

WORLD

Fears in Chiapas

Troops take up posts in the heart of a resurgent Indian rebellion, fueling fears the troops could clash with guerrillas./**11A**



SPORTS

Aikman on Emmitt

Troy Aikman doesn't want Emmitt Smith to play if the running back is putting personal goals ahead of the team./**1C**

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NEWS WATCH



U.S. pilot's body

PANMUNJOM, Korea — North Korea on Thursday handed over the body of an American pilot who died when his helicopter went down in the communist country last week, but a surviving pilot was still being held by Pyongyang. /3A

Jackpot rolls over

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth $3 million. The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 3, 8, 24, 44, 45, and 46.

1994 Cheer Fund

The Midland Cheer Fund, a city-wide project to provide food to Midland's less-fortunate citizens during the holidays, is conducting its annual drive, sponsored by the Reporter-Telegram. This year's proceeds from the project will go to Midland Soup Kitchen Ministries.

Those wishing to participate should make checks payable to Midland Cheer Fund, in care of the Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland 79702.

Donations will be accepted until 5 p.m. Friday.

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Forum focuses on ways to pump life into downtown

Revitalization effort in city gains steam

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

A specialist in downtown revitalization visited with a group of Midlanders Wednesday to provide insight on how to develop an organization to pump life into downtown.

Meanwhile, a downtown steering committee — formed by the Midland Chamber of Commerce in the fall — continues to examine the Tall City's downtown situation.

Kenneth Devero, president of Downtown Fort Worth Inc., joined the local committee at its regular meeting following his breakfast presentation to interested Midlanders at the Midland Center.

Mike Canon, co-chairman of the downtown steering committee, said he was pleased with the breakfast forum.

"I think we had a great turnout. I think that shows the interest we've got out there," he said.

Devero used a slide presentation to help show what his nonprofit group — a partnership of businesses, organizations and individuals — has done and is doing for downtown Fort Worth.

Among downtown issues the organization dealt with in a "strategic action plan" are: housing, retail, arts and entertainment, transportation, urban design and open space, education and information, security and safety, and business development.

And on an on-going basis, the organization maintains a public improvement zone downtown, which includes general maintenance, landscaping, street sweeping, security, and promotion and marketing of the area.

"It's a service level up and beyond what the city provides," Devero said.

But, he pointed out, the work of the

Please see **PUMP**/5A

Firebomb rips N.Y. subway, injures 43



AP Laserphoto

An unidentified police officer is treated in an ambulance following a blast on a crowded subway in Lower Manhattan Wednesday.

■ Crude bomb engulfs car in flames, burning scores in a few horrifying seconds.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A firebomb exploded on a crowded subway train Wednesday, creating pandemonium as hundreds of terrified riders bolted for the doors. At least 43 people were injured, four critically.

Passengers left behind briefcases, purses and Christmas packages as they staggered from the smoky train about 1:30 p.m. as it sat at the Fulton Street station, one block from the World Trade Center in Lower Manhattan.

■ **One hero**/9B

Off-duty Transit Police Officer Denfield Otto was heading to choir practice when the car he was riding in exploded, creating a wall of fire.

Suddenly, "I got two people in flames, laying on the floor of the train," he said.

About 15 seconds before the blast, Otto said he heard a series of popping sounds and saw a small flame near the end of the car.

The device appeared to be a glass jar filled with flammable liquid, with an external igniter, Police Commissioner William Bratton said. It was not clear if it

Please see **FIREBOMB**/4A



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Santa Claus waves to early-morning motorists Wednesday along Midland Drive.

Santa puts some ho-ho into morning motoring

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

Motorists hustling to work in the morning have paused to see Santa Claus waving to them on Midland Drive.

Every weekday for the last two weeks Santa Claus has been out at first daylight in front of Ashton Way Apartments greeting passersby.

'He has put a smile on my face every day.'

— Jill Heith, kindergarten teacher

"My drive to Greathouse Elementary School has been brightened by Santa waving at the early-morning traffic. He has put a smile on my face every day," said Greathouse Elementary School kindergarten teacher Jill Heith.

For two hours each morning, retired postal worker Wayne Harvey has hauled a bag of can-

Please see **HO-HO**/5A

Study links acetaminophen dosage, kidney, liver failure

BOSTON (AP) — A study concludes heavy use of Tylenol and other brands of acetaminophen may cause about 5,000 cases of kidney failure each year. Researchers also recently reported that moderate overdoses can damage the liver.

The latest of the studies, published in today's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine, found that averaging just one pill a day for at least a year may double the risk of kidney failure.

Despite the apparent hazard, however, researchers noted that both kidney and liver damage are rare, even for heavy users. For most people who take a pill or two occasionally for a headache, the medicine appears safe.

Nevertheless, the researchers estimate that eliminating heavy use of acetaminophen could prevent 10 pereent of all cases of kidney failure, a life-threatening condition requiring kidney dialy-

Please see **DOSE**/4A



AP Laserphoto

Dean Rusk, shown in a 1968 file photo, who served as secretary of state under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, has died.

Dean Rusk, secretary of state during Vietnam War, dies at 85

ATLANTA (AP) — Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk, one of the Kennedy-Johnson era's "best and brightest" who confronted Moscow during the Cuban missile crisis and helped lead America deeper into Vietnam, died at 85.

Rusk, the son of a minister-turned-farmer, died Tuesday at his home in Athens. He had taught law at the University of Georgia since leaving Washington in 1969 and had suffered from heart disease.

"The world has changed immeasurably since he served at the side of presidents, but the principles he helped forge — steadfast American promotion of freedom and opposition to tyranny — are as vital as ever," President Clinton said in Washington.

After working for the State Department in the 1940s and '50s, Rusk was recruited back to Washington in 1961 by President

Please see **RUSK**/4A

Comic-strip fans list top job peeves: brainless bosses, idiot co-workers

By Michelle Locke
Associated Press

DUBLIN, Calif. — You say your manager is a dolt and your colleagues are twerps? You're not alone.

Working with — and especially for — dummies were the two most irritating workplace trends of 1994, according to an unscientific survey of readers of "Dilbert," the comic strip that skewers corporate behavior.

"I have to admit even I was surprised at the number of people who had a big problem with idiots," said cartoonist Scott Adams, who asked readers for their workplace pet peeves.

The syndicated strip, which appears in 400 newspapers, features the adventures of Dilbert, a bespectacled, much put-upon worker, and his cynical pet, Dogbert.

Adams has been communicating via e-mail with his readers by printing his computer address on each strip. He decided to take a survey after finding many of his correspondents were reporting a high doltage factor at work.

The Dilbert Index of Workplace Senti-

Please see **IDIOTS**/4A



Last day

Outgoing Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen gestures toward a Texas state flag to his wife Beryl Ann Wednesday. Bentsen spent his last day on the job with a round of farewells./4B

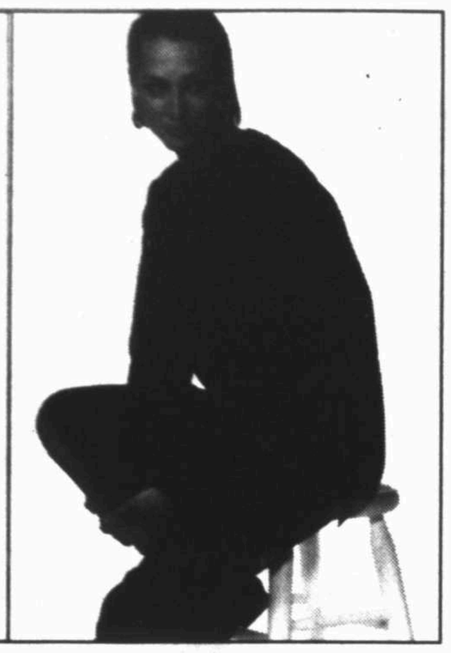
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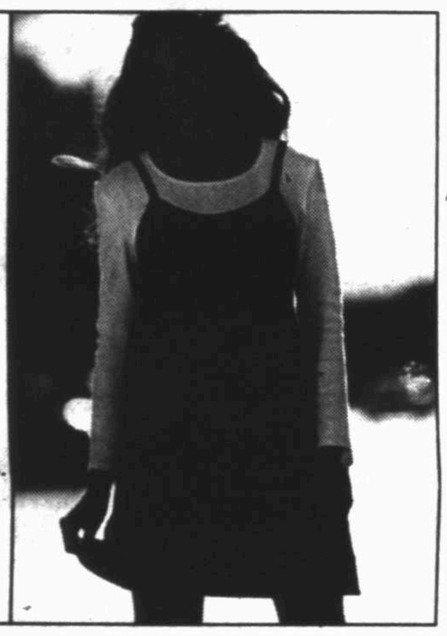
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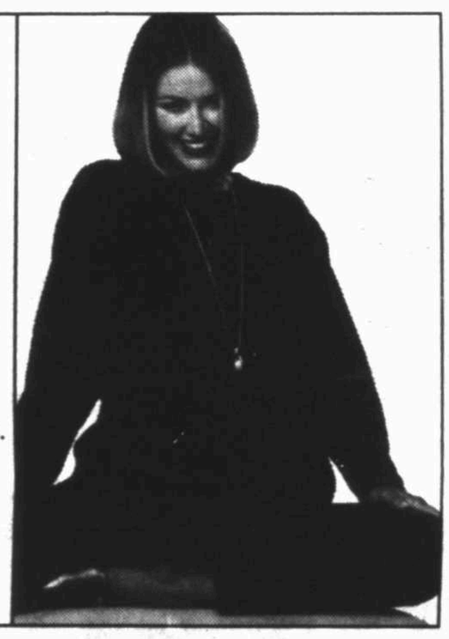
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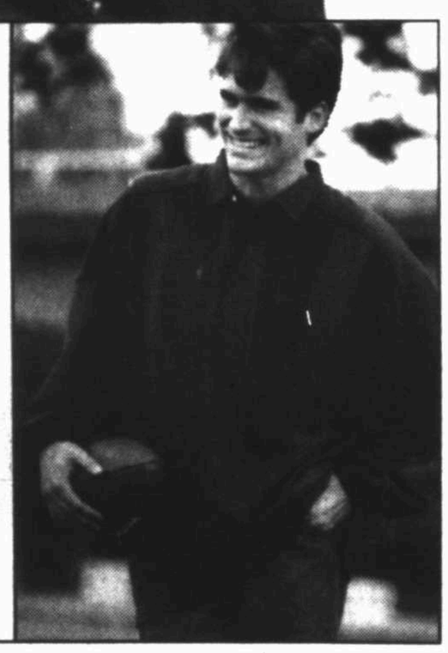
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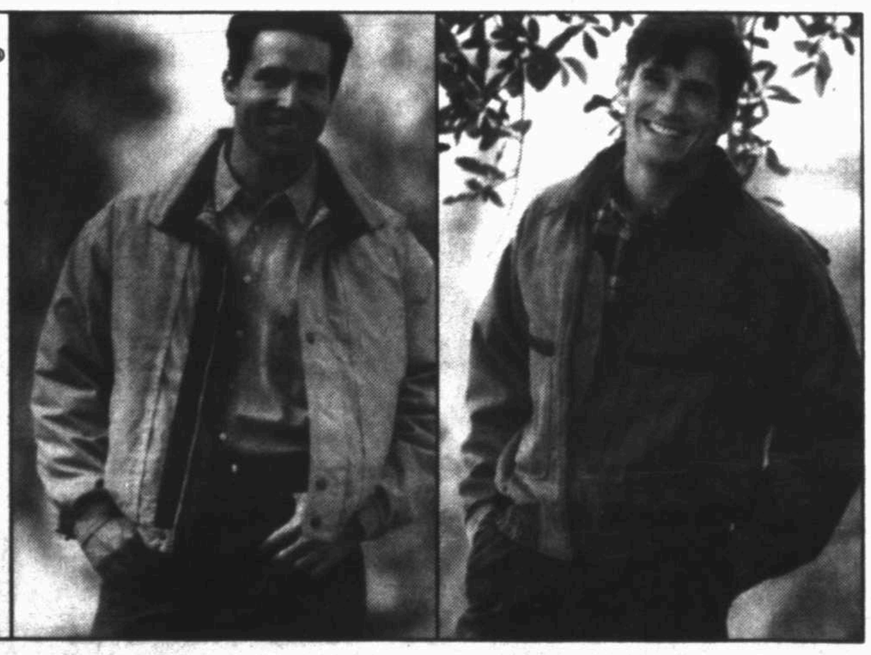
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North Korea hands over U.S. pilot's body; fate of survivor unclear

PANMUNJOM, Korea (AP) — North Korea on Thursday handed over the body of an American pilot who died when his helicopter went down in the communist country five days earlier, South Korea's Yonhap News Agency said.

U.S. officials had no immediate confirmation.

Yonhap said the ceremony took place shortly after 10 a.m. today (7 p.m. Wednesday CST) at the truce village of Panmunjom, in the Demilitarized Zone that separates the two Koreas.

The body of Chief Warrant Officer David Hilemon of Clarksville, Tenn., was accompanied by U.S. Rep. Bill Richardson. The New Mexico Democrat, who coincidentally arrived in North Korea the same day that the U.S. Army OH-58C chopper either was shot down or made an emergency landing, helped negotiate the repatriation.

However, the surviving pilot, Chief Warrant Officer Bobby Hall of Brooksville, Fla., is still being held by North Korea pending the completion of its investigation into the incident. U.S. officials have expressed hopes he could be released by Christmas.

North Korea said Wednesday through its official Korean Central News Agency that Hall was "now in good health." No contact was being allowed with him.

North Korea agreed to return Hilemon's body during a long meeting Wednesday with U.S. officials at Panmunjom, said U.S. military spokesman Jim Coles. Army generals led each delegation.

Coles said he had no details on whether North Korea made any demands in exchange for the repatriation.

"We certainly welcome this humanitarian move," White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers said, adding that the United States will continue to demand Hall's release "in time for the Christmas holiday."

The incident has strained ties between the United States and isolated North Korea just as they were beginning to improve.

Defense Secretary William Perry said evidence indicates the helicopter crossed into North Korea because of pilot error.

"I believe the pilot made a mistake, and for many reasons we regret that mistake, but I do not believe the mistake warranted shooting down the helicopter," Perry said.

The last radio contact with the helicopter indicated the pilot believed he was still in South Korea, when in fact he was about 3½ miles inside North Korean territory, according to the Pentagon.

U.S. officials say the pilots may have been disoriented by heavy snow that covered navigational placards on the ground and made landmarks difficult to identify. They have insisted the helicopter was on an unarmed training mission.

But the Japanese newspaper Yomiuri Shimbun said officials of North Korea's U.N. delegation called the intrusion "a surprise attack."

"It was not a matter of losing their way nor a technical accident," the officials said. "It is nonsense that they don't know the Korean geographical features."

The helicopter ignored a warning signal, and North Korea fired anti-aircraft guns and ground-to-air missiles, the officials were quoted as saying.

Italy's prime minister says he'll resign in face of revolt

N.Y. Times News Service

ROME — After seven months in office as the billionaire outsider who promised Italy an era of stability and renewal, Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi indicated Wednesday night that he would resign in the face of a revolt over his leadership within his coalition.

The prime minister's spokesman said it was "99 percent certain" that Berlusconi would tender his resignation to President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro on Thursday, which would lead to political turmoil and uncertainty far greater than anything Italy has seen in decades.

The spokesman, Jas Gawronski, said it was remotely possible that instead of resigning outright, Berlusconi would call for a vote of confidence in Italy's fractious Parliament. His allies and adversaries said he would lose such a vote and then have no choice but to resign.

The prime minister's resignation would oblige Scalfaro to decide whether to permit negotiations among Berlusconi's opponents to form a new government, or to authorize early elections. In either case, Berlusconi could be asked to stay on as a caretaker.

Berlusconi favors an early election, which politicians say could well bring him back into power.

The latest developments mean that Italy's experiment with a new style of government — which started with the elections that brought Berlusconi to power — has been torpedoed by rivalry over who should lead Italy to its vaunted "Second Republic."

In Italy there is no longer the kind of national consensus that prevailed when the Christian Democrats and their allies provided a constant center-weight of political power, however unstable Italy's governments seemed to be.

Almost three years of corruption scandals have discredited the Christian Democrats. And in the current political spectrum, there is no comparable bastion of political experience and weight among the contenders for influence, who range from free-marketeers to neo-Fascists, federalists under the Northern League banner and former Communists.

Berlusconi's decision came after his parliamentary adversaries presented three motions of no-confidence. But the clincher was the revolt by the Northern League, whose 105 deputies in the 630-seat lower house are essential to Berlusconi's majority.

From the beginning, their leader, Umberto Bossi, has accused the prime minister of using his office to protect his widespread business interests.

For months Bossi has been courting former Communists and Christian Democrats to forge an alliance that, he now says, would command a 325-seat majority.

For Berlusconi, Wednesday's developments amounted to the closing act in an operatic voyage that has led Italians from crisis to crisis as they searched for new political ways.

He has been battered by charges of corruption, which he denies. Berlusconi, 58, a media tycoon, went before Parliament on Wednesday to defend his record only hours before authorizing his spokesman to say he was planning to quit. But, in a speech that mingled campaign imagery with harsh invective he seized the opportunity to demand new elections.

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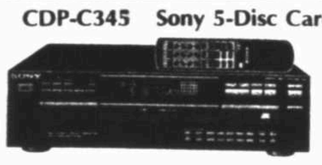
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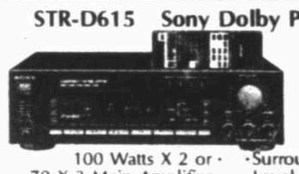
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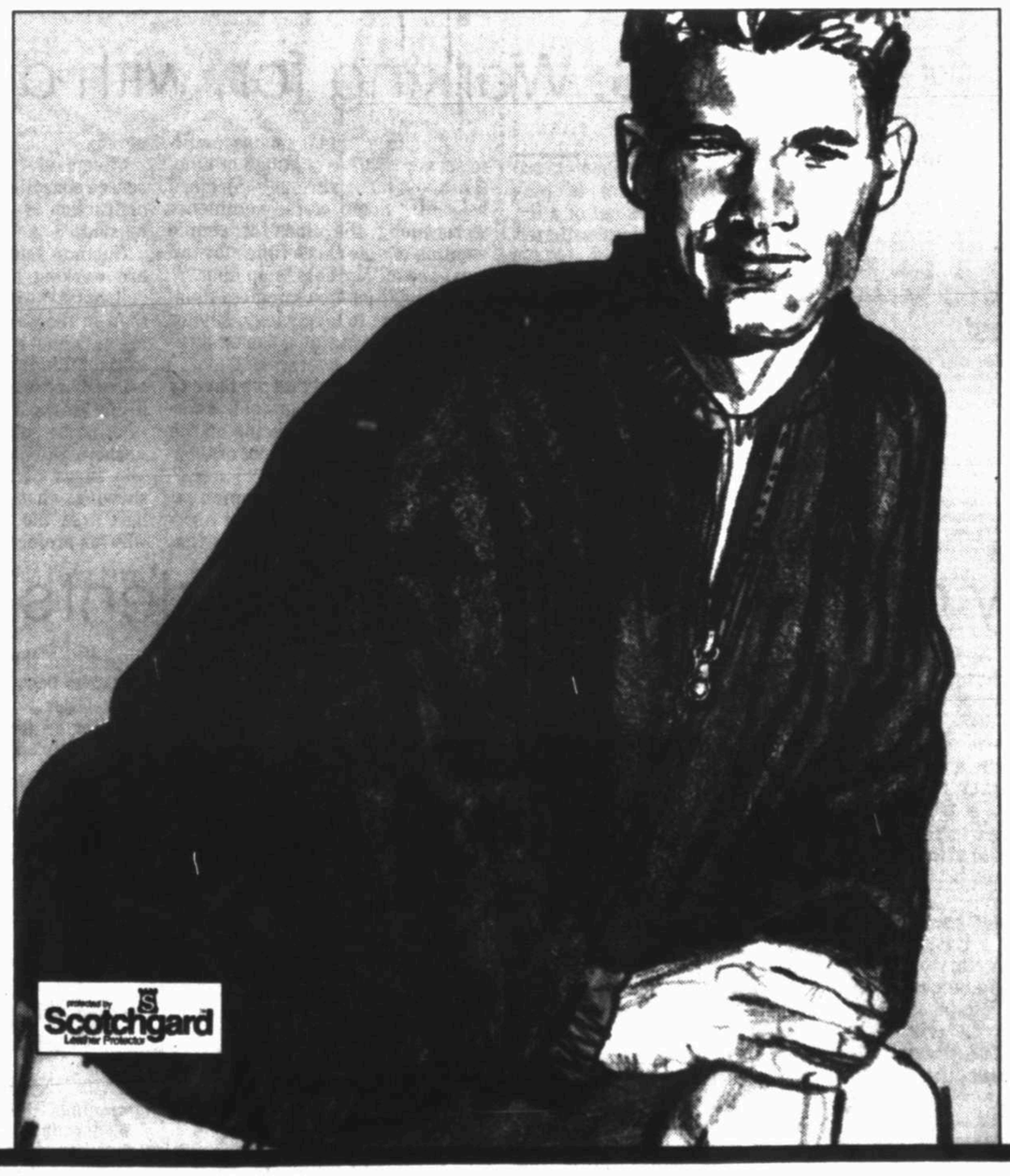
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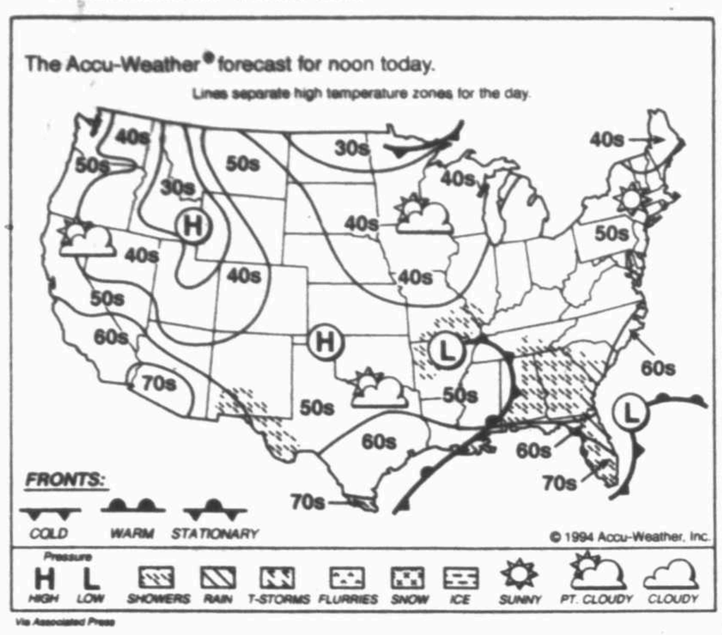
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WEATHER WATCH



Via Associated Press

White Christmas? nah, not here

Staff Report

As unpredictable as Texas weather is, there is virtually no chance for snow on Christmas Day in Midland's niche of West Texas.

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a high in the lower 60s, according to a forecaster at the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport. Winds are to be easterly at 5-10 mph.

Tonight is to be partly cloudy with a low near 30.

Friday calls for sunny skies with a high near 60.

The forecast for the Christmas weekend calls for highs in the mid-60s and lows in the mid- to upper 30s.

After an overnight low of 27, Wednesday's high reached 68, compared to the record high for that date of 81 set in 1981. The record low was 8 set in 1989.

STATE

Winter officially began Wednesday night, but Texas was mostly sunny and warm during the day.

The National Weather Service said afternoon temperatures were mostly in the 60s and 70s throughout the state. Similar conditions are expected today.

West Texas was sunny with afternoon temperatures in the 60s. Wink had the region's high at 69, while Amarillo and Guadalupe both recorded the low of 60. Today should see highs near 70 and lows in the 20s and 30s.

North Texas had clear skies and temperatures mostly in the 60s. Today should be mostly clear as well, although skies should be partly cloudy in the eastern portion of North Texas. Lows were expected in the 30s, while highs were forecast in the 60s.

Portions of the lower Rio Grande Valley and far Southeastern Texas were cloudy, but most of South Texas was sunny. Afternoon temperatures ranged from 73 at Corpus Christi to 61 at Galveston. South Texas should be sunny again today, with highs in the lower 70s.

NATION

More than 5 inches of rain fell on parts of southern Florida on Wednesday, and showers were scattered over the lower half of the Mississippi Valley.

The heavy rain fell along the northern side of a stationary weather front that extended across the Florida Keys.

In the 12 hours up to 1 p.m., West Palm Beach got 5.60 inches of rain. Over the same period, Pompano Beach got 5.47 inches and 4.13 inches fell at Miami Beach.

Thunderstorms were possible in the region. A funnel cloud was reported near Key Largo but there was no damage.

A weakening low-pressure system that has been stalled over the mid Mississippi Valley touched off scattered showers in the region from southern Illinois and Missouri southward to Louisiana and Mississippi.

High wind blew along the eastern slopes of the Montana Rockies, with gusts to 70 mph at Cut Bank and 47 mph at Livingston.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Midland statistics

FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy with a high in the low 60s. Tonight: Low near 30. Friday, sunny with a high in the mid-60s.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:

Yesterday's High	68 degrees
Overnight Low	27 degrees
Sunset today	5:49 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	7:46 a.m.
Precipitation:	
Last 24 hours	00.00 inches
This month to date	00.01 inches
Year to date	10.24 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

6 p.m.	56	6 a.m.	31
7 p.m.	50	7 a.m.	28
8 p.m.	46	8 a.m.	28
9 p.m.	44	9 a.m.	38
10 p.m.	42	10 a.m.	49
11 p.m.	41	11 a.m.	57
midnight	39	noon	60
1 a.m.	38	1 p.m.	64
2 a.m.	33	2 p.m.	65
3 a.m.	31	3 p.m.	67
4 a.m.	32	4 p.m.	67
5 a.m.	30	5 p.m.	66
		6 p.m.	61

Texas temperatures

	Hi	Lo	Ppn
Alpine	64	27	
Amarillo	61	28	
Austin	72	43	
Beaumont-Port Arthur	69	55	
Bryan-College Station	68	44	
Corpus Christi	74	58	
Dallas	65	35	
El Paso	67	32	
Fort Worth	65	34	
Galveston	61	58	
Houston	70	52	
Laredo	75	48	
Lubbock	66	25	
Marfa	63	23	
San Angelo	68	30	
San Antonio	75	40	
Victoria	71	50	
Waco	68	37	
Wichita Falls	59	34	
Wink	70	27	

Weather elsewhere

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Albuquerque	58	30		cdy
Atlanta	54	44	.12	cdy
Atlantic City	53	22		rn
Baltimore	55	27		rn
Boston	57	34		rn
Chicago	51	30		cdy
Cleveland	54	28		sn
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Tulsa	45	40		clr
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Area forecast

West Texas: Permian Basin-Upper Trans Pecos — Today, becoming partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 60s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows around 30. Friday, partly sunny. Highs around 60. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows 35-40. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the middle 60s. Christmas day, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid-30s. Highs around 60. Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Highs around 60. Concho Valley-Edwards Plateau — Today, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower to mid-60s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 35-40. Friday, partly sunny. Highs in the lower 60s. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the middle 30s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the middle 60s.

Chapter 6: Christmas Eve nears



✔ Read along to "The Happiest Elf in Texas" with Annalon Gilbreath, professional storyteller, on Cityline, 560-2400, Category 4646.

A week passed by. Then two weeks. And finally, three.

Lucky worked hard in the toy factory. Santa noticed, though, that instead of working on nailing together toy boxes and putting together bikes, Lucky was busy putting clothes in bright, shiny bags for children who were in need.

Santa realized that teaching Lucky the real meaning of Christmas may not be as hard as he first thought. He could see Lucky was a fast learner.

Although Lucky hadn't yet learned to put a special surprise inside each bag full of clothes, he was happy Lucky had learned how important it was to get the bags of clothes ready for Christmas Eve.

Santa's long journey was only one night away, and for the first time since hiring Lucky, it felt like he would be able to leave on time and make it to all the children's houses before the sun rose on Christmas morning.

The hardest work was behind Santa and his helpers. All that was left now was loading the sleigh and making sure the reindeer were in working order.

Vixen needed a few extra oats.

Donner always had to have his hooves sharpened.

Blitzen and Dancer always needed a couple of extra glasses of top-of-the-line reindeer milk before the trip, while Comet and Cupid usually insisted that their antlers glisten brightly.

Dasher normally needed a few extra hours of sleep before the trip while Prancer set his alarm 20 minutes early so he could go for an extra lap around the reindeer track just to strengthen his leg muscles.

Rudolph, of course, always had to have his nose checked out just to see if it was still as bright and shiny as it was on all the journeys of Christmas Eves past.

With all the reindeer taken care of and all the presents snuggly tucked into Santa's overflowing sleigh, the only thing left to do was for Santa to get a few hours rest himself.

He was about to lock up his office for the night when there came another knock at his door.

It was Lucky again.

"Santa," Lucky said. "I know you don't normally allow this, but I was hoping you could change the rules just once and let me come along with you on the Christmas Eve journey."

Santa removed his glasses and scratched the long, white whiskers on his chin.

"You know, Lucky, it's not often a first-year elf asks for such a big favor," Santa said.

"I know," Lucky said. "But I ... well, I was hoping to personally give some of the children bags of clothing that I had packed up for them this year. It would mean a lot to me."

"You have come a long way since you first showed up at my door, Lucky," Santa said. "I will take you with me. I could always use a little extra help. It's not as easy getting down chimneys as it used to be."

"I'll be there for you, Santa."

"I know I can count on you, Lucky," Santa said.

"There's one other thing I was hoping for, Santa."

"Yes, Lucky?"

"Jennifer, the girl in Texas who lives on the farm ... can we stop by her house early in the night?' I'd like to meet her."

"We'll see," Santa said. "We'll see."

Friday in Chapter 7: Santa, Lucky and the reindeer begin their Christmas Eve journey.

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FIREBOMB: Terrified riders bolt for doors

(From 1A)

went off accidentally or intentionally, he said.

The bomb, in the sixth car of the train on the Lexington Avenue line, may have exploded in a passenger's lap, Bratton said.

Police were waiting to question one injured passenger found in a Brooklyn subway station after the fire.

Edward Leary, 49, an unemployed computer operator from Scotch Plains, N.J., had both pants legs scorched off to the knee and burns on his face, knuckles and legs, police said.

When he was found, Leary told Officer Michael Ruiz he had walked to Brooklyn through a subway tunnel, Ruiz said. Leary also has an address in Brooklyn.

When asked if Leary was considered a suspect in the firebombing, police spokesman Sgt. Peter Berry said: "If you were on the train and you got injured, would you go to Brooklyn for medical treatment? Draw your own conclusions."

Soot-covered victims wearing oxygen masks were lying on stretchers along Broadway near of the Trade Center, site of the 1993 terrorist blast that killed six.

"I thought, 'Here we go again,' " said investment banker Milt Klein, who was passing by the station when the bomb went off.

Hours after the blaze, the seared car still sat on the tracks, a basketball-sized burn patch on its exterior. Bits of charred clothing were scattered across the platform.

Nerlande Estimphil was Christmas shopping when she saw victims rushing out the station. The hair, coat and face of one teen-age girl were all burned.

Estimphil said the girl kept repeating, "Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus."

He also saw a woman and a man with head burns.

Otto raced to the station's token booth and came back with a fire extinguisher.

"Some brave passengers took off their coats and tried to beat back the flames," he said.

President Clinton and Transportation Secretary Federico Pena spoke with Otto, 54, by phone from Washington, calling him "a hero all Americans can be proud of."

Some of the victims were able to stagger up the flight of stairs to the street, while others were carried up on stretchers.

DOSE: Heavy use may cause kidney failure

(From 1A)

sis. Preventing these acetaminophen-related cases would reduce the nation's medical bills by about $700 million annually.

Last year, acetaminophen accounted for 48 percent of the nation's $2.9 billion over-the-counter pain reliever sales, according to Kline & Co., a consulting firm. Tylenol made up about 70 percent of acetaminophen sales.

Johnson & Johnson, the parent of Tylenol maker McNeil Consumer Products Co., attacked the latest study.

"We are very concerned this report will unnecessarily alarm the public, scaring people into switching from acetaminophen to other pain relievers that carry greater risks with everyday use," the company said.

About 50,000 new cases of kidney failure are diagnosed in the United States annually, and about 190,000 people are being treated for the condition.

The senior author of the kidney report, Dr. Paul K. Whelton of Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, said the researchers are most worried about those who take acetaminophen steadily for a long time.

"We are really talking about care and caution, not just popping pills at the slighest ache and pain," he said.

The study was based on a survey of 716 people on kidney dialysis. Interviewers compared their pill-taking histories with those of 361 healthy people.

Among the findings:

■ The risk of kidney failure increased about 40 percent in those who took acetaminophen between twice a week and once a day for at least a year, compared with those who used the drug less often.

■ The risk was double in people who used the pain reliever an average of once or more a day for at least a year.

■ Aspirin does not appear to harm the kidneys.

■ Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs also were linked with kidney damage, although the relationship was less clear than with acetaminophen. The doctors looked at two over-the-counter varieties, ibuprofen and naproxen, as well as indomethacin, which is sold by prescription.

Johnson & Johnson said that people in early stages of kidney disease are urged to take only acetaminophen for pain relief and that this could account for the high use of the medicine among victims of kidney failure.

However, Dr. Michael J. Klag, another co-author of the study, said this was unlikely to explain the study's results, in part because the researchers found high lifetime use of acetaminophen among those who later developed kidney disease.

At least two other studies in the past five years have suggested a link between acetaminophen and kidney disease.

Dr. William Henrich of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School noted that despite these earlier reports, acetaminophen is still many doctors' first choice for pain relief.

IDIOTS: Working for, with dummies is peeve

(From 1A)

ment was sent out to about 12,000 readers, inviting them to pick their top three peeves out of a list of 12 management ploys satirized in "Dilbert." About 1,500 responded.

"Management by idiots," got the most votes, 22 percent, followed by "being forced to work with idiots," 15.2 percent. Number three was the subject of "empowerment," which got 8.4 percent of the votes.

Adams notes that readers of "Dilbert" — who is billed as "the poster boy for the corporately disenfranchised" — aren't exactly unbiased.

"Obviously, this is an unscientific survey. This is a gauge of emotion about these various subjects," he said. "Some of the comments were along the lines of people wanting to vote three times for the category of 'My boss is an idiot.' "

Adams attributes mindless managers in part to technology, saying that it's evolving at a faster pace than its human overseers.

"The complexity that we have to deal with is a thousandfold. There's got to be a lot of people on the curve who are just way out of their element," he said.

Ed Gubman, head of human resources consulting at Hewitt Associates and a "Dilbert" fan, agrees.

Clients of Hewitt, a human-resource consultant, say their "No. 1 distraction is bad management," he said.

Gubman said today's employees are working harder and have to collaborate with colleagues more than in the past. "If you're working with idiots, you're going to feel it much more acutely," he said.

In Dilbert's case, staying afloat in the workplace is a daily battle — or rather debacle.

One strip illustrated the twists and turns of corporate logic by showing what happens after Dilbert asks the company president why his project has been canceled. The question gets delegated back down to Dilbert's immediate supervisor, and hence, to Dilbert himself.

"I'd like you to craft a response for me. You'll have to put your new project on hold until this is done," the supervisor says as Dilbert clasps his head in his hands.

Despite his success, Adams hasn't given up his day job at Pacific Bell. In fact, he's surprised at how well "Dilbert" has been received, even by its targets.

"One of the strange things about cartooning is you can make fun of people and they'll ask for the original," he said.

RUSK: Secretary of state under two presidents dies

(From 1A)

Kennedy, who sought out the "best and brightest" of his generation. Among the others were Defense Secretary Robert McNamara and McGeorge Bundy, assistant for national security.

After Kennedy's assassination, President Lyndon Johnson insisted Rusk stay on. He remained until the end of Johnson's administration in 1969, despite criticism over his advocacy of the Vietnam War.

Rusk never apologized for his role in the war, which killed 57,000 Americans and 1 million Vietnamese. His son Richard was among those who criticized him as an "architect" of the war.

"Because of this nation's commitments, I had a duty to perform; to try to prevent North Vietnam from overrunning South Vietnam by force. That was my job and I tried to do it," he said in a 1990 biography, "As I Saw It."

Others saw it differently.

"I always considered him to be the enemy," said Scott Camil, a Vietnam veteran who as a member of the Gainesville 8 was found innocent of conspiracy to disrupt the 1972 Republican convention in Florida. "I just don't think people who make war and lie to the American public deserve a place in history."

Vietnam was only one of four major global events Rusk helped preside over as secretary of state. The others were the botched Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in 1961, the 1962 Cuban missile crisis and the signing of a nuclear nonproliferation treaty with the Soviet Union in 1968.

"He set a standard of patriotism and public service that will never be exceeded. He was a great American and a great human being," said Henry Kissinger, secretary of state under President Nixon.

The current secretary of state, Warren Christopher, said: "Above all else, he brought strength and steadfastness to his stewardship of American diplomacy at a time of extraordinary challenge for the United States."

In 1962, the world held its breath as Kennedy ordered the Soviets to dismantle Cuban missile sites aimed at the United States. The threat of nuclear war was high.

At the height of the crisis, Rusk said later, he awoke one morning and told himself: "Ah, I am still here. This is very interesting."

When he sensed that Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev was backing down, he summed it up this way: "We're standing eyeball-to-eyeball, and the other fellow just blinked."

David Dean Rusk was born in Cherokee County, northwest of Atlanta. A Rhodes scholar, he joined the State Department after service in the Army during World War II.

Advancing quickly through the ranks, he was assistant secretary for Far Eastern Affairs when the North Koreans invaded South Korea, and he played a part in the U.S. decision to intervene.

Rusk left the State Department in 1952 to become president of the Rockefeller Foundation, then left Washington for good when he returned to academia in 1969.

"The only thing in Washington I miss are my friends," he once said.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia; two sons; a daughter and six grandchildren.

Services will be held Friday in Athens.

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PUMP: Specialist speaks

(From 1A)

organization could not be accomplished by either the private sector or the city alone. "It's really a public/private relationship," he said.

"It (the organization) really gives the resources and economy to do things downtown," Devero said.

Membership dues support the organization, while an 11 cents per $100 property valuation accessed on a designated area of downtown helps finance downtown maintenance and projects.

Devero's advice for creating a downtown revitalization organization and setting goals included: looking at what has been done elsewhere and seeking input locally on what citizens would like to see.

"Capitalize on what these other towns are doing," he said.

But a large part depends on dedication, Devero said.

"You need a dozen people who are really committed to see this thing through ... that's what we've done in Fort Worth," he said.

Midlanders involved in the local revitalization proposal said interest is picking up.

The steering committee — made up of about 20 people — has plans to create sub-committees to examine specific areas of revitalization, said Mayor Bobby Burns, co-chairman of the committee.

"I believe we've got great potential to make something happen ... We've just got to set off a firecracker to make it happen," Burns said.

In addition to the formation of the committee and input from Devero, the mayor attended a city design workshop at the University of California at Berkeley last month. Burns brought to the workshop the downtown revitalization project.

"It went really well," Burns said. "They were just surprised at the possibilities Midland had."

Several ideas for downtown Midland were proposed — from tearing down buildings that may otherwise be abandoned and constructing a park, to attracting entrepreneurs to convert office buildings to apartments.

The workshop group — the fifth Mayors' Institute on City Design: West, a forum of the National Endowment for the Arts — is putting together a booklet of suggestions and possibilities that can be used for future reference on revitalizing downtown.

In addition, the mayor said he will stay in contact with the group for funding suggestions, such as grant possibilities — and project input.

HO-HO: Santa cheers drivers

(From 1A)

dy to the curb to extend his Christmas greetings.

Keeping in character, Harvey said, "I'm retired now. I only work Christmas Eve. I lost my reindeer and sleigh in this area," he said, noting that he expected to have his gear back together in plenty of time to deliver presents all over the world.

A resident of Ashton Way Apartments, the Santa of Midland Drive said he got together with apartment management and tried to think up a way to spread holiday cheer to Midlanders.

"We decided they would like to see Santa," he said.

Ashton Way assistant manager Jane Wright said having Santa out front "has just been great."

"We have gotten a lot of phone calls," she said. "I didn't think we would get the response we are getting. Grown men are stopping and waving."

Harvey said that on any given morning, 60 percent to 90 percent of the motorists honk and wave. Some people have stopped to have their picture taken with him and some have stopped to shake his hand.

Unfortunately, some juveniles — who forgot Santa is making a list of good boys and girls — have responded to his greeting with obscene gestures. "I wish them a merry Christmas anyway," the man in red said.

"Some people may not believe in Santa, but Santa is the spirit of Christmas, which is loving and giving."

After greeting motorists for a couple of hours, Harvey has crossed the street to visit "all the sweet folks" at Terrace West Nursing Home.

Even though his gloved fingertips get cold some mornings, Harvey, who has lived in Midland since 1971, said he enjoys doing something for the community.

On the top of his "good" list this Christmas is bus driver Tommy Woodward and all the students who ride Midland Independent School District Bus No. 6.

"Everyone on Bus No. 6 gave me a wonderful response every day," he said. "Santa would like to wish them all a very special merry Christmas."

Santa will be out until Friday; after that he will be getting ready for his big night.

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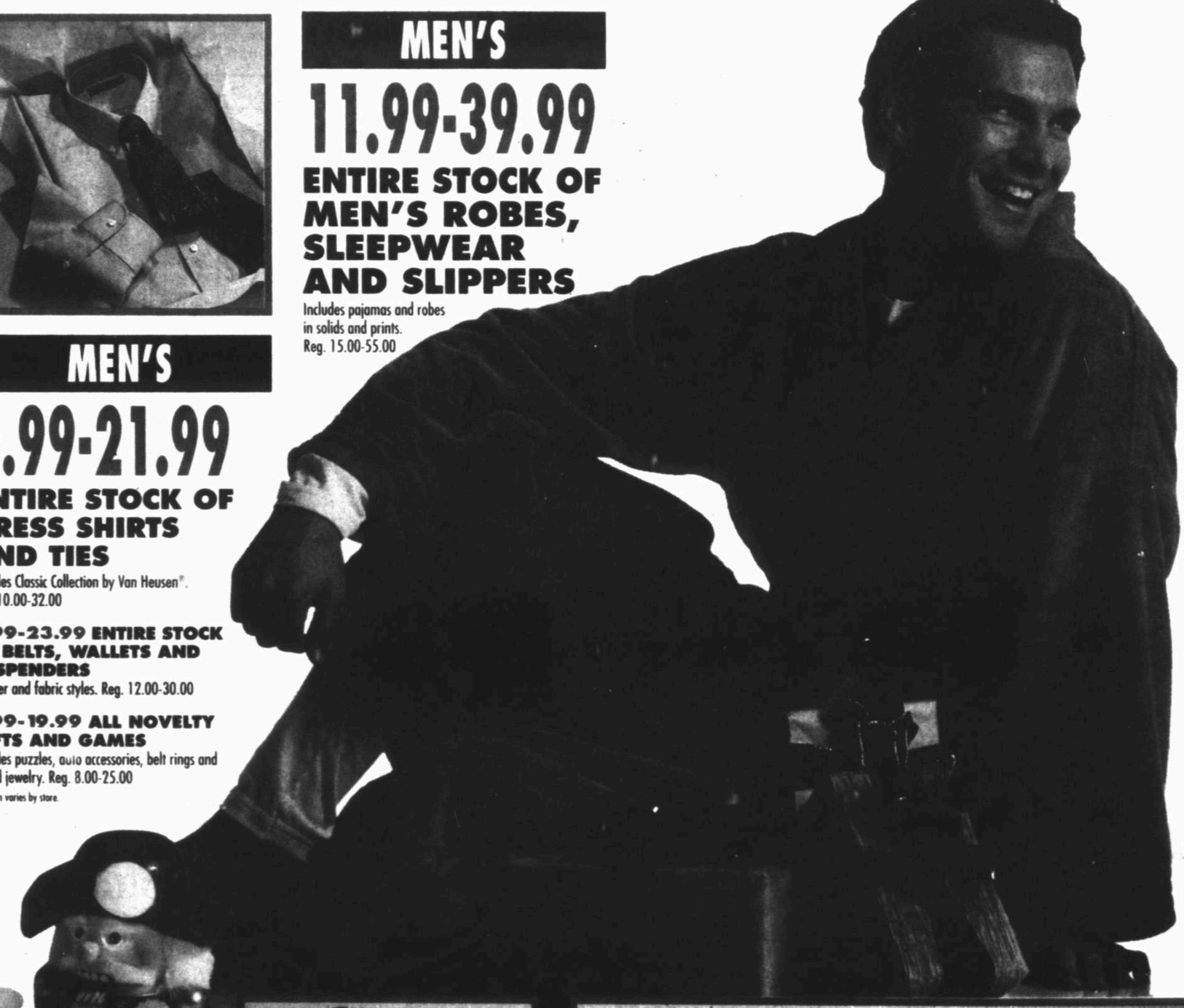
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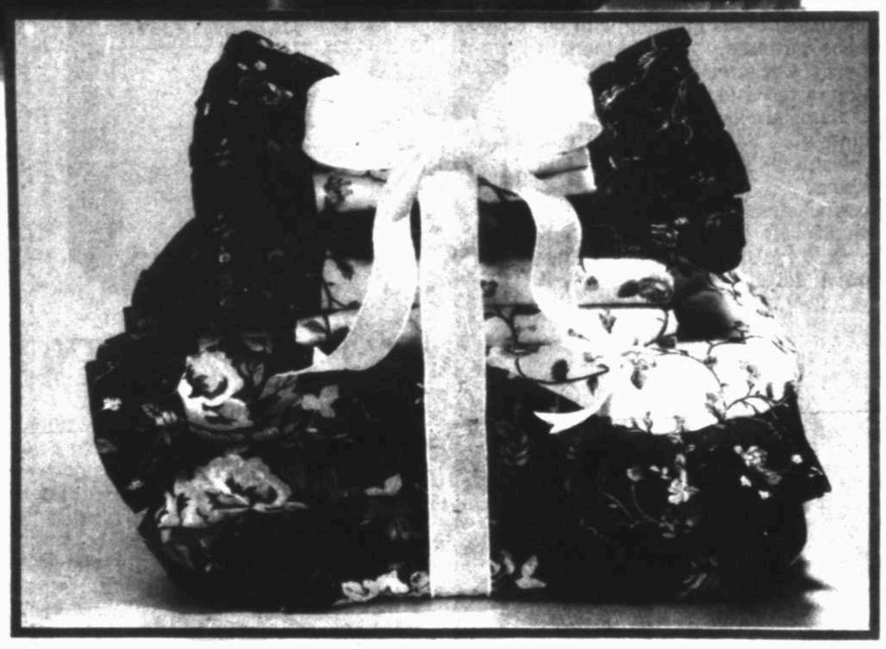
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Snow blankets Bihac, Bosnia; fighting eases

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Fighting eased Wednesday around embattled Bihac and the rest of Bosnia when a deep snow blanketed the countryside, turning roads into quagmires and bogging down the Serbs' heavy equipment.

The letup in fighting brightened U.N. officials' hopes that the holiday truce negotiated by former President Jimmy Carter would go ahead as scheduled Friday.

The top U.N. official for the former Yugoslavia, Yasushi Akashi, was scheduled to follow in Carter's footsteps Thursday by coming to Sarajevo and then going to the Bosnian Serb headquarters in the nearby village of Pale.

Akashi hopes to arrange a meeting at Sarajevo airport on Friday to begin formally what officials hope will be a four-month or longer truce. The truce got an early boost Wednesday when snow and thick fog cut down on fighting in Bosnia, especially in the northwest Bihac region, the war's deadliest front line.

Before leaving for home, Carter acknowledged that stubborn differences remained between the Bosnian government and its enemy, the Bosnian Serbs, on the key issue: acceptance of an international peace plan. The plan would require the Serbs to reduce their holdings from 70 percent of Bosnia to 49 percent.

The Muslim-led government has accepted the plan and wants Bosnian Serbs to do the same before beginning talks on any changes. The Bosnian Serbs have repeatedly rejected the plan, and want to talk without first accepting it.

Those differences still appear unbridgeable and likely to threaten any truce. Dozens of cease-fires have failed in Bosnia's 32-month war, which has left at least 200,000 people dead or missing.

Carter, who returned to Atlanta Wednesday after a four-day trip, said both sides had agreed to immediately release all prisoners. The International Red Cross offered Wednesday to oversee the operation.

Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic invited Akashi to Pale, where the two men held tense negotiations during the past month after Serbs detained hundreds of peacekeeping troops and froze U.N. movements on the territory they control.

Now, Karadzic told Akashi he was eager to talk. "We must not lose time, and a good moment created by Carter's mission to move the peace process and reach a final peace," he said.

The U.S. government was wary. "We remain skeptical of the Bosnian Serbs' intentions, as we have been," said White House spokeswoman Dee Dee Myers.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher and U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali agreed in a phone conversation Wednesday that the Carter visit had created "new momentum" toward peace in Bosnia, said a U.S. official who asked not to be identified.

In Sarajevo, spokesman Alexander Ivanko said the United Nations saw a "certain momentum for peace" in Bosnia following the two-day Carter mission.

It was the weather, not Bosnian Serb antiaircraft defenses, that limited humanitarian aid flights to Sarajevo. Two planes landed Wednesday, but other flights were canceled because of the snow.

Following Carter's trail from the night before, diplomats from the United States, Russia, Britain, France and Germany — the nations responsible for the international peace plan — met Serbia's influential President Slobodan Milosevic in Belgrade to discuss prospects for peace.

In Sarajevo, Linda Chalker, the head of Britain's Overseas Development Agency, met with Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic and afterwards said: "People for the first time in 2½ years . . . really do seem very determined that they want peace now."

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Liberia peace elusive after 5 years' warring

MONROVIA, Liberia (AP) — Nobody would believe there's a war here, looking out at Monrovia's placid beach from the balconies of Mamba Point.

Nobody would believe dozens of babies, women and men were chopped to death or set on fire as the sun rose over their neighborhood one morning last week.

Even on this beachfront paradise, reality is encroaching as Liberia's war enters its fifth year. Fighting has hit the capital after a two-year lull, stirring terror and rage while the warlords talk peace in neighboring Ghana.

When new talks opened Tuesday, rebel leader Charles Taylor vowed they would produce a "Christmas gift" of peace for Liberia.

What has become one of the continent's most enduring wars broke out five years ago on Christmas Eve in this West African country founded by freed American slaves in 1821.

Taylor's men invaded in 1989 to overthrow dictator Samuel Doe. Doe was captured and killed after being sliced up on camera for a video still popular here.

The conflict began as a popular rebellion, but ballooned into a tribal war among the country's 16 ethnic groups. The United Nations estimates more than 150,000 people have been killed and about half of Liberia's people are either refugees in neighboring states or displaced in their own country.

Today, with seven warring factions, the prospects of an accord acceptable to all sides seem slim. Even if an agreement is signed, there's little money left in U.N. coffers to pay for the disarmament, voter registration, and repatriation it would require for implementation.

"We're praying for peace to come to Liberia, but in the meantime we have to arm ourselves. That is the reality," said Maj. Shola Akinola, a spokesman for the Nigerian-led West African peacekeeping force that began building up its arms and ammunition supply this week.

The latest peace accord, reached in September, established a five-person council to oversee Liberia until elections are held. It quickly collapsed, opposed by those who said it gave too much power to three warlords.

Fighting has raged in the countryside since, halting almost all aid distribution outside the capital, Monrovia.

In the Paynesville neighborhood on Monrovia's outskirts, rebels believed to be loyal to the late Doe rampaged at dawn last Thursday, killing at least 49 people.

Moscow mayor isn't taking any humbug

MOSCOW (AP) — Moscow's mayor isn't taking any humbug this Christmas. He's ordered shops to deck the halls — or else.

And while he was at it, Mayor Yuri Luzhkov told local factories to make sure they produced enough candy and champagne to get Muscovites through the holidays.

The Moscow Times reported Wednesday that city officials may fine shops that fail to have festive decorations in their windows by next Tuesday. The order applies to state-owned shops and private enterprises alike, the newspaper said.

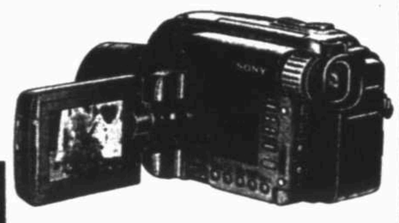
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Russia unleashes heavy bombardment on rebel republic's capital

GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Russia unleashed the heaviest bombardment yet in its attack on the capital of rebel Chechnya today, relying heavily on air power to make up for the slow pace of its ground offensive.

While running short of ammunition, Chechens have refused to give in. Chechen fighters put up anti-aircraft guns in Freedom Square where the presidential palace is located.

Russian aircraft, on the third consecutive night of air raids, set fire to the Lenin refinery early today and left a 6-foot-deep crater just 500 yards from the sandbagged presidential palace. A man in civilian clothing lay dead across the street from the crater, flat on his back and eyes wide open. Kiosks were destroyed and trees knocked down.

A tearful Zinaida Zalakhina stood in shock next to a building that had been hit. "What horror," she said.

Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev acknowledged the offensive was going "much more slowly" than planned, and attributed the delay to an order for Russian troops to minimize civilian casualties.

There was no sign Russia had neared its goal of encircling Grozny with troops and armor.

Chechnya says hundreds of civilians have been killed since the offensive began 11 days ago — scores during air raids early Tuesday and Wednesday — but it hasn't been possible to independently verify the claim.

In a message broadcast to the Chechen people, President Boris Yeltsin pledged the renegade southern republic "will once again become a full-fledged region of the Russian Federation," and called on the rebels to lay down their arms.

But the poorly equipped Chechen fighters remained defiant.

Bands of fighters, ghost-like in their white winter uniforms, shuttled back and forth Wednesday in trucks without headlights to avoid detection by the Russians. Some trucks bore posters of Chechen President Dzhokhar Dudayev.

"We're going to fight until a green (Chechen) flag flies over Moscow," declared Rashid Baziev, 33, riding with about 20 other fighters on the icy road between Grozny and the town of Argun.

From 10,000 to 40,000 Russian troops entered Chechnya on Dec. 11 to oust Dudayev and disarm his supporters. Chechnya declared independence from Moscow in 1991, but Russia has refused to recognize that claim.

Russia has said it intends to seal off Grozny and crack down on armed fighters in the capital. But there was no sign Wednesday of troops south of the city, and there were no army checkpoints on the road east to the Dagestan region.

At a Moscow news conference, Kozyrev said Russian authorities had not considered the possibility of protracted combat in Chechnya. Defense Minister Pavel Grachev said last month that a single parachute regiment could subdue the rebellious republic in two hours.

Analysts say the offensive has bogged down because of the military's lack of battle readiness, coordination and, in some cases, resolve. A top Russian commander refused to advance last week when Chechen villagers blocked his troops. On Wednesday, the Defense Ministry denied reports that Gen. Ivan Babichev had been dismissed.

Russian artillery shelled Chechen positions several miles north of Grozny, off and on throughout the day.

In his appeal, Yeltsin said the Chechens could retain a measure of self-determination, but said they must first lay down their arms. He assured them they would never again be deported as they were under Stalin in 1944, dismissing such talk as "malicious rumors."

The daily deaths of civilians in Russian attacks have left the Chechens stunned and angry.

In the small village of Artemovsky Elevator, north of Grozny, residents showed reporters bloodstains and a child's headband in the snow where a Russian tank round struck the day before.

They said five children from one family were killed when they came out of hiding during a lull in the shelling.

Russian officials accuse Chechens and mercenaries from Azerbaijan, Afghanistan and Ukraine of using women and children as human shields and stationing heavy weapons in villages, a schoolyard, and even an orphanage.

Israeli rabbis keep blacklist for marriages

JERUSALEM (AP) — Uri Sasson had been married for years when an anonymous phone caller alerted rabbis that he was the brother of his wife's first husband.

The nation's rabbinical courts disapproved of the union and Sasson's daughter was later denied a marriage permit. Ashamed, he tried to kill himself three years ago.

Sasson, 47, of Tel Aviv, is one of an estimated 10,000 Israelis appearing on a wedding blacklist stored at the Religious Affairs Ministry, civil rights activists charged Wednesday.

Led by a Cabinet minister, the activists called on the government to override the Orthodox rabbis who have a monopoly on issuing Jewish marriage licenses, and to permit civil marriage in Israel.

Rabbinical officials said the allegations were exaggerated, admitting only to 4,000 cases of Israelis and immigrants who may not marry because they don't meet criteria set by Jewish law.

The Sephardic Chief Rabbi Eliahu Bakshi-Doron said that most cases were "small problems" and that "only a minority are really big tragedies."

Anat Hoffman, a left-wing member of Jerusalem's city council, said she knew of 10,000 names on the blacklist, adding that "some of them don't even know they appear."

The cases range from women lacking proper divorce papers to descendants of sinners dating back thousands of years. Also barred from marriage are children conceived during a married woman's illicit affair.

In the case of the Sassons, Uri's marriage to his wife, Suham, some 30 years ago was disqualified after the anonymous phone tip, said Rabbi Uri Regev, a liberal or Reform rabbi who counsels the couple.

Jewish law permits a woman to marry a husband's brother only if she is widowed.

"It's really a Greek tragedy," said Rabbi Moshe Zemer, a colleague of Regev's working on the Sasson case.

Genetic traces to help connect Dea Sea Scrolls

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Animal DNA traces discovered on the Dead Sea Scrolls could help scholars piece together tens of thousands of manuscript fragments, scientists said Wednesday.

Patricia Smith, an anthropology professor at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, said recent research showed the genetic code of skins used for the ancient manuscripts had been preserved for 2000 years.

By taking a small piece of tissue from a document, researchers can identify the goat, sheep or other animal used to make it, Smith told The Associated Press.

Adolfo Roitman, curator of the Israel Museum, where some of the scrolls are on display, said the finding could be a revolutionary aid to researchers struggling to reconstruct documents found in the Qumran caves by the Dead Sea in 1947.

"Think of it as a very complex puzzle," he said. "There has been a delay in publishing the scrolls because of the painstaking work involved in putting it together."

Some 800 texts have been identified so far, but only about half the work has been completed, Roitman said.

Smith, who is working on the project with Scott Woodward, a visiting molecular biologist from Brigham Young University, said identifying all the animal skins would take three years.

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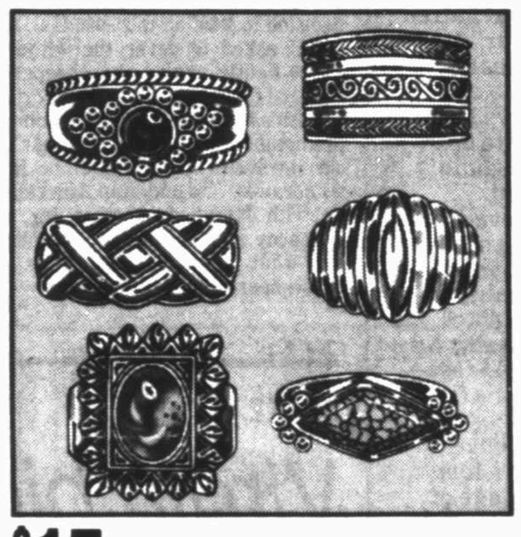
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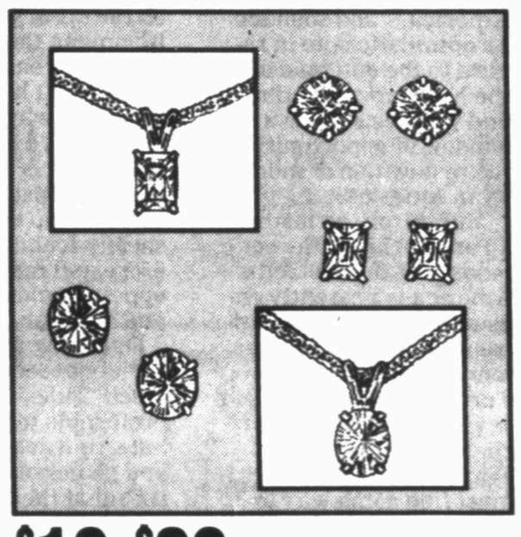
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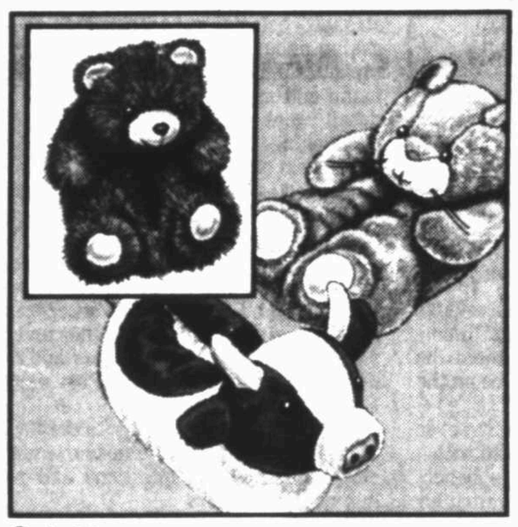
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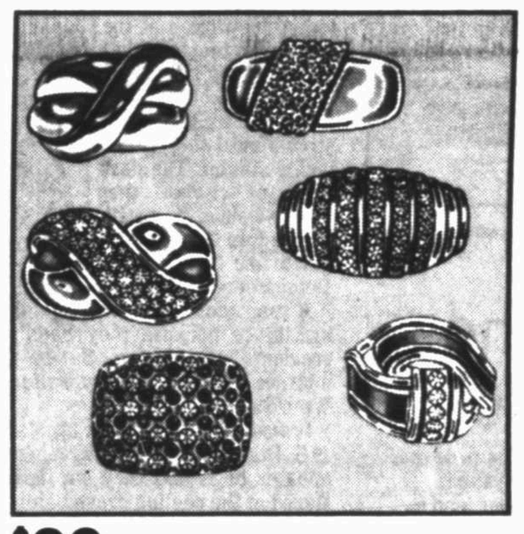
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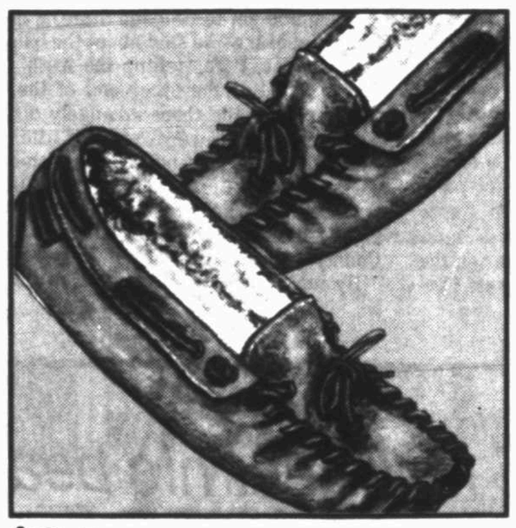
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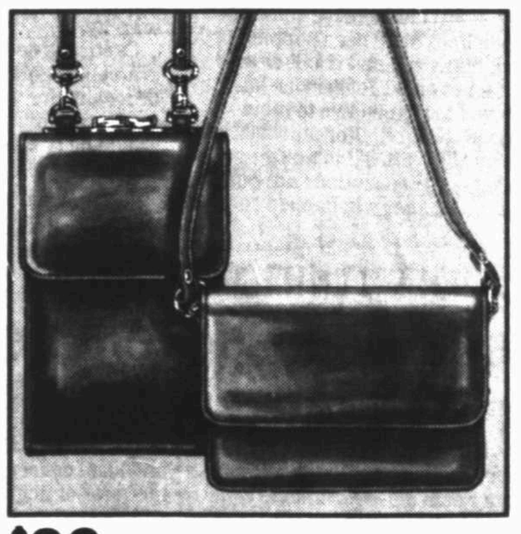
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Columnist brought message of hope

William Murchison, whose nationally syndicated column appears in 50 newspapers including the Reporter-Telegram, passed through Midland last week on a signing tour for his new book, "Reclaiming Morality in America," and sounded an optimistic note in regard to the outcome of the November elections and what he sees as a window of opportunity for the restoration of morality in America.

Murchison, an historian and social critic, contends that the problems America is presently encountering are not political in nature, but rather moral and spiritual. Furthermore, Murchison says Americans cannot change this country by changing the laws, but must find some way to change the culture by establishing a counter-culture.

The columnist and author goes on to say that more government programs will not solve this nation's problems, that essentially Americans today are a "generation without a sense of obligation or duty to spiritual values."

That is a sobering commentary, but one we believe will not find argument from many Midlanders. After all, there are indications all around us in our very own city that our value structure has broken down, that human life has become devalued, violent crime is on the upsurge, and hatred is winning the "war" being waged on this earth.

It doesn't have to continue this way, says Murchison. "We have to be told that it is all right to think old-fashioned thoughts, to approve of a society founded on heterosexual marriage and to oppose homosexuality and abortion," he notes.

One thing is certain: A society based on old-fashioned "rules" seems far preferable to one based on hate, murder, revenge and godlessness. In fact, isn't that the message of the Christmas season that we are in right now?

God comes to Earth as an infant in a manger, humble and simple, yet with the power to change man's world forever. And all we have to do is accept Him and believe in Him.

That is the message that our world needs, particularly at this point in history.

OTHER VIEWS

Despite plane crashes air travel is still safe

The crash of another commuter airline last week — this one an American Eagle flight outside of Greensboro, N.C. — raises questions about the safety of such airlines and what the government should do to ensure better safety.

As deregulation has continued to shake out the airline industry, more inexpensive commuter airlines have been popping up to link mid-sized and small cities to larger ones. Jet service has proved too expensive to maintain in these smaller markets. . . .

But the truth is, no matter how many precautions are put in place, crashes will happen occasionally. The government must be careful not to let hysteria over commuter airlines lead to over-regulation. So far, that doesn't seem to be happening.

Flying is still a safe way to travel. If every fatal car crash was reported on the national news the way plane crashes are, Americans would think driving was a phenomenally dangerous activity.

Caution is needed, and government regulators should always be looking for ways to improve safety. But any actions taken should be based on facts, not fear or political pressure.

— **Amarillo Daily News**

Court ruling guaranteed republican government

The U.S. Constitution requires the federal government to "guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government."

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The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals recently exercised the federal government's constitutional obligation to guarantee a republican form of government in Arizona when it declared that state's "official English" law (requiring state and local governments to conduct business only in English) unconstitutional. . . .

But the 9th Circuit Court's message is clear and correct. States that attempt to bar participation in and access to state and local government solely on the basis of linguistic proficiency violate the U.S. Constitution.

If this decision is appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, the high court should affirm it decisively.

Anything less would undermine the federal government's constitutional obligation to guarantee to each state — and all its citizens — a republican form of government.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Dec. 22, the 356th day of 1994. There are nine days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on Dec. 22, 1944, during the World War II Battle of the Bulge, the Germans demanded the surrender of encircled American troops at Bastogne, Belgium. Brig. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe reportedly replied: "Nuts!" Additional U.S. forces ended the siege four days later.

Ten years ago: In a case that drew national attention, New York City resident Bernhard Goetz shot four black youths on a Manhattan subway, claiming they were about to rob him.

WILLIAM SAFIRE

U.S. should get return commitments

WASHINGTON — President Clinton wants Americans to believe that we have long been committed to using U.S. ground troops to extract U.N. peacekeepers from Bosnia. That is false.


Safire

"We agreed for planning purposes," he told Univision last week, "that in the event the United Nations mission in Bosnia would be terminated and the soldiers had to get out, and they were in trouble so that they needed protection in getting out, that we would participate in doing that.

"That is a commitment that the Unites States has had for some time now," Clinton added. "We said that back before I became president and when President Bush was in office, and the Europeans said that they wanted to take the lead in Bosnia; and we encouraged them to do that but, if they got in trouble and had to get out, we would help them get out."

That was his explanation for announcing his decision to send up to 25,000 U.S. troops to Bosnia if asked to cover the withdrawal of the 23,000 lightly armed peacekeeper-hostages.

Initial Congressional and editorial reaction to Clinton's carrying out Bush's commitment was predictable: we have to keep our promise, but our involvement had better be limited to the withdrawal, and under an American commander, with everybody home quick, etc.

Nobody stopped to ask: Exactly who promised what to whom, and why is this the first we've heard of it?

Before Congress OKs the Clinton "extension" to help cover the withdrawal of U.N. hostages, we should get return commitments:

1. A commitment of 25,000 British, 25,000 French, and 25,000 German troops, among others, to match the magnanimous Clinton ground-troop offer, with each command assigned a sector to bring out the U.N. hostages.

2. A commitment by NATO nations to lift the embargo now preventing Bosnia's Muslims from defending their land; and by the U.N. forces to turn over military equipment in Bosnia to Muslims if Serbs threaten departing U.N. peacekeepers.

3. NATO's commitment to bomb Serbian military and strategic targets after the withdrawal, actively taking the Muslim side until Serbs withdraw to the 50-50 partition agreed to by Bosnia.

A superpower does not put its soldiers and pilots at risk solely to cover an ignominious retreat. The U.S. should seize this moment to brush aside the United Nations and organize a NATO victory for collective security.

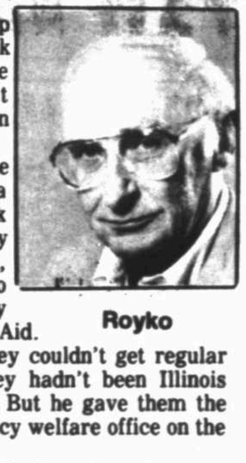
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MIKE ROYKO

Virgin birth meets streets of Chicago

Mary and Joe were flat broke when they got off the bus in Chicago. They didn't know anybody and she was expecting a baby.


Royko

They went to a cheap hotel. But the clerk jerked his thumb at the door when they couldn't show a day's rent in advance.

They walked the streets until they saw a police station. The desk sergeant said they couldn't sleep in a cell, but he told them how to get to the Cook County Department of Public Aid.

A man there said they couldn't get regular assistance because they hadn't been Illinois residents long enough. But he gave them the address of the emergency welfare office on the West Side.

It was a two-mile walk up Madison Street to 19 S. Damen. Someone gave them a card with a number on it and they sat down on a bench, stared at the peeling green paint and waited for their number to be called.

Two hours later, a caseworker motioned them forward, took out blank forms and asked questions: Any relatives? Any means of of getting money? Any assets?

Joe said he owned a donkey. The caseworker told him not to get smart or he'd be thrown out. Joe said he was sorry.

The caseworker finished the forms and said they were entitled to emergency CTA fare to County Hospital because of Mary's condition. And he told Joe to go to an Urban Progress Center for occupational guidance.

Joe thanked him and they took a bus to the hospital. A guard told them to wait on a bench. They waited two hours, then Mary got pains and they took her away. Someone told Joe to come back tomorrow.

He went outside and asked a stranger on the street for directions to an Urban Progress Center. The stranger hit Joe on the head and took his overcoat. Joe was still lying there when a paddy wagon came along so they pinched him for being drunk on the street.

Mary had a baby boy during the night. She didn't know it, but three foreign-looking men in strange, colorful robes came to the hospital asking about her and the baby. A guard took them for hippies and called the police. They found odd spices on the men so the narcotics detail took them downtown for further questioning.

The next day Mary awoke in a crowded ward. She asked for Joe. Instead, a representative of the Planned Parenthood Committee came by to give her a lecture on birth control.

Next, a social worker came for her case history. She asked Mary who the father was. Mary answered and the social worker ran for the nurse. The nurse questioned her and Mary answered. The nurse stared at her and ran for the doctor. The doctor wrote "Post partum delusion" on her chart.

An ambulance took Mary to the Cook County Mental Health Clinic the next morning. A psychiatrist asked her questions and pursed his lips at the answers.

A hearing was held and a magistrate committed her to the Chicago State Hospital.

Joe got out of the House of Correction a couple of days later and went to the County Hospital for Mary. They told him she was at Chicago State and the baby had been placed in a foster home by the State Department of Children and Family Services.

When Joe got to Chicago State, a doctor told him what Mary had said about the baby's birth. Joe said Mary was telling the truth. They put Joe in ward at the other end of the hospital.

Meanwhile, the three strangely dressed foreign-looking men were released after the narcotics detail could find no law prohibiting the possession of myrrh and frankincense. They returned to the hospital and were taken for civil rights demonstrators. They were held in the County Jail on $100,000 bond.

By luck, Joe and Mary met on the hospital grounds. They decided to tell the doctors what they wanted to hear. The next day they were declared sane and were released.

When they applied for custody of Mary's baby, however, they were told it was necessary for them to first establish a proper residence, earn a proper income and create a suitable environment.

They applied at the Urban Progress Center for training under the Manpower Development Program. Joe said he was good at working with wood. He was assigned to a computer data-processing class. Mary said she'd gladly to domestic work. She was assigned to a course in key-punch operating. Both got $20-a-week stipends.

Several months later they finished the training. Joe got a job in a gas station and Mary went to work as a waitress.

They saved their money and hired a lawyer. Another custody hearing was held and several days later the baby was ordered returned to them.

Reunited finally, they got back to their two-room flat and met the landlord on the steps. He told them Urban Renewal had ordered the building torn down. The City Relocation Bureau would get them another place.

They packed, dressed the baby and hurried to the Greyhound bus station.

Joe asked the ticket man when the next bus was leaving.

"Where to?" the ticket man asked.

"Anywhere," Joe said, "as long as it is right now."

He gave Joe three tickets and in five minutes they were on a bus heading for southern Illinois-the area known as "Little Egypt."

Just as the bus pulled out, the three strangely dressed men ran into the station. But they were too late. It was gone.

So they started hiking down U.S. 66. But at last report they were pinched on suspicion of being foreigners in illegal possession of gold.

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ART BUCHWALD

Santa's away, he'll hear his beaper and fax you later

It was bound to happen sooner or later. Santa Claus installed a voice mail system on his phone at the North Pole. Telephone salesmen had persuaded him that he would save $5 a month on his calls.


Buchwald

I discovered this when I urged my three grandchildren to call the North Pole and tell Santa what they wanted.

Ben rang first and a voice answered. "This is Santa Claus. I can't come to the phone right now, but leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible. I appreciate your call."

Ben waited three days without getting an answer, and then Jason decided to try for it. The voice said, "This is the North Pole. If you wish to speak to one of Santa's reindeer, press three, four, five, six or seven. If you would like to speak to the shipping department, put your thumb in your mouth and press star." Jason pressed all the numbers and a recording told him, "All of the reindeer are in a meeting right now, and Santa is away from his desk. If you remain on the line we will play Handel's 'Messiah' for 30 cents so that your call won't be a complete waste of time."

Disgusted with this response, Adam picked up the phone. It turned out that when he pressed three numbers he heard the following: "Congratulations, you have just won $1 million in the Santa Claus Publishers Sweepstakes. Send us $10 and we will tell you where and how to collect your money. Don't hang up before taking down our fax number or you will forfeit your winnings."

Adam pressed another number. The voice said, "We're sorry. Due to an economy drive, Santa is no longer working on Christmas Eve. But for an additional $30 you can make a 900 call that will give you an opportunity to hear a blue message from one of his elves."

My grandchildren turned to me as a font of wisdom, and Ben asked, "Why can't we get Santa on the phone?"

"Because he's very busy," I explained. "If he took everyone's calls, he would never get to all the houses by Christmas."

"How does he know we called?" Jason asked me.

"Because he has a beeper on his sled, and Mrs. Claus forwards his calls for him."

"Why is Santa Claus unable to come to the phone himself?" Adam wanted to know.

"Because he's probably in a meeting. You can't run an enterprise as big as Christmas without attending a lot of meetings. We should be thankful to the phone company that we can even leave a message for him."

Adam picked up the phone and dialed one more time. The voice said, "We're sorry, but Santa Claus no longer exists. He has been replaced by a voice-activated computer. If you have been a good boy, press one; if you have been a bad boy, press two; if you are not too sure, wait for an operator to come on the line. For an extra 30 cents we can get Mick Jagger to sing 'White Christmas.' "

Art Buchwald's column is distributed by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

The 'unkindness' of ravens: measurement through ages

By Graham Heathcote
Associated Press

LONDON — A shrewdness of apes, a murder of crows, an unkindness of ravens and a crash of rhinos.

A new dictionary lists these little-known collective nouns, and explains the Schwartzchild radius, seven-league boots and the witch of Agnesi.

"The Dent Dictionary of Measurement" by publishing consultants Mike Darton and John Clark collects thousands of terms for quantification and measurement.

"As far as we know, no book with so many measurements has appeared before and we hope it's interesting enough to read and not just refer to," Darton said in an interview.

Just published in the United States by Macmillan, the 538-page book has 3,500 entries.

It explains that "unkindness" as the term for a gathering of ravens arose in the Middle Ages when the big black birds were seen as portents of plague and death. It also reflects the old meaning of "unkind" as "unnatural."

The expression, the "shrewdness of apes" is of unknown origin, first used in 1452 as a term for a company of apes.

In the phrase "murder of crows," murder refers to noise as in the old expression.

And what about the crash of rhinos? They're nervous creatues, liable to panic and in charging they crash into trees and scrub.

Chemistry, math and physics account for most of the entries but literary terms appear too.

"Grapheme" is the smallest unit of written language: generally a single letter for a vowel or consonant, sometimes a combination such as "th" or "ch."

The editors turn up some very odd measures on their way from "ab-" — a prefix used in theoretical electromagnetism — to "zymometry," the measuring of fermentation, usually in brewing.

"Gowpen" is the amount of water you can hold by cupping your hands.

Darton believes the oldest measurement in the book is "parasanges," also known as "parasang" and "farsang," a linear measure of about four miles used 4,000 years ago in Babylon.

His favorite measure is the "gry" because it was never actually put to use and is very, very small. Equivalent to 120th of an inch, it comes from a Greek word for a speck of dirt under a fingernail.

"I discovered it by chance when I was looking for something else in the Oxford English Dictionary," Darton said.

"Gry was a linear measure proposed for use in England in 1813 as part of a plan to make all linear measurements decimal-based. None of the other suggested units was adopted and the gry is only remembered because it was smaller than any unit existing at the time," Darton said.

And how about the Schwartzchild radius?

American astrophysicist Martin Schwartzchild gave his name to the radius at which the gravitational forces of a collapsing star increase to the point that not even light can escape.

"It has become a black hole. For our sun, that critical radius is calculated to be about 1.86 miles," the dictionary says.

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Tension rife as Mexican troops move

SIMOJOVEL, Mexico (AP) — Soldiers and police took up posts Wednesday in the heart of a resurgent Indian rebellion in southern Chiapas state, fueling fears the troops could clash with guerrillas hiding in the hills.

Tensions soared as a band of guerrilla sympathizers hastily tried to rebuild a roadblock of logs and rocks on the highway leading from Simojovel to the central Chiapas city of San Cristobal de las Casas.

The Indian peasants hurled shovels and picks at an arriving truckload of flak-jacketed police sharpshooters, then fled up the slopes of a mountain. Ttwo young men were captured.

As police tore apart the new barricade, the sharpshooters nervously aimed their assault rifles up the steep slopes.

The area has been tense since the ruling party was accused of fraud in the Aug. 21 election for governor of Chiapas. The losing opposition candidate set up a parallel government that won the support of dozens of Indian villages and towns, setting the stage for the renewed rebel action Monday.

Panicky investors dumped holdings of Mexican stocks Wednesday, driving the main stock index down 3 percent despite President Ernesto Zedillo's devaluation of Mexico's currency a day earlier in an attempt to reassure them.

The nation already was reeling from a year that included the New Year's Day peasant uprising and the assassination of a presidential candidate.

In Mexico City, anti-war opponents led a hunger strike for peace Wednesday while hard-liners in Congress urged Zedillo to deliver an ultimatum to the rebels: begin peace talks by Jan. 15 or risk army action.

"I think a time limit must be given, after which the Mexican army will be allowed to act. A time limit must be put on negotiations," said Walter Leon, a congressman quoted Wednesday by the newspaper Reforma.

Zedillo, facing the first crisis of his 3-week-old administration, has repeatedly insisted he will abide by the Jan. 12 cease-fire that ended 12 days of fighting between the army and the rebels that killed 145 people earlier this year.

But renewed efforts to open peace talks have failed.

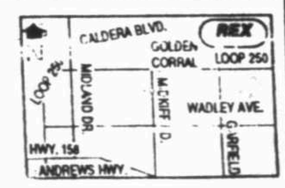
Critics complained the rebel action was unsettling the Mexican economy. In an effort to reassure nervous investors that Mexico was not going to be torn by an uprising, Zedillo on Tuesday let the peso drop 14 percent against the dollar.

The peso had been sliding for months on investor fears of another flareup in Chiapas, where thousands of army troops are posted, some within miles of rebel territory. But Tuesday's was the biggest single-day drop in years.

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Congressional leaders wanted invasion of Cuba, tapes show

BOSTON (AP) — Congressional leaders privately urged President Kennedy to invade Cuba at the outset of the Cuban missile crisis, newly released White House tapes show.

"We've got to take a chance somewhere, sometime, if we're going to retain our position as a great world power," Sen. Richard Russell, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, advised Kennedy as the world came to the brink of nuclear war in 1962.

Kennedy deflected the Georgia Democrat by reassuring him that troops were being massed for an invasion but would not be ready for at least a week.

Minutes later, the president went on television to announce a different tactic: a blockade against ships bound for Cuba with offensive weapons.

The president had learned only hours earlier that a U.S. air strike would be less than 100 percent effective against the missiles and that a ground invasion could take months.

The tapes, released Wednesday after being kept secret for more than 32 years, cover two meetings held Oct. 22, 1962, about a week after aerial reconnaissance photos first revealed a Soviet medium-range missile site under construction in Cuba.

Four days later, on Oct. 26 — after the United States had secretly pledged to remove NATO missiles in Turkey — the Soviets agreed to remove any offensive weapons in Cuba, and the crisis was defused.

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More than 500 tactical fighter planes already were massed in Florida by Oct. 22, and tracking stations were being turned around to spy on Cuba.

Kennedy had learned in a separate meeting with his National Security Council earlier the same day that some Cuban missiles could survive a U.S. air strike and be used against American targets.

"It looked like we would have all the difficulties of Pearl Harbor and not finish the job," he said.

Kennedy shared this news with Russell and other congressional committee chairmen hours later. They insisted it was time to fight.

"Seems to me, we're either a first-class power or we're not," said Russell, a Navy veteran and two-time candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination. "You have warned these people . . . they can't say they're not on notice. If we temporize in this situation, I don't see how we can ever hope to find a place where we are in complete justification."

Kennedy deferred to his secretary of defense, Robert McNamara, who said a quarantine might also satisfy the senator's demand for military confrontation.

"This operation obviously is going to lead to the application of military force," McNamara said. "It's entirely possible that the first Soviet ship hailed will attempt to penetrate the quarantine."

But Sen. J. William Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, called a quarantine the worst of all possible actions, because "an attack on a Russian ship is really an act of war against Russia. It is not an act of war against Russia to attack Cuba."

Fulbright advocated "an invasion, and an all-out one, as quickly as possible."

Kennedy argued that the Soviets would not stand by as an American invasion force was built up with designs on Cuba. Besides, McNamara said, there were at least 8,000 Soviet military advisers there.

"We can't invade Cuba," Kennedy said. "It takes us some while to assemble our force to invade Cuba. That's one of the problems we've got."

The briefings were recorded by microphones hidden behind wall sconces in the Cabinet room.

Three hours of Cuban missile crisis tapes were declassified in July. Of the two more hours released on Wednesday, 48 seconds were deleted by the NSC on grounds of national security.

Donations come in to prosecute woman charged with killing sons

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — When public officials wondered aloud if they could afford to prosecute a woman charged with killing her two sons, people repulsed by the crime reached for their checkbooks.

One small town sent in $270. A Columbus, Ga., woman mailed $20, saying it was in memory of the boys and for the prosecution of their mother.

So far, $495 has been donated for the prosecution of Susan Smith, Circuit Court Clerk June Miller said Wednesday. Officials are waiting to hear from the state attorney general if they can use the money.

"Here it is Christmas and we're getting checks from people," Union County Supervisor Dale Robinson said. "If I had an extra $200, I don't know that I would be sending it to help a county I don't even live in."

Mrs. Smith, 23, is in prison awaiting trial for the murders of her sons, 3-year-old Michael and 14-month-old Alex. Police say she confessed to rolling her car into a lake on Oct. 25 while the boys were strapped into their safety seats.

For nearly two weeks, she claimed a carjacker had forced her out of the vehicle and vanished with her children. She pleaded for their safe return.

Officials say they are worried about the cost of her trial in a county with a Circuit Court budget of $60,000.

"Nothing is going to hinder the prosecution, but it could be a big financial drain to this county," Robinson said.

Police rescue 2 boys from father

SHERIDAN, Ark. (AP) — Police stormed a barricade of Christmas presents and chairs early Wednesday to rescue two boys who had been held hostage at gunpoint for more than 40 hours by their father.

David Sanchez managed to fire a shot from his .22-caliber handgun after police pinned his hand with a yard rake, state police spokesman Wayne Jordan said. The bullet hit a wall.

The boys, 11-year-old Tony and 8-year-old Shane, were unharmed during the ordeal.

"I was freaked out 'cause he had two guns," Shane said Wednesday afternoon.

At one point, "I started crying and saying, 'I want my mom,'" Shane said. "He'd say, 'We'll see in a little while.'"

Sanchez was being held without bond on charges of attempted murder, aggravated assault, kidnapping and endangering the welfare of a minor, Grant County Sheriff Bob Adams said.

Police said Sanchez — distraught over the end of his 13-year marriage — took his parents and sons hostage late Monday morning, but let his parents go a short time later. The boy's mother, Karla Deanene Sanchez, had dropped them off for a visit.

"At times the fellow would talk rationally and other times he would kind of go off the deep end," Senior Deputy Prosecutor Harold L. King said. "The odd thing (is) he never did make any demands. He just felt like he was protecting his children."

Sanchez may have used amphetamines to stay awake from Friday until early Wednesday, investigators said. Mrs. Sanchez said her ex-husband had a history of drug abuse. He was ordered Wednesday by a judge to undergo drug testing.

"I didn't foresee any of this happening," Mrs. Sanchez said Wednesday. "He's a really great person, and I just would like people to know that that's not him."

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Arrest leads to solved crimes

Police charge 18-year-old Midlander with burglary

■ Investigation of traffic accident uncovers $25,000 in stolen property, explosives, firearm, silencer.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The arrest of an 18-year-old Midland man on Saturday in the wake of a traffic-accident investigation resulted in solving nine burglaries and in recovering $25,000 in stolen property, police said.

The arrest of Michael Dutch Carouth also led to the seizure of explosives, a firearm and a silencer, police Sgt. David Garcia said.

Carouth was arrested and charged with burglary and also may be charged by federal officials with possession of explosives and the silencer, Garcia said.

Police found among Carouth's personal effects a journal in which Carouth "had made a comment about blowing up the Police Department, Sheriff's Office, disabling police cars, and disabling officers that got in his way," Garcia said Wednesday.

"Somebody like that has the potential to be extremely dangerous or violent," Garcia said.

Garcia said that those written comments are taken at least as seriously as, for example, threats made about blowing up an airliner.

"Those people need to be taken really seriously," he said.

Material evidence that prompted the investigation includes the silencer and a .22-caliber rifle that police officers found Saturday while checking out the traffic accident.

The compact car that Carouth was driving had rear-ended another vehicle at Garfield Street and Loop 250.

In addition to the silencer and the rifle, officers at the accident scene found a plastic trunk containing components for explosive devices, timing devices and electrical primers, Garcia said.

"Officers found enough evidence at the accident scene to obtain a search warrant" for Carouth's residence, Garcia said. When the apartment was searched later that day, officers recovered "computers and computer-related items" that had been taken in burglaries of businesses, he said.

The next day, officers, armed with another search warrant, uncovered more stolen items in a storage unit assigned to Carouth.

Carouth, who is jailed in lieu of bond, has been charged with four burglaries.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms is investigating the weapons-and-explosives portion of the case.

"He may face federal charges," Garcia said.

Garcia, who lauded the police officers' investigation and follow-up of the case, said "what was ironic about it was it all started with a traffic accident. He rear-ended somebody. (Subsequently, the evidence) all fell into place."

The result of the investigation is that police "took a potentially dangerous person off the street right now," Garcia said. "We kind of lucked out on this deal."

DAY WATCH

THURSDAY

Food boxes

The St. Vincent de Paul Mission will distribute food boxes to the less fortunate today from 3-6 p.m. If you know of anyone who could benefit from food items this holiday season, call St. Vincent de Paul at 687-2343. The mission distributed more than 300 boxes of food in Midland before Thanksgiving.

Christmas meeting

Survivors of Homicide support group has set a special Christmas meeting at 7:30 p.m. today at the law-enforcement building.

Matching grant

The Midland Chamber of Commerce's Education Combination announced Wednesday that enough funds were raised from the community to receive a matching grant from the Abell-Hanger Foundation. Earlier this year, the Abell-Hanger Foundation agreed to grant the Education Combination $15,000, provided that at least $30,000 was raised from community sources. On Wednesday it was announced that $52,000 had been raised from community sources and the $15,000 matching grant had been received. The Education Combination's community projects include a reading program, the goal of which is students reading on grade level by the third grade, and Texas Scholars, which encourages students to take challenging classes.

TODAY'S AGENDA

Listings for meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous, Alanon, Palmer Drug Abuse Program, Codependents Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous and Adult Children of Alcoholics can now be heard on CITYLINE. Call 560-2400 and enter category 1860 for complete information.

The Permian Basin Stamp Club will conduct its monthly swap meet and stamp auction at 7:30 p.m. at the General Mail Facility, Midland International Airport. Visitors welcome. Call Mike Cherrington at 699-0202 for more information.

Tall City Toastmasters Club, 11:30 a.m., Permian Basin Graduate Center, 697-0378.

Flatlanders Toastmasters Club, Chevron Bldg., 15 Smith Rd., 11:30-12:30 p.m., 687-7286.

Goal setting workshop, Mr. Gatti's (party room 1), 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave., noon, 570-4533.

Survivors Group for Sexual Abuse, Rape, Incest Victims, 6 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 South FM 1788, 563-1200.

Post traumatic stress disorder support group for women, 6 p.m., Community National Bank, 601 E. Florida Ave., 570-9412.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., for location and other information, 520-2282.

Blacksheep A.A. group, 8 p.m. Glenwood Hospital 3300 S. FM1788, Info. 563-1200

Project ADAM, (Alternatives to Domestic Assault for Men) - Support group, 6:30-9:00 p.m., 689-8428 or 520-0277.

Midland Gem & Mineral Society, 7:30 p.m., Sibley Center, by SE entrance Hogan Park Call 686-7442.

Permian Toastmasters, noon, Permian Basin Graduate Center, 688-7748.

Women's Barbershop Chorus, 7 p.m., Cutter Beachcraft, Highway 80 service road, near airport 694-2035.

Bereavement Support Group, 7-9 p.m., Hospice of Odessa Office, Texas Commerce Bank Building 4th floor. 1-332-1431, 1-332-0991.

Northside Lions Club 7:30 a.m., Plaza Club in Claydesta, 694-5624.

Texas State Guard 4th MP Group Headquarters, 7:30 p.m. 2nd & 4th Thursday, Texas National Guard Armory.



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Featuring sharks

School rewards good behavior with program

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

Greathouse Elementary School children's thoughts were recently diverted from the magic of Christmas to the mysteries of the deep.

As a reward for good behavior, Greathouse youngsters attended the "Super Kids" program that featured sharks.

Greathouse Principal William "Bill" Maurer said the school offers a "Super Kids" presentation every six weeks as a reward for positive actions.

Jane Phares, director of programs for the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, led the program and immediately captured her audience's attention by announcing "sharks lived on the earth before dinosaurs."

"And the smallest of all sharks, called the dwarf shark, fits into the palm of my hand," she said, holding up her hand and showing her palm for emphasis, which elicited a chorus of "Ahhhhh."

Asked to name as many types of sharks as they could, the pupils called out "hammerhead," "tiger shark," "great white," and "angel." One tiny tot down front called out "Jaws!"

" 'Jaws' was a great white shark," Ms. Phares said. "And you all gave me some pretty good names of sharks."

Ms. Phares described the sizes of sharks and their distinguishing characteristics. She even brought along a dead spiny dogfish shark in a bucket for children to examine at the end of her presentation.

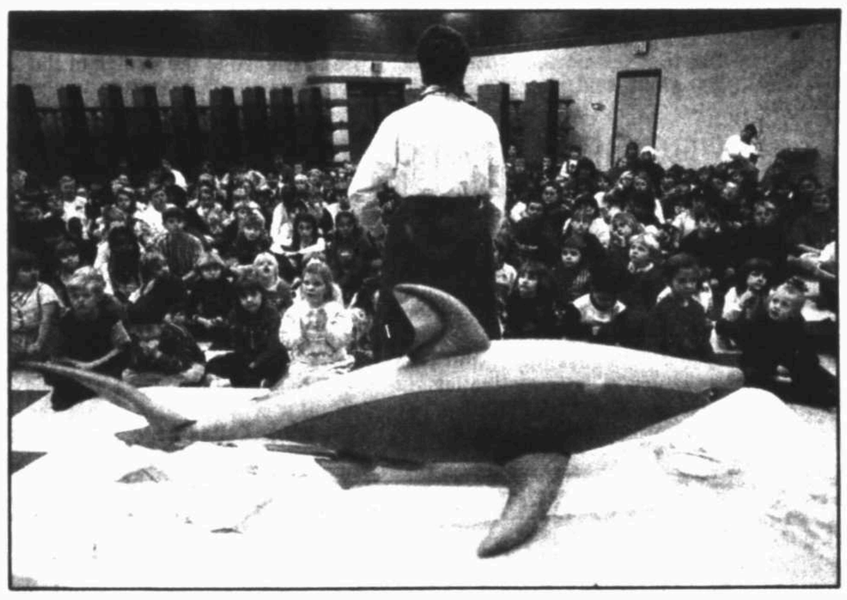
Other Super Kids programs have featured gymnasts, roller skaters and cheerleaders.

"This is just to reward our children who are learning to be self-disciplined. The highest step they can achieve is becoming self-managers," Maurer said, pointing out numerous children wearing self-manager badges.

Every classroom in the school has a sign listing the "Standards to Live By:" 1) personal best, 2) trust, 3) active listening, 4) no put downs, and 5) truth.

Maurer said self-managers have shown they can be

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Above, Dominique Green, from left, Stephanie Collins and Fiona Conley examine a preserved spiny dogfish shark as Jane Phares of the Petroleum Museum points out distinguishing features. At right, an inflated shark looms in the foreground as Greathouse Elementary School pupils learn about the mysteries of the deep.

Photos by Joe D. Williams
Reporter-Telegram

Students wearing peace symbols flash 'I Love You' signs at passing motorists

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

For no greater reason than just wishing a little happiness for Midland, a small group of high-school students spent Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons at Grafa Park flashing "I Love You" signs at passing motorists.

On the surface, the group of four girls and one boy appeared as a 30-year-old blast from the past — wearing such items as peace symbols, hip-hugger pants and even an authentic, long-fringe leather vest. One young woman, carrying a sign that said "Give Peace a Chance," wore a button bearing the Jungian, oxymoronic message: "Hermits Unite."

"We're just trying to bring happiness to the unhappy people of Midland," Sylvia Sanders said. She and her cohorts — David Wade, Mae Gutierrez, Alyssa Hamil and Andrea Adams — cited recent acts of violence in and around Midland schools as the impetus for their well-wishing activities.

While Midland is anything but a hotbed of free spirits, the well-wishers were pleased with the overall response

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David Wade, from left, Mae Gutierrez, Alyssa Hamil, Andrea Adams and Sylvia Sanders display signs of peace and love. The students, standing at Grafa Park on Midkiff Road, are doing it to cheer up people at Christmas.

Curt Wilcott
Reporter-Telegram

Officers encourage travelers to take time, precautions, wear seat belts

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

Taking extra time and using extra precautions are the two main safety tips for holiday travel, according to law-enforcement officers.

One of the main precautions available is using a seat belt. Not only using the shoulder strap like many new model cars have, but also the lap belt.

"The shoulder strap alone is not going to do the trick. You need to wear the lap belt," said Lt. Judy Altom, safety education officer for the Department of Public Safety.

"The lap belt will hold you in the seat. It should be tight enough across the hips to restrain you, but should still be comfortable."

Midland police traffic Sgt. Brian Bogart said if the shoulder strap alone is used, the motorist will "squirm out from under it" in an accident. He said the shoulder strap alone provides little more protection than not wearing a seat belt at all.

Bogart said the seat belt should be snug because typically a person tends to move downward during an accident and if there is enough slack in the belt, it will just scrape the person and pro-

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Law-enforcement officers encourage motorists to buckle up, especially during the holidays when traffic fatalities often increase.

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Curt Wilcott
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PEACE: Teens wave signs just to make people feel good

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of passing Midlanders.

Drivers who waved or honked were rewarded with a concerted "whoooowww!" and excited gyrations from the students.

"We've only been flipped off once today," Ms. Sanders said Wednesday, after being at the park for about about half an hour.

Ms. Sanders said many people smile and wave back. One passing motorist on Tuesday returned with cold drinks for everyone and thanked the youths personally.

When asked if she was bothered by the less approving members of Midland society, Ms. Sanders said, "I really, honest-to-God don't care what they think of me."

"I dyed my hair purple. I obviously don't care," she said. Ms. Sanders sports a light-purple forelock in her otherwise blond tresses.

This is not about protest, other than to protest against violence, said fiery, young idealist David Wade.

Wade explained that they had no political agenda as such; rather, the group was simply indulging in "conformed non-conformity."

Wade said he was a relative newcomer to this kind of activity. "I'm still trying to develop my whoop and stuff," he joked.

While the students may look like flower children of the '60s, the group — from both high schools — doesn't hold with all ideals from that time, especially when it comes to the drug use associated with young people of that era.

"We're a drug-free peace movement," Ms. Sanders said.

The group appeared to draw considerable pleasure not only from the faces of those who passed and waved, but also from those drivers who sported looks of abject confusion.

With school out for the holidays, the youths reveled in the temperate, sunny weather and listened to their portable stereo.

The stereo, as one might expect, boomed out the lyrics: "All we are saying, is give peace a chance."

Test flights weren't needed with new manual, airline says

DALLAS (AP) — American Eagle says training flights were not needed after new flight manuals were issued for the carrier's Jetstream aircraft because the changes from the old manuals were "very minor."

The Jetstream is the same type of plane that crashed Dec. 13 during a flight from Greensboro to Raleigh, N.C., killing 15 people.

Three unidentified American Eagle pilots told ABC "World News Tonight" on Wednesday that they had complained about not being allowed to test fly the planes under the new manual, but that nothing was done.

They said the changes included emergency procedures that the cockpit crews were not given an opportunity to practice.

The pilots, whose faces were hidden in shadows and voices were altered for anonymity, told the program that they complained in May to American Eagle, the Federal Aviation Administration and Congress.

The ABC story did not say the lack of training flights caused the North Carolina crash, but it said the FAA had turned the earlier complaints over to National Transportation Safety Board investigators.

American Eagle, meanwhile, said test flights weren't necessary because changes to the new manual were minor. Spokesman Al Becker said American Eagle issued the new manuals and notices outlining the changes to pilots a month before the new manual went into effect in May.

"The great majority of the procedural changes were very minor," he said.

"With the FAA's concurrence, we decided the best way to inform flight crews about the changes in the manual was through a bulletin issued with the new manual," he said.

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> American Eagle

"This was done in close cooperation and concurrence with the FAA," Becker said. "When these pilots filed their complaint, the FAA reviewed the approach we had taken, and found not once, but twice, that the approach we took was the best one."

Becker could not provide examples of the changes Wednesday night.

Greg Overman, spokesman for Allied Pilots Association, didn't immediately return phone calls to The Associated Press Wednesday night. Allied represents about half of American Eagle's pilots.

American Eagle is a sister company to American Airlines. Both are owned by Fort Worth-based AMR Corp.

American Eagle has had two crashes this year. On Oct. 31, an American Eagle ATR-72 crashed in Roselawn, Ind., killing all 68 people aboard. The carrier later grounded planes in the Midwest so pilots could get more cold-weather training, a concern that arose after the Indiana crash.

Trusty inmate hits car, kills one

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A local motorist is dead after the car he was driving was hit by a van driven by a Texas inmate.

J.D. Hightower, 58, of Huntsville, died at Huntsville Memorial Hospital following the early Tuesday accident. The 42-year-old inmate, Joe Bowman, was cited for failing to yield the right of way.

The accident occurred when Bowman, classified as an "outside trusty" made a lefthand turn onto Farm-To-Market Road 247 to head southbound. While turning he collided with Hightower's southbound pickup truck, forcing it off the road.

Hightower hit a telephone pole. He was declared dead at 10:08 a.m. Tuesday.

Bowman, serving a 14-year sentence for burglary of a vehicle and aggravated robbery, suffered minor bruises. Another inmate aboard the van, Albert Jacoms was treated for upper and lower back muscle strain.

Bowman was driving under the supervision, as is state policy, of guard Troy Williams, 29. Williams was treated for hip and knee injuries at Huntsville Memorial Hospital.

Inmates are permitted to travel and drive to various units throughout the state to repair fire extinguishers, said David Nunnelee, spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Bowman and Jacobs were headed to the Boyd Unit in Teague at the time of the 9 a.m. accident.

Nunnelee said the accident will be reviewed before determining whether Bowman will be taken off driving duty. "He's driven for us a long time without any kind of mishap," said Nunnelee of Bowman. "We'll wait on the reports and then look at it. We don't want to jump to any conclusion."

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John Campbell

GRANBURY — Memorial services for former Midlander John B. "Jack" Campbell, 72, of Granbury are to be held at 11 a.m. today at First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Charles Somervill officiating. Graveside services are to be at 1 p.m. Friday at Rose Hill Cemetery in Tulsa, Okla., with the Rev. Homer Rickel officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Wiley Funeral Home of Granbury.

Campbell died Tuesday at his residence.

He was born Oct. 11, 1922, in Nowata, Okla.

He married Dorothy Bates Perkins on July 20, 1946, in Tulsa.

Campbell graduated from Oklahoma State University in 1943 with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

He served in the U.S Navy during World War II.

Campbell worked for Exxon Co. USA, and Carter Oil Co.

He was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Granbury and was an elder and choir member. He served on the board of the housing development Pecan Plantation. He was a former board member of People Helping People and of the Comanche Chordsmen singing group. He served on the Pecan Plantation ambulance crew, and was active in the Boy Scouts of America.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Campbell of Granbury; three sons, Brooks Campbell of San Diego, Calif., Ken Campbell of Garland, and Harley Campbell of Guthrie, Okla.; a daughter, Gloria Wilson of Austin; two brothers, James Campbell of Dallas and Thomas Campbell of Cincinnati; a sister, Carolyn Vance of Edmond, Okla., and eight grandchildren.

Alexandra Valenzuela

ANDREWS — Funeral services for Alexandra Nicole Valenzuela, infant daughter of Alfonzo and Liliana Valenzuela of Andrews, are to be held at 4 p.m. today at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church with the Revs. Francis Frey, of Our Lady of Lourdes and the Rev. David Herrerra of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Odessa, officiating. Burial is to follow at Andrews Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

Alexandra died Tuesday.

She was born Dec. 6.

Survivors include her parents and her grandparents, Venustiano and Ceila Lujan and Alfonzo and Alice Valenzuela, all of Andrews.

Roy McAfee

ANDREWS — Funeral services for Roy Lee McAfee, 77, of Andrews are to be at 2 p.m. Friday at First Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Kerry Tilley, pastor of First Assembly of God Church, and the Rev. Don Laird, pastor of First Assembly of God Church in Caldwell, officiating. Burial will follow at Andrews Cemetery under direction of McNett Funeral Home.


McAfee

McAfee died Wednesday at a Midland hospital.

McAfee was born March 3, 1917, in Scurry County.

He moved to Andrews in 1928 from Milam County.

He married Christine McElroy on Feb. 15, 1941, in Andrews.

He was a retired equipment operator for Andrews County Precinct 4. He worked for Texas Electric Service Company, now TU Electric.

McAfee was a member of the First Assembly of God Church and was a church deacon. He was a member of the Gadabouts Travel Club.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Lou Ollie Thompson.

Survivors include his wife, Christine McAfee of Andrews; a daughter, Patsy Eaves of Midland; three sons, Wayne McAfee of Paris, Lonnie McAfee of Dallas, and Archie McAfee of Plano; five brothers, Robert D. McAfee of Gardendale, A.D. McAfee of Midland, John A. McAfee of Willcox, Ariz., and Raymond E. McAfee and Jesse B. McAfee, both of Odessa; three sisters, Florene Glenn and Kate Bennett, both of Hobbs, Texas, and Lola Faye Johnson of Longview; eight grandchildren and 10 great-children.

Helen Welsch

Funeral services for Helen Ruth Welsch, 75, of Midland are to be at at 10:30 a.m. Friday at St. Luke's United Methodist Church with the Revs. Jarrell Sharp and Cletus Beights officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Ellis Funeral Home.


Welsch

Mrs. Welsch died Tuesday in her home.

She was born on June 4, 1919, in Kiowa County, Kan., was reared and educated in Greensburg, Kan.

She married James Welsch on April 21, 1945, in Greensburg.

The family lived in various cities in Kansas and Hobbs, N.M., before moving to Midland in 1972.

Mrs. Welsch was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and was active in various church activities in and senior citizens groups, the Senior Citizens Dance Club and Bridge Club. She was a Hospice of Midland volunteer.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1991.

Survivors include three sons, Jim Welsch of Bremerton, Wash., Bob Welsch of Cypress, and Rick Welsch of Dallas; a brother, Manford Kimberly of Bellavista, Ark.; a sister, Patsy Kronberg of Prudenville, Wash.; and four grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be sent to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland 79702.

Brooke Wilson

Graveside services for Brooke Deneise Wilson, infant daughter of Midlanders Michael and Karla Wilson, are to be at 1 p.m. today at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Kyle Rodgers of Temple Baptist Church officiating. Arrangements are under direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Brooke died Tuesday at a local hospital.

Survivors include her parents; a brother, Jared Wilson of Midland; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson of Midland and Glenda Thrash of Odessa; and her great-grandparents, Louise Thompson of Midland, Glennis Blum of Iowa Park, and Jack Slate of Odessa.

Gordon Reap

Funeral services for Gordon B. Reap of Midland are to be at 10 a.m. today at St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. Fred Nawarskas officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven North Cemetery under direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Reap died Monday at a local hospital.

Pallbearers are to be Frank Snow, Doyce Brown, Mike Bell, J.D. Taylor, Loydd Wornell, and Harold Pack.

Honorary pallbearers are to be M.T. Parton and Bob Bishop.

Roy Elmore

Funeral services for Roy R. Elmore of Midland are to be held at 3 p.m. today at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Revs. Jim Williams and Ed Williams of First Church of the Nazarene officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Elmore died Monday at a local hospital.

Pallbearers are to be Mike Stiele, Donnie Dyke, Gary Dyke, Michael Dyke, Webb Bisbee, and David Stewart.

TRAVEL: Officials urge people to buckle up

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vide no protection.

Ms. Altom said wearing a seat belt improves a person's chances for surviving an accident by more than 10 percent.

Earlier this week DPS troopers worked an accident in which one person died and four were injured; the person who died was not wearing a seat belt and was ejected from the vehicle.

"It's a shame more people don't take time to hear that little click," Ms. Altom said.

Bogart and Ms. Altom both said motorists need to take their time while traveling.

"Don't get impatient. That is what causes most of these accidents," Bogart said. "Especially with last-minute shoppers trying to get in shopping centers and not taking their time."

He encourages drivers to watch their speed, especially in construction zones along Loop 250 where the speed limits have been reduced. He said extra officers have been assigned to the stretch of the loop from Wadley Avenue to the area around Treemont Apartments because the speed limit has been reduced to 45 mph.

"There are a lot of trucks with dirt and construction along that area and it's not safe to go fast through there," he said.

"It's important that motorists comply with the seat-belt laws, don't drink and drive and rest every 100 miles if on a long drive . . . especially in West Texas where it's flat and not a lot of scenery," she said.

Because of the flat roads that all seem to look the same, this area has a lot of one-vehicle rollovers, Ms. Altom said.

"And if motorists wear their seat belts they improve their chances of survival by 11 percent," she said. "You have more chances of living if you're inside the car than if you're out of it."

The DPS has estimated as many as 55 traffic fatalities may occur over the two holiday weekends. She said they expect 30 over the Christmas weekend and 25 over the New Year's weekend.

Ms. Altom said in 1993, 34 people died in Christmas weekend accidents; 82 percent of those who died were not wearing their seat belts. New Year's weekend last year ended with 28 dead; 68 percent of those were not wearing their seat belts.

She said in more than half of those accidents alcohol was a contributing factor.

During the upcoming holiday weekends, the DPS will be enacting "Operation Motorside."

She said during the Christmas and New Year's weekends every available trooper will be on the roads stopping drivers for any violation, including speeding, seatbelt compliance and driving while intoxicated.

"We want everyone to be aware that there will be a tremendous (number) of people on the roadways and for them to exercise caution," Ms. Altom said.

Bogart said patrols in Midland will be increased, especially on New Year's weekend. Last year, Midland police made 27 DWI arrests and Bogart "expects a lot this year" as well.

PROGRAM: School hosts shark show

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trusted. "We let them have some responsibilities, such as serving as school messengers or putting up the flag."

Teachers emphasize Dorothy Rich's "Megaskills," which include confidence, motivation, effort, responsibility, initiative, perseverance, caring, teamwork, common sense and problem solving.

Some of the youngsters said they attended Super Kids because they "were being leaders." Others were just mesmerized by the possibility of touching a "live dead shark."

"I touched that shark. It was soft. It was not so scary," said kindergartner Colton Gore, 5.

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■ Cattle group expects record '95 production

AMARILLO — Consumers will eat a "mountain of meat" and retail prices will hold steady as beef production hits record levels in 1995, a cattle group predicted Wednesday.

The Texas Cattle Feeders Association took a guardedly optimistic stance in wake of the industry's brutal plunge in prices this year and mounting competition from pork and poultry.

"When it's all said and done, 1995 will be a better year for the cattle feeder than 1994," said Jim Gill, TCFA market director.

The Amarillo-based group released its annual forecast on the same day that officials in Hereford announced plans for a plant that will process 1.76 million hogs annually. That facility represents a further expansion of pork in the heart of the nation's cattle country.

The 175 feedyards in TCFA's area — eastern New Mexico and the panhandles of Texas and Oklahoma — employ about 2,750 people and feed 2.7 million cattle.

Gill said he foresees more competition for the consumer's meat dollar as pork and poultry supplies grow.

His group expects that 1995 beef production will hit near 24.4 billion pounds, an increase of 1 percent from this year.

Cattlemen suffered a heavy blow last June when market prices fell to a low of $60 from $77.50 in mid-April.

It was the most severe crash since the 1970s; it was common that sellers lost as much as $150 a head, Gill said.

"After the losses, we have begun buying our feeder cattle at a more realistic price," he said. "We didn't know the market would crater."

■ U.S. honors Marine for efforts with refugees

HOUSTON — A Marine reservist has been honored for his proselytizing efforts at introducing Cuban refugees to the American way of life.

Gunnery Sgt. Lionel Villafranco, 45, was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal Tuesday when his Provisional Rifle Company, composed of volunteers from across the country, returned to Houston after a month of duty.

Villafranco did more than pull guard duty at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base in Cuba. He set up a bilingual civics class, taking scores of Cuban students on imaginary field trips through many facets of American life.

Marine Corps officials said the work was above and beyond the call of duty.

Villafranco said the Cubans had been calling Marines "los diablos de las mangas blancas" ("devils of the white sleeves") because when their uniform shirt sleeves were rolled up, the whiter material inside was visible. It was an epithet Villafranco hoped to shake.

"At first they (the Cubans) were kind of hesitant because their government brings them up from the time they are little kids to think Marines are bad," he said after reuniting with his wife and daughters at the Navy Marine Reserve Center in south Houston Tuesday. "We proved we were caring. From the first day we were there, we made a difference."

Marine Civil Affairs officials approached the reservists about helping with classes for Cubans at the base. But Villafranco said he did not feel he could make an impact in traditional subjects like grammar in the short time he would be there.

So he set out on his own project, working on it many times after pulling a 16-hour guard duty shift.

His lessons were simple, a "survival guide for America" framed in "imaginary field trips."

■ Auditor: Most investments appear reasonable

AUSTIN — While eight state universities and junior colleges have heavy investments in high-risk securities called derivatives, the state auditor reported Wednesday that most state investments in them appear reasonable.

The report said investments in mortgage derivatives mean the eight schools stand to lose money if they try to convert the derivatives to cash in the current market.

But the report said that, for the most part, the schools did not endanger funds used for operating expenses. Instead, the schools deposited those funds — tuition, state appropriations, student fees — with the state Treasury.

Those funds were not used for derivative investments, except in the case of Odessa College, the report said.

The report found that $6.5 billion in derivatives make up less than 10 percent of the $74.6 billion invested by state-funded agencies and institutions.

"More than 92 percent of the derivative investments, or about $6 billion, are in the state's largest portfolios. A significant portion of these investments are held by pension and endowment funds, which are long-term in nature. The level of investment in derivatives at these entities appears reasonable in the context of their total portfolios," Auditor Lawrence F. Alwin wrote.

Derivatives are financial instruments whose value is tied to the performance of something else. The bulk of derivatives purchased by state colleges and agencies are tied to pools of home mortgages.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Authorities probe deaths of 4 inmates

Hearst News Service

AUSTIN — Four Texas prisoners — all housed in the same wing of a prison where some guards have been accused of brutality — have been killed since July, and prison investigators are trying to determine how the deaths occurred.

One of the cases at the Terrell Prison Unit near Livingston was the widely publicized Oct. 7 beating death of Michael McCoy, a car thief from Dickinson. Two prison guards have been indicted for murder in the case.

But the other three deaths, which received no public attention, resulted from massive head injuries at the hands of fellow convicts, according to custodial death reports and other documents.

"Nobody seems to care that a 23-year-old boy fought for his life all day and guards did nothing," said Vina Payne, the mother of one of the victims.

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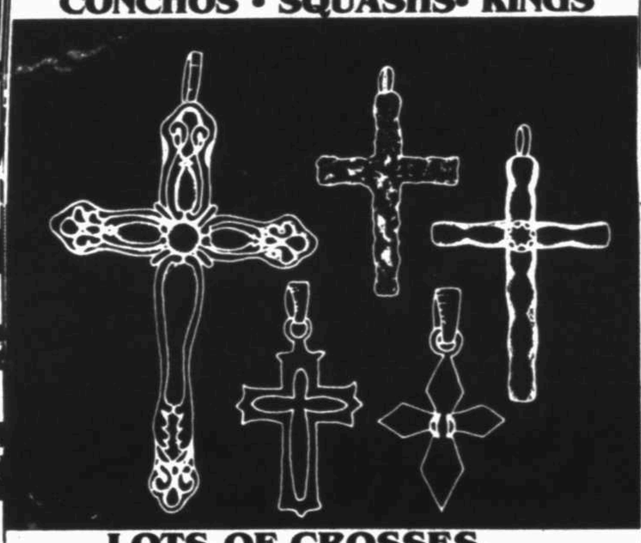
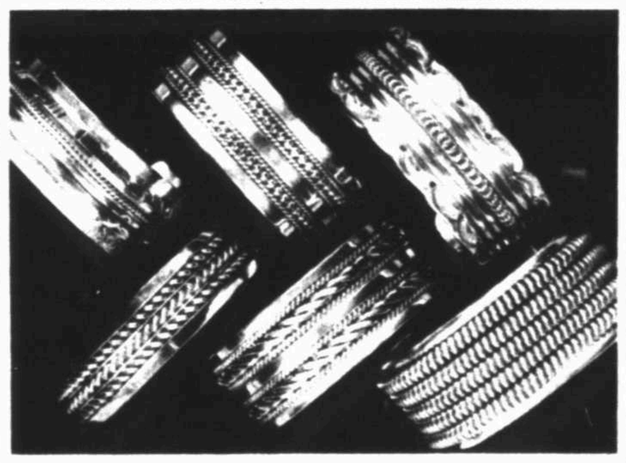
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Texas flag flies for Bentsen as he marks last day

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Texas state flag billowed today in a cool breeze atop the Treasury Department as Lloyd Bentsen marked his last day as head of the agency by posing for photographers and saying farewell to employees.

Recovering from laryngitis, a somewhat hoarse Bentsen stood with his wife, Beryl Ann, on the steps outside the Treasury building as cameras clicked and reporters asked some final questions of the 73-year-old secretary.

Alongside the U.S. flag, the Texas flag was hoisted over the Treasury in Bentsen's honor. Also in the background were an enormous Christmas wreath decorating the building and a statue of the nation's first Treasury secretary, Alexander Hamilton.

Bentsen is returning to Houston and private life after a 30-year career in Washington. Asked what he was doing on his last day in office, he said, "Enjoying it." Aides said he had no substantive meetings on his schedule.

He addressed employees assembled in the Treasury's ceremonial Cash Room, telling them, "I've had more fun than I can tell you. We've come a long way together and we've made a heck of a difference."

In addition to career employees, Bentsen thanked maintenance workers, drivers, printers and computer operators.

Bentsen also visited the Treasury press room where reporters stationed at the department gave him a framed Japanese yen. Shouted questions from reporters about the relative value of the yen and dollar are a staple of public appearances by Treasury secretaries.

He announced his resignation two weeks ago, and President Clinton named Robert Rubin, head of the president's National Economic Council, to replace him.

Rubin, a former investment banker, will take over after he is confirmed by the Senate. In the interim, Deputy Treasury Secretary Frank Newman will run the department.

Official refuses to return former officer to Mexico

McALLEN (AP) — A federal magistrate on Wednesday refused Mexico's request for the return of a former top Mexican police commander accused of torture and abuse of authority.

The ruling left Guillermo Gonzalez Calderoni, former commander of Mexico's national antidrug unit, a free man.

U.S. Magistrate Peter E. Hornsby ruled that there was no credible evidence of probable cause that Gonzalez Calderoni, 46, was responsible for tortures at a Mexico City police station in January 1990.

Gonzalez Calderoni, 46, has maintained his innocence and claimed that his enemies would kill him if he is returned to Mexico.

The U.S. government argued that an extradition treaty between the two nations demands that Gonzalez Calderoni be tried in Mexico.

Ormsby's decision has no bearing on guilt or innocence. However, Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael McCormick said Ormsby's ruling is not appealable.

Attorneys for Gonzalez Calderoni, a Mexican citizen residing legally in McAllen, said the Mexican attorney general's office has framed the former top-ranking police commander with false affidavits.

During hearings in McAllen last month, two alleged torture victims told Ormsby that they never had been mistreated, contradicting sworn statements they signed in Mexico.

Two others, Jose de Jesus Victoria Cepeda and Marco Antonio Hernandez Rosas, testified they were severely tortured in January 1990 at a Mexico police station where Gonzalez Calderoni worked as a commander of the narcotics unit.

But Victoria and Hernandez insisted Gonzalez Calderoni was not responsible, contradicting signed statements attributed to them by Mexican prosecutors.

All four witnesses said that Mexican prosecutors falsified their affidavits to implicate Gonzalez Calderoni.

McCormick pointed out that Victoria had authored a book that had a picture of Gonzalez Calderoni and identified him as the torturer.

McCormick said the treaty says the U.S. government, acting on behalf of the Mexican government, only needs to show probable cause that a crime was committed for an extradition to occur.

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Texas panel adopts recommendations for utilities regulations

AUSTIN (AP) — In a preview of perhaps the hardest hardball fight of the legislative session, a panel Wednesday adopted recommendations on changing the way telephone companies and electric utilities are regulated in Texas.

Anticipating controversy, state Rep. Curtis Seidlits assured lobbyists that the recommendations could be changed, and asked them to leave committee members alone for a while, especially on Christmas Day.

State Sen. Ken Armbrister described the competition between opposing sides by saying, "There are some people who actually hate each other out there."

The Joint Interim Committee on Telecommunications and the Public Utility Commission will make further changes to its report within the next 10 days.

Seidlits, D-Sherman; Armbrister, D-Victoria, and state Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, who served as co-chairs of the committee, plan to write legislation next month for the session that starts Jan. 10.

At a Wednesday meeting attended by dozens of special interest lobbyists, Seidlits stated: "We do not have a bill at this point so y'all's jobs are secure probably at least until Memorial Day," the end of the 140-day regular legsilative session.

Proposed changes in regulating the telephone industry and electric utilities have pitted powerful special interests against each other. Consumer groups say they are trying to make sure that consumers don't get looked over in the battle.

On telecommunications, Southwestern Bell and other local telephone companies say less regulation will increase their profits and allow them to enhance services.

But newspaper publishers, eyeing electronic distribution of information over telephone lines, want to ensure that they're not at a disadvantage to a local telephone company that controls the lines and offers its own information service.

Seidlits said lawmakers want to promote competition, protect consumers and ensure that Texas benefits from the latest technology.

"This area is changing. The changes are daily," he said.

Lawmakers were quick to point out that the committee's report didn't represent a final decision on proposed legislation. "We maintain a rigid state of flexibility," Armbrister said.

The report's recommendations on telecommunications included:

— Encouraging investment in the state's telecommunications infrastructure.

— Allowing companies other than the traditional local exchange company to provide switched local exchange service.

— Removing regulatory barriers to help new companies enter the telecommunications market.

— Protecting consumers from unreasonable long distance charges at private pay telephones.

On electric utilities, the committee recommended numerous changes in how the Texas Public Utility Commission regulates companies.

Officials bust minister for instigating graffiti

KATY (AP) — A 37-year-old registered nurse has been fingered as the mastermind behind graffiti damage at Mayde Creek High School.

Pamela Lockridge says she didn't do the actually painting.

However, the co-minister of a fledgling church, has admitted to instigating the vandalism.

Katy is just west of Houston.

"I didn't do the actual painting," she said in an interview Tuesday with the Houston Chronicle. "But I talked them into it and transported them. I bought the paint."

"Them" are several unidentified youths from among a cadre of gang members to whom Mrs. Lockridge had been ministering since last summer.

Deputies arrested and jailed her Dec. 10, a week after the incident. She faces arraignment Jan. 25 for felony criminal mischief.

Frustrated with what Mrs. Lockridge saw as an unresponsive community, she thought graffiti would be "a way of talking about our cause . . . of telling the community about our pain."

It all began when she and her husband Mark, a 37-year-old computer programmer, reached a watershed in their Christian life and concluded they should launch a personal ministry to troubled youths.

"I wanted to see what my (daughter and son, ages 10 and 6) were growing up into," she said. "I was wild and rebellious myself when I was young. I could relate."

After running into problems with neighbors who complained of all the kids coming and going to the Lockridges' home, she said she took the next step.

"I dared some of the guys to paint graffiti at the school" in emulation of a graffiti-painting rebel in a 1985 movie called "Turk 182," she said. "It would be our way of talking about our cause, our way of telling the community about our pain."

Within a week, Lockridge was arrested.

"I never figured I'd be arrested, but I was — the only one, too, which is what I would have wanted," she said. "This was my idea — one final way of saying 'adios' to this community. I tried to get you to listen . . . ."

For now, the future is clouded for Mrs. Lockridge. The felony case was expected to go before a grand jury this week, based on the charges filed by the Katy school police department.

Texas cities to share in federal benefits program

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Rio Grande Valley, Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, El Paso and Waco will receive millions of dollars in special assistance and tax breaks under a federal program to shore up the nation's economically distressed regions.

President Clinton on Wednesday announced the 106 winning communities nationwide selected from among hundreds of applications for the Federal Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities program.

The president, in a conference call with mayors of winning cities, said the program was designed as a "partnership between the national government, grassroots communities, and the private sector to get investment going in places where too many people had been left behind."

In Texas, the big winner is the Rio Grande Valley. A four-county region spanning parts of Willacy, Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr counties has been designated one of three national rural empowerment zones. The Valley is eligible for $40 million in flexible social services grants and tax breaks for businesses.

The Valley empowerment zone's focus will be on job training, adult education and infrastructure improvements. With more than 42 percent of its residents living below poverty levels and unemployment averaging 15 percent in the four counties, the idea is to improving living and working standards, which in turn will attract new business.

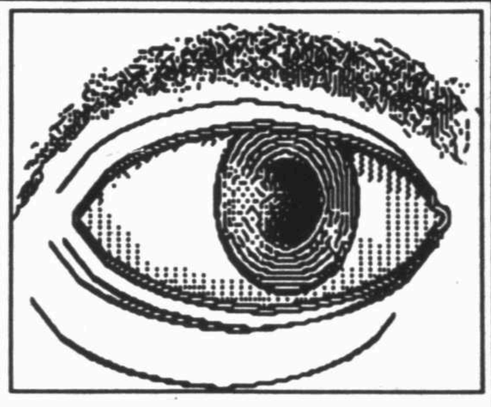
Houston joins Boston, Kansas City and Oakland as supplemental empowerment zones eligible for $25 million apiece. The Houston enhanced enterprise community spans an impoverished 20-square-mile area surrounding the inner city.

Houston's concept is to improve human and economic development, housing and infrastructure. A key facet is boosting funds for existing programs that help at-risk students, provide substance-abuse counseling and more attention to health and public safety. The city's proposal included a plan to build a new convention center hotel, creating 1,200 jobs. The University of Houston and NationsBank have pledged $90 million in loans and commitments to go hand-in-hand with the federal expenditures.

"We'll put this application to good work, adding jobs, and we really appreciate the recognition and the money that this grant represents," Houston Mayor Bob Lanier told Clinton in the conference call.

Four cities — Dallas, El Paso, San Antonio and Waco — each have been designated enterprise communities and will receive $3 million apiece in social service block grants and tax-exempt bond financing for businesses.

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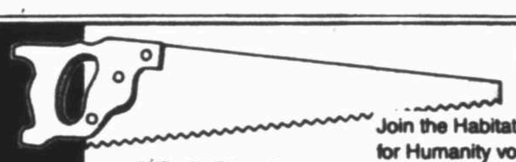
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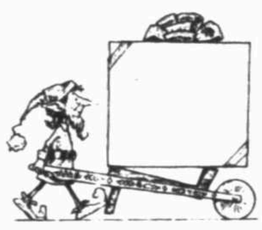
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'Empowerment zone' money may give young people chance

By Amy Westfeldt
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Former drug dealer Ron Muse hopes other young people in his north Philadelphia neighborhood can find power in a different source than the one he chose.

With millions of dollars in "empowerment zone" money heading their way, they may have a chance, but the 20-year-old Muse isn't sure.

"They need more activities to keep them occupied, so they don't look toward the street," said Muse, who served two jail terms for dealing drugs before he was reformed by religion. "Out here, you're not becoming anybody."

As he spoke, he pointed down a street where graffiti and trash are as commonplace as flowers and picket fences in the suburbs. When he was growing up, Muse said, there was no one to tell him not to sell drugs on the corner.

Another resident, Sonia Cruz, 26, pointed to a corner where graffiti commemorates a friend who was killed by a stray bullet.

"No matter what, they still come out to this," she said of her four young sons.

Under the federal empowerment zone program outlined by President Clinton on Wednesday, officials will try to change that with $3.5 billion in grants and business tax breaks.

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—Ron Muse
former drug dealer

The Philadelphia-Camden, N.J., area is among 106 distressed cities and rural areas to receive money.

Philadelphia-Camden and five other "urban zones" will get $100 million apiece in grants for such things as job training, education and other public service programs.

Muse hadn't heard of the program. Cruz was skeptical.

"Nobody cares anymore," she said. "If nobody try to help us, we can't do nothing ourselves."

Cruz's block is in the middle of the north Philadelphia district targeted by the empowerment grant. Much of the money is expected to serve the American Street business corridor, a wide boulevard marked by empty meat packing plants and heaps of scrap metal.

James Cole Jr., who was picking up trash outside a city playground in the area Wednesday, said he hopes some money will also go to people in the community. His house, for one thing, needs repairs.

"If it's just going to go to big business, then we're left out again," said Cole, 44.

The level of blight in the community varies. On the south side of American Street, Christmas wreaths and fresh paint adorn homes.

But on the north side there are empty lots, torched cars and murals promoting drugs. The residents, who live just blocks from one of the city's worst drug-dealing corners, bar their windows for safety.

The businesses that serve the area are locked up behind metal grates before darkness falls.

"When it starts to get dark, you'd want to be out," said Stu Levine, who owns the Fifth Street Pharmacy.

Levine said the community needs factory-oriented jobs that will offer mass employment without hurting small businesses.

"One building that would employ a couple hundred people? That would be nice," Levine said.

Deadly force is last resort when played by book

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the policeman saw it, the man with the knife crossed a line when he approached officers outside the White House. Now come questions about whether that line — invisible, shifting, dangerous — was properly drawn.

A mountain of guidance and opinion stands behind every police officer faced with the snap decision whether to shoot or try something else. In recent years, the trend has been toward something else.

Marcelino Corniel, 33, the alleged attacker, died Wednesday after being shot twice Tuesday by a U.S. Park Police officer. Prosecutors charged Corniel with assaulting a federal officer.

Police operate under increasingly restrictive policies on when to use deadly force, experts say. Shooting at or from a moving car, like on TV, has been banned in many major cities. No more shooting at a fleeing suspect, either, unless that person poses an imminent danger.

Park Service rules say an officer is expected to use 'reasonable force, including the use of deadly force when necessary, to protect himself-herself or the public from imminent threats of death or serious injury.'

Forget about trying to shoot a weapon from someone's hand, or even shooting to wound — more fiction.

Standard police practice is to fire at "the central body mass" because it is seen as the surest way to stop the attacker while minimizing the chances of hurting others.

Many police officers "have a difficult time meeting departmental qualification standards at the firing range, let alone during a combat situation," the International Association of Chiefs of Police says in a discussion paper.

Park Service policy is among the most restrictive in law enforcement, said William Geller, associate director of the Police Executive Research Forum and coauthor of the 1992 study "Deadly Force."

"It's a very progressive policy ... and clear," he said when it was read to him.

Geller questioned why Park Service officers, as the only federal agents who perform routine patrols, are not widely outfitted with nonlethal weapons such as pepper spray.

Not taking such a step "would be a very controversial decision on their part because more and more police departments are using it," he said. Park Service spokesman Sgt. Gregory Brown said batons are the only nonlethal weapons routinely issued.

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Guns also may be used as a "final resort" to apprehend or prevent the escape of a dangerous felon.

Across the country, policies on deadly force are rarely as detailed as to tell an officer what to do when confronted by a specific weapon, such as a knife, or a specific circumstance.

One popular training film on handling knife assaults was interpreted in some police departments as advocating shooting an assailant who comes within seven yards of an officer — entering a kill zone. The San Diego police department criticized the video in 1991, saying it induced a "sense of paranoia."

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Man shot at White House dies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Marcelino Corniel, the knife-wielding man shot in front of the White House, died Wednesday night, hours after he was charged with assaulting a federal officer.

Corniel, 33, had undergone two lengthy operations following the shooting Tuesday and had remained in critical condition at George Washington University Hospital. A hospital spokesman said he died of cardiac arrest in the intensive care unit about 9 p.m. EST.

Corniel was shot once in the abdomen and once in his right leg by a uniformed U.S. Park Police officer about 9 a.m. Tuesday after he ran across Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House sidewalk with a hunting knife taped to his arm.

President Clinton who was working in the Oval Office at the time of the incident, was never in danger. The president went ahead with an early morning jog Wednesday, but he followed a route less public than usual.

On Wednesday, the U.S. attorney's office filed a single charge accusing Corniel of assaulting a federal officer, an offense that carries a penalty of up to 10 years in prison upon conviction. Had no knife been involved, the maximum penalty would have been three years in prison, officials said.

U.S. Park Police have declined to name the officer who shot Corniel. A spokesman said the police communications department "got a few threats against his life."

Meanwhile, the policeman has been assigned to administrative duties.

A semicircle of at least four officers was facing Corniel as he stood on the Pennsylvania Avenue sidewalk. Shots rang out suddenly and he fell to the ground.

Officials defending the shooting as a justified use of force because the man did not follow orders to give up his weapon.

"I feel this was just a normal police reaction to a man with a knife," said Park Police spokesman Maj. Robert Hines. "We have had numerous people call questioning what we did," he said on ABC's "Good Morning America." "If the officer had not fired when he did, the man could have turned and ran."

Other homeless persons who live in the park said that Corniel was angered by the way police try to drive the homeless from the park.

"The fact that he had the knife taped to his hand, what does that tell you? He wants to use it. He wants to get at them," Hines said Tuesday.

Witnesses said Corniel was menacing police. But video footage showed that he was standing practically motionless facing four officers when one of them fired twice, hitting him in the torso and the leg.

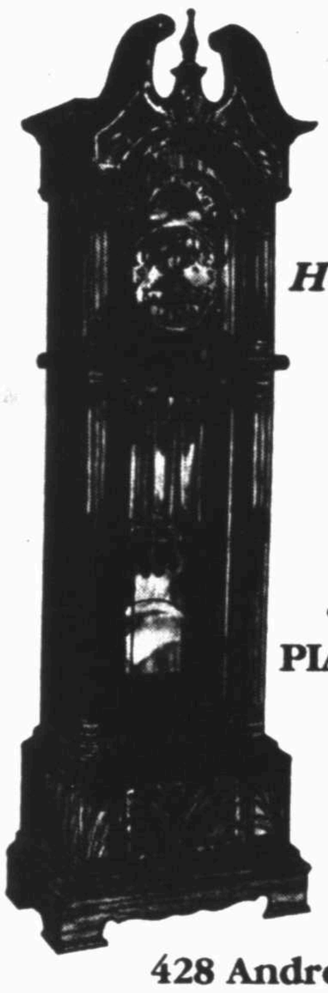
Arthur Spitzer, legal director of the Washington-area office of the American Civil Liberties Union, said the video raised questions about the police action.



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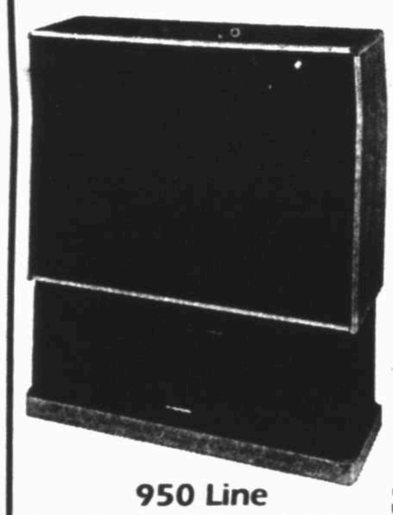
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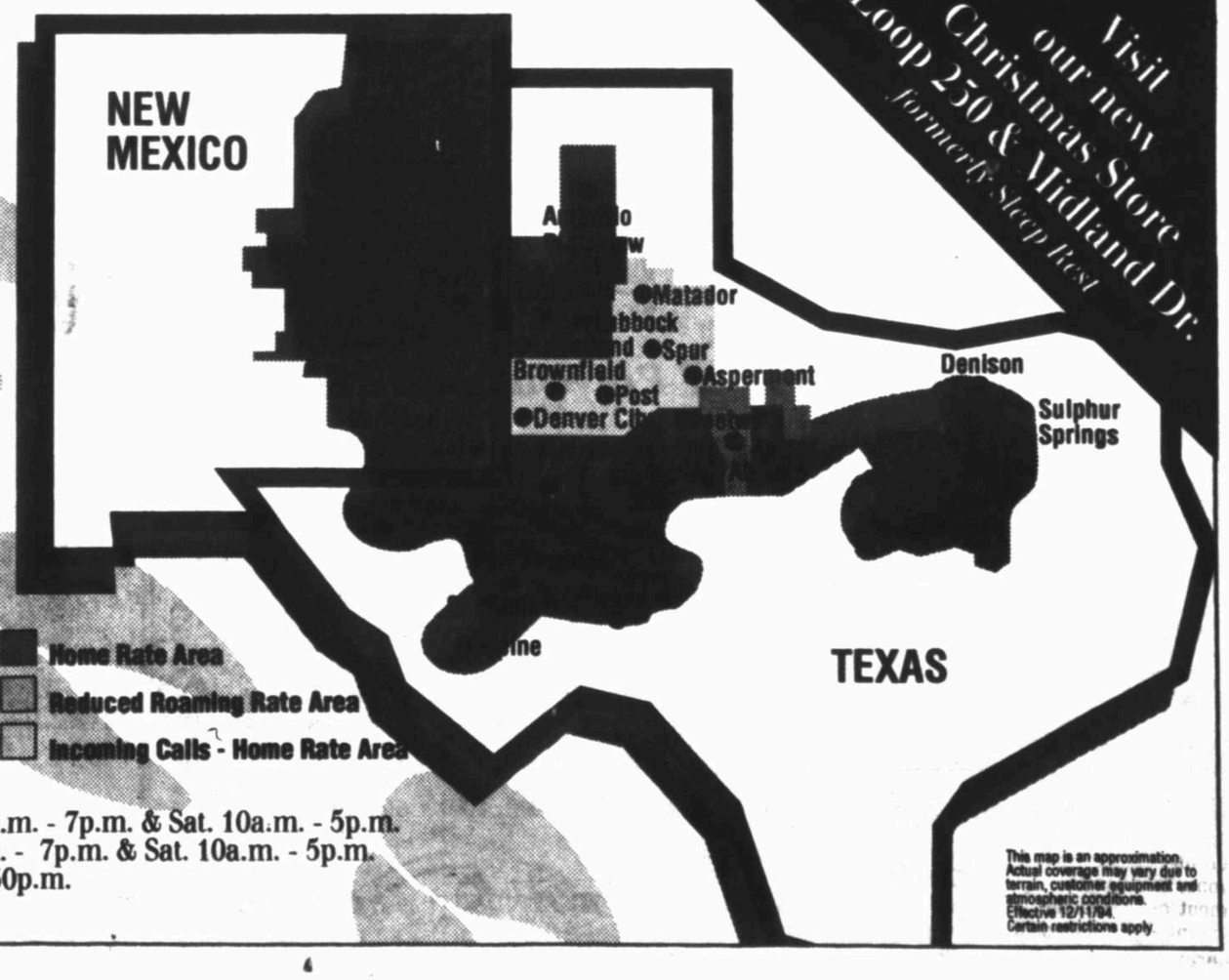
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Many Americans don't get enough to eat, advocates say

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unwrapping a five-pound block of cheese to underscore pleas for federal food aid, advocates for the poor told Congress on Wednesday that thousands of elderly Americans are malnourished. Food pantries are turning away hungry families, they said.

One in five Americans is now served by a federal nutrition program, such as food stamps or school lunches. But many Americans still don't get enough to eat, and hundreds of thousands of elderly people are malnourished, advocates and federal officials told Rep. Ron Wyden, D-Ore.

"As we speak, millions of our fellow Americans are going hungry," said Wyden, chairman of the House Small Business subcommittee on regulation, which held the hearing Wednesday. "In our rich nation, with its extraordinary resources, we witness the tragedy of older people scrounging in dumpsters for their next meal. This is a picture that shames all of us as a nation."

The cheese, a symbol of the federal government's commodity giveaways of the 1980s, is no longer included in the truckloads of food distributed to anti-hunger programs around the country even as the demand for nutrition assistance has grown.

Eleanor M. Josaitis, associate director of Focus: HOPE, a civil and human rights organization in Detroit, said low-income elderly are not getting enough protein in their diets and want the processed American cheese back in the sacks of groceries that her organization distributes.

"If we had cheese, they could make cheese sandwiches, tuna casseroles," she said, plunking a brown box on the witness table and taking out the five-pound brick of cheese. "It helps people stretch their budgets."

Christine Vladimiroff, president and chief executive officer of Second Harvest, a network of 188 regional food banks based in Chicago, said local agencies are turning away hungry families because of a lack of food and funds.

The more than 42,000 community agencies served by her network include food pantries, soup kitchens, elderly feeding sites and homeless shelters.

Vladimiroff said 46 percent of those agencies report that they have had to ration food, cut their hours of operation, and distribute pantry bags with fewer groceries.

"In short, demand is up 37 percent or more, but food donations are up only 10 percent. We are deeply concerned," she said.

Wyden said some of the key sources that supply food banks are drying up. Last year, supermarkets and food companies donated more than 1 billion pounds of food. This year, those donations have dropped significantly, due to improved efficiencies and greater salvaging by commercial food repackaging and resale companies.

At the same time, Wyden said, surplus food donations to food banks through federal commodities programs likely will be reduced by almost two-thirds next year.

"Millions of food bank patrons may be caught in a squeeze between food companies that are reducing their operating costs and government programs whose fund is being reduced," he said.

Fernando Torres-Gil, the assistant secretary for aging at the Department of Health and Human Services, said many Americans don't expect to find malnourished older men and women living in their neighborhoods. But there are indications that the numbers are in the hundreds of thousands.

For 73-year-old Mary Marshall of Washington, D.C., "getting enough to eat is a daily challenge."

Marshall, whose legs were amputated due to health problems, lives on a fixed income of less than $500 a month. Half of that pays the rent.

"With food stamps and the supplemental food, I am able to manage. But without them, I don't know what I would do."

Judge upholds logging plan for national forests

SEATTLE (AP) — A federal judge upheld the Clinton administration's logging plan for the Northwest's national forests on Wednesday, saying environmentalists and the timber industry both failed to prove it was illegal.

"All claims and arguments asserted by plaintiffs . . . have been considered, and none would justify invalidation of the plan," U.S. District Judge William Dwyer wrote.

Dwyer ruled in 1991 that the Bush administration was breaking U.S. environmental laws and ordered a halt to logging across millions of acres of national forests that contained the threatened northern spotted owl. That injunction was lifted earlier this year.

After the Clinton administration proposed a new plan, known as Option 9, both environmental and timber industry groups sued.

Clinton projected the plan would result in about 1 billion board feet of logging annually in federal forests in Oregon, Washington and Northern California, less than one-fourth the rate of the 1980s.

Conservationists said that was still too much and the plan violated federal laws and provided little assurance the owls or troubled fish species would survive.

The timber industry said the plan was illegally prepared in secret and should be thrown out so a new plan allowing more logging could be developed. Clarence Moriwaki, spokesman for the Office of Forestry and Economic Development in Portland, Ore., said the ruling acknowledges the plan is "a desirable balance between protecting the environment and also providing economic opportunities for the region."

Both sides predicted Dwyer would throw out the plan, based on questions he had posed to their lawyers last month.

"The question is not whether the court would write the same plan, but whether the agencies have acted within the bounds of the law," Dwyer wrote. "On the present record the answer to that question is yes."

He said if his order is upheld on appeal, it "will mark the first time in several years that the owl habitat forest will be managed by the responsible agencies under a plan found lawful by the courts."

Dwyer also said Option 9 contains the highest level of logging that would be allowed under the law, and that "any more logging sales than the plan contemplates would probably violate the laws."



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Man's bravery in subway bombing earns him call from president

By Felicia Lee
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NEW YORK — Denfield Otto, an off-duty transit officer sitting in the sixth car of the Brooklyn-bound train, was 45 minutes late for a Transit police choir practice when he heard a popping sound like gunfire and looked toward the end of the car.

The 54-year-old grandfather from Harlem heard a series of pops as people exited the crowded train. Then the car went black except for flashes of orange and crimson flames.

What Otto did next earned him a call from President Clinton and made him a hero to a city unsettled by a bombing that has no explanation yet, but raises plenty of fears and frightening memories.

The train was stopped in the Fulton Street station, so Otto — who was 15 feet from the man who the police say was holding the incendiary device — dashed off the car and headed for a token booth, snatched a fire extinguisher and then raced back toward the rolling ball of fire.

"I got two people in flames, laying on the floor of the train," he recalled later. "Some brave passengers took off their coats and tried to beat back the flames." He and another passenger — a man he can barely remember — then extinguished the fire engulfing the two people lying on the floor.

"I don't consider myself a hero," Otto said. "The real heroes were the people with the coats who neglected their own safety."

Indeed, while many subway riders fled there were plenty of heroes Wednesday — the riders who suffocated the fire, the token booth clerk who instantly understood what was happening and hit the emergency button, rapidly summoning the police.

Yet, hours later, it was Otto who sat in Transit headquarters in Brooklyn, and was handed a telephone by a Transit Police spokesman, Al O'Leary, with only the comment, "We'll hold until the president gets on."

The room, which included Transit Chief Michael O'Connor, was silent as Otto replied "Yes, sir" and "Thank you." He had a huge grin on his face.

"I only did my job, Mr. President," he said. "Thank you very much, sir. Merry Christmas to you and God bless you."

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At a City Hall press conference earlier that day, Otto, a 25-year veteran of the transit force, stood with a huge grin on his face when he was commended by Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

"He was very, very instrumental in assisting the people who were injured and people who were burned and in fact were on fire ," the mayor said of Otto, who worked for the Post Office before coming a Transit officer.

"Without him, it might have been a much more serious situation," Giuliani said. "He is to be commended for his immediate and brave response." Emergency workers said the explosion injured 41 people, including four critically.

Otto, wearing an old green army jacket, stepped forward to the microphone and appeared poised to say something but was patted on the back by the mayor and moved into the background.

"He's one of the stand-up officers in the department," said Sgt. Luis Medina, a spokesman for the Transit Police. He said that Otto began working for the department on June 30, 1969, and worked in Harlem.

"This is just another example of how transit cops are always at the right place at the right time," Medina said of Otto. "Investigators are currently talking to him to determine what he can contribute to this investigation."

A reporter who asked Otto if he thought of himself as a hero, received a shake of the head.

"No, I don't," Otto said. "I only did my job." Transit officials refused to let him talk more about the incident until he is debriefed.

"Right now, I feel normal except for the press," he said, as he stood in the glare of television lights and scores of cameras.

He insisted that even the call from Clinton did not unsettle him.

"I was very relaxed," he said. "He sounded very nice and sincere and congratulated me. I never thought I'd even speak to the mayor."

Otto, a native of Antigua who has lived in the city for 37 years, was on vacation this week. He said that when he called his wife from the mayor's office she couldn't believe where he was or what he was doing there.

A friend of Otto's described him as a quiet, shy man. He sings baritone, and one of his favorite songs is "O Holy Night." He is a member of the choir of St. Philip's Episcopal Church, and was scheduled to practice Wednesday night.

The Rev. Nathan Wright, senior priest at the church, called Otto "an enormously responsible and disciplined spirit. He is a very thoughtful and intensely conscientious artist."

Otto and his wife, Ivy, have three adult children and five grandchildren, ranging in age from 2 to 7.

"I do believe that the almighty God looks over me," Otto said. "Whatever will be will be and God protects his own."

Otto told O'Connor that what struck him most about the subway explosion was the spirit of cooperation among New Yorkers.

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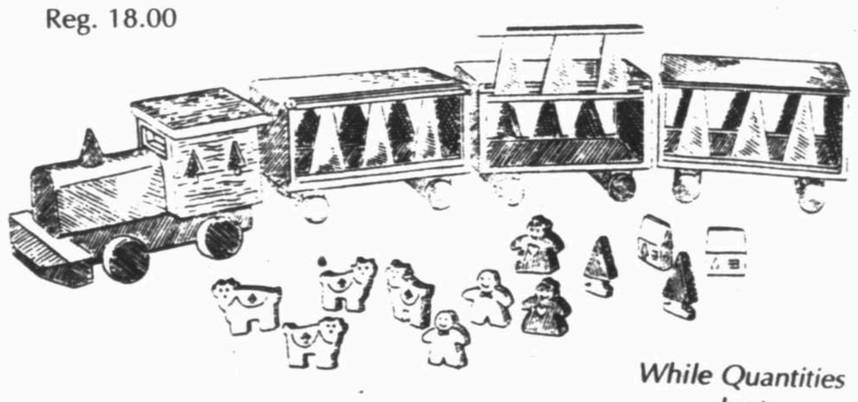
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Texas weapons course prepares trainees for urban warfare

By Barry Shlachter
N.Y. Times News Service

MOUNTAIN HOME — For $750, a gun owner can spend five days in the Texas Hill Country firing 1,200 rounds of ammunition at cardboard silhouettes of "bad guys" and trying to avoid hitting "friendlies" while crawling through mock houses and stores with a military-style assault weapon.

Half the class of 16 at Thunder Ranch recently took the Urban Rifle II course to hone skills needed as career police officers.

The rest — including a computer programmer, a sculptor, a pilot, a drama teacher and a urologist — said they might call on that training some day to defend themselves and their families in an increasingly dangerous world.

"We are in a food chain and we've always had creatures running around wanting to eat us," said Shelley Donovan-Arndt, 41, a corporate pilot from Denver.

"The general perception by people who are not armed is, 'You must be some kind of radical right-wing, waiting-for-the-end-of-the-world group," she said. "I am just a person. I like being alive and there are people out there who may look at me as food. If someone goes nuts with a rifle in a 7-Eleven or a Luby's, I have a right to protect myself."

There is no gun debate here. All of the civilians are believers. Many support the idea of carrying a concealed weapon and some privately admit that they do so even when traveling to states that don't permit it.

Clint Smith, 45, president of Thunder Ranch, is a trim ex-Marine with salt-and-pepper hair. A glib manner doesn't camouflage an obvious flair in firearms instruction. Like many of his students, he supports a concealed-weapon law. Smith believes that it would lower crime in Texas, as he says it has in Florida.

Both sides of the debate cite Florida's crime. Its homicide rate has dropped 21 percent since the law took effect, but critics note that overall violent crime grew by 17.8 percent, the nation's highest rate.

"I'm not trying to change America," Smith told a visitor. "I'm trying to help individuals, who probably will never use these skills. But it makes them less afraid."

Smith taught firearms use in the Marines, for an Indiana Sheriff's Department, at the Gunsite pistol school in Arizona and to groups who attended training sessions held by his firm, International Training Consultants.

"We feel we are the intellectual response to the problem, not the emotional response — like the bumper sticker, 'You can pry my gun from my cold, dead fingers.'"

Smith, although suspecting his civilian students would find a bedside fire extinguisher more useful than a gun, said, "I think very candidly we make a difference. A dozen students have been in a violent situation. All have won; none has lost."

The weapon of choice

"If someone is charging you with a blue steel machete, would you rather shoot him with a pistol or a rifle?" he asked his class.

"A rifle!" came the overwelming reply.

"BAM! BAM! POW! POW! POW! POW!"

It's 7:30 p.m., and 16 assault rifles are firing in the dark. Students with flashlights, just a handful of shooters, fire at paper targets.

Such night training is necessary because 60 percent of armed fights occur in darkness or low light, Smith explained earlier. "But there's hardly any training in poor light. That's what makes us unique."

"Make ready, ladies and gentleman," he admonishes, his voice amplified to be heard through noise-muffling ear protectors. "Go fire two rounds and withdraw, staying low behind the barricade. Watch your muzzles! Now it's dark and we can't see."

"BLAM! BLAM!"

Another two rounds each echo in the night. Then: "Safety on, sling 'em! Slung and hung!"

Smith and his assistants run the class through facilities rarely if ever available to the average citizen. Aside from well-groomed ranges and the mock shopping strip, there's a 4-story concrete block tower and a one-level building that can be internally configured as a motel, office building or home. There students can blast cardboard "hostage-takers" and "burglars."

Gun magazines have given Thunder Ranch high marks, and police taking the course said they have not had access to such facilities previously. At one point, Smith instructs students, including officers from Anchorage, Alaska, and Dallas, how to exit an automobile, assault rifle in hand, without shooting oneself or one's partner.

"This is the premier school in the country," said Dan Kalfus, 33, a computer programmer from California's Silicon Valley, wearing fatigue-styled pants and an argyle sweater. Carrying an AR-15 semi-automatic, Kalfus trained alongside full-time peace officers.

Smith, with financial backing from a former student, investor George Matthews, 57, of Palm Beach, Fla., looked over sites elsewhere, including in rural Mississippi, before deciding to locate Thunder Ranch near Mountain Home, northwest of Kerrville.

"It's a good choice. The Hill Country is very gun-oriented," Smith said of area residents.

"Once they got over the culture shock — they thought we were the FBI or a cult training camp — things were fine."

Cult rumors surfaced partly because Thunder Ranch opened just after the Branch Davidian standoff near Waco in 1993, Smith said.

Matthews expects his investment to break even in several years. In 1994, the first full year of operation, classes were 80 percent full and already half of the places have been taken for next year, he said.

After a late-night session at which Donovan-Arndt went through her paces in the Terminator, a sprawling indoor maze of apartmentlike living areas, the corporate pilot glowed.

"I went through, engaged the target and shot them — in low light and pitch darkness," she said. "The mindset is that you are entering your home. You open the door and put yourself in the environment of the threat. Part of the game is you don't shoot something that's not a threat."

"I was critiqued and was told my technique was good. I felt very good about it. It's exhilarating. You're stressed out because they're yelling at you and you're entering the unknown."

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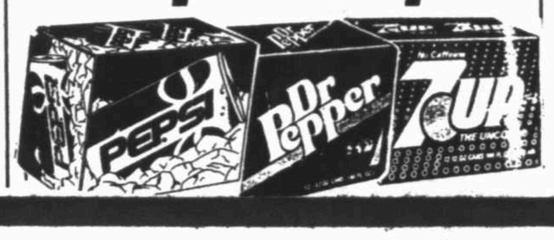
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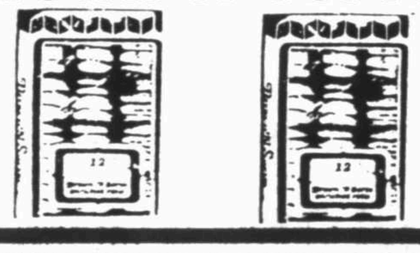
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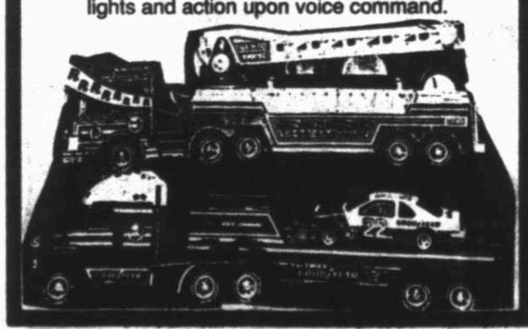
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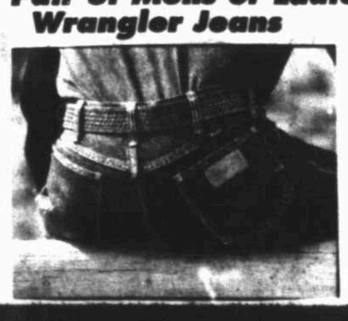


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Neighborhood raises stink about pig farm

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Residents of a rural area near Texas A&M University are raising a stink over the relocation of a pig farm being displaced by construction of the George Bush Presidential Library.

School officials plan to move the Texas A&M Swine Center from its current spot on a corner of the 90-acre library site a few miles west to a place known to local residents as Brushy Community.

"The bottom line is, Brushy Community residents don't want the pigs out there," Tam Garland, an A&M veterinarian whose home would be about 300 yards from the proposed pig home, said Monday. "Whether it's five pigs or 500 pigs, we don't want them. You can't keep a pig from stinking."

University officials insist there would be no odor and that it's coincidental the Bush Library and swine center move are happening at the same time.

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—Tam Garland
A&M veterinarian

"This has been in the planning for about eight years," school spokesman Rene Henry said Monday. "It's not new.

"The current site is more than 20 years old. It's new technology. It would have to be rebuilt anyway just to be state of the art. It's not only for the Bush Library. It needs to be rebuilt."

The dispute has become such a controversy that A&M President Ray Bowen and several of his top associates were scheduled to meet with Brushy Community representatives on Tuesday.

"The university's position is basically that the new technology certainly would control all of the odor and certainly all of the wastewater," Henry said.

"If we cannot assure them that that's the case, we'll certainly look at alternative sites," added Brian Johnson, who heads the school's animal science department. "We're not going to force it on them. We're working with them.

"We told them our intent is to work out an equitable solution to take care of our students and educational needs and at the same time not negatively impact their quality of life in their community."

Ms. Garland said she and other residents aren't convinced. Besides the smell, they're also worried about contamination of their water wells.

"I've been around A&M long enough to know that feces has got to go somewhere," Ms. Garland said.

Residents are writing letters of complaint to elected officials and to the Texas A&M Board of Regents, she said. They're also considering court action.

Henry said the new swine center would be home to about 700 to 750 pigs, most of them young little porkers. Once they start getting fat, they'd be moved to another existing research center.

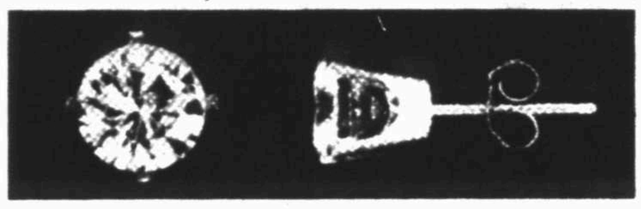
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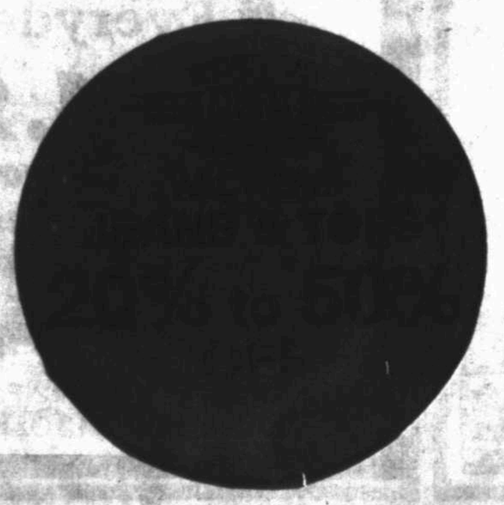
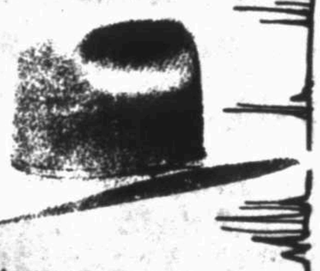
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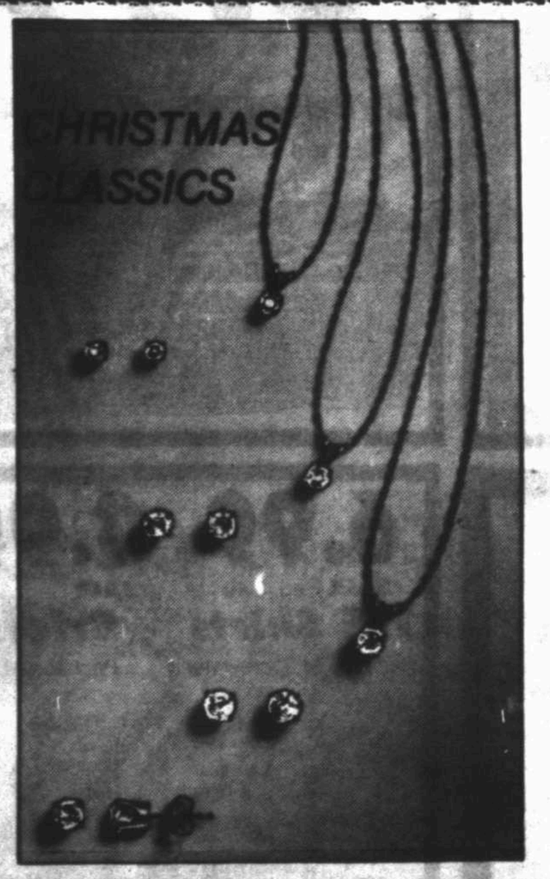
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TV Sports

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NCAA BASKETBALL — Arizona vs. Syracuse, 6:30 p.m., ESPN.

Oklahoma State vs. Arizona State, 8 p.m., HSE.

Alabama vs. Tulane, 8:30 p.m., ESPN.

North Carolina vs. Hawaii, 11 p.m., ESPN.

NBA — Suns vs. Rockets, 7 p.m., WTBS.

Bullets vs. Warriors, 9:30 p.m., WTBS.

Texas Scores

NBA — San Antonio Spurs 111, Denver Nuggets 97.

SWC MEN — Houston 83, McNeese State 76.

TCU 100, Middle Tennessee State 78.

SWC WOMEN — Texas Tech 68, Virginia Tech 47.

Lamar 73, Rice 69.

Texas 81, Vermont 57.

Oklahoma 89, TCU 70.

Penn State 105, Houston 58.

See SCOREBOARD/3C

Abilene gets team

ABILENE — The Texas-Louisiana league is growing again, this time bringing professional baseball to Abilene for the first time since 1957.

The Abilene Prairie Dogs were awarded a franchise Tuesday to begin playing next season in the independent minor league.

The new team will play their home games this summer at Abilene Christian University's Scott Field, which is being expanded to seat 4,000. The league has signed a five-year lease with the school.

Abilene hosted two "test" games in August. The two games drew more than 6,000 fans.

League president Byron Pierce said he is moving to Abilene to become the team's president and general manager.

"We're decentralizing our league office (in Dallas)," he said. "The league office will now be just an accounting and scheduling function."

Pierce said the team's field manager, who will be a former major league player, will be named in January.

Woe for last place

NEW YORK — Last-place teams in each NFL division, which used to get a somewhat softer schedule than others, will now play a schedule similar to their division opponents.

That is the main change in the new schedule format, released by the NFL on Thursday to accomodate the debuts of Carolina and Jacksonville next season.

Under the new format, the schedule for the first and second-place teams in each division will remain the same. But, the schedule for the next three teams will be accomodated to include fifth-place teams.

Under the old format, fifth-place teams played the other fifth-place team from its conference twice and had one game each against the fifth-place team from the other conference. Its other four non-divisional games were against the teams in the four-team conferences — the AFC Central and NFC West.

Now, each team in a division will have at least 11 common opponents each season.

Jacksonville will be in the AFC Central and Carolina in the NFC West next season, although the NFL will try to realign for future seasons.

Wimbledon set

NEW YORK — NBC and HBO have renewed their agreement with Wimbledon officials to continue televising the tennis tournament for the next five years, NBC said Wednesday.

The new agreement with the Committee of Management of The Championships gives exclusive U.S. rights to the two networks — NBC for broadcast, HBO for cable.

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Offensive woes hit 'Boys

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — A team usually needs a solid defense to get to the Super Bowl. But how do you get there with an offense that can't outscore its own defense?

This is the problem the defending Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys ponder as they come off a less-than-impressive Monday night victory over New Orleans and prepare for Saturday's game against the New York Giants at the Meadowlands.

The Cowboys returned two interceptions for touchdowns to beat the Saints 24-16. Two weeks ago, Dallas needed a 94-yard interception return for a touchdown by Darren Woodson to knock off Philadelphia.

"We've got to get our offense going," Pro Bowl center Mark Stepnoski said. "The defense has been carrying this team. The offense isn't getting the job done. We'll never get to the Super Bowl playing like this."

Quarterback Troy Aikman missed two games with a sprained knee and the offense played well enough to get past Green Bay and Philadelphia.

Aikman returned against the Cleveland Browns, played poorly by his own admission, and Dallas lost 19-14. He threw two interceptions against the Saints and the offense accounted for only 10 points.

"I just feel so-so about the way I've played and the way the whole team has played," Aikman said. "We're going to have to play better in all phases of the game if we get to do what we want to do and that's win a third consecutive Super Bowl."

Offensive coordinator Ernie Zampese said, "We put some good drives together against the Saints. Now we need to put the whole offensive package together."

Complicating matters is the second hamstring injury of the season to running back Emmitt Smith. He suffered a right hamstring pull on Oct. 2 and pulled his left hamstring against New Orleans.

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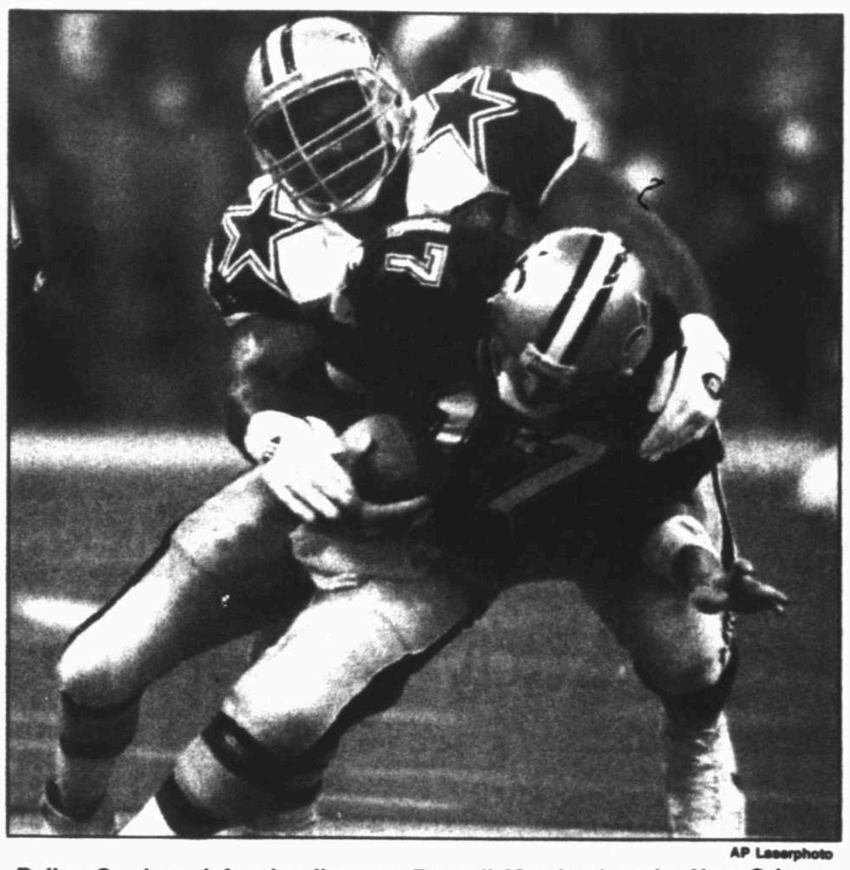
Aikman wants Smith to sit out

By Tom Canavan
AP Sports Writer

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Troy Aikman doesn't want Emmitt Smith to play against the New York Giants in the Dallas Cowboys' regular-season finale if the Pro Bowl running back is putting personal goals ahead of the team.

Smith, who pulled his left hamstring Monday night against New

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Dallas Cowboy defensive lineman Russell Maryland sacks New Orleans quarterback Jim Everett. The Dallas defense is carrying the team now.

From mediocre to awful

■ Washington has come up "Bulletless" since Chris Webber and Juwan Howard have joined the team.

By John Roll
Associated Press Writer

BALTIMORE — By adding former Michigan stars Chris Webber and Juwan Howard, the Washington Bullets hoped to end a decade of mediocrity. A month later, the Bullets are no longer mediocre; they're awful.

Hurt by a rash of injuries, poor rebounding and outside shooting, not to mention inexperience, the Bullets are 2-13 since Webber and Howard joined the team.

Bullets officials are asking for patience. Naturally.

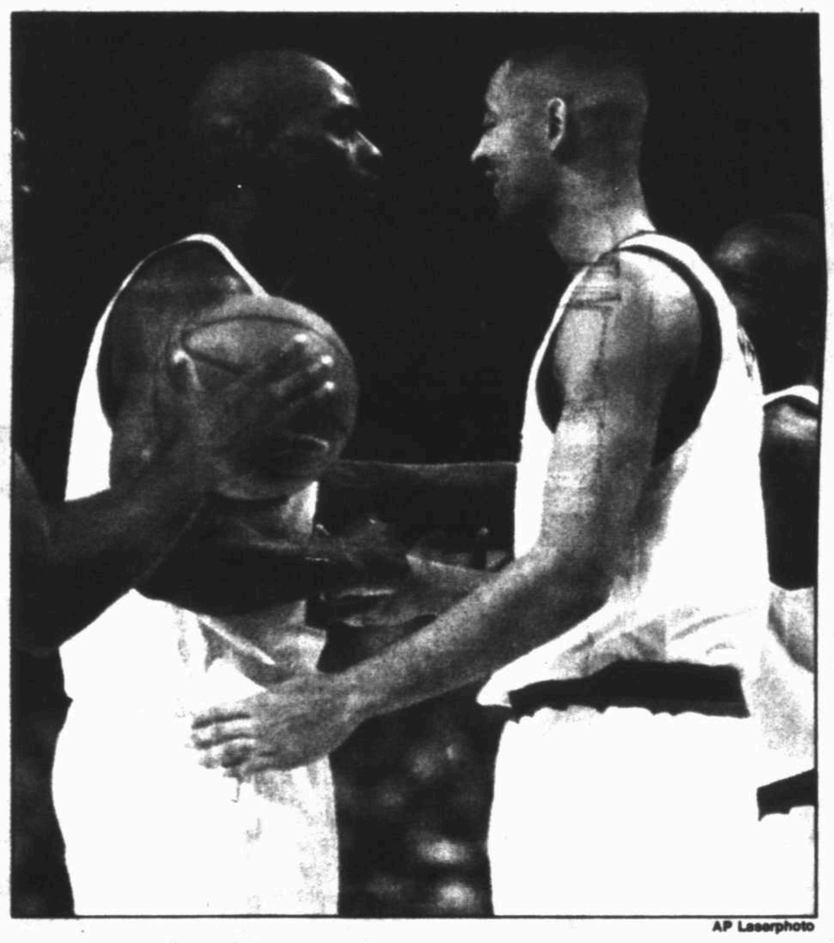
"It takes time to adjust. It doesn't happen overnight," Washington coach Jim Lynam said. "There were four teams that made big trades — Golden State, Washington, Atlanta and Miami — all have taken two steps back."

Webber, a power forward, was acquired from Golden State in a trade that sent Tom Gugliotta to the Warriors, along with the Bullets' first-round draft picks in 1996, 1998 and 2000.

Last year's NBA rookie of the year, Webber has been impressive at times, giving the Bullets a forceful presence near the basket they've lacked and leading the team in scoring with an 18.7 average.

However, his poor free-throw shooting probably has cost the team at least two wins, and his high-fiving, trash-talking style of play has drawn some criticism.

Webber shrugs it all off.



AP Laserphoto

Washington's Chris Webber, left, talks with teammate Juwan Howard during a recent NBA game. They have been a bust for the Bullets.

"My image has taken a beating, but everyone hated Barkley five or six years ago. But he hasn't changed. He's still Sir Charles, but he withstood the test of time. I'm just going to go out and let things play themselves out," Webber said.

Howard, the Bullets' 1994 first-round draft choice who signed the same day Webber was traded, has done everything the team could have hoped for on the boards and has held his own defensively. But he continues to struggle offensively and is shooting just .522 from the free-throw line.

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Colorado to consider Pac-10 bid

Associated Press

BOULDER, Colo. — Colorado officials say they will give serious consideration to an offer to leave the Big Eight and join the Pacific-10.

Colorado president Judith Albino said Tuesday the school "did not seek this invitation, either directly or indirectly, but we certainly owe our colleagues a seriously-considered reply, and over the coming weeks our athletic department will be analyzing the offer."

Colorado, which is scheduled to start play in an expanded Big 12 in 1996, has not been given a deadline for replying to the Pac-10 invitation.

Colorado athletic director Bill Marolt said factors against leaving the Big Eight include travel expenses, a relatively small sports program which lacks a baseball and swimming teams, and coverage problems for night events in the Pacific time zone.

"In spite of that, this is something we need to consider," Marolt said.

However, both Albino and Marolt said the Buffaloes remain "deeply involved in and committed to" the Big Eight, which will add Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Baylor in 1996.

Pac-10 commissioner Tom Hansen told the Rocky Mountain News on Tuesday that the conference's invitation to Colorado is not a last-ditch effort to lure the Buffs before Big 12 play begins.

"It's more than a closing move, although we do realize time is of the essence," Hansen said.

Texas also is reportedly a target for Pac-10 expansion, but Hansen said a formal invitation has not been extended to the Longhorns because a previous offer "has been on the table."

BILL PETITT

SWC stares at ghost of bowls past

All season long the Southwest Conference has been fighting for respectability. After beating upon one another during conference play, the four remaining teams participating in bowls can prove that the SWC is a tough league, despite two losses in league play.



Petitt

For the first time since 1986, the SWC is throwing four teams into the bowl fracas. In 1986, the league finished 1-3 with Baylor's 21-9 win over Colorado in the Bluebonnet Bowl, the only win. Texas A&M (Cotton), Texas Tech (Independence) and Arkansas (Orange) all lost that year in bowl games.

If history holds true to form, the SWC will have a tough time coming out of the postseason with a win in four tries.

Of the four bowl teams — Texas Tech, Texas, TCU and Baylor — only Baylor has a winning record in prior bowl games with an 8-7 record.

Independence Bowl: TCU 31, Virginia 20: The Horned Frogs enter the bowl with a surge of momentum after defeating Texas Tech in the season finale. They also have overcome any distraction caused by the near-departure of coach Pat Sullivan. The Horned Frogs are making their first bowl appearance since 1984 when TCU lost to another Virginia team, West Virginia, 31-10, in the Bluebonnet Bowl. TCU's offense is well balanced. It almost defeated another Atlantic Coast Conference team earlier in the year, Sun Bowl-bound North Carolina. It will be a clash between the Horned Frogs' offense that is ranked 19th in the nation with 415 yards per game against a Virginia defense that leads the nation against the run (53 yards per game) and is in the top five nationally in turnover margin.

Sun Bowl: Texas 45, North Carolina 38: It should be one of the more entertaining bowl games of the season. This is a rematch of the 1982 Sun Bowl when North Carolina defeated Texas 26-10. The Tar Heels are 2-0 against Texas in bowl games with wins in El Paso and Houston in the Bluebonnet Bowl. The series is tied 3-3 between the two teams. Texas is 16-16-2 in bowls games, but have won only two of its past nine bowls dating back to 1979. North Carolina brings a strong rushing game to the Sun Bowl with Leon Johnson. The Longhorns have had a habit of allowing running backs to have career games against them. Texas' new found offense should withstand the 'Heels.

Alamo Bowl: Washington State 20, Baylor 12: Historically, Baylor has been in defensive fights in bowl games. In the last six bowl games Baylor has played in, the combined score between the Bears and their opponents is 28 points per game. The Bears will put its running game against Washington State's rush defense which ranks third nationally, allowing just 74 yards per game. The Cougars are second in total defense with 229 yards per game and in scoring defense with 12.1 points per game.

Cotton Bowl: Southern Cal 36, Texas Tech 19: It's not that Teaxs Tech is a bad team, but USC has a tradition of being strong in bowl games. The Trojans are 23-13 in bowls game while Tech is just 4-14-1. The Red Raiders are 1-2 in bowl games with Spike Dykes at the helm while John Robinson is 5-1 in bowls at USC. The Trojans have former Euless Trinity runner Shawn Walters making his return to the state. He leads the team in rushing with 894 yards and 10 TDs. Both teams are ranked nationally in turnovers casued with USC sixth nationally and Tech eighth.

Season record 47-12.

Bill Petitt is a sports writer for the Reporter-Telegram

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Ceballos hot as Laker

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — The last four points were the hardest for exhausted Cedric Ceballos, as Los Angeles Laker teammates cajoled him into staying on the floor and kept feeding him the ball until he hit 50.

Ceballos averaged just 11.6 points per game over his first four NBA seasons as a Phoenix Suns reserve playing behind All-Stars Charles Barkley, Dan Majerle and Tom Chambers.

But since joining the Lakers this season, he has blossomed into the scoring leader of a revitalized team with 22.6 points per game. The Lakers now have a 14-8 record after a 108-95 victory over the Minnesota Timberwolves Tuesday night.

"The adrenaline was going, and I think that's what kind of got me worn out — the hype of getting 50 and trying to make a conscious effort to do it," Ceballos said. "It's really easy when you just get your points within the game, like I was doing with the first 46."

Ceballos would have been celebrating on the bench if it wasn't for his teammates urging him on, shouting "Fifty! Fifty!" in a timeout huddle with 2:23 remaining.

"Tony Smith came over to me and told me I can't come in the lockerroom unless I get 50. I had my clothes and my car keys in here, and I wanted to come in."

Before Tuesday night, the 25-year-old forward's biggest game in the NBA was 40 points.

"I was going to take him out, but the players asked me to leave him in the game," Coach Del Harris said. "He's not a go-to guy here. We don't run that many plays for him. That's not his ability. What he does is get open."

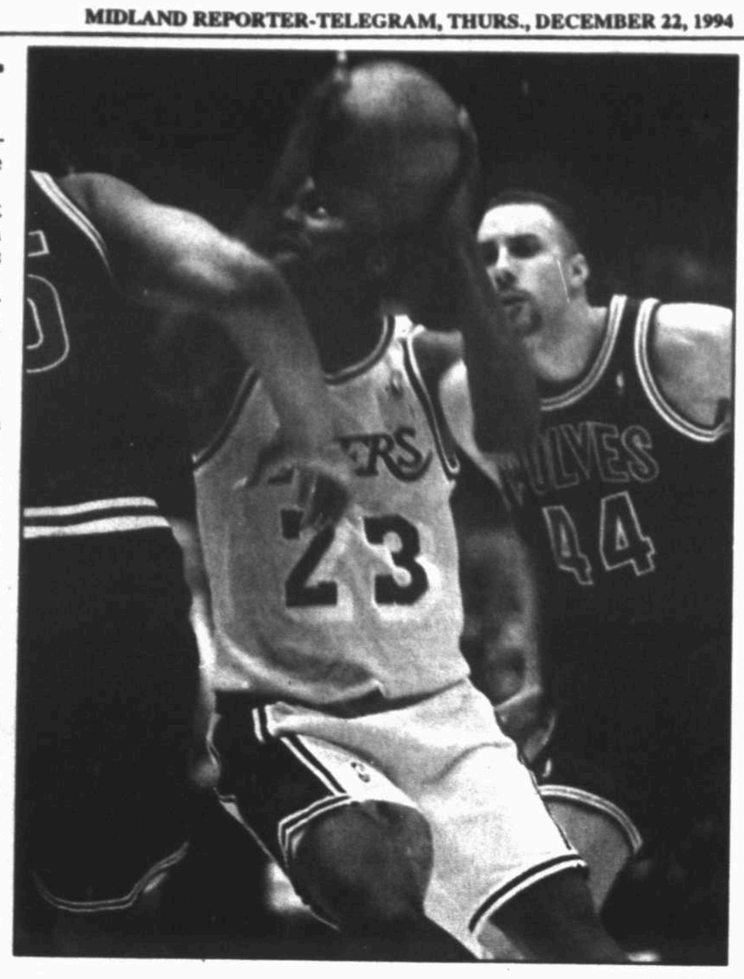
Harris could see both sides of a running-up-the-points issue.

"I think the Minnesota coach (Bill Blair) maybe didn't like it. But on the other hand, I'm sure there will be another night where he'll have to choose between me and his player. And I'm sure he'll pick his player every time," the Laker coach said.

Most of Ceballos' points came from in close, as he made 21 of his 31 shots from the field.

The crowd cheered each time Ceballos shot the ball, and booed when teammate Antonio Harvey shot an open 20-footer with about 20 second left. Minnesota rebounded and scored quickly. Then with Timberwolves defender Pat Durham nose-to-nose, Ceballos hit a final 3-pointer with 5.7 seconds left.

The other NBA players who scored 50 points this season are Philadelphia's Willie Burton (53) and Dallas teammates Jim Jackson and Jamal Mashburn (50 each).



AP Laserphoto

Laker Cedrick Ceballos scores on his way to a 50-point night against the Minnesota Timberwolves on Tuesday.

Jacksonville stuns Florida

Associated Press

■ Top 25 Roundup

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Kip Stone scored 24 points, nine in the final four minutes, and Jacksonville beat No. 8 Florida 68-67 Wednesday night.

Jacksonville led most of the game despite shooting only 39 percent from the free throw line and turning the ball over 21 times.

Jacksonville (5-2) opened up an eight-point lead four times in the second half, but Florida (5-2) came back behind guard Dan Cross and forward Andrew DeClercq. Cross and DeClercq scored 20 consecutive points, including all of a 10-0 run with less than 10 minutes to play, as Florida took a 50-57 lead.

But Stone answered the run with one of his own. The senior guard hit a driving layup, two free throws and a thunderous dunk over DeClercq to cap a 6-1 run that gave Jacksonville a lead it would not relinquish.

DeClercq finished with 28 points and 15 rebounds, while Cross added 26 points.

Jacksonville jumped out to a six-point lead midway through the first half.

Florida, despite shooting only 28 percent from the field in the first half, chipped away and, with DeClercq scoring on an offensive rebound at the 2:57 mark, took its first lead of the game.

But Stone got fouled while hitting a twisting layup the next time down the floor, and after the free throw, the Dolphins were back in command.

The loss snaps Florida's 15-game home winning streak that dated to the beginning of last season.

Both teams combined for 25 turnovers in the first half and 42 for the game.

Texas Southern 71, No. 16 Minnesota 50

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Granger scored 29 points for Texas Southern and Minnesota shot 29 percent from the field as the 16th-ranked Golden Gophers lost their third consecutive game.

Minnesota, which fell from 11th in the AP poll after an 82-75 defeat to California on Saturday, continued its slide against the feisty Tigers before a dumbfounded crowd at Williams Arena.

Reginald Whittaker added 15 points for Texas Southern (7-2), which won its fourth straight game.

In its previous two losses, Minnesota (6-3) had shot under 40 percent, but that paled compared to Wednesday night, when the Gophers shot 7-for-37 in the first half and 21-for-73 for the game.

No. 3 Arkansas 97, Florida A&M 57

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — It just seemed like Corliss Williamson made every shot.

Williamson, who played 23 minutes, scored 23 points in three Arkansas spurts as the third-ranked Razorbacks beat Florida A&M 97-57 Wednesday night.

Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson said Williamson is more fluid since he stopped lifting heavy weights.

Williamson, who made nine of 11 shots from the field, had eight points during a 21-4 run that put Arkansas ahead 73-41 with 12:50 to play. He scored 10 points in the first 5½ minutes as Arkansas opened a 12-0 lead and he had five during a 12-3 run late in the first half.

Arkansas (7-1) led by 21 at halftime, but the Rattlers (2-5) closed to 52-37 on Byron Coast's 3-pointer with 17:40 remaining.

No. 24 California 89, No. 13 Cincinnati 76

CINCINNATI — K.J. Roberts sparked California's second-half comeback as the 24th-ranked Golden Bears remained unbeaten with a victory over No. 13 Cincinnati.

California (6-0), off to its best start in 27 years, overcame an eight-point deficit for its second consecutive win over a ranked team. The Golden Bears beat then-No. 11 Minnesota 82-75 on Saturday.

Roberts hit a layup that erased the eight-point deficit and put California ahead to stay, 64-63 with 8:29 left. He also hit two free throws and drove the court for a layup that pushed the lead to 76-66 with five minutes left.

Cincinnati (7-3) never got closer than seven points the rest of the way.

Monty Buckley led California with 22 points, while Roberts added 16 and Jelani Gardner 14. Curtis Bostic and Danny Fortson led Cincinnati with 18 apiece.

Tech's Lady Raiders rout Virginia Tech

Associated Press

■ SWC Roundup

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Connie Robinson scored 15 points and tournament MVP Michi Atkins added 12 Wednesday night as No. 11 Texas Tech beat Virginia Tech 68-47 in the championship game of the San Juan Shootout.

The victory was the eighth in a row for the Lady Raiders (11-2), who shot 54.5 percent from the field (30-for-55), the first team this season to shoot better than 35.6 percent against the Hokies (6-3).

Texas Tech hit its first six shots of the game and finished 16-for-26 for the half in taking a 34-22 halftime lead. The Hokies opened the second half with a 7-2 run, but Robinson hit a jumper that started an 11-2 run for Texas Tech and the Lady Raiders went on to lead by as many as 25.

Jenny Root scored 18 points for Virginia Tech, which struggled against the Lady Raiders' zone, making 20 of 57 shots (35.1 percent).

Atkins finished with 40 points and 26 rebounds in the eight-team tournament played at American University.

No. 6 Penn St. 105, Houston 58

LAS VEGAS — Missy Masley led six Penn State players in double figures with a career-high 25 points and the sixth-ranked Nittany Lions routed Houston in the opening round of the Showboat Showdown.

Penn State (7-1) advanced to Thursday night's championship game against the winner of the second game between No. 19 George Washington and UNLV.

Houston (3-4) led 18-7 before the Nittany Lions scored 11 straight points, five by Masley, to take the lead for good, 33-20. Penn State led 56-26 at halftime.

The Lions' depth overwhelmed Houston, which shot 33 percent (20-for-59) from the field. It was Penn State's largest margin of victory this season, and the second time the Lions scored more than 100 points.

Stacey Johnson led Houston with 20 points and Rosheda Hopson added 18.

SWC MEN

TCU 100, Mid. Tenn. 78

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — Kurt Thomas scored 39 points and pulled down 16 rebounds to help Texas Christian beat Middle Tennessee State.

Trailing 63-47, Ronnie Bailey completed a 3-point play to start the Blue Raiders on a 27-17 run that pulled them within 80-74.

But Jeff Jacobs answered with a jumper to start Texas Christian on a 20-4 run that ended with the final margin at 100-78.

Juan Bragg scored 20 points for Texas Christian, Michael Thoele contributed 14, and Dennis Davis 11.

Tim Gaither led Middle Tennessee with 21 points, Bobby Clark 14, David Washington 13, and Ronnie Bailey 10.

Houston 83, McNeese St. 76

HOUSTON — Tim Moore scored 26 points, grabbed 11 rebounds and blocked a shot that would have tied the score late in the game as Houston held off McNeese State.

Moore blocked a layup by Paul Curtis with 2:37 left and Houston (3-5) leading 76-74. The Cougars then hit seven straight free throws to put the game away.

Damon Jones added 12 points and Tommy Davis and Kirk Ford each had 11 for the Cougars.

Alvydas Pazdrazdis paced the Cowboys (2-4) with 18 points.

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Chicago	11	12	.478	4½
Atlanta	10	14	.417	6
Detroit	9	13	.409	6
Milwaukee	7	16	.304	8½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	17	8	.680	—
Houston	13	8	.619	2
Dallas	12	8	.600	2½
Denver	12	9	.571	3
San Antonio	11	9	.550	3½
Minnesota	5	18	.217	11
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	18	5	.783	—
Seattle	15	7	.682	2½
L.A. Lakers	14	8	.636	3½
Sacramento	12	10	.545	5½
Portland	11	10	.524	6
Golden State	8	15	.348	10
L.A. Clippers	3	20	.130	15

Tuesday's Games
Utah 91, Philadelphia 88
Charlotte 99, Indiana 95
Atlanta 115, Milwaukee 97
New Jersey 85, New York 83
Orlando 108, Portland 104
Seattle 110, L.A. Clippers 79
L.A. Lakers 108, Minnesota 95
Dallas 110, Golden State 107
Sacramento 105, Washington 102
Wednesday's Games
Late Games Not Included
New Jersey 117, Detroit 99
Miami 122, Milwaukee 112, 2OT
Indiana 107, Chicago 99
San Antonio at Denver, (n)
Orlando at L.A. Clippers, (n)
Thursday's Games
Cleveland at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
Utah at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Washington at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

Spurs 111, Nuggets 97

SAN ANTONIO (111)
Reid 2-6 0-0 4, Elliott 3-9 5-6 13, Robinson 9-16 16-18 34, Johnson 6-12 7-7 19, Del Negro 7-13 5-5 20, Person 3-8 0-0 9, Rodman 4-5 0-0 8, Whitney 1-1 0-0 2, Cummings 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 36-73 33-36 111.
DENVER (97)
R.Williams 4-12 6-8 14, Rogers 5-9 2-3 13, Mutombo 5-7 1-2 11, Pack 2-8 4-4 10, Stith 3-8 3-3 9, B.Williams 4-5 1-3 9, Abdul-Rauf 8-15 3-3 21, Ellis 1-3 2-2 4, Rose 0-0 2-2 2, Hammonds 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 34-72 24-30 97.

San Antonio	26	26	39	20—111
Denver	22	34	29	12— 97

3-Point goals—San Antonio 6-10 (Person 3-6, Elliott 2-2, Del Negro 1-2), Denver 5-17 (Pack 2-2, Abdul-Rauf 2-5, Rogers 1-5, R.Williams 0-5). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 44 (Rodman 14), Denver 40 (Mutombo 7). Assists—San Antonio 26 (Johnson 12), Denver 18 (Pack 6). Total fouls—San Antonio 25, Denver 30. Technicals—Mutombo, Denver illegal defense 2, San Antonio illegal defense. A—17,171.

Pacers 107, Bulls 99

CHICAGO (99)
Kukoc 11-19 2-2 24, Simpkins 4-9 1-2 9, Perdue 4-6 1-2 9, Armstrong 11-22 3-4 27, Harper 6-11 3-5 15, Blount 0-3 2-2 2, Buechler 1-2 1-2 3, Kerr 1-3 0-0 2, Wennington 3-5 2-2 8, Myers 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 41-83 15-21 99.
INDIANA (107)
D.Davis 4-8 4-4 12, McKey 5-9 5-5 16, Smits 9-12 7-9 25, Jackson 2-5 2-2 7, Miller 4-12 8-8 18, Workman 6-10 4-4 19, Thompson 0-1 0-0 0, Scott 0-1 0-0 0, Ferrell 0-2 2-2 2, Williams 2-3 0-0 4, Fleming 0-1 0-0 0, Mitchell 2-2 0-0 4.Totals 34-66 32-34 107.

Chicago	33	19	25	22— 99
Indiana	25	26	32	24—107

3-Point goals—Chicago 2-10 (Armstrong 2-4, Kukoc 0-1, Kerr 0-1, Myers 0-1, Harper 0-3), Indiana 7-12 (Workman 3-3, Miller 2-5, McKey 1-1, Jackson 1-2, Fleming 0-1). Fouled out—Perdue. Rebounds—Chicago 44 (Kukoc, Wennington 9), Indiana 38 (D.Davis 11). Assists—Chicago 26 (Kukoc 7), Indiana 19 (Jackson 6). Total fouls—Chicago 28, Indiana 22. A—16,572.

Nets 117, Pistons 99

DETROIT (99)
Mills 10-18 0-2 25, Hill 6-19 11-13 23, Lecknor 3-4 2-2 8, Dawkins 5-10 2-2 12, Houston 2-12 3-4 7, Addison 0-4 3-4 3, Macon 2-5 4-4 8, Curley 3-6 1-2 7, Bond 1-5 1-2 3, Newbill 0-1 3-6 3. Totals 32-84 30-41 99.
NEW JERSEY (117)
Brown 0-7 0-0 0, Gilliam 11-13 5-6 27, Benjamin 7-10 4-6 18, Walters 1-6 2-2 5, Anderson 2-7 6-9 11, Williams 1-4 0-0 2, Floyd 1-4 5-8 7, Morris 8-11 1-1 22, Mahorn 4-4 1-1 10, Higgins 2-5 8-8 13, Schintzius 1-3 0-0 2.Totals 38-74 32-41 117.

Detroit	31	27	22	19— 99
New Jersey	23	39	28	27—117

3-Point goals—Detroit 5-15 (Mills 5-7, Hill 0-1, Macon 0-1, Bond 0-1, Dawkins 0-2, Houston 0-3), New Jersey 9-18 (Morris 5-7, Mahorn 1-1, Higgins 1-1, Anderson 1-3, Walters 1-4, Floyd 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 47 (Lecknor 9), New Jersey 61 (Brown 9). Assists—Detroit 18 (Hill, Dawkins 6), New Jersey 33 (Anderson 17). Total fouls—Detroit 27, New Jersey 27. Technicals—Higgins, Walters 2, Bond, Detroit illegal defense. Ejection—Walters. A—11,380.

Heat 122, Bucks 112

MILWAUKEE (112)
Baker 10-21 6-7 26, Robinson 7-21 6-8 21, Lister 2-3 1-2 5, Day 7-15 6-8 25, Mayberry 1-3 0-0 3, Conlon 0-2 0-0 0, Newman 6-11 0-0 13, Pinckney 2-3 0-0 4, Murdock 4-15 5-6 15, Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-94 24-31 112.
MIAMI (122)
Rice 9-20 8-8 30, Willis 11-16 7-9 29, Geiger 4-7 0-2 8, Coles 7-20 8-11 22, Owens 5-8 5-5 15, Salley 3-5 2-2 8, Gamble 3-7 4-6 10, Reeves 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 42-84 34-43 122.

Milwaukee	23	26	24	19 8 12— 112
Miami	35	16	21	20 8 22—122

3-Point goals—Milwaukee 10-25 (Day 5-9, Murdock 2-4, Newman 1-4, Mayberry 1-2, Robinson 1-6), Miami 4-11 (Rice 4-8, Gamble 0-2, Coles 0-1). Fouled out—Baker, Day, Rice, Willis. Rebounds—Milwaukee 48 (Baker 13), Miami 65 (Willis 24). Assists—Milwaukee 17 (Murdock 8), Miami 25 (Coles 9). Total fouls—Milwaukee 36, Miami 28. Technicals—Lister, Day, Willis, Milwaukee illegal defense 5, Miami illegal defense 5. A—14,402.

Transactions

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BASEBALL
American League
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Signed David Lynch, pitcher, to a minor-league contract.
SEATTLE MARINERS—Agreed to terms with Jay Buhner, outfielder, on a three-year contract. Placed Eric Anthony, outfielder, on waivers for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.
National League
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed Dave Hollins, third baseman, to a one-year contract.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Signed Rob Leary, first baseman, to a minor-league contract.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Announced the sale of the team from Tom Werner to John Moores.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS—Placed Chuck Smith, defensive end, on injured reserve. Signed Dunstan Anderson, defensive end.
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Placed Steve Broussard, running back, and Eric Moore, offensive tackle, on injured reserve. Acquired Derek Ware, tight end, off waivers from the Arizona Cardinals and Lamont Hollinquest, linebacker, off waivers from the Washington Redskins.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed Dion Lambert and Del Speer, safeties. Placed Rick Mirer, quarterback, and Duane Bickett, linebacker, on injured reserve.
ARENA FOOTBALL
CHARLOTTE RAGE—Named David DeSpain vice president.
HOCKEY
International Hockey League
CHICAGO WOLVES—Released Joe Crowley, left wing. Returned Grant Sjerven, goaltender, to Richmond of the East Coast Hockey League.
DETROIT VIPERS—Signed Kevin Malgunas, right wing, and Clark Polglase, defenseman, to tryout contracts. Released Maxim Michailovsky, goaltender. Placed Joe Day, center, on injured reserve.
COLLEGE
FRESNO STATE—Extended the contract of Jim Sweeney, football coach, through 2000.
LSU—Suspended David Bosley, guard, and Misha Mutavdzic, center, for one game for violating an NCAA rule by participating in a pickup basketball game last summer in West Virginia.
MARYLAND—Announced that Kevin Foley, sophomore quarterback, is leaving the school.
MICHIGAN STATE—Announced that Morris Watts, assistant head football coach, will be retained as an administrative assistant for the football team.
MINNESOTA—Named Jim Zorn quarterbacks coach.
SOUTH FLORIDA—Named Leslie Kanter softball coach.

Ski Report

ROCKIES
New Mexico
Angel Fire — packed powder 18-24 base 27 trails 6 of 6 lifts 40% open sm
Red River — packed powder 17-40 base 44 trails 6 of 7 lifts 80% open sm
Sandia Peak — machine groomed 16-18 base 2 trails 2 of 7 lifts 9a-4p
Santa Fe — machine groomed 53 base 36 trails 6 of 7 lifts 99% open
Sipapu — machine groomed 42 base 2 trails 1 of 3 lifts sm 9a-4p
Ski Apache — packed powder 22 base 51 trails 10 of 10 lifts
Ski Rio — packed powder 39 base 62 trails 3 of 3 lifts sm
Snow Canyon — machine groomed 1 of 2 lifts
Taos — packed powder 57 base 72 trails 11 of 11 lifts 100% open sm
Colorado
Arapahoe Basin — packed powder 25-27 base 3 of 5 lifts
Arrowhead — packed powder 18-20 base 13 trails 2 of 2 lifts 80% open sm
Aspen Highlands — packed powder 34-40 base 81 trails 8 of 9 lifts 93% open
Aspen Mountain — packed powder 33-34 base 75 trails 8 of 8 lifts 97% open
Beaver Creek — packed powder 23-36 base 8 of 10 lifts 96% open sm xc:32km
Breckenridge — packed powder 26-32 base 16 of 17 lifts
Copper Mtn. — packed powder 23 base 60 trails 15 of 19 lifts 58% open xc:24km
Crested Butte — packed powder 29-50 base 10 of 13 lifts
Eldora — packed powder 23 base 9 of 9 lifts 9a-4p
Keystone — packed powder 24-27 base 15 of 19 lifts sm
Loveland — packed powder 21-22 base 25 trails 5 of 10 lifts 40% open 9a-4p
Monarch — packed powder 44-45 base 51 trails 4 of 4 lifts 92% open 9a-4p
Powderhorn — packed powder 31 base 3 of 4 lifts
Purgatory — packed powder 44 base 9 of 9 lifts 100% open 9a-4p xc:16km
Silvercreek — packed powder 18 base 2 of 5 lifts 9a-4p
Ski Cooper — packed powder 21-22 base 26 trails 3 of 4 lifts 100% open 9a-4p xc:24km
Ski Sunlight — powder 28-36 base 4 of 4 lifts
Snowmass — packed powder 29-44 base 66 trails 14 of 16 lifts 88% open
Steamboat — packed powder 32-41 base 98 trails 20 of 20 lifts xc:30km
Telluride — packed powder 34-42 base 10 of 10 lifts 96% open
Tiehack — packed powder 26 base 36 trails 7 of 7 lifts 93% open
Vail — packed powder 24-33 base 75 trails 25 of 25 lifts 92% open sm xc:12km
Winter Park — packed powder 33-34 base 92 trails 20 of 20 lifts 76% open
Wolf Creek — powder 67-68 base 6 of 6 lifts 100% open 10a-3:45p
Montana
Big Sky Ski — packed powder 43-65 base 60 trails 12 of 12 lifts 100% open 9a-4p xc:75km
Bridger Bowl — packed powder 45-62 base 51 trails 5 of 6 lifts 100% open 9a-4p
Discovery — packed powder 30-50 base 34 trails 5 of 5 lifts 9:30a-4p
Great Divide — packed powder 12-30 base 25 trails 3 of 3 lifts sm 9a-4p
Lost Trail Powder Mtn. — Operates Thu-Sun 100%
Maverick Mtn. — Operates wknds only
Montana Snowbowl — 2 new powder 24-54 base 95% open 9:30a-4p
Red Lodge Mtn. — machine groomed 38-42 base 35 trails of 6 lifts 100% open sm 9a-4p
Rocky Mtn Hi — Operates Fri-Sun
Showdown — packed powder 23-27 base 4 of 4 lifts 95% open
The Big Mountain — 2 new packed powder 25-67 base 6 of 9 lifts 100% open 9a-4:30p xc:10km
Utah
Alta — packed powder 71 base 8 of 8 lifts 95% open
Beaver Mtn. — packed powder 49 base 2 of 3 lifts
Brian Head — packed powder 55 base 53 trails 6 of 6 lifts 100% open sm 9a-10p xc:open
Brighton — packed powder 68 base 64 trails 6 of 7 lifts 100% open 9a-9p
Deer Valley — packed powder 63 base 66 trails 13 of 13 lifts 99% open sm 9a-4p
Elk Meadows — packed powder 56-61 base 28 trails 5 of 5 lifts 9a-4p
Nordic Valley Resort — packed powder 48 base 2 of 2 lifts
Park City — packed powder 59 base 89 trails 12 of 14 lifts 100% open sm 9a-4p
Powder Mtn. — powder 66 base 4 of 4 lifts
Snowbasin — packed powder 58 base 4 of 5 lifts 95% open
Snowbird — 1 new powder 64 base 7 of 8 lifts 95% open
Solitude — packed powder 65-70 base 60 trails 7 of 7 lifts 100% open 9a-4:30p xc:17km

College Basketball Results

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Adelphi 71, Stony Brook 61
Fairleigh Dickinson 69, Wright St. 67
Navy 83, Florida Atlantic 66
New Hampshire 74, Miami, Ohio 71
Pittsburgh 82, Vermont 60
Providence 85, Bryant 60
St. Francis, Pa. 77, Cent. Connecticut St. 58
SOUTH
E. Tennessee St. 88, Carson-Newman 82
Florida Southern 88, Lewis 77
Georgia 89, Winthrop 56
Jacksonville 68, Florida 67
Memphis 92, Nicholls St. 72
Tampa 74, Armstrong St. 66, 2OT
Tennessee Tech 89, Oral Roberts 85, OT
Texas Christian 100, Middle Tenn. 78
Va Commonwealth 76, Tennessee St. 67
Vanderbilt 81, Austin Peay 78, OT
W. Kentucky 82, E. Kentucky 77
MIDWEST
California 89, Cincinnati 76
Dayton 76, Furman 61
Indiana 89, Butler 66
Ky. Wesleyan 84, SIU-Edwardsville 80
Mankato St. 115, Minn.-Crookston 82
N. Illinois 70, Air Force 49
Nebraska 101, NE Illinois 61
Nebraska-Omaha 81, Doane 66
North Dakota 81, Bemidji St. 47
Texas Southern 71, Minnesota 50
Viterbo 89, Wis.-Oshkosh 86
W. Illinois 80, Northwestern 48
Xavier, Ohio 101, CS Northridge 65
SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 97, Florida A&M 57
Houston 83, McNeese St. 76
SW Texas St. 66, Ark.-Little Rock 65
Sam Houston St. 88, St. Edward's, Texas 64
Texas-El Paso 86, Seattle 61
FAR WEST
Boise St. 70, San Jose St. 61
New Mexico 76, Idaho 54
Weber St. 86, Brigham Young 74
UTEP 86, Seattle 61
TOURNAMENTS
McDonalds/D.A.R.E Classic
First Round
Westminster, Pa. 67, Mount Union 59
Muskingum College Christmas Tournament
First Round
Muskingum 81, Denison 72
UNO Classic
Championship
New Orleans 77, Northeastern 70
Third Place
Bradley 79, William & Mary 68

Women's Scores

EAST
Drexel 74, Hofstra 68, OT
James Madison 79, Robert Morris 55
St. John's 60, Boston College 58
Towson St. 91, Coppin St. 68
SOUTH
Campbell 64, N.C.-Wilmington 50
Duke 101, Charleston Southern 57
SE Louisiana 75, SW Louisiana 70
Va. Commonwealth 70, Richmond 60
Wake Forest 90, Canisius 80
MIDWEST
Ball St. 74, NE Illinois 64
Butler 83, Cincinnati 56
E. Michigan 69, Chicago St. 44
Evansville 78, Cleveland St. 67
Kansas 84, DePaul 67
Illinois 70, Ill.-Chicago 56
Illinois St 75, Bowling Green 52
Madonna 64, Kalamazoo 39
Minn.-Duluth 67, Mich. Tech 60
Oakland, Mich. 104, Barry 45
Xavier, Ohio 76, Miami, Ohio 73
SOUTHWEST
Lamar 73, Rice 69
Oklahoma 89, Texas Christian 70
UC Irvine 84, North Texas 80
FAR WEST
Seattle Pacific 83, San Francisco St. 63
TOURNAMENTS
Coastal Carolina Holiday Tournament
Consolation Bracket
W. Michigan 74, Coll. of Charleston 64
Championship
North Carolina 106, E. Tennessee St. 72
Northern Lights Tournament
Seventh Place
Georgia Tech 86, Army 51
Fifth Place
William & Mary 67, Alaska-Anchorage 60
San Juan Shootout
Consolation Bracket
Michigan St. 82, Florida St. 69
S. Illinois 71, Detroit 70
Third Place
Oklahoma St. 62, Old Dominion 59
Championship
Texas Tech 68, Virginia Tech 47
UNLV Showboat Shootout
First Round
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Top 25 Boxes

Arkansas 97, Fla.A&M 57

FLORIDA A&M (2-5)
Black 3-6 0-0 7, Wilson 0-1 0-0 0, Smith 4-12 0-0 8, Mapp 1-5 0-0 2, Coast 6-18 0-0 15, Walton 2-7 0-0 6, Davis 4-9 1-2 10, Martin 2-3 1-2 5, Lovett 2-2 0-0 4, Owens 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 24-64 2-4 57.
ARKANSAS (7-1)
Stewart 6-10 1-2 14, Williamson 9-11 5-6 23, Thurman 4-6 0-0 12, McDaniel 6-10 1-2 13, Beck 1-4 4-5 6, Robinson 1-9 0-2 4, Wilson 2-4 0-2 4, Dillard 2-5 0-0 6, Martin 0-1 0-0 0, Garrett 2-5 0-0 4, Rimac 1-4 0-0 3, Reed 1-1 0-0 2, Williams 3-4 1-2 7. Totals 38-75 12-21 97.
Halftime—Arkansas 49, Florida A&M 28. 3-point goals—Florida A&M 7-22 (Coast 3-9, Walton 2-4, Davis 1-4, Black 1-4, Mapp 0-1), Arkansas 9-20 (Thurman 4-5, Dillard 2-5, Robinson 1-1, Rimac 1-3, Stewart 1-3, McDaniel 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Florida A&M 41 (Smith 11), Arkansas 41 (Stewart, Wiliamson, Robinson, Wilson 6). Assists—Florida A&M 11 (Coast 5), Arkansas 26 (Beck 5). Total fouls—Florida A&M 15, Arkansas 11. A—20,018.

Jacksonville 68, Fla. 67

JACKSONVILLE (5-2)
McClary 7-13 1-3 15, Ross 2-2 0-2 4, Fisher 4-8 1-3 10, Stone 8-17 6-11 24, Malloy 4-13 0-0 12, Livingston 0-1 0-2 0, Johnson 1-2 1-2 3, Brown 0-1 0-0 0, Martin 0-1 0-0 0, Krieger 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-58 9-23 68.
FLORIDA (5-2)
Anderson 0-2 1-2 1, Cross 9-22 6-11 26, Hill 0-5 0-0 0, Thompson 1-3 0-0 2, DeClercq 7-9 13-14 28, Mickens 2-5 2-2 6, Dyrkolbotn 1-3 0-0 2, G.Williams 0-2 2-2 2, D.Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Griffiths 0-0 0-0 0, L.Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-51 24-31 67.
Halftime—Jacksonville 25, Florida 24. 3-Point goals—Jacksonville 7-17 (Malloy 4-9, Stone 2-5, Fisher 1-1, McClary 0-1, Martin 0-1), Florida 3-10 (Cross 2-7, DeClercq 1-1, Anderson 0-1, Hill 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Jacksonville 39 (Fisher 9), Florida 39 (DeClercq 15). Assists—Jacksonville 8 (Johnson 3), Florida 13 (Anderson, Cross 3). Total fouls—Jacksonville 24, Florida 22. A—9,571.

Texas Southern 71, Minnesota 50

TEXAS SOUTHERN (7-2)
Granger 8-18 12-12 29, Whittaker 5-12 2-2 15, Adams 2-7 0-0 6, Jones 1-5 2-2 4, Warren 2-4 0-2 4, Bolden 1-2 3-4 5, Ray 2-3 1-1 5, Brotherton 1-1 0-0 3, Humphrey 0-3 0-0 0, Maura 0-0 0-0 0, Vidrine 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-55 20-23 71.
MINNESOTA (0-3)
Orr 4-13 2-2 11, Walton 5-13 0-0 10, Kolander 3-7 0-0 6, Lenard 1-8 1-2 3, Winter 2-4 0-0 4, Whaley 2-5 1-2 6, Grim 1-7 0-0 3, Wolf 1-5 0-0 3, Jacobson 1-5 0-1 2, Harris 1-3 0-0 2, Thomas 0-4 0-0 0, Watkins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-74 4-7 50.
Halftime—Texas Southern 29, Minnesota 14. 3-Point goals—Texas Southern 7-22 (Whittaker 3-7, Adams 2-6, Brotherton 1-1, Granger 1-4, Bolden 0-1, Jones 0-1, Humphrey 0-2), Minnesota 4-26 (Whaley 1-2, Wolf 1-4, Grim 1-6, Orr 1-7, Jacobson 0-1, Harris 0-1, Lenard 0-5). Fouled out—none. Rebounds—Texas Southern 49 (Granger 11), Minnesota 40 (Walton 10). Assists—Texas Southern 13 (Granger 4), Minnesota 15 (Lenard, Harris 3). A—13,168

Cal 89, Cincinnati 76

CALIFORNIA (6-0)
Buckley 7-12 6-11 22, Grigsby 3-3 3-5 9, Jamison 2-4 1-1 5, Roberts 5-9 4-6 16, Duck 2-7 3-4 8, Marks 0-2 0-0 0, Gardner 4-7 5-8 14, Fowlkes 2-6 3-5 7, Stewart 0-1 1-4 1, Gonzalez 2-3 3-5 7. Totals 27-54 29-49 89.
CINCINNATI (7-3)
Bostic 6-9 5-7 18, Jacobs 0-0 1-2 1, Long 2-4 0-0 4, LeGree 3-6 3-4 9, Durden 2-14 2-6 7, Gregor 1-2 0-0 2, Fortson 6-12 6-8 18, Burton 3-7 0-0 8, Flint 2-5 0-1 6, Brannen 0-1 3-4 3. Totals 25-60 20-32 76.
Halftime—California 45, Cincinnati 38. 3-point goals—California 6-17 (Buckley 2-6, Roberts 2-6, Duck 1-2, Gardner 1-2, Fowlkes 0-1), Cincinnati 6-21 (Flint 2-4, Burton 2-6, Bostic 1-2, Durden 1-8, LeGree 0-1). Fouled out—Long. Rebounds—California 35 (Buckley, Grigsby 6), Cincinnati 38 (Fortson 9). Assists—California 8 (Gardner 3), Cincinnati 10 (Long 3). Total fouls—California 24, Cincinnati 31. Tecnhicals—Bostic, Gonzalez. A—13,176.

SWC Men

TCU 100, Mid.Tenn. 78

TCU (5-2) (100)
Thoele 5-7 1-2 14, Davis 4-6 3-4 11, Thomas 13-19 12-15 39, Jacobs 2-6 1-2 6, Bragg 8-17 3-3 20, Turner 1-2 1-2 4, Jeans 0-1 0-0 0, Penny 0-2 2-2 2, Waits 1-1 2-2 4, Richards 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 34-64 25-32 100.
MID.TENN. (4-1) (78)
Washington 2-5 1-5 5, Clark 5-9 4-8 14, Driskill 2-7 3-3 7, Gaither 6-20 9-9 21, Bailey 4-12 1-1 10, Washington 6-12 1-2 13, Goodloe 1-4 0-0 2, Hardin 1-1 0-0 2, Lovett 1-4 0-0 2, Wampler 1-1 0-1 2, Secrest 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 29-76 19-29 78.
Halftime—TCU 50, Mid. Tenn. 40. 3-point goals—TCU 7-16 (Thoele 3-5, Thomas 1-2, Jacobs 1-3, Bragg 1-4, Turner 1-2), Mid.Tenn. 1-10 (Washington 0-1, Driskill 0-1, Gaither 0-4, Bailey 1-2, Lovett 0-2). Fouled out— None. Rebounds—TCU 42 (Thomas 16), Mid.Tenn. 43 (Washington 7). Assists—TCU 23 (Bragg 9), Mid.Tenn. 17 (Gaither 8). Total fouls—TCU 24, Mid.Tenn. 25. Technicals—MTSU coach. A—2,500.

Houston 83, McNeese St. 76

McNeese St. (2-6)
Boudreaux 2-8 0-0 4, Pazdrazdis 7-19 1-5 18, Wordlaw 4-12 2-4 14, Curtis 2-7 0-3 4, DeGruy 0-1 0-0 0, Mumford 4-9 1-4 9, Flournay 4-9 7-9 15, Klein 4-9 0-0 12, Lewis 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-74 11-25 76.
Houston (3-5)
Moore 8-9 8-9 26, Ford 2-4 7-8 11, Johnson 1-2 2-2 4, Davis 3-4 4-4 11, Jones 4-14 1-2 12, Evans 0-2 7-9 7, Robinson 1-3 2-2 4, Drain 2-8 0-0 5, Byrd 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 22-49 31-36 83.
Halftime—Houston 52, McNeese St. 41. 3-Point goals—McNeese St. 11-33 (Boudreaux 0-1, Pazdrazdis 3-11, Wordlaw 4-12, Curtis 0-2, Klein 4-7), Houston 8-23 (Moore 2-2, Davis 1-1, Jones 3-10, Evans 0-2, Drain 1-6, Byrd 1-2). Fouled out—Flournay. Rebounds—McNeese St. 32 (Pazdrazdis, Flournay 7), Houston 55 (Moore 11). Assists—McNeese St. 19 (Curtis 7), Houston 13 (Davis 6). Total fouls—McNeese St. 24, Houston 20. Technicals—Mumford. A—2,211.

SWC Women

Texas Tech 68, V.Tech 47

TEXAS TECH (11-2)
Cockerell 0-0 0-2 0, Heath 2-2 0-0 4, Walker 0-1 0-0 0, Johnson 4-11 0-0 11, Boles 0-0 0-0 0, Robinson 7-9 1-2 15, Parker 0-1 0-0 0, Sumrall 0-0 0-0 0, Truesdale 6-11 2-3 14, Thomas 2-5 2-2 6, Thompson 1-2 0-1 2, White 2-5 0-2 4, Atkins 6-8 0-0 12. Totals 30-55 5-12 68.
VIRGINIA TECH (6-3)
Garland 1-1 0-0 2, Banks 0-6 0-0 0, Hollister 0-0 0-0 0, Maitland 0-0 0-0 0 Gray 0-0 0-0 0, Carter 0-4 0-0 0, Molley 0-1 0-0 0, Osborne 5-16 0-0 12, Lee 1-1 0-0 2, Leftwich 1-8 1-2 3, Donnell 4-6 2-2 10, Root 8-14 2-4 18, Melton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-57 5-8 47.
Halftime—Texas Tech 39, Virginia Tech 33. 3-Point goals—Texas Tech 3-10 (Johnson 3-8, Parker 0-1, Thomas 0-1), Virginia Tech 2-11 (Osborne 2-5, Molley 0-1, Banks 0-2, Leftwich 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Texas Tech 29 (Robinson 5), Virginia Tech 25 (Root 6). Assists—Texas Tech 19 (Truesdale 6), Virginia Tech 14 (Leftwich 6). Total fouls—Texas Tech 11, Virginia Tech 16. A—NA.

Penn St. 105, Houston 58

HOUSTON (3-4)
Cooper 4-6 6-6 15, Jones 1-11 1-1 3, Hopson 7-12 4-8 18, Johnson 7-17 6-9 20, Rucker 0-3 0-0 0, Comeaux 0-5 0-0 0, Byars 0-3 0-2 0, Rodriguez 1-2 0-1 2, Hill 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-59 17-27 00.
PENN ST. (7-1)
Longworth 6-12 2-2 18, Masley 10-16 5-5 25, Calhoun 4-6 3-3 11, Nicholson 4-7 0-0 11, Coleman 3-6 3-5 9, Macciocco 0-3 0-0 0, Parsons 2-4 0-0 5, Reimers 0-1 0-0 0, Thayer 4-7 0-0 10, Potthoff 6-8 0-0 12, Hrivnak 1-3 0-0 2, Jarosz 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 41-74 13-15 105.
Halftime—Penn St. 56, Houston 26. 3-Point goals—Houston 1-10 (Cooper 1-2, Johnson 0-1, Rucker 0-3, Comeaux 0-4), Penn St. 10-17 (Longworth 4-7, Nicholson 3-4, Thayer 2-3, Parsons 1-1, Macciocco 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Houston 30 (Hopson 8), Penn St. 50 (Masley, Potthoff 11). Assists—Houston 10 (Hopson, Johnson, Comeaux, Rodriguez 2), Penn St. 27 (Nicholson 14). Total fouls—Houston 18, Penn St. 20. A—100.

NFL Injury Report

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Football League injury report for this week as provided by the league:

Saturday

BUFFALO AT INDIANAPOLIS — Bills: WR Steve Tasker (arm) is out. T Corbin Lacina (foot) is questionable. WR Russell Copeland (knee), G John Davis (knee) are probable. Colts: DT Steve Emtman (neck), G Randy Dixon (ankle), T Zefross Moss (knee), DE FREDDIE Joe Nunn (arm), RB Ed Toner (knee) are out. RB Ronald Humphrey (groin) is questionable. T Cecil Gray (leg) is probable.

KANSAS CITY AT LOS ANGELES RAIDERS — Chiefs: RB Donnell Bennett (knee), DE Pellom McDaniels (shoulder) are out. TE Keith Cash (knee), LB George Jamison (foot), LB Tracy Rogers (hamstring) are questionable. TE Jimmie Johnson (arm), DE Neil Smith (thumb) are probable. Raiders: S Eddie Anderson (groin) is questionable. T Gerald Perry (concussion), CB James Trapp (groin), CB Lione Washington (leg) are probable.

NEW YORK JETS AT HOUSTON — Jets: TE James Thornton (hamstring) is out. DT Tony Casillas (sciatica) is doubtful. DE Kurt Barber (shoulder), T Jeff Criswell (groin), G Roger Duffy (ankle) are questionable. QB Boomer Esiason (concussion) is probable. Oilers: WR Reggie Brown (knee), QB Cody Carlson (knee) are out. DT Glenn Montgomery (knee) is doubtful. G-T Kevin Donnalley (knee), RB Le'shai Maston (ribs) are questionable.

PITTSBURGH AT SAN DIEGO — Steelers: TE Eric Green (knee), CB Rod Woodson (knee) are doubtful. DE Brentson Buckner (shin), LB Kevin Greene (back), LB Greg Lloyd (shoulder), RB JOHN L. Williams (groin) are questionable. WR Ernie Mills (elbow), RB Bam Morris (ankle), DE Ray Seals (elbow), NT Joel Steed (shoulder) are probable. Chargers: G Joe Cocozzo (foot), RB Natrone Means (knee) are questionable.

SEATTLE AT CLEVELAND — Seahawks: LB Duane Bickett (back), TE Ferrell Edmunds (back), QB Rick Mirer (thumb) are out. G Bill Hitchcock (back), CB Patrick Hunter (hamstring), S Dave McCloughan (ankle), WR Terrence Warren (knee) are doubtful. S Robert Blackmon (hamstring), LB David Brandon (groin/abdomen), S Forey Duckett (hamstring), DE Antonio Edwards (quadricep), T Mike Keim (hamstring) are questionable. Browns: LB Carl Banks (knee), RB Earnest Byner (leg), G Bob Dahl (knee), WR Michael Jackson (knee), LB Frank Stams (knee) are questionable.

ARIZONA AT ATLANTA — Cardinals: LB Wilber Marshall (ankle) is doubtful. WR Gary Clark (hamstring), QB Jay Schroeder (knee) are probable. Falcons: DE Chuck Smith (knee) is out. QB Jeff George (finger), DT Pierce Holt (ribs) are questionable. DE Chris Doleman (foot), CB D.j. Johnson (arm/shoulder), CB Darnell Walker (calf) are probable.

DALLAS AT NEW YORK GIANTS — Cowboys: RB Emmitt Smith (knee) is doubtful. RB Larry Brown (shoulder), DE Shante Carver (groin), S Brock Marion (rib), LB Matt Vanderbeek (hamstring) are questionable. QB Troy Aikman (knee), S Bill Bates (thumb), G Nate Newton (ankle), WR Michael Irvin (quadricep), RB Daryl Johnston (shoulder), LB Robert Jones (knee), DT Leon Lett (back), DT Russell Maryland (knee), LB Godfrey Myles (thumb), TE Jay Novacek (abdomen), LB Darin Smith (knee), T Mark Tuinei (toe), S Darren Woodson (shoulder), WR-KR Kevin Williams (knee/ankle) are probable. Giants: S Jesse Campbell (knee), LB Corey Miller (ankle), G William Roberts (hip) are questionable.

GREEN BAY AT TAMPA BAY — Packers: RB Marcus Wilson (hamstring) is out. TE Ed West (ankle) is questionable. WR Sterling Sharpe (neck), T Joe Sims (ankle) are probable. Buccaneers: DE Keith Powe (knee) is doubtful. S Thomas Everett (shoulder), LB Hardy Nickerson (wrist), CB Mike McGruder (hamstring), TE Dave Moore (shoulder) are questionable. G Ian Beckles (calf), T Paul Gruber (knee), CB Martin Mayhew (groin), RB Errict

Offensive linemen bulk up to catch eye of college recruiters

By Kevin Lonnquist and Kevin Lyons
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH — Shane Willems can fool most folks, for he is indeed a big guy in the average world, standing 6-foot-5 and weighing all of 270 pounds.

But he can't fool himself. While in Austin to watch the University of Texas-Colorado football game last Oct. 1, Willems came to terms with this sobering fact: He's not as big as he thought he was.

"I looked at all those guys and figured I'd better get on the ball as far as gaining weight is concerned for college football," said Willems, a Sam Houston offensive lineman considering Texas, Vanderbilt, Iowa and Colorado. "I knew I needed to work on my strength so that I wouldn't get thrown around too much."

Willems, like other select area linemen, doesn't need to add too much bulk. They are already bigger than their counterparts of 10 years ago.

In 1984, freshman offensive linemen at Texas A&M and at Texas averaged 255 pounds. In this, the year of the lineman in Fort Worth-Dallas, the area's top recruits average 270 pounds. Seventeen of the players on the Star-Telegrams' Area Top 50 recruiting list are linemen. Thirty-six of the Top 100 on the state list are linemen.

Said Arkansas line coach Charley North: "Nutrition and a much better developed off-season workout program are two factors for kids coming out as big as they are. The strength programs are far exceeding what we used to have in the past. These kids really get after it."

And the colleges know it. That's why Willems and hundreds of other statewide athletes will gladly play their roles in the recruiting game, where starry-eyed 17- and 18-year-olds take visits across the country shopping for their college of choice; where pushy athletic officials and concerned parents tussle over the importance of education and athletics; and, more importantly, where futures are born.

For area linemen, Feb. 8 (national letter-of-intent day) will mark the end of one struggle and the beginning of another. Once they are chosen for their potential to play big-time college football, they must gain the added size and strength to realize that potential.

"I've always been bigger than everyone else," said Martin's Ryan Newberry, a 6-3, 260-pounder thinking of attending Texas Tech, TCU or Oklahoma State. "But there's no doubt that I need to get more strength, and whomever I sign with will probably want me to be bigger."

What the colleges want

Good offensive linemen are particularly hard to find, said Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum.

Slocum places a priority on finding linemen with the potential to grow, move well on their feet, who have long arms for pass blocking and speed to pick up blitzing linebackers.

"When you see a receiver and know he can catch the football, then your selection process is a little easier," he said. "Offensive line is the most difficult position because you have to project what a player can become. He may weigh 235 pounds, but you have to determine if he can become 265 or 270 pounds and play at that weight."

But, many recruiters say, size is not everything.

"More and more of us are looking for the quicker athlete," said TCU linebackers coach Charlie Rizzo, who recruits Houston high schools. "The days of the big slug who can barely roll off the ball — those days are over.

"The bottom line is you never want to sacrifice size and strength. But I don't care if you can bench press a Volkswagen, if you can't get there, you can't hit 'em."

Programs generally recruit offensive linemen who are suited for their style of offense, and those who aren't ready for the program could be redshirted. Linemen such as Grapevine's Jim Plunk (6-5, 275), Haltom's Kelvin Garmon (6-3, 290) and Richland's Paul Harmon (6-7, 290) are aware of that possibility.

"I'd like to be redshirted, because then I would be able to develop in that school's weight-training program," said Plunk, being recruited by TCU, Arkansas, Oklahoma State, Tennessee and Texas A&M. "I can lose some of the weight I have and then build back up into muscle, so I can have better foot speed and agility."

Size, however, still remains attractive to recruiters.

New NCAA rules allowing linemen to use their hands more make the position even more valuable.

"They want guys with long arms," Rizzo said, "because you can keep defenders off of you. Like boxing, the longer your reach, the better. A kid 6-1 can only get so big before diminishing returns on size."

Sometimes, if the player has all the speed and size in the world, it's still not enough. Major colleges are becoming as demanding of intelligence, as new NCAA rules for participation require higher test scores and grades from incoming freshmen.

"Offenses are getting so complex, you've got to have some capacity to learn," Rizzo said. "That's one thing pros ask. Is he smart? What kind of work habits? There's no place to hide on the field academically."

What players are doing

To make themselves more attractive to major colleges, high school players have done their homework on how to get bigger, faster and stronger.

They know just pumping weights won't cut it anymore. And the use of steroids, which some coaches say have been used by high school athletes in the past, is a taboo. It has more do with the foods they eat and the exercises they do.

During the summer, Plunk went to a health-food store and loaded up on nutritious foods that would help him add muscle without adding fat.

Balanced with their exercise, recruits try to stay dedicated to their diets, which consist of such carbohydrates as rice, potatoes and red meat.

Willems says he tries to help himself every day to two or three plates of pasta with clam sauce and a salad.

"I've been accused of steroids, but anyone who knows me knows I don't do that stuff," Willems said. "I've tried some weight-gaining powders, and it didn't work. I make sure I get three meals a day and eat when I can."

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Robinson nails 34 for Spurs

Associated Press

DENVER — David Robinson scored 34 points, including 16 in the third quarter, and the San Antonio Spurs pulled away from the Denver Nuggets 111-97 Wednesday night for their fifth straight victory.

Robinson hit 16 of 18 free throws as the Spurs made 33 of 36 from the line.

San Antonio had a pair of 7-0 runs and another 8-0 spurt to take a 91-85 lead after three quarters. Early in the final period, the Spurs

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scored 9 straight points to go up 102-91. Robinson's two free throws started that flurry and two more finished it with 7:32 left.

Denver scored only 12 points in the final period, getting one basket in the final 6:16.

Vinny Del Negro added 20 points and Avery Johnson 19 for the Spurs, who also got 14 rebounds from Dennis Rodman.

Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf came off the bench to pace Denver with 21 points. Reggie Williams had 14 and Rodney Rogers 13.

Nets 117, Pistons 99

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Armon Gilliam, playing in place of the injured Derrick Coleman, scored a season-high 27 points and New Jersey limited Detroit to 10 baskets in the second half.

Chris Morris also added a season-high 22 points, Benoit Benjamin had 18 and Kenny Anderson added a season-high 17 assists and 11 points as the Nets won three in a row for the first time this season. The last two victories have been with Coleman sidelined with a lacerated hand.

Former Net Terry Mills had 25 points and rookie Grant Hill 23 as the injury-ravaged Pistons lost for the eighth time in 11 games. Detroit, which already had Mark West, Oliver Miller and Lindsey Hunter sidelined, was without guard Joe Dumars because of a sore achilles.

Gilliam, Morris and Benjamin combined to hit 26 of 34 shots from the field as New Jersey shot 51 percent from the field. Morris was 5 of 7 on 3-pointers.

With Mills scoring 16 points in the opening quarter, the Pistons jumped to a 31-23 lead. The Nets took the lead for good with a 39-point second quarter that featured a 29-12 spurt, with all but one point being scored by Morris, Gilliam and Benjamin.

New Jersey, which led by 4 points at the half, used a 13-6 spurt midway through the third quarter to build the lead to 10 and then blew things open scoring the first 13 points of the fourth quarter.

The Nets outrebounded Detroit 61-47 and had 12 blocks. The Pistons shot 25 percent in the second half, making 10 of 40. Hill was just 2 of 8 and Allan Houston 1 of 9.

Heat 122, Bucks 112, 2 OT

MIAMI — Bimbo Coles, who missed shots at the buzzer at the end of regulation and again in the first overtime, scored 10 of his 22 points in the second overtime to lead Miami over Milwaukee.

Coles scored 5 straight points for a 107-105 lead, but a 3-pointer by Glenn Robinson gave the Bucks a 108-107 advantage with 2:52 remaining.

Miami put the game out of reach by scoring the next 8 points, with four players, including Coles, scoring 2 apiece, to make it 117-108 at the 1:05 mark.

Coles added three free throws in the final minute.

Glen Rice had 30 points, while Kevin Willis added 29. Willis also contributed a season-high 24 rebounds, helping Miami claim a 57-39 advantage on the boards.

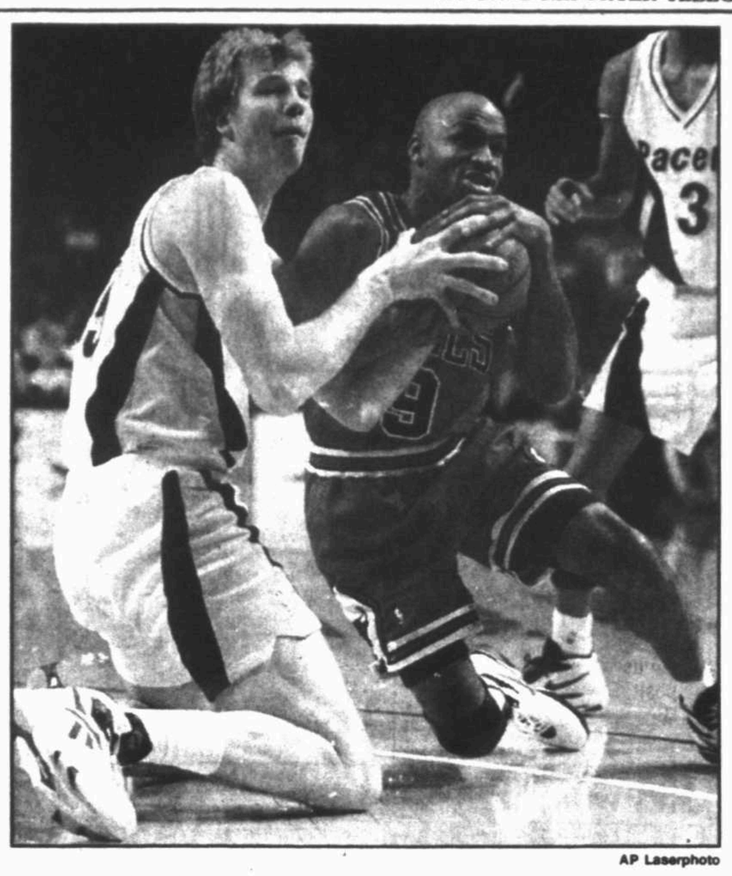
Vin Baker had 26, Todd Day 25 and Robinson 21 for Milwaukee, which has lost 13 of its last 15 games and nine in a row on the road.

Pacers 107, Bulls 99

INDIANAPOLIS — Sellout crowds and home victories are becoming a habit for the Indiana Pacers.

The Pacers extended their home winning streak to eight with a victory over Chicago before a sellout crowd of 16,572 — their sixth sellout in 10 games this year and matching their total for all of last season.

Rik Smits led five Pacers in double figures with 25 points.



AP Laserphoto

Indiana's Rik Smits, left, tries to call time out as he battles for the ball with Chicago's Ron Harper in Wednesday NBA action.

BULLETS: Trade has not clicked

(From 1C)

But the Bullets' current woes go well beyond the predictable problems of Webber and Howard adjusting to a new team, and, in Howard's case, a new league.

General manager John Nash said a rash of injuries in the last two weeks have set the team back. On Monday, four starters were sidelined for the game at Phoenix. Washing n was missing one starter Tuesday against the Sacramento Kings, a 105-102 loss, the team's seventh in a row.

"We knew when we made the trade it would be a while before we would get the team back to the same level of efficiency in terms of playing in unison," Nash said. "I think our biggest flaw right now is our lack of perimeter shooting."

Rex Chapman, in particular, has struggled from the outside. A season after he shot .498 from the field as one of the NBA's premier shooting guards, Chapman this season is shooting just 96-for-237 from the field, a .405 percentage.

The schedule-maker also hasn't been kind to the Bullets. The team is near the end of a 10-game stretch in which they play eight times on the road.

Despite the team's troubles, Nash isn't giving up hope for the rest of the season.

"The league this year is very, very competitive. An injury here or there can derail even the best of teams," Nash said. "In no way, shape or form, are we conceding this season."

"As the famous admiral said, 'We have not yet begun to fight.' "

Nelson wanted to keep Webber

More Sports/8C

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Even now, with Thursday night's bitter reunion looming, Donnie Nelson wonders how it all went so wrong between the Golden State Warriors and Chris Webber.

Webber returns to face Golden State for the first time since his Nov. 17 trade to Washington, a deal that fractured the Warriors, broke down the spirit and, some say, the health of their coach and hasn't done all that much good for the Bullets, at least in the short term.

"No matter what you hear, see or read, we didn't want to trade Chris Webber," said Nelson, the Warriors lead assistant who last week became interim coach in place of his ailing father, Don.

"Chris Webber was, in my father's mind, more important to this team than his position. That's why when you heard him say he'd be glad to resign if Webber stayed, that wasn't idle talk. But yeah, absolutely this took something out of him and definitely contributed to his condition."

The elder Nelson, released Sunday from the hospital after four days of treatment for viral pneumonia, is continuing his recuperation at home and is not expected back until the early part of next year.

Webber, rookie of the year last season on Golden State's 50-win team, has blamed the senior Nelson's abrasive coaching style for his wanting out of Oakland.

He said he has no regrets about leaving even if he hasn't realized immediate success and, in jabs at his former coach and Golden State fans, suggested Nelson's absence was deliberate and could care less about how the crowd at the game reacts to him.

"I just felt that Nelson was scared to look me in the eye for a long time because he knows he's done a lot of wrong things," Webber told reporters this week. "I'm not saying he isn't sick. I just knew he and I would never get a chance to meet face to face and I don't think we ever will. I wouldn't be surprised if he's not there when we play them in Washington (Jan. 26)."

Angered over fan and media depictions of him as the epitomy of a spoiled athlete, Webber added, "I don't care how I'm accepted out there. And if they think I'll get over the things that were said about me, they're wrong. It's too late to like me now. I have no forgiveness."

Warriors management has maintained Webber insisted on an "out clause" in his contract, which the club refused to do because of the risk of losing the player they were building the team around.

Webber has said Nelson failed to appreciate the depth of the problems between them and made little or no attempt last summer to communicate with the young star when he said there might have been a chance to salvage the relationship.

So, the Warriors dealt Webber for Tom Gugliotta and three first-round picks.

And in the aftermath of trades, injuries and illness, the Warriors have become a collection of strangers struggling to become a team. They have lost 14 of 15 and the last 10 straight.

Washington, meantime, lost its ironman — Gugliotta had led the team in minutes played in his two-plus seasons there, and like the Warriors, the Bullets have had problems meshing because of the dramatic personnel changes. Washington has gone 2-15 since acquiring Webber and signing his former Michigan teammate Juwan Howard.

"They need a win badly as a team and we need a win badly as a team. Both teams have not played very well since the trade," said Warriors center Rony Seikaly, acquired from the Heat in the trade that sent Billy Owens to Miami.

"Right now we are very good players individually but as a unit, we don't play very well together, and unless we win some games, some close games, big games and get some confidence that we can play well together, we're not going to be able to break out of this," Seikaly said.

"Since I've been here it seems like it's been tough to get that chemistry," said Gugliotta but added he thinks it will come and is confident he will successfully replace Webber.

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: TV reporter Diane Sawyer, golfer Jan Stephenson, actress Barbara Billingsley, composer Giacomo Puccini.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A message from someone at a distance will have a beneficial effect on morale. Taking a chance on new information or a unique creative approach could lead to productive changes. Take heart! Profits rise.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): An unexpected development helps you make desirable changes in a fitness program or financial strategy. Carefully organizing your work begins to pay off.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Faulty hunches could tempt you to take wild risks now. Keeping a cool head will help you stay on track. Your cost-cutting ideas will protect joint funds. Give free-spenders a wide berth.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Some highly-touted entertainment may be prohibitively expensive. Say "no." Focus on work, teaming up with your associates for problem-solving.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Domestic matters require more of your time. Creativity will help you solve the gift-giving problem. Offer to do some baby-sitting to relieve an exhausted parent. Relax with your family tonight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A candid chat with family members will produce new solutions. Better communication is key to improving a parent-child relationship. A younger person shares secrets. Listen carefully before offering advice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your first impressions are apt to be correct now. Delegating more authority to subordinates will leave you more time for creative and artistic pursuits. Travel may not be as profitable as expected.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): An influential person offers you some excellent advice. Teamwork will pay off handsomely. A family member's comments may strain your patience. Adopt a give-and-take attitude. Open your heart to someone in need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The emphasis now is on replacing bad habits with good ones. Tap into your strengths without hurting others. Attending more social engagements will increase your self-confidence. Wear something elegant to a special party.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Tread lightly today or you could set off some fireworks. Maintain a sense of humor when dealing with testy people. A busy social schedule could leave you exhausted. Solidify your plans for the weekend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You are a master at sponging up clever ideas. Expanding your circle of friends will expose you to exciting new concepts. Try to reach someone in power later today; things should work out great!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A good day to finish up any chores you have neglected. Do not sweat the small stuff; you will have plenty of time to catch up after the holidays. Spend more time with loved ones.

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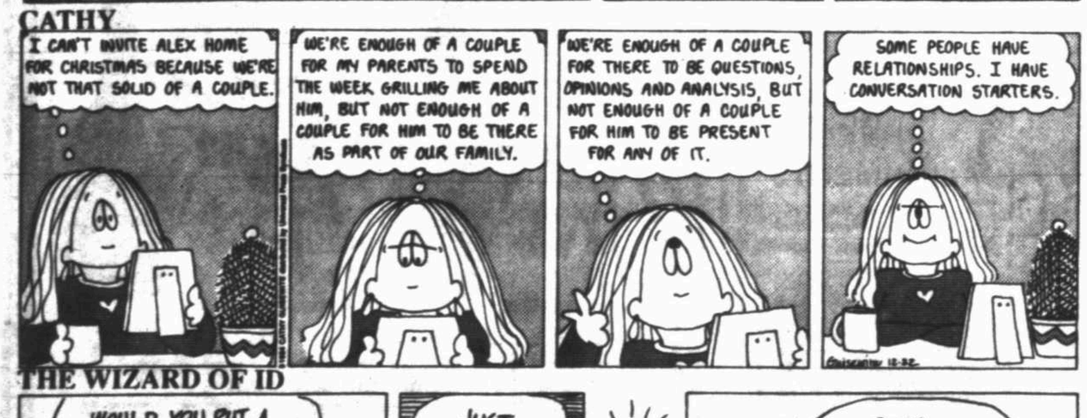
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◇ A 4 3
♣ Q 9 8 7 6

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♡ 2
◇ Q J 10 9
♣ 10 5 4 2

EAST
♠ 9 7 6 5
♡ K 4 3
◇ 8 5 2
♣ A K J

SOUTH
♠ A Q
♡ A Q J 10 9 8 7
◇ K 7 6
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The bidding:

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Opening lead: Queen of ◇

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Somewhat better is to use your entry to take the spade finesse. That works whenever East holds the spade king, and that will occur 50 percent of the time.

But the best line of all is to take advantage of dummy's jack of spades. Win the opening lead in hand and bang down the ace and queen of spades. Now you can win West's diamond continuation on the table and cash the jack of spades for the fulfilling trick, discarding a loser from hand. That line fails only if spades break worse than 5-3 or diamonds are 6-1, which is considerably against the odds. Did you spot the winning play?

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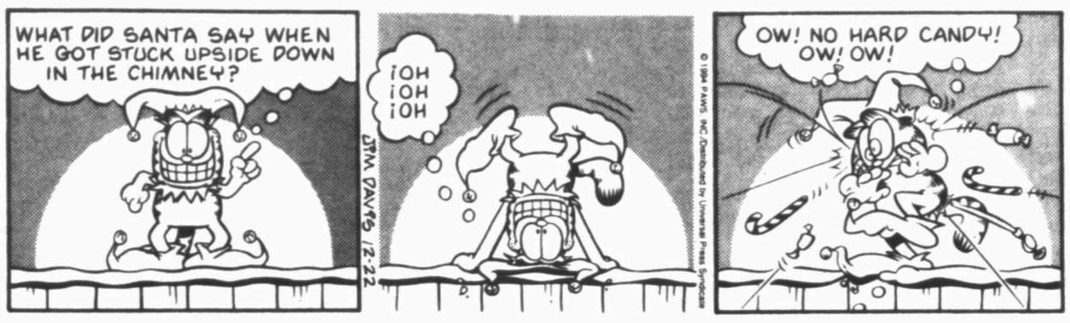
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Actress Sophia Loren in August 1994

Sophia Loren, shapely at 60, says birthdays don't bother her

NEW YORK — Birthdays don't bother **Sophia Loren.**

"Even I can't believe I'm 60 years old. I feel like I'm 12," she said in an interview with "Eye to Eye With **Connie Chung**" to be broadcast Thursday on CBS.

"I think you have to face reality as it is and you have to face age as it is and you have to go on and find new motivations in your life and new achievements to be able to survive," she said at her home in Geneva, **Switzerland.**

Miss Loren, who won an Oscar in 1961 for "Two Women," said she is "a little careful" about her diet and exercises a few minutes every morning.

Turning 60 on her birthday Sept. 20 was not traumatic, she said, "because I have in my life what I always wanted."

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CAMARILLO, Calif. — The Great Communicator may have gotten an important message across in disclosing he has Alzheimer's disease.

Former **President Reagan's** acknowledgment may do some good by increasing public awareness of the disorder, says daughter **Maureen.**

"He's always had the ability to make people march out the door and do something, and he did it one more time," Maureen Reagan said Tuesday during a Camarillo Pleasant Valley Republican Federated Women luncheon.

She wouldn't discuss details of her 83-year-old father's condition, saying it was too painful.

"He's everybody else's president, but he's my daddy," she said.

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LOS ANGELES — **Sylvester Stallone** reportedly will get a minimum of $20 million for an action movie to be filmed in 1996, even if it never gets made.

Savoy Pictures agreed to a deal with the star of the "Rocky" and "Rambo" movies that guarantees him a fifth of the receipts or $20 million, whichever is higher, the Los Angeles Times said Wednesday, citing unidentified sources.

The $20 million is guaranteed even if the movie is never made, the Times reported.

Savoy Chairman **Victor A. Kaufman** and President **Lewis J. Korman** refused to comment, as did Stallone's spokesman, **Paul Bloch.**

"I'm a big fan of Sly's, but I've never heard of such a big deal — it's shocking," said **Mark Canton,** chairman of Columbia TriStar Motion Pictures.

Stallone reportedly received $12 million for "The Specialist" and $15 million for the upcoming "Judge Dredd."

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MIDDLEBURG, Va. — **Elizabeth Taylor** said "I do" there. Now her seventh husband, Sen. **John Warner,** is letting go of the country estate where they were married.

Warner is selling the 550-acre farm Atoka for $3.8 million, according to a deed filed Tuesday. The buyer was not identified.

Warner, a Republican, got the farm after a 1973 divorce from the first of his two famous wives, **Catherine Mellon,** daughter of philanthropist **Paul Mellon.**

Warner married Miss Taylor at the farm in 1976. They divorced in 1982.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

THURSDAY PRIME TIME — December 22, 1994 — *For complete information check movie listings.*

Broadcast	O	C	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	News 777	Wheel of Fortune	My So-Called Life: So-Called Angels 5919		Matlock: The View 4667		PrimeTime Live 4803		News 67938	Cheers 43358	Roseanne 9483	Nightline 68716
(5) KPEJ	24	5	Full House 78087	The Simpsons	Martin 43803	Living Single	New York Undercover 33844		Kung Fu: The Legend Continues 18700		Fresh Prince	In the Heat of the Night: Sister, Sister 844667		Northern Exposure
(7) KOSA	7	7	News 2483	M*A*S*H 3735	Mickey's Christmas Carol 52532		Opryland's Country Christmas 61280		Eye to Eye With Connie Chung 58716		News 3440648	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
(9) KWES	9	9	News 8445	Coach 2025	Mad About You	Friends 8209	Seinfeld 9209	Mad About You	ER: Going Home 16754		News 8238483	The Tonight Show (10:35) 3615445		Late Night/ O'Brien
(12) KMLM	42	12	Prime Time Praise 400311		LaLonde		Thompson	J. Osteen	Praise the Lord 873445					
(19) KOCV	36	13	MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour 857629		West Texas Journal	Wild America	Mystery! 290661		I'll Fly Away: Slow Coming Dark 973777		To Be Announced 300174			
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(8) CNBC		8	Mutual Fund	Money Tonight	Pozner/Donahue	Equal Time	Rivera Live 8126367		Tom Snyder 7570223		Real Personal	Equal Time	Rivera Live 1287648	
(10) WGN		10	Love Connection	The Jeffersons	Messenger of Death (R, '88) # (Charles Bronson, Trish Van Devere) 375209				News: Sanders, Payne 380006		Night Court	Simon & Simon 764984		The Brink's Job
(11) WTBS		11	Who's the Boss?	Who's the Boss?	NBA Basketball: Phoenix Suns at Houston Rockets 582358						NBA Basketball: Washington Bullets at Golden State Warriors 212087			
(18) BRAV		18	Oliver Twist (5) 924984		Alice 7423342		South Bank Show (8:05) 7680826				Native Son (PG, '86) ++ (Victor Love) 608735			Movie
(20) BET		20	Happen.	Sanford	Roc	Comicview	Video Soul				Roc	Jazz Central		
(23) FAM		23	Evening Shade	Evening Shade	The Waltons: The Prodigals 179844		Rescue 911 930984		The 700 Club 779808		Father Dowling Mysteries 529385		Black Stallion	Big Brother Jake
(35) CNN		35	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews		Larry King Live		Year In Review		Sports	Moneyline	Newsnight	Showbiz
(36) ESPN		36	SportsCenter (5:30)		College Basketball: Arizona at Syracuse 368984				College Basketball: Alabama at Tulane 180648			SportsCenter	College Basketball: N.C. at Hawaii 976532	
(37) USA		37	Wings 850629	Wings 874209	Murder, She Wrote 216261		Freefall (R, '94) ++ (Eric Roberts, Jeff Fahey) 236025				Wings 110648	Wings 129396	Quantum Leap 478209	
(38) FX		38	Hart to Hart 8446396		Scrutiny	Home ...	Dynasty 2335261		In Color	In Color	Sound fX 2252984		Batman	Back Chat
(39) A&E		39	Rockford Files (Part 1 of 2) 200735		Biography: Shirley Temple Black 683919		The Nutcracker 696483				Law & Order: Mayhem 675990		Biography: Shirley Temple Black 836209	
(41) NICK		41	Doug 177826	U to U 472218	I Dream of Jeannie	Bewitched 970342	I Love Lucy	Mary Tyler Moore	Taxi 862984	Taxi 218754	Bob Newhart	Dick Van Dyke	Get Smart 947629	Dragnet 182990
(43) LIFE		43	Designing	Designing	Unsolved Mysteries		Mad Dugan Returns (PG, '83) ### 674254				Unsolved Mysteries		Mysteries	thirtysome.
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(50) HSE		50	Classic Adventures	Talking Baseball	Motor Sports Hour 67006		College Basketball: Oklahoma State at Arizona State 74342				Boat Racing 52735	America's Cup	Fantasy Football	Honey Hole Mag.
(51) COM		51	Whose Line Is It?	Soap 7400648	French and Saunders Christmas 7674342		Whose Line Is It Anyway? 7756990		Politically Incorrect	Kids in the Hall	Offsides 3908822	Soap 3811342	Best Sat. Night	Politically Incorrect
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(14) DISC		14	Beyond 2000	Next Step 672236	World of Wonder	Amazing America	Movie Magic	The Know Zone	Beyond 2000 687735		World of Wonder	Amazing America	Movie Magic	The Know Zone
(15) AMC		15	Citizen Kane (PG, '41) #### 626890				Nothing Sacred (37) ### 908990			Living It Up ('54) ### (Dean Martin) 250090				Laurel
(16) TNN		16	Skyline	C'try News	Christmas in Dixie		Music City Tonight 607445				Club Dance 807984	C'try News	Christmas in Dixie	
(17) TNT		17	Kung Fu: Chains 116483		The Incredible Mr. Limpet (G, '64) ++ (Don Knotts, Carole Cook)						Race for Your Life, Charlie Brown		Rock & Rule (PG, '83) ++	
(21) TMC		21	Movie (4:50)	The Forbidden Dance (6:20) (PG-13, '90) # (Laura Herring) 51484445			Last Light (R, '93) ++ (Forest Whitaker, Kiefer Sutherland) 4102629				FX2 (8:45) (PG-13, '91) ++ (Bryan Brown, Brian Dennehy) 67914464		Movie (11:35)	
(22) MAX		22	Last Action Hero (4:45) (PG-13) 46995006		Day of Atonement (R, '92) ++ (Christopher Walken, Jennifer Beals) 775777				Searching for Bobby Fischer (PG, '93) ### Live Nude Girls (Marlo Thomas, Max Pomeranc) 224713				Dead Women in Lingerie (R, '90) + 609483	
(29) VC1		29	Nightmare Before ... (5)		The Glory of Christmas: A Living Nativity				Cops & Robbersons (PG, '94) ++ 4499822				City Slickers II	
(30) HC		30	Surviving the Game (R, '94) ++ (Ice-T) 4403648				Silk n' Sabotage (R, '94) (Julie Strain) 4499193				Above the Rim (R, '94) ++ 1766736			
(31) CHTS1		31	Guarding Tess (PG-13, '94) +++ 8237468				Guarding Tess (PG-13, '94) +++ 8126700				Guarding Tess (PG-13, '94) +++ 2110716			
(32) DISN		32	Spies ('93) ++ (Doris Leachman, David Dukes) 993754			For Better	The Honeymooners' First Christmas 375174		Funny Girl (G, '68) +++ (Barbra Streisand, Omar Sharif) 466842					Crosby Christmas
(33) SHOW		33	The Seventh Coin (5:15) (PG-13) 42836193		Mermaids (PG-13, '90) ++ (Cher, Winona Ryder) 458067						Money for Nothing (R, '93) ++ (John Cusack, Debi Mazar) 5757700		Body of Influence (10:45) (R, '92) +	
(34) HBO		34	Fire in the Sky (PG-13, '93) ++ (D.B. Sweeney, Robert Patrick) 859984				Knights (R, '93) # (Kris Kristofferson, Lance Henriksen) 1804822			Def Comedy Jam	Inside the NFL 228844		Witch Hunt ('94) (Dennis Hopper) 7041464	
(40) CHTS2		40	Little Big League (5)		Little Big League (PG, '94) ++ (Luke Edwards)				Little Big League (PG, '94) ++ (Luke Edwards)				Little Big League (PG)	



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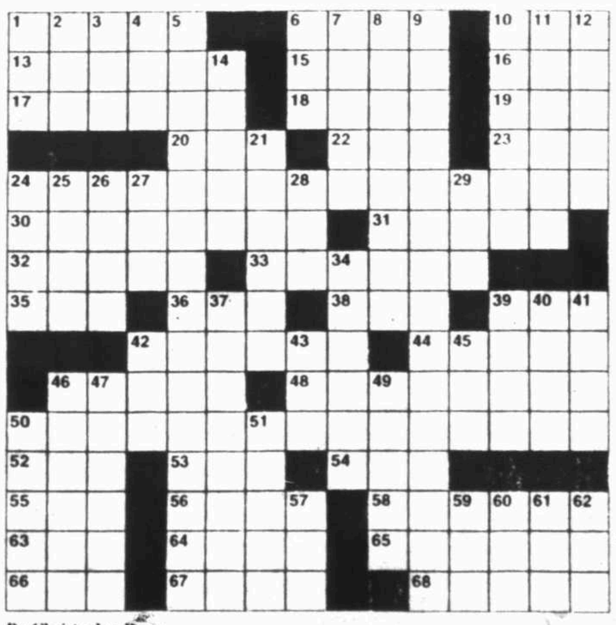
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NHL players reject tax plan

TORONTO (AP) — Locked-out NHL players took an even stronger stand against the owners' proposed payroll tax following a lecture Wednesday from an economics professor.

Jerry Hausman of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology told 240 members of the NHL Players Association the tax would work much like a more rigid cap in stifling salaries.

"There's no deal to be made with a tax. That's what came out of this meeting," Pittsburgh defenseman Larry Murphy said. "They're not going to get all the concessions we made and then lay a tax on top of it. If they withdraw the tax, the deal will be done in a day."

The tax has been the primary sticking point in attempts to end the lockout, which has wiped out the first 82 days of the NHL season and endangers the rest.

The owners say they need a cap to control escalating expenses; the players have vowed never to accept an artificial limit on salaries.

Although Stephane Richer of the New Jersey Devils has said many players would agree to a tax, those leaving the meeting Wednesday said any dissension was based on a misunderstanding about what the tax would do.

"It (Hausman's lecture) showed there would be a problem for each and every guy negotiating a contract," Anaheim Mighty Ducks defenseman Tom Kurvers said.

The Canadian Press, citing sources it did not identify, reported the league has offered to take the tax off the table. The offer included other terms costly to the players, the CP reported, but it could be used as a starting point for negotiations to resume.

NHL spokesman Arthur Pincus denied the tax had been withdrawn. A fax to the 26 teams, read to The Associated Press by a management source, said: "The news report that the NHL has made a proposal that does not include a tax is erroneous. The last proposal the league made to the players association was Dec. 6."

NHLPA president Mike Gartner of the Toronto Maple Leafs said he has not seen a proposal from the league that doesn't include a tax.

"Could be the rumor mill is going again," he said.

Union head Bob Goodenow and commissioner Gary Bettman have not met since Dec. 6, when the league made its last proposal, and no further talks are scheduled. Considering the logistics of booking flights on the Christmas weekend, it's unlikely they will get together until next week.

However, lower-level negotiators meeting last week made progress on the issues of salary arbitration, free agency and a rookie salary cap. As it stands, the union has given ground on rookie salaries while getting more liberalized free agency for the older players,

Baseball talks optimism vanishes

More Sports/12C

WASHINGTON (AP) — The guarded optimism from the day before all but vanished Wednesday at the baseball talks, and hope dwindled that an agreement would be reached before the latest salary cap deadline.

Mediator W.J. Usery shuttled between players and owners, who were stuck on the central issues of a payroll tax and revenue sharing. Both sides didn't even meet during the day.

"There was ... an absence of drama," said Toronto Blue Jays designated hitter Paul Molitor. "Just a lot of posturing."

Less than two days before management's 12:01 a.m. Friday deadline, the rest of the owners' negotiating committee arrived in Washington. But they spent the day at management's law firm, several blocks from the hotel where the union is staying.

"Just from what's happened, I don't expect anything," said Molitor, who left Wednesday evening. "It's kind of ironic. They extend the deadline a week and take three days to get here."

Officials on both sides had been somewhat optimistic Tuesday afternoon, but a one-on-one meeting Tuesday night between union head Donald Fehr and Colorado Rockies chairman Jerry McMorris was cordial but unproductive. Eugene Orza, the union's No. 2 official, said Wednesday he thought the owners' attempt to impose a cap was "inevitable."

"The gulf that separates us remains essentially what it once was," Fehr said.

McMorris was upbeat Tuesday, saying he thought a deal could be struck before the deadline. Owners, according to several management sources, are willing to compromise on the level of a payroll tax.

But before addressing a payroll tax, Fehr wants owners to rework the revenue-sharing agreement they came up with at Fort Lauderdale last Jan. 18. The union's economists think the subsidies that deal would produce for small-market franchises would decrease teams' incentives to win and lower salaries.

"We've been attempting," Fehr said after the meeting, "to find a way to design modifications to their Fort Lauderdale plan."

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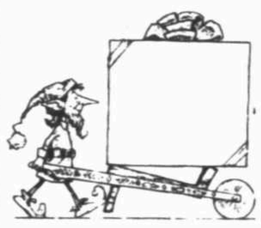
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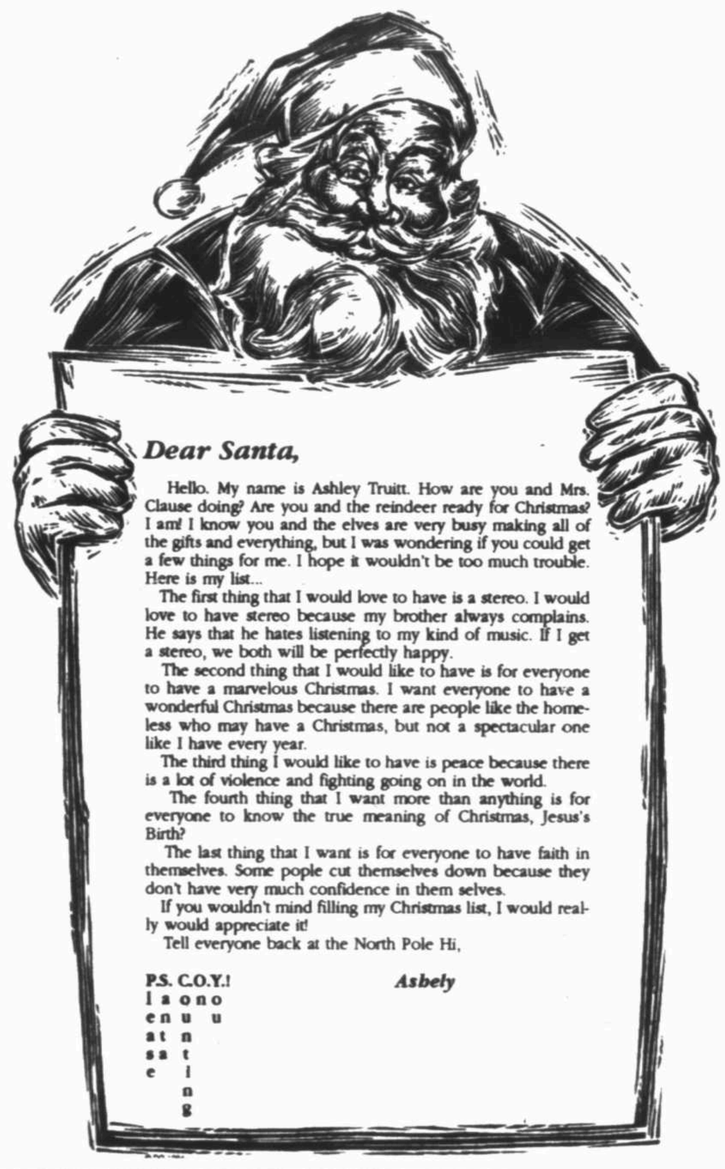
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Dear Santa,

Hello. My name is Ashley Truitt. How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? Are you and the reindeer ready for Christmas? I am! I know you and the elves are very busy making all of the gifts and everything, but I was wondering if you could get a few things for me. I hope it wouldn't be too much trouble. Here is my list...

The first thing that I would love to have is a stereo. I would love to have stereo because my brother always complains. He says that he hates listening to my kind of music. If I get a stereo, we both will be perfectly happy.

The second thing that I would like to have is for everyone to have a marvelous Christmas. I want everyone to have a wonderful Christmas because there are people like the homeless who may have a Christmas, but not a spectacular one like I have every year.

The third thing I would like to have is peace because there is a lot of violence and fighting going on in the world.

The fourth thing that I want more than anything is for everyone to know the true meaning of Christmas, Jesus's Birth?

The last thing that I want is for everyone to have faith in themselves. Some pople cut themselves down because they don't have very much confidence in them selves.

If you wouldn't mind filling my Christmas list, I would really would appreciate it!

Tell everyone back at the North Pole Hi,

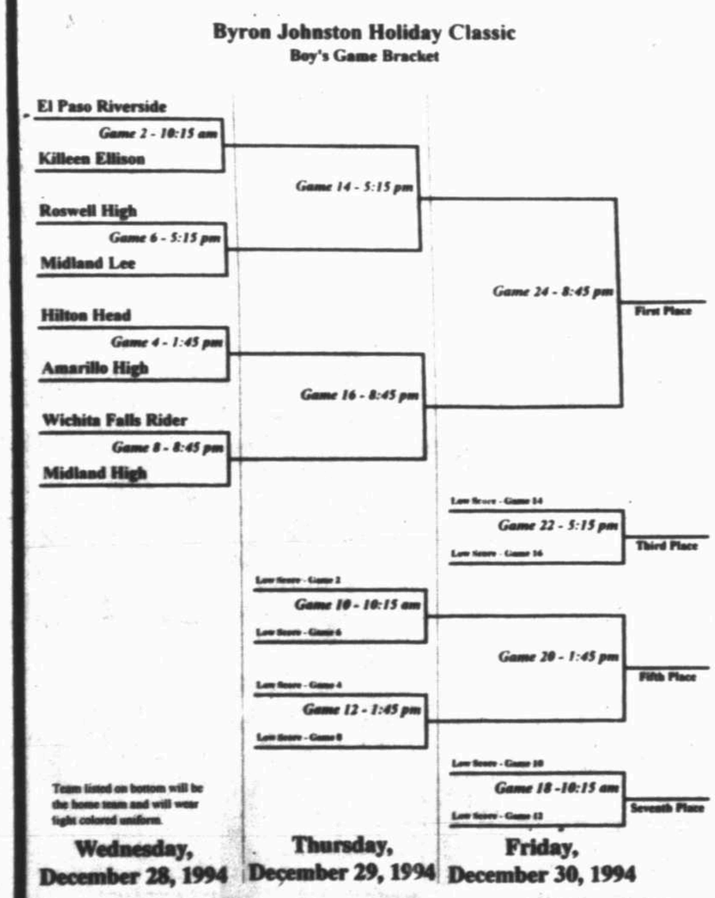
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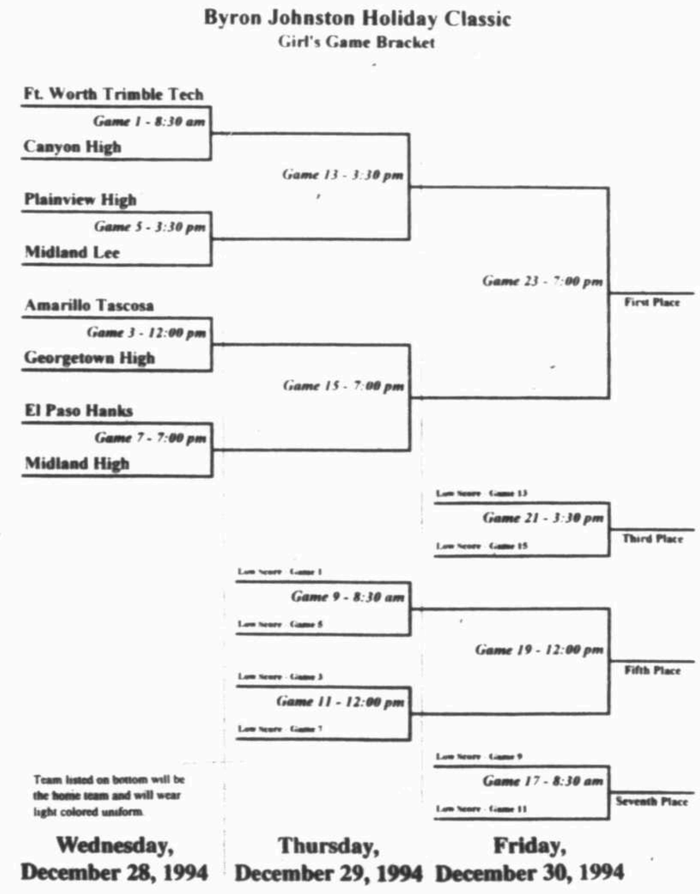
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SPOT MARKET

W.T. INTERMEDIATE

- Wednesday $17.02
- Previous Close $16.98
- One Year Ago $14.36

POSTED PRICE

- Today $15.25
- Previous Week $15.25
- One Year Ago $12.50

Prices unchanged

NEW YORK — Oil prices settled mostly unchanged on Wednesday and refined products were mixed as the holiday spirit started to thin trading at the New York Mercantile Exchange.

News of a subway explosion blocks from the exchange's trading floor at the World Trade Center early Wednesday afternoon also dampened activity.

Analysts expect volume to remain light through New Year's.

West Texas Intermediate for February delivery finished unchanged at $17.02 per barrel. Later delivery months fell 2 cents. The February contract rose as high as $17.20 before dropping late in the session.

Natural gas prices rose ahead of Thursday's deadline to trade January contracts. The fuel finished 1.9 cents per 1,000 cubic feet higher at $1.592.

January unleaded gasoline prices rose 0.70 cent to 52.26 cents per gallon. Home heating oil for delivery next month fell 0.02 cent to 47.86 per gallon.

Dollar advances

NEW YORK — Financial turmoil in Mexico and a round of speculative dollar buying against European currencies jolted the foreign-exchange market out of pre-holiday sluggishness Wednesday, pushing the U.S. currency higher.

The Mexican peso fell modestly on Wednesday. In late New York trading, the dollar bought 3.9820 pesos, another record high, compared with 3.9650 late Tuesday.

The British pound lost 1.65 cents, slumping to a 3½-month low vs. the dollar, which also posted strong gains against the German mark and other key currencies.

In late New York trading, the pound was quoted at $1.5435, the lowest level since early September, down from $1.5600 late Tuesday.

The dollar was changing hands late in New York at 1.5791 marks, up from 1.5706, and at 100.48 yen, up from 100.17.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Tuesday: 1.3325 Swiss francs, up from 1.3286; 5.4450 French francs, up from 5.4155; 1,646 Italian lire, unchanged; and 1.3941 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3933.

Stocks rebound

NEW YORK — Stocks strengthened Wednesday after two down days, as the prospect of stable interest rates helped sparked a yearend rally.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 34.65 to 3,801.80, nearly erasing a 40-point drop that occurred over the previous two sessions.

The average had gained as much as 50 points before easing off the day's high, prompting the New York Stock Exchange to impose limits on program buying.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by about 8 to 5 on the New York Stock Exchange.

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Tankers avert threat to oil supply

■ Ship owners are obtaining added insurance to be required by federal law beginning next week.

N.Y. Times News Service

Enough oil tankers are obtaining the added insurance to be required by federal law beginning next week that a threat of disruption to the country's oil supplies has been averted.

Shipowners are saying, however, that the cost of the added coverage is being passed along in the form of higher charter rates, which in the last week have risen 10 percent to 15 percent on many ships. These costs are expected to add only a fraction of a cent to the cost of gasoline and heating oil.

A law enacted after the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska in 1989 requires that as of next Wednesday tankers entering the United States carry as much as $300 million in additional coverage to pay for any potential damage from an oil spill.

Ships with the added coverage will receive certification from the Coast Guard, which has threatened to turn back any ship that lacks it.

"There's more optimism that the tankers will be there," Gene Kelly, the marine transport manager for Amoco Corp., said Tuesday. He said that he had been assured by owners of vessels delivering oil that they would meet the deadline.

The Coast Guard said Wednesday that about 700 tankers had been certified, up from 430 a week ago. Oil experts estimate that 800 tankers are needed to keep the United States supplied with the 7.5 million barrels of imported oil it uses each day.

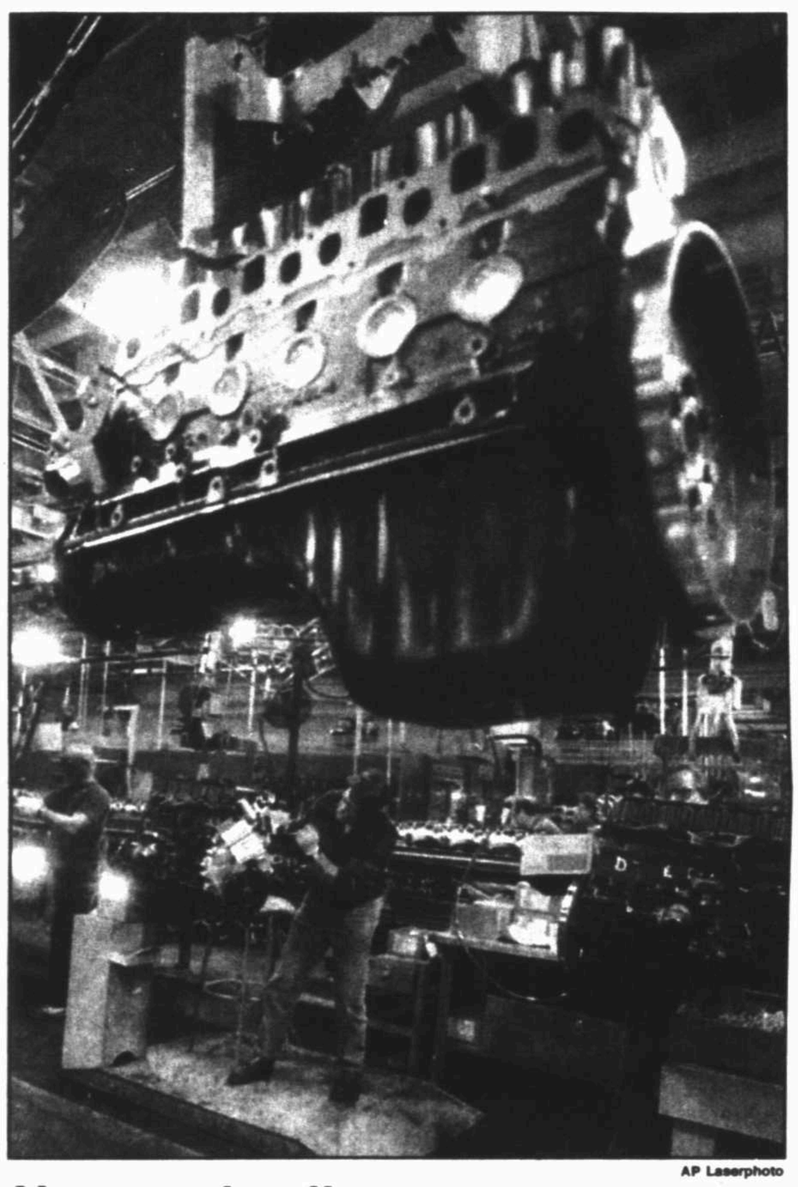
"Applications are coming in at a steady rate," said Dan Sheehan, the director of the National Pollution Funds Center for the Coast Guard. "I foresee no problem with oil delivery."

The increase in certification is the result of the formation of two groups to provide the necessary coverage. One is First Line, a program developed by the insurance brokers Johnson & Higgins. The group is being underwritten by Stockton Re, a Bermuda-based reinsurer.

The other is Shoreline, which is backed by Centre Re, another re-insurer based in Bermuda.

Most shipowners already have $700 million of coverage a ship from their traditional insurer, the Protection and Indemnity Clubs that were formed by the shipowners in the last century. The added $300 million needed to obtain Coast Guard certification is coming from the new programs, which just started to issue the coverage last week.

Executives from both programs said that applications were coming in from tanker owners all over the world.



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New engine line

A Jeep six-cylinder engine passes along the assembly line at Chrysler's Kenosha, Wis., Engine Plant on Tuesday. Members of UAW Local 72 voted Tuesday on a proposed new engine line for the plant.

Americans move to catch up on loans, trade group reports

WASHINGTON (AP) — The percentage of Americans behind in their installment loan payments dropped during the third quarter to lowest level on record, a banking trade group reported Wednesday.

The American Bankers Association said bank consumer installment loans more than 30 days delinquent dipped to 1.66 percent during the July-September period, down from 1.71 percent during the second quarter and 1.95 percent a year earlier.

The association said it was the 10th straight decline. The level was the lowest since it began reporting seasonally adjusted composite ratios for various types of closed-end installment loans in October 1974.

The improvement occurred as Americans were boosting the amount of their installment credit at double-digit annual rates in July, August and September.

"The low delinquency ratio is the result of three things happening in the economy," said association economist James Chessen. "First, consumer balance sheets continue to be solid. Second, banks have taken losses on bad loans from the past. And, third, banks are adding new, high-quality consumer loans to their books. The bottom line is more credit for consumers."

The association said the pace of consumer buying could accelerate further in the fourth quarter, prompting a word of caution from Chessen: "With double-digit increases in consumer lending, it is hard to imagine that the delinquency ratio will continue to drop."

The delinquency ratio remained above 2 percent during much of the 1980s. It did not fall below 2 percent until the third quarter of 1993 — more than two years after the recession ended — when it slipped to 1.95 percent.

The composite ratio includes two types of auto loans, personal loans, recreational vehicle loans, mobile home loans, property improvement loans, second mortgages and marine loans.

Bank credit cards, home equity lines of credit, revolving credit and education loans are not included in the ratio.

The association said bank card delinquencies dropped to 2.44 percent during the third quarter, from 2.56 at the end of the second quarter.

GM raises prices on many vehicles

N.Y. Times News Service

DETROIT — With steel and plastic costs rising, and demand for vehicles still strong, General Motors Corp. said Wednesday that it would raise the prices of almost half its cars and nearly all its light trucks on Jan. 3.

Although the increases varied by vehicle, they averaged seven-tenths of a percent, or $151, on base models, GM said. When it announced 1995 prices in June, GM said they would be 2.5 percent, or $494, higher than prices of 1994 models.

GM was the first of the Big Three automakers to increase prices broadly during the 1995 model year, which began Oct. 1, although Chrysler Corp. has raised the prices of some light trucks.

GM's hottest-selling models will have the steepest price increases. For example, GM raised prices 5.4 percent, or $1,695, on its Oldsmobile Aurora sedan. The Aurora's destination charge also increased by $10, or 1.6 percent, giving the car a new base price of $33,700.

Similarly, the base price for the GMC Suburban truck will increase 1.4 percent, or $300, to $22,607, including the destination charge.

Auto industry analysts said the increases were not enough to erase GM's price advantage over its Japanese competitors, which some analysts put as high as $2,500 on comparable models.

But they warned that the Japanese automakers were cutting costs to become competitive despite the weak dollar, which makes exports to the United States more expensive.

"I get very nervous when I see stuff like this, because I just see that again they're going to run the risk of putting themselves in an uncompetitive price position," said Joseph S. Phillippi, a financial analyst who follows the auto industry for Lehman Brothers. "You cannot ignore the fact the Japanese as a group are ripping billions of dollars out of their cost structure."

John F. Maciarz, a GM spokesman, said that the increases in prices bring "them in line with those of our competitors."

With its own suppliers raising prices for raw materials, GM may have felt it had to pass those costs along. "They're paying more for steel, more for plastics," said David Healy, the auto industry analyst for S.G. Warburg.

Mesa to sell gas holdings to cut debt

DALLAS (AP) — Mesa Inc. has announced it will sell some of its most valuable natural gas properties, a move that a company spokesman termed a logical next step after aggressive debt restructuring in recent years.

The company said Tuesday that it will offer between half and all of its holdings in the Hugoton Field of western Kansas and Oklahoma, or about two-thirds of its reserve base.

The sale will help the Dallas-based company reduce its $1.2 billion in debt. Since 1989, the company has lowered its debt from $1.5 billion. It has to pay off $600 million by mid-1998.

A Mesa spokesman said the move is a logical step after aggressive restructuring efforts over the last four years.

INVESTORS' GUIDE

Investor cannot have capital gain on annuity

By Bill Doyle

Q: I have shares in a government bond fund and have been reinvesting the dividends for several years. Now, I'd like to offset a sudden capital gain of about $3,000 in an annuity with a $3,000 loss in the bond fund. I plan to invest the money from the fund in certificates of deposit. My husband is not sure this is such a good idea. What do you think?



Doyle

A: You cannot have a capital gain on an annuity. Did you withdraw cash from the annuity? If so, it will be taxed as regular income.

If you have a $3,000 loss on your bond-fund investment, it would reduce your overall taxable income, including your annuity income.

You're husband might be right. Selling your bond-fund shares might not be a good idea. It might be wiser to stop reinvesting dividends in the fund and start taking distributions as income.

The bond fund is more likely to produce a higher stream of income than CDs. And, after six interest-rate increases, the price of the bond fund shares have a better chance of going up next year than going down.

Q: My sister died last year having left a CD for my daughter. We have spoken to our niece about the CD, and she said she was advised to wait six months before she had the will probated.

I have spoken to my sister's bank about the CD and was told we could not get the money out because it was tied up in my sister's estate. Someone at my own bank says that a CD in trust for another person is not part of the estate and that I should be able to get the money out with a death certificate and proof of identification.

Out of respect for my niece, we have waited well over the six months and she still has made no attempt to release the CD. Can you advise us on this matter?

A: You should consult a lawyer who specializes in estate planning and can give you specific advice that fits the situation at hand.

For example, it's not known for sure whether the CD is just in the will or in a special trust for your daughter. You're getting a lot of information from bankers and others who are not qualified to give legal advice.

Readers often write in about complicated entanglements with wills and inheritence intentions. Wills and trusts can be complicated. Sometimes very complicated.

A lot of time, money and stress can be saved by initially seeking counsel with an experienced lawyer, before all the financial and emotional gears start grinding.

Q: Back in 1992, I gave an insurance agent a sizable amount of money to put into a mutual fund. Immediately after buying this fund, I received an interest payment of $293, and the payments continued on a monthly basis.

Now the fund value has dropped. If I choose to sell my shares at a loss, I will get back around $5,000 less than I originally invested. What's going on?

A: You provide a good example of someone investing money in something he didn't understand.

You have shares of a bond fund that is designed to provide income. But, when interest rates go up, as they have over the past year, the market price of bonds goes down, taking bond fund shares down as well. In effect, bondholders have to sell their bonds at a discount in order to get investors to buy them.

Keep your bond fund and keep on collecting your monthly interest checks. When interest rates peak and start coming down, your shares are likely to increase in value.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but is able to provide answers only through the column.

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MUTUAL FUNDS

	Buy	Sell	Chg.
NAAL Mutual:			
Bond p	9.31	9.77	+.01
CaGr p	14.75	15.49	+.10
MuBd p	10.14	10.65	
SmCoSt	9.93	10.43	+.10
Util p	9.24	9.70	—.02
AARP Invst:			
BalSt&B	14.50	N.L.	+.02
CaGr	30.68	N.L.	+.11
GinlM	14.57	N.L.	
GthInc	33.28	N.L.	+.07
HQ Bd	14.96	N.L.	
TxFBd	16.48	N.L.	
ABT Funds:			
Emrg p	13.16	13.82	+ 21
FL Hi	9.57	10.05	
FL TF	10.31	10.82	
GthIn p	10.27	10.78	+.08
UtilIn p	10.68	11.21	—.03
AHA Funds:			
Balan	11.68	N.L.	+.04
Full	9.28	N.L.	+.01
Lim	9.92	N.L.	
AIM Funds:			
Agrsv p	27.42	29.02	+.24
Chart p	8.10	8.57	+.06
Const p	16.78	17.76	+.18
GovSc p	9.02	9.47	
Grth p	10.16	10.75	+.09
HYdA p	8.94	9.39	+.01
HYIdB t	8.93	8.93	+.01
Inco p	7.22	7.58	+.01
IntlE p	12.00	12.70	+.07
LimM p	9.79	9.89	
MuB p	7.74	8.13	
Sumit	8.78		+.08
TF Int	10.37	10.47	
Util p	11.87	12.56	
ValuB t	20.82	20.82	+.18
Valu p	20.82	22.03	+.18
Weing p	15.02	15.89	+.12
AMF Funds:			
AdjMtg	9.72	N.L.	
IndMtg	9.23	N.L.	
ShUS Gv	10.33	N.L.	
US GvMt	10.13	N.L.	
ARK Funds:			
CapGr	9.64	N.L.	+.05
Grinc	9.79	N.L.	+.02
Income	9.35	N.L.	
AVESTA:			
Income	15.40	15.40	+.01
AcomIn	15.14	15.14	—.04
AcomF	12.06	12.06	+.06
AdvCRet p	9.24	N.L.	+.02
Advest Advsrs:			
Govt p	8.75	8.75	+.01
Gwth p	15.88	15.88	
HY Bd p	8.25	8.25	
Inco p	11.90	11.90	+.02
Aetna Select:			
Aetna	10.49	N.L.	+.03
GrwInco	10.90	N.L.	+.05
Alger Funds:			
Grwth t	19.61	19.61	+.16
SmCap t	21.46	21.46	+.26
Alliance Cap:			
Alian p	5.55	5.80	+.04
Balan p	12.98	13.56	+.07
BondA p	12.15	12.69	—.17
CpBB p	12.14	12.14	—.18
CpBC p	12.14	12.14	—.18
GIDGB p	8.22	8.22	—.33
GlbSA p	8.76	9.15	+.09
GovtA p	7.53	7.86	
GovtB p	7.54	7.54	+.01
GovtC p	7.53	7.53	
GrInc p	2.12	2.21	+.01
GwthC	20.04	20.04	+.22
GthF p	23.69	24.74	+.26
GwthB t	20.03	20.03	+.22
GrIncB p	2.11	2.11	
InBldC	9.50	9.50	+.03
InMA p	9.90	9.30	
InsMB	8.91	8.91	+.01
IntlA p	16.28	17.00	
MrtgA p	8.14	8.50	+.01
MrtgB p	8.14	8.14	
MrtgC p	8.14	8.14	
MtgTA p	9.45	9.87	
MtgTB p	9.45	9.45	
MtgTC p	9.45	9.45	
MtMSA p	7.73	8.07	—.06
MtMSB t	7.73	7.73	—.06
MCAA p	9.17	9.58	
MCAB p	9.17	9.17	
MCAC p	9.17	9.17	
MIICAA p	11.67	12.19	+.01
MINB p	9.25	9.25	—.01
MNYA p	8.59	8.97	
MNYB p	8.59	8.59	
NMuA p	9.25	9.66	—.01
NMuC p	9.25	9.25	—.01
NEur p	12.78	13.35	+.06
NAGVA p	7.18	7.50	—.23
NAGB p	7.19	7.19	—.23
NAGVC p	7.18	7.18	—.24
PGthB p	11.08	11.08	+.08
QuszA p	17.57	18.35	+.25
ST Mlla p	8.39	8.76	—.04
ST Mlb t	8.39	8.39	—.04
Tech p	29.12	30.41	+.71
WldIn p	1.84	1.84	—.01
WldPrB p	10.02	10.02	—.04
AmSouth Funds:			
Balanc	11.17	11.70	+.02
Bond	10.13	10.44	+.01
Equity	14.00	14.66	+.05
LtdMat	9.93	10.24	
RegEq	16.27	17.04	+.12
Ambassador Fld:			
Balncd	9.59	9.59	+.06
Bond	9.09	9.09	
EstCoGr	15.89	15.89	+.16
Grwth	12.39	12.39	+.10
Incom	11.90	N.L.	+.06
IntlBond	9.15	9.15	
IntlStk	12.71	12.71	+.02
SCoGr	13.47	N.L.	+.20
Ambassador Invr:			
EstCoGr	15.86	15.86	+.16
Grwth	12.36	12.36	+.10
IncBd	9.71	9.71	+.01
IntBond	9.15	N.L.	
IntlStk	12.68	12.68	+.02
TFBd	9.73	9.73	
TFIncBd	9.90	9.90	
Amcore Vintage:			
Equity	10.47	N.L.	+.05
FxInco	9.49	N.L.	
Amer AAdvant Instl:			
Balan	12.13	N.L.	+.02
LtdTr	9.63	N.L.	
Amer Capital:			
CmstA p	12.39	13.15	+.05
CpBdA p	6.40	6.72	+.01
EGA p	22.90	24.30	+.15
EGB t	22.34	22.34	+.14
EmtA p	11.28	11.97	+.10
EmtB t	11.23	11.23	+.10
EqIncA p	5.16	5.47	+.02
EqIncB t	5.16	5.16	+.02
FMgA p	11.91	12.18	
GlEqA p	10.95	11.62	+.04
GlEqB t	10.72	N.L.	+.04
GlGvA p	7.95	8.35	+.01
GlGvB t	7.98	N.L.	+.01
GvScA p	9.66	10.14	+.01
GvScB t	9.67	9.67	+.01
GvTlA p	8.00	8.40	
GvTlB t	8.01	8.01	+.01
GrInA p	11.38	12.07	+.05
HarbA p	13.20	14.01	+.05
HarbB t	13.15	13.15	+.05
HiYldA p	5.84	6.13	
HiYldB t	5.85	5.85	+.01
MuBlA p	9.60	10.08	+.01
PaceA p	9.74	10.33	+.07
TEHA p	10.54	11.07	
TEHB t	10.54	10.54	+.01
TxEIA p	10.68	11.21	
American Funds:			
A Bal px	12.01	12.74	—.15
Amcp p	11.57	12.28	+.05
AMutl p	20.16	21.39	+.04
Bond p	12.68	13.31	
CapIB p	31.67	33.60	—.06
CapW p	15.03	15.78	—.01
CapWO p	17.33	18.39	
Expac p	20.96	22.24	—.04
FdInv p	17.41	18.47	+.05
Govt p	12.68	13.31	+.01
Gwth px	25.19	26.73	—
HI Tr p	13.23	13.89	+.01
Inco p	13.44	14.26	+.02
IntBd p	12.95	13.60	
ICA p	17.64	18.72	+.07
LtTEB p	13.56	14.24	+.01
NEco p	13.61	14.44	
N Per p	14.26	15.13	+.05
SmCp p	20.96	22.24	+.09
TxEx p	11.08	11.63	—.01
TECA p	14.56	15.29	
TEMd p	14.29	15.00	—.01
TEVA p	14.77	15.51	—.01
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Amer Natl Funds:			
Grth	4.31	4.57	+.03
Inco	21.04	22.32	+.09
APl Gr pf	12.08	N.L.	—.01
Am Perform:			
Equity	10.05	10.47	+.06
IntBd	9.92	10.23	
AmUtlFd	19.85	N.L.	—.02
Amway	6.81	7.02	+.09
Analyt	12.03	N.L.	+.04
Aquila Funds:			
AZ TF	9.80	10.21	
CO TF	9.80	10.21	
HI TF	10.65	11.09	—.01
KY TF	9.94	10.35	
OR TF	9.93	10.34	—.01
ArielApp p	20.73	N.L.	+.34
ArielGro p	28.11	N.L.	+.26
Atlas Funds:			
CaMunA	10.27	10.59	—.01
GvtScA	9.55	9.85	+.01
GrolncA	13.39	13.80	+.11
NaMunA	10.37	10.69	—.01
BB&T Funds:			
GrolncT	10.93	N.L.	+.05
IntGovT	9.19	N.L.	
BEA Funds:			
EMktE	20.99	20.99	—.34
IntlEq	18.54	18.54	—.07
ShDurCt	4.90	N.L.	
StgPx p	15.42	15.42	—.14
USCPxIn	14.36	14.36	—.02
BNY Hamilton:			
Eqinc	10.65	10.98	+.04
IntlGovt	9.12	9.40	
NY TE	9.57	9.87	
BT:			
InstAstM	9.38	N.L.	+.04
InstEqIx	10.55	N.L.	+.06
InvEqIx	10.53	N.L.	+.06
InvIntEq	13.52	N.L.	—.04
Babson Group:			
Bond L	1.47	N.L.	
Enterp	16.64	N.L.	+.10
Gwth	12.09	N.L.	+.09
Intl	15.97	N.L.	+.04
UMB B	10.49	N.L.	+.01
UMB St	15.92	N.L.	+.06
Value	25.54	N.L.	+.19
BallardBichl&Kaiser:			
Diversa	11.64	N.L.	+.02
IntlEq	5.72	N.L.	+.02
IntlPT	7.80	N.L.	+.01
Baird Funds:			
AdjInc	8.82	9.12	—.01
BdChip p	18.93	20.08	+.13
CapDv p	21.98	23.32	+.12
BanconA	22.22	N.L.	+.24
Bartlett Funds:			
BasVl	14.05	N.L.	+.04
Fixedl	9.51	N.L.	
Vl Intl	11.54	N.L.	+.02
BayFunds Instl:			
ST Yield	9.19	N.L.	—.01
Bond	9.43	N.L.	+.01
Equity	10.46	N.L.	+.07
Benchmark Funds:			
BondA	18.42	N.L.	+.01
DivGrA	9.91	N.L.	+.06
EqIdxA	10.75	N.L.	+.05
PacGrA	9.90	N.L.	+.12
IntGrA	10.01	N.L.	+.02
ShtDur	9.98	N.L.	+.01
SIBdA	19.62	N.L.	
SmCoIA	10.83	N.L.	+.13
Benham Group:			
AdjGov	9.29	N.L.	+.01
CATFI	10.41	N.L.	
CatIn	9.20	N.L.	
CATFS	9.89	N.L.	
CatFH	8.50	N.L.	
CatfL	10.18	N.L.	
EqGro	11.91	N.L.	+.06
EurBd	10.46	N.L.	—.06
GNMA	9.93	N.L.	+.01
GoldIn	11.00	N.L.	—.03
IncGro	14.58	N.L.	+.05
NITFI	10.17	N.L.	—.01
NITFL	10.66	N.L.	—.01
Tg1995	95.19	N.L.	+.04
Tg2000	66.66	N.L.	+.02
Tg2005	46.07	N.L.	—.02
Tg2010	33.00	N.L.	+.05
Tg2015	24.17	N.L.	+.04
Tg2020	16.37	N.L.	+.03
TNote	9.78	N.L.	+.01
UtilIn	8.90	N.L.	—.02
Berger Group:			
100 p	15.38	N.L.	+.12
101 p	10.77	N.L.	—.01
SmCoG p	2.78	N.L.	+.02
Bernstein Fds:			
GvSh	12.17	N.L.	+.01
ShtDur	12.15	N.L.	
IntDur	12.40	N.L.	+.01
Ca Mu	12.70	N.L.	
DivMu	12.72	N.L.	—.01
NYMu	12.70	N.L.	
IntlVal x	15.22	N.L.	—.09
BerwynFd	17.21	N.L.	+.10
Berwynlnc	10.63	N.L.	
Biltmore Funds:			
Balncd	9.78	10.24	+.02
Equity	10.12	10.60	+.03
EqIndx	10.32	10.81	+.06
FixedIn	9.00	9.42	+.01
QuantEq	9.58	10.03	+.05
STFIxIn	9.56	10.01	
SCMuni	10.12	10.60	
Blanchard Funds:			
FlexInc	4.56	N.L.	
GlGr p	9.46	N.L.	+.01
PrcM p	6.82	N.L.	—.03
ST Gl	1.71	N.L.	
Brndyw	22.92	N.L.	+.19
Brinson Funds:			
Global	10.30	N.L.	
NUSEqt	9.65	N.L.	+.03
Bull & Bear Gp:			
SpEq p	17.97	N.L.	+.42
Bumbm p	19.87	20.48	+.04
C&SRUty	32.58	N.L.	+.16
CGM Funds:			
CapDv	21.60	N.L.	+.02
Mut	25.43	N.L.	+.10
California Trust:			
CalInc	11.23	N.L.	
Calvert Group:			
GlobEq	16.16	16.97	—.01
Inco	15.64	16.25	+.02
Social p	27.88	29.27	+.07
SocBd	15.25	15.84	+.01
SocEq	18.04	18.94	+.07
TxF Lt	10.62	10.84	
TxF Lg	15.81	16.43	
TxF VT	15.34	15.94	
Cambridge Fds:			
GvInB t	12.45	12.45	+.01
MuInB t	13.93	13.93	—.02
Capstone Group:			
Grwth	12.46	13.08	+.07
GvtInc	4.87	N.L.	
Cardinal Family:			
Fund	11.23	11.95	
GvtObig	7.84	8.21	
Centura Funds:			
EqGrwC	9.33	N.L.	+.06
FedSInC	9.72	N.L.	
Cnt Shs	22.85	N.L.	+.14
ChesGrth	13.56	13.98	+.11
Chesmt	148.10	N.L.	+.71
Clipper	49.05	N.L.	+.29
Colonial Funds:			
CalTE A	6.63	6.96	
ConTE A	6.85	7.19	
FedSA	9.87	10.36	
FundA	7.27	7.71	+.03
GrthA p	12.01	12.74	+.13
HiYldA	6.27	6.58	+.01
IncoA p	9.68	10.27	—.02
MATxA	7.15	7.51	
NY TE A	6.45	6.77	
OhTE A	6.73	7.07	
StrtInA	6.50	6.82	—.01
TxEA p	12.38	13.00	
TxInsA p	7.56	7.94	
USGrA	12.05	12.79	+.06
USGvA	6.25	6.56	
UtilA p	11.78	12.37	+.02
CATEB t	6.63	6.63	
CTTEB t	6.85	6.85	
FedSB t	9.87	9.87	
FundB t	7.27	7.27	+.03
GlEqB	11.05	11.05	—.01
GwthB t	11.97	11.97	+.13
HYMB t	9.38	9.38	—.01
HYSecB t	6.27	6.27	+.01
IntGrB	9.60	9.60	—.02
MATxB t	7.15	7.15	
OHTxB t	6.73	6.73	
StrtInB t	6.50	6.50	—.01
TxExB t	12.38	12.38	
TxInsB t	7.56	7.56	
USGvB t	11.94	11.94	+.06
USGvB t	6.25	6.25	
UtilB t	11.78	11.78	+.02
Columbia Funds:			
Balance	17.39	N.L.	+.06
ComStk	15.27	N.L.	+.08
Fixed	12.18	N.L.	
Grth	25.95	N.L.	+.16
IntlStk	12.55	N.L.	
Muni	11.45	N.L.	
Specl	19.54	N.L.	+.19
Common Sense:			
Govt	9.94	10.66	+.01
Grwth	14.83	16.21	+.10
GrInc	15.25	16.67	+.07
MunB	12.76	13.40	+.01
Compass Capital:			
EqInc	11.16	11.59	+.04
PxdIn	9.84	10.22	+.01
Grwth	10.72	11.14	+.08
IntlFI	10.14	10.54	
NJ Mun	10.48	10.89	
ShInt	10.01	10.40	
Composite Group:			
BdStkA p	11.39	11.93	+.01
GwthA p	12.30	12.88	+.01
IntRtA p	8.31	8.66	
NWStkA p	14.01	14.67	+.08
TxExA p	7.10	7.40	
USGvA p	9.66	10.06	+.01
Conestoga Funds:			
Equity x	13.47	13.74	—.75
Conn Mutual:			
Govt	9.82	10.23	+.01
Grwth	14.78	15.56	+.13
Income	9.23	9.42	+.01
TotRet	13.95	14.68	+.06
CG Cap Mkt Fds:			
IntrFx x	7.67	N.L.	—.04
IntlEq c	9.76	N.L.	—.26
IntlFx x	8.05	N.L.	—.11
LgGrw x	9.70	N.L.	+.02
LgVal x	8.48	N.L.	—.37
MtgBkd x	7.43	N.L.	—.04
Muni	7.54	N.L.	—.01
SmGrw c	13.03	N.L.	+.11
SmVal x	8.12	N.L.	—.04
TtlRtn x	7.64	N.L.	—.03
Copley	19.82	N.L.	
CoreFunds:			
BalanA	9.93	N.L.	+.03
EqIdx	20.26	N.L.	+.11
GtEqA	9.42	N.L.	+.08
IntBdA	9.50	N.L.	
IntGtrA	12.05	N.L.	—.04
Cumberlnc Hussen:			
AstAll p	12.18	N.L.	+.03
Equity p	15.63	N.L.	+.05
Special	13.06	N.L.	+.05
CrestFunds:			
BondTr	9.18	N.L.	+.01
SIBdTr	9.49	N.L.	
SpEqTr	10.03	N.L.	+.07
ValueTr	10.20	N.L.	+.04
CuFd Adj	9.83	N.L.	+.01
DG Investor:			
Equity	10.74	10.96	+.06
GvtInc	9.21	9.40	+.01
LTGvt	9.50	9.69	+.01
Dean Witter:			
AmVl t	20.96	20.96	+.19
CalTF t	11.82	11.82	
CapGr t	11.83	11.83	+.07
Convt t	10.18	10.18	+.04
DevGr t	16.96	16.96	+.14
DivGr t	29.43	29.43	+.11
Divln t	9.30	9.30	+.01
Euro t	12.76	12.76	+.04
GlbI t	8.66	8.66	
GlbDiv t	10.96	10.96	+.01
GlbUt t	9.98	9.98	—.01
FedSec t	8.72	8.72	+.01
HithSc t	9.95	9.95	+.05
Hilnc p	9.68	9.68	
HiYld	6.52	6.90	
IntSm t	8.82	8.82	
Intmd t	9.22	9.22	+.01
LtdMun	9.02	9.02	
MuAZ t	9.59	9.99	—.01
MuCA t	9.52	9.92	+.01
MUFL t	9.82	10.23	
MUNJ t	9.66	10.06	
MuNPA t	9.76	10.17	
NYTF t	10.78	10.78	
NtlRa t	11.00	11.00	+.02
PacGr t	19.31	19.31	+.12
PrcM t	10.17	10.17	—.02
Premr p	8.71	8.98	
SelMu p	11.30	11.30	
Mngd t	10.68	10.68	
ST US p	9.68	9.68	
Strat t	14.27	14.27	+.07
TaxEx	10.98	11.44	
USGvt t	8.42	8.42	+.01
Util	12.56	12.56	—.01
ValAd t	19.84	19.84	+.09
WWIn	8.42	8.42	
WldW t	17.49	17.49	+.01
TC Bal p	9.00	9.00	
TCCor t	11.35	11.35	+.08
TC Inc	9.79		
TCLat t	11.48	11.48	—.55
TCMor p	8.33	8.33	—.02
TCSCp t	9.24	9.24	+.16
Del Grp Inst:			
DlchI	6.03	6.03	+.01
Delaware Group:			
TrendA p	11.47	12.17	+.11
ValueA p	19.17	20.34	—.03
DelcpA p	21.99	23.33	+.26
DelcmA p	15.72	16.68	+.05
DeTRA p	12.48	13.24	+.02
DelawA p	17.57	18.64	+.05
DelInGA p	11.87	12.59	+.02
DelchA p	6.03	6.33	+.01
USGvA p	7.71	8.09	
TreasA p	9.02	9.30	
TxUSA p	11.55	12.13	
TxInsA p	10.61	11.14	
TxPhA p	7.93	8.33	
Dimensional Fds:			
IntlVal	9.98	N.L.	+.02
US Lg	13.77	N.L.	+.07
US Sml	8.39	N.L.	+.06
US 6-10	10.99	N.L.	+.09
Japan	24.63	N.L.	+.03
UKing	22.83	N.L.	+.04
Cont	14.36	N.L.	+.02
Pfxd	99.76	N.L.	+.04
GlBd	98.00	N.L.	+.02
Govt	97.66	N.L.	+.07
IntGv	102.77	N.L.	+.07
IntlHBM	11.33	N.L.	+.03
LCapInt	11.88	N.L.	+.04
PacRim	15.61	N.L.	+.07
USLgVal	9.95	N.L.	+.03
USSmVal	11.04	N.L.	+.08
Dodge&Cox:			
Balan	45.27	N.L.	+.12
Inco	10.74	N.L.	
Stock	54.04	N.L.	+.27
Dreyfus:			
A Bond	13.33	N.L.	+.01
Aprec p	15.16	N.L.	+.09
AssetAll	12.86	N.L.	+.05
Balncd	13.36	N.L.	+.06
CalTx	13.56	N.L.	
CalInt	12.51	N.L.	+.01
CT Int	12.44	N.L.	
CorVInst	27.01	N.L.	+.16
CorVlv p	27.01	N.L.	+.16
DiscpR	17.82	N.L.	+.11
Dreyf	11.86	N.L.	+.09
EdElInd	11.58	N.L.	
FL Int	12.53	N.L.	
GNM p	13.87	N.L.	+.01
GnCA	12.30	N.L.	+.01
GMBd p	13.66	N.L.	
GNY p	18.33	N.L.	—.01
GrInc	15.59	N.L.	+.05
GthOp	8.16	N.L.	+.06
InsMu p	16.44	N.L.	
Interm	13.10	N.L.	
InterBq p	14.15	N.L.	—.01
InvGIN	14.18	N.L.	
MA Int	12.20	N.L.	
Mas Tx	15.17	N.L.	
MunBd	11.59	N.L.	
NJ Int	12.54	N.L.	
NJ Mun	12.36	N.L.	—.01
NwLd r	30.66	N.L.	+.32
NYIn p	10.61	N.L.	—.01
NY Tax	14.03	N.L.	
NYTE p	16.82	N.L.	
Peoplin t	16.04	N.L.	+.09
PeoMid r	16.34	N.L.	+.13
S&P500R	10.12	N.L.	+.06
ShtGv	10.55	N.L.	
ST Inc p	11.63	N.L.	
ShInT p	12.70	N.L.	
SpGr p	14.55	N.L.	+.08
Thrd C	6.49	N.L.	+.06
UST Int	12.19	N.L.	
UST Lng	13.29	N.L.	
USTSh	14.58	N.L.	
Dreyfus Comstock:			
CapVIA	10.93	11.45	—.10
CapVB t	10.79	N.L.	—.09
PStgA p	8.94	9.36	—.04
PStgO t	8.94	9.36	—.04
Dreyfus Premier:			
BalncdR	9.81	N.L.	+.03
CAMA	11.88	12.44	
CTMA t	11.22	11.75	—.01
CapOth	14.54	14.99	+.02
FLMA	13.78	14.43	—.01
GlbInA	14.73	N.L.	—.01
GlbInB t	14.64	14.64	—.01
GnmaA	13.57	14.21	
LtdInR	10.16	10.16	
MAMA	11.04	11.56	
MDMA	11.94	12.50	—.01
MIMuA	14.36	15.04	
MNMA	14.15	14.82	
MgdIA p	10.18	N.L.	—.01
MuBB t	13.18	13.18	
MuBdA	13.18	13.80	+.01
NCMA	11.99	12.55	
NYMA	13.27	13.90	
NYMB t	13.28	13.28	+.01
OHMA	12.11	12.68	—.01
PAMA	15.25	15.97	
PAMB t	15.25	15.25	
TXMA	19.50	20.42	—.02
VAMA	15.13	15.84	—.01
Dreyfus Strategic:			
GlGr p	32.88	33.90	—.02
Grwth p	39.16	40.37	+.05
Inco p	12.89	13.29	+.01
Inv A	18.70	19.58	+.08
DulTPEnR	9.95	N.L.	+.01
Dupree Mutual:			
KYTF	7.06	N.L.	
KYSM	5.15	N.L.	
EBI Funds:			
Equity p	61.03	N.L.	+.35
Plex p	53.64	N.L.	+.15
MuIdInx p	38.92	38.92	+.18
Eaton V Classic:			
Govt p	9.02	9.02	
Eaton V Marathon:			
CALtd t	9.59	9.59	
FLLtd t	9.74	9.74	
MALtd t	9.65	9.65	—.01
NatlLt t	9.83	9.83	
NJLtd t	9.70	9.70	
NYLtd t	9.69	9.69	
PALtd t	9.77	9.77	
ALTxA t	9.63	9.63	+.01
AZTxA t	9.69	9.69	
ARTxA t	9.45	9.45	
CalMuni t	8.72	8.72	
CTTxA t	9.26	9.26	
FTTxA t	9.85	9.85	
GATxA t	9.16	9.16	
GovtObl t	9.03	9.03	
HiInc t	6.79	6.79	+.01
KYTxA t	9.21	9.21	+.01
MDTxA t	9.40	9.40	
MATxA t	9.53	9.53	—.01
MITxA t	9.58	9.58	
MNTxA t	9.34	9.34	
MOTxA t	9.56	9.56	
NJTxA t	9.76	9.76	—.01
NYTxA t	9.97	9.97	+.01
NatlMu t	9.02	9.02	
NCTxA t	9.33	9.33	
OHTxA t	9.63	9.63	
ORTxA t	9.44	9.44	
PATxA t	9.61	9.61	
STStra t	8.29	8.29	—.04
SCTxA t	9.30	9.30	
TNTxA t	9.30	9.30	
VATxA t	9.52	9.52	
Eaton V Traditional:			
EVStk	11.63	12.21	+.07
Grwth p	6.93	7.28	+.07
InBos p	7.64	8.02	+.01
MunBd	9.22	9.68	
SpEqt p	7.45	7.82	+.11
TradGv	10.46	10.98	
Tradln p	6.78	7.12	+.03
TnlTot p	7.64	8.02	—.01
EclipEq	12.47	N.L.	+.09
Emerald Funds:			
EqInst	10.82	N.L.	+.08
FLTxEA	10.07	10.54	—.01
MgdBdI	9.58	N.L.	
SmCapI	9.56	N.L.	+.10
USGovI	9.75	N.L.	+.01
EmpBld	16.82	17.57	—.01
Endow	15.57	N.L.	+.02
Enterprise Group:			
CapA p	29.85	31.34	+.39
GvSec p	10.63	11.16	+.01
Gwth p	8.10	8.50	+.08
GrInc p	17.41	18.28	+.04
Evergreen Funds:			
Evgrn	11.89	N.L.	+.10
Found	12.47	N.L.	+.05
GloRe	12.50	N.L.	—.01
GroInc	15.52	N.L.	+.08
LtdMk	15.50	N.L.	—.08
MuniF	9.96	N.L.	
TotRtn	16.94	N.L.	+.06
FAM Val	21.59	N.L.	+.08
FBL Series:			
Grth t	12.59	12.59	+.01
FFB Lexicon:			
CapApp	10.57	N.L.	+.08
FxInc	9.72	N.L.	+.01
IntGv	9.74	N.L.	
SelValu p	10.96	N.L.	+.05
FFTW Funds:			
USShrt	9.89	9.89	
WWFxd	9.34	9.34	
FGIC STG	9.97	9.97	+.01
FMB Funds:			
IntG I	9.67	N.L.	
FPA Funds:			
Capit	19.97	21.36	+.31
NwInc	10.39	10.88	+.01
Parnl	14.30	15.29	+.02
Peren	21.90	23.42	+.04
Federated Fortress:			
AdjRt t	9.36	N.L.	
Bond r	8.93	9.02	
GISI r	8.37	N.L.	+.01
MuniInc t	9.97	10.07	
OHMun p

Sanders would give up 2,000 yards for playoffs

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PONTIAC, Mich. — If he had to choose, Barry Sanders would rather have a playoff berth than a 2,000-yard season. The Detroit Lions hope he ends up with both.

Sanders needs 169 yards to become only the third runner in NFL history to rush for 2,000 yards. He gets his last chance Christmas night when the Lions (9-6) conclude the regular season against the Dolphins (9-6) at Miami.

But there is more at stake. Both the Lions and Dolphins need a victory to clinch division titles; the NFC Central for Detroit, the AFC East for Miami.

The game is bigger for Detroit, however, because the Lions might miss the playoffs if they lose. The Dolphins have already clinched a playoff berth.

"History has shown that a lot of great players have played the game, but a lot fewer of those great players had a chance to play in the Super Bowl," Sanders said. "So when you really get down to it, that's what drives most of the people in the locker rooms around the league.

"So this game determines whether we're spectators in January or part of the action. It's an empty feeling to sit at home and watch."

Lions coach Wayne Fontes said the Lions will do what they can to help Sanders reach 2,000 yards. But they won't alter their gameplan to do it.

"The offensive linemen would go crazy if I tried to take him out," Fontes said.

What if the game goes down to the final play? Say the Lions need 2 yards for a winning touchdown, and Sanders needs 2 yards to reach 2,000. What's the call, coach?

"That would mean passing to (tackle eligible) Scott Conover, if they were crowding the line of scrimmage," Fontes said. "We'll take what they give us."

Which is fine with Sanders.

"If we win, I'll be happy for all of us," Sanders said. "I think 1,998 is a pretty good number."

That's typical of Sanders. When pressed, he had to admit he didn't actually know how many yards he already has.

"I know it's 18-something," Sanders said. "You can tell me if you want, but it's not going to make any difference."

Which is not to say that 2,000 yards isn't important to Sanders. It is. He is aware that only Eric Dickerson and O.J. Simpson have ever accomplished the feat.

"I've always known it was a remarkable number for someone to be able to achieve, especially for O.J. because they only played 14 games," Sanders said.

"To be able to get that many yards, it means you've been very productive. It's big, not only for me individually but for the team.

"I've always been aware of that. But at the same time, it was never a driving force. The things that are fun to me are and always will be the competition and going out and trying to win. If you do that, then big plays and statistics will take care of themselves."

Sanders has worked hard for his big plays. For example:

—He has run 79 times for zero or minus yardage, losing 146 yards for an average of minus 1.8 yards.

—On the positive side, he has 240 carries for 1,977 yards, an average of 8.2 yards.

—He has 17 long runs which have gained 20 or more yards. Those total 745 yards, or an average of 44.4 yards.

—Overall, he has rushed 319 times for 1,831 yards.

SMITH: Coaches to decide

(From 1C)

Orleans, wants to at least make a token appearance in Saturday's game at Giants Stadium just to keep alive his 85-game streak of not missing a game because of injury.

Smith also comes into Saturday's game two touchdowns shy of John Riggins' NFL single-season record of 24, and that might be a tempting target.

Speaking Wednesday in a telephone conference call with members of the New York-area media who cover the Giants, Aikman was clear that the Cowboys' goal is to win a third straight Super Bowl and a healthy Smith was vital to that effort.

"I really don't know what his status is," Aikman said, when asked if he expected Smith to play this weekend. "I would hate to see him try to come back for any individual reasons, and put the team's future at risk going into the playoffs.

"Having said that I don't know how his hamstring is going to feel come game time," the Cowboys' Pro Bowl quarterback added.

Cowboys coach Barry Switzer again seemed to change his position on Smith's playing status. The first-year coach said Monday night that Smith probably would not play Saturday, but he indicated Tuesday Smith would have a say in whether he played.

Switzer said Wednesday that Smith was somewhat better but that the coaching staff will determine whether he plays.

"We're going to make that decision, not him," Switzer said. "Right today, he can't play. He is in the training room getting treated. We went out and did a walk through at 11 o'clock and he was not out there. We only have two days to prepare and two days to practice, and he's not going to be out there."

Switzer acknowledged that Smith has had miraculous recoveries, and he has been able to play with tremendous pain.

WOES: Offense needs aid

(From 1C)

The Cowboys need Smith in the lineup against the Giants to get back their offensive timing. But is it worth the risk of aggravating Smith's injury?

The game against the Giants means nothing to the Cowboys, who clinched a bye in the first round and will host a divisional playoff game on Jan. 7 or 8. San Francisco has the homefield advantage throughout the playoffs.

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Brown tones, such as this hazel wool knit helmet and rib cap with matching scarves, are fashionable for Winter '95 headgear. These two warm styles are from Patricia Unwood Too, the milliner's bridge line.

Hats are a must in winter

By Francine Parnes
Associated Press

Any Russian novel worth its "sol" is brimming with characters braving the blustery elements in Cossack hats.

And for good reason. When the cold bites, in the Ukraine or elsewhere, you need to do more than button up your overcoat and put on your mittens.

You need a hat. Not a fedora, pillbox or ubiquitous baseball cap. Choose one that comes down over your ears. Maybe a comfy-cozy fleece, felt, cashmere, or velour. Or a to-the-minute shearling, mohair or chenille. Or anything in fake fur. For evening glamour, go retro with a black velour cloche and add a rhinestone hat pin.

"Considering that last year here on the East Coast we had a very cold winter, we are thinking of hats that are chic, but also warm and protective," says Patricia Underwood, New York milliner. "These are hats that won't let you get caught short on a freezing day."

Whatever, a proper topper should do more than protect your head. It should accessorize your winter coat, frame your face, add a dash of color and a dose of attitude.

Nippy weather invariably ushers in a darker palette, and brown, Underwood says, is the latest color story. It runs the gamut from wheat to wood to walnut.

"Brown — deep, dark chocolate brown — has turned into one of the strongest colors for us," she says. "And why not? Brown eyes, brown hat ... We also like hats in sage green or luggage tan since there happen to be quite a few green-eyed or hazel-eyed ladies."

Chanel, meanwhile, looks to lollipop brights such as a candy-pink and lime oversized newsboy cap in oh-so-trendy fake monkey fur. The hat also comes in black with blue, pink or white, $585 at select Chanel boutiques.

"It's warm, it's fun," says Anne Fahey, public relations director at Chanel in New York.

But face it. Nothing beats cashmere.

"It's the ultimate for warmth, plus it is comfortable to wear and the yarn is so light," Underwood says. "When you're wearing something on your head for an extended period, you want to pick something like cashmere that is very soft on the skin. Besides, it's versatile for travel because it's so packable."

Underwood cashmeres run from about $200 to $500 in black, chocolate, burgundy, sage green, and oatmeal. Less expensive is a V. Fraas cashmere beret, $25 in about a dozen colors at Lord & Taylor.

If winter really gets rough, forgo fashion and opt for a balaclava, or ski mask that covers your face as well as your head. A balaclava in fleecy stretch Polartec is $17 from L.L. Bean's catalog.

Or try an alpaca ski cap whose yarn comes from the long, thick fleece that the Peruvian llama grows as protection from the harsh Andes cold. The fleece is sheared, and the undyed fibers are hand-spun and hand-knit by local artisans. The cap is $30; matching mittens, $25, from The Nature Company catalog.

And now a word about ear flaps. They may be the look you love to hate, but they're sensible in extreme cold, even chic this season in shearling. Surrell offers a shearling hat with flaps for $115 at Neiman Marcus.

If you're truly bent on beating Arctic blasts, go for Timberland's "musher hat" with ear flaps. The waterproof nylon hat has a brown leather brim to ward off driving snow, convertible ear flaps with Polartec lining and Velcro fasteners.

Holiday casual dress can wear many faces

By Mia B. Moody
Associated Press

With the many faces of casual, it should not be difficult to find comfortable outfits to carry you through the holidays.

For many people, dressing up for special occasions is the best part of the season. But before you make the trip to the store, make sure you know how to achieve the look you want.

Since just about anything goes this year, the biggest problem people will have is defining casual, said Judy Hernandez, manager of Leon's Cinderella in Waco.

"It's hard to define," she said. "You really have to have the things right in front of you and then mix and match."

Hernandez said she is mixing and matching velvet with lots of holiday creations this year. In addition, she is putting the Christmas touch on palazzo pants and black stirrup pants.

Linda Vela, owner of Linda & Co., said the most important fashion ideas to keep in mind this year are texture and colors.

She gives high marks to velvet cigarette pants because they can be paired with many different types of blouses, including cropped sweaters and blousey shirts.

In addition, she also recommends using accessories to dress up or down an outfit.

Vela and Hernandez offer these suggestions to help you achieve the two levels of casual this holiday season:

CASUAL

■ Velour jogging suits colored in greens, reds or burgundies with quilted effects on the shoulder can take you to the grocery store or an informal party.

■ Denim and chambray shirts decorated with Santa, reindeer or lights on the chest and shoulder get the go ahead during the holiday season.

■ Christmas sweaters paired with jeans and turtle necks are a holiday fashion staple. For a Christmas gathering, instead of pairing them with jeans, try them with red or green leggings.

■ Pair sweat shirts, decorated with Christmas motifs, with green, black or red stirrup pants.

■ Black palazzo pants and straight skirts can get the holiday touch with a Christmas tunic top or sweater.

■ Reds, burgundies and blues are all appropriate for casual occasions.

DRESSY CASUAL

■ Forgo long evening gowns for short cocktail, A-line dresses for dressy-casual holiday occasions.

■ Sweaters and tops trimmed in an animal print work well with straight-leg pants or skirts.

■ Chiffon is one of the best holiday fashions around. Because of its versatility, it can be layered over chiffon skirts or satin pants. For a special touch, pair a chiffon skirt with a dressy blouse adorned with lace or sequins.

■ Dressy chiffon scarves can give even the plainest outfit holiday cheer. Drape such scarves over a dress or top.

■ For special occasions gloves can be used for more than warmth. During the holiday season pair them with suits and dresses.

■ Long dress are appropriate when they are not made out of evening fabrics. Opt for dresses that are made of material you would see during the day.

■ For dressy occasions the colors of choice are black and gold; a great fabric is organdy and don't forget beading.

Use ornaments in hair

By Siobhan McDonough

NEW YORK (AP) — Ellen deRosset doesn't mind wearing the black dress she wore to last year's holiday parties.

"I'm going to sparkle," says the 27-year-old advertising copywriter who lives in New York.

Frugal and fashion-conscious, deRosset found a $16 solution for a new look: A bow-shaped rhinestone barrette for her hair.

Shiny hair ornaments and a curling iron or hot rollers can easily mimic the look that was all over fashion's runways during the fall collections. David, Deborah Rhodes, Gerard Yosca, Riviera and Surell are among labels now in the stores offering hair accessories that shimmer, glitter and glisten.

Festive clips, combs, wraps, bands and scrunchies add a little or a lot of flare and fun to a look, appropriate for today's glamour.

"The last two or so years the natural and plain look dominated; people are now celebrating glamour's return by accessorizing," says Moty Alvow, owner of a hair salon in New York City.

"We apply whatever suits the hair and head proportions," he says.

A note of caution: heavy ornaments won't stay in fine hair, big bows can overwhelm small faces.

But for women who have a head — and an eye — for the proper piece, there's plenty in the stores to choose from. For example, Riviera's rhinestone bobby pins — a hit with the fashion cognoscenti — are $12 a pair. A charming bow-shaped rhinestone barrette by Cejon is $16, and a red mohair scrunchie by Saks Fifth Avenue is $14.

"An outfit can look completely different and expensive without being expensive," says Jill Craft, director of product development at Riviera hair products in New York.

Craft says you shouldn't let your hair style limit your accessories. Nor should you feel that cutting or perming are needed for a change. Rather, she says, create a dramatic look with jewel-tipped hairpins, a playful look with plaid or mohair hairbands.

Book offers 101 tips to men about their mistakes that women hate

By Christine Keating
N.Y. Times News Service

What your best friend won't tell you, Ken Karpinski will.

In his book, Mistakes That Men Make That Women Hate (Impact Publications, $6.95), Karpinski doles out 101 image tips for men.

Tips such as tie clips are out. Business shoes don't go with casual khaki pants. Don't spit in public — unless you are choking, it is highly gross, he writes.

The tips are a culmination of conversations with women who revealed their biggest peeves about men's style to Karpinski, who took copious notes.

"We had so much input from females that we started counting after we got 39 or 40 (tips)," Karpinski said from his home in McLean, Va. "We had to cut it off at 101."

While mostly helpful, the book occasionally dips into condescending territory. Take Tip 72, The Ink-Stained Pocket. Nobody will think it is an abstract monogram, Karpinski writes. No-duh, Ken.

Other advice is more practical: Tip 75, the Unbuttoned Double-Breasted Jacket. Only David Letterman has gotten away with this — you're not Dave, he writes.

Karpinski's favorite faux pas is the book's first tip: Don't go around with a pocketful of pens.

"More than two is the international nerd symbol," he said.

Karpinski published another book last year, Red Socks Don't Work: Messages from the Real World About Men's Clothing. And is working on another about how men can make the transition from college to career. He began his career in men's fashion as a wardrobe consultant for Nordstrom's and Bloomingdale's, and was a consultant for author Carol Jackson on two books about color and style for men.

"A lot of women said to me that they knew someone who did this or that (mistake)," Karpinski said. "And men are grateful to see it spelled out.

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At Wit's End

Christmas gift equality costs mother big bucks

By Erma Bombeck



Bombeck

I tallied up the price of the gifts to my children the other day and realized one is $2 short of the amount I spent on the other two.

There are those who will say: "Christmas isn't about money. It's about little tokens of love and giving and sharing."

I say to you, you've been reading too many Hallmark cards.

It's a stupid thing I'm doing. I know that. Ask me why I look both ways before I cross a one-way street. I don't know. I just do it.

But I know for a fact that children are born with microchips in their brains that record and store the exact day their brothers and sisters got their first bicycle/watch/car. If you miss doing the same for one child within that time frame, then that can mean only one thing: You love his brother better than you love him.

Every child in the family vies for the attention of his parents. Some will get it sticking two carrots in their nostrils at the table. Others will make all A's. Another will speak only two words to you a year. But they're all in the race.

My husband says the kids have outgrown the Christmas tabulating routine. I don't want to take the chance. "It's just going to be stocking stuffers," I said.

When I went to buy a $2 gift for the one on the short end, I found I had to pay $10 for an address book. That made the other two $8 short. In buying a fanny pack for my daughter, I had to pay $12 for it. That meant the first son was now $12 short and his brother $4 light.

That wasn't right. So I charged the malls again.

I'm at the stage now if I buy a candy cane for one, a postage stamp for the other and a stick of gum for the third, I'm paid up on my affection for another year.

I know in my heart they're all grown-up adults and don't even think about such things at Christmas, but years ago when they were small, I told my son the poignant story of a town's quest to make the chimes ring in the old church.

The townspeople were told that when someone put a gift of value and sacrifice on the altar, it would happen. One by one they offered gold and valuables. The church bells remained silent. Then a little waif took off his coat, which was his only protection against the cold, and placed it on the altar. It was the only thing he had. The chimes rang gloriously.

My son turned to me and asked, "What did his brother give?"

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DEAR ABBY

Dispatchers give directions for reporting emergency

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am an emergency (911) dispatcher in a town of 60,000 people. Our dispatch center serves the city police department, the sheriff, the city and county fire departments, and the local ambulance service. This means we dispatch fire, police and medical.



Van Buren

My co-workers and I have some suggestions for those who may need our help in the future:

1. It's our job to sift through details and get basic information. We are not being nosy when we ask if drugs or alcohol were involved in the emergency. The paramedic may need to know in order to better treat this person.

2. Please do not scream into the phone that we "know" where you are — we have to confirm that information with what our computer gives us in case you have moved or are using a neighbor's phone. And don't scream and curse us, demanding that we get emergency personnel there NOW — we can't airlift them. They have to use the same streets everyone else uses, and have to contend with the same traffic.

3. If you are reporting a fight or domestic problem, we don't need to know what you think of someone's character or lifestyle — just give us the address, and if there are any weapons. We appreciate all the information that's pertinent, and we may ask for other information — but let us ask you instead of you telling us how many boyfriends the lady next door has, or how she supports herself.

Don't get us wrong, Abby. Without the help of concerned neighbors, some people would be robbed, beaten or even murdered. But please emphasize to your readers that cooperation is the key and that they should allow us to do our job — which is helping them.

Thanks for letting us blow off some steam. — E-911 DISPATCHERS WHO CARE

DEAR DISPATCHERS: I'm glad to help, and I'm sure many will read your suggestions with interest. A final thought I'd like to add to your short list: The 911 emergency reporting system is not equipped to answer questions or give directions. Do not call 911 unless you need immediate emergency assistance.

DEAR ABBY: Last year I married a man who had gone through a very bitter divorce seven years ago. When his divorce was final, he had gained so much weight that a jeweler had to cut off his wedding ring.

Imagine my surprise when I learned a few weeks ago that he had that wedding ring repaired, and he's wearing it on his keychain. I asked him to please put it away. He refused, saying that ring is a reminder of how bad his first marriage was.

We see his "ex" regularly because there are children involved — so it's not as though he needs another reminder.

Abby, am I overreacting, or is there something strange going on here? — LONE STAR STATE

DEAR L.S.S.: You are not overreacting. It is, indeed, strange that your husband is literally wearing a battered trophy from his failed marriage.

However, if this gives him some kind of perverse pleasure, leave him alone. He reminds me of the man who kept hitting his head with a hammer because it felt so good when he stopped.

DEAR ABBY: After my father's death, I was disowned by my mother and my siblings because I revealed that my father had sexually molested me while I was growing up. He died without apologizing — or even acknowledging what he had done. I was devastated and entered both group and individual therapy. I also received counseling from my pastor.

My husband and children supported me. My other relatives deny that the abuse ever took place — and say if it did, I should have dealt with it alone and kept quiet about it.

Abby, I did what I thought was right — I got professional help and ended the secrecy — but my mother's rejection is even more painful than the incest.

Mother refuses to get help. She refused to speak to my therapist or my pastor. She says there is no way to repair the damage I did to the family when I revealed the incest.

How can I get my mother back? This separation is destroying me. — ACHING IN ATLANTA

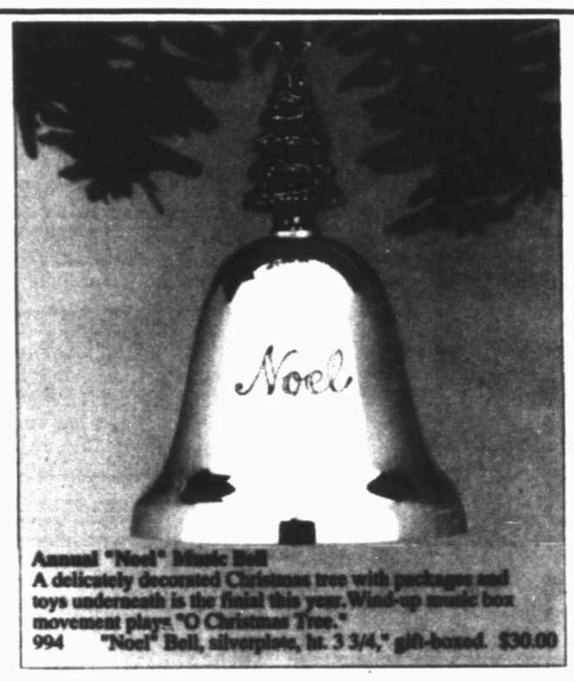
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Anne Klein's designer departs

By Amy M. Spindler
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Anne Klein & Co. and its designer, Richard Tyler, said Monday that they were ending their relationship after only 19 months.

Like a cheating celebrity husband who lets his wronged wife have the last word with the press, officials at Anne Klein declined to comment further, leaving the painful job of spin control to Tyler/Trafficante, Tyler's own design house.

For both parties, the moral of the story could be best expressed in the words of Oscar Wilde: "When the gods wish to punish us, they answer our prayers."

Tyler signed on with Anne Klein to design clothes that were less expensive than the signature $2,000 jackets that he produced for his own seven-year-old line in California. Anne Klein had been tired of seeing Calvin Klein and Donna Karan get all the publicity, and had wanted a hipper image.

Now, Anne Klein appears to be running back to the cover of the cost-conscious practical sportswear image that the designer whose name is on the door made famous before her death in 1974.

Any doubts that Anne Klein's initial intent was to make its collection a cutting-edge attention grabber would have been erased when a $2 million advertising campaign photographed in a disco-decadent style by Stephen Meisel began last March.

But the company seemed to have suddenly lost the nerve it displayed in hiring a hip West Coast designer, promoting him heavily and daring the retailers to take offense. And the retailers took the dare, registering their concern about losing the traditional Anne Klein customer.

LAST SPRING, Tyler seemed to have pushed the collection beyond whatever invisible line had been established by Anne Klein's president, Andrew Rosen, and the owners, Frank Mori and Tomio Taki.

And as unceremoniously as when Louis Dell'Olio was forced from the house in May 1993, after Mr. Tyler had already been chosen, Anne Klein has now ended its agreement with Mr. Tyler. Retailers said that a replacement had already been chosen — Patrick Robinson, a young designer who for five years has been interpreting Giorgio Armani's collections for Le Collezione, the lower-price white label to Armani's black upper-end line.

"They do have definite ideas, but they did let Richard develop on his own in terms of his silhouette," said Lisa Trafficante, the president of Tyler/Trafficante, the company she and Tyler, her husband, started in 1987. "I think they felt when Richard talked about Anne Klein, it was exactly what they wanted to hear, but when they talked about it we were talking past each other, really thinking we were talking about the same thing. We realized we're not understanding each other."

WHILE IT APPEARS that it was Anne Klein's decision to terminate Tyler's contract, Tyler seems to have walked away the victor.

For two consecutive years, Tyler has won an award from the Council of Fashion Designers of America for his signature line. The first was for new talent; on Jan. 30 he will accept another, for best designer.

His work for Anne Klein, although probably a factor, was not included in the citation. And since becoming a bicoastal talent, he has collected reams of publicity, with Anne Klein promoting him as the designer that doubled sales at the house, despite retail reports that the line wasn't finding its customer.

The new issue of People magazine, perhaps the leading indicator of what in fashion has reached the masses, this week declared him one of 1994's "fresh faces."

Clearly, what was fresh was his higher profile, through the publicity machine of a $400 million Seventh Avenue business.

"Richard Tyler has gotten more out of Anne Klein than Anne Klein got out of him," said Alan Millstein, editor and publisher of Fashion Network Report, an industry newsletter. "He's got a trophy case of awards and a fat and happy clip book."

Millstein said Tyler gave Anne Klein a much needed shot of vitality. But he added: "He did not do for them what Karl Lagerfeld did for Chanel. He did not resuscitate the Anne Klein business."

TYLER FIRST CAME to the attention of Anne Klein through Rosen's sister Lisa and his wife, who discovered the Tyler/Trafficante boutique in Los Angeles. Tyler was a ticket into the glamorous world of the Hollywood clients who favored his clothing and into the pages of the fashion magazines that only grudgingly featured the wearable clothes Dell'Olio had designed for 18 years.

Vogue was planning a feature for February on Tyler and his relationship with Anne Klein. It is being rewritten.

There were also licensees, all set to play to the tune set by Tyler, like Manolo Blahnik with shoes and Liza Bruce with bathing suits.

Anne Klein represents a sizable amount of business for many stores, and a number of retailers that carry Anne Klein also have Tyler's own collection. Few seemed surprised by the decision.

"Business as usual," said Kal Ruttenstein, the fashion director of Bloomingdale's. "It's Anne Klein we believe in. They're a solid company. We have an excellent relationship with them."

He said Tyler is "a big talent," and he had been hoping that the Anne Klein customer would eventually catch on. "But when I think about it, from what salespeople tell me, it wasn't about to happen. If they were going to wear Richard Tyler, they'd go off to buy Richard Tyler."

BERGDORF GOODMAN has increased the floor space for Richard Tyler's own collection since the designer began receiving Anne Klein-generated publicity over the last year.

"We've built a major Richard Tyler boutique," said Dawn Mello, the president of Bergdorf Goodman. "That's the business we've grown. I think Richard has emerged as one of the top designers in the country in a relatively short amount of time."

The store reporting the best success with Tyler's Anne Klein collection was Barneys New York, which began buying the line only after Tyler took over.

"It was perfect for us, and for our customer," said Bonnie Pressman, a senior vice president at Barneys New York. "There was a lot of young inspiration put in the line."

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Style hits center stage

By Christine Keating
N.Y. Times News Service

Used to be the only way to get inside the fashion world was to take a stretch limousine, sip champagne and speak fluent fashionese ("Oh, Oscar, I love your double-stitched wool pique trousers. Simply deeeevine. Maaarvulous.")

Today, you can take a city bus and a thermos of Tang. Easier yet, turn on your TV. Or, gulp, read The New Yorker.

Fashion's transition from the closets of clotheshorses to mainstream Americans has been evolving over several seasons and became complete during the spring shows in New York.

No longer just Elsa Klensch sound bites on CNN, fashion coverage is everywhere. Even The New Yorker magazine (usually reserved for the literary set who can't be bothered with flash), devoted its Nov. 7 issue to fashion.

Adding to the excitement (or causing it) were more reporters, more TV cameras, more people and more groupies — who converged under the tents at Bryant Park for the week of fashion shows — than I'm sure the fire marshal allows.

There were 1,145 registered reporters and an undetermined number of designers' friends, family and gate-crashers, McCarthy said. The largest tent can hold 1,065 people quite uncomfortably, including standing room that usually ran three rows deep. VH1 was there. MTV, E! Entertainment Network, the major networks, and even Marilu Henner, who has a talk show.

So why all the attention now?

The New Yorker was there under the direction of its latest editor in chief, Tina Brown, who vowed to make the magazine similar to the Vanity Fair she came from while keeping The New Yorker's same text-driven style.

But why everyone else? Was it to see Johnny Depp, Kim Basinger, Barbara Walters and Molly (whatever happened to) Ringwald, who showed up in front row seats at many of the shows? Was it because of the baseball strike?

No, said the fashion council's executive director, Fern Malis.

"It's really about the energy and excitement when all these elements come together — the models, the music, the fashions and the designers," Malis said. "Fashion has become the new sports arena, rock concert, the new happening social function."

Well it's about time, I say. Fashion is about a lot more than the miniskirt. It's sociology — a way to assess each generation — from the carefree 1920s flapper to the bebop ankle-sock 1950s. And it should be accessible to more than just the people who subscribe to Vogue.

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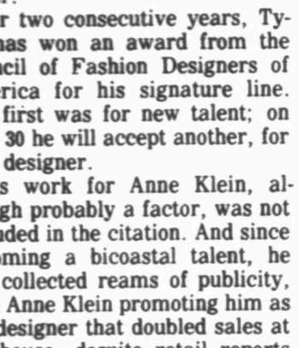
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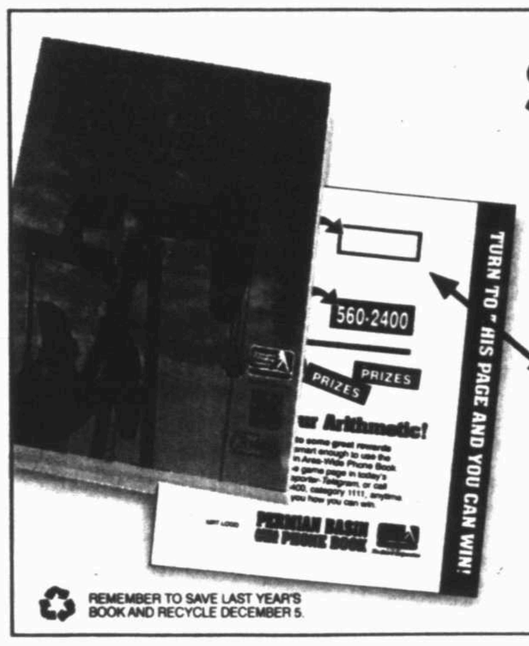
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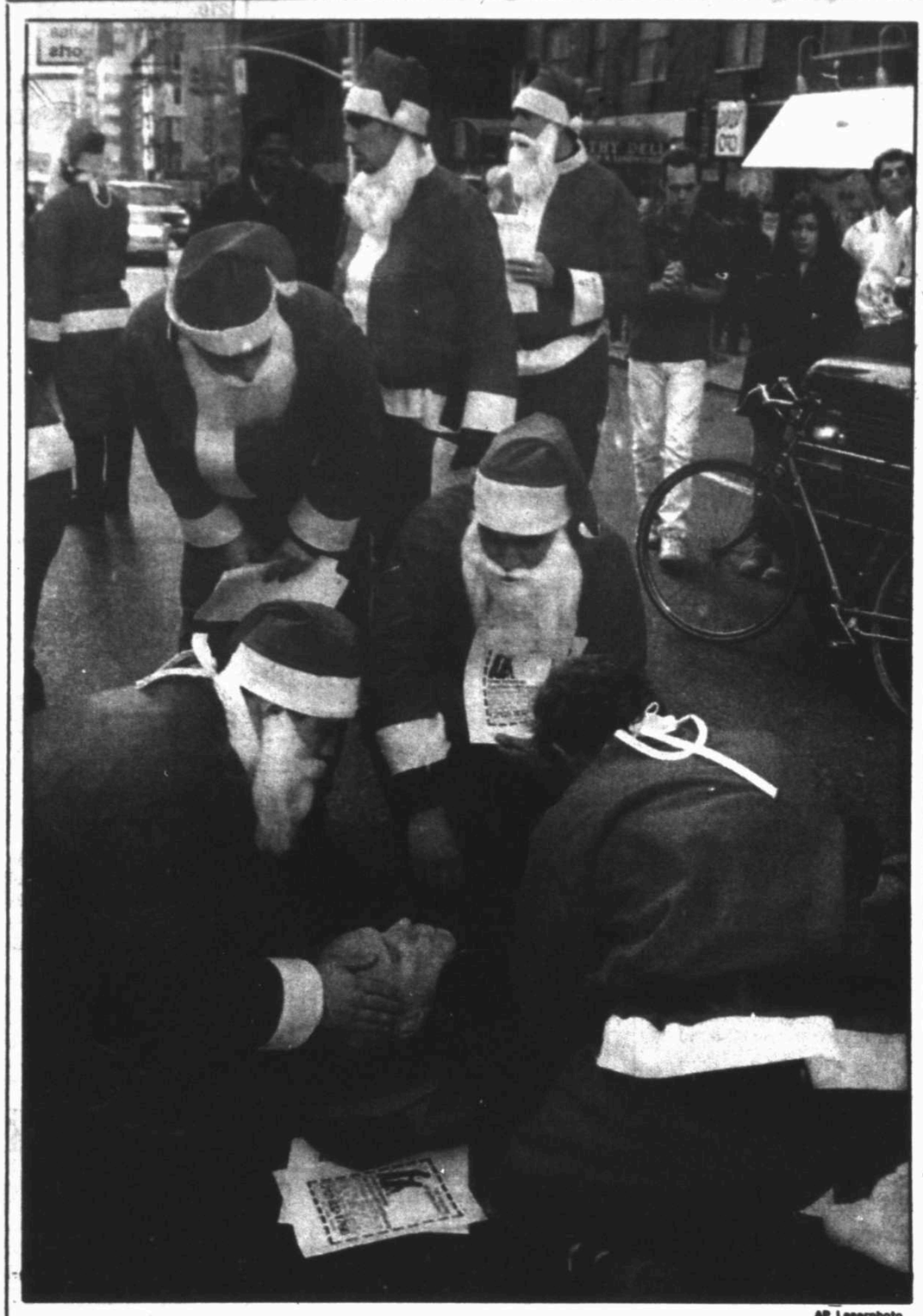
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Sidewalk Santas come to the aid of cyclist Philip Anderson, 63, after he was struck by a van on New York's Third Avenue, Tuesday.

'Tis the season for Santas to do CPR

NEW YORK (AP) — He not only knows when you've been bad or good — he knows CPR, for goodness' sake.

Ten sidewalk Santas rallied around a bicyclist who collided with a van Tuesday, tending to his injuries and directing traffic around the scene.

"He asked me, 'Am I in the North Pole?'" recalled pseudo-Santa Lawrence Reichard, an emergency medical technician who was part of a Claus cluster handing out promotional fliers for a store.

Reichard, in full white beard and bright red suit, took the vital signs of 63-year-old Philip Anderson while another jolly old elf held the man's neck straight and the rest summoned help or directed cars on Third Avenue.

"When the police arrive, there's 10 Santas standing around this guy," said Bill Zanca, who hired the Santa salesmen to promote his Great American Backrub shop. "Only in New York, right?"

Anderson was in stable condition at Bellevue Hospital. Hospital spokeswoman Vicki Ciampa said he probably would be released later in the day.

Busy sidewalks: Keep moving or get out of way in New York

By Rick Hampson
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It's Christmastime in the city, when the nation's fastest, most aggressive walkers practically march up the backs of slow-footed visitors.

"I could scream," muttered Gail Pollman, 27, a photographer late for an assignment on Fifth Avenue and stuck behind a group of tourists. "It's the same every year. They come to see the Christmas tree and FAO Schwarz and they stop anyone else from getting anywhere!"

She's on to something, says an expert who has studied pedestrians around the world.

"You can tell 'em in a minute, the way they dawdle along," grunted William H. Whyte, who also happens to live in New York City. "We sort of look down our noses at tourists. They're so slow they drive us crazy."

The problem has three elements:

■ The city is more crowded than ever this Christmas, thanks to a cheap dollar and a robust economy.

■ The streets are narrowed by holiday fixtures: sidewalk Santas, Salvation Army kettles, illegal vendors with fast-folding tables. Cheap windup toys crawl along the pavement, spooking pedestrians the way mice do circus elephants.

■ A male Manhattanite — according to Whyte, author of the books "The Organization Man," a look at corporate America, and "City," a treatise on city life around the world — walks down Fifth Avenue on a midmorning weekday at an average speed of 350 feet a minute; out-of-towners walk about 250 feet per minute.

And they do so three or four or five abreast, not counting children, who invariably lag behind and sometimes have to be dragged along, their shiny patent leather shoes scraping along the pavement, their cries torturing all within earshot.

It is a scientific fact that people in big cities walk faster than people in small ones, and pedestrians in Manhattan walk faster longer than anywhere else in America, according to Whyte.

They frequently cruise at 4 mph, with passing speeds of up to 5 mph, and will go 20 percent to 40 percent farther than residents of a typical Sunbelt metropolis.

'You can tell 'em in a minute, the way they dawdle along. We sort of look down our noses at tourists. They're so slow they drive us crazy.'

—William Whyte
New Yorker

The out-of-towners don't even TRY to walk fast.

Whatever the mean daytime foot speed back home, their most pressing tasks in Manhattan are locating St. Patrick's, being fleeced in one of Fifth Avenue's perpetual GOING OUT OF BUSINESS sales and finding a bathroom.

They wanna get a look at Saks' windows, but they're gonna get run over by some high-strung commodities trader racing to his annual bonus review.

"I know we're slow," said Alice Harrity, a senior citizen from Gloucester, Mass. She was glancing over her shoulder, as if expecting a blow at any moment. "But we're here to have fun. We're not here to run."

The Japanese are one group of visitors who should have nothing to apologize for; denizens of Tokyo's Ginza section are the only pedestrians in the world faster than Manhattan's.

But the Japanese have a problem in Manhattan, according to former city transportation official Samuel Schwartz: "They're obedient. They see a blinking 'Don't Walk' sign and stop. New Yorkers think they're holiday decorations." And nudge the visitors into traffic.

New Yorkers go into the street by design; it's a sort of pedestrian passing lane. There are vehicles to compete with, but Whyte characterizes the local attitude as: "Make way for me or kill me."

In recent years New York's annoyance with the tourist turtles has been mitigated by the realization that the tourist dollar can't be taken for granted.

"We shouldn't be mean to them," Whyte said. "But they really are slow. There's no doubt about it."

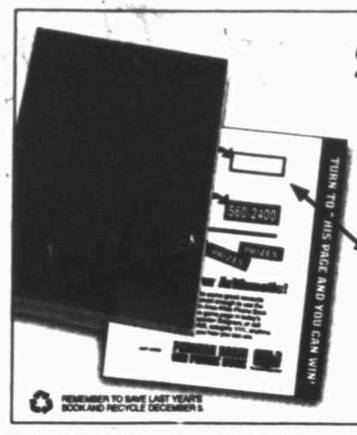
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DATED this 20th day of December, 1994.

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If requested in writing by January 5, 1995, a public hearing will be held by Mission Health Care, Inc. at 2510 West Ohio Street in Midland on January 12, 1995 to accept comments on the proposed initiation of elderly and disabled transportation services within the Midland-Odessa area. Written comments on the proposed project may be submitted to P.O. Box 5894, Midland, Texas 79704 prior to January 5, 1994.

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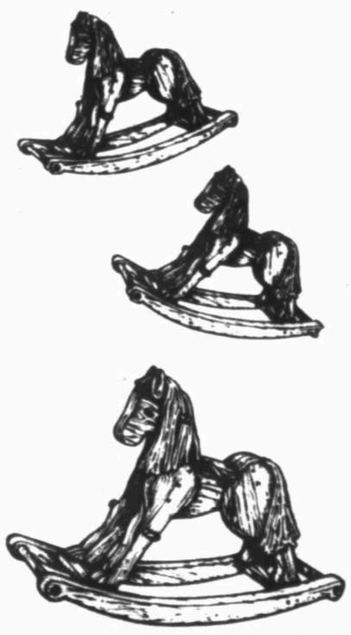
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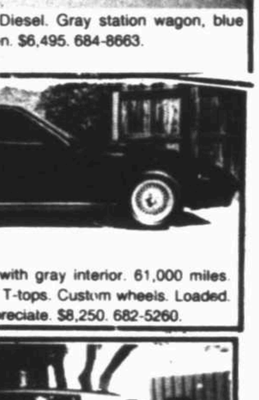
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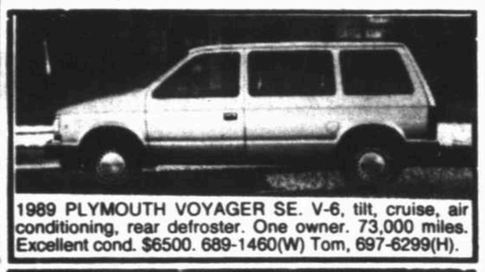


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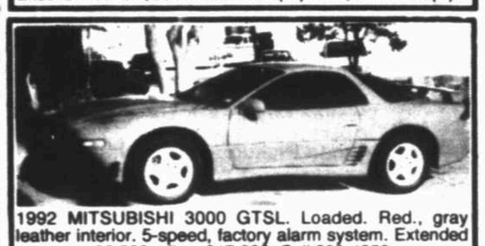
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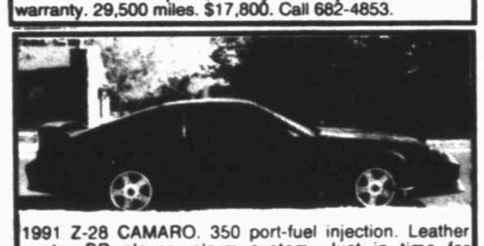
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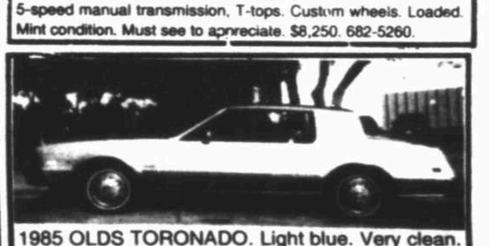


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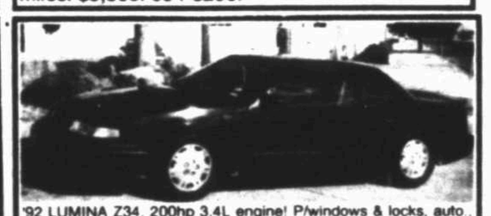
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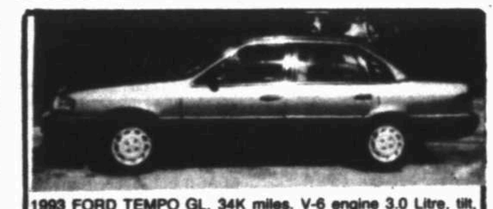
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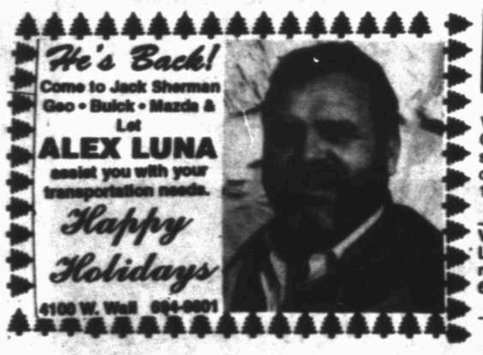
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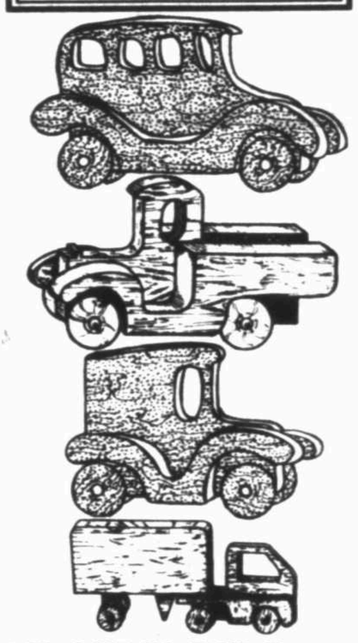
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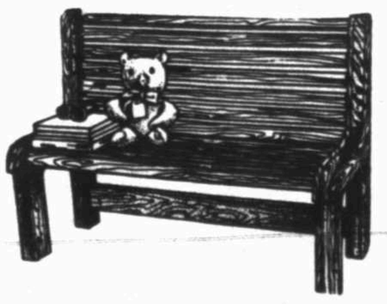
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Very romantic, tall, blonde, blue eyes, handsome, trustworthy. I love all kinds of music. Respond immediately. **#81677**

Women Seeking Men

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Four month old son, we enjoy movies, dining, the park. ISO intelligent, loving, SBM, 21-28, N/S. **#41425**

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Honest, educated, loving. Likes sports. Tired of losers. ISO attractive, outgoing, sincere, S/DWM, 23-35, possible relationship. **#45889**

Men Seeking Women

SWM, 30
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Woman to come into his life, must be physically fit, 21-40. I'm financially secure, enjoy travel, sports, quiet times, ready for good relationship. **#25883**

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SWM, 31, 5'6", 180 LBS.
Brown hair, eyes. Enjoy fishing, camping, movies, bowling and much, much more. **#21417**

Men Seeking Women

POSITIVE THINKER
SWM, 34, enjoys music, quiet times. ISO SF, 30-45, for friendship, maybe more. Kids O.K. **#42958**

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34, attractive, easygoing, caring, considerate, loves children, outdoors, country music, looking for S/DWF, 24-36, for friendship/relationship.**#21424**

DWCM, 33, 6', 185 LBS.
Seeking honest, sincere SF, for friendship, possible relationship, who enjoys dancing, outdoors, conversation, dining. **#45687**

SWM, 20, 6'2", 175 LBS.
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BIG IS BEAUTIFUL
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ATTRACTIVE SWM, 18
6'4", blond hair, blue eyes, seeks SW/HM for friendship. **#66902**

Seniors Seeking Seniors

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SWF, 68, 5'8", 135 lbs, enjoys country music, dancing, traveling, movies. Seeking gentleman, 60-72, for companionship. **#63101**

WW/WF, 69 PLUS
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310 General Help Wanted

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310 General Help Wanted

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HEALTH CARE- Comanche Care Facility in Big Spring, has new position for full - time Social Worker. Will also have opening for Activities Director in January. We offer competitive wages, benefits. EOE. Call 263–4041 or Fax resume to 263-4067.

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RESTAURANT MANAGERS

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310 General Help Wanted

RESTAURANT- Jumburrito Restaurant now accepting applications. 908 S. Midkiff. Apply in person.

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310 General Help Wanted

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RESTAURANT - Cashier and Wait Person wanted please at Sakura Restaurant, 1501 N. Big Spring.

RESTAURANT

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316 Sales Help Wanted

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PART-TIME Merchandiser- Spanish music distributor seeks bilingual person to service/ establish accounts. Duties include alphabetizing, stocking, taking inventory. Job is 3-6 hours per week at $6 per hour. Please call 1-800-877-3472 between 2-4 pm Monday through Friday.

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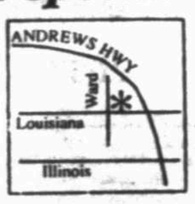
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2409 W. Dengar	3/2	$56,850	
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655 Mobile Homes Unfurnished

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