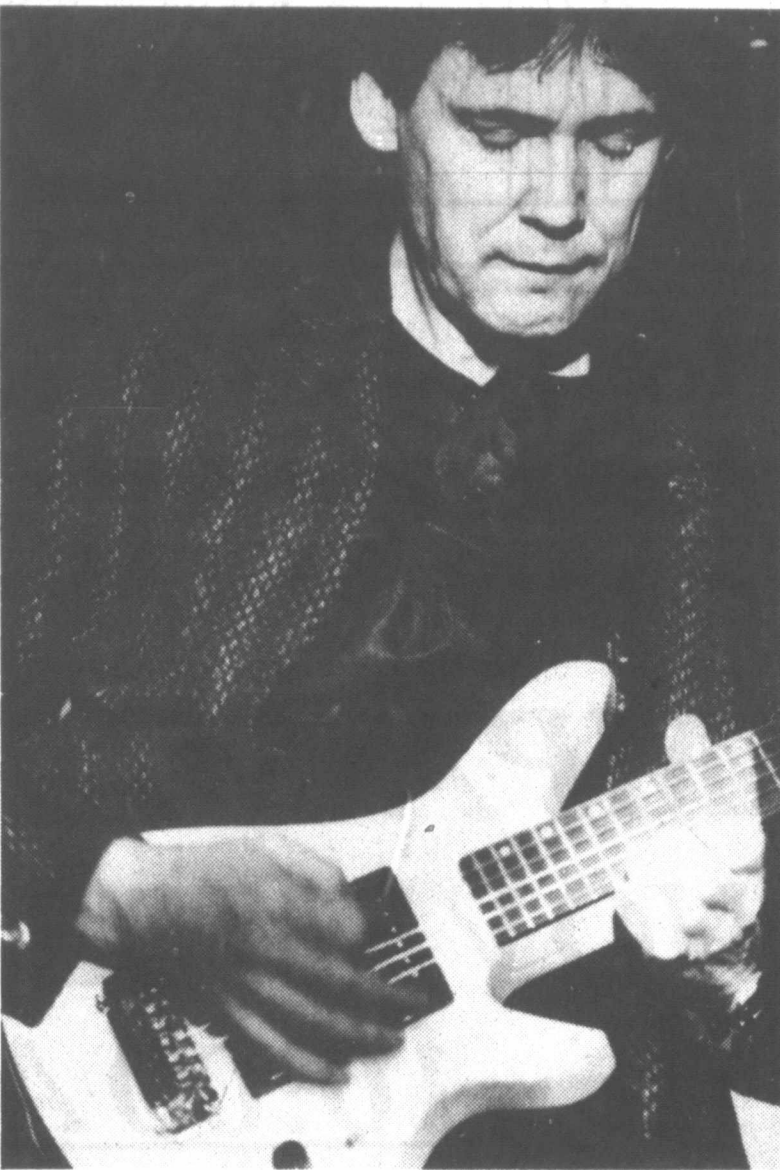
Musically, the group sounds like mid-70s rockers Bad Company, with its start and stop rhythms and Huff's rugged voice. One feature was Thibodeaux's imaginative drumming throughout the night.

But this is music with a message, too, as evidenced by song titles like "Highway To Heaven," "Rockin' For The Rock" and the rockabilly "I'm A Fanatic."

And to complement the music's message, each member of the band provided his own testimony. Each told of experiences with drugs and alcohol, prior to finding the "Highway To Heaven."

Opening for David and the Giants Monday was Pampa gospel artist Sheree' Spann.

Spann, who will appear with Grammy-winner Sandi Patti in Lubbock next month, led the crowd through half a dozen or so gospel numbers with her power-



David Huff

ful and soulful singing voice. There is no doubt, listening to Spann, that this is an artist who

feels every word she sings. And she can sing gospel with the best of them.



Sheree' Spann

Her repertoire ran the gamut from tear-rendering ballads to roof-raisers like "Miracle Man" to a spiced-up version of the old-time gospel classic "This World Is Not My Home."

Show Thanksgiving gratitude by sharing your blessings

DEAR READERS: By popular demand, here is my traditional Thanksgiving column:

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day, so take a few minutes to think about what you have to be thankful for.

How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. You're hurting? Thousands — maybe millions — are hurting more. (Have you ever visited a veterans hospital? Or a rehabilitation clinic for crippled children?)

If you awakened this morning and were able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal cords to utter human sounds, walk to the

breakfast table on two good legs and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord! A lot of people couldn't.

How's your pocketbook? Thin? Well, most of the world is a lot poorer. No pensions. No welfare. No food stamps. No Social Security. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight.

Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, call someone. Go out of your way to do something nice for somebody. It's a sure cure for the blues.

Are you concerned about your country's future? Hooray! Our system has been saved by such concern. Concern for fair play



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

under the law. Your country may not be a rose garden, but it also is not a patch of weeds.

Freedom rings! Look and listen. You can still worship at the church of your choice, cast a secret ballot and even criticize your government without fearing a knock on the head or a knock on the door at midnight. And if you want to live under a

different system, you are free to go. There are no walls or fences — nothing to keep you here.

As a final thought, I'll repeat my Thanksgiving prayer; perhaps you will want to use it at your table tomorrow:

O, heavenly Father: We thank thee for food and remember the hungry.

We thank thee for health and

remember the sick.

We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless.

We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.

May these remembrances stir us to service.

That thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving, and may God bless you and yours. Love, ABBY

An afterthought: Want an instant high? The surest cure for the post-holiday blues is to do something nice for someone.

Why not call someone who lives alone and invite him (or her) over for dinner?

Better yet, call and say, "I'm coming to get you, and I'll see that you get home." (Many older people don't drive, and those who do don't like to go out alone after dark.)

Try it. And let me know the results.

P.S. Special greetings to those of you in the military who wrote from remote corners of the world to tell me that you are using my Thanksgiving prayer on this Thanksgiving Day.

A gardener's list of 'thanksgivings'

By JOE VANZANDT
County Extension Agent

Thanksgiving to most people is that time when they get a few days off from work and the kids are at home from school driving them nuts. It's that day when Americans can legally overeat and forget their diets. After all, it's almost un-American not to eat turkey and dressing on Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving is also a day to sit down and quietly give thanks for the many privileges and opportunities Americans enjoy.

Here are some of the "Thanksgivings of Gardening" which all gardeners share:

1. Be thankful for the physical strength necessary to prepare a garden.

2. Be thankful for your concern that your family enjoys fresh, nutritious vegetables.

3. Be thankful for agricultural researchers and educators who make your gardening efforts more productive.

4. Be thankful for friendly neighbors who become friendlier as the garden approaches maturity.

5. Be thankful for an understanding family who will eat your garden-grown vegetables regardless of how they look.

6. Be thankful for that look of joy that flows from your youngsters when they pick that first red tomato.

7. Be thankful for the personal pride stimulated by a successful garden.

8. Be thankful for the invaluable experience gained from struggling to produce a garden.

9. Be thankful for the vegetable



For Horticulture

Joe VanZandt

farmer who does produce a crop every year to supply us when we fail.

And last but not least:

10. Be thankful for the miracle of growth which we all, whether young or old, experience each and every time we plant a seed and watch it grow.

The dormant season for many plants is here and home gardeners should review proper pruning techniques before mowing pruning shears and saws.

Improper pruning can result in poor growth, unnatural plant forms, poor flower and fruit production, and occasionally even death of the plant.

Following basic guidelines for pruning can transform a tree or shrub into a beautiful plant specimen.

To begin, have a reason for pruning. Consider techniques, season of the year and the need for pruning before taking that first snip. Many times there is no reason at all for pruning if the tree is healthy.

The dormant season of November through February may not necessarily be the best time to prune every plant on your landscape. Deciduous trees and shrubs, vines, ground covers and evergreens probably can be pruned at this time of year.

However, exceptions include spring-flowering shrubs such as

forsythia and bridal wreath which should be pruned after they flower. Do not prune roses until March.

Using proper tools is important for safety and adequate cutting. Use hand shears for small twigs

under one-half inch in diameter.

Pruning is perhaps the least understood and most abused of all the many chores a gardener may tackle. When pruning, have a purpose in mind and do the job right. Do not ever stub or just chop limbs off.

The Gray County Extension office has an excellent bulletin, No. 1347 - Pruning and Training Landscape Plants. Copies are available which should help answer any questions about how to properly prune landscape plants.

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A women's self-defense course is to be presented from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Pampa Youth Center, Dec. 2. Sponsors of the course are the Pampa Police Department and Tralee Crisis Center.

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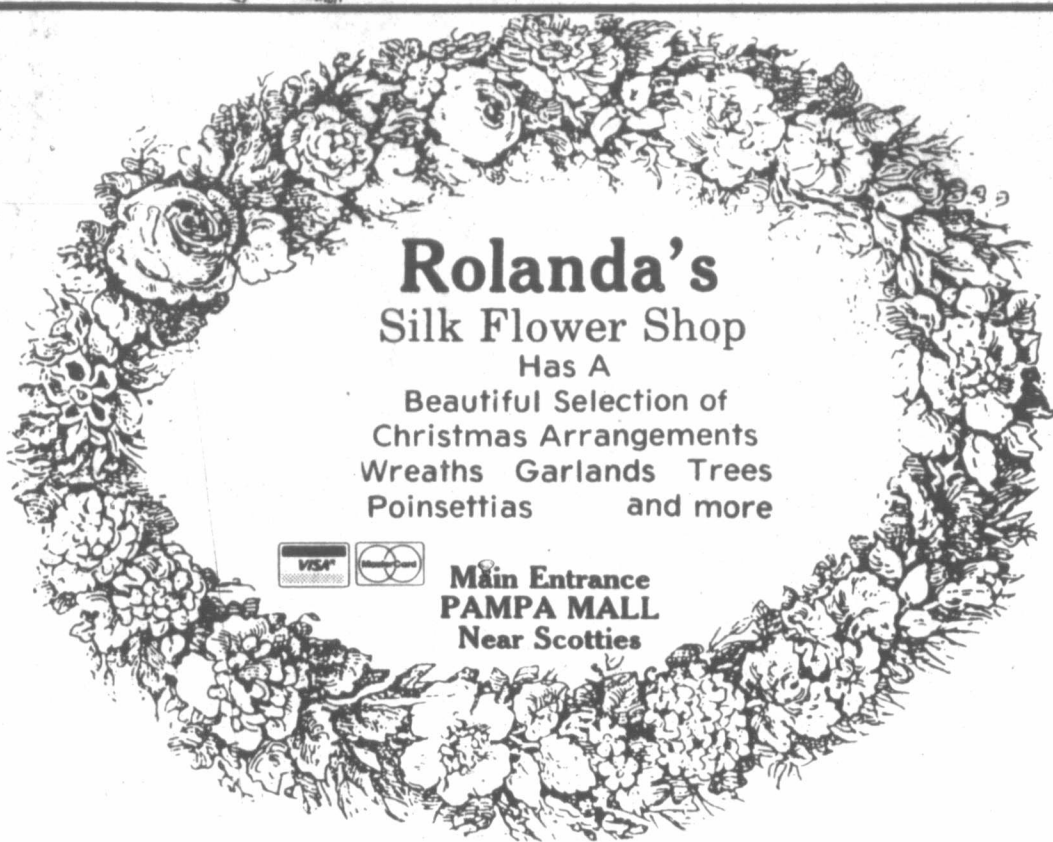


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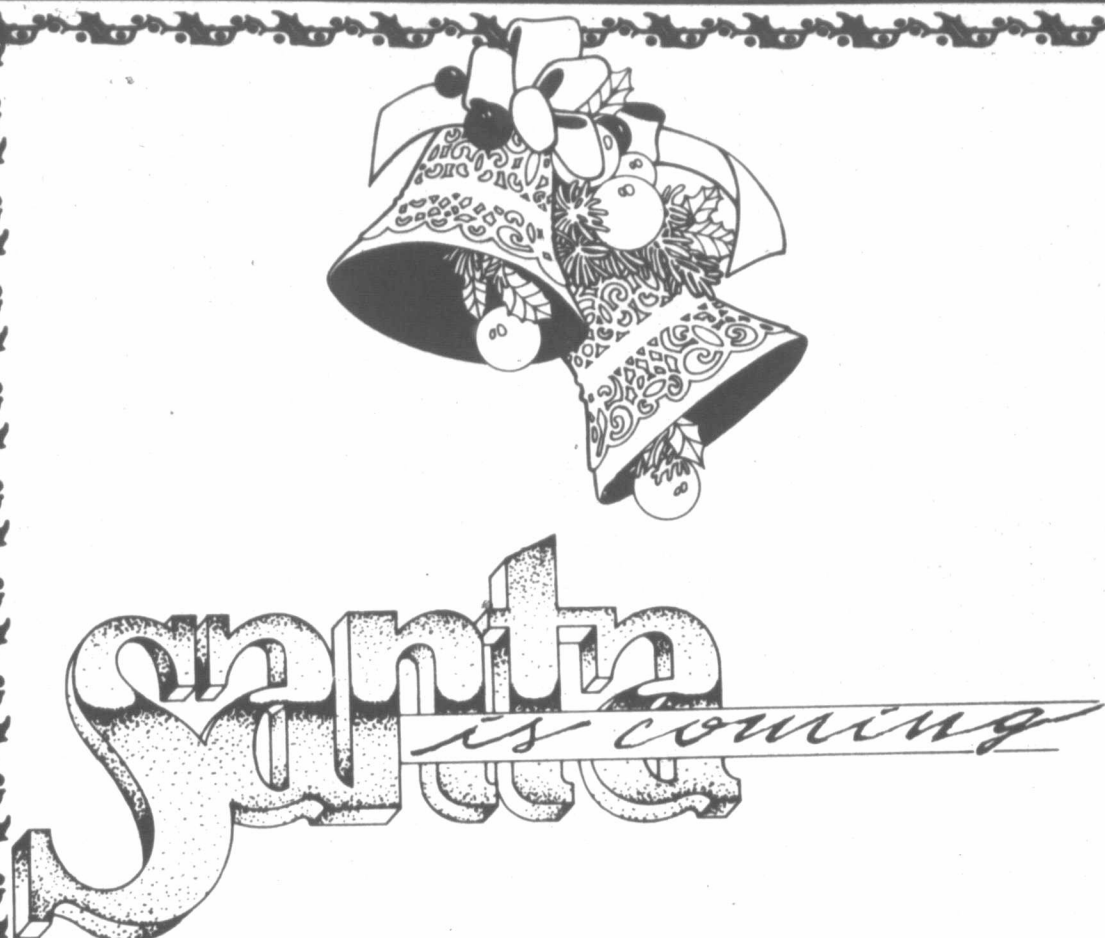
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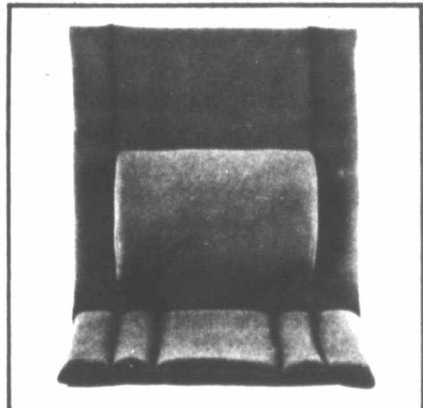
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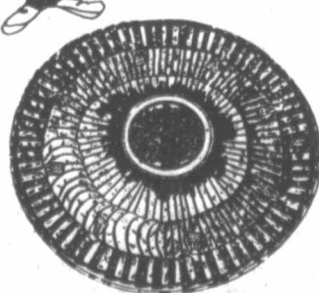
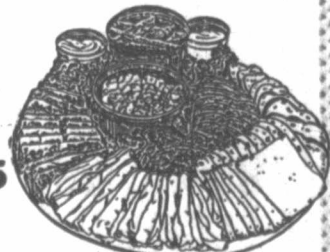
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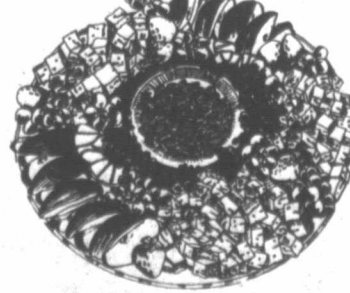
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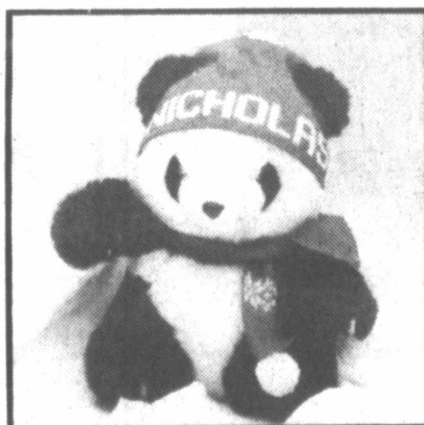
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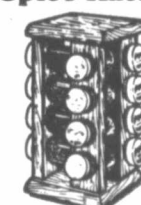
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By KAREN HARAM
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP)—If the thought of preparing Thanksgiving dinner for 10 has you down, take heart.

You could be in Ernest Jimenez's shoes and be finalizing plans for feeding 10,000.

As chef of the Seventh Annual Jimenez Thanksgiving Dinner, Ernest—who is no relation to Raul Jimenez, president and chairman of the board of Jimenez Food Products Inc. and founder of the annual senior citizens' meal—is the man who makes sure dinner gets on the table.

Certainly Ernest is well qualified for the job. A certified chef and charter member of the Texas Chef's Association, Ernest recently retired after 24 years as executive chef in charge of the Officers Club, Officers Club Annex and NCO Club at Fort Sam Houston.

Those years of experience mean Ernest is no stranger to cooking for large groups, although he is the first to admit he previously was more used to thinking in terms of hundreds, not thousands, when he prepared food for large numbers of people.

A personal friend of Raul's, Ernest became involved in the Thanksgiving dinner when they were started in Fort Worth.

"Only for Mr. Jimenez would I attempt to do something like this," Ernest said. "It's a big job,

but he is such a generous man; you can't help but try to do what you can."

Ernest explained that he and Raul became friends many years ago when they used to work together planning parties for Raul's employees.

Although it was Ernest's job to plan the menus for the gatherings, the men said that they often worked together on the duty and quickly discovered that as a team, each man's talents complemented the other's.

"When we first started on the Thanksgiving dinners, I got in the kitchen and helped in that way as well as working on the planning," Ernest said. "As the dinners grew, I have learned to assign more and be more of a supervisor."

The menu for the Thanksgiving Day dinner includes 450 large turkeys, 100 gallons of cranberry sauce, 810 gallons of green beans, 810 gallons of yams, 350 pounds of diced onions, 350 pounds of bell peppers, 200 pounds of diced celery and 1,200 loaves of bread.

Also in the list are 200 pounds of chicken giblets, 700 pounds of pork trimmings, 300 dozen eggs, 100 pounds of margarine, 150 pounds of baking powder, 20 pounds of cinnamon, 250 pounds of brown sugar, 150 pounds of salt, 20 pounds of pepper, 350 pounds of chicken base and four gallons of vinegar.

Also, 150 gallons of canned milk, 250 quarts of pimentos, 800

pumpkin pies, 150 pounds of cornstarch, 144 bunches of parsley, 400 lemons, 32 cases of coffee, 15,000 soft drinks, six cases of coffee cream and 12,000 packets of sugar.

To get everything ready, Ernest's work began Friday when Raul closed his food plant for a week to give volunteers a place to fix the food. Preparations began with the thawing of 450 turkeys, weighing 26 to 30 pounds each.

The turkeys were placed in a room with temperature at approximately 45 degrees so they could safely thaw without fear of bacterial growth.

After the turkeys were thawed, Ernest instructed volunteers, properly garbed in gloves and butcher's aprons, on the proper cleaning and gutting of the birds. The prepared turkeys were then placed on huge pans, ready to go in the ovens on Saturday.

Ernest also led another group of volunteers in preparing the turkey dressing. The cooks turned 1,800 pounds of cornmeal and 500 pounds of flour into cornbread. Then they sautéed onion, celery and bell pepper in margarine to be combined with the cornbread and seasonings to make the dressing.

On Saturday, after the turkeys were removed from the ovens and cooled, the difficult work began. That's when Ernest led the volunteers in boning and slicing the turkey. White meat went into

one pile, dark meat into another. "Breaking the turkey down and boning and slicing the meat is the hardest job," he said. "That's why we like to have professionals do it if we have them. They know how to handle the knives."

The turkey was then packaged in aluminum pans, covered and labeled and stored in a freezer. After the 300 pans of dressing are baked on Monday, they will receive the same treatment.

In between jobs, Ernest led other volunteers in opening thousands of gallon-size containers of green beans, sweet potatoes and cranberry sauce. From there, the potatoes are spiced with brown sugar and cinnamon to make candied yams.

When that is done, there is gravy to be prepared—hundreds of gallons made from giblets and

flavorings.

"This is where our volunteers really come in handy," Ernest said. "We have all kinds of people who help us—doctors, lawyers, business people, along with others."

This year, Ernest and Raul are changing the serving procedure. Previously, the food was put on plates at the Jimenez plant and taken to the convention center in aluminum trays.

To make the meal more home-like, this Thanksgiving Day the men will set up eight double serving lines at the convention center from which the volunteers will fill plates. From there, other volunteers will serve the food to the senior citizens.

"This way, the food will be delivered to the senior citizens good

and hot. We think this will be a real good way to do it," Raul said. Not only will there be food and beverages for the senior citizens, a workshop service and entertainment also will be provided.

And when the day is over and 10,000 senior citizens have had a hot meal, as well as a chance to visit with friends, dance and listen to music, where will the two project leaders be?

"Sleeping very comfortably," said Ernest.

"Resting," said Raul with a laugh.

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Hard facts of sharecropper's life recorded in diary

By PATTI MUCK
Houston Chronicle

ARCOLA, Texas (AP) — The winter of 1925 was a bitter one for Robert Ranson Rogers.

He was a sharecropper and at 40 years of age, he had made and lost his nest egg several times over.

On Christmas Day 1925, Rogers recorded the facts of his sharecropper's life in his diary:

"Has a wife, two small children, living in Brummer in a rent house. No steady job. Behind with the rent. Behind with insurances. No wood, no groceries. Watch in ssk for \$5. Car in bad shape, no license. Horse on hand no feed. Hog on hand no feed. Only \$1.45 in cash. Good-bye."

Although Rogers' tenacity brought him back from the dire straits of that Christmas, the words, read 61 years later, make his daughters want to weep.

"Oh, what a shame. Lord have mercy," said Emma Rogers, nodding her head slowly from side to side as she read the battered brown diary. "That is so sad."

Now 54, Emma was 11 months old when her father died in 1933 and she knew him only through family stories and memories passed down from her mother, Virginia, who died in 1970.

But last summer, the old brown diary fell out of a storehouse wall workers were tearing down near

Arcola in southeast Fort Bend County. One of the workers passed the book on to Houston resident Anthony Faultry, a Hughes Tool Co. employee and a history buff who was born in Arcola.

Faultry, 51, was fascinated with Rogers' beautiful handwriting and the way the sharecropper painstakingly recorded every penny spent over a seven-year period.

In the fall of 1920, for example, Rogers purchased three winter undershirts, winter boots, winter dress shoes and one hand saddle for a total price of \$25.

In March 1924, Rogers bought a Ford touring car for \$165.

Two months later, he returned the car owing \$115.

"He wrote down everything, even his underwear," said Faultry. Found along with the diary was a scrapbook containing old clippings and hundreds of yellowed "Mutt & Jeff" comic strips cut from the Houston Chronicle.

Faultry's first thought was to turn the treasure over to an area museum, but he decided to check if Rogers had any relatives in the Houston area.

He left his telephone number with a few acquaintances in Arcola. They eventually tracked down Emma Rogers and her sisters, Robbie Harris, 64, and Ruby Rogers, 58, all from Houston.

When Faultry met two of the sisters recently at Mrs. Harris' southeast Houston home, it

turned into a reunion.

Miss Rogers and Mrs. Harris grew up in the same Arcola neighborhood where Faultry was born. They remembered Faultry and his mother, who was nicknamed "Honey."

"I never would have believed this," said Miss Rogers, balancing the heavy book on her lap while she quizzed Faultry on his contacts in Arcola. With the diary before them, the sisters used their father's carefully recorded facts and figures to recall his hard-working, relatively short life.

Robert Ranson Rogers had four daughters from his marriage to Virginia Martin, and one son — now dead — from a previous marriage.

His fourth daughter, Verna Thurman, 62, lives in Chicago. Mrs. Harris said she remembered her father holding Verna in his arms as he spoke in front of a church congregation.

"He was a very educated person," said Mrs. Harris, "and he was a very religious man. He really loved his kids. He would take care of us just like my mother would. He would comb my hair."

Mrs. Harris said her mother spoke of meeting Rogers at a Saturday night supper at a community roadhouse.

"They stayed in a little community called Duke — those were plantations," said Mrs. Harris. "Where they were born, there's nothing there anymore. They all vanished."

Brummer, where the family survived Christmas 1925, is thought to have been a plantation community near Fresno in east Fort Bend County, although there is no record of it today.

Mrs. Harris was barely 11 years old when her father died of what she now believes was pneumonia. She pointed out the diary entry recording the birth of Robert Lee Rogers in 1922. Her father named her Robert because he was sure the baby would be a boy, Mrs. Harris said.

She changed her name to Robbie before high school.

"I didn't want the children ribbing me," Mrs. Harris recalled.

During some years, Rogers made a small profit from his cotton farming, but other years he ended up owing money to the land's owner.

The diary listed total debts at

\$382.50 in 1922. It was a hard year.

Rogers wrote a letter to Sears Roebuck & Co. in Dallas on July 27, "regards to sick wife and no money. Will have to return phonograph. Waiting for instructions."

The company extended his payment time, and there is no record the sharecropper had to return the phonograph, which cost about \$13.50.

In October 1924, Rogers moved his family to the Brummer site owing \$209.70 with total cash on hand \$20. His cotton crops for 1922-1924 made him nearly \$275, most of it eaten up by expenses.

On page 407 of the diary, Rogers recorded he made \$4,318.57 over a 10-year period.

Mrs. Harris remembers moving at least three times as a child when her father found another farm to sharecrop.

The sisters say they don't remember ever going hungry.

"They used to ask me, 'Do I remember the Depression in the '30s?' and I said 'No, I don't remember the Depression because we always had lots of food,'" Mrs. Harris says. "When he died, we had hogs and chickens and stuff."

Of her parents she says, "We

were so devoted to them. The just brought us up with what was right."

She admitted to being one of the young artists who drew stick figures of people going to church in the blank spaces of her father's diary.

"I don't remember it, but I'm sure I did, because our dad let us do anything," Mrs. Harris said, smiling fondly at the childish scrawls in the diary.

In a "Memorandum of what must be done in 1922 in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ," Rogers recorded dreams and goals within the 16-inch by 10-inch cardboard covers of his diary that he never got a chance to fulfill.

He promised to move into a larger house, install a telephone, advertise for a steady position, have all his teeth fixed and buy a Ford car.

His final dream was "to purchase a small country home and five acres."

He never had the chance to buy his country home, but long after his death, his wife did buy a small house in Arcola. The sisters still own the land, although the house burned after their mother died.



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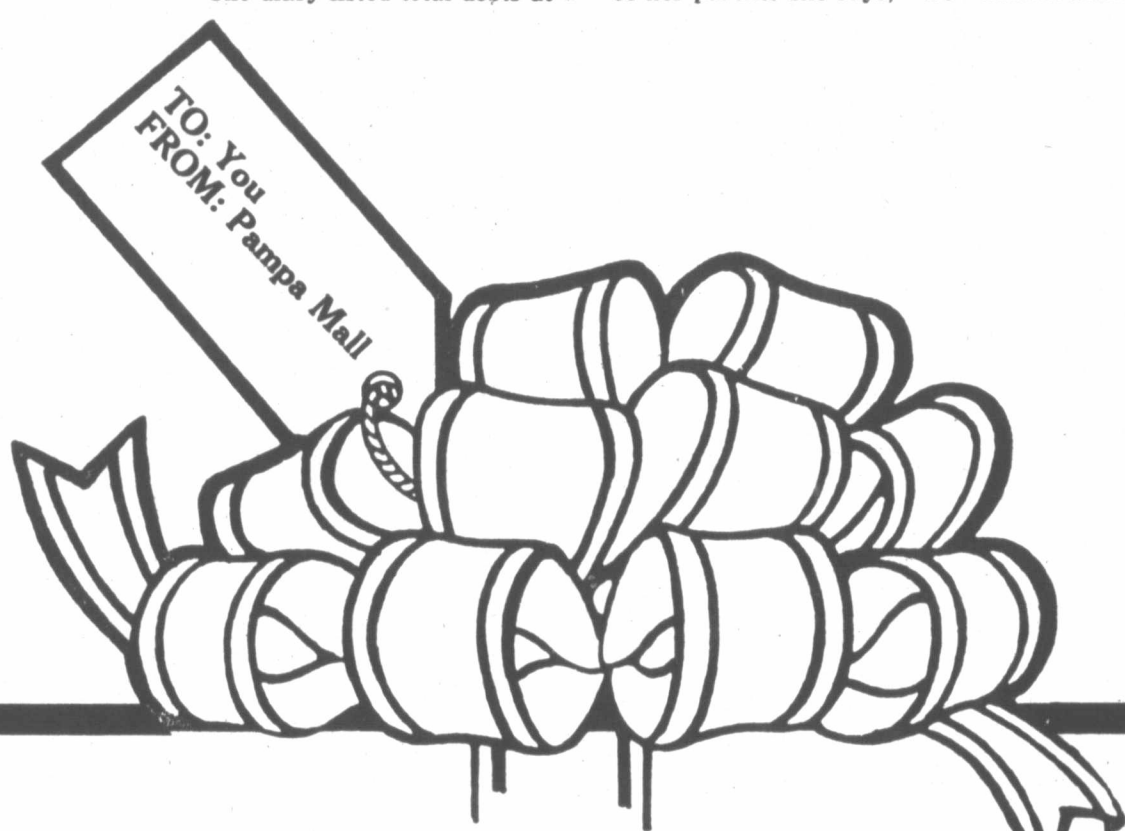
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Surgeons use music to ease tension in the operating room

BELLEVILLE, Ill. (AP) — Morris Kugler likes to finish surgery to the sound of a British rock group, while some of his colleagues prefer cutting to classics or a country 'n' western beat.

But regardless of their musical taste, they agree that rhythm cuts the tension in the surgical suite. "After long cases, we need a pickup," said Kugler, a vascular and general surgeon from Belleville who sometimes listens to the rock group Wham as he completes an operation.

"It is a pickup. It makes me feel better," he said recently.

"It takes the edge off things," added Dr. Robert Lander, an orthopedic surgeon at Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. "It's light noise in the background. It's more pleasing than the anesthesiology machine."

At Memorial Hospital in Belleville, music first moved into the operating rooms to soothe patients who were awake under a local anesthetic during surgery, charge nurse Jan Oeltjen said.

"The patients were the prime concern," she said. "It gives them something to distract their thoughts. They like it."

But surgeons like Kugler also feel the need to reduce distractions and like the effect music provides.

"It makes the operating room a very tranquil place," he said. "It just calms the situation ... It keeps the whole crew at ease."

At Memorial, the most popular choices are classical music and soft ballads by such artists as

Johnny Mathis and Neil Diamond.

But at Oliver C. Anderson Hospital in Maryville, surgeons listen to an eclectic mix including — but not limited to — classical, country and rock, said Judy Fritsch, the hospital's operating room supervisor.

One surgeon, she said, plays tapes of the church choir in which he sings.

Operating rooms at Jewish Hospital began playing music about nine years ago and initially offered earphones to patients under local anesthesia, Lander said. But surgeons and nurses decided they wanted music, too, so tape players were brought in.

Dr. William Shieber, the head of vascular surgery at Jewish Hospital, says he prefers classical music as he works.

"I don't know how much I actually hear it when I'm working and concentrating," Shieber said. "But at least it's not offensive like rock music. That really grates on me."

But when it comes to selection, the surgeons sometimes get a second opinion — the patient's.

"It's whatever they like," Landers said. "When the patient is asleep, I usually fight with the nurses."

Oeltjen said music had a positive effect on her patients at Maryville.

"It kind of raises everybody's outlook," she said. "It helps to eliminate some of the fright of surgery."

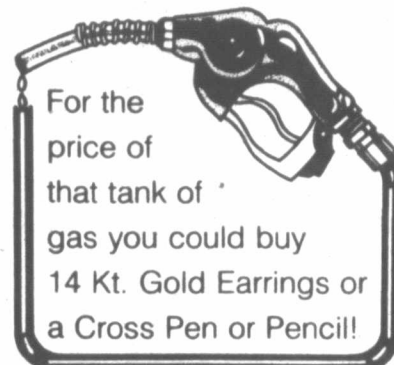
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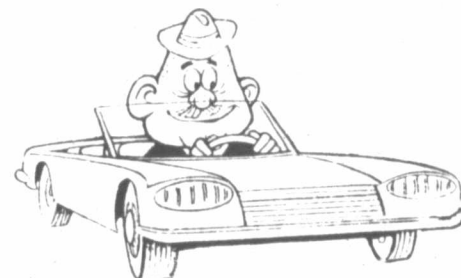
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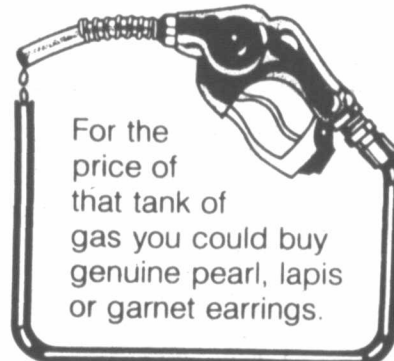
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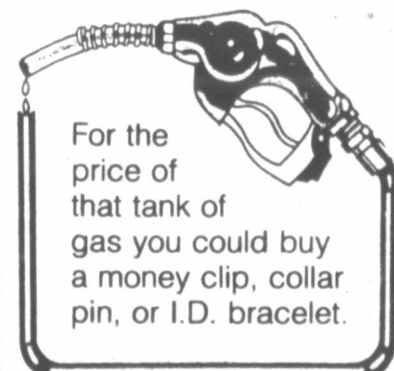
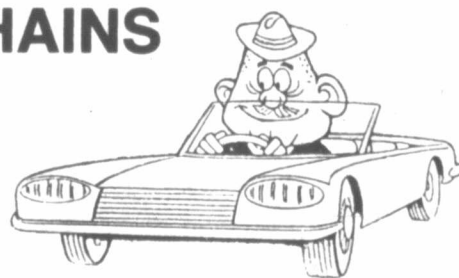
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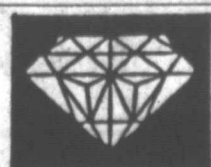
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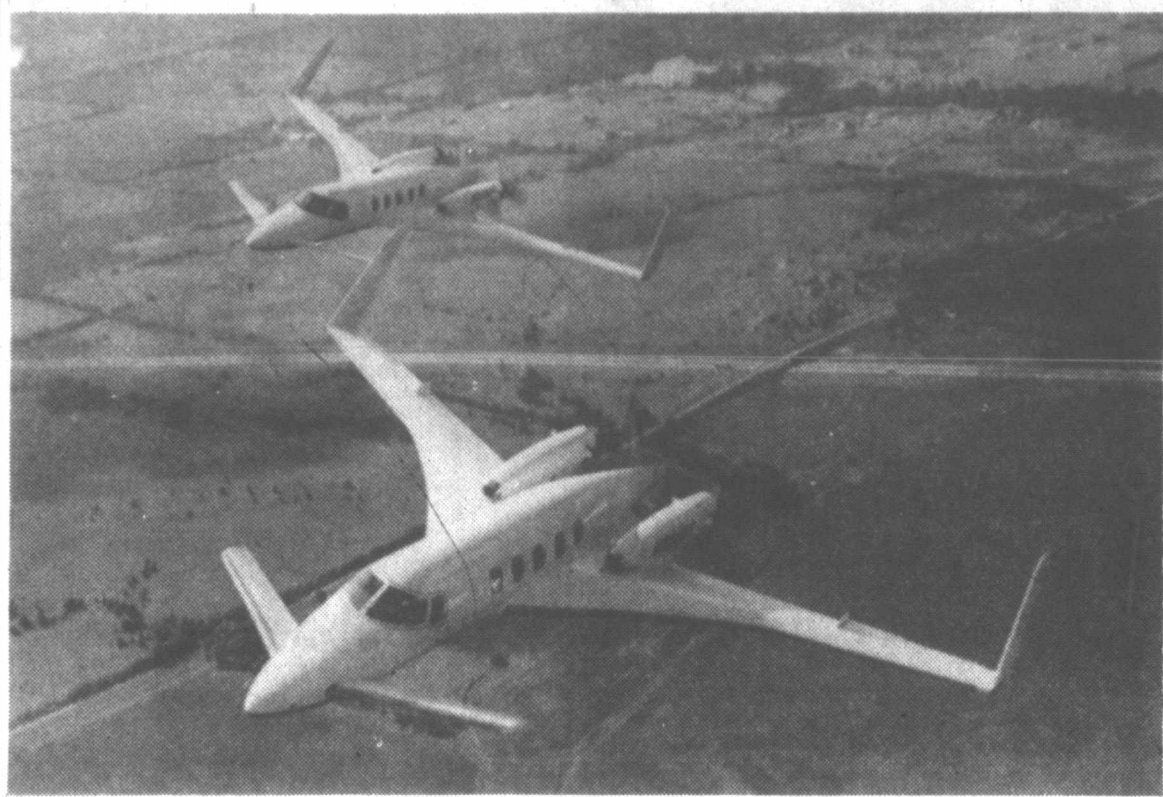
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conclude at the end of the year. The aircraft's advance design and composite construction provide greater strength, lighter weight and less drag.

White sand from Bahama is eyed for Florida's beaches

MIAMI (AP) — It's better in the Bahamas, or at least the sand is, and some officials and conservationists want the state to import millions of tons of fine white sand from the nearby archipelago to renourish eroding Florida beaches.

Legislation that recently passed the U.S. House of Representatives might soon allow the use of Bahamian sand to enhance Sunshine State beaches, according to Nathan Frohling, coordinator of the Dade County Beach Restoration Program.

"The main reason we want it is environmental. The second reason we want it is because it's beautiful. It actually has sort of a white-yellowish tint to it. It just looks creamy and pure and it is, compared to our gray calcium sand that we get from the reefs," Frohling said.

Using Bahamian sand to renourish Florida's popular tourist beaches could overcome several environmental problems beach conservationists have faced since beach bolstering programs began in 1977, state and county officials said.

It could eliminate clouding offshore waters with silt and injuring coral reefs during dredging. The finer grade sand is free of the rock chunks brought up in Florida dredging. Furthermore, barging the sand to beach projects would make the cost of the aragonite sand competitive with poorer quality Floridian sand, said Steve Somerville, Broward County coastal engineer.

For years beach experts, from the Army Corps

of Engineers to state and county planners, have been eyeing the deposits of aragonite sand found 75 miles southeast of here in Bahamian waters. Only the 1933 Buy American Act has prevented barging the sand to Florida, said Earl Howard, chief of coastal design section of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Jacksonville.

The act requires federally funded projects to use domestic materials when available.

However, an exemption to the bill, in a provision of the Water Resources Bill, has a good chance of passing the U.S. Senate, said Helen Rojas, press secretary to U.S. Rep. Clay Shaw of Fort Lauderdale. Shaw and North Miami Beach Rep. William Lehman, and the exclusive miners of the sand, Marcona Ocean Industries Ltd., are backing the provision, she said.

Government conservationists want the sand for maintenance of the state's beaches.

Beach engineers fight a continuous battle to save developed shoreline from the ocean current, which naturally moves the sand south, Somerville said.

"It's essentially a river of sand flowing from the north to the south off the coast," Somerville said of East Coast beaches. However, in recent years that flow has been interrupted by manmade jetties, piers and inlets.

"By the time the sand gets all the way down here (to Florida), we don't get as much as we used to get," he said.

Drinking death discipline discussed

AUSTIN (AP) — University of Texas officials have met with about a half dozen students to discuss possible disciplinary action in connection with the drinking death of a fraternity pledge.

The students were summoned by letter to meet with the dean of students after an extensive university investigation into the

death of Mark Seeberger, 18, of Dallas.

Seeberger was found dead in his off-campus dormitory room Sept. 18. An autopsy showed that he died of alcohol poisoning.

Authorities have said Seeberger died following a fraternity "ride," in which he and two other Phi Kappa Psi pledges allegedly

were handcuffed and forced to drink.

UT spokeswoman Joyce Pole said federal privacy laws prevented the school from disclosing any information about Monday's disciplinary proceedings. The Travis County grand jury also has been investigating Seeberger's death.

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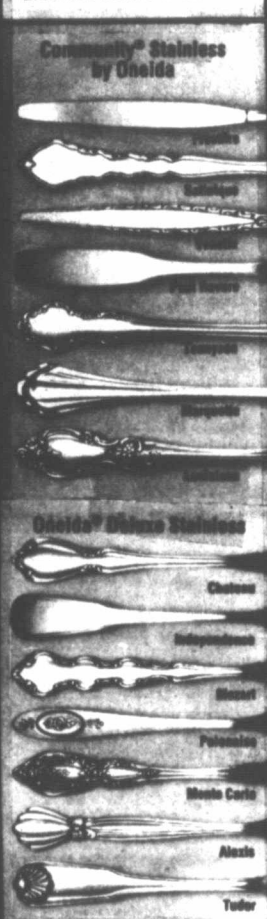
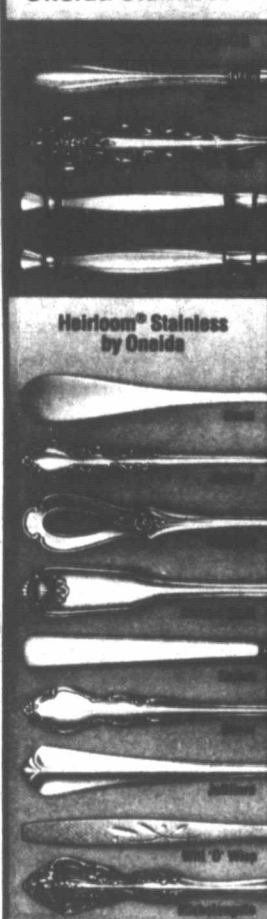
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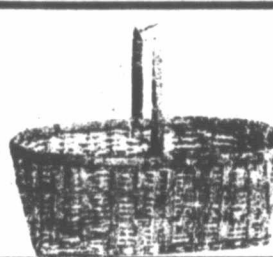
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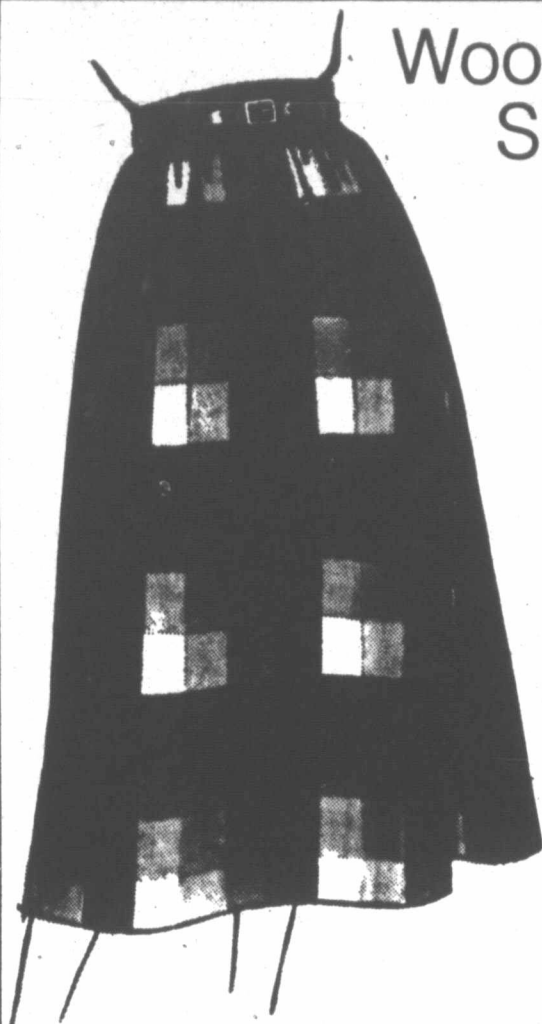
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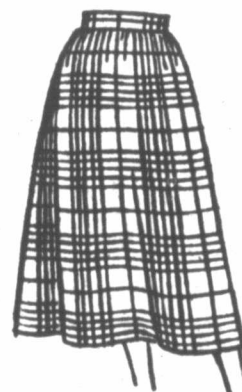
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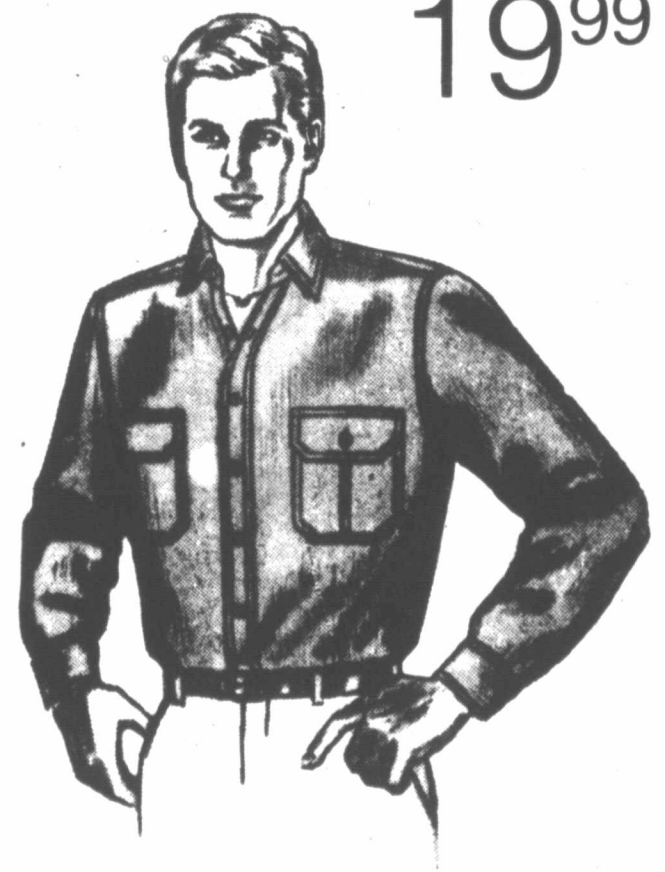


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- ACROSS**
- Blacksmith's block
 - Goose genus
 - Optic applicator
 - Mistake
 - Eye part
 - Sailor (2 wds.)
 - Ear (comb. form)
 - Actress Louise
 - Last queen of Spain
 - Most esthetic
 - Hawaiian island
 - Madam's counterpart
 - Boors
 - Sources of metal
 - Bard
 - Make a map of
 - Grafted, in heraldry
 - Painful
 - Boulder
 - Sharp
 - State of bliss
 - Split
 - God
 - Cow's chewed food
 - Wears away
 - Texas city (2 wds.)
 - Most unusual
 - More quickly
 - Watchful
 - Lacking money

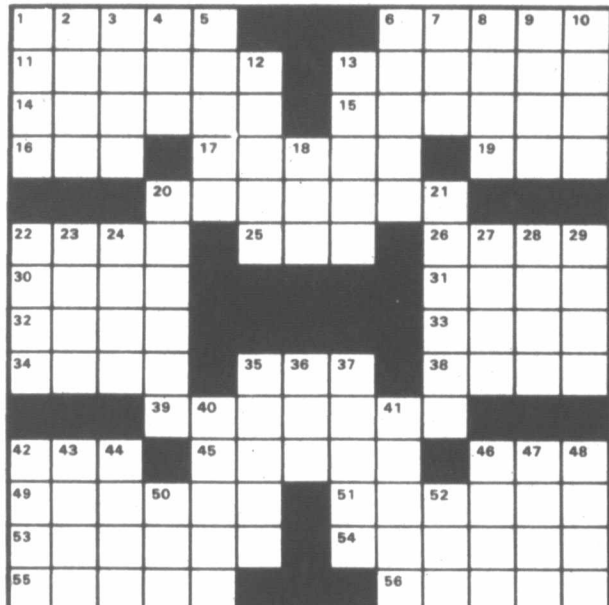
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- Air (comb. form)
- Russian "no"
- Reject
- Here (Fr.)
- Pertaining to the moon
- Surfaces

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- Bird (comb. form)
- Courts
- That is (Lat., 2 wds.)
- Modern fabric
- Wax (Lat.)
- River in Russia
- Ripped
- Walking stick
- Not new
- Flat-bottomed boat
- German article
- Edgar Allan



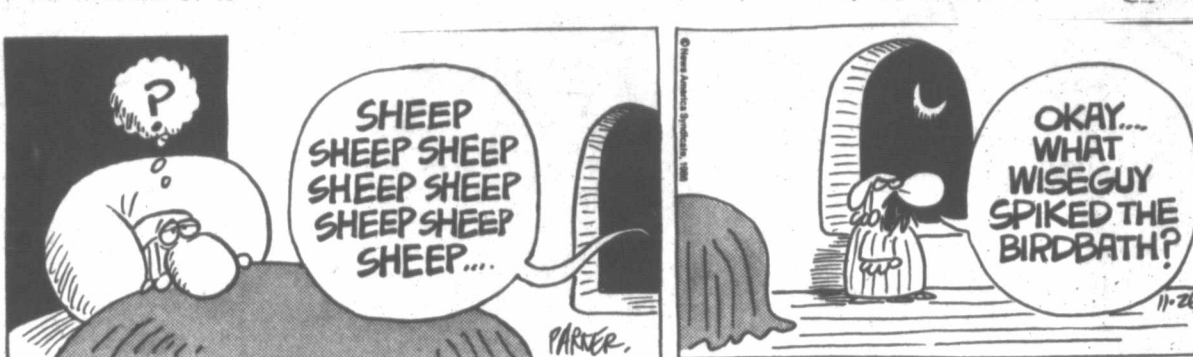
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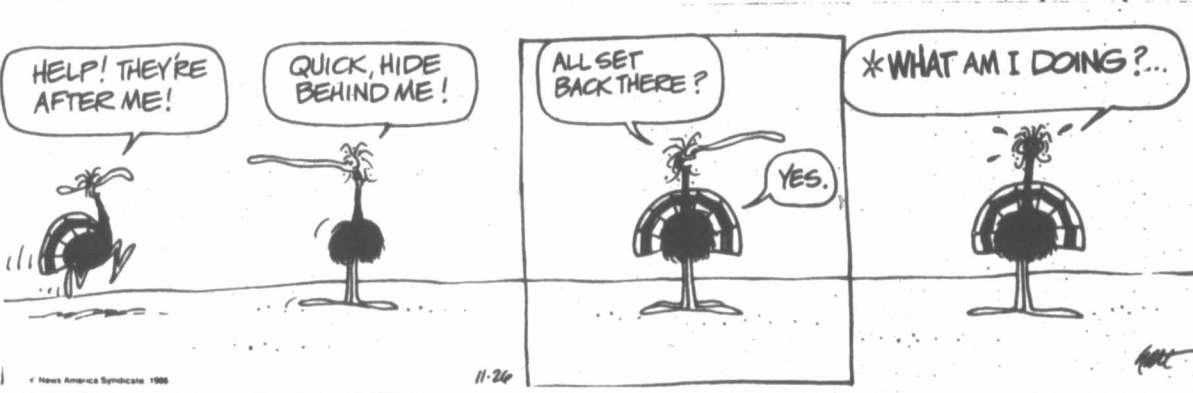
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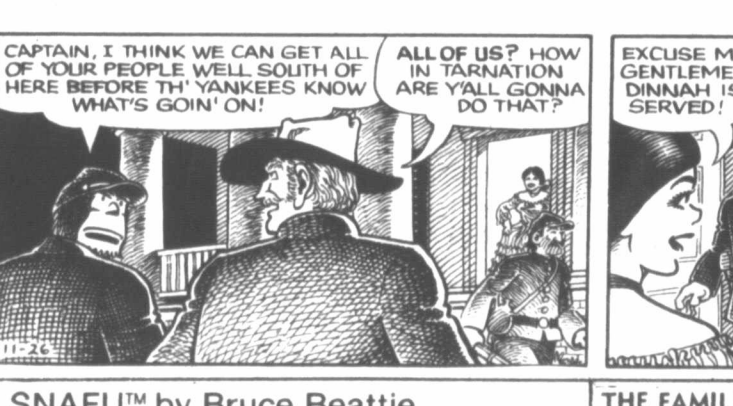
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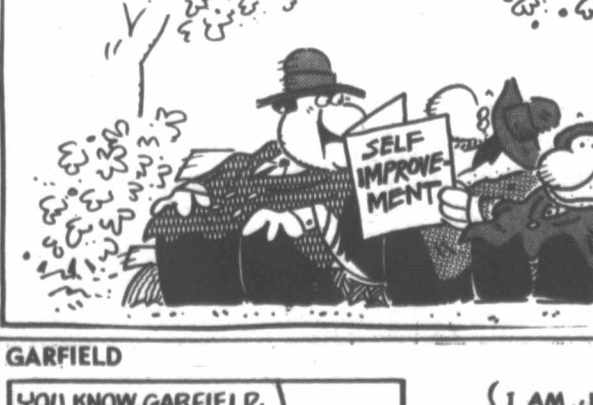
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Nov. 27, 1986

You're going to derive great pleasure in the year ahead from some of the wonderful non-material things life has to offer. You'll be quite fortunate where friendships are concerned.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Even if it involves sacrifices on your behalf, try to return favors today requested by persons who have been kind to you in the past. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Matchmaker set can help you understand what might take to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll do well in competitive developments today if you keep in the back of your mind the fact that you have reserves that others may lack.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Conditions are hopeful today pertaining to something you've long desired. Take practical measures now to make your dream a reality.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Although profits from one of your ventures may be a bit lean at this time, don't get discouraged. Shortly, they'll become more ample.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You have good judgment today, so once you make up your mind, don't alter your decisions. What you decide should be best for you and others who are involved.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The fruits of your labors could yield a harvest today. But if the pickings are a trifle slim, use this as a lesson to try harder the next time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) An unstructured, lively gathering, held just for fun, could turn out beneficially for your business today. Look for profit among the potables.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A family issue that has caused everyone in your household a degree of discomfort looks like it may be resolved today. It won't come easily.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) The appropriate opening will present itself today, giving you an opportunity to resolve a serious matter that you've been reluctant to thrash out with a pal.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) This is a good day to go shopping for essential household items. If you search the stores, you should find what you want at prices you can afford.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Take a non-nonsense posture if you have a critical situation to work out today. Once those with whom you are dealing see you are serious, they'll fall in line.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you hope to have an old obligation repaid, give the debtor a reminder today. There's a chance you could receive partial payment.

Employment agency suit

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorney General Jim Mattox has announced an agreed judgment was reached against a San Antonio employment agency that was sued for alleged misrepresentations about the availability of jobs.

"This is only one of a number of similar lawsuits and investigations we have going on about the problem of out-of-work persons being falsely led to believe they can get jobs by putting down their own money when they can least afford to," Mattox said.

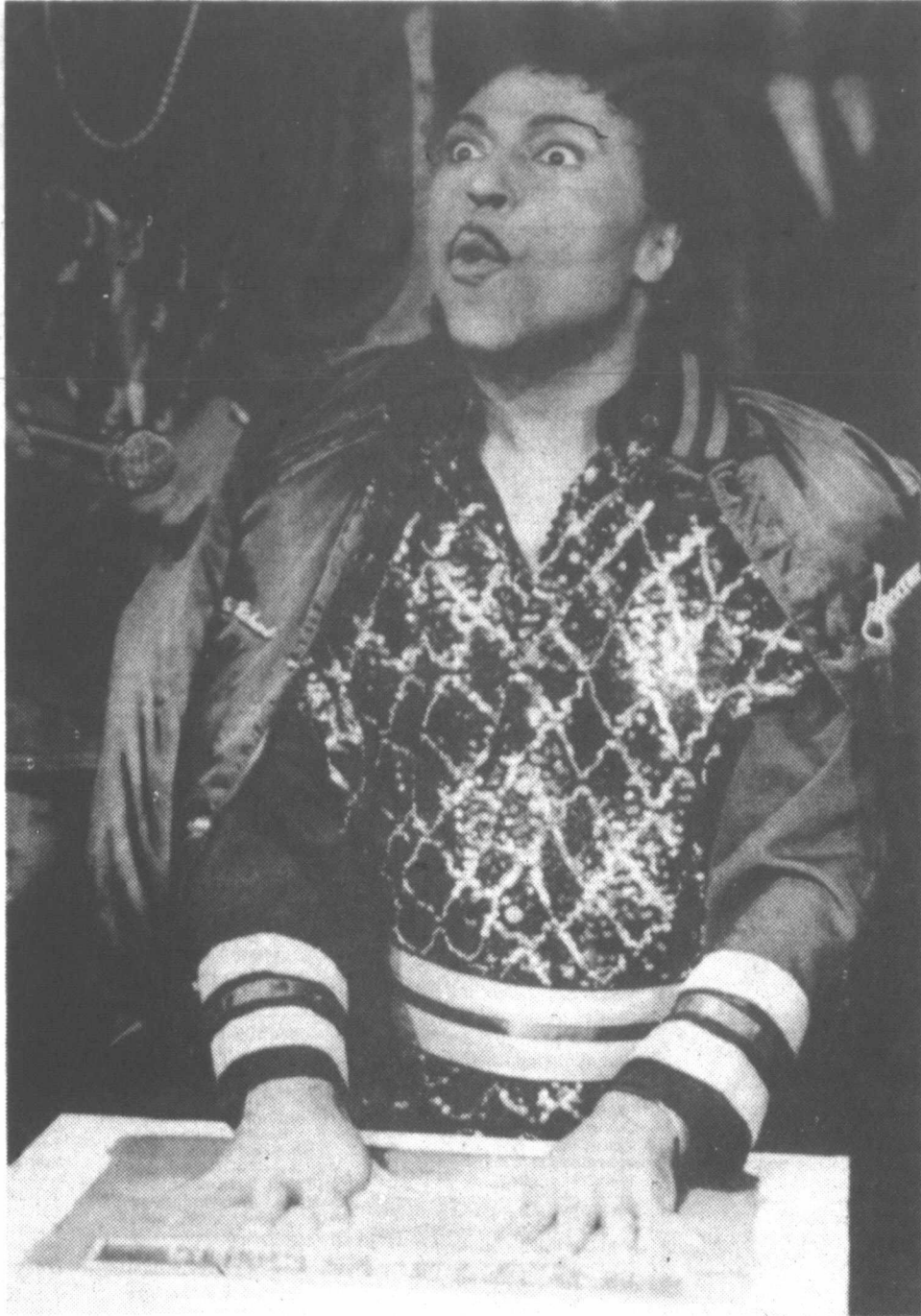
In documents filed in state district court in San Antonio, the Texas Homes and Jobs Inc. agency agreed to pay restitution of \$90 each to 97 consumers, Mattox said. The agency also will pay \$500 to the state for investigative costs.

In its lawsuit, the state had alleged that the company made misrepresentations to consumers by obtaining lists of job openings from newspapers and other public sources, "then implying that for certain fees paid in advance, the job could be guaranteed," Mattox's office said in a statement.

The suit also alleged that the company refused to return the fees paid by consumers after they discovered the jobs for which they applied weren't available.

The company also did business under the name of Texas Jobs Inc.

Good golly!!



Rock n' roll legend Little Richard (Richard Penniman) places his hands in cement and clowns as he is inducted into the Rock Walk in Los Angeles recently. Penniman was honored for his lasting and continuous contributions to rock music.

A&M to build institute to study biotechnology

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M University will build an estimated \$24 million institute at the Texas Medical Center to study and market developments in biotechnology, a field school officials say is important to the state's future prosperity.

The Texas A&M University Institute of Biosciences and Technology will also involve studies of comparative medicine, nutrition and bioengineering, A&M President Frank E. Vandiver said.

"The purpose of the institute will be to combine the scientific excellence of Texas A&M University with that of institutions in the Texas Medical Center," Vandiver said.

The institute will be housed temporarily in the Texas Medical Center pending completion of plans for construction of a A&M building in the complex.

Board of Regents Chairman David G. Eller announced in July that Texas Medical Center officials had responded favorably to a proposal that he initiated to have the A&M system acquire land for construction of a building, which is estimated to cost \$24 million.

This week, the regents authorized the initiation of a program of requirements for construction of the facility.

Dr. Eugene G. Sander was appointed deputy chancellor for biotechnology development, effective Jan. 1, and will serve as director of the institute.

Public Notices

Application For WINE AND BEER RETAILER'S PERMIT

The undersigned is an applicant for a Wine and Beer Retailer's On Premises Permit from the Texas Liquor Control Board and hereby gives notice by publication of such application in accordance with provisions of Section 15, House Bill No. 77, Acts of the Second called session of the 44th Legislature, designated as the Texas Liquor Control Act.

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Plans and specifications including minimum wage rates as provided by Law are available for inspection at the office of Jay L. Hawley Resident Engineer, Borger, Texas and at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, D.C. Greer State Highway Building, 11th and Brazos Streets, Austin, Texas 78701. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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Mansion destroyer files bankruptcy

DALLAS (AP) — A man who tore down one multimillion-mansion to build another last year has filed for protection under Chapter 7 of the U.S. bankruptcy code.

John A. Post filed a joint petition with his wife, Pauletta S. Post, citing his losses in the stock market and in thoroughbred horse-breeding industry.

"Just bad timing on investments," he said.

The filing comes after the Posts bulldozed their plantation-style mansion in far north Dallas. Post, the son of Braniff International Inc. and LTV Corp. founder Troy Post, said at the time he questioned the house's safety.

Builders had worked for more than two years on the mansion, which included nine bedrooms, a dozen baths, servants quarters and a 10-by-15-foot room for the dog.

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	6 months	\$28.38
	12 months	\$56.77
OUT OF STATE	3 months	\$14.19
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MAIL COUPON TO BOX 2198 PAMPA, TEXAS 79065

2 Area Museums

WHITE Deer Land Museum: Pampa. Tuesday through Sunday 1:30-4 p.m., special tours by appointment.

PANHANDLE Plains Historical Museum: Canyon. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 2-6 p.m. Sundays at Lake Meredith Aquarium & Wildlife Museum. Fritch. Hours 2-5 p.m. Tuesday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Closed Monday.

SQUARE House Museum: Panhandle. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Weekdays and 1-5:30 p.m. Sundays.

NEW LISTING

Very neat and attractive three bedroom home on North Faulkner with 1 1/2 baths, attached garage, central heat, fenced yard, excellent condition. MLS 874.

NORTH CHRISTY Assumable fixed rate loan on this nice 3 b.d., wood-burning fireplace, in the family room, two baths, double garage. MLS 860.

EVERGREEN Beautiful four year old brick home in a good location. Large family room has built in bookcase and wood burning fireplace, three bedrooms, two baths, isolated master bedroom, double garage, all the amenities. MLS 861.

ASPEN STREET Four bedroom brick home with an excellent floor plan. Formal living room, den has corner fireplace, 1 1/2 baths and 1/2 bath in the utility room, sprinkler system, double garage, two storage buildings. MLS 694.

CHRISTINE Price has been reduced on this charming older home in a beautiful established neighborhood. Formal living room, dining room, three bedrooms, central heat and air, basement, carport, detached double garage. MLS 327.

TERRY RD. Large split level home on a corner lot with four bedrooms, family room has woodburning fireplace, two baths, game room or fifth bedroom downstairs, two central heat and air units, double carport. MLS 598.

COMMERCIAL Executive office building on Kentucky. Two 18' x 22' offices, two 14' x 15' offices, conference room, reception area, three 1/2 baths, 54' x 72' shop area. Call Mike for appointment MLS 792C.

Norma Ward REALTY 726 W. FRANCIS 669-3346

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HUTCHINSON County Museum: Borger. Regular hours 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays except Tuesday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

PIONEER West Museum: Shamrock. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, Saturday and Sunday.

ALANREED-McLean Area Historical Museum: McLean. Regular museum hours 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Closed Sunday.

ROBERTS County Museum: Miami. Hours - Sept.-May. Tuesday through Friday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Closed on Monday and Tuesday.

MUSEUM Of The Plains: Permyton. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Weekends during Summer months, 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

3 Personal

MARY Kay Cosmetics, free facials. Supplies and deliveries. Call Dorothy Vaughn, 665-5117.

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BEAUTICONTROL Cosmetics and SkinCare. Free Color Analysis, makeover and deliveries. Director, Lynn Allison. 669-3848, 1304 Christine.

FAMILY Violence - rape. Help for victims 24 hours a day. 669-1788.

AA and Al Anon meets Tuesday and Saturday, 8:00 p.m. 727 W. Browning, 669-2808, 665-3810.

5 Special Notices

LOANS

Borrow money on most anything of value. Guns, jewelry, tools, stereos, TVs and more. AAA Pawn Shop, 512 S. Cuyler.

PAMPA Lodge 966, November 27. Business meeting. Paul Appleton W.M., Vernon Camp, Secretary.

13 Business Opportunity

SUCCESSFUL business. 2 laundries and all equipment. Owner will train you. Gene Lewis, Realtor, Coldwell Banker Action Realty 669-1221.

\$100 month unlimited long distance. Earn \$25,000 month, marketing. 512-278-5614.

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14b Appliance Repair

WASHERS, Dryers, dishwashers and range repair. Call Gary Stevens, 669-7956.

ATTENTION: Hot Point and G.E. Owners, call Williams Appliance for factory authorized parts and service. Phone 665-8894.

14d Carpentry

Ralph Baxter Contractor & Builder Custom Homes or Remodeling 665-8248

Lance Builders Custom Homes - Additions Remodeling Ardell Lance 669-3940

BILL Kidwell Construction Roofing, patios, concrete work, remodeling. 669-6347.

CARPENTRY. Painting, Acoustic Ceilings, Siding, Tom Lance. 669-6095.

Nicholas Home Improvement US steel, siding, roofing, carpentry, gutters. 669-9991.

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JIM'S HOME IMPROVEMENT Home repairs of all types and sizes, remodeling or additions, garages, garage door repair and replacement. Jim Keel, 665-0563

14e Carpet Service

CARPET Installation and Repair. Mike, 665-0676, Roy, 669-3676.

SERVICES UNLIMITED Carpet Shampooing. 665-3111

NU-WAY Cleaning Service, carpets, Upholstery, Walls. Quality doesn't cost. It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner, operator. 665-3541. Free estimates.

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14h General Service

Tree Trimming and Removal G.E. Stone 665-5138.

14i Insulation

Frontier Insulation Commercial Buildings, Trailer Houses and Homes 665-5224

Associated Properties REAL ESTATE 665-4911

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14m Lawnmower Service

PAMPA Lawn Mower Repair. Free pick-up and delivery 501 S. Cuyler. 665-8843, 665-3109.

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CALDER Painting. Residential, commercial, interior/exterior, spray acoustic ceilings. Office 665-9237, 665-4840.

INTERIOR, Exterior painting. James Bolin, 665-2254.

KENNETH Sanders. References. 665-2383, 669-6653.

Services Unlimited Interior-Exterior Painting 665-3111

PAINTING. Interior and Exterior. Wendell Bolin, 665-4816.

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DITCHING, 4 inch to 10 inch wide. Harold Baston, 665-5892.

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JIM'S Yard Service. Tree work, painting, repairs, hauling. 665-4307.

TREE-Shrub Trimming. Yard clean up. Debris hauled. Elm Firewood. Kenneth Banks. 665-3672.

14s Plumbing & Heating

SEPTIC TANK AND DRAIN PIPES

BUILDER'S PLUMBING SUPPLY CO. 535 S. Cuyler 665-3711

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BULLARD SERVICE CO. Plumbing Maintenance and Repair Specialists Free estimates. 665-8603

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WAYNE'S TV, Stereo, Micro-wave Oven Service. Call Wayne Hepler. Business 665-3030, Home 665-8977.

14u Roofing

FLAT ROOF LEAKING? Before you spend thousands for a new roof, let me spot repair it. Free estimates. References. 665-4927, O'Brien Ent.

14y Upholstery

FOR quality furniture upholstery, call Bob Jewell, 669-9221.

19 Situations

Services Unlimited Housecleaning. 665-3111 Bonded

NOW Doing sewing for the public. 669-1945.

DEPENDABLE WOMEN For cleaning your home. References. 669-2604, 665-8217.

21 Help Wanted

3000 Government jobs list. \$16,040 - \$55,



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96 Unfurnished Apt.

DOGWOOD Apartments. 1 or 2 bedroom for rent. No pets. Deposit. 669-9617, 669-9952.

CAPROCK Apartments - 1 bedroom starting at \$250. Also 2 and 3 bedrooms. Club room, fireplaces, dishwashers. 665-7149.

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EXTRA Nice and clean, large 3 bedroom mobile home. \$265 plus deposit. 665-1193.

NICE 2 bedroom in White Deer. New carpet thru-out. \$200 plus deposit. 665-1193, 848-2549.

2 bedroom furnished house. 620 N. Gray. Call 665-3931 or 665-5650 after 6 p.m.

1 bedroom furnished, fenced back yard \$195. 665-3743.

DUPLEX, 1 bedroom, partially furnished. Bills paid. Deposit, \$100. Rent, \$225. 665-5660.

1 bedroom. Near Lamar School. Quiet location. \$200 month, bills paid. 665-4842.

98 Unfurnished House

SHOW Case Rental. Rent to own furnishings for home. 113 S. Cuyler. 669-1234. No deposit.

3 bedroom house. Also 1 bedroom furnished apartment. 665-2383.

2 bedroom luxury condominium. Appliances furnished, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace, pool, cabana. Call 669-2900.

3 bedroom, 1 bath, fenced back yard, washer, dryer hook up, new floor covering. 665-1841.

LEASE with option. 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, utility, nice size, good location. 669-7126.

CLEAN 2 bedroom with fenced backyard, nice storm cellar. 308 N. Warren. Call 665-5883 after 5:00 p.m.

DUPLEX, very nice, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, double car garage. 1433 N. Dwight. 665-2828.

SUPER nice duplex, 3 bedroom, garage, builtins, \$400 month. Coldwell Banker, Action Realty, 669-1221.

2 large bedrooms, utility room, walk in closet. Stove, refrigerator, double garage, fenced. 665-5436, 665-4180.

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CLEAN 1 and 2 bedroom houses. Deposit and references required. \$135 month and up. 669-7572, 669-3842.

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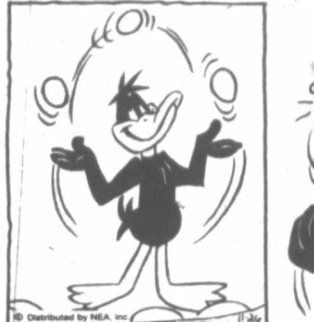
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103 Homes For Sale

1 bedroom, 526 Doyle. \$4000. 665-1534, 665-1377, 665-6413.

PRICE REDUCED

OWNER leaving town. Nice brick 3 bedroom, central heat and air. Storm doors and windows. Some new carpet, single car garage. Deloma 669-7885, Karen 669-6854.

NEW Ideas - \$3330 Move in FHA 711 E. 15th. Added Value - Reduced Price 1815 Holly. Open most Sundays 2-5 p.m.

OWNER Pays closing cost. 3 bedroom, living room, den, attached garage, shop. 120 S. Faulkner. \$23,500. 857-2226.

4 bedroom, 2 living areas, custom home. Austin School district. \$85,000. 665-0424.

104 Lots

FRASHER ACRES EAST. Utilities, paved streets, well water; 1, 5 or more acre home-sites for new construction. East on 80. Owner will finance. Balch Real Estate, 665-8075.

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LOT for sale, corner of N. Dwight and Decatur. 85x110. Call 665-4683.

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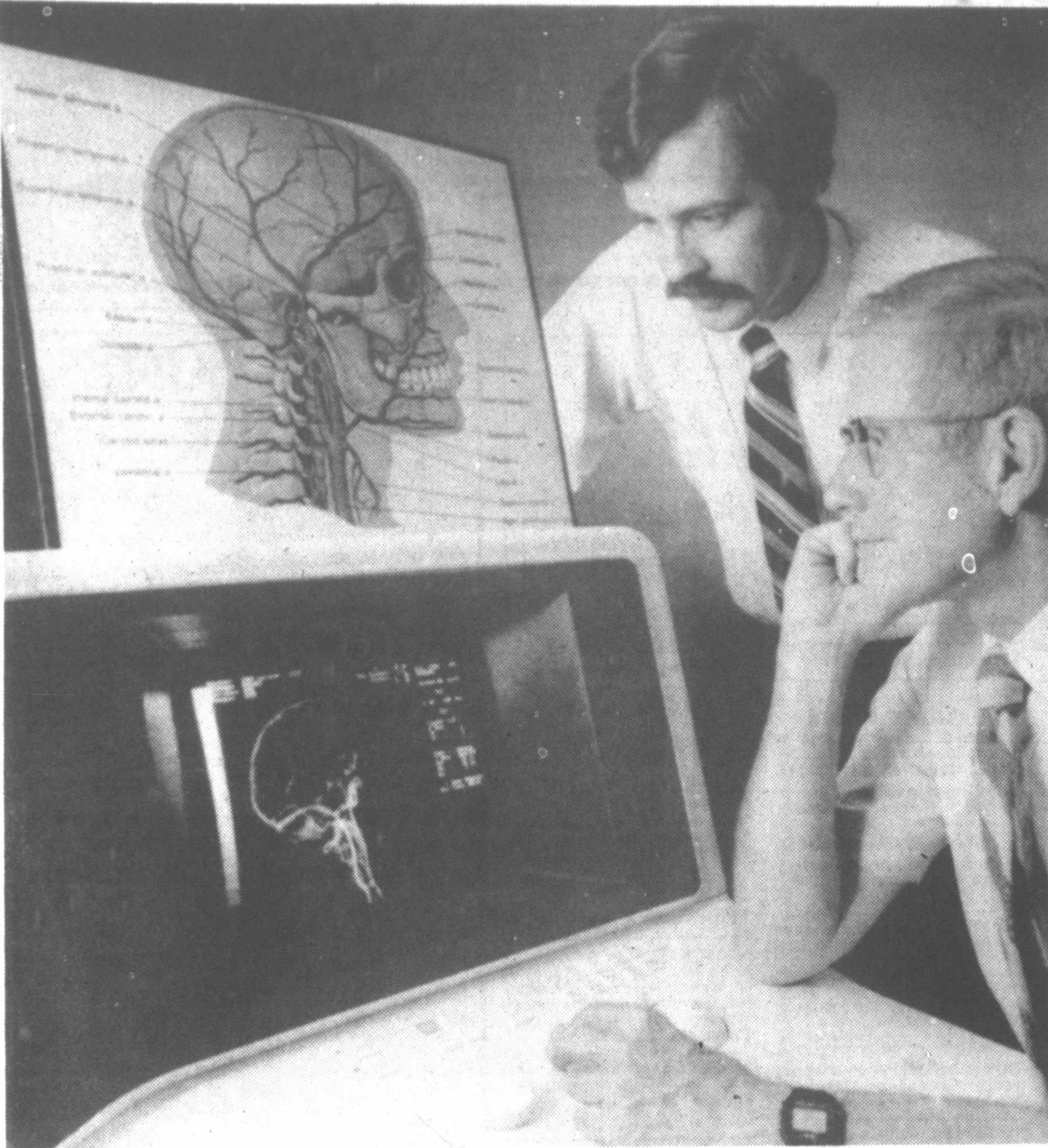
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(AP Laserphoto)

Raptor watch program traces migration

SAUSALITO, Calif. (AP) — A red-tailed hawk rises on the breeze from a hillside on the Marin Headlands, soaring majestically over San Francisco Bay and carrying the dreams of a special group of birdwatchers.

The bird is one of some 20,000 hawks, eagles and falcons that migrate each fall along the Pacific Coast on a path that converges over the rugged hills just beyond the Golden Gate Bridge.

The mechanisms that trigger migration and keep feathered travelers on the right paths are still uncertain, said ornithologist Aller Fish, but these birds of prey may help solve the mystery and play a role in saving endangered species.

A natural funneling effect apparently causes the birds to converge here on their southward migration, said Fish. The water-

shy creatures soar over the hills seeking updrafts to boost them into the sky before they soar over the mile-wide bay between Marin County and San Francisco, he said.

"If we had similar knowledge about the California condor 10 years ago, there would be a lot more California condors today," Fish said.

The Golden Gate Raptor Migration Observatory he directs is tracking raptors on seasonal shifts that extend from British Columbia to Argentina.

Project goals include raptor protection and increasing public awareness of the importance of saving wildlife habitats. "Until wildlife problems are seen as habitat problems, we'll always be two steps behind, we'll always be fighting," Fish said.

The Marin site is one of the top

three hawk-watching spots in the country, according to Fish. Only Pennsylvania and New Jersey have better spots.

Successful musicians' father doesn't take any of the credit

By ARTHUR SPRAGG
The Odessa American

RANKIN, Texas (AP) — The hard life and times of Eugene Waylon Seals' 23 years as a pipeline are clearly defined in his weathered face and stooped frame.

His first wife died and her family took their only son. His second wife left him, taking everything, including another son. He was left only with questions that still go unanswered about why the marriage never worked out.

He lost his third son to the road with the offer of a steady, high-paying job at the age of 15.

In the end, he felt the ravages of a lifetime spent in the West Texas oil fields as frostbite and gangrene attacked his feet, hobbling his walk, robbing him of his livelihood long before he says he was ready.

"Why did it have to happen to me?" the 74-year-old Seals, known as "Pappy," said as he glanced up from the kitchen table in his Rankin home.

"I can't understand it," he said with a grin on his face and a voice that feigned amazement.

The regrets and personal disappointments Seals said he suffered seem inconsequential when he talks about his three sons and the legacy of success all three have written. Eddie Ray, Jimmy and Danny Seals are sons Waylon Seals can be proud of.

Danny, 38, who left "England" behind him after a stint in the 1970s as the "England Dan" and John Ford Coley musical group, returned to his roots and won two 1986 Country Music Association awards last month, one for Single of the Year for a song entitled "Bop," and the other for Vocal Duo of the Year with Marie Osmond for "Meet Me in Montana."

Jimmy Seals, who won the Texas state fiddling title at age 9 and went on the road with Gene Autry at age 15 for \$1,000 a month, was the other half of the popular 1970s musical duo Seals and

Crofts, with partner Dash Crofts. Jimmy Seals now lives in Costa Rica and is writing music for the 1987 40th anniversary of the United Nations.

Eddie Ray, 52, the eldest, was a music and drum major at Tarleton State University in Stephenville and now lives in Nashville, Tenn., playing in "yakkey sax" man Boots Randolph's nightclub.

"All my kids loved music," said the elder Seals, who claimed he never formally taught music to his sons, he only "encouraged" them. "I was afraid formal training would ruin them. Besides, you can't coach natural talent. Jimmy and Danny could play any song after they heard it just once."

"The Creator gave them that stuff, not me," he said.

Seals' doctor and friend of 30 years, J.D. Gossett of Rankin, said Seals "won't bring it (his sons' careers) up. But if you give him an opening, he's like the father in all of us. He's very proud of his boys."

"He doesn't like to depend on them though," Gossett said. "He's very independent in a nice, old-fashioned way."

Waylon Seals dismissed his musical career as a guitar player and singer. "I was too broke to go to work" because being in show business meant having to have the money to buy clothes and travel. "I didn't make any money out of it or I would've kept after it."

Starting out as a piano player, he soon switched to guitar. He eventually played 11 shows with legend Jim Reeves, and other notables such as The Carlisles and Ernest Tubb.

He also had three bands of his own: The Pecos Drifters, The Rhythm Aires and his favorite, The Tomcats. "People formed bands out here though so they could have something to do on the weekends," he said.

Seals played at local dances on the weekends to make extra money, said Billy Gray, a 34-year-old friend of Seals.

Seals' interests as a profession-

al musician soon waned, however. "I had the talent, but never the right ingredients" to make it a career. From that point, sons Jimmy and Danny received the benefit of their father's musical experience.

Seals' sons, said Gray, learned music by ear, like their father. "He (Pappy) plays the 12 or six string guitar as well as anybody I've ever heard, and he can't read music."

But Seals still marvels at Jimmy's talent as a fiddler. "He could play a breakdown and put in stuff you wouldn't know where it came from — I don't see where it came from. And Danny's got the world beat as a singer."

The three played together as a family while the second marriage lasted, Seals said, even appearing on a Midland television station with Seals on guitar, Jimmy on fiddle and 5-year-old Danny on the bass fiddle.

"He (Danny) put on quite a show that day. The fiddle was a great big old thing, a blonde and black-trimmed S-9 Swingmaster, special ordered from San Antonio from Armstrong Music in Odessa. Danny was too short to make the notes high up on the neck, so he played left-handed and jumped up to wherever he had to make a low note."

When his second wife left, she took 9-year-old Danny with her and would have taken Jimmy, who at 15 was about to sign his first contract with Gene Autry in a Big Lake steakhouse, Seals said. But Jimmy refused to go with his mother.

"Danny got a rougher deal. She (his second wife) took him to California. Once she moved him to five different schools in one year. It was really hard on Danny. He and Jimmy loved each other."

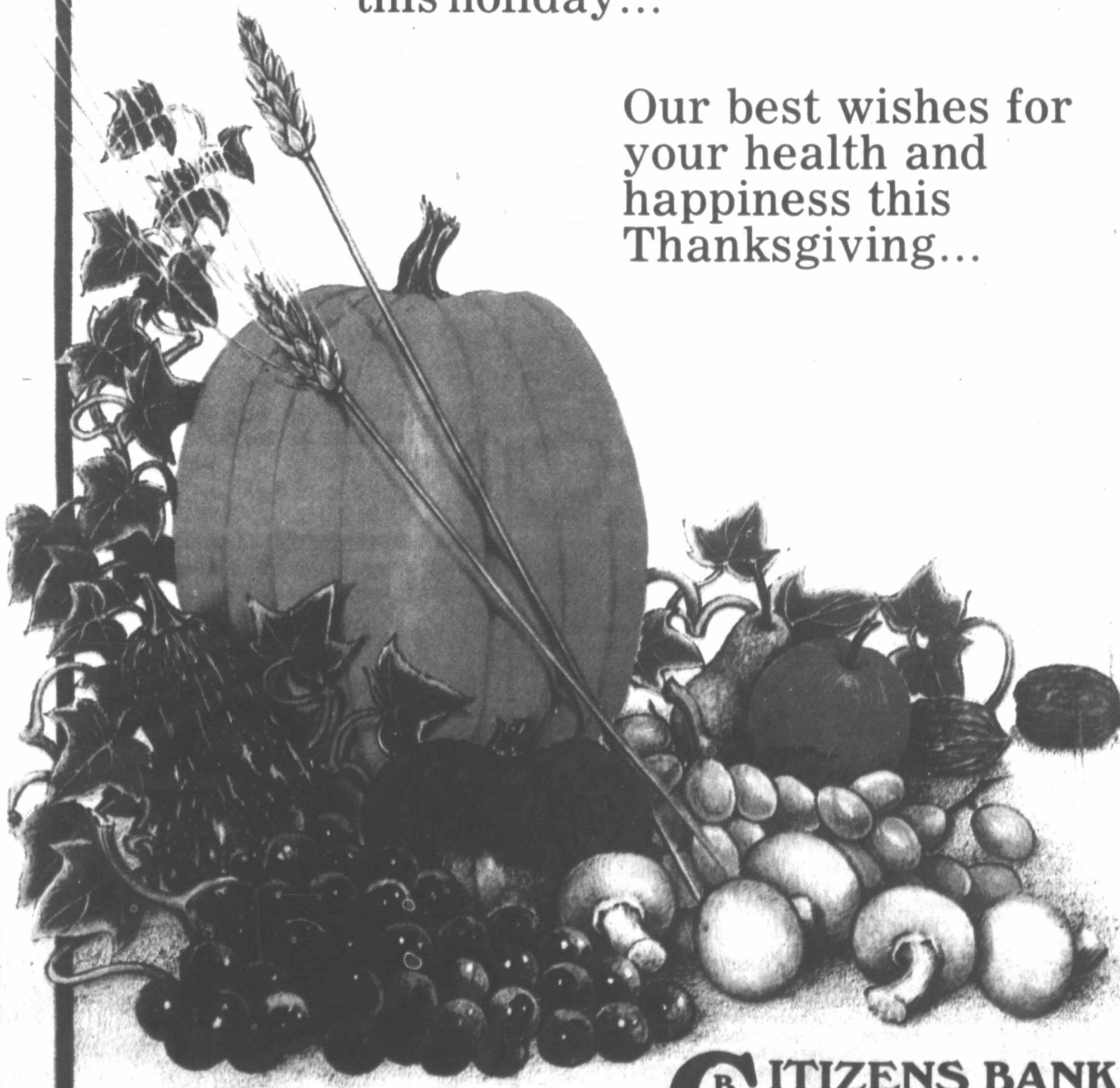
But Seals said he is at peace with the way his sons turned out. And he hears from them regularly.

His sons are "busier than a one-armed paper hanger with a seven-year itch," Seals said.

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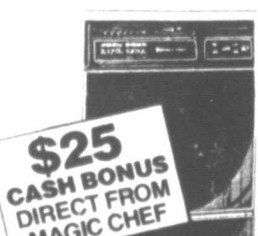


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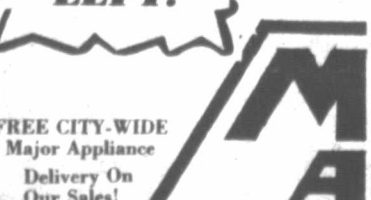
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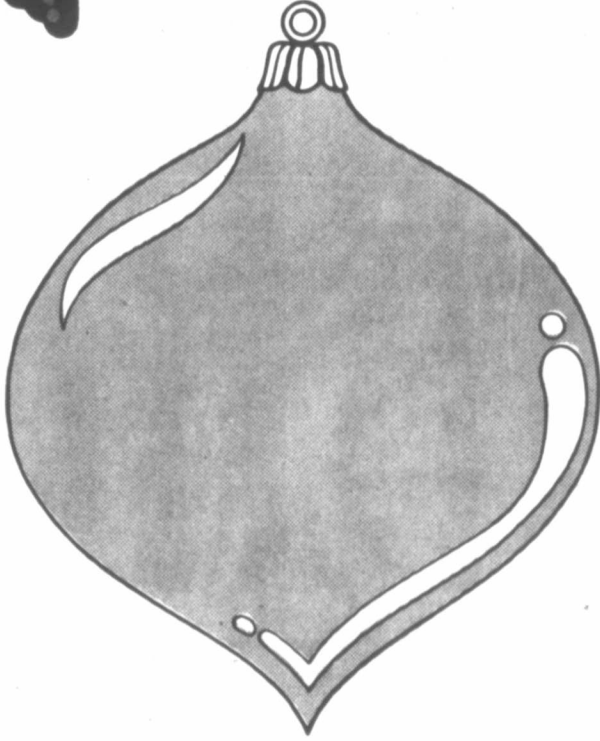
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Pampa activities promise bright Christmas

Annual tree lighting, Santa Day parade, chorus, ballet bring joyful holiday hope

The first weekend of December will usher in the Christmas holiday season for Pampa and area residents with a full slate of activities.

Among the events for both children and adults will be the annual Santa Day parade, the lighting of the city's Nativity Scene and community Christmas tree, a ballet spectacular and a community chorus production.

Because of all the other activities already planned to launch the holidays, the Festival of Christmas Trees and Gift Boutique were canceled this year. But organizers will be making preparations early next year to separate the festival and boutique to provide two events.

The festive weekend will open with the annual Santa Day parade beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5. This year the Pampa Civic Ballet will present its Christmas Spectacular on Friday night following the parade. And the Pampa Community Chorus will perform "The Many Moods of Christmas" on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 7. Both productions will be in the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

The Santa Day parade, sponsored by the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, will have a different parade route this year — participants will gather at the corner of Hobart and 25th Avenue and then proceed south on Hobart to Somerville to disband in the auditorium parking lot.

Chamber Manager Floyd Sackett, noting the location is a change from the traditional downtown procession, said the change is an effort to bring the Christmas activities into both the downtown and north Pampa shopping areas.

If the Hobart parade route proves acceptable this year, the route will probably be alternated in future years between the downtown and the North Hobart locations, Sackett explained.

Clubs, organizations, businesses, churches, other groups and individuals wanting to participate in the "torchlight" parade should pick up entry forms at the chamber offices in the Pampa Community Building. In keeping with the Texas Sesquicentennial observance, the parade theme is "An Old-Fashioned Texas Christmas."

Prizes will be awarded in the usual categories as in past years, Sackett said. Judging will be based on creative use and effectiveness of lighting, expression of theme, originality of design, creative use of materials and audience appeal. Out-of-town people will be used as judges.

Winners in the Non-Commercial Division and the Churches and Religious Group Division will receive \$100 cash for first place, \$50 for second and \$25 for third. A first-place prize of \$50 will go to the

top entry in Individual or Family Division.

In the Decorated Bicycle category, \$15 will be awarded to first place, \$10 to second and \$5 to third. First-, second- and third-place plaques will be given the top entries in the Commercial Division and Classic Car Division.

Prizes will be awarded in the chamber offices in the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard, at 4 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 8.

The ballet will feature scenes from *The Toy Shop*, *Tiffany's Jewel Ballet* and *Snowbound*. Special guest artists will be 'Austin on Tap,' a professional tap dance company headed by Debra Bray, a former Pampa student of Jeanne Willingham, artistic director for Pampa Civic Ballet.

After the parade, Santa Claus will be passing out candy to children at Coronado Center, the Pampa Mall and downtown Pampa.

Following the parade, which should conclude about 6:30 p.m., the lighting of the Nativity Scene and the living community Christmas tree will be held in the Coronado Park area south of the auditorium. Parade participants and spectators are encouraged to gather in the park for the lighting.

Sackett said the parade and lighting activities should be over in time to allow people to attend the ballet performance beginning at 7 p.m.

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Tickets are on sale at the Beaux Arts Dance Studio and Hi-Land Fashions. Tickets also may be purchased from the ballet company members or at the door on the night of the performance.

The Pampa Community Chorus production will be at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, featuring many of the most popular and loved carols of all time, according to director Ken McDonald. The program is a change from the past Handel's *Messiah* productions.

McDonald said this year's production should have a wider audience with its lighter touch. The *Messiah* will be presented in later years, alternating with other programs.

"The Many Moods of Christmas" will range from classical productions like "Hodie! Emmanuel! Gloria!" to familiar carols like "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" and "O Holy Night" to pop Christmas favorites like "Jingle Bells" and "White Christmas."

The chorus production is sponsored by the chamber and the Pampa Fine Arts Association.

Tickets are available from chorus members or at the chamber and auditorium offices.

The origins of holiday custom

Why do we send cards at Christmas time or put up a tree? There are many traditions we take for granted during the holiday season, and it is interesting to learn how some of these customs originated.

The ancient Druids can be thanked for the custom of hanging mistletoe at Christmas. In the rituals of the Druids, mistletoe was cut down with a golden sickle in November. The mistletoe would be divided up among the people, who took the plant home to hang over their doors. The Druids believed that the plant could work miracles of healing, protect against witchcraft, and make the land fertile. The origin of the custom of kissing under the mistletoe is not known, but it may have been inspired by the plant's supposed powers of fertility.

The Germans originated the custom of placing a tree in the home at Christmas time. There are several legends to explain the custom. One credits St. Boniface, a missionary to Germany during the eighth century. According to the legend, one Christmas Eve the saint chopped down a sacred oak which had been used as a site for human sacrifices. As the oak fell, a fir tree miraculously appeared in its place. Another legend says that on the night Christ was born, all the trees in the forest bloomed and bore fruit, even though it was the middle of winter.

Martin Luther, a German, is thought to have first decorated the Christmas tree. The story goes that Luther, walking under the stars one night, was inspired to bring home an uprooted fir tree and place candles on its branches as a reminder of the heavens.

The nativity scenes that are so beloved at Christmas time are a tradition given to us by St. Francis of Assisi. On Christmas Eve in 1223, Francis was inspired to reenact the nativity for the people of the town of Greccio in Italy. St. Bonaventure described the event in his writings: "... they made ready a manger, and bade hay, together with an ox and an ass, be brought unto the place... The man of God, filled with tender love, stood before the manger, bathed in tears, and overflowing joy."

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It was claimed that the hay used in the crib had remedied sick beasts afterward, and many other wonders were attributed to this first manger scene. The idea quickly caught the fancy of the faithful and before a century had passed, carvings of the nativity scene, or creches, were used throughout Europe during the holiday season.

The custom of sending Christmas cards probably originated with an Englishman, Sir Henry Cole, who commissioned John Horsely to design a card in 1843. The card featured a family celebrating the season, with two smaller motifs depicting charitable acts: "Clothing the Naked" and "Feeding the Hungry." The card was lithographed and sold in 1846, and thus the Christmas card was born.

Whether originating in legend or real life, the customs of Christmas enrich the season for us all.



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Christmas touches other countries

The magic of Christmas reaches across continents to touch people of all races and tongues in a special way. Wherever you may travel, you will find the holiday season celebrated in a way that is special to the country you are in.

For instance, in Sweden, St. Lucia's Day, December 13, ushers in the holiday season. Tradition dictates that the eldest daughter of the family must rise at dawn to serve coffee and cakes to her family. As St. Lucia, she wears a white robe and a halo of lighted candles. Public appearances by St. Lucia are quite common in Sweden today, where white-robed girls can be seen in schools and civic buildings on the saint's day.

Holiday festivities begin with a parade in Mexico on December 16. For nine consecutive nights, "Joseph" and "Mary" search for a room at the inn, a reenactment known as "Las Posadas" in this country south of the border. At the end of the nine nights, the searchers are finally given posada, and a fiesta follows. For the children, the

highlight of the fiesta is the breaking of the *pinata*, a clay container stuffed with candies and other goodies.

In Argentina, families attend midnight mass on Christmas Eve, then sit down to a big dinner with pork as the main course. After dinner, it's customary to enjoy a glass of *sidra*, similar to our cider, with pan dulce or *panetone*, as it is also called, due to the strong Italian influence in that country.

Another midnight libation is *clari-co*, a blend of white wine, sugar and natural fruits of the season. After several toasts, it's time to visit friends and wish them a happy holiday. These visits go on until the wee hours of the morning! Children in Argentina don't receive their presents until January 6th. The night before, they put their shoes outside the door or window, a long with a tray holding a glass of water and some grass for the camels of Los Reyes Magos, the Three Kings. In the morn-

ing, the grass and water will be gone, and in their shoes will be presents. Instead of Christmas trees in their homes, most Argentinians will have a *presepe* or *nativity scene*.

The holiday season begins two weeks before Christmas Eve in Portugal, when families go looking for their Christmas tree. In small towns, this usually means a trip to the forest, but in the cities, artificial trees are often used. The tree is decorated with lights and ornaments a few days before Christmas Eve. In Portugal, Christmas is a family affair, with everyone getting together for midnight supper, which may feature turkey. The young children place their shoes around the fireplace for Santa to fill during the night. In the morning, the shoes will hold toys, candies and other gifts.

Down under, Christmas comes in the summertime, a contrast to the snowy scenes of Europe and many parts of the United States. Australians

celebrate the season with a Christmas Day picnic and with another holiday tradition, the community sing. This gathering is always held out of doors, at night, by the light of torches and candles. Special candles are sold in the shops, with the proceeds going to charity. The custom of community carol-

ing goes back to the Cornish miners of the last century, who would gather on Christmas Eve in the Australian mines to sing carols, by the light of candles stuck to the brims of their safety hats. Today, some of the community sings attract over 100,000 carolers. The caroling goes on until midnight, ending with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

In France, the creche is the center of attraction at Christmas time. Every church, no matter how small, has its nativity scene for the faithful to admire. And, each French household has its own version of the nativity.

Handel's music adds to joy of the holiday

The music of Christmas is part of the season's charm, and of all the musical works associated with Christmas, perhaps none is as beloved as George Frederic Handel's masterpiece, *Messiah*.

As a young man, Handel was appointed conductor to the Elector of Hanover, in his native country. During the autumn of 1710, he visited London, where he met with great success. A year later, Handel returned to London and after being presented with a pension by the reigning Queen Anne, he decided not to return to his homeland. However, Anne died and in a unique turn of events, Handel's old master, the Elector of Hanover, now George I, ascended the throne of England.

Fortunately, the new king was a true music lover, and he restored Handel to favor. Handel soon occupied a key position in the artistic life of England, writing, producing and directing operas.

Eventually he turned from opera to the oratorio form, reaching the mass

audience of his day. His oratorios were choral dramas of great vitality and grandeur, ideally suited to the middle class of England.

Messiah is the crowning work of Handel. Written in just 24 days, it was performed for the first time in 1742. It expressed the faith of the man who was Handel, the man who exclaimed to his servant, upon completing the oratorio, "I did think I did see all heaven before me, and the great God Himself!"

The libretto is a compilation of verses from the Bible. Although the libretto is generally attributed to Charles Jennens, a wealthy patron of the arts, there is reason to believe that Jennens' chaplain was more than partially responsible for it.

In the first part of the oratorio, the prophecies of the coming of Christ and His birth are treated; this is the portion most frequently performed at Christmas time. The verses are drawn from the prophets of the Old Testament, the Psalms, the Evangelists and the letters of St. Paul.

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An Advent wreath is a beautiful reminder of the joy that is to come. It takes its origins from pagan times, when the sun-worshipping tribes of northern Europe would wind greens around a cartwheel and decorate it with lights to appease the sun god during dark winter days.

Today, Christians look upon the Advent wreath as a symbol of the light which is to come at Christmas time. The wreath's circular shape symbolizes God's unending eternity. The evergreen represents our immortality and God's unchanging nature. The four candles remind us of the hundreds of years mankind waited for the coming of Christ.

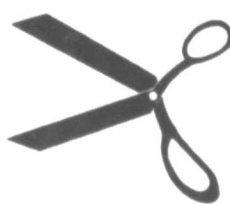
During the first and second weeks of Advent, violet candles are lit, symbolizing longing and expectation. A rose candle, symbolizing joy and hope because Christmas is near, is lit during the third week of Advent. A violet candle is lit during the final week of Advent to complete the cycle of anticipation.

On Christmas Eve, four white candles replace the rose and violet candles, as a sign of the coming of the light of the world, Jesus.

Another Advent custom that children enjoy is the Advent calendar. This calendar features tiny little windows for each day of the Advent season. As the youngster opens each window, he or she finds a special message or picture inside. Not only does the calendar help youngsters to "count down" to the big day, it can also be instructive and entertaining.

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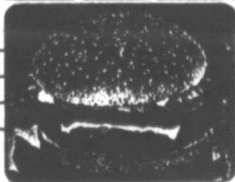
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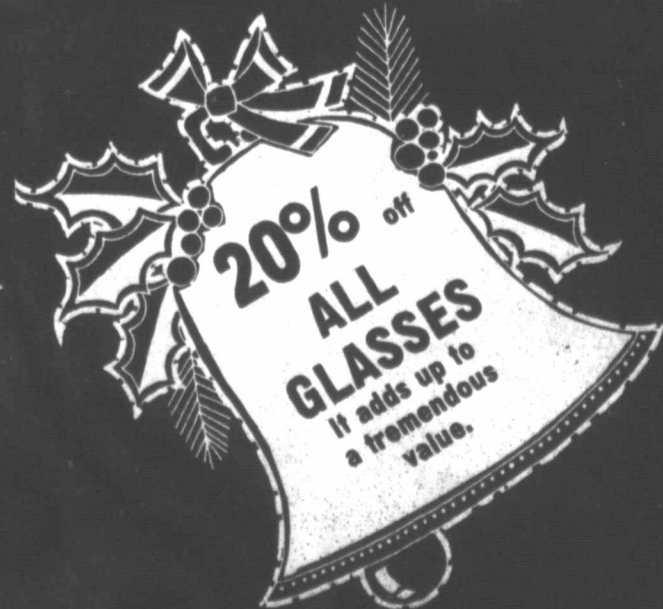


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Books promise a well-read Christmas

Good news! Once again there is a drive to increase literacy in our country. What better time than now to reintroduce the idea of the book as a Christmas gift. The 1986 lists offer a potpourri of titles to fit everyone's taste and budget.

This year the emphasis is on America and its news-makers. A definitive tribute to our time and culture is found in Little Brown & Co.'s (soon to be a TV special) "Life: The First Fifty Years" (\$50), a collection of 4,000 photographs (half in color), accompanied by text detailing important themes of the last five decades. Also from Little Brown, "Kenny Rogers' America: Sights & Insights" gives us a rare glimpse of the popular singer's travels and ideas about our country through his own photographs and thoughtful introductions.

Random House also offers a look at our life and times in "I Touch the Future: The Story of Christa McAuliffe" (\$16.95). Author Robert T. Hohler, a close family friend, is the reporter who interviewed McAuliffe daily during her NASA training. Also from Random House is Thomas Oliver's "The Real Coke, The Real Story" (\$16.95), a historical look at the popular cola beverage from its 1879 creation (containing cocaine) to the advent of Coke Classic.

For baby boomers who wish they could give their own children a blast from their past, Doubleday is offering four books on the lovable clay figure Gummy. Author Jane Hyman has turned these Gummy books into learning tools under the titles "Shapes," "Colors," "Numbers" and "Letters"

(all \$5.95).

For the cooks on your shopping list, Houghton Mifflin is introducing a bigger and better sequel to "Carry-Out Cuisine" in "The New Carry-Out Cuisine" (\$19.95). With 330 recipes from gourmet shops across America, the author, Phyllis Meras, offers tips and advice on preparation as well as interesting anecdotes about the shops. Another cookbook you won't want to miss is Susan Branch's "Heart of the Home" (Little Brown, \$16.95). Simple preparation, fresh foods and the author's beautiful artwork are the key ingredients of her unique book on the art of cooking.

If you're looking for fiction but aren't sure what to buy, Pat Conroy's "The Prince of Tides" (Houghton Mifflin, \$19.95) may fit the bill. The author traces the intricacies and complexities of family relationships through the lives of a sister and brother, from World War II through Vietnam. Karleen Koen's first novel, "Through a Glass Darkly" (Random House, \$19.95) explores the 18th-century life of a 15-year-old girl who, because of her marriage and the glittering, cynical society around her, is forced to face her own loss of innocence.

Doubleday is offering ballerina Gelsey Kirkland's autobiography, "Dancing on My Grave" (\$17.95), a book about dance, fame and the emotional traumas that can turn dreams into nightmares. Her climb back from the nightmare is an inspiration. Also from Doubleday is the humorous best-seller "More Growing Up Catholic" (\$5.95), an affectionate, if somewhat

irreverent, look at the lighter side of the Catholic experience. It's written by Jeff Stone, Jane Meara, Maureen Kelly and Richard Davis.

In keeping with satire, Jane Wagner's "The Search for Intelligent Life in the Universe" (Harper & Row, \$15.95), based on the smash Broadway hit of the same name, is another of this year's literary hits, with new material and several never-published photographs of Lily Tomlin.

For those who aspire to better personal financial planning, William E. Donoghue's "Lifetime Financial Planner" (Harper & Row, \$18.95) is a must. The author combines financial strategy with 1980s problems, such as "Creative Singlehood." An entertaining and informative look at business in the United States is provided by Houghton Mifflin's "The Entrepreneurs: An American Adventure" (\$29.95), by Robert Sobel and David B. Sicilia. The book, also a six-part TV miniseries, records the dramatic stories of those who contributed to our society through business.

This year also offers the voices of poet Allen Ginsberg and the late John Lennon. "White Shroud" (Harper & Row, \$13.95) is the latest collection of poems from Ginsberg, one of the important voices of our age. Included are works written during his 1984 trip to the People's Republic of China. "Skywriting by Word of Mouth" (\$12.95) was written and illustrated by John Lennon and evokes all the humor, imagery and joy that made his original books best-sellers in the '60s.

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How to avoid those holiday blues

NEW YORK (NEA) — We're all aware of a strange paradox: the holiday blues. In fact, nearly everyone may feel a bit sad around Christmas time. According to Dr. Henry Mullins, professor and chairman of the Department of Family Practice at the University of South Alabama, with a little effort on your part before the big day, you may be able to reduce any unhappiness you experience at Christmas.

Many factors can contribute to our feeling low at a time when good will, happiness and cheer supposedly reign supreme. Any time groups of people, especially families, gather, people are bound to experience stress. A new spouse, for instance, who finds himself in a large gathering of relatives may feel like an outsider. The new family member may be especially sad to be away from his or her own family.

Some people travel long distances or for long periods of time and may be tired. Economic factors also come into play. Financial pressures often occur when there are lots of gifts to buy, transportation costs or many people to feed.

At holiday family gatherings, when many people congregate, there is a tendency for people to eat and drink

more than they should. When it's added up, things can be rather depressing.

How can you combat these feelings? First, suggests Mullins, be aware in advance that you may experience sadness or depression. If you can "tune into" this possibility and know that it is not unusual and you are not alone, it will be easier to cope with.

"The underlying reason for feeling blue is the gap between reality and expectations," says Mullins. "All the wonderful, warm, good feelings we expect, all the good cheer and pleasantness that should come with the holidays, don't always come true."

Make sure your expectations are realistic. Don't expect to feel gay and happy every minute of every day. Keep your mind open to experiencing and accepting all the feelings that come your way. Share your feelings with friends, your spouse or other family members. Don't try to hide your sad feelings, and remember that you're not the only one feeling lonely.

Get enough sleep — the amount you are accustomed to. Try to arrange your trip so you are not physically tired when you arrive.

Alcohol is a depressant, so if you are feeling down, drinking will exag-

gerate that feeling; it won't lift your spirits. Of course, if you plan to drive, you shouldn't drink at all.

If you are having difficulty discussing how you feel with your family or friends, speak to your family doctor. Your family physician can reassure you that your sadness is normal. Feeling down and being healthy are compatible.

People are often disappointed at family gatherings because they don't stay in touch with one another during the rest of the year. When they do get together for a special occasion, like Christmas, it places a tremendous burden on everyone to have fun.

If you live far from your family and cannot visit in person often, stay in touch by telephone or by mail during the year. These "visits" will make the holiday time together more enjoyable, since you will be more "connected" to your relatives. The more isolated you feel, says Mullins, the more likely you are to experience gloomy feelings at gatherings. If you will not be with your family or close friends, plan to speak to them by phone. A conference call arranged through the operator can be just the pick-me-up you need.

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Gadgets grease the wheels of life

Some of this year's crop of gadgets originally were developed for space and military applications, but their chief joy, of course, is that they help alleviate life's more mundane annoyances. Martin Schwartz's recent book, "Gadgets!" (Pharos Books) provides a guide for mail-order gadget-giving, or makes a great gift itself for those who just like to gawk at what the gadget-mongers have come up with now.

Unless stated otherwise, items below can be ordered from Hammacher Schlemmer, 147 E. 57 St., New York NY 10022. Prices include postage.

Let's start at the beginning of the day, with the Braun voice-deactivated alarm clock, which will stop beeping in response to any noise above 56 decibels; now you can snarl at the alarm to shut up, and it will, without your lifting a half-dazed finger. Price: \$44.95

For those who love ice cream for breakfast — or any other meal — the electric ice-cream scoop is perfect. It's designed to serve up perfect scoops no matter how rock-hard the ice cream; the plug-in Teflon-coated implement heats up to 248 degrees, so you can cut through the toughest vanilla or the most granitic pistachio without feeling like you're on the chain gang. It costs \$24.95.

If your prospective gift recipient tends to indulge a bit too much in such treats, then the Compucal Nutrition Computer may be just right. It's a



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scale attached to a computer, which stores information on more than 600 popular generic and brand-name food items. Just put the tasty morsels on the scale, punch in a code for the food and presto — a readout on all the calories, carbohydrates, protein, cholesterol and fat one's about to consume.

The computer also allows up to nine family members to keep a cumulative total of their food intake by pushing a pre-programmed code. Unfortunately, the decision on whether to eat the stuff is still theirs. Price: \$154.95.

Know someone who likes to swim? Maybe not at this time of year, but when they do, they can keep in touch with the Float Phone. It's completely waterproof, and transmits up to 1,000 feet — great for the shower, too. It's

\$229.95, from Webcor Electronics, 107 Charles Lindbergh Blvd., Garden City, NY 11530.

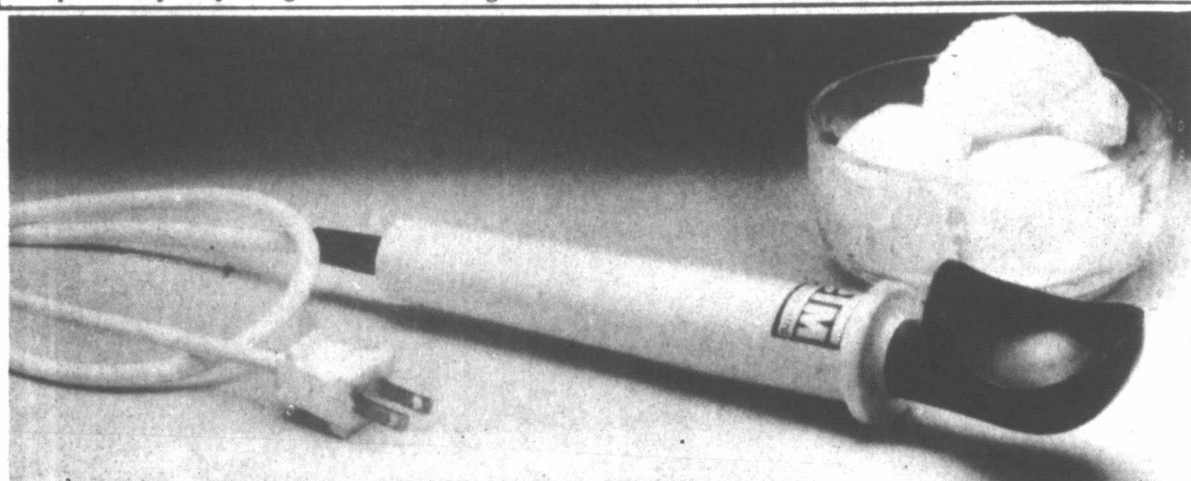
Two other handy outdoor devices actually allow you to do something about the weather. The Gabot Double Umbrella is big enough for two — no more will you and your mate have to give each other the wet shoulder. Two steel shafts make the 53-by-44-inch canopy sturdy, too. Price: \$24.95.

Or try the Solar-Powered Ventilated Pith Helmet, which protects you on sunny days. Six 1/4-volt solar cells on top power a built-in fan that blows a constant stream of fresh air to your sweating noggin. A battery under the brim keeps it running at night. (Don't worry about it giving you a haircut at the same time — while this might be a convenient gadget, the fan is shielded.) \$64.50.

Finally, one might do well to save up for next year's gadgets — which is where the Computerized Piggy Bank comes in. Kids will love it, and it will teach them the fundamentals of banking, too. Its display keeps track of deposits and withdrawals, up to eight digits. It comes with two keys, so parents can regulate spending habits. It's \$16.98, plus \$3.65 postage, from Lillian Vernon, 543 Main St., New Rochelle, NY 10801.

The book "Gadgets!" is available for \$14.95 from Pharos Books, 200 Park Ave., New York NY 10166.

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Scruples game poses real dilemmas

NEW YORK (NEA) — You are at a dinner party and hear a distinct "crack" as a corpulent guest settles into an antique chair. The hostess is in the kitchen. Will you tell her what happened later?

A friend who is a strict vegetarian is coming for dinner. You're feeling proud of your bean stew until you remember that you used beef stock. Do you keep quiet and serve the dish?

Yes, no or depends — it's a question of scruples. Potentially difficult social situations, like these taken from Milton Bradley's game, A Question of Scruples, fascinate the American public. And moral mishaps, from faux pas to felonies, intrigue us in novels, on television and now, even in games.

George Ditomassi, president of Milton Bradley, believes, "Scruples couldn't have made it 20 years ago. Nobody would have gotten together to discuss such controversial issues."

The object of the game is to predict how opponents will respond to real-

life dilemmas. A player may bluff, masking true opinions and feelings to gain strategic advantage. However, any other contestant may challenge his or her sincerity. The debate that ensues as challenger and answerer defend their positions before the voting jury — the rest of the players — can be surprisingly revealing.

According to Dr. Tom Rusk, psychiatrist and author of the popular book "I Want to Change, But I Don't Know How," when the game acts provokes thoughts about moral issues and encourages people to share them, it has more than entertainment value.

Rusk found the questions — which cover ethical quandaries as "light" as the decision to pay up on an unclaimed bet between friends and as "heavy" as the choice to work for an arms manufacturer — creative and realistic. "The questions posed are well-thought-out and provocative, asking players to imagine themselves in a variety of difficult situations

from everyday life, touching on a number of human relationships," he said.

To get the most productive and pleasant exchange of ideas while playing the game, Rusk suggests setting ground rules for the bluffing and challenge portion of the game before beginning. Players, for instance, may decide on a time limit for their defenses. A referee, say the person to the right or left of the challenger who is not the bluffer, could be appointed for each round.

The holiday season sometimes places us in some ethically tight places, for example: You buy a scarf from a discount store as a gift for a friend who is very label-conscious. You have an empty box from a trendy store. Do you repackage the scarf in the box and give it to your friend?

How would grandma answer? How would you? It's a question of scruples.

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MILITARY tactics and strategy take place in 18th century Europe. Castle Risk, by Parker Brothers, is for ages 10 and up. About \$15.



KIDS from 4 to 10 will cuddle up to a talking toy. Bingo Bear has a 400-word vocabulary and says more than 100 random phrases. A Yakity Yak by Hasbro, it is about \$70.

TV games bring fantasies to life

NEW YORK (NEA) — Get ready to spin the wheel for "big money" or race up the Florida coast with detectives Crockett and Tubbs — right in your own living room.

Fantasies such as these become reality this Christmas. Toymakers have taken their cue from some of TV's hottest properties and have created a veritable prime-time lineup of new board games aimed at delighting fans of "Wheel of Fortune," "The New Newlywed Game," "Jeopardy," "Miami Vice," "The Honeymooners" and "All My Children" with home versions of their favorite shows.

Not surprisingly, the hottest of these new games is "Wheel of Fortune," from Pressman Toy Corp. Both standard and deluxe editions of TV's top-rated show are available. The latter features the popular "people, place, phrase and thing" puzzles and a "replica wheel" to upgrade dollar val-

ues and increase the risk of bankruptcy and lost turns. All that's missing from this one is Vanna White.

In "Miami Vice: The Game" from Pepper Lane, players join Sonny Crockett and Ricardo Tubbs as they race to arrive at secret "drop points" on a game board that duplicates a map of the Florida city. In "The Honeymooners Game" Jackie Gleason shows up as a Ralph Kramden miniature, while "All My Children" game players can assume characters from the soap opera as they try to reach "ultimate happiness." Pressman Toy also has home versions of "Jeopardy!" and "The New Newlywed Game" for fans of these popular shows.

These TV show spinoffs, however, aren't all that's new in the games department this holiday season.

The latest electronics invasion of toyland is hitting the stores in the form of VCR games. You'll find many

of the traditional elements in these board-game-videocassette hybrids. However, the dice, cards, chips and paper money are now combined with the latest in VCR technology.

And you don't have to plunk quarters into a machine to play. "They have no joystick, control knobs or 'cat and mouse' action," explains Pressman president Jim Pressman. Rather, they feature "interactive" videocassette tapes. "Players respond to the action they're seeing on the screen and test their memories, solve mysteries and use strategy."

The company has two new VCR games on the market: "Doorways to Adventure" and "Doorways to Horror." Each features a 60-minute vintage film clip compilation. Random plays of the clips determine the action of the game.

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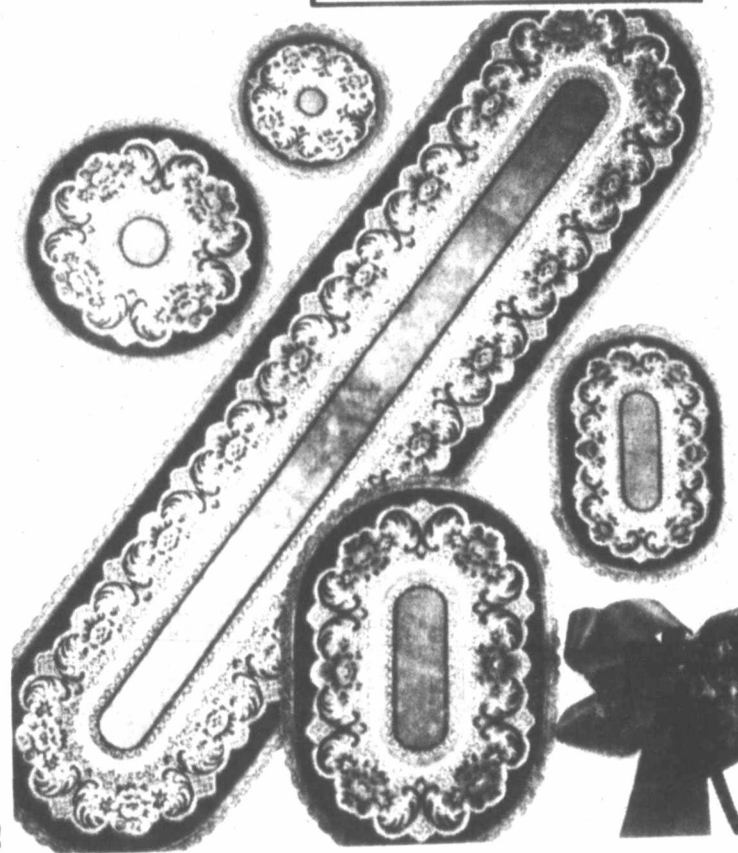
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Christmas trees bask in national spotlight

By RANDOLPH E. SCHMID
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—A tradition with roots in antiquity, yet as modern as today, will be renewed this year as the nation's capital celebrates with Christmas trees from California, Washington and Pennsylvania.

The National Community Christmas Tree is a living Colorado blue spruce transplanted from Pennsylvania to the Ellipse, south of the White House, in 1978.

But it will be joined by other trees also basking in the national spotlight.

—At the Capitol, a 60-foot Shasta red fir will be set up, following shipment from the Klamath National Forest in California.

—A similar 26-foot tree from the same source is heading for the Supreme Court.

—And the White House will be decorated with an eight-foot Fraser fir grown at the Bear Canyon Tree Farm in Washington and donated by the National Christmas Tree Association.

Lighting of the living national tree on the Ellipse is scheduled for Dec. 11, opening the annual Christmas Pageant of Peace.

Traditionally, President and Mrs. Reagan will throw the switch lighting the tree — an event that has occurred annually since 1923 when Calvin Coolidge did the honors.

In most years the incumbent president has presided at the ceremony, although an occasional vice president has filled in.

In 1979 and 1980 only the top ornament was lighted, as a gesture to the Americans held hostage in Iran.

While there has been a national tree outside of the White House since the Coolidge administration, the tannenbaum tradition showed up inside the executive mansion much earlier.

The White House tree this year was donated by the winners of a contest sponsored by the growers group, as has been done since 1966.

The 1986 winners were Ron and Dorothy Palmer of Mossyrock,

Wash., and Dorothy and Charlie Burton of Cinebar, Wash., who are partners in the Bear Canyon Tree Farm.

But while the tree growers got involved only in recent decades, White House trees have been a tradition for more than a century.

The first recorded White House Christmas tree was set up by Franklin Pierce in 1856.

Records are scanty as to whether presidents after Pierce kept up the tree tradition, until Benjamin Harrison in 1889 launched the now unbroken string of White House trees, announcing that "we should make merry for children at Christmas time."

Franklin Roosevelt grew Christmas trees himself, listing his occupation as farmer when he registered to vote.

That Roosevelt was the last president to use candles on his tree, wisely hiring someone to stand by with a wet sponge when the candles were lit, in the event of fire.

Electric lights have been the norm since then, and decorating

styles vary widely depending on the occupants of the White House.

At the Capitol, meanwhile, landscape architect Paul Pincus reports that the U.S. Forest Service is furnishing its 23rd annual Capitol Christmas tree — and the first to come from west of the Mississippi.

Four railroads are donating transportation for the tree from California.

The tree, commonly known as a silver tip, is estimated to be about 150 years old and measures 24 inches in diameter at the base. It was 110 feet tall, but only the top 60 feet will be used.

That tree will be set up in the West Front of the Capitol and will be decorated with some 3,600 colored lights in clear, amber and twinkling blue colors. The lights give the tree an overall gold appearance when viewed.

The tree comes from near Yreka, Calif., this year and school officials in that state have launched a project to have students make the ornaments for decoration.



(AP Laserphoto)
St. Nicholas, circa 1800s, one of the 19th century characters who appear each Christmas at Mystic Seaport, a maritime museum in Connecticut, shows a picture book to awed fans.

Borders deck the tree

NEW YORK (NEA) — As pretty as fancy ribbons, wallpaper borders make charming decorations for a tree.

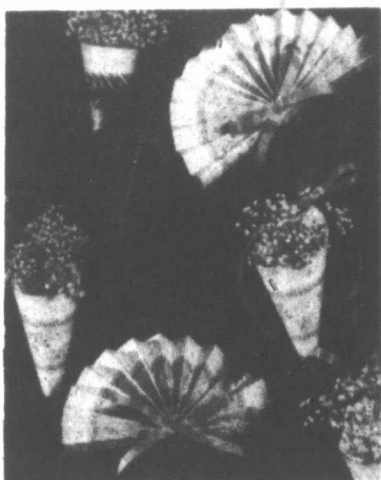
Designer Michael Cannarozzi says, "A trip to your local wall-covering outlet opens up all kinds of possibilities for tree decorations, with the wealth of borders now available."

"Fancy ribbons can run as much as \$20 a yard, while the wall-covering borders come in convenient 5-yard spools and cost a good deal less. They have the stiffness that makes decorations stay fresh and are easy to work with as well. I fashioned cornucopias and fans from the Little Bit Lace border from the New American Prints Collection of Wall-Tex wall coverings."

These decorations are made from a border about 4 inches wide. Each fan takes about 18 inches of border. Simply make 1/2-inch accordion folds, flair the folds and tape the center with transparent tape. Add a simple bow and it's done.

Cornucopias are a little more difficult, but not very hard. Cut an 8-inch length of border. Curl the piece so that one end lines up with the border edge, making a cone. Staple along the back, then trim off excess border. Cut a hole in the back, thread through it 18 inches of ribbon doubled over to make a loop, then tie the ribbon into a bow. Add filling to the cornucopia, such as baby's breath and starburst flowers, and it's ready to hang.

Lightweight and lovely, these decorations will last through many holiday seasons. With the variety of bor-



TURN TO your wallcovering store for material to make different inexpensive tree trimmings. Fans and cornucopias were made from Little Bit of Lace collection by Wall-Tex for less than \$1 each.

der styles available, you can complement your decor or select just the scheme you want for contrast. Best of all, these totally terrific decorations give tremendous impact for little cost. One five-yard spool of border will produce 10 fans, each about 8 inches wide, or about 20 cornucopias. At a suggested retail of \$9.99 per spool, each fan costs only about \$1 each, and cornucopias only 50 cents plus ribbon and filling.

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Use of greenery ancient tradition

By The Associated Press

While the Christmas tree tradition extends back to the forest dwellers in Germany, use of greenery indoors for seasonal celebrations can be traced at least to the Roman Empire and is popular in many lands.

Holly, ivy and mistletoe have been most popular, although

other decorations also include bay, rosemary, box and laurel — any winter green plant that renews faith in the coming rebirth of spring.

One custom apparently English in origin but now widely popular is kissing under the mistletoe. The ancient Druids and Norsemen long considered this plant to have magical qualities.

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Extravagant stocking stuffers for financially fortunate

Catalogs cater to carat conscious

By The Associated Press

It's the holiday season and the top-of-the-line catalogs are out in force for the financially fortunate.

The guide to seasonal shopping chic in Texas, the Neiman-Marcus Christmas catalog, is offering His-Her gifts this year of specially bred spotted kittens—at \$1,400 each.

Another listing suggests that the hard-to-please friend who keeps a pet cat might be pleased to get a \$1.1 million home for the kitty shaped like an Egyptian temple and made of lapis, quartz and turquoise.

The semi-precious stone house also makes a nice conversation piece and comes complete with deed, architectural plan and owner's manual, according to the annual Robb Report on extravagant Christmas stocking stuffers, released in Boston. The publication calls itself the "magazine for people with million-dollar taste."

One catalog retailer commissioned original artwork, by Thomas McKnight, for the two covers of its Christmas catalog. The two paintings, selling at \$25,000 each, are the most expensive items in the Spiegel catalog.

Spiegel said it mailed four million 1986 Christmas catalogs to customers in the United States.

Baccarat Crystal, in its color Museum Reproduction Collec-

tion catalog in French and English, offers crystal pieces designed between 1830 and 1930—with prices ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,300.

The Neiman-Marcus catalog, famous for lavish gifts sprinkled among more conventional Christmas gift items, also offers a portrait session with pop artist Andy Warhol's studio for the rich who want to be famous.

For \$35,000, the recipient will be flown to New York to be painted in Warhol's studio. But there's a limit: only three people can buy that gift.

"A wonderful part is that later you receive 900 reproductions for Christmas cards for 1987," said Pat Morgan, Neiman's vice president of mail order merchandising.

Other choices include an \$80,000 Bubble Boat. The 12-foot diameter boat, styled like a spacecraft, has a galvanized steel dome that floats on aluminum pontoons and is studded with flashing lights.

For those who feel the million-dollar-plus cozy for the cat isn't spending enough for the holidays, the Robb Report suggests a \$5 million miniseries on the life of your spouse.

The four-hour film will be shot by a professional crew which will recruit makeup artists and actors, and provide period costumes and automobiles or even

Arabian horses.

Then there are the 22-carat gold epaulettes with seed pearl braids, not for generals, but for fashion-conscious women. Since only seven pairs are being made for a New York firm, their exclusivity might help justify the \$15,000 price tag.

For the pedigreed hound in your life, there are Molly's Palm Beach Dog Biscuits, six for \$3.50, and shaped like 1954 Bentleys, of course.

Taken by Palm Beach itself? Why not reward your spouse with a \$25 million mansion with retracting 18-foot windows, chandeliers which automatically raise and lower for easy cleaning, heated salt water pool and cabana with heated marble floors? The Regency-style Florida manse was built for the late "hostess extraordinaire" Anita O'Keeffe Young, the Robb Report said.

For people who prefer events over real estate, the magazine suggests a \$1 million party.

The blowout at the site of your choice—Liberty Island, Grand Central Station or the Grand Canyon—includes pianist Peter Duchin playing for guests who will be served bubbly, caviar and a 10-foot cake by Disney characters.

The event climaxes with a helicopter "covered in diamond dust" towing a rhinestone banner with your specified message.



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David Dworkin, president of Neiman-Marcus, displays the company's Christmas catalog, featuring California Spangled Cats at \$1,400 each as its traditional exotic His-Her gift for 1986.

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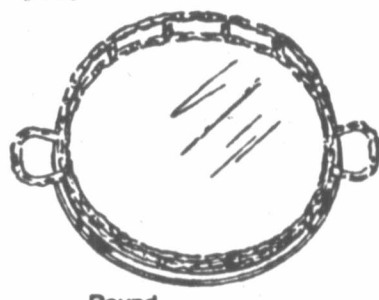
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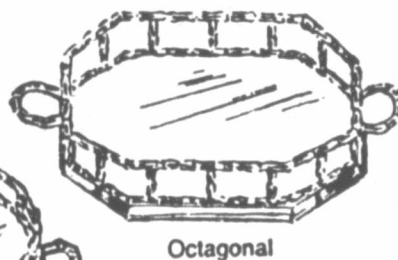
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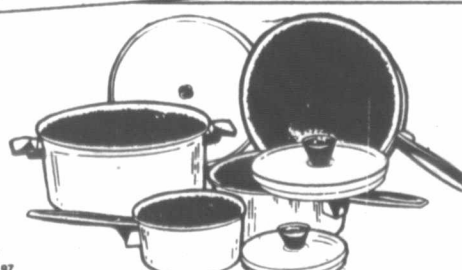
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Electronic gadgets: Smaller the better

By The Associated Press

Smaller may be bigger in sales when it comes to electronic gifts this holiday season, according to some manufacturers.

In the kitchen, "half pint" or down-sized microwave ovens are getting the promotion over their larger counterparts. Televisions and clock radios that mount under kitchen cabinets and thus take up less space are other ex-

amples.

"The popularity of down-sized food processors demonstrates that people want to take advantage of the latest food technology, but prefer the convenience of a compact appliance," says Kenneth E. Homa, vice president of marketing, Black & Decker Household Products Group.

Smaller seems to loom larger when it comes to electronic entertainment, too.

Plan holiday parties to ensure success

By The Associated Press

Making up lists and checking them twice is the traditional way to get ready for the holidays this time of year and home entertainment is no exception, according to party consultants.

In addition to guest lists, party hosts should consider preparing for the event by drawing up lists of supplies and accessories they will need, say the experts. Advance planning narrows the chances of something going wrong.

Festivities can range from a simple cocktail gathering to an old-fashioned Christmas carol sing, and from a British-style tea party to a video viewing complete

with popcorn, pretzels and beer.

For cocktail parties, you can create a bar in almost any area of your home.

"In fact, some hosts even convert unused closets and pantries into bar areas, while others simply pour in the kitchen. Any area of your home or apartment where you can mix a drink easily can be used as a bar," advises a consultant for International Wine Accessories, a Dallas-based mail order company.

"But, no matter how lavish or simple your bar, it should have a flat, uncluttered work surface, a shelf for glasses, a drawer or basket for tools and accessories, and storage space for wines and spirits."

There seems to be general agreement that a well-stocked home bar should include such basics as a corkscrew, can and bottle opener, coil-rimmed bar strainer and a tall, heavy-duty mixing glass or shaker.

As for drink-mixing techniques, the prevailing advice is to always measure ingredients precisely, never guessing and never over-pouring, because any change in proportions alters the taste of a drink.

If your choice for the holiday is a tea party, such a gathering can be a piece of cake, literally.

Just ask James Warren, of the Morrison House in Alexandria, Va., who learned the best of British butling from a master butler

who was once in service to the royal family.

"There's really nothing to it," he confides. "We serve assorted finger sandwiches, petit fours, and a tea loaf which is a light fruit cake flavored with liqueur."

"You can, of course, use tea bags," says Warren, not sounding too happy with the idea. "But loose tea, a good full-bodied English tea is going to make a superior brew."

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NEW YORK (NEA) — The holiday season is a time of joy and happiness, but in the dizzy rush of events common safety practices may be taken for granted or completely overlooked.

Parents wish there was a fun and interesting way to teach their children basic safety rules. No matter how many times a parent says, "Put your belongings away," "Don't wander away from me," "Don't speak to strangers," there's always the chance that the child isn't paying attention.

Now Pressman Toy Corp. offers parents a novel way to teach children how to avoid potential dangers while reinforcing safe behavior with their 4 Safe & Smart Safety Games, in one package.

By playing any of the 4 Safe & Smart Safety Games, children can learn to avoid such holiday hazards as leaving snow boots and playthings in dangerous places, getting lost in busy shopping malls and crowded streets, and forgetting to pick up papers left near the fireplace.

New parents never feel they can do enough to provide for their child's safety. It's even more difficult for parents to make sure their child is safe and secure while preparing for holiday parties. Nasta Industries has a variety of products that can help assure parents of their child's safety.

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Baby Minder's specially designed transmitter is placed close to the baby's crib so the built-in microphone can pick up any sounds the baby makes. The parent carries the portable receiver or uses the convenient belt clip to keep an ear on the resting baby.

Robert Lamanna, director of research and development, says, "Our years of experience in the small-electronics business have shown us how to

apply our expertise to the safety arena. While there is no way to guarantee a child's safety, there are preventative measures that parents can take to keep their child out of harm's way.

"Parents should keep in mind, however, that these products were designed to complement, and not take the place of, safe household practices, particularly during the holidays."

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Holiday expression dates back to 19th century Great Britain

By The Associated Press

"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."

That Christmas card sentiment, which researchers say goes back to 1843 England, remains the most used thought on holiday greeting cards today.

It was British businessman Henry Cole who apparently originated the Christmas card custom, three years after English postal reform made it possible to send mail near and far for a penny.

Cole asked an artist friend, John Calcott Horsley, to design the card, which had three panels.

The main illustration showed the elders at a family party raising wine glasses in a toast. The other panels depicted feeding the hungry and clothing the needy.

Two of the original dozen known copies of this first Christmas card are part of the 40,000-card Hallmark Historical Collection, according to its curator.

"The Christmas card-sending custom has weathered war, economic turmoil and vast social changes spanning well over a century," she says. "It serves a timeless human need to stay close, to share special thoughts and feelings with friends far and near during our most cherished

holiday season."

Designs and themes have changed along the years, though the sentiments remain much the same.

Hallmark says humor is the 1986 theme.

"It's an American axiom that laughter is the best medicine — and there's truth in it," says R. Chris Martin, a psychologist and consultant to Hallmark Cards. "At Christmastime, we may need an extra dose. Humorous Christmas cards allow people not only to laugh at the pressures brought on by the season itself, but also to share the laugh with someone else."

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Skill games rattle the brain

By The Associated Press

The games people play this holiday season will range from one that theoretically can award the winner a college degree, to a sailing race board game for those intrigued by life on the bounding main.

And among the small packages Santa may leave under the Christmas tree this year is a game its designer insists is not a game.

Developed by the Hungarian who produced the mind-boggling "Rubik's Cube" a few years ago, this puzzle is called "Rubik's Magic." It is an eight-panelled rectangle, with each panel attached by a four-sided hinge.

On both sides are three uncon-

nected rainbow-colored rings, each printed across several panels. The object of the puzzle is to link the rings. But the catch is that when any one panel is moved, the colored rings move as well.

Erno Rubik, 42, whose "Cube" sold over 100 million copies worldwide, says his device is not a game—meant solely to entertain—but a puzzle, which enables the solver to discover and explore.

"Too often people look, but they do not see," Rubik says. "Only when you pay attention can you find things you never noticed before. This puzzle helps you to see."

Rubik's "Cube" had 43,252,003,274,489,856,000 (quintillion) possible configurations. His

"Magic" creation reportedly has even more—but only a single correct solution.

The board game with the imaginary college degree—called "InQUIZitive"—combines clues and strategy in a quiz format and was developed, according to its creator, for those who feel intimidated by quiz games because they don't know all the answers.

The object of the game is to complete a three-year degree from "Inquisitive University" by going around the board three times, acquiring and validating eight credits in at least six different subjects.

With clues included in the questions, players have more than one chance to get the answers right. Creators of "The Sailor's

Game," which includes pewter marker replicas of five classic yacht designs, say it can be a challenge for the most advanced yachtsman or enjoyed by those who don't know the difference between port and starboard.

With no dice to roll or wheels to spin, it features questions covering seamanship, yachtsman's know-how and traditions of the sea.

Other board games new on the holiday scene this year include "Pictionary," which resembles charades, except that players quickly draw clues instead of acting them out. The subject matter, selected at random by landing on a category square, ranges from "moonlight" to "diaper rash."

Christmas Island is just a sand heap

By The Associated Press

In the tiny settlements of London, Paris, and Poland on Christmas Island in the central Pacific, the few who can afford the luxury will feast this Christmas on roast pig.

Most will celebrate with fresh fish, local vegetables like breadfruit and a powerful alcoholic drink made from coconut milk.

For the 1,700 people of Christmas Island, Dec. 25 is a day of religious significance and the anniversary of European dis-

covery.

On that day in 1777, as the British warship Resolution rode at anchor in the turquoise blue lagoon, explorer James Cook named the world's largest coral atoll.

"As we kept our Christmas here," he recorded in the ship's log, "we called it Christmas Island."

"This day," he went on, "the people (his crew) were served fresh pork, fish and double allowances of liquor which enabled them to spend the evening with

mirth and jollity."

Today, Christmas—now spelled Kiritimati—Island is part of the remote and poverty-stricken Republic of Kiribati, formerly the British Gilbert Group.

In 1983, the U.S. Senate formally ended a long running dispute with Britain over ownership of the atoll and recognized the sovereignty granted by London to Kiribati (pronounced Kiri-bass) upon its independence in 1979.

Nearly 2,000 miles—more than two weeks by copra boat—from the national capital of Tarawa,

Christmas Island is often described as nothing more than a flat, dry sand heap.

The only accommodation on the island is the 24-room Captain Cook Hotel, and those who need urgent hospitalization must wait for a United States Coast Guard ship to arrive from Hawaii.

In the 209 years since Cook's visit, the atoll, just 145 miles north of the Equator, has been ravaged by waves of Europeans. First there were the whalers. Then phosphate miners.

Personal art work brightens Christmas

NEW YORK (NEA) — If you were a sculptor of figurines whose work was owned by thousands of people around the world, you might not take time out for the simple pleasure of creating a home-style Christmas.

However, just the opposite is true for Gerhard Skrobeck, master sculptor of M.I. Hummel figurines by Goebel of West Germany.

While sculpting and personal appearances occupy his time most of the year, Skrobeck makes time in December for the old-fashioned family Christmas traditions with which he was raised.

"The whole family is involved in the making of special Christmas cookies, and we start them around the first of December," Skrobeck says. "Even though my children are grown now, they still like to help, sons and daughters alike. And that's when I also start decorating the main areas of our home."

Stars figure importantly in this sculptor's Christmas decorations. Everyone in the family makes them, each working to make one that is prettier than the last. Some are made from wax. Some from straw. Some

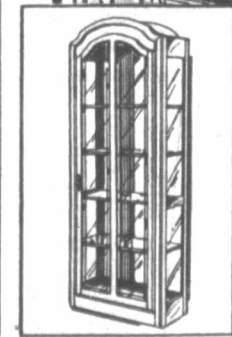
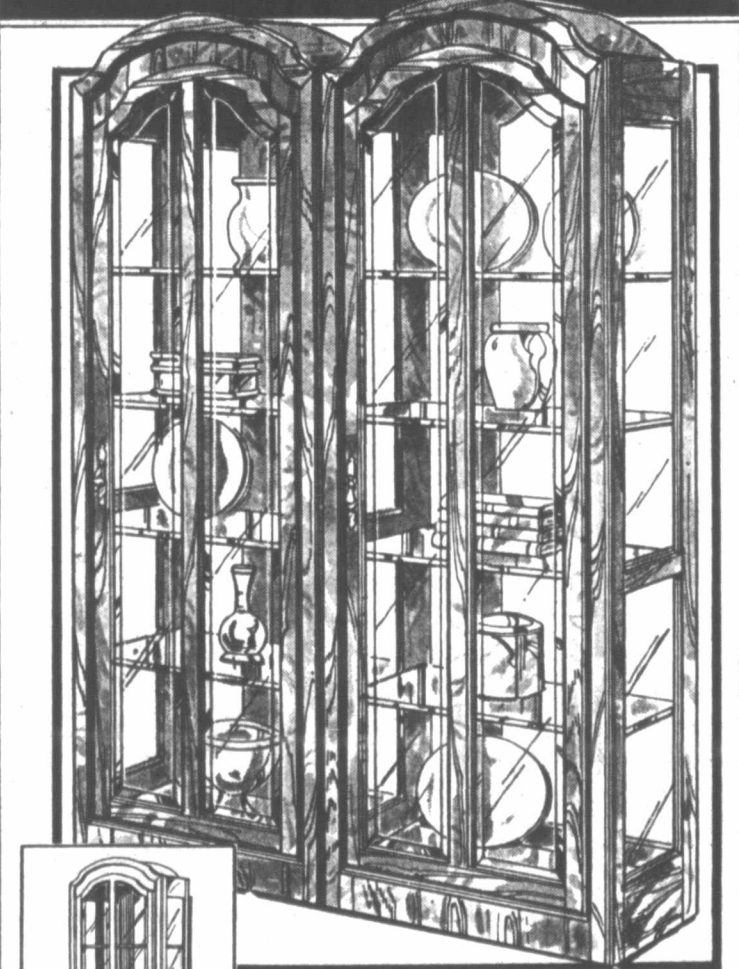


SCULPTOR Gerhard Skrobeck of Goebel uses figurines, such as his Village Boy, for holiday decorations. Wintry forest is of green-painted pine cones, anchored in florist's clay. Salt creates snow.

from marbled paper.

The majority, though, are intricate cutouts from tissue paper in many hues. These are used to decorate windows, providing a cheerful vision during the wintry days.

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Kids are dreaming of electronic toys

NEW YORK (NEA) — This holiday season it won't just be adults who receive hi-tech audio and video equipment — children will be finding electronic toys of their own under the tree.

"Designed to encourage imaginative play and satisfy a parent's demand for quality and reliability, the new electronics for children are popular with kids and parents alike," says Gerry Zaborsky, product manager at General Electric.

With GE's new Turbo 1000 headset walkie-talkies, children can keep in touch during imaginary adventures, just like their favorite space heroes. The bright yellow, voice-activated walkie-talkies are battery operated and have a special safety built into the ear opening to ensure risk-free fun.

Also new from GE is the Kid Corder tape recorder. It has a special Tape-

Talk-Along microphone that children can use in three ways: to sing along and record with a favorite rock star, as a public-address system to emcee neighborhood events and for remote control of the tape recorder. Kid Corder has bright red and yellow graphics to simplify operation and a sliding handle for easy carrying.

When used with prerecorded tapes of children's stories, accompanied by read-and-follow books, Kid Corder is a fun educational tool. An erase-protection feature ensures that a favorite tape won't end up blank.

"Kid Corder and Turbo 1000 walkie-talkies capture a child's imagination and are simple enough to use without parental supervision," Zaborsky says. "Parents also will like the full one-year warranty that backs each product."

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BRIGHT yellow, battery-operated Turbo 1000 voice-activated headset walkie-talkies let children communicate. By GE.

Hanukkah begins Dec. 26

By The Associated Press

It happened more than 2,000 years ago, but Jews around the world still celebrate the event every year, usually some time in December.

This year, Hanukkah begins the night of Dec. 26.

It was in the year 165 B.C. that Judah Maccabee and his followers defeated three Syrian generals and recaptured and rededicated the temple at Jerusalem.

The Jews had been ruled by Syrian invaders under King Antiochus IV, who commanded them to worship "foreign" gods and burn a sacrifice to Zeus on a Jewish altar in Jerusalem.

Instead, Mattathias Maccabee, a Jewish priest, fled to the mountains with his five sons and led a three-year rebellion that eventually overthrew the Syrians. The Maccabees ruled until 37 B.C.

Symbol of the holiday, known as the Feast of Lights or Feast of Dedication, is the menorah, a candelabrum with branches for nine candles, lighted in increasing numbers during the eight days of Hanukkah. The menorah symbolizes the story, as related in the Apocrypha, that after cleaning the temple of Syrian idols, the Jews found only one small cruse of oil with which to light their holy lamps. But somehow, the cruse provided oil for eight days.

The holiday is also marked by frying food in oil, with the "latke," a pancake made with grated potatoes and onions, a popular delicacy.

It is also traditional for the children to receive little gifts each day of the holiday and for contributions to be made to the poor.

Children spin dreidels, four-sided tops that contain the acronym for the Hebrew words for "a great miracle happened here."

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Simple formula calculates needed lights

By The Associated Press

You can determine the maximum number of miniature lights needed for your Christmas tree by multiplying the tree's width in feet by eight times its height, say General Electric lighting specialists.

•You can set the tone of your party gathering by using either

"warm" colors — red, orange, yellow or white — or "cool" — blue and green.

•You can create an illusion of wind rustling through the boughs by interspersing miniature sparkling lights with regular sets.

•You can get more sparkle and glitter with transparent light bulbs, rather than color-coated

bulbs, because of the glistening filaments.

•There are four basic ways to place bulbs on an evergreen: place randomly; create a "teepee" of light strings over the tree; create a spiral of lights, overlapping two strings and keeping an even spiral; or drape light strings in horizontal loops around the tree.

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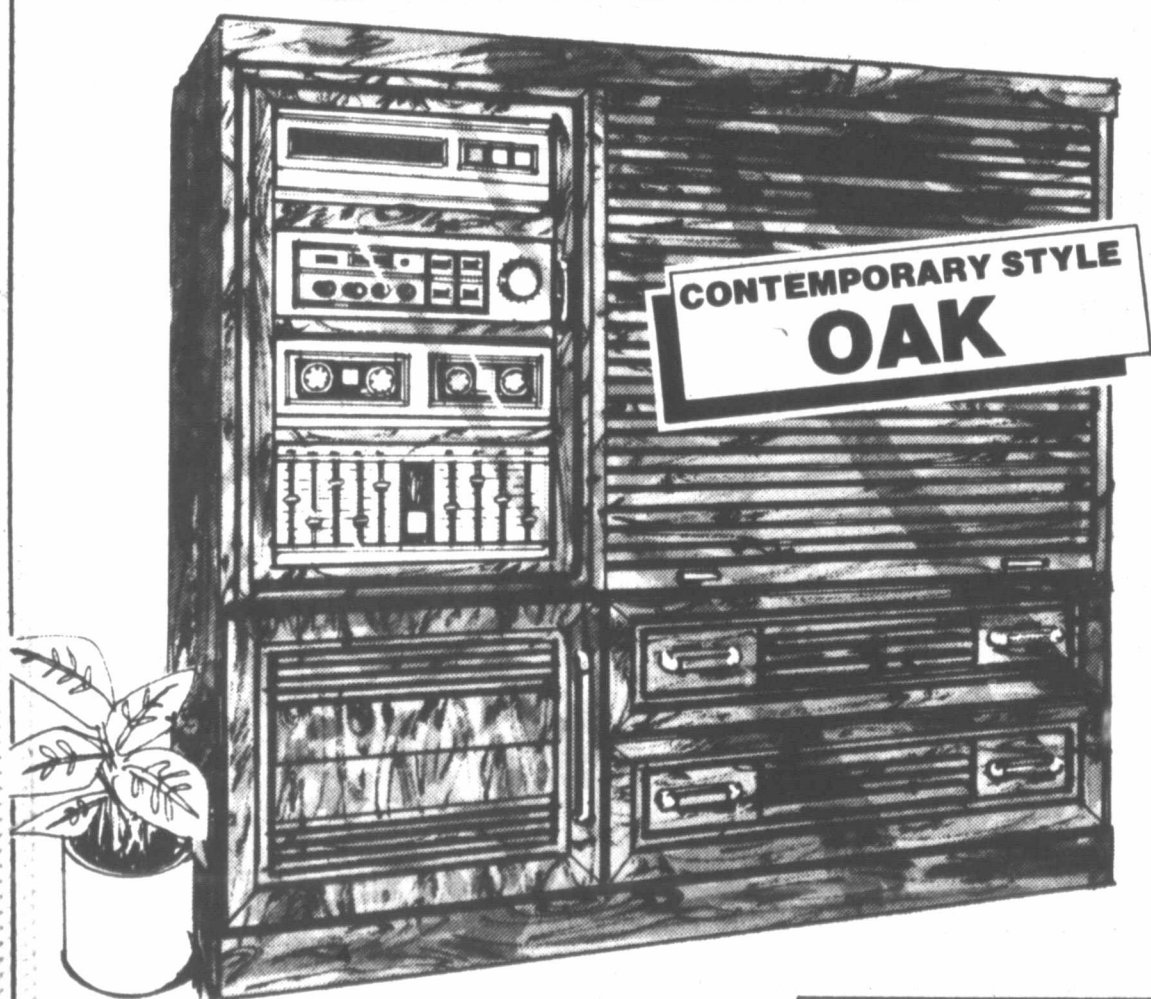


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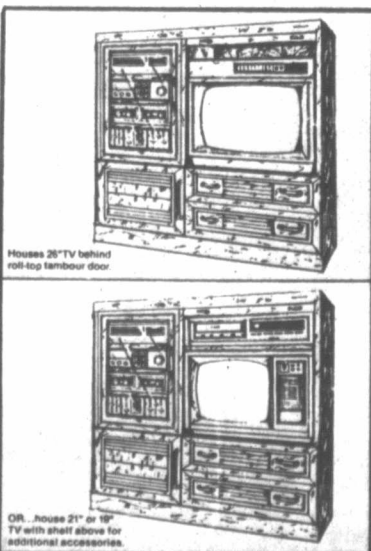
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A crane hoists the 1985 Rockefeller Center Christmas tree into place in New York, while ice skaters glide below. The bulk of the northern United States stands a fair chance of seeing a cold, white Christmas, while the southern portion of the country, including most of Texas, often celebrates the holiday in shirtsleeves.

These 'Veggies' not edible

The "Veggies" are soft-sculpture dolls in the shape of fruits and vegetables. Graphics designer Kim Foster says she created the prototypes out of actual produce.

They include Cornelia Husk, resembling an ear of corn, ballerina Zuccarina (zucchini), Sheriff Damon Onion, and Tony Scallione (scallion).

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Jewelry at the top of shopping list

By The Associated Press

Jewelry, that collective term including rings, pins, necklaces, gems, and precious stones, always has been a popular gift item.

The engagement ring is especially so, according to the Jewelry Industry Council, nonprofit representatives of the jewelry industry in the United States.

"Jewelry is always at the top of shopping lists for Christmas gift-giving," says Kae McCulloch, fashion consultant for the Jewelry Industry Council.

"From scatterpins in the 1940s, charm bracelets, Mickey Mouse

watches, the GI's dependable Zippo lighter translated into post-war sterling silver and karat gold editions to mod rings, pop-it beads, stickpins and pendants, all have enjoyed their popularity," she says.

But two items forever remain favorites every holiday season, she says: watches and pearls.

"Both have kept up with the times. Watches have progressed from mere utilitarian timekeepers to high fashion accessories, and pearls continually create new fashion looks," says Ms. McCulloch.

One of the more popular items for Christmas 1986, she says, will

be the dress watch for women that features a three-strand pearl bracelet.

"The evolution of fashion in pearls and watches merely proves that pearls remain timeless and time (the watch) keeps pace," says Ms. McCulloch.

The Council says the engagement ring is a particularly prevalent present for Christmas because it is a family-oriented holiday — and because the groom-to-be can also let the ring double as a Christmas gift.

More than 17 million pieces of jewelry were sold in the United States last year, according to the American Diamond Industry

Association, a nonprofit group representing dealers, cutters, distributors and importers.

The United States was the largest diamond jewelry market in the world, the association says, buying about 37.5 percent of the estimated \$21.6 billion sold worldwide in 1985.

The price of a diamond, says ADIA chairman Lloyd Jaffe, is equally dependent on its shape or cut, color, weight or carat, and degree of perfection or clarity.

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Classic gifts furnish warmth at home

NEW YORK (NEA) — The Christmas season is a time for giving, but it is also a time for remembering when the world was a more peaceful place.

Living in today's high-tech society forces many people to develop ways of getting away from computers and advanced technology. For some, the great escape can be a return to the warmth and softness of a traditional home full of treasured possessions.

This year why not try functional holiday gifts for the home that reflect the timeless beauty of bygone days?

This doesn't mean one-of-a-kind antiques. There's a wealth of well-designed yet affordable items available — fine wood accent pieces, handsome leather chairs, upholstered seating in natural cotton, wool or linen fibers featuring soft-toned floral prints, plaids, velvets, stripes, country patterns and more traditional jacquards.

Here are a few gift ideas to cheer both home and heart.

From Barcelona there's Country Starters, a modular living-room group in a charming cotton print. The pieces bring a pleasant nostalgic note to the living room while incorporating such functional features as a sleeper for unexpected holiday visitors and a recliner for watching home movies on TV.

Recliners can have 18th-century flavor with a barrel-back chair covered in leather and outlined with brass nailheads. Or they can be in contemporary with a motorized design, softened with a cover in pastel velvet. Stratolounger's rocker recliner in a fresh country print has all the comfort and warmth of a Sunday after-



CLASSIC gift of furniture could be a corner chair in an 18th Century American Chippendale style collection by Trend Line. Its warm cherry finish also appears in a lowboy with Queen Anne legs and antique brass hardware.

noon in grandma's parlor.

Moving on to holiday feasting, Chromcraft's updated version of a formal high-back dining-room chair in natural rattan has an appealing dark earth-tone finish. It's accompanied by more rattan on the sparkling glass-topped table.

Trend Line's Henry River Plantation Collection captures the true elegance of 18th-century American Chippendale with such honest reproductions as a corner chair with classic openwork carving or a distinctive

lowboy with a mirror above — all in rich cherry.

Holiday guests may never want to leave after sleeping on Stratford's charming country sleeper in a bright, cheery plaid. Another gift suggestion from this same company is a uniquely handsome oak cabinet with a hand-rubbed, antique, weathered finish and carved Aztec design across the top rail. It can hold a complete home entertainment center.

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Educational gifts let children grow

NEW YORK (NEA) — For grandparents, a big part of holiday happiness is spending time with grandchildren, especially with preschoolers.

Often the fun centers around new Christmas toys from grandma and grandpa. According to the trade magazine Playthings, 70 percent of toy purchases are for grandchildren under 6.

"Play" actually serves a deeper purpose than just providing a pleasant way to pass time. "Play and development go hand in hand," says Dr. Elizabeth Sulzby, a child-development expert. "Interaction during play, whether with an adult or another child, stimulates learning."

Sulzby, an associate professor of education at the University of Michigan, says that structured play provided by an educational toy or game encourages learning.

A number of such products in different price ranges are available this holiday season.

• Games for Growing are six educational game sets featuring Sesame Street characters. Each set contains a variety of learning games that increase in difficulty to parallel a preschool child's developing skills. A 12-page parent teaching guide accompanies each set, by International Games for under \$9.

• Give preschoolers a head start with numbers and telling time by presenting them with a watch. Many by Bradley Time sport cartoon charac-



EDUCATIONAL but fun games catch a grandparent's eye for a favorite preschooler. Games for Growing are six preschool educational game sets. By International Games for under \$9.

ters such as Mickey Mouse or the Smurfs, for about \$20.

• The Learning Window is an electronic visual toy that uses cartridges to teach preschoolers various skills and techniques. By Video Tech, it retails for about \$65 (cartridges are extra).

• Learning about sounds and music is made fun with the Melody Train Set. The train rides on 42 colorful tracks, each of which has its own sound. The tones can be mixed and matched so children learn to compose their own songs. By Blue-Box, it sells for around \$20.

A time to cast away doubt, display goodwill to humanity

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — What is Christmas?

It is the time when people's hearts ring like bells. And legend says that oxen kneel in their stalls at midnight in memory.

Christmas is the anniversary of one kind of faith and selflessness. It is the natal date of a lonely Jewish carpenter who in 33 short years of breath stamped an undying conscience on this world and promised all men life everlasting through belief.

He died a radical upon a cross for what he taught, bleeding slowly to death from the agony of nail and spear wounds. Few listened to his message in his day. He died a minor gadfly to a Roman world.

One of many martyrs to many faiths, time has raised Jesus Christ to a gigantic stature, so that today more than 600 million people, one-fourth of all mankind, celebrate his memory. More men follow him than any man who ever lived. In the centuries since his birth, he has become the greatest religious figure in history.

What is Christmas?

— It is his spirit and his philosophy — that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

Today the celebration of his birth, as is his death, is crossed with old pagan ceremonials. But his spirit and his example inflame the day.

Sometimes religious leaders get cross with Santa Claus and say he takes the honors that be-

long to Jesus. But no one who has read the life of Christ could ever think of Him as being jealous. Santa is just Him with a beard on.

Perhaps, if Santa Claus pressed his view 365 days a year, as Jesus did, he might, even in these enlightened days, risk a similar persecution.

What is Christmas?

It is the time of letting go of hidebound prejudices and having the courage to be sentimental and good. It is the time when men take down a cold unfeeling star from the sky and make it a warm and stirring beacon on a tree.

Mainly, the grownups say, "Christmas is for the kids." But they themselves enjoy it most, although often they are oddly ashamed to acknowledge it. In December their crust of foolish

sophistication — the crust they grow to protect themselves from disappointment — wears thin. They light a silent candle to an old belief, that most men really do wish each other well but don't know quite what to do about it.

What is Christmas? Is it a season when they can cast away their mutual doubts and really do something for one another.

The Jews, who regard Jesus as only a prophet, have their own festival this time of year. It is called Hanukkah, the Festival of Lights. It lasts eight days. On each day they light another candle, give another gift.

The other day a Jewish friend of mine, whose children go to a public school and love the festival of Christmas, told me the plight of his young daughter.

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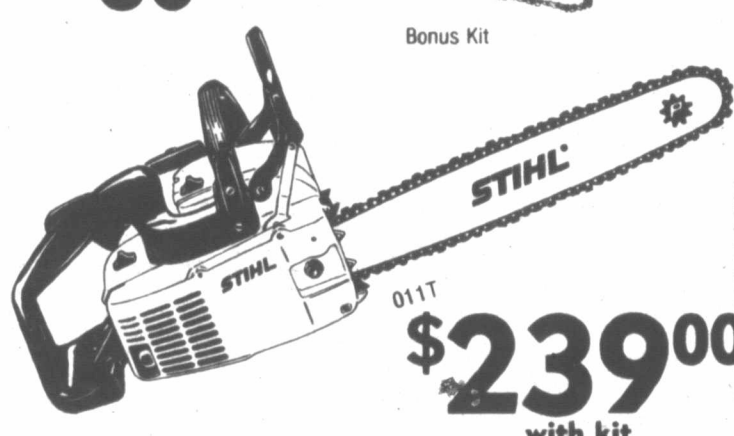
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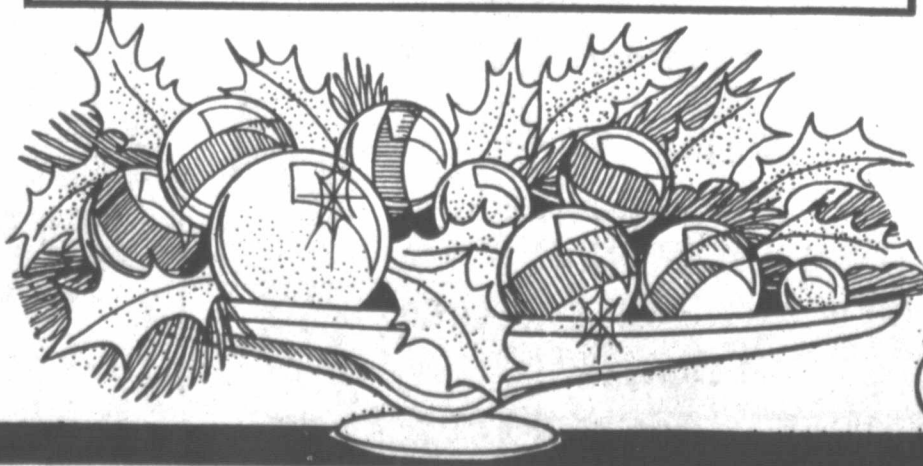
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Dolls can reveal the wonders of nature

NEW YORK (NEA) — Fantasy. Wonder. They are as much a part of the holidays as family, food and gifts. They are also a very important part of a happy, healthy childhood.

There are many, though, who believe today's modern children have lost some of their capacity to appreciate the wondrous and magical — especially the wonders of nature.

Famous illusionist Doug Henning wanted to rekindle these wide-eyed childhood fantasies. With his wife and partner, Debby, he conceived and designed WonderWhims — a line of 16-inch-plus dolls. There are six dolls, each representing a different aspect of nature, each with its own animal companion.

Henning explains how the idea came about: "As Debby and I traveled across the country with our magic shows, we felt that children were becoming adults too soon — they were too disbelieving." Adds Debby, "We wanted to find a way to show children the magic in a rainbow or in a caterpillar turning into a butterfly."

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der" that the doll represents. For example, there's Sunprince and his owl companion, Swoop, who are responsi-

ble for warmth and sunlight.

Michael White, president of Panosh Place — the company manufacturing WonderWhims — feels Henning's dolls are unique in the toy market. "The WonderWhims, while fun to play with and beautiful to look at, fulfill an important need for today's kids," explains White. "I have children of my own, and I agree with Doug that these dolls encourage a more enchanting, magical explanation of nature."

Much current psychology has pointed out the importance of fantasy in a child's intellectual growth. With the advent of adult-oriented, high-tech games, television shows and movies, some experts feel children are being deprived of more innocent fantasies.

Henning sees the dolls as a way of reinforcing an understanding of the natural wonders around us and bridging the distance between fantasy and reality.

So this holiday, if your children ask why the snow falls or why the stars shine, just use a little imagination and, as Henning suggests, help them see the wonder.

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A chilly reminder

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A holiday gift idea that involves the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island is called "America's Family Album," a project created by Eastman Kodak Co. to help support the restoration of the national landmarks.

For \$10 each, your photo selection will be assigned an individual access number and permanently recorded in the "album."

When visiting the statue, you can call up the photo by name or access number on a video display screen.

For those dreaming of a white Christmas, the gift shop at the American Museum of Natural History offers some reminders of a previous chilly season — the Ice Age.

The New York-based museum has come up with a selection of gift items representing the beginnings of modern human culture in late Ice Age Europe.

For those seeking a different way to celebrate New Year's Eve aboard what is described as the world's most exalted train, a nine-day package is offered by Venice Simplon Orient-Express.

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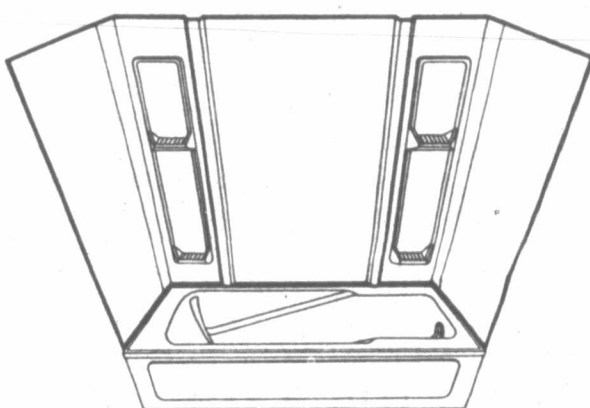
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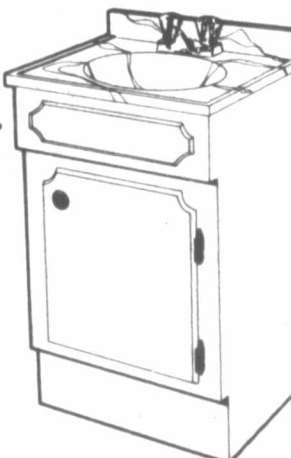
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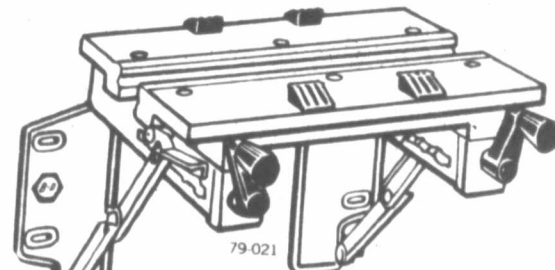
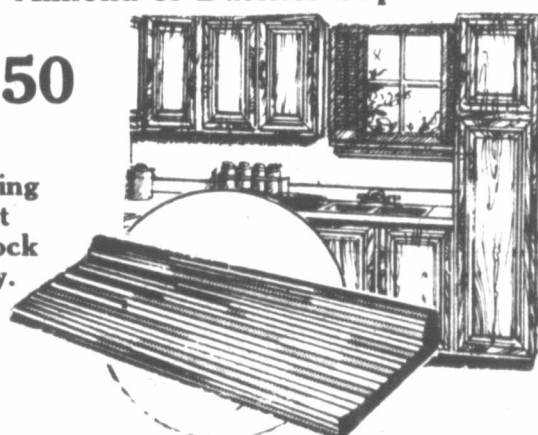
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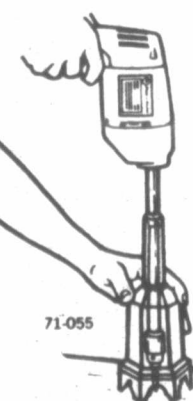
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NEW YORK (NEA) — Just a few years ago, portable stereos were chunky black boxes with awkward handles. But not anymore.

Today, sleek, compact and available in a rainbow of shades and stylish designs, they not only offer the convenience of stereo sound away from home, but are fun fashion accessories. Along with colorful, oversized sweaters and designer watches, mini-stereos have become hot gift items for style-conscious teenagers this season.

Battery-operated — many with AC/DC converters and optional car battery hook-ups — portable stereos let teens take the music, and the party, with them from dorm room to campus lawn to tailgate party.

"Portable music systems are particularly appropriate for teens' on-the-go lifestyles," says Stan Goldberg, manager of new product development marketing at General Electric.

"The new models combine quality stereo sound with contemporary colors and designs, offering the look and sounds teens want today," he adds.

GE's new Sidestep stereo cassette player comes in chic lavender or a metallic blue-black combination. It has two 3-inch speakers and a slide tone control. For personal listening, miniature bud-type headphones are conveniently located in a storage compartment in the back of the unit.



BRIGHT multi-colored sweater, designer watches and new colorful portable stereos are hot gift items for teenagers. AM/FM stereo cassette player by GE is about \$54.95

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Champagne gifts bubble forth

NEW YORK (NEA) — The most successful gifts are those that fit the personality and lifestyle of the person receiving them. For some on your list, you might consider an appropriate bottle of champagne.

"Champagnes come in many styles," says Count Charles de Poix, executive vice president of Piper-Heidsieck, the 200-year-old, family-owned champagne house of Reims, France. "Each firm has its own house style. Also, champagne makers often make several different kinds of champagne, each with its own distinctive personality."

Matching a champagne to a person is not all that complicated, claims de Poix. There are some simple guidelines to follow.

How important to you is the person to whom you are giving the champagne? If it is your spouse or sweetheart or your most important client or customer, you want to give the

best. A "prestige cuvee" is the very finest vintage champagne made by the producer. "These are the wines that we put the most time into making and take the greatest care to package," says de Poix. "A prestige cuvee, such as Piper Rare, will range in price from \$45 to \$75 a bottle."

Does the taste of the person to whom you are giving the champagne run to the dry or to something sweeter?

"Brut" is the driest of champagne styles," explains de Poix. "Extra dry" has a bit of residual sugar, giving it a slightly sweeter taste on the tongue."

De Poix recommends an extra dry for those who might want to drink champagne with dessert, although he himself prefers to drink champagne as an aperitif or with an appetizer. He recommends a brut vintage or non-vintage for those wanting a dry wine.

For the connoisseur there is even a "no-dosage" style of brut champagne,

such as Piper's Brut Sauvage, which is a bone dry, made-to-order aperitif wine. "Dosage" refers to the sweet reserve wine usually added to a bottle of champagne after the wine's second fermentation is complete. "This is the kind of dry champagne that appeals to a very self-assured personality, someone who knows wine," de Poix advises.

"Rose champagne is very 'in,'" says de Poix. For someone who is very trend-conscious he would recommend one or more bottles of a dry rose.

"A rose also suggests love," he continues, "and personally I would offer to a very special young lady friend a bottle of our vintage rose."

"Champagne is not inexpensive, but it can cost as little as \$20, and sometimes even less, when on sale."

"It is a costly, labor-intensive product to make and, as with many things, you get what you pay for."

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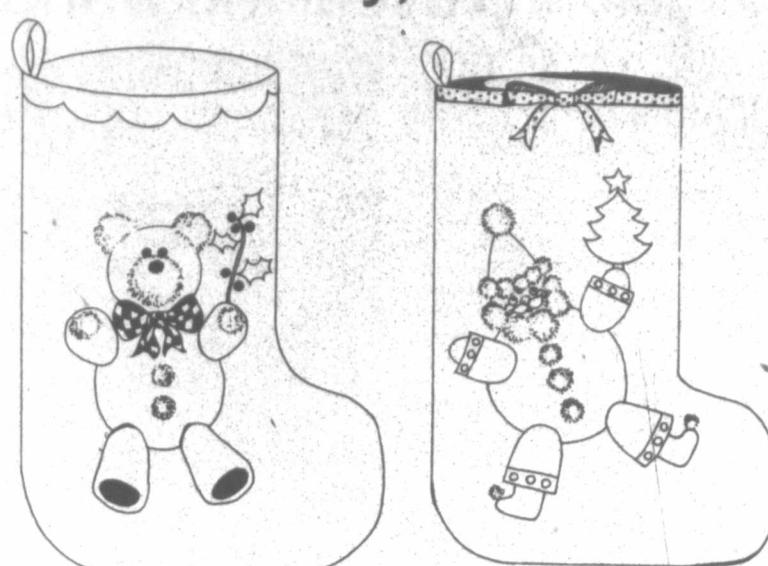
Felt decorations are easy, colorful

NEW YORK (NEA) — For those who don't sew, here's a stocking that can be made easily without a stitch.

Cut two stocking shapes from a doubled 1/4-yard piece of felt. Spread glue around all edges but top ones. Clamp with clothespins or paper clips until set (about 20 minutes).

To make a teddy bear: Cut teddy shapes out on tan felt and glue in place. Attach large (1/4 inch) tan pom-pom for snout, smaller ones (1/8 inch) for ears, paw pads and buttons. A tiny red pom-pom is perfect for the end of the nose. Let dry thoroughly before using (two to three days).

To make a Santa: Cut red felt pieces for body, arms, legs, cheeks and hat; white for head, hands, belt and mustache as well as trim for sleeves and pants. Glue into place. Use white pom-poms for beard and to decorate Santa's costume. Use small red pom-poms for decorating bands on costume and for Santa's mouth. Complete face with moving eyes (from novelty department). Put a Christmas tree or a toy in Santa's hand. For a finishing touch add a gay ribbon around the top of the stocking.



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In Jeanne Bloch's Westhampton Greenery, the wreaths are a source of income.

The Greenery, in an 80-year-old cottage in Westhampton Beach, N.Y., is offering three new wreaths for this season — including a car wreath for the front grille, "road-tested by The Lily, my 1978 Marathon Checker," says Miss Bloch. The other new wreaths are called "Seasonal Favorite" and "Twelve Days of Christmas."

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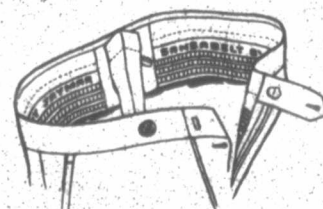


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NEW YORK (NEA) — To make an angel ornament you'll need a wooden shape of an angel blowing a horn. These can be found in craft stores, which may sell several styles — many with pre-drilled holes for hanging.

You will also need scraps of lace fabric or trim, silver sequins, scraps of silver or gold foil, gold "pipe cleaners" (or wire dipped in glue and glitter), a black felt-tip pen and gold cord or narrow ribbon.

Directions: Cut pieces of lace large enough to cover the dress area on the wooden angel (both sides). Pour small amount of Elmer's Glue-All into a small bowl, add half as much water and mix with fingers until solution is the consistency of heavy cream. Dip lace into solution and spread on one side of wood shape. Let dry on a piece of plastic wrap two to three hours. Repeat for other side.

Trim excess lace close to edges of wood shape. If lace lifts up, re-glue with full-strength glue. Glue sequins along wing area, overlapping each other and lace dress. Keep hole for hanging loop open. Glue foil over

trumpet and trim. Cut pipe cleaners into short pieces, bend into curls and glue to head. With felt-tip marker draw eyes and toes. Add cord for hanging.

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HUMOROUS angel ornament is made of wooden form and scraps of lace, foil, pipe cleaners and sequins.

Minting stops Dec. 31

Government-issued U.S. Liberty coins, with the Statue of Liberty appearing on legal-tender coinage for the first time, are available in silver dollar and half-dollar, for \$24 and \$7.50. The U.S. Mint stops producing the coins after Dec. 31, and all unsold coins will be melted down.

The coins commemorate the 1986 Statue of Liberty Centennial and are being minted to raise money to restore the statue and Ellis Island.

Books on tape: Bugs Bunny and

friends are on cassette, as Warner Audio re-releases "Looney Tunes" for Christmas. Voices are by Mel Blanc. The program includes one 30-minute cassette and a 12-page activity book.

A novelty toy called Grief Relief contains 70 plastic bubbles that can be popped in an effort to vent frustrations. Each bubble has symbolic characters on it, so the anger can be individually directed, at the boss or spouse or another.

Real connoisseurs look for single-malt scotch

NEW YORK (NEA) — If you're looking for a trendy spirit to give this holiday — one that's been around for about 500 years — look no further than a single malt scotch. Single malt sales are up 35 percent in the past year alone.

What is the reason for their attraction? According to restaurant critic and beverage expert Bob Lape, there are several. "This is the era of the connoisseur," he says, "and quality rather than quantity is the socially ac-

ceptable attitude toward liquor. Single malts offer a cachet that no other spirit can equal."

Their wide range of flavors, their great character and complexity make these scotches popular among people who want to drink less but drink better.

With blended scotches, consumers often settle on a favorite and stick with it for a lifetime. But single malts are whiskies that people like to taste and discuss. With their tongue-twist-

ing names (i.e. Auchentoshan, Laphroaig, Bunnahabhain), they are usually enjoyed after dinner in snifters or as a drink alone with water.

Single malts are unblended, one-of-a-kind whiskies. Each is made by a single distillery and aged from eight to 25 years before being bottled and sold. Of the 130 single malts produced

in Scotland, about 40 are now available here.

Another reason single malts are trendy is that they are generally in the higher price range, and upwardly mobile young professionals have latched on to them as another status symbol.



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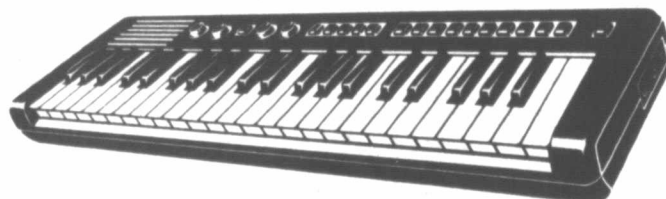
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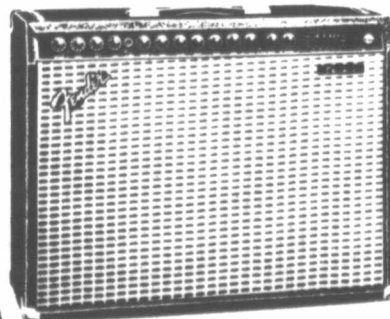
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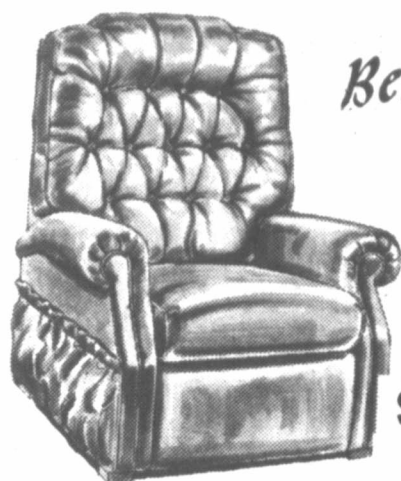
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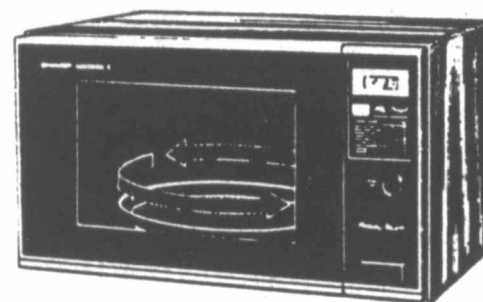
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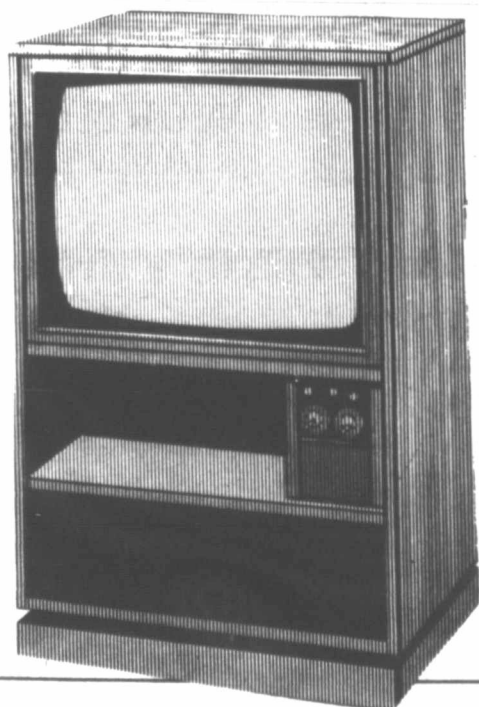
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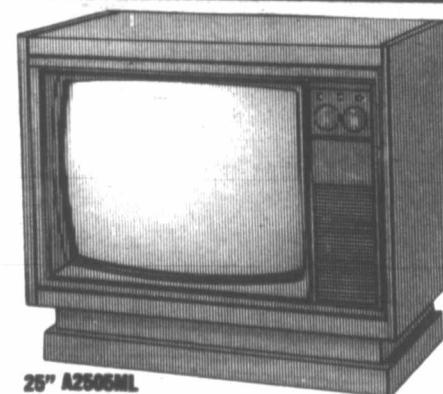
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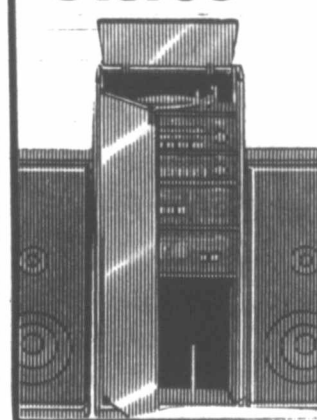
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