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NEWS WATCH

Rose's return

CINCINNATI — Pete Rose, who was banned from baseball for gambling in 1989, completed a five-month prison term Monday and checked into a Cincinnati halfway house to fulfill the second phase of his sentence for tax evasion. About a dozen children chanting "Welcome Home Pete" briefly surrounded the former Cincinnati Reds star when he stepped out of a car and walked quickly into the private Talbert House, where he will spend the next three months.

See ROSE/1C

Uprising crushed

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Loyalist troops on Monday crushed a coup attempt by an associate of former dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier that left at least 37 people dead, including seven by lynching. The uprising threatened the transition of power to Haiti's first freely elected president.

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Elvis fans gather

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Elvis fans will celebrate his birthday with their usual banquet and sock hop, and new reports that he did indeed die of drug abuse rather than heart disease won't dampen the festivities, the Presley estate said Monday. "It shouldn't have any effect. These people who are here are people who love Elvis," said Todd Morgan, a spokesman for Graceland, Presley's former home. The singer was born in Tupelo, Miss., on Jan. 8, 1935.

Say what?

"OK, (Los Angeles is) ugly. OK, the people are stupid. But they're really harmless. I don't want to be surrounded by a bunch of cynical, mean people. There's something great about how you just get this feeling nobody's going to hurt you in L.A. Where in New York, everyone is so beautiful and they know so much and they've been in every museum and they dress great, and I just always feel like I can't compete, and that as soon as I turn my back, they're saying mean things about me."

Actress/director Jodie Foster, 28, in the New York Times magazine.

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U.S. holds firm on deadline

Foreigners flee Israel as Jan. 15 nears

N.Y. Times News Service

JERUSALEM — The United Nations on Monday advised all its non-essential employees to leave Israel right away, adding to the throngs of foreigners crowding Ben-Gurion International Airport, fleeing before the Jan. 15 U.N. deadline for Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait.

Airport officials reported that all outgoing flights were sold out for the next several days as many foreign students, businessmen, journalists, diplomats and foreign workers left because of fear of war.

"A lot of my friends are taking a break or

traveling in Europe, just to be safe, but are definitely planning on coming back," said Shamir Kaplan, a visiting college student.

Joe Smith, another student, said, "The reason students are leaving is that parents are very upset."

Israelis, too, began further preparing themselves for the possibility that President Saddam Hussein of Iraq will make good on his threat to mount a vast chemical attack on Israel if should U.S. and allied forces attack his forces.

The Defense Ministry announced Monday

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■ Baker says Saddam must leave or be forced out; six Iraqi copter pilots defect.

Associated Press

The United States, Britain and NATO insisted Monday that Iraq must heed the Jan. 15 deadline to withdraw from Kuwait. President Saddam Hussein again urged his nation to be ready for war, but pilots manning six Iraqi helicopters were reported to have defected.

The U.S. military command in Saudi Arabia said four of the air-

men flew their craft to a base at Khafji, just south of Kuwait, and two others landed safely in the Saudi desert in the first major defections of the gulf crisis from Saddam's military machine.

Iraq quickly denied any defections. The Iraqi News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, quoted Information Minister Latif Nusayif Jassim as saying, "What assures that this is untrue is that there were no Iraqi (air) exercises at all today."

An Arab diplomat in Baghdad said Saddam and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat had asked a French lawmaker to help persuade the United Nations to reconsider its

Please see DEADLINE/2A

Pentagon cancels A-12 attack plane

■ General Dynamics to begin laying off 4,000 workers in Fort Worth and Tulsa, Okla.

N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Dick Cheney canceled plans on Monday to build a new Navy attack plane, the largest weapons program ever terminated by the Pentagon.

The decision, which surprised military analysts, was announced in a Pentagon statement that said the builders of the \$57 billion A-12 warplane program had defaulted on the program by failing to "design, develop, fabricate, assemble and test the A-12 aircraft within the contract schedule."

The contractors are the McDonnell Douglas Corp. and the General Dynamics Corp., both based in St. Louis. Both immediately denied that they defaulted on

Please see STEALTH/2A

MISD panel to evaluate district needs

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

Midland public school administrators are hoping a 15-member advisory committee will offer suggestions on the school district's overcrowding woes.

Midland Independent School District's attempt to pass a \$24.5 million bond issue Oct. 6 failed. Much of the bond issue would have been used to finance construction, including the construction of a new junior high school, elementary school, alternative program facility, 11 multipurpose centers, two libraries, 29 classrooms, remodeled science classrooms and an intermediate grade wing at one elementary school.

Board members and MISD Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr. submitted names to Board President Ken Morrison Jr., who made the selections.

"I appointed members after a lot of input and comments," Morrison said. "I

Please see PANEL/2A

Soviets deploy paratroopers into republics to enforce draft

■ Shevardnadze might withdraw his resignation, Vice President Yanayev says.

Associated Press

MOSCOW — The Defense Ministry on Monday ordered thousands of paratroopers into seven secessionist republics to enforce conscription and round up draft dodgers and deserters. It said national security was at stake.

Latvia and Lithuania reacted immediately by saying draft-age youth would be encouraged to go into hiding. Latvia said it was given until Friday to comply with Soviet draft laws or face military

action. The third Baltic republic, Estonia, said it had until Sunday.

The seven republics targeted have been among the most aggressive in demanding autonomy, although all 15 republics say they want less control by the Kremlin. Only Latvia and Estonia mentioned being given specific deadlines.

"Both (President Mikhail) Gorbachev and the army are interested in saving the empire," Estonian Prime Minister Edgar Savisaar told the independent news agency Baltfax.

Meanwhile, Vice President Gennady I. Yanayev suggested Monday that Foreign Minister Eduard

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Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Rig overturns

A tractor-trailer rig lies overturned Monday on west-bound Interstate 20 six miles east of Midland following an early morning accident. In the background,

workers clean up welding rods which spilled in a mishap that occurred when another truck swerved to avoid the overturned rig. Please see story, Page 2B.

Williams seeks to ax \$25 council salary

By Brian Pearson
Staff Writer

Bill Williams assured that he didn't run for the Midland City Council because of the \$25 monthly salary.

Williams, a Midland tire tycoon, said the pay, in fact, has become a bothersome drop in his financial ocean.

"It sure doesn't benefit any of us," he said. "No one runs for council to get that \$25."

Williams said he plans to discuss axing the salary during today's council meeting.

"It seems appropriate to eliminate it," he said. "It costs the city quite a bit of administrative time and money to write these checks."

But the city would have to seek voter approval before cutting the salary. The

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— Bill Williams

item might be put on the May 4 ballot, which also could include two other proposed city charter changes, Williams said.

However, City Attorney David Reagan said he will recommend that the \$25 council pay and the \$75 mayoral salary remain.

"The salary makes the position an office of emolument," Reagan explained. "That means it's a public office for

which compensation is paid."

State law does not allow someone to hold two offices of emolument simultaneously.

Keeping the salary would curb the chance of council members having a conflict of interest by preventing them from serving elsewhere as paid politicians, such as county commissioners.

"As our business relationship becomes more and more complex with entities such as the county commissioners, it's going to be difficult to wear two hats," Reagan said.

The council and mayoral salaries cost the city \$2,700 annually, not including the time and money it takes to process the paychecks.

"I don't mind working for free," Coun-

Please see WILLIAMS/2A

Legislature convenes under cloud of charges

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas lawmakers convene in regular session Tuesday with a multibillion-dollar money shortage in the shadow of a grand jury investigation into alleged influence-peddling in the Legislature.

Speaker Gib Lewis, indicted on two misdemeanor charges by the grand jury, nevertheless expects re-election to a record fifth term as leader of the House.

There's also the challenge in the 140-day session of drawing new legislative and congressional districts; calls for insurance reform; a push for tough new ethics laws; and the possibility that lawmakers again will have to redesign the public school finance system.

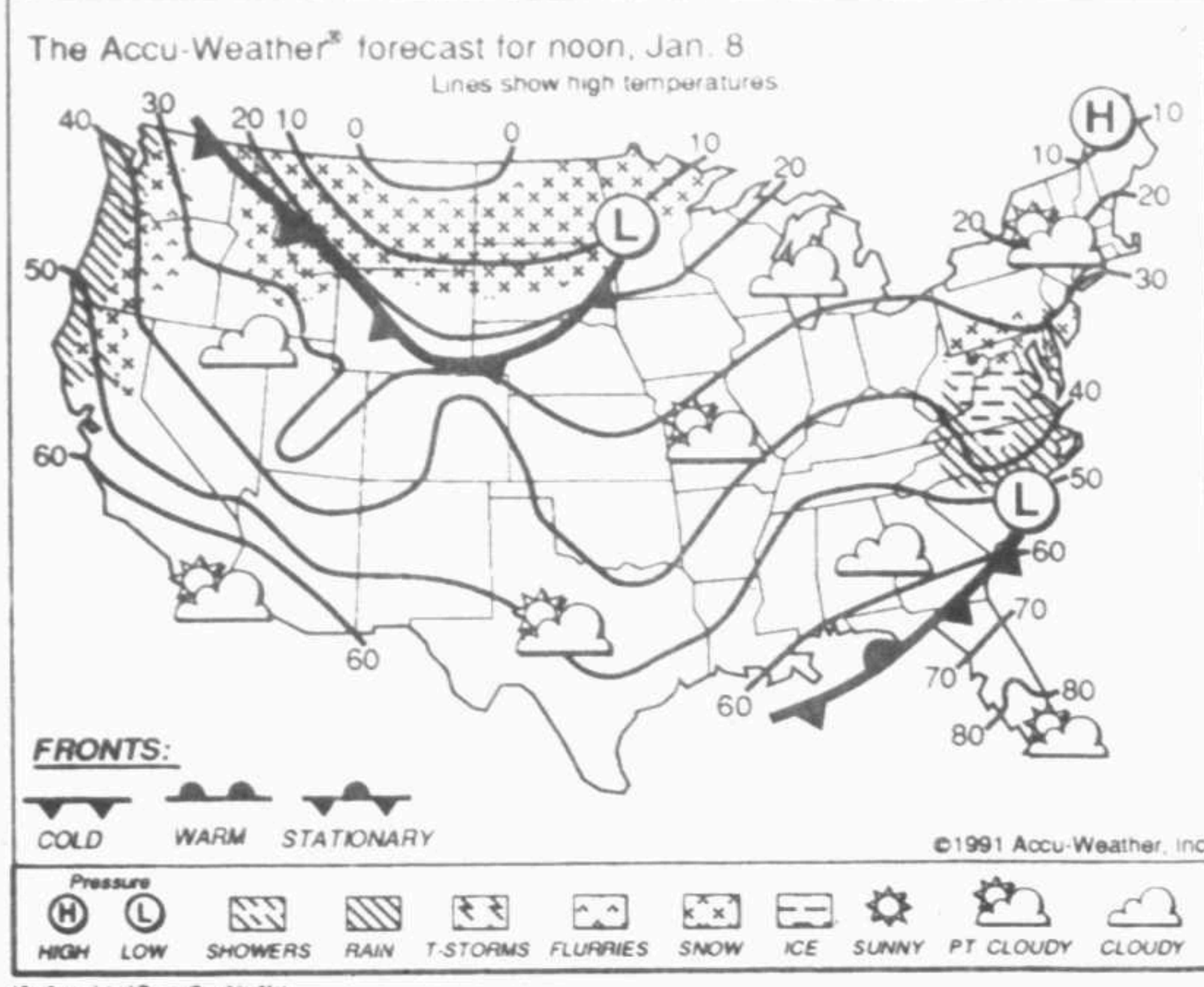
But first come the ceremonies, starting at noon.

Lawmakers elected in November, including Lewis, will be sworn in after the House and Senate meet. Both Republican Gov. Bill Clements and Democratic Gov.-elect Ann Richards are

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WEATHER SUMMARY



Cloudy skies forecast

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy with a high in the mid-50s and 5 to 15 mph south winds, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight is expected to be fair with a low near 30, NWS said. Wednesday's forecast calls for partly cloudy with a high in the mid-50s, NWS said.

The record high for Monday's date was 75 set in 1965. The record low of 10 for today's date was set in 1967. Monday's high was 37, and the low was 29.

STATE

A persistent ridge of cold air kept temperatures low and drove away moisture from wide sections of Texas on Monday, with only some freezing drizzle reported in the Panhandle.

A winter weather advisory was posted through early Tuesday for dense fog in the Permian Basin.

The high-pressure ridge was preventing moist air's movement from the Gulf of Mexico, but increasing cloudiness was forecast Tuesday night for North Texas.

State highway officials reported hazardous conditions on parts of Interstate 40 in the Panhandle. Meanwhile, scattered showers and thunderstorms developed in South Texas.

High temperatures ranged from the 30s in the Panhandle to the low 50s in the Rio Grande Valley and along the Gulf coast.

NATION

Storms dumped snow on both coasts Monday and freezing rain was scattered over much of the rest of the country.

Heavy snow fell from southern Pennsylvania and New Jersey down through the Shenandoah Valley, Delaware, Maryland and into the District of Columbia.

By midday, snow totals included 8 to 10 inches in Garrett County, Md., 5 to 7 inches in Jefferson County, W.Va., and 5 inches at Collingswood, N.J.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Midland statistics

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High: 37 degrees
Yesterday's Low: 29 degrees
Sunset today: 6:00 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow: 7:50 a.m.

Precipitation: trace inches
Last 24 hours: 0.03 inches
This month to date: 0.03 inches
Year to date: 0.03 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 p.m.	34	6 a.m.	31
7 p.m.	34	7 a.m.	30
8 p.m.	33	8 a.m.	29
9 p.m.	33	9 a.m.	29
10 p.m.	32	10 a.m.	30
11 p.m.	32	11 a.m.	30
midnight	32	noon	31
1 a.m.	32	1 p.m.	32
2 a.m.	31	2 p.m.	32
3 a.m.	31	3 p.m.	34
4 a.m.	31	4 p.m.	35
5 a.m.	31	5 p.m.	36
		6 p.m.	36

POLLEN COUNT

Trees	4 L
Weeds	4 L
Grasses	209 L
Molds	Light
Dust	None
Warning:	None

Texas temperatures

	Hi	Lo	Ppn
Alice	51	47	
Alpine	54	38	
Amarillo	34	20	
Austin	46	38	
Beaumont-Port Arthur	51	49	81
Beville	50	47	
Brownsville	53	52	03
Bryan-College Station	44	37	
Childress	51	48	
Corpus Christi	51	40	
Corpus Christi NAS	51	40	
Cotulla	52	45	
Delhart	38	20	
Dallas Love Field	40	31	
Dallas NAS Field	40	32	01
Del Rio	49	44	
El Paso	62	37	
Fort Worth	40	32	01
Fort Worth Meacham	39	31	01
Galveston	51	46	86
Hondo	48	41	
Houston Hobby Airport	51	44	16
Houston Intcmt	43	34	12
Junction	53	48	01
Killebrew	53	48	01
Lajitas	68	47	02
Laredo	50	47	
Longview	42	37	
Lubbock	36	26	
Marfa	44	38	32
McAllen	55	36	01
Midland-Odessa	61	51	04
Mineral Wells	38	29	
Palacios	48	42	06
Presidio	70	48	
San Angelo	37	31	
San Antonio	49	40	04
Stephenville	37	29	
Texasarkia, Ark.	43	40	
Victoria	51	43	
Waco	42	33	
White Falls	36	28	
Wink	41	33	

WILLIAMS: Money is a 'molehill'

(From 1A)

citman J.D. Faircloth said. "If they're going to pay us, they ought to pay us for what our time is worth, and I'm opposed to that. I'd just as soon abolish the \$25."

Mayor Carroll Thomas said he is neutral on the issue.

"Obviously the money doesn't mean that much to me financially," said Thomas, who reaps an annual \$800 for being mayor. "I'll have to discuss it with the council

and see what we'll do about it." Councilman Tony Carrillo said he might prefer keeping the salaries in order to keep potential conflicts of interest in check.

But the money, he said, is only a monetary molehill, he said.

"I think my first check I lost," said Carrillo, who was appointed to fill a vacant position on the council late last year. "The second one I cashed and took my wife to dinner. The third I haven't done anything with yet."

DEADLINE: Oil prices rise nearly \$3 a barrel

(From 1A)

resolution authorizing the use of force to make Iraq leave Kuwait after the deadline.

But in New York, U.N. spokesman Francisco Giuliani said the United Nations is considering evacuating the families of U.N. staff and non-essential U.N. personnel from the Middle East under contingency planning.

Arafat gave a speech Monday night in Baghdad saying Palestinians would fight with Iraq if it came to war.

Oil prices rose nearly \$3 per barrel to \$28 Monday, and gold jumped \$9.20 an ounce to \$394.60 as commodity traders decided war was growing more likely and began buying crude and gold as secure investments.

Tariq Aziz, the Iraqi foreign minister, said in an interview with CBS-TV on the eve of his upcoming meeting with Secretary of State James A. Baker III that Iraq would not be out of Kuwait by Jan. 15.

"Now, the American administration is threatening to go to war," he said in the interview broadcast Monday night. "And this means that our two nations are going to fight each other. Our boys will kill each other."

He urged Baker to come to their meeting Wednesday in Geneva with some flexibility.

Baker, after meeting in London with British Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, rejected any extension of the deadline for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

"We should not talk about postponing deadlines. This deadline is

real. The only real chance that we have for peace ... is if Saddam Hussein begins to understand that the deadline is real and that we are serious," Baker said.

Asked to assess those chances, Baker said "I am less optimistic that we might achieve a peaceful solution that I was before Christmas."

But, he said, "We are still going to work toward that end."

Hurd said his two-hour session with Baker confirmed that Britain and the United States held "identical positions" on demanding that Iraq withdraw from the Persian Gulf emirate.

He said Saddam must realize "one nation-state does not trample and wipe out another nation-state."

"They must withdraw totally and completely from Kuwait or

they will be forced out," Baker said of the Iraqis.

North Atlantic Treaty Organization secretary-general Manfred Woerner met with Baker later Monday and told reporters, "Our member-countries remain in complete solidarity" in insisting on the liberation of Kuwait.

"There is not the slightest drift," said Woerner.

Saddam, in a speech to senior military aides Monday that was broadcast to the Iraqi people, warned there could be an all-out war if fighting breaks out between Iraq and the U.S.-led multinational forces.

"The aggressors plan to make Iraq the theater of operations, but when the battle is launched Iraq will not be the only theater," Saddam said.

FLEE: Israeli government distributes gas masks

(From 1A)

night that the government would distribute an additional 1 million gas masks to residents of rural areas, including those in Israeli-Arab villages in northern Galilee.

Until now, only residents of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and other metropolitan areas were given the masks, under a mass-distribution program that began in October. About 3.5 million protective kits were distributed.

Officials believe that any Iraqi missiles would be aimed at cities. But the missiles are known to be inaccurate. And besides, Brig. Gen. Nachman Shai said Monday, the army wants to be sure "there

will be a feeling of justice and equality for everyone."

Palestinians in the occupied territories were offered the opportunity to buy masks, while Israelis were given the masks free. The government said Israelis already had paid for the masks with their taxes, though Palestinians pay significant Israeli taxes, too. In any case, few Palestinians have bought masks, and many among them have been openly calling on Saddam to strike Israel with chemical weapons.

Monday Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and other government officials said they feared that war was close to inevitable.

"The logic of facts says there is

no way to avoid this," Shamir said. "The whole matter is so surprising and unbelievable that I would advise ourselves to be prepared for anything."

(STORY CAN END HERE; OPTIONAL ADD FOLLOWS.)

Finland and Britain added their names Monday to the growing list of nations advising their citizens to consider leaving Israel before Jan. 15.

At the international airport, an official said the packed planes were carrying some Israelis, too, who left with their children.

The United Nations said its planes would begin evacuating non-essential personnel and family members on Thursday.

Over the last week, seven foreign airlines have canceled or seriously curtailed their flights to Israel because of rising insurance rates.

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As Transport Minister Moshe Katsav met with foreign airline representatives Monday, trying to persuade them to resume service, another major airline, Alitalia, announced that it too was canceling its flights to Israel.

Those planes arriving are at best half full.

STEALTH: Decision to affect 4,000 workers

(From 1A)

the contract and said they would challenge the ruling.

Moments after the announcement, General Dynamics said it would begin laying off 4,000 workers in Fort Worth and Tulsa, Okla. McDonnell Douglas said as many as 5,000 workers could lose their jobs in the next few days.

Cheney's decision to cancel the radar-evading stealth fighter, the Navy's top-priority airplane, sent an unmistakable signal to both the

military industry and to the armed services that he would not tolerate delays and cost overruns in expensive programs.

"This program cannot be sustained unless I ask Congress for more money and bail the contractors out," Cheney said in a statement. "But I have made the decision I will not do that. No one can tell me exactly how much more it will cost to keep this program going."

"I do not believe a bailout is in the national interest. If we cannot

spend the taxpayers' money wisely, we will not spend it."

The A-12, known as the Avenger, is a carrier-based warplane that is 18 months behind schedule and more than \$2.7 billion over cost, by Pentagon projections. The contractors have made designs and built some parts, but have produced no actual aircraft.

Pete Williams, the Pentagon spokesman, said the Navy had a \$4.8 billion contract to develop eight prototype planes, but added that the Pentagon now estimated

the costs would rise to more than \$7.5 billion if the project proceeded.

Williams said the Pentagon had paid about \$1.2 billion to the contractors. Contractors had incurred costs beyond the \$4.8 billion contract before even building the plane and were seeking to have the Defense Department reimburse them.

On Dec. 14, Cheney had ordered the Navy to prove why the Pentagon should not terminate the A-12 program.

SOVIETS: Shevardnadze reportedly might stay on

(From 1A)

A. Shevardnadze might withdraw his resignation and stay on and reiterated that Soviet foreign policy will not change.

If Shevardnadze decides to stay, it may be because President Mik-

hail S. Gorbachev persuaded him to do so. The two have spoken by phone and met several times since Shevardnadze announced his resignation on Dec. 20 in a speech to parliament, stunning Gorbachev and the world.

"In politics and personnel issues,

prognoses of things are dangerous," Yanayev told The Associated Press.

Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia have expressed fear the Kremlin may use force to repress their independence drives. Lithuania declared independence March 11. All three

states enacted laws to let their young men do alternative service, such as hospital or social work, to serving in the national military. The Kremlin rejects this.

The ministry ordered troops to help draft boards in Armenia, wracked by ethnic violence.

PANEL: Committee to operate independently of MISD

(From 1A)

feel like we have a good cross-representation of the city."

Ted Miller, MISD spokesman said it's "traditional to have an advisory committee before a bond election," citing the advisory committee for the 1988 bond election. He said advisory panels often provide objective viewpoints. "And we are also in a unique situation since the bond did fail and we need to look at what we did right or wrong," Miller said.

Morrison said an advisory committee wasn't appointed before the Oct. 6 bond election since the board had opted to "seek direction from the community" through a series of community meetings.

"I think the advisory committee

will offer a better cross-section of the community than the community meetings offered," he said.

Morrison added that the advisory committee would operate independently of the board. "We will basically supply them with information," he said. "How much detail they want to go into certain issues will be up to them."

Miller said the committee will conduct an independent review of the various school facilities and curriculum needs. The committee is expected to submit a report with recommendations of the district's most critical needs and the best possible solutions for inclusion of those needs in a bond election.

Baressi said, "The committee has the potential to benefit thou-

sands of children for many years to come."

Miller also said if the school board accepts the committee's recommendations, the committee will endorse the bond program and assist in raising money to publicize the bond program.

Advisory committee members are: the Rev. S.V. Ferguson, pastor of Greater St. Luke AME Church; Clem Johnson, employee relations advisor at Mobil; consultant/geologist Steve Davidson; Wayne Merritt, president of ClayDesta National Bank; Bill Franklin, president of First City Texas National Bank; Robert Solberg, division manager of Midland's producing division of Texaco; Isabel Jimenez, coordinator of the "New Direction" program and the Ju-

nior Training Partnership Act/Private Industry Council; Johnny Warren, chairman of the board of Compressor Systems Inc.; Junior Brown, Southwestern Bell manager of installation and repair; Bill Sewell, IBM marketing manager; Matthew Murphy, president of NCBN bank of Texas; Robert Hightower, president-elect of Midland City Council Parent Teacher Association; Robert Olsen, Exxon division manager; Michael Atnipp, attorney with Leverton and Atnipp; and Elvia Hernandez, executive director of Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

The first meeting of the committee is a luncheon scheduled for 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Jan. 15 at Midland High School.

LEGISLATION: The House to elect its speaker

(From 1A)

scheduled to attend the House ceremony.

In the Senate, where outgoing Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby will preside before being replaced next week by Bob Bullock, the president pro tem also will be elected.

And the House will elect its speaker.

Lewis, D-Fort Worth, has no announced opponent and has praised the loyalty of House members during the grand jury investigation.

"That's what's been good about this, is the members have stayed strong. They've been very supportive," Lewis said before the indictment was delivered.

Lawmakers remained supportive after the grand jury last month handed up the two-count indictment accusing Lewis of taking a gift from a powerful San Antonio law firm, failing to report it and failing to properly disclose a business interest.

Lewis has denied any wrongdoing. He already has led the House as long as Billy Clayton, who was elected to his fourth term as

speaker in 1981 after being indicted, but acquitted on federal charges of racketeering and conspiracy.

The grand jury is continuing its investigation. Some have expressed concern that it will pose a distraction for lawmakers who already face:

■ A projected \$4.2 billion shortfall to meet the state's obligations through the next two-year budget period. Cuts and new revenue will be looked at, including a proposal for a state lottery.

■ Public school finance reform, if the Texas Supreme Court strikes down the current law. The measure was passed last year, after the Supreme Court in 1989 said the school finance system was unfair to poor school districts.

A state judge said the law still doesn't give all districts substantially equal access to funds for a similar tax effort. The Supreme Court again is considering the issue.

■ Insurance reform proposals, after a special grand jury and the state auditor found problems in the way the state oversees the industry.

■ Redistricting. New lines are

drawn every 10 years for the 150 House, 31 Senate and 30 congressional districts, along with the 15 State Board of Education districts.

■ A push for legislative ethics reform led by Richards and Bullock, who will be sworn into office next week.

It's a lot of work, but Lewis said

he hopes lawmakers can wrap it up without any special sessions.

"I think people are somewhat weary about staying here year-round ... I've seen people who had to leave because of financial difficulties, and businesses that have gone broke, divorces that have been caused by it," he said. "It's not a healthy situation."

Correction

A line was inadvertently dropped from a letter by Charles Ways of Midland that appeared in the Sunday, Jan. 6th, Midland Reporter-Telegram. The error made two sentences in the letter read incorrectly.

The letter should have stated: "I believe there are other methods available to the hospital to reduce the drain on the indigent care program that are not being considered. One is to bill the indigent care program at the Medicare rate instead of at 100 percent of the normal patient rate."

The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

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WORLD IN BRIEF

Rebel hijacker reportedly seizes Peruvian jetliner

LIMA, Peru — A leftist rebel carrying grenades and a pistol hijacked a domestic jetliner with 125 passengers Monday from the northern coastal city of Trujillo and ordered it flown to Lima, radio reports and witnesses said.

The flight left Trujillo at 5 p.m. and arrived in Lima, 300 miles south, about an hour later. An estimated 40 passengers, all women and children, were reportedly released at the airport, the radio reports said.

The Faucett airlines DC-8 with a crew of six was believed to be carrying about a dozen foreign tourists, but no details were available.

Radio reports quoted released passengers as saying a man in his mid-20s, armed with handgun and grenades, carried out the hijacking and had demanded \$125,000 in ransom.

The hijacker reportedly identified himself as a member of the pro-Cuban rebel group Tupac Amaru, not affiliated with the ultraviolent Shining Path group that has been battling to oust the elected government.

Albania approves second opposition party

VIENNA, Austria — Albania's Communist leadership on Monday approved formation of the Ecological Party, Albanian radio announced. It was the second opposition party permitted to exist by the ruling Communists.

The state radio, monitored in London by the British Broadcasting Corp., said Justice Minister Enver Halili granted the party official status after ensuring that its program conformed to the Albanian constitution.

The brief item did not elaborate on the composition of the party or its platform.

The development was the latest sign of democratization in Albania, a Balkan nation of 3.2 million residents that began to shed decades of self-imposed isolation and move away from rigid Communist rule the past year.

The Democratic Party, Albania's first official political opposition, was founded Dec. 12 after a series of anti-government riots.

Muscovites celebrate Christmas

MOSCOW — Monday was the first officially celebrated Christmas since 1917 in this rough beast of a city slouching toward an uncertain future.

The Russian Orthodox Christmas falls in January because the Orthodox Church stayed with the old Julian calendar instead of changing over to the Gregorian Calendar proclaimed by Pope Gregory XIII in 1582. This year, for the first time since the post-revolutionary decree separating church from state institutions in 1918, the Russian Republic, along with the Ukraine and Moldavia, declared the day a state holiday.

Most people observed it simply as just another day off, six days after the New Year holiday that Stalin and his successors had gradually tried to get the people to accept as a sort of ersatz Christmas. Most families, whatever their religious beliefs, have had the traditional fir tree, decorated with colored lights and tinsel, at home since the end of December.

Bangladesh charges deposed president

DHAKA, Bangladesh — Police said Monday they charged former President Hussain Muhammad Ershad with possessing illegal firearms and plan to accuse him also of smuggling and of amassing wealth inconsistent with his income.

Conviction on the weapons charge could bring a prison term of 10 years to life. It was the first formal charge against 60-year-old Ershad since he resigned Dec. 6.

On the political side, Ershad's Jatiya Party announced it will field candidates for all 300 parliamentary seats in Feb. 27 elections, and 1,000 students marched in Dhaka demanding that Ershad be banned from politics.

Police said they filed the weapons charge against Ershad on Saturday after finding eight unlicensed firearms and 174 bullets in his former home following his being placed under house arrest in the Gulshan diplomatic area on Dec. 12.

Bus crash in Kenya kills at least 47

NAIROBI, Kenya — A bus slammed into a tree on a rural road, killing at least 47 people and seriously injuring 40 others, police said Monday.

A spokesman said 46 people died at the scene of the Sunday afternoon crash and another victim died during treatment at a nearby hospital.

The crash occurred near Murang'a, 62 miles north of the capital, Nairobi.

4 Gaza Arabs give up deportation appeals

JERUSALEM — Four Palestinians who last month were ordered deported retracted their appeals to the Israeli Supreme Court on Monday, meaning they could be expelled within 24 hours.

Their move came after a Supreme Court justice ruled that the defense could not have access to key evidence against the Palestinians, saying it included confidential information.

"This is a political decision and illegal," said one of the men to be expelled, Sheikh Mustafa Knuah, a 45-year-old resident of the Jabaliya refugee district in the occupied Gaza Strip.

Since the beginning of the three-year Palestinian uprising, 58 Palestinians have been deported, most of them to Lebanon and one to France.

All four men in the current case, Gaza Strip residents, are suspected of being middle-level leaders of Hamas, a militant Islamic organization popular in the Gaza Strip.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Six cross Antarctica

Antarctica's 800-mile-wide "area of inaccessibility," named for its remoteness from all coasts, was first crossed on foot by the six men of the 1990 International Trans-Antarctica Expedition, says National Geographic.

Soviets offer to end nuclear tests

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — President Mikhail Gorbachev promised Monday to end all Soviet underground nuclear tests if the United States agreed to halt its test program.

Washington has always spurned such Soviet offers, saying the tests were needed to check the safety of existing weapons.

Gorbachev's declaration came in a letter read to more than 70 nations as they began debate on amending the 1963 Nuclear Test Ban Treaty.

"I confirm our readiness to stop

our nuclear tests at any time if the U.S.A. does likewise," Gorbachev's letter said.

Third World nations question why they are barred from developing nuclear weapons under the 1970 nuclear non-proliferation treaty, up for review in 1995, while the United States and Soviet Union continue refining their nuclear arsenals.

Many experts believe a total test ban could help prevent nations on the threshold of developing nuclear weapons, including Iraq, from perfecting them.

Moscow has repeatedly offered to end its nuclear tests, and observed a unilateral moratorium for a time, but has conditioned its cooperation on the United States also ending underground tests.

The United States and Britain have said they would veto any attempt to amend the treaty to ban underground testing.

Under the 1963 treaty, all three of the original signatories — the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union — must agree to any amendment, as must a majority of the 117 nations that have signed

the treaty.

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar opened the conference, which runs through Jan. 18, by noting the end of the Cold War and the new cooperation of the superpowers in negotiating arms control agreements.

President Reagan and Gorbachev signed the intermediate nuclear forces agreement in 1987, eliminating short and medium-range missiles, and Moscow and Washington are near agreement on the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (START).

Haitian loyalists quell coup attempt

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Loyalist troops on Monday crushed a coup attempt by an associate of former dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier that left at least 37 people dead, including seven by lynching. The uprising threatened the transition of power to Haiti's first freely elected president.

Coup leader Roger Lafontant, reputed head of the dreaded Tonton Macoute private militia, was captured by government troops who stormed the National Palace. The caretaker president, Ertha Pascal-Trouillot, was held hostage 10 hours by the rebels, but was released unharmed.

The uprising in one of the world's poorest countries came one month before the scheduled swearing-in of a populist priest, The Rev. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, in this Caribbean nation of 6 million residents.

Haiti has been ruled almost exclusively by tyrants since gaining independence from France in 1804.

Thousands of jubilant Haitians poured into the streets of Port-au-Prince, the capital and largest city, to celebrate.

Fighting rages in Somalia as foreigners evacuated

MOMBASA, Kenya (AP) — Hundreds of foreigners were plucked to safety as fighting raged Monday in the Somali capital of Mogadishu, and rebels trying to overthrow the government claimed they were on the verge of winning.

The whereabouts of embattled President Mohamed Siad Barre, who has ruled the Horn of Africa nation for 21 years, were unknown. The rebels said if he is captured alive, they will try him and he could face the death penalty.

Somali government radio, which had been off the air since Saturday, broadcast an appeal from Siad Barre urging the rebels to agree to peace talks under Italian and Egyptian mediation.

But the broadcast was identical to an appeal aired last week, raising suspicions it was taped earlier.

In Abu Dhabi, diplomatic sources said Siad Barre's family had fled to the United Arab Emirates and was seeking asylum. The sources initially said Siad Barre was with them, but later said it was unclear.

A spokeswoman for the Somali Embassy in London said some of the president's distant relatives were on the plane, but not his immediate family. The spokeswoman, S.A. Musse, said Siad Barre was not on the plane.

Rebel spokesman Abdurahman



Explosion in Guatemala

Rescue workers carry away the body of a victim at the site of an explosion at an unfinished geothermal power station in Zunil, Guatemala Sunday. At least 21 people were killed.

Soviet Jews' immigration a 'nightmare'

Hearst News Service

TEL AVIV, Israel — The huge exodus of Soviet Jews to Israel — hailed as the most important migration there since its founding in 1948 — is turning into a social and political nightmare as the government struggles to find housing, jobs and funds for the newcomers.

"I'm afraid it's going to be a disaster here for a while," said Yosef Kucik, a former senior absorption official. "The government is overwhelmed. No one knows what to do."

Every two hours, another jetliner lands at Ben-Gurion Airport outside Tel Aviv to disgorge more Jews fleeing the Soviet Union's growing instability and anti-Semitism. Many arrive with little more than their clothing.

The weight of their numbers and their immediate needs have placed an enormous strain on Israel's capacity to accommodate them.

Group signals release of Belgian hostages

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The radical Palestinian group headed by terrorist mastermind Abu Nidal issued a statement Monday suggesting it had released or would release four Belgians held

hostage for more than three years.

The statement by the Fatah-Revolutionary Council said the release of Emmanuel Houtekins, his wife, Godelieve, and their two children, Laurent and Valerie, would be in

response to Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi's appeals.

The 30-line typewritten statement was signed by the group's spokesman in Beirut, Walid Khaleel.

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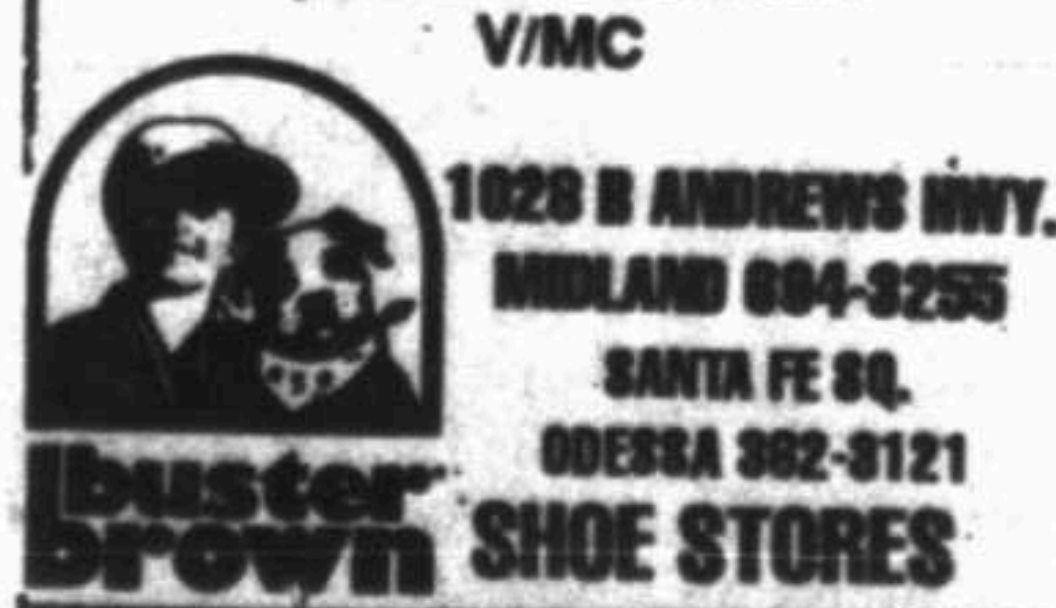
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Stop the horse 'holocaust,' group orders

EDITOR'S NOTE — Should fine Missouri horse flesh wind up on dinner tables in Europe? The idea is revolting to some residents of one small town where a French-run slaughterhouse has just begun operations. While horse meat is seldom eaten by humans in the United States, Europeans developed a taste for it out of necessity during World War II.

By R.B. Fallstrom
Associated Press Writer

DESLOGE, Mo. — "Future Home of Horse Killing," reads a banner on Main Street. It protests a new, French-run horse-slaughtering plant that has just begun operation in this southeast Missouri town of about 3,500 residents.

The plant is meant to serve the dining tables of Europe, an idea that runs smack against the American love affair with the horse.

A woman whose family breeds Arabian horses is organizing a group called Missourians Against Slaughtering Horses, MASH, to try to shut down the plant.

"I consider this to be a holocaust for equines," says Mary Voertmann of nearby Farmington. "These people are coming in here to rape the horse industry. This is an outrage."

In the midst of the criticism, Archway Packing Co. plant officials are trying to keep a low profile. But it's been difficult since news leaked out they've asked for and been granted permission from the state to slaughter as many as 100 horses a day and send the meat to France, Belgium, Italy, Switzerland and Holland for human consumption.

To horse-lovers, that's unthinkable. To John Cross, the plant's operations manager, it's just another day at the slaughterhouse.

"It's like all other businesses in the United States," Cross says.

It may not be well-known, but horse-slaughtering operations in the United States are nothing new. There are at least a dozen in this country, four in Texas alone, including one in downtown Fort Worth.

Great Western Packing Co. in Morton, Texas, one of the country's largest horse slaughterhouses, has killed between 250 and 300 animals a day for the past 15

years with "no major public outcry," says Ben Ansolabehere, president of the company.

"I think this is an industry that takes care of the animals that are no longer useful for the riding horse industry or the working horse industry and provides a marketable price," Ansolabehere says.

Ansolabehere says his company, where Cross previously worked as operations manager, pays between 40 and 60 cents per pound for horses.

"We try to run a professional, first-class operation," Ansolabehere says. "We put them down in a humane fashion."

Horse hides are used for sports equipment and leather goods, and their meat and entrails are used in the dog food and fertilizer industries. While it's not illegal to sell horse meat for human consumption in the United States, most of it finds its way into dog food. But why begrudge European palates?

"It's a matter of taste, I guess, and I sure don't want to taste it," says Desloge Mayor Jack Rabadoux, who's at the center of the conflict.

Eating horse meat became something of a necessity in Europe after World War II when food was scarce and since then has become a tradition.

Last year 61,000 tons of horse meat was consumed in France, although the modern generation appears to be losing its taste for it. In 1979, the country consumed 97,000 tons.

Still, only one-sixth of last year's total was produced in France.

Horse owners across Missouri, fearing their animals will be stolen and slaughtered, have been expressing outrage to anyone who will listen and have disrupted meetings of the Desloge City Council.

They've generally made life miserable for Rabadoux and the City Council, which recently voted 4-2 to allow the operation to come to town.

State Rep. Craig Kilby of Lake St. Louis also is keeping the pressure on. Kilby says he will sponsor legislation aimed at preventing so-called "killer buyers" from purchasing healthy, marketable pleasure horses for slaughter and export.

The Humane Society of Missouri



Mary Voertmann, who breeds Arabian horses on her Farmington, Mo., farm, is organizing a group called Missourians Against Slaughtering Horses — MASH — to try to shut down

the Archway Packing Co. It's a new, French-run horse-slaughtering plant, which recently has begun operating in Desloge, Mo.

also is opposed, noting fears that young horses as well as broken-down or ill-tempered animals will be slaughtered.

Plant manager Cross says most of the horses that will be slaughtered in Desloge will be bought at livestock auctions selling "everything from plug horses to good-riding horses."

He scoffs at the notion that Archway would employ rustlers to steal horses or buy horses from unscrupulous types, or slaughter young horses, which he and others in the industry say produces

tougher and stronger-tasting meat.

"There will always be some horses stolen, but they had that problem long before we got here," he says.

The Desloge operation is at the outskirts of town, at the end of a dirt road just a few hundred yards from a Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall. Archway has moved into an almost new 2,500-square foot facility that previously was used for slaughtering cattle.

The horses will be killed, gutted, drained of blood and hung in a

cooler in less than five minutes, says slaughter room supervisor Jim Pyeatt. The meat then will be chilled, not frozen, trucked to St. Louis and flown to Archway's food distribution unit in France.

The plant will mean jobs for about 25 people for the depressed town of 3,500 people about 60 miles south of St. Louis. Pyeatt says he has taken more than 1,700 applications.

Pyeatt, who has eight years experience as a butcher, was a little leery about the job at first. Now he goes about town wearing his

Archway shirt with pride.

"When I go into restaurants in town they'll ask me if I want a pony burger or something," Pyeatt says. "But I was out of work, and this is what I do. I'm not ashamed."

However, some residents don't share his enthusiasm.

"I hate to see it coming," says housewife Larnie Penberthy, while pushing a shopping cart out of a local discount store. "I think we could get better business in here."

Echoes unlock mysteries of sea

By Henry Stern

Associated Press Writer

ABOARD THE MAURICE EWING OFF NEW JERSEY — Scientists aboard this research vessel are bouncing loud noises off the ocean floor and recording the echoes in a search for clues to changes in the level of the world's seas.

Every six seconds a half-dozen air guns fire into the water, sending a deep "thud" penetrating up to 20 kilometers into the ocean floor and bouncing back to the ship's electronic ears.

"We set off an explosion at the surface and we simply listen for the echoes," said Greg Mountain, a Columbia University researcher.

This is the first step in a project designed to determine whether the oceans are rising rapidly, eventually to swamp the world's coastal cities, or merely fluctuating as they have for millions of years.

Scientists believe sea levels changed gradually for most of the last 80 million years, said Ken Miller, a Rutgers University researcher. Old maps of the ocean floor, made for oil exploration, indicate measurable shifts about once every million years.

But in the last 18,000 years, sea levels have risen worldwide by an average 360 feet. Much valuable beach space has been lost in the last few decades.

"Sea level is rising right now," Miller said. "As the greenhouse effect kicks in from man-made fossil fuels, sea level will continue to rise. We need to understand the rates of change."

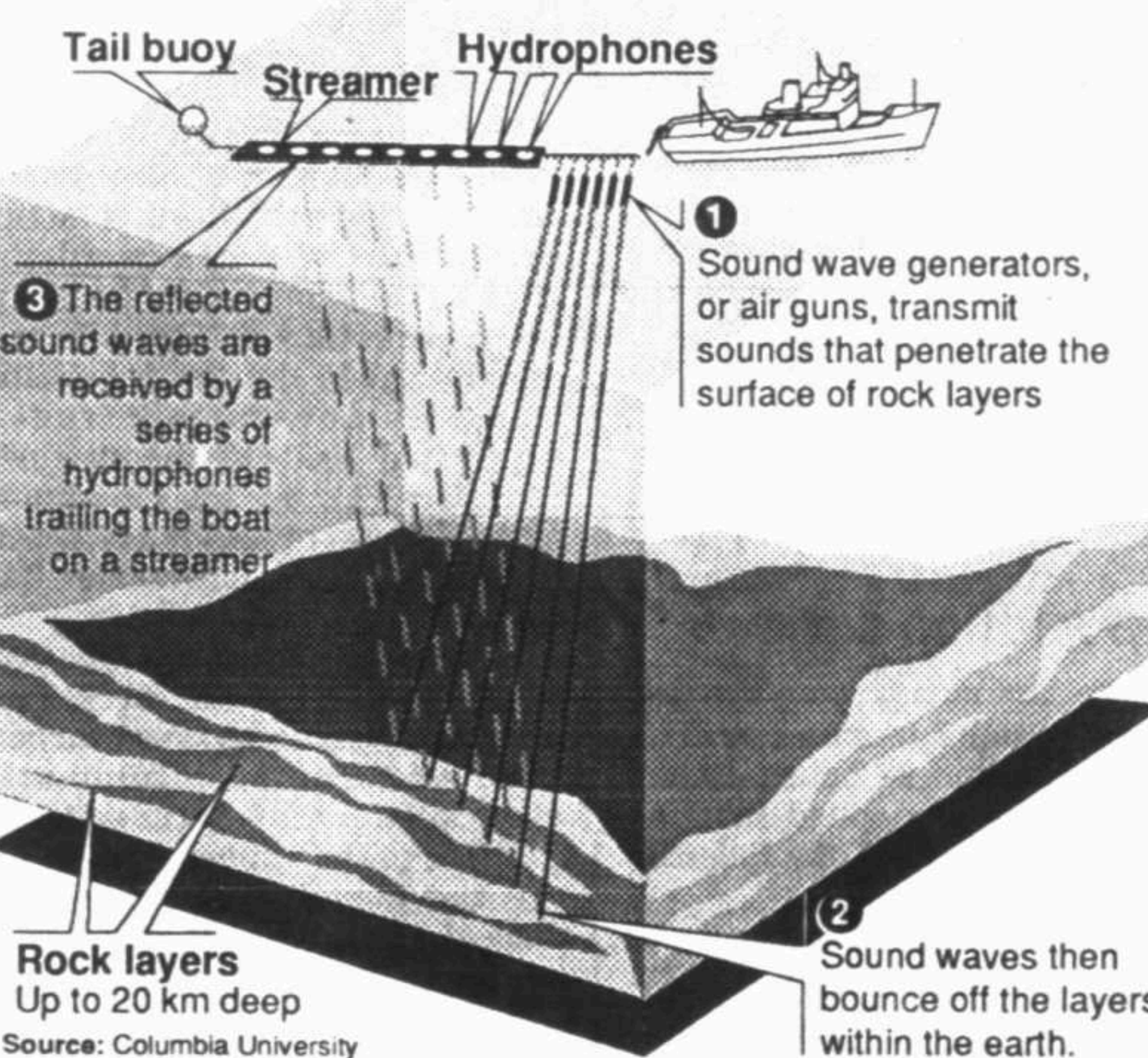
Greenhouse effect refers to the theory that pollution in the atmosphere is causing the planet to grow warmer.

Miller believes large polar ice sheets began melting 40 million years ago, a process that appears to have been accelerated by man's burning of fossil fuels since the industrial revolution in the 18th century.

To determine how quickly sea level is changing, scientists plan to drill holes into the ocean floor and examine buried layers of soil from

Using Sound to Understand the Seas

Scientists are using echoes from the ocean floor to help understand changes in the sea level. Here's a look at how the process works.



the past 40 million years.

The researchers on the 239-foot Maurice Ewing spent most of November gathering information for maps to help them decide where to drill. They're looking for layers of sediment that contain clues to climate changes.

"Dating these surfaces tells all about the rise and fall. Our purpose here is to create a data set that will allow us to come back in a few years and drill," said Mountain. Researchers anticipate drilling to begin in 1993 or 1994 after the maps and the data on some 700 reels of tape, each 3,600 feet long, are analyzed and cataloged.

Mountain said researchers are looking for patterns that indicate

the presence of ancient — and now buried — shorelines. Sandy layers tend to indicate areas that were close to shore while muddy layers tend to signify offshore areas.

The ship, supplied by Columbia University, had a crew of seven scientists and nine technical support staff for this project. They began their mapping about 80 miles east of Island Beach State Park and finished in Delaware Bay.

Crew members monitor the rows of computer screens inside and maintain the air guns outside around the clock.

When the air guns fire, the echo is picked up along a 1.5 kilometer-

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long series of hydrophones — underwater recording devices encased in an oil-filled hose stretching out behind the vessel. The instruments distinguish 120 channels, or bands of sound frequency, which are recorded on paper in black lines that look like an elongated fingerprint.

The ship also uses water guns to send a higher-frequency noise through the water, penetrating only up to one kilometer but providing more sharply defined map lines.

The resulting maps will cover an area roughly the size of New Jersey, include the continental shelf and slope with canyons to depths of thousands of feet.

Central American presidents to talk free-trade accord

MEXICO CITY (CNS) — Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari will meet with Central American presidents this week and discuss creating a regional free trade accord aimed at dramatically expanding commerce in the area.

In meetings in Mexico, the presidents will talk about creating an economic "cooperation" agreement intended to lead eventually to a free trade pact, said Carlos Reta, a Foreign Ministry spokesman.

A "preliminary" accord would seek to "create mechanisms to increase the commercial flow" between Mexico and Central America, he said.

This "preliminary" agreement is likely to be produced in the next year, he said, in hopes that it would lead to a broader free trade pact that could be negotiated within a year after that.

"One of the long range ideas is to create free trade in all of the (Latin American) continent," Reta said.

A leading Central American diplomat said that in recent meetings, regional presidents have talked at length about wanting free trade arrangements with Mexico and, eventually, the United States. The desire to eventually reach a free trade agreement involving the United States is understandable. The United States, not Mexico, is the largest trading partner for most Central American nations.

"The topic will not come as a surprise," said Francisco Villagrán de León, Guatemalan ambassador to the United Nations.

He said regional presidents would respond "positively" to proposals for a regional free trade pact.

But such a free trade agreement would require Central American countries to end numerous trade barriers aimed at protecting their uneconomical, less developed economies from competition.

"I don't think they're (Central American nations) ready to take these kinds of steps," said a Western diplomat. He was speaking of an accord with Mexico.

The Jan. 10-11 meeting in the Mexican state of Chiapas is expected to include Salinas, Nicaraguan President Violeta Chamorro, Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani, Guatemalan President Vinicio Cerezo, Honduran President Rafael Leonardo Callejas and Costa Rican President Rafael Angel Calderon Fournier.

The expected Chiapas trade discussions appear to be part of a broader push by President Bush and Salinas to reduce trade barriers throughout the western hemisphere.

Bush has urged Central American countries to create free trade agreements among themselves which the United States could eventually join.

"If there was a free trade agreement between Mexico and Central America, that would be consistent with the vision that President Bush and Salinas have framed of creating free trade throughout the entire western hemisphere," a U.S. official said.

Surrender ends WWII

Japan formally surrendered to the United States Sept. 2, 1945, in ceremonies aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay. World War II was over.

'Great Fire' broke out

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Gap between rich, poor deeper, wider

By Matthew C. Quinn
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — Despite the record-breaking economic boom of the 1980s, the income gap between rich and poor is wider than ever and the widely anticipated recession is expected to enlarge that gap.

The differences between rich and poor have already become a political football, with Democrats using it to indict the economic policies of the Reagan administration that were supposed to "lift all boats" in the economy through tax and budget cuts.

Even the conservative National Review magazine recently noted that, "The income gap between rich and poor is greater now than ever."

According to one study, families in the top 1 percent of the income scale saw their annual incomes jump by 74 percent between 1977 and 1990. Those at the bottom of the scale saw their income drop 4.4 percent during the same period.

With polls showing intense public resentment over the good fortunes of the wealthy, income disparity is being talked up as perhaps the Democratic Party's most potent issue for the 1992 campaign against President Bush.

New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, a

potential Democratic standard-bearer, sounded the drumbeat in a National Press Club address last month. "They really thought that if you gave the rich people back money, they would put it into factories, which they didn't. They bought shoes in Spain," he said.

Democratic congressional leaders pressed "soak-the-rich" tax plans during last fall's federal budget negotiations. During the 102nd Congress, Democrats are expected to seek a surtax on millionaires, whose ranks multiplied more than three-fold during the Reagan years.

Meanwhile, Bush appears to be reckoning with political realities by indicating he will drop his plan to again seek a reduction in the capital gains tax for investors. Bush's drive for a capital gains preference has been attacked by Democrats as a "tax break for the rich" because it would aid the wealthy more than anyone else.

Meanwhile, White House aides are mapping a plan to help the poor and to blunt the political damage the Democrats may inflict with this issue. The White House has come up with an "empowerment" initiative designed to help the poor. Bush is expected to highlight this concept during his State of the Union speech later this month.

The key to "empowerment" is to

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— Kevin Phillips, author, Republican political analyst

get economic resources in the hands of the needy so they can use them to improve their economic standing. Examples often cited by White House aides are freedom to select public schools — thereby overcoming the inner-city educational morass.

Republican political analyst Kevin Phillips, breaking with the national Republican platform, focused attention on the income gap earlier this year in his book, "The Politics of Rich and Poor."

Phillips wrote that a "major transformation" had taken place in the country during the Reagan years unparalleled since the days of "robber barons" John D. Rockefeller and John Jacob Astor.

"The definition of who's rich — and who's no longer rich — changed as radically during the Reagan era as it did during the

prior nouveau riche periods of the late 19th century and the 1920s periods, whose excesses preceded the great populist upheavals of the (William Jennings) Bryan era and the New Deal," Phillips wrote.

"The political pendulum has swung back in the past and may be ready to swing again," wrote Phillips. "The 1990s could easily be another watershed decade."

While the rich-poor gap is undeniably widening, there is no settled explanation for the trend and economists and politicians are debating its cause.

Some, like Cuomo and Phillips, blame Reagan's economic policies for redistributing wealth. Others point to the growing economic importance of education and the trend toward two-income families, both of which tend to increase the income of middle- and upper-in-

come families.

Such factors as a weakening of labor unions, immigration waves of unskilled workers, the transfer overseas of manufacturing jobs and proliferation of single-parent households are blamed for taking income away from the lower end of the scale.

There is evidence that the disparity between rich and poor of the 1980s was not purely an American phenomenon.

Gordon Green, an analyst for the Census Bureau, said that West Germany, Sweden, Australia and Canada all experienced a growing income inequality during the 1980s.

"It may have to do with the kinds of jobs being created in industrialized economies — skilled jobs calling for people with better educations in the computer age," he said.

Gary Burtless, senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, cited the example of construction workers as a bellwether for the U.S. economy.

As construction projects shifted from the Northeast to the lower-paying Sunbelt, average hourly wages for construction workers plunged from \$14.47 in 1973 to \$11.72 in 1980 to \$10.46 this year. "Construction workers used to be the princes of industrialized labor. Now, they are the paupers," said

Burtless.

Should a recession begin following what has been the longest peacetime economic expansion recorded in U.S. history, the income disparity is expected to widen.

Barry Bosworth, an economist with the Carter administration who is with Brookings, said recessions always exacerbate income inequality because blue-collar workers get hit the hardest by layoffs.

In what he predicts will be a mild recession this time around, Bosworth said white-collar workers are likely to suffer more than usual.

"But there will still be a widening of the gap," he said.

Burtless said he could not be optimistic that the economic recovery that would follow a recession will do anything to narrow the gap, if the 1983-90 recovery is any guide.

For the first time since the government started keeping such records in 1947, he said, the Reagan recovery was the first one where income inequality increased.

"People returned to jobs, but wage rates continued to slip. Only people at the top had a robust economic recovery," he said. "I see no light at the end of the tunnel."

Psychologists study those who succeed against huge odds

BOSTON (AP) — Abandoned by her mother, raised in a small, West Virginia town by an abusive aunt and a lecherous uncle, Elizabeth didn't seem to have a chance.

But when her impoverished family couldn't even provide a bathtub, and a school counselor complained she was dirty, she made the swim team so she could get a daily shower.

Too poor to ever dream of owning a clarinet or violin, she joined the school band anyway, playing whatever instrument the school had to offer.

For years, psychologists studied children who crumbled under the weight of a traumatic upbringing, reinforcing the notion that abused children become ruined adults.

But recently they have come to believe that the Elizabeths of the world — called "transcenders" by one researcher — can yield clues on how to help all kinds of troubled children.

Lessons learned from transcenders can be used to help those who can't rise above the circumstances of their lives, said Norman Watt, a professor of psychology at the University of Denver.

"In a sense they are experiments in natural therapy," he said. "The kid whose mom is schizophrenic who still grows to be a Rhodes scholar may tell us something about how nature works."

"Life for transcenders is often short, sharp and brutish," said Karen Northcraft, a psychiatric social worker in Evansville, Ind., who taped 20 hours of conversations with Elizabeth, the subject of her doctoral dissertation.

"But they do well in situations anyone else would find crushing," she said. "If they had been born into different families, they might have been prodigies."

Elizabeth told Northcraft of bone-breaking beatings by her aunt, who she said once stripped her naked and dunked her in a vat of scalding water. She told of the night when she was 8 that her uncle got into her bed and sexually molested her for the first time in what would be five years of assaults.

Elizabeth's aunt often told her that her mother had sold her for \$25.

Her battle did not end with grade school. She gained admission to college and was told she was dyslexic and should drop out. But she worked her way through school, earned a graduate degree and became a family therapist.

What happened? How could she possibly have endured?

Northcraft said Elizabeth told her the turning point came in the 4th grade. One of her secret pleasures was her long, blonde curls.

When her aunt shaved her head, the well of pride, anger and determination buried within her broke through.

"After that, she was able to reject what her aunt was saying and start making her life better," said Northcraft, who met Elizabeth through another professor familiar with her work.

Transcenders are smart, resourceful and independent thinkers. They all have the potential because of family surroundings to suffer social or psychological problems, but transcenders seek out other ways to live, Northcraft said.

"They have self-confidence, and early on they think for themselves," Northcraft said. "They emotionally distance themselves from their parents, and they choose their actions rather than do what would be expected in their environment."

Northcraft cited one case study of a boy whose schizophrenic mother thought the family's food was poisoned. The woman's two daughters believed her delusions and would not touch the food, but the little boy ate heartily.

Asked why, he responded, "Well, I'm not dead yet."

The sisters grew up neurotic. The boy went off to college and was successful and happy.

In the worst of times, transcenders envision themselves elsewhere, imagining that they can do great things despite their surroundings, Northcraft said.

They include all kinds of people, from the very obscure to the well-known, such as actress Carol Burnett, the daughter of two alcoholics who as a girl dreamed of someday going to college.

Richard Rhodes, in his new book "A Hole in the World: An American Boyhood," details how he and his brother were viciously abused by their stepmother. He went on to win a Pulitzer Prize.

And they're like Mary, 25, who grew up with an alcoholic father who often flew into violent rages.

"He'd come home and accuse mom of having affairs," she said in a telephone interview. "He'd beat up people who drove too fast on our block."

Amid a family life of constant crisis, she felt always demoralized.

"The hardest thing was to emotionally separate myself from the craziness that went on in my family," she said. "It still goes on and it still hurts, but when you separate yourself you don't get as involved with it."

She now is at the University of Denver working toward a double major in psychology and sociology, and maintaining a B average.

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Those who think the Bush administration is wrong to support Gorbachev are recommending dangerous policy. The Soviet leader's inability to solve Soviet problems quickly or neatly does not mean his course is not the best one. To proceed faster would risk the very reaction Shevardnadze fears. To go slower would be to accomplish nothing at all. It still looks like Gorbachev is running as fast as he can.

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In The Court

NATION IN BRIEF

Judge orders jury picked in last park-jogger trial

NEW YORK — The two sides in the trial of Steven Lopez, the sixth and final defendant in the Central Park jogger case, were ordered Monday to begin selecting a jury on Feb. 4 in State Supreme Court in Manhattan.

Two other defendants who were convicted on Dec. 11 are to be sentenced Wednesday in the sexual attack on a 30-year-old woman who was jogging in the park on the night of April 19, 1989.

Kevin Richardson, 16, was convicted of attempted murder and rape of the woman and of attacking two other joggers. Because he was younger than 16 on the night of the attack, he faces a maximum sentence of five to 10 years.

Kharey Wise, 18, who was 16 at the time of the attack, faces a maximum of 8½ to 26 years for his conviction on sexual abuse and assault charges.

The first three defendants in the case, Yusef Salaam, Raymond Santana and Antron McCray, all 16, were convicted of rape and assault on Aug. 18 and are serving sentences of five to 10 years.

Teachers tell students it's OK to mourn

NEW BEDFORD, Mass. — At New Bedford High School, teachers told their students Monday not to be embarrassed by the need to mourn the loss of a 14-year-old classmate slain by a sniper who fired on a school bus.

"It feels like a part of the school is missing" was how Caryn Steliga, a senior, described returning to classes after the weekend tragedy. Robyn Dabrowski, 14, a member of the girl's freshman basketball team, was killed Saturday by a sniper's bullet that tore through the bus on state Route 25 near Bourne, 30 miles from here on the western edge of Cape Cod.

The same bullet that killed Miss Dabrowski grazed another student, 14-year-old Susan Arruda. The rear window of a car was shattered by a bullet minutes later on the same road 30 miles from New Bedford.

Officers had no suspects by Monday, but several motorists have reported their cars were struck by bullets on southeastern Massachusetts highways in December.

Superintendent Constantine Nanopoulos said it was too early to know how students would handle the death. Students predicted the healing process would be lengthy.

Order preventing patient's transfer dismissed

MOUNT VERNON, Mo. — A judge on Monday dismissed a court order that temporarily prevented the father of a brain-damaged patient from moving her to a state where her feeding tube could be removed with less legal strife.

Pete Busalacchi says his daughter, Christine, who has spent 3½ years in a vegetative state at the hospital where Nancy Cruzan was allowed to die after a court fight, should be allowed to die. But hospital officials contend that Ms. Busalacchi has mental functions and responds to commands.

Lawrence County Associate Circuit Judge Scott Sifferman ruled that a probate court in St. Louis County had jurisdiction in the case. State Health Department spokesman Mark Roebuck said the court was expected to hold a hearing in the next couple of days to determine if Ms. Busalacchi may be transferred to Minnesota.

The Missouri Department of Health had obtained a 10-day temporary restraining order on Dec. 29 preventing Busalacchi from moving his daughter from Missouri Rehabilitation Center to a hospital in Minneapolis where her feeding tube likely would be removed.

Millionaire leaves bulk of estate to charity

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — A man who died not knowing whether his kidnapped wife was alive left much of his estimated \$200 million estate to a private charitable trust.

Robert M. Hearin Sr., 73, left \$20 million in trust to his wife, Annie Laurie, who was kidnapped from their home more than two years ago.

The Robert M. Hearin Foundation, which has given funds to the arts, gets what's left after establishing a trust for family members and paying debts, taxes and \$150,000 in bequests.

Hearin died Nov. 28 of a heart attack at his Mississippi Valley Gas Co. office. His will was presented for probate to Hinds County Chancery Court nine days later.

The exact amount of Hearin's estate is still being calculated, said E.E. Laird Jr., a lawyer representing Hearin's estate.

Case of voodoo, ends in plea bargain

STUART, Fla. — A last-minute plea bargain has brought an end to a bizarre case of death and voodoo that has haunted a man's family since he shot his father to death 1½ years ago.

Juan Maldonado, who originally was charged with first-degree murder, pleaded guilty to a manslaughter charge in Martin Circuit Court and was sentenced Friday to seven years in prison for killing his father, Mateo Maldonado, outside the family home in the small community of Indiantown in June 1989.

Had the case gone to trial Monday, as planned, defense attorney William Lasley said he would have argued his client shot 67-year-old Mateo Maldonado in self-defense because he feared the patriarch was going to kill him and other members of his family.

Lasley also had prepared a voodoo defense, claiming Juan Maldonado, 22, and other members of his family were terrified that Mateo Maldonado would harm them by using his black magic powers.

After the elder Maldonado's death, a paralegal in Lasley's office found dozens of religious artifacts, including books on spells and voodoo rituals, in a private room in the family's home.

Winter just won't let up

Associated Press

Freezing rain iced roadways and closed schools in at least seven states, while flooding left as many as 200 families homeless in Mississippi and threatened communities in Kentucky and Indiana.

Snow, ice and fog shut roadways and delayed transportation at airports and train stations nationwide. A slick road was blamed for an auto crash that killed a 91-year-old woman near Portland, Ore.

Treacherous travel conditions caused numerous fender-benders and closed schools in some parts of Washington state, Illinois, Missouri, Mississippi, Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey.

"We've got so many accidents we literally can't keep track of them," Portland police dispatcher Jan Strickland said.

Hospitals across the country treated scores of people for injuries suffered in falls while trying to walk on icy pavements. It got so bad in parts of St. Louis that postal service to homes and businesses was delayed several days.

"Yes, we say neither rain nor snow nor gloom of night will stop us, but no one ever said anything about ice," said postal service spokesman Richard Watkins. "When you can't deliver the mail without the aid of golf shoes then you know it's treacherous."

In Spokane, Wash., parks and recreation officials closed and graveled a popular sledding hill after paramedics were called three times to treat injured children.

"There were some spots where it was just a sheet of ice," said Tom Higgins, a department maintenance foreman. "They couldn't control their sleds."

By mid-afternoon Monday, the storm that began Sunday night had produced as much as 10 inches of snow over parts of Maryland, and 6 inches over areas of West Virginia and Virginia.

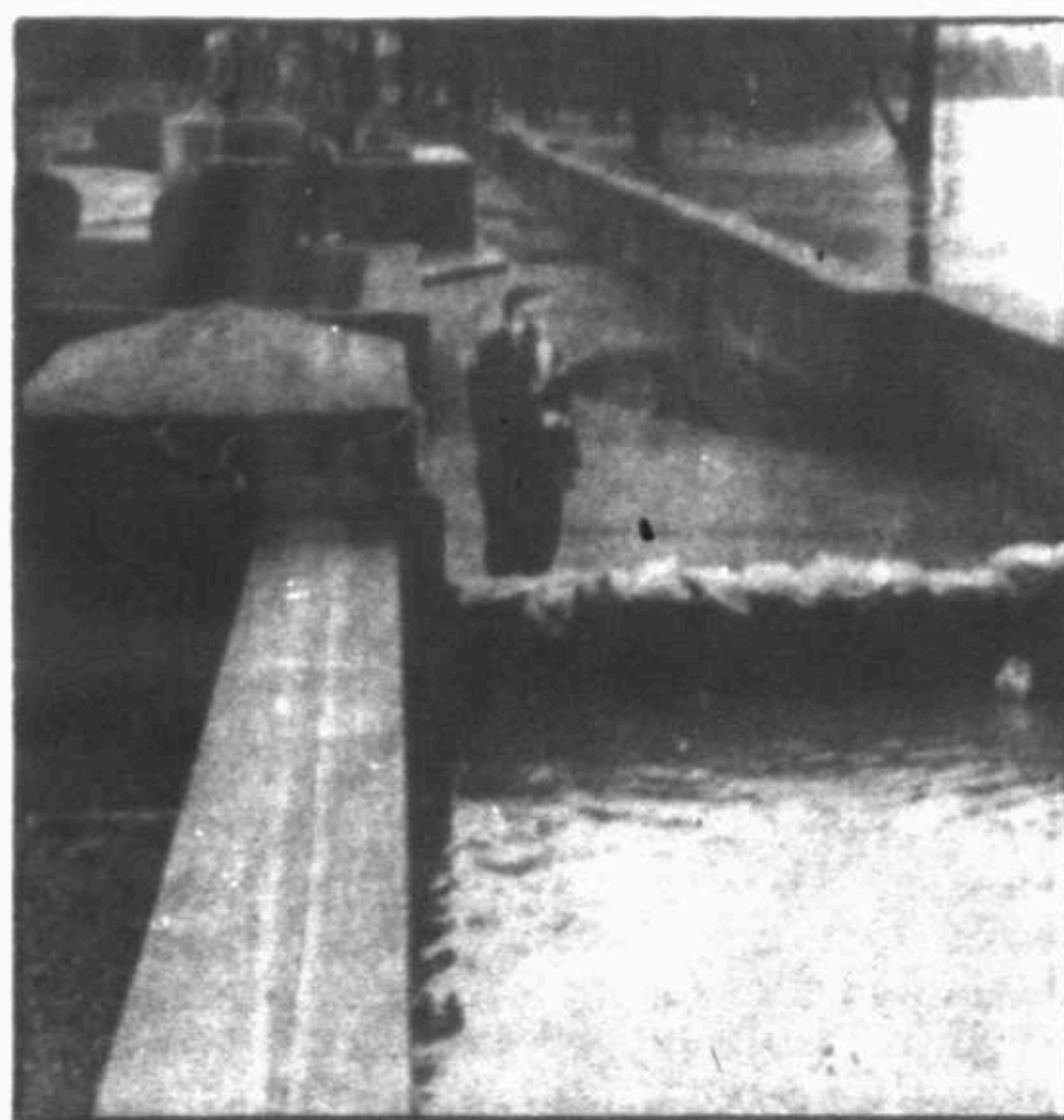
Freezing snow and rain was scattered over much of the rest of the continent. Morning temperatures dipped to 36 below zero Crane Lake, Ely and International Falls, Minn.

In Philadelphia, commuter trains and some flights to and from the International Airport were delayed.

The Baltimore-Washington International Airport was closed briefly while runways and taxiways were cleared of snow. In Arizona, a rare morning ground fog forced two Tucson-bound airliners to divert to Phoenix.

Dangerous road conditions stranded 250 bus passengers in Tulsa, Okla., overnight Sunday. In Missouri, soldiers from Fort Leonard Wood were stranded in Springfield when their bus trip back to the base was canceled.

The ice was blamed on the Sunday night death of Alida C. Festin, of Colorado Springs,



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Only sandbags keep Wabash River waters off walkway at Vincennes, Ind.

Colo. The car she was riding in outside Portland, Ore., was rear-ended and shoved under a dairy tank truck. Both the car's driver and another passenger were injured.

Where there wasn't ice, there was flooding. As many as 200 homes were flooded in Gulfport, Miss.

Haitian exiles' protest turns to celebration

MIAMI (AP) — Protests turned into celebrations Monday as hundreds of Haitian exiles took to the streets while following the failed coup in their homeland.

An angry crowd that at one point attacked a supporter of coup leader Roger Lafontant erupted into joy when word came that the Haitian army had arrested the associate of ousted dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier.

Up to 1,000 Haitians, many tearing off tree branches to wave in the air, cheered, danced and held up placards with the picture of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, a Roman Catholic priest elected president last month.

In Boston, more than 500 Haitians also took to the streets, chanting in Creole, "Don't touch Aristide, our president. Aristide, we are looking for you and now we have you." An estimated 50,000 Haitians live in the Boston area.

Some people in Miami's Little Haiti neighborhood, which celebrated Aristide's electoral victory but was concerned about his ability to take office, said Lafontant's failure may have finally cleared the way for democracy.



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Joanel Ceremy, left, Denise Lamour, center, and Astride Edmond, right, take to the streets with other Haitian exiles Monday in Miami's Little Haiti to protest an attempted coup by Duvalier family loyalist Roger Lafontant.

"This was his last card and he played it out, and we now know democracy will triumph in Haiti," said Lils Renoir, an official of the Haitian Democratic Foundation, a

lobbying group. Lafontant is a Duvalier family loyalist who led the dreaded Tonton Macoutes militia. "This is the final showdown between the people and the Macou-

tes," said Mona Michel, director of the Haitian Refugee Center.

Miami Mayor Xavier Suarez came to the scene to confirm to the rejoicing crowd that a State Department official had reported Lafontant was captured and the civilian government restored.

Police reported no arrests, although officers in riot gear were needed to rescue a 19-year-old woman attacked by the crowd.

Dozens of demonstrators set upon Marie Joseph, stripping off her blouse, slapping her and throwing bottles and broken glass at her until police moved her inside a house.

"I think they were crazy," said Miss Joseph, a high school student who said she lost her purse, her house keys and her alien card in the struggle. She said she had gone to Little Haiti to talk to a friend when someone in the crowd identified her as a Lafontant supporter.

Miss Joseph said that her parents had supported the Duvalier regime and that her father's cousin is Paul Vercaigne, former commander of the Tonton Macoutes in Petionville, Haiti.

Medical societies plan board to assess fetal tissue research

WASHINGTON (AP) — Calling the government "bankrupt in dealing with ethical issues," two medical societies announced plans Monday to establish a private board to review research that uses the tissues of aborted fetuses.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Fertility Society announced at a joint news conference that a board of private citizens would set guidelines for research in transplanting of tissue from aborted fetuses and for studies dealing with human embryos.

Government funding of most fetal tissue research has been halted for years and an official said last April that there was no plan to change the policy. The federal government also has failed to continue a federal ethics committee

on the controversial research.

"If the federal government won't do it, then the private sector must," said Dr. Kenneth Ryan, a Harvard Medical Center physician representing ACOG.

A spokesman for the National Right to Life Committee attacked the proposed committee as "seeking to overthrow the policies of the federal government."

"We don't have a need for an elite clique deciding when human beings can be treated like laboratory animals," said Douglas Johnson, the NRLC's legislative director.

The Bush administration takes the position that increased fetal tissue research would lead to more elective abortions.

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Smuggling season begins for world's exotic birds

By Jennifer Dixon

WASHINGTON (AP) — The contraband is tiny, hand-fed parrots or macaws, stuffed a dozen to a cereal box and worth thousands of dollars if they survive the trip across the Rio Grande.

Every year from January through early spring, smugglers bring thousands of exotic birds worth millions of dollars across the southern border. Federal officials say the birds may carry diseases that can spread to other birds and humans, or are threatened or endangered species in their native countries.

The baby birds are plucked from their nests in South and Central America, Southeast Asia, Papua New Guinea, Australia and New Zealand, brought illegally into Mexico, then smuggled across the border into the United States.

Law enforcement officials at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimate their agents seize 3,000 illegal birds annually, with as many as 1,000 seized in Texas alone.

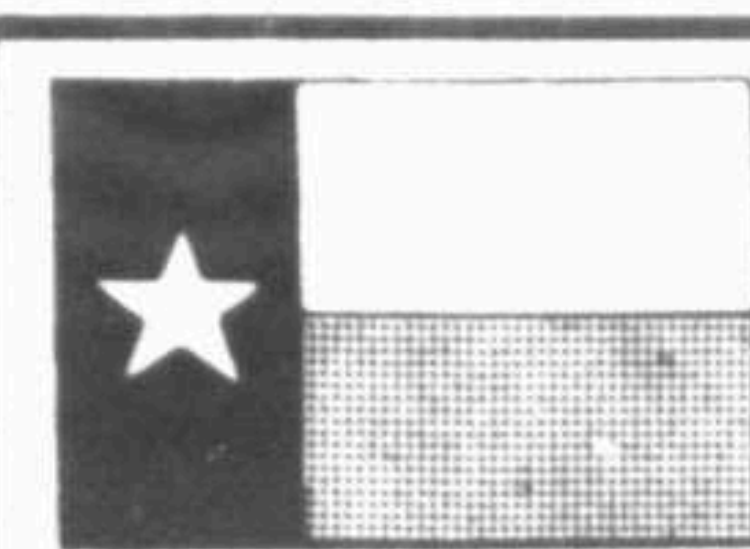
Thousands more, officials say, enter the United States and become part of an underground trade in exotic birds, some of which fetch up to \$15,000.

Jim Stinebaugh, senior resident agent in Texas for the Fish and Wildlife Service, said many of the illegal birds brought into the state come across the Rio Grande, tucked 20 to a box the size of a large cereal box or 100 to a larger crate, and floated across the Rio Grande in an innertube.

"If they don't get taken care of immediately, there's a high die-off," Stinebaugh said Monday from San Antonio. "But the profit is so high they (smugglers) can afford it."

Stinebaugh estimates 50 percent of the baby birds that are plucked from their nests don't even survive the trip the border.

"It's a nasty business, but people want parrots and prices are high," he said. "There are lots of good reasons why it should be stopped — wild birds shouldn't have this happen to them."



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But demand is strong for the exotic birds and the smuggling continues. Midwinter marks the peak season because that is when the birds hatch; the younger birds are easier to take from the wild, are less noisy and easier to smuggle.

Jerome S. Smith, deputy chief of law enforcement for the Fish and Wildlife Service, said the agency estimates smugglers bring \$30 million to \$40 million worth of exotic birds into the country annually.

Those who steal the birds from their nests get just pennies, the "mules" who bring them across the border might get a few dollars, but the person who sets up the deals may make thousands, Smith said.

Bird fanciers with a lot of money who want a one-of-a-kind bird are frequently buyers of the most expensive birds, Smith said.

While the Fish and Wildlife Service is concerned with birds that are illegal for importation because of they may be endangered or threatened, the U.S. Agriculture Department is concerned about smugglers who bring in birds that

may have exotic and virulent diseases that could spread to poultry or humans.

There has been a marked reduction, however, in outbreaks of exotic Newcastle disease in pet birds in the United States during the past three years, said James W. Glosser, administrator of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS).

An outbreak of the disease in Southern California in the early 1970s, which spread to commercial poultry flocks, cost taxpayers \$56 million to eradicate and was caused by imported pet birds.

Last year was the first year since 1978 that there were no reported cases of the exotic Newcastle disease in pet birds.

Group protests sodomy ruling

AUSTIN (AP) — The Rev. W.N. Otwell led about 30 men, some wearing protective surgical clothing, in a protest of a judge's ruling striking down the Texas sodomy law.

On Dec. 10, District Judge Paul Davis of Austin ruled that the sodomy law violated the state constitution.

"We think it's wrong, totally wrong, against God and against the moral people of this state," Otwell, who heads the Church of Fort Worth, said Monday of the decision.

The protesters marched from the Travis County Courthouse to the Capitol. Some carried posters reading "Judge Davis AIDS Sodomy" and "When God created man, he made them Adam & Eve ... Not Adam & Steve or Annie & Eve."

Otwell said about a dozen of the protesters were wearing the protective medical gear to dramatize the role of homosexuality in the AIDS epidemic.

Davis said he could not comment because the sodomy case still is pending.



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Followers of the Rev. W.N. Otwell of Fort Worth march from the Travis County courthouse to the state Capitol Monday to protest the recent ruling changing the state's sodomy laws.

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Judge orders data from Terrace West

■ A Midland judge wants Terrace West Nursing Center to disclose details of its security measures and a record of patients who wander away.

By David Morris
Staff Writer

* Lawyers for Edgar Bohling's family were in court Monday, asking

ing a judge to intervene in their request for information from the nursing home from which Bohling disappeared in 1989.

Bohling's family filed a wrongful death lawsuit against Terrace West Nursing Center in 142nd District Court last February. Bohling wandered away from the facility on Sept. 30, 1989; his body was found in a field some seven weeks later.

Jim T. Osborn, one of the plaintiffs' attorneys, said Monday's pre-trial hearing was called to determine what information Terrace

West is required to divulge.

Judge Pat M. Baskin ordered the nursing home and its parent company, Texas Health Enterprises Inc., to disclose financial records and how much they paid to enhance Terrace West's security after Bohling's disappearance.

He also required the defendants to reveal other instances in which patients wandered away from Texas Health Enterprises facilities, of which there are more than 90 statewide.

Bohling was a 75-year-old Alzheimer's disease patient who wan-

dered away from Terrace West, 2800 N. Midland Drive, on Sept. 30, 1989.

On Nov. 16, 1989, a ranch hand found Bohling's nude, partially mummified body lying in a field near State Highway 158 about five miles west of Midland. His clothes were found nearby.

According to police, he died of dehydration or natural causes.

Bohling's children, Ann Bush, Robert Bohling and Jerry Bohling, subsequently filed suit.

The family contends that Terrace West is responsible for Boh-

ling's death because the company failed to control access to its facility and did not train its personnel adequately.

The nursing home also should have installed closed-circuit cameras and remote door-locking devices, according to the suit.

Terrace West employees should have been alert to the possibility of residents walking away, especially because of "previous disappearances from the premises," the suit states.

Although specific damages are not listed in the suit, family mem-

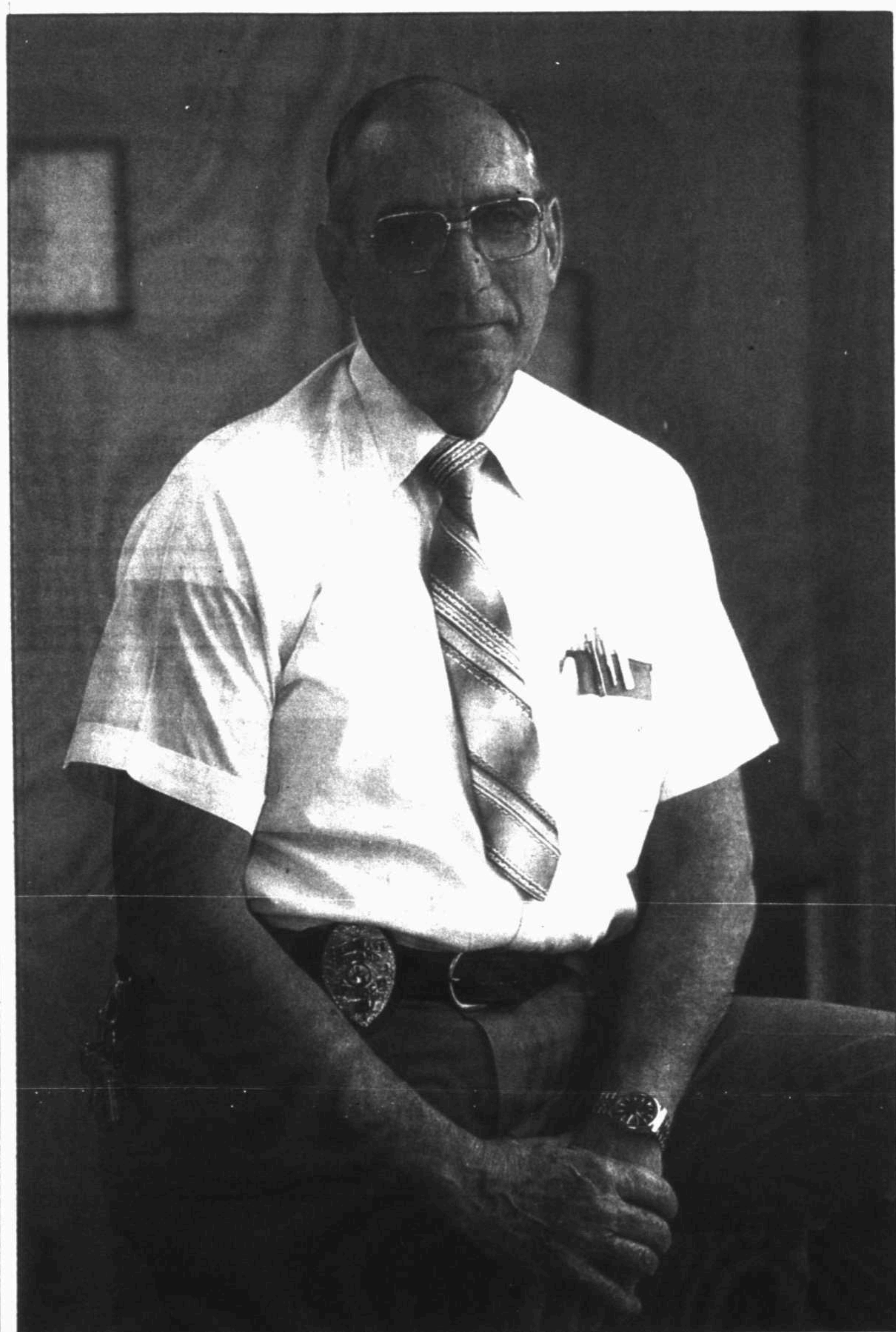
bers are seeking \$5,000 to cover Bohling's funeral expenses.

Terrace West officials have denied responsibility for Bohling's death. They have said that Bohling had a history of wandering away from care facilities and that his family failed to notify them of this.

Baskin said Monday's hearing was called in order to facilitate the exchange of information between litigants.

The suit is tentatively scheduled to go to trial March 11.

INTRODUCING ...



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Lt. Earl Luckey is still bothered by those unsolved cases accumulated during

24 years as a Midland Police Department detective.

MPD detective looks for luck to help solve cases

By Brian Pearson
Staff Writer

An inch-thick stack of telling reports sits atop the desk of Lt. Earl Luckey, a Midland Police Department detective.

The reports, detailing crimes ranging from hideous murders to armed robberies, chronicle the ones that have gotten away — for now — during Luckey's 24-year tenure as detective.

The case of Christy Lynn Booth, who disappeared in 1980, when she was 20 years old, has yet to be solved. Then there was the baffling burglary, in which the culprit took hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of items from an affluent Midland home.

"Those cases still bother me," said Luckey, who frequently pulls a case out of the stack to review it or to add another puzzle piece. "They're just something you'd like to clear before you go."

Luckey, 58, has more years with the department than anyone else on the force. In fact, he is the city of Midland's senior employee.

"I could have retired about nine years ago, but I'll be here probably another two years," he said.

Born in Oklahoma, Luckey came to Midland in January 1967. A month later he joined the Midland police force and worked as a uniformed patrolman for two years.

He was promoted to desk sergeant and worked in the communications division as a dispatcher. He then served as a motorcycle patrolman before

landing a job as detective in October 1966.

"It's a job that's kind of like sports," Luckey said of detecting. "It's a challenge. It's between you and the crooks. Do you win or does he win?"

The detective business, he said, has changed drastically since he joined the division.

Back then, an applicant first needed at least five years of work on the streets. The person then was hand picked by the detective captain and chief.

"Selection was based on experience and the type of work the detective captain had seen you do in the way of investigative work," Luckey said. "There was no test back then."

Today, an applicant must take a promotion test and be interviewed by a board of department officials.

The division has 30 detectives and a long list of applicants, Luckey said.

"It's something that probably 90 percent of your police officers want to do," he said. "There's a total difference between being a street cop and being an investigator."

"There's not a lot of people who want out of the detective division once they get here, but some people love the street."

The crime-solving process also has been modified over the years, Luckey said.

In the past, someone suspected of committing a crime could be picked up and questioned before being charged.

Please see LUCKEY/2B

FOCUS to host vigil tonight at downtown MISD office

■ Concerns over MISD's present system of integration prompt the 7 p.m. gathering.

By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

Several minority organizations, under the auspices of FOCUS (Federation of Citizens United to Serve) have banded together to show their support for the present system of school integration in Midland.

FOCUS will host a vigil 7 p.m. tonight in the parking lot of the new downtown school administration building, 615 W. Missouri. After the vigil, FOCUS members will present their concerns to school board trustees during the board's regular meeting. The FOCUS presentation is Item 14 on Tuesday night's agenda. It will be discussed after the dinner break scheduled for 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Organizations involved in FOCUS include Citizens for Positive

Change, the Midland Chapter of the League of United Latin American Citizens and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

FOCUS President Alma Marshall said the vigil will be staged before the group presents its concerns that anti-cluster organizations may attempt to radically alter school desegregation in Midland.

Midland's elementary schools are divided into clusters of three to four schools. The clusters cut across socio-economic, racial and neighborhood lines to create new learning communities, according to information from the school district. In kindergarten through third grade, students attend classes in their neighborhood schools, but are brought together with students from their cluster eight times during the school year for special "integrative" activities. Students are bused to cluster schools beginning in fourth grade.

Ms. Marshall said FOCUS was formed "in response to what we feel is a negative influence in the community, which is using the

neighborhood school concept to re-segregate schools."

She said that persons opposing Midland's cluster system have not offered any other options to the current system.

"Members of FOCUS are definitely against free choice vouchers, magnet schools and the neighborhood school concept," Ms. Marshall said. "We already have a partial neighborhood school plan in kindergarten through third grade."

Isabel Jimenez, a member of FOCUS and LULAC, said that people who support the current system of desegregation in Midland are invited to participate in the vigil.

"We hope to have as many people as possible speak before the board on this issue after the vigil," she said. "Quite a few issues have come up where people have opposed busing. We just want to maintain equity in the schools."

Ms. Marshall agreed.

"We want it on record and perfectly clear that we are prepared to fight any attempts to re-segregate the community."

Midland man willing to go to jail to try to change weapons' policy

By Chris Van Wagenen
Staff Writer

A two-week meeting focusing on a total nuclear test ban began Monday at the United Nations in New York City.

Two days earlier, a Midland man was among 750 people arrested at the Nevada Test Site near Las Vegas as part of an ongoing effort to make the dream of a total ban a reality.

Mike Gray was arrested Satur-

day after he and two other Texas friends decided to cross the fence onto land where hundreds of nuclear tests have been conducted. He later was released on his own recognizance by Nevada authorities.

"I just want to see a stop to the



Gray

testing and a stop to the proliferation of nuclear weapons to other countries," said Gray during an interview in Midland Monday. He was among an estimated 3,000 people participating in the three-day United Nations for a Nuclear Test Ban conference.

The 1,350-square-mile Nevada Test Site, operated by the Department of Energy, has existed 28 years.

Please see GRAY/2B

Beware the tax rollback, MBCE told

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Midland Memorial Hospital officials took their campaign against a tax rollback to the Midland Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs at the chamber's regular meeting Monday.

"We feel it's important you know all aspects of the issues," Dr. Viola Coleman told the group as she discussed how a tax rollback would affect Midland health care.

A special election to roll back the proposed Midland County Hospital District tax increase is scheduled for Jan. 19. More than 5,000 registered voters signed a petition requesting the election after the district proposed a 19.6 percent tax increase. Under state law, any tax increase of more than 8 percent is subject to a rollback election.

Ms. Coleman reminded chamber members how difficult it was for the hospital to attract new physicians and offer advanced services before the district was established in 1978. The hospital previously had been funded by donations and revenues generated by patient care.

"The impression is that much of the money spent at the hospital comes out of this tax fund," she said. "It doesn't. It comes from donations and from paying patients."

She added that, "one fallacy of the campaign is that when we talk

Please see MBCE/3B



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

House fire

Midland firefighter Steven Carter waters smoldering embers at a 1205 E. Pecan Ave. house fire. No one was injured in the small blaze, caused by a malfunctioning space heater which ignited a nearby mattress, officials said. Only the mattress and a cushion were damaged, authorities said.

DEATHS

William 'Bill' Potts

Memorial services for William Hunter "Bill" Potts of Midland have been set for 11 a.m. today at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. The Rev. Allen Whitman will officiate. Services are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.



Potts

Potts, 80, died Sunday in his home.

He was born March 27, 1910, in Toledo, Ohio. He spent his early years in Greensburg, Pa., and graduated from Greensburg High School. Later, he graduated from Kiski Prep School in Pennsylvania and attended Villanova College. He played professional football for the Pittsburgh Steelers for many years. He worked for Jamison Coal Company and Consolidation Coal Company in West Virginia, where he received his mining engineering degree from the University of West Virginia. He served in the U.S. Army from 1942-46 and retired as a captain.

Potts married the former Virginia Park Torbett Jan. 29, 1944, and they moved to Midland in 1966. He retired in 1976. He was preceded in death by his mother, Kate H. Black; his sister, Louise H. Potts; and his stepson, Donnell Park Torbett.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Potts of Midland; his stepson, John W. Torbett of Dallas; and his stepchildren, Russell Torbett and Tara Torbett, both of Dallas.

Raymond W. Wilson

ODESSA — Services for Raymond W. "Ray" Wilson, 72, of Odessa will be at 10 a.m. Wednes-

day at the Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors Chapel in Odessa with the Rev. Ray Stringer officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Dawson County Cemetery in Lamesa.

He died Sunday at his home. Wilson was born Jan. 25, 1918 in Dickens County and married Mozelle Rankin on June 15, 1940 in Wichita Falls.

He moved to Odessa from Wichita Falls in December of 1955. He was a heavy duty equipment operator and had worked for McAllister Trucking Co., while living in Wichita Falls. He also had worked for Hollis Clark and Clyde Construction. He retired from French Tool.

Survivors include his wife, Mozelle Wilson; one daughter, Patricia Ann Welch of Odessa; two

Billy G. Allen

Services for Billy G. "Bill" Allen of Midland are set for 1 p.m. today at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Mike Vestal of Palestine will officiate.

Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Allen died Sunday in Junction.

Pallbearers are Tom Canton, Carroll Grafe, "Ike" Al McCarroll, Calvin Bryant, Gene Schutte and Jack Townzen.

Honorary pallbearers are Al Boyd, Carl Nix, Bill Reynolds, Floyd Pace, J.C. Porter and Glenn Cross.

The family requests that memorials be directed to the Midland Heart Fund or to Dellwood Baptist Church.



Allen

brothers, Carl Wilson and C.V. Wilson, both of Midland; six sisters, LaVerne Stringer of Midland, Odessa Stringer of McKinney, Dora Lee Bricker of Emory, Mary Chandler of Phoenix, Ariz., Emma Brown of Modesto, Calif., and Verne Taylor of Palestine; and one granddaughter.

Mark W. Serafino

ROSWELL, N.M. — Mark Williamson Serafino, 24, died Dec. 14 in an automobile accident near Capitan, N.M.

He was born in Lawrence, Kan., and moved to Roswell in 1978 from Pittsburgh.

As an Explorer Boy Scout in Abilene, he backpacked on an island in Hawaii, scuba dived in Mexico, motorbiked 1,400 miles in Canada and Alaska, canoeed 460 miles of the Yukon River in Canada and visited seven countries and three islands while touring around the world.

He was a member of the National Rifle Association, SCUBA Group, Roswell Sky Diving Team, and was an alumni of New Mexico Military Institute. He had worked for Transportation Manufacturing Corp., from 1988-90.

Survivors include his parents, Jerry and Ann Serafino of Roswell; one brother, Michael Serafino of Roswell; one sister, Jessica Serafino of Roswell; and his grandparents, Armand and Helen Serafino of Belleville, N.J., and Harry and Martha Williamson of Abilene.

Hite D. Snodgrass

LEWISVILLE — Services for Hite Dewey Snodgrass, 57, of Lewisville were 2 p.m. Monday at Central Baptist Church in Lewisville. Interment followed at Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park. Services were under the direction of

Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park and Funeral Home.

Snodgrass died Saturday in Irving.

Survivors include his wife Shirley Snodgrass of Lewisville; his daughters, Peggy Snodgrass of Irving, Kathy Hornbuckle, Debra Snodgrass and Cara Snodgrass, all of Lewisville; his son, Dave Snodgrass of Addison; his brothers, Charles Snodgrass of Plano, Dewey Snodgrass and Darrell Snodgrass, both of Lewisville; his sisters, Ruth Stapp of Irving, Lucille Culp, Martha Mauldin, Donna Lewis and Barbara Snodgrass, all of Midland; his mother Dora B. Snodgrass of Midland, and six grandchildren.

Luther Paul Hayes

Services for Luther Paul Hayes, 83, of Midland will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home Chapel in Odessa with the Revs. Jerry Pugh and Mike Hayes officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens with the Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Hayes died Sunday at an Odessa hospital.

He was born July 6, 1907 in Groveport, Ohio. He married Hilah Faye McLead on Oct. 25, 1926 in Groveport.

Hayes had lived in Midland for five years and was a retired mechanic for the Ford Motor Co. He was a member of the United Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include his son, Jimmy B. Hayes of Midland; one daughter, Sharon Gentry of Odessa and five grandchildren.

Katie Thelma Smith

Services for Katie Thelma Smith are pending with Ellis Funeral Home. Ms. Smith died Monday at a local hospital.

Region's mayors to discuss regional recycling market

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Several cities across the Southwest are getting into the recycling act, but officials say it's often expensive and sometimes difficult to get the recyclable materials to buyers.

That's why 13 mayors, including El Paso Mayor Suzie Azar, and other officials from 20 cities are gathering in Tucson, Ariz., this weekend to discuss ways to develop a regional market for recyclables.

Representative from industries which make products from recyclable materials also are expected to be on hand for the Friday and Saturday meetings.

Tucson Mayor Thomas Volgy de-

veloped the idea for the two-day conference, "Southwest Recycling: Creating a Regional Market." He decided to organize the meeting when he saw the problems Tucson was having finding markets for the recyclable items collected from the city's pilot curbside recycling program, said Carol Zimmerman, spokeswoman for the mayor.

A lot of cities are collecting recyclable items, but one city doesn't have enough to develop markets for the materials, Ms. Zimmerman said.

El Paso plans to begin a test curbside recycling program by this summer.

Videotape answers TASP queries

Staff Report

An informational video on the Texas Academic Skills Program, the statewide skills test in public colleges and universities has been produced by Texas Tech University.

The five-minute VHS-format video is designed to answer commonly asked questions about TASP, which tests mathematics, writing and reading skills. The TASP test indicates placement in appropriate classes including remedial classes.

Copies of the video are \$10 each and may be obtained by writing the TASP Office, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, 79409-1038, or contacting (806) 742-2189.

One Odessan arrested, another wanted in FBI drug investigation

An Odessa man faces up to 10 years in prison and a \$4 million fine in connection with his arrest on drug and firearm charges, the FBI reported Monday.

Dwight Anthony Langdon, 37, was arrested Jan. 4 in Odessa on charges in a complaint filed against him with a U.S. Magistrate in Lubbock, the FBI reported.

Langdon is accused in the complaint of possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute and of using a fire-

arm during a drug trafficking crime.

The Department of Public Safety, the Texas Rangers, the Permian Basin Drug Task Force, the Odessa Police Department and the FBI cooperated in the Langdon investigation, officials said.

Bond information on Langdon was not immediately available.

Also, a warrant was issued for Allen Dale Owensby, 32, of Odessa, on conspiracy charges, officials said. He was still at large.

LUCKEY: He's city's senior employee

(From 1B)

"And there was no beating confessions out of them," Luckey said. "All my life I've heard of people doing that, but it has never happened at the Midland Police Department since I've been here."

Before a suspect gets grilled by today's investigators, detectives try to make sure every stone of evidence is overturned. A warrant must be obtained before a suspect is arrested.

"The most difficult thing today is we have lost a lot of control over interrogating," Luckey said. "Now we have to tell the suspects that everything they tell us will be used in court against them. Would you want to talk to us?"

Innovations in detective work

include using computers to track crimes and suspects, he said.

He said field interrogations, whereby suspicious people on the street are questioned, also are helpful. The field data, such as a person's description, can be used later to link suspects with crimes.

A field interrogation of one man recently led to his conviction in a string of armed robberies, he said.

In addition to other equipment, magnifying glasses, binoculars, bugging and tracking devices, video cameras and plaster casts for footprints still are basic tools of the trade, he said.

But it takes persistence to solve some cases, Luckey said, adding that cracking the tough ones is the most rewarding. Sometimes luck is a big factor.

In probably his most memorable case, Luckey worked for weeks to find out who killed a deaf and mute woman, who was found in her home after she was stabbed 40 times.

With no leads, Luckey went to the home of a former neighbor of the deceased. The neighbor, a woman who had moved to another part of the city, was not home, so Luckey spoke with her son.

Extensive questioning revealed that it was the son who had committed the murder. The stabbing occurred while the son was burglarizing the home and bumped into the deaf woman.

"I have a deaf daughter, so that case became a really personal matter," said Luckey, who is married

and has two children, ages 27 and 25.

Chief Richard Czech said Luckey and his fellow detectives have shown exemplary work.

Czech pointed to the division's overall 31 percent case clearance rate, which compares favorably with the national average of 20 percent.

Midland detectives solve about 25 percent of burglaries, 65 percent of sexual assaults, 65 percent of aggravated assaults and almost 100 percent of homicides.

"Those are good clearance rates," Czech said. "Our clearance rates are high. We have a very good detective division."

GRAY: Underground tests pose above-ground hazards

(From 1B)

Since August 1990, the United States has conducted eight nuclear detonations at the site, according to Greenpeace, an international organization dedicated to protecting the environment through non-violent, direct action.

Gray, who spent six days in jail for a similar incident in 1987, said if peaceful demonstrations get the attention of other U.S. citizens then eventually national policy will change.

Ellen Barfield, a fellow activist who works at the Peace Farm outside the Pantex Nuclear Weapons plant in Amarillo, said Saturday's demonstration was supported by Greenpeace, as well as Citizens Alert and American Peace Test, two Las Vegas-based grass-roots groups that oppose nuclear testing at the Nevada site.

"I know civil resistance is shocking to some people who don't do that sort of thing," said Barfield. "But the government is well aware of what's going on."

Larry Egbert of Dallas, who also was arrested with Gray, compared the test site to a large playground where objects are routinely smashed (as part of other weapons testing).

It's shocking to go on a DOE tour of the land and find huge pockmarks where underground detonations have taken place, said Egbert, a spokesman for Physicians For Social Responsibility.

Both he, Gray and Barfield said they're not only concerned for the world around them, but also what

such testing means to Nevada and surrounding areas where changing winds in the desert present health hazards to many. They claimed leaks occur in about half of all testing conducted at the site.

On Friday, the three activists also were among 800 who participated in a block-long demonstration outside Las Vegas' Sahara Hotel and Casino where traffic was tied up several hours.

While Gray and his fellow activists want a total ban on all nuclear testing, that's unlikely in the near future.

That's because the Bush administration and the United Kingdom stand firm on the need for testing to develop new nuclear weapons and ensure the reliability of older ones.

Both countries have said they'll veto any attempt to formally amend the 1963 Partial Test Ban Treaty by the 70 nations now meeting on the subject at the U.N.

Veto rights on nuclear testing are now accorded to Washington, D.C., London and Moscow.

Barfield said if and when the day comes when a total ban is in place "it will be very easy to detect" if any type of nuclear testing is going on in the world.

"It also gives us a moral position to stand as well, in that if we're (the U.S.) not testing, then no one else should be either," she said.

Gray said he won't return to Nevada if a total ban ever is approved. "It will just allow us to get on with something else."

Westbound I-20 reopen after truck accidents force closing

Staff Report

Two people were slightly injured early Monday morning when their truck overturned on a slick stretch of Interstate 20 six miles east of Midland, the Department of Public Safety reported.

The double-trailer rig, driven by 35-year-old Gloria Ann Powers of Saulsbury, Tenn., was westbound on I-20 around 2:53 a.m. when it went out of control and tipped over, a DPS spokeswoman said.

Ms. Powers, who was wearing her seatbelt, suffered bruises and abrasions and was treated and released at Midland Memorial Hospital, the spokeswoman said.

Ms. Powers' passenger, 49-year-old Oscar Powers of Saulsbury, was also treated at MMH and released, the spokeswoman said.

She said the truck was hauling 810 pounds of paint, none of which spilled.

Another truck, which swerved to avoid the overturned rig, spilled a load of welding rods along the highway shortly after the first accident occurred, DPS troopers at the scene said.

The DPS spokeswoman said no one was reported injured in the second mishap.

Westbound lanes blocked by the accidents were reopened around 4 p.m. Monday, the spokeswoman said.

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answered correctly)

WORLDSCOPE



1) African National Congress President (CHOOSE ONE: Walter Sisulu, Oliver Tambo) and Nelson Mandela give the clenched-fist victory salute at a recent rally in South Africa. South Africa's upheaval is likely to be one of the big on-going news stories of 1991.

2) Father Jean-Bertrand Aristide, a (CHOOSE ONE: right-wing, left-wing) priest, won Haiti's recent election. The U.S. vowed its enthusiastic support for Aristide.

3) Acting to reverse a recession that most economists agree is already underway, the Fed recently (CHOOSE ONE: raised, cut) the interest rate it charges for loans to commercial banks.

4) Officials in (CHOOSE ONE: Ethiopia, Sudan), recently agreed that the rebel-held part of Massawa could be used for UN relief supplies to the famine-stricken nation.

5) The French firm Renault recently lost out to Volkswagen AG in an attempt to buy (CHOOSE ONE: Skoda, Yugo), considered by many to be the best East European car company.

NEWSNAME

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ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

Week of 1-7-91

WORLDSCOPE: 1-Oliver Tambo; 2-left-wing; 3-cut; NEWSNAME: 1-Skoda; MATCHWORDS: 1-d; 2-c; 3-e; 4-b; 5-d; PEOPLE & SPORTS: 1-in the new issue of DC's Action Comics — out in January — Superman finally reveals to his longtime love Lois Lane that he is in fact reporter...?... The two also become engaged to be married.

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MBCE: Most indigent care spent on children, group told

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about indigents, we assume they're 200 or 300 lb. brown or black men who are too lazy to pay their hospital bill or that of their family. The truth is, in 1990, over 52 percent of the indigent funds went to children."

She also pointed out that those receiving indigent care reflected the city's population: approximately 70 percent of those receiving indigent care were white; 11 percent were Hispanic and a little under 11 percent were black. In addition, the hospital spent a lot of money caring for senior citizens on Medicare. According to Ms. Coleman, the hospital lost almost \$24 million caring for senior citizens with Medicare, and only \$8 million on indigents.

The proposed tax rate is 16.62 cents per \$100 valuation, lower than the state average of 20 cents per \$100 value. State law requires a source of funding for indigent care, and hospital district policy since 1978 has been to use taxes only for indigent care.

"Somebody has to take care of these costs," Ms. Coleman ob-

served. If the rollback is successful, she said, hospital bills will rise \$20 per day and the hospital may be forced to spend staffing and equipment funds on indigent care costs.

Robbyne Fuller, MBCE president, noted that a rollback and resulting higher medical costs could keep potential businesses out of Midland.

"If we're going to be a progressive city, we're going to have to bite the bullet and pay taxes to make the hospital better and make our schools better so people want to come to Midland," she said.

In other business at Monday's meeting:

■ MBCE Vice President James Fuller reported that the Martin Luther King Jr. celebration will be on Jan. 20. Those participating in the procession are to gather at Martin Luther King Jr. Park at 1:30 p.m. and proceed to Mount Carmel Baptist Church, where the celebration will begin at 3 p.m. Rehearsal is scheduled for Jan. 11-12. He also reported that the chamber will have an exhibit about King on Jan. 21 at the Northeast YMCA.

■ Clem Johnson reported that the task force working on the Alvin Ailey program has contacted 33 corporations seeking sponsorship, and has received six firm commitments and five pledges of assistance. The chamber is bringing the Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble to the Yucca Theater on Feb. 22. Proceeds will go toward the chamber's scholarship fund, and volunteers are needed to help prepare the stage and help the dancers with costumes and make-up during the performance. Tickets are on sale from MBCE members, at the Midland Community Theater, at Midland College and at KNDA radio in Odessa.

■ Members of the Resolution Trust Corp. are offering a seminar on business opportunities with the RTC from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jan. 23 at the Ramada Hotel. Cost is \$10 per person and includes lunch.

■ The cultural committee of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin is sponsoring Joyce Duncan, a human relations coordinator, who will speak on "Cross-Cultural Communication" at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 7 in the Student Lounge at UTPB. Admission is free.

General Dynamics to lay off about 3,800 in Forth Worth

FORT WORTH (AP) — General Dynamics will lay off about 3,800 workers at its Fort Worth plant who build the A-12 stealth attack plane, which was canceled Monday by the Pentagon.

The layoffs affect about 13 percent of the 29,000 workers at the Fort Worth plant and will begin immediately, the company said in a statement issued from its headquarters in St. Louis.

Another 150 General Dynamics workers would be fired at a plant in Tulsa, Okla., the company said.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney canceled the radar-evading, carrier-based plane because General Dynamics and McDonnell Douglas Corp. were behind schedule and over budget in its development.

The A-12 was designed to replace the A-6 Intruder, which entered service in the early 1960s and is the Navy's only bomber that

can attack at night and in bad weather.

"The Pentagon has leveled a tremendous blow onto the people of Tarrant County," said Rep. Pete Geren, D-Forth Worth. He vowed to fight the decision.

The contractors last week suggested restructuring the A-12 contract and the Navy recommended that plan to Cheney. But Cheney said the A-12 could not be sustained because he would have to seek more money from Congress for it.

"No one can tell me exactly how much more it will cost to keep this program going. And I do not believe a bailout is in the national interest," Cheney said.

"The A-12 program has many problems that must be solved before it can reach its goals," Geren said. "Cancellation, however, does not solve the problem of providing

an alternative to the aging A-6 and only worsens an already worrisome economic situation in Tarrant County."

Geren said there is a chance Congress will reinstate the program.

"The Pentagon has tried before to scuttle an important military aircraft, and its efforts were driven back," Geren said.

He noted the fight for \$403 million to fund development of the V-22 tilt-rotor aircraft, built in Fort Worth by another defense contractor. Cheney in 1989 and 1990 chopped the V-22 from the Defense Department's budget request, but Congress reinstated it both times.

General Dynamics also builds the F-16 jet fighter and components for the F-111 in Fort Worth. It is competing to produce the YF-22, a fighter that is to replace the F-15, at the Fort Worth plant.

Ex-thrift owner suffers heart attack

DALLAS (AP) — Former thrift owner Don R. Dixon, convicted last month of bank fraud, was moved Monday to a second North Texas hospital to continue his recovery from a heart attack.

Dixon, 52, had been taken to a hospital early Sunday complaining of chest pains and tingling in his right arm, his attorney said.

After Dixon suffered a heart attack, doctors worked to stabilize his extremely rapid heartbeat, officials said.

Kathy Forehand, a spokeswoman for the Mansfield Law Enforcement Center, said Dixon had been under guard in the intensive care unit of the Mansfield Hospital in stable condition.

But Monday night, a hospital official who would not be identified said Dixon had been discharged. Dixon's attorney, Deborah Goodall, said Dixon was transferred to Harris Hospital in Fort Worth.

"The doctor at Mansfield thought he should be in a bigger

facility with better equipment and testing facilities," said Ms. Goodall.

She said Dixon's condition was stable, but that he previously had suffered two heart attacks, the most recent one 12 years ago.

Ms. Goodall said Dixon's health problems may have been caused by the stress of his not being allowed free on bond.

Dixon is scheduled to be sentenced Feb. 19. A federal magistrate earlier denied bond, ruling there was a risk Dixon might leave the country if released. Federal prosecutors contend that Dixon has millions of dollars stashed overseas.

"I think (the denial of bond) has contributed to it, because he is an extremely family-oriented man;

and his inability to get out and care for his family and get them prepared for what he may be facing is incredibly stressful," she said.

The former owner of Vernon Savings Association of Dallas, Dixon has been held since Dec. 21, when he was convicted on 23 counts of illegally misusing Vernon funds.

Vernon Savings failed in 1987, and its bailout is expected to cost taxpayers more than \$1.2 billion.

Vernon's net worth had sunk to a negative \$716.86 million when regulators took it over the next year.

Revenge believed to be motive in sheriff slaying

CARRIZO SPRINGS (AP) — Investigators believe revenge motivated the weekend slaying of a South Texas sheriff found at home with a butcher knife in his chest, a Texas Ranger said Monday.

Two men have been charged with capital murder in connection with the death of Ben "Doc" Murray, sheriff of Dimmit County since 1972.

Murray is the first U.S. law officer to die in the line of duty in 1991, according to a statement from Gerald S. Arenberg, director of the Miami-based National Association of Chiefs of Police.

Carrizo Springs residents Jose Brisenio, 33, and Alberto Gonzales, 24, were arrested late Sunday. Justice of the Peace Wally Patlan Monday set bond at \$1 million each.

"What this is looking like is a retaliation-type deal against the sheriff," Sgt. Doyle Holdridge, a Texas Ranger investigating the case, said Monday. "We feel like this is the result of the sheriff arresting these individuals in the past."

Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Charles Brown said Brisenio had been in state prison on three separate occasions, all from Dimmit County, since 1979.

Briseno was paroled, from the latest case, on Jan. 17, 1990, said Brown.

Brown had no information on Gonzales ever being sent to state prison.

Dimmit County Chief Deputy Raul Medina was not available for comment Monday, his secretary said.

Murray, 62, was found dead at his home shortly after 6 a.m. Sunday, said Texas Department of Public Safety spokesman David Wells.

"The sheriff knew these people," Wells said. "There was no



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Investigators examine the front door of the home of Dimmit County Sheriff Ben "Doc" Murray, who was found dead in his home early Sunday. Two suspects were arrested in the incident Monday.

sign of a break-in at the residence."

Holdridge said Murray apparently answered a knock at his back door shortly after returning home from work early Sunday. An altercation immediately broke out, the investigator said.

"They fought from the back door of the house, through the back bedroom, through the kitchen, the dining room, into the living room," Holdridge said. "The sheriff's body was found by the front door."

Texas Rangers Capt. Jack Dean said investigators report-

ed "lots of blood and some holes knocked in the walls. They said there was a pretty good struggle."

The butcher knife was "sticking out of his chest area" when a visitor to the sheriff's residence found the body, Wells said.

Murray also appears to have suffered gunshot wounds, possibly from his own .45-caliber pistol, Holdridge said. Gonzales also has a gunshot wound on his left wrist, the Ranger said.

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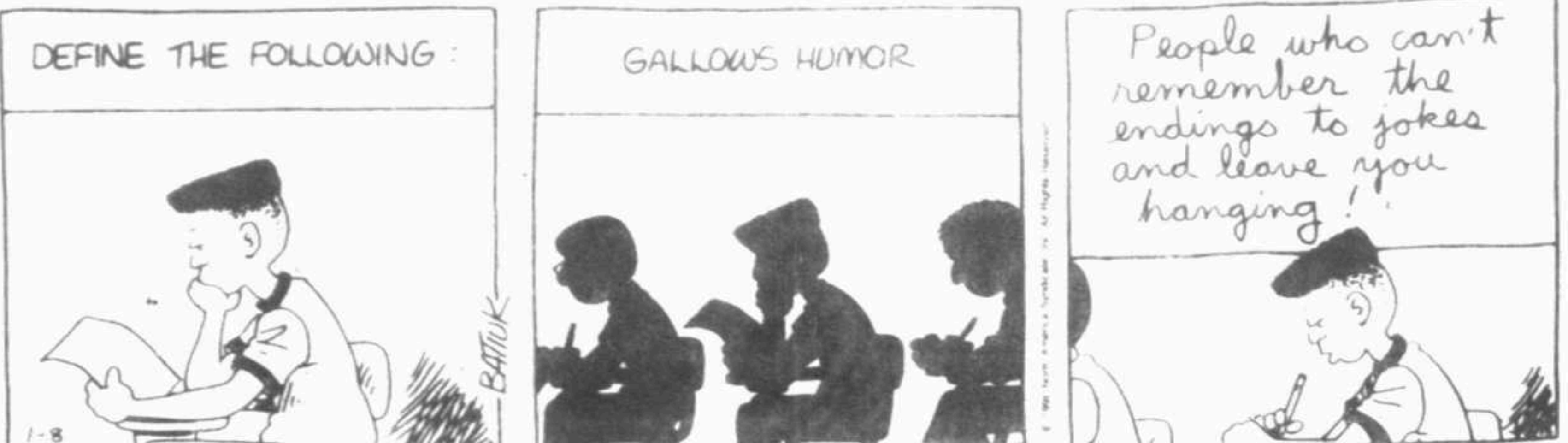
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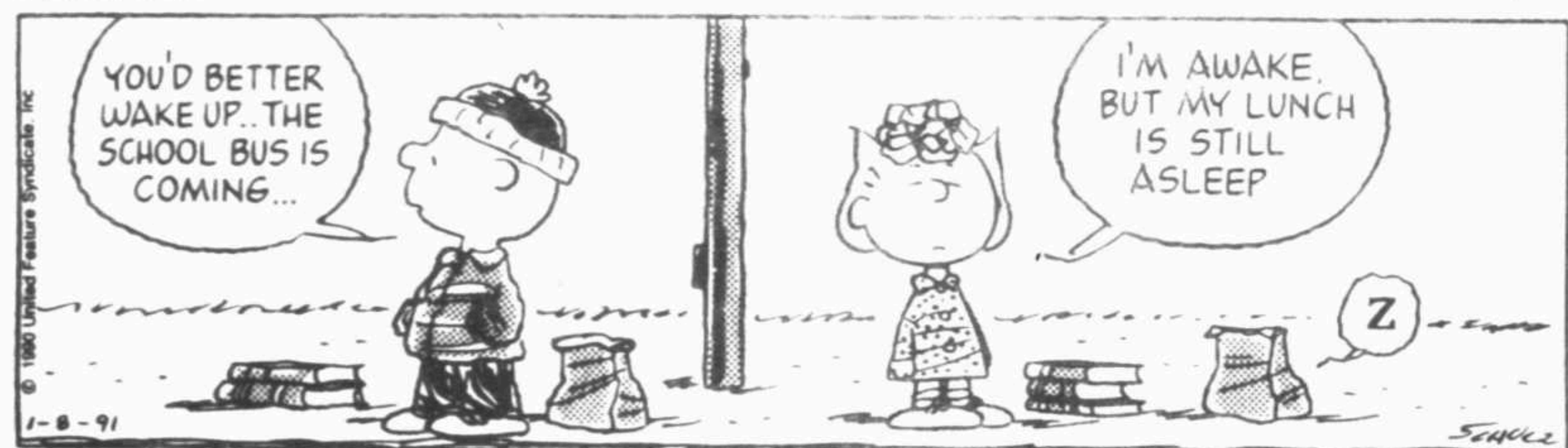
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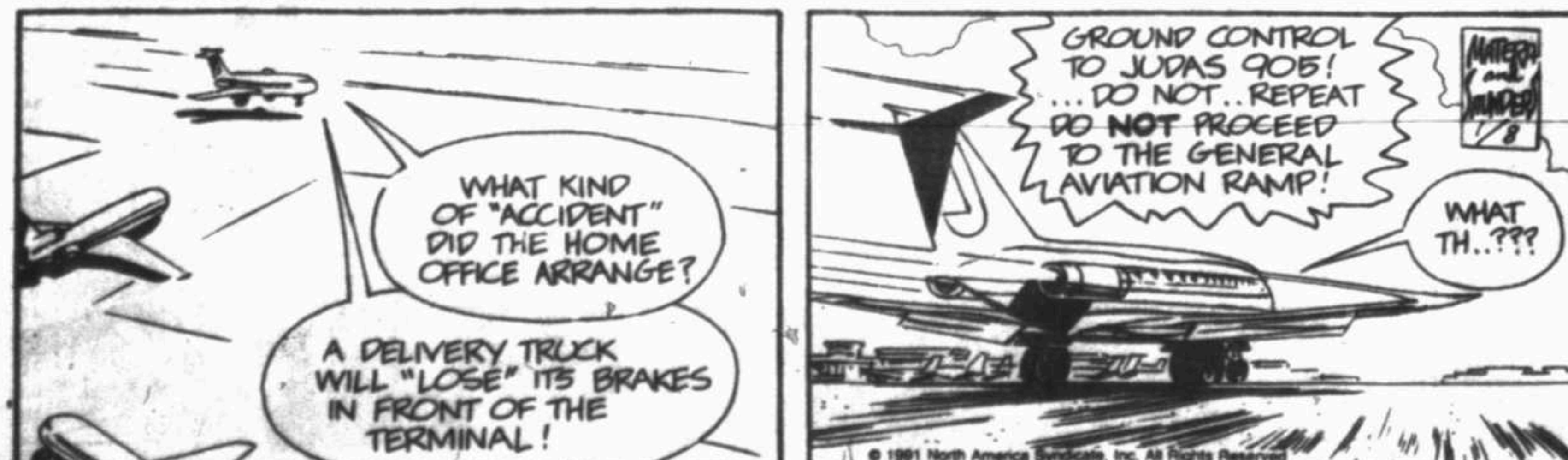
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Your Horoscope

By Jeane Dixon

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1991

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Your strong individualistic tendencies will not go unnoticed. Give more thought to your long-term financial security. March will bring a unique investment offer. Someone you meet in June will remind you of a lost love. Between August and October, new business expansion will boost your earning potential. November is the best time to take a different professional direction. Visit relatives next December.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: Elvis Presley, rock star David Bowie, singer Shirley Bassey, journalist Charles Shirood.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A good day for quiet meditation. What do you really want? Put your thoughts to paper; some ideas come only once and then are lost forever. A personal relationship is on the mend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be good to yourself today! A massage or nap could work wonders. Devote more time to creative projects. Your imagination gives you a big edge over the competition. Emphasize your special skills.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Problems could arise if you dip into common funds without prior agreement. Making small sacrifices for others puts you in their good graces. Pursue romance tonight.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Dealing with people in far-off places proves rewarding. Longtime allies lend a hand by promoting a speculative venture. Be sure a complicated business maneuver is legal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You are likely to score a victory on the bargaining table today. Dressing for success is especially important when dealing with bankers. Avoid wearing anything flashy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You find a better way to do your job when you consult someone with more experience. People want to please you; be an open book! A good day to negotiate and sign contracts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Certain business arrangements may suddenly fall through; be careful not to provoke anyone. Romance is more exciting than in the recent past. Partner responds beautifully when you take the initiative.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Before entering negotiations, it's a smart idea to review where things stand. Quick thinking will prevent

your making a costly mistake. Seek a second opinion before signing a contract.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Be aware of the financial risks involved in taking an entirely new approach. Exercise greater self-discipline and you will quickly rise to the top of your profession.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Loyal allies and a feeling of freedom give your spirits a lift. Exercise more patience. Let your loved ones follow their own paths. Romance is at hand but needs time to develop.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Creative projects you complete on your own are psychologically rewarding. You feel ready to tackle something completely new. A logical argument is more effective than an emotional appeal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Valuable contacts can be cultivated behind closed doors today. An open exchange of ideas launches an important project on a positive course. If contemplating a second career, set your plans in motion.

TODAY'S CHILDREN are kind, conscientious and intellectual. They will not rest until they have repaid the favors they receive. Sentimental and generous, these Capricorns love to celebrate holidays, birthdays and anniversaries. They thrive in a well-organized environment. Count on them to make excellent teachers, researchers or statisticians. They know the importance of meeting deadlines and perform brilliantly when under pressure. Compassionate with the helpless, they have no patience with the lazy!

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DON'T INSULT YOUR OPPONENT

Both vulnerable. South deals.

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SOUTH
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The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 3 ♣ Pass
 4 ♠ Pass 4 NT Pass
 5 ♦ Pass 5 NT Pass
 6 ♦ Pass 6 ♠ Pass
 Pass Pass

Opening lead: Seven of ♠
 Don't presume that all your opponents are idiots who don't know what they are doing. If, once in a while, you give them credit for making the right play, it could be to your benefit.

The auction is interesting. North's jump shift showed either support for opener's suit or a self-sufficient suit, and South knew which it probably was. South's jump rebid confirmed a suit that would play for no more than one loser, and North launched into Blackwood. Besides confirming possession of all the aces, five no trump asked for kings and suggested a grand slam, but South was not interested.

West chose to lead the singleton club. Declarer finessed the queen, losing to East's king. The reflex defense would have been to return a club, hoping to promote a trump trick. However, East elected to take some time to consider the situation. Declarer had to know West's lead was probably a singleton, so why did he not rise with the ace of clubs? Obviously, he was prepared for a

club continuation. So East cast around for more fertile fields.

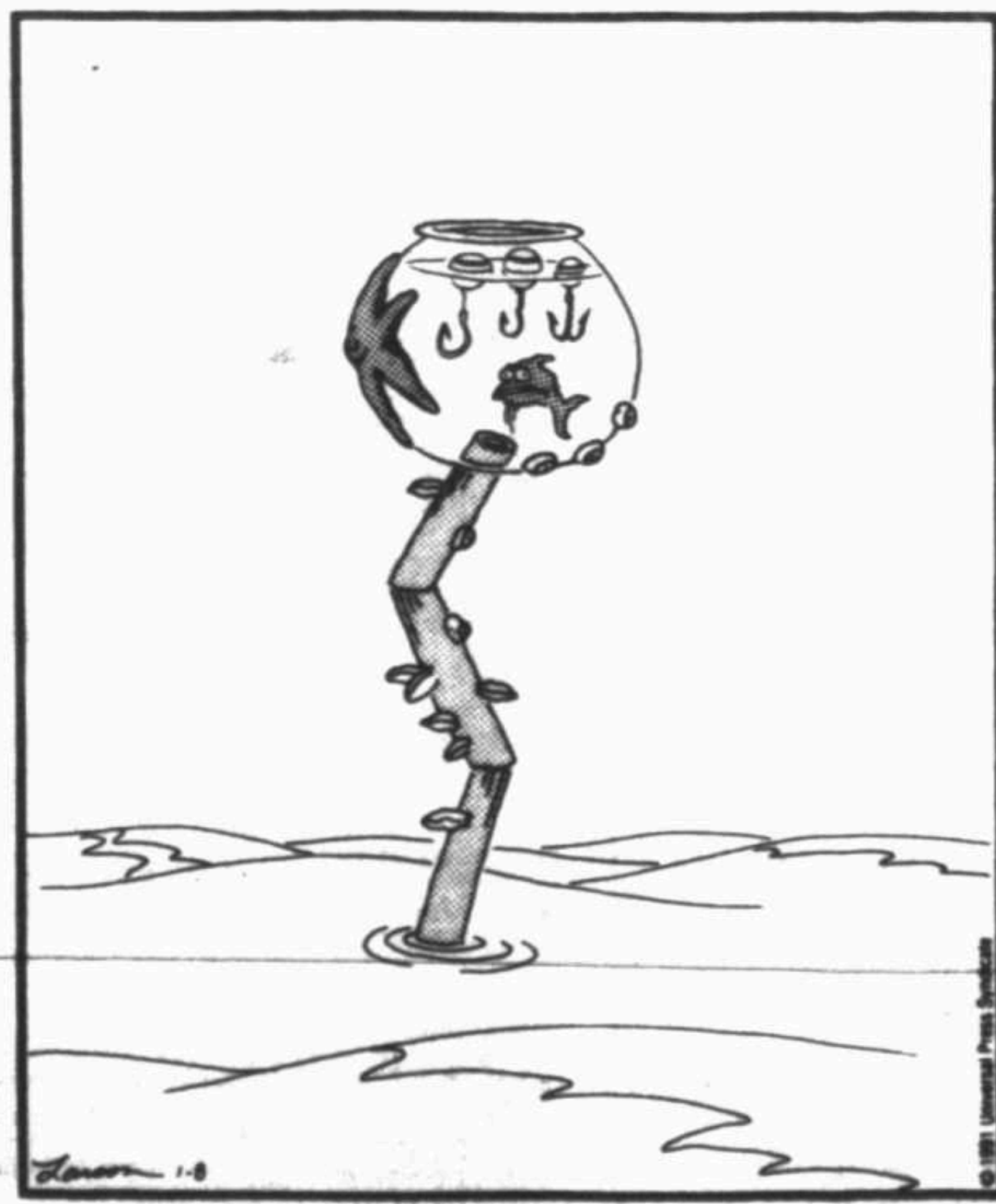
Declarer was marked with a near-solid spade suit and the ace of hearts. A heart return was tempting, but fruitless. With the club suit set up for discards, declarer would simply rise with the ace, cross to the ace of spades, then return to hand by ruffing a club high (as he would have done with a club return). After drawing trumps, declarer would then be able to return to dummy with a diamond to take all the discards necessary to collect 12 tricks.

There was just one hope, and that

was that declarer had started with singletons in both minors. So at trick two East shifted to a diamond. That effectively killed dummy. Since the king of hearts was onside, declarer managed to escape for down one.

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TUESDAY JANUARY 8, 1991

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7:00	Good Morning America	This Morning	Today	Muppets	Dinosaurs	Gilligan	TV Mujer	Banana	Nation's	Body Electric	
8:00				Chipmunks	Little House	Bewitched		Spits	Bus	Reading	
9:00	Sally Jessy	Family Feud	Let's Make	Menace	700 Club	Movie: "Las	Movie: "Las	Bozo	College	Sesame Street	
10:00	Home	Price Is Right	Tell the Truth	Flintstones	Movie: "Inti-	Movie: "Inti-	Movie: "Inti-	Magnum, P.I.	cuse at Pitts-	Mister Rogers	
11:00	Graham Kerr	Young and the Restless	Joker's Wild	Robert Tilton	Sheila Walsh	Perry Mason	Cristal	Geraldo	In Motion	Painting	
12:00	All My Child-	The Judge	Days of Our	Benson	Movie: "Love	Movie: "Love	Movie: "Love	News	Body by Jake	MacNeil/	
1:00	One Life to	As the World	Another World	Brady Bunch	Movie: "Surv-	Movie: "Surv-	Movie: "Surv-	TV Mujer	Andy Griffith	College Bas-	
2:00	General Hospi-	Guiding Light	Santa Barbara	700 Club	Father Knows	Tom & Jerry	Platavision	H'mooner	Leave-Beaver	Talking With	
3:00	Geraldo	Oprah Winfrey	Challengers	Chip 'n' Dale	Batman	Flintstones	Alcanzar una	Space Kidettes	Legends of	3-2-1 Contact	
4:00	Donahue	Growing Pains	Personality	Tiny Toon	Popeye	Laverne	Cristina	Chip 'n' Dale	Sk! World	Reading	
5:00	Cosby Show	Jeopardy!	News	Highway to	Our House	B. Hillbillies	Maria	Charles	NBA Today	Sq. 1 TV	
6:00	ABC News	CBS News	News	Who's Boss?	Scarecrow	Happy Days	Jeanie	SportsCenter	College Bas-	MacNeil/	
7:00	Wheel-Fortune	Golden Girls	News	Current Affair	Movie: "Love	Movie: "Love	Movie: "Love	College Bas-	College Bas-	College Bas-	
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PEOPLE

Young star of 'Home Alone' takes stardom in stride

NEW YORK — As the season's biggest box office star strolled past the customers at a Manhattan ice cream shop, conversation halted and jaws dropped.

"Mom!" squealed one little girl sitting at a table with her mother and sister. "It's the little boy from the movie!"

Within seconds, 10-year-old Macaulay "Mack" Culkin was besieged by fans, young and old, asking for autographs and praising his performance in the smash movie, "Home Alone."

Since the movie opened in November, it became the third-biggest grossing film of 1990: It took in more than \$150 million to beat out the likes of Arnold Schwarzenegger in "Total Recall" and Bruce Willis in "Die Hard 2." And it continued its reign as the nation's biggest hit for the eighth straight week, Exhibitor Relations Co. reported Monday.

When he was in Los Angeles to promote the movie, Mack was hustled out the back of the Beverly Hills Hotel by guards armed with walkie-talkies when fans gathered out front. He recently had to leave a Manhattan clothing store when he was mobbed.

Mack handles the attention with the same aplomb shown by his on-screen alter ego, Kevin McCallister, who heroically foils burglars when he's accidentally left home after his family goes on vacation.

LOS ANGELES — John Travolta knows the recipe for a successful wedding proposal: start with a vacation in Switzerland, add a 6-carat diamond ring, wait until midnight on New Year's Eve.

Travolta popped the question to actress Kelly Preston on New Year's Eve during the romantic holiday in Gstaad, Switzerland, said publicist Paul Bloch. She accepted, Bloch said.

Travolta, 36, who starred in such movies as "Grease," "Saturday Night Fever" and "Urban Cowboy," has never married. It will be the second marriage for the 28-year-old actress.

"The couple ... officially became engaged at midnight New Year's Eve when Travolta presented Miss Preston with a 6-carat yellow and white diamond ring," Bloch said. No wedding date was set.

Travolta was filming the Paramount film "The Experts" when he met Miss Preston, Bloch said. They met again in 1988 when both were shooting separate movies on location in Canada.

Travolta was at work on the current box office hit "Look Who's Talking Too" and Miss Preston was working on "Run," which will be released in February.

NEW YORK — Although Oprah Winfrey is on the cover of People magazine expounding on her pounds, she says she's really "sick, sick, sick" of the scrutiny of her figure.

The television talk show host lost 67 pounds on a crash diet and revealed her new physique on one of her shows in 1988. She has since regained most of the weight and has no plans to diet again.

"Now I'm trying to find a way to live in a world with food without being controlled by it, without becoming a compulsive eater," Winfrey said in this week's People.

And of the weighty attention her fat has received?

"I'm just sick of it," she said. "sick, sick, sick. We all make it an issue — I'm as guilty as anybody."

AUSTIN — Willie Nelson says he wants to record an album called "The IRS Tapes" to help raise funds to ease his \$16 million tax debt.

Nelson made his first public appearance Saturday night at an Austin nightclub Spoke since his troubles with the Internal Revenue Service came to a head.

The agency last year seized much of Nelson's property to collect \$16.7 million in back taxes, penalties and interest. Nelson blames the debt on bad management.

On Saturday, Nelson had a jam session with Kris Kristofferson, Doug Sahm, Joe Ely and Alvin Crow. Before entering the club, Nelson briefly discussed fund-raisers held recently on his behalf.

"It's fantastic," Nelson said. "It really boosted my spirits."

Nelson, in town with Kristofferson to film a television movie, has his own debt-relief plan: "The IRS Tapes."

"I want to put out an album so that all the people who want to help, can," he said. "That way, it wouldn't be complete charity. They would get something in return. If the album sells well, we could pay off the IRS."

Nelson was uncertain where he would record. The IRS has seized his personal studio at the Pedernales Country Club.

LOS ANGELES — The lure of jazz has led Johnny Mathis to record an album of songs associated with Duke Ellington, putting another twist in the popular singer's long career.

Mathis, best known for romantic ballads such as "Chances Are" and "Misty," said he has been moving toward a jazzier approach to his singing. But he had to overcome record company resistance to a jazz-oriented album.

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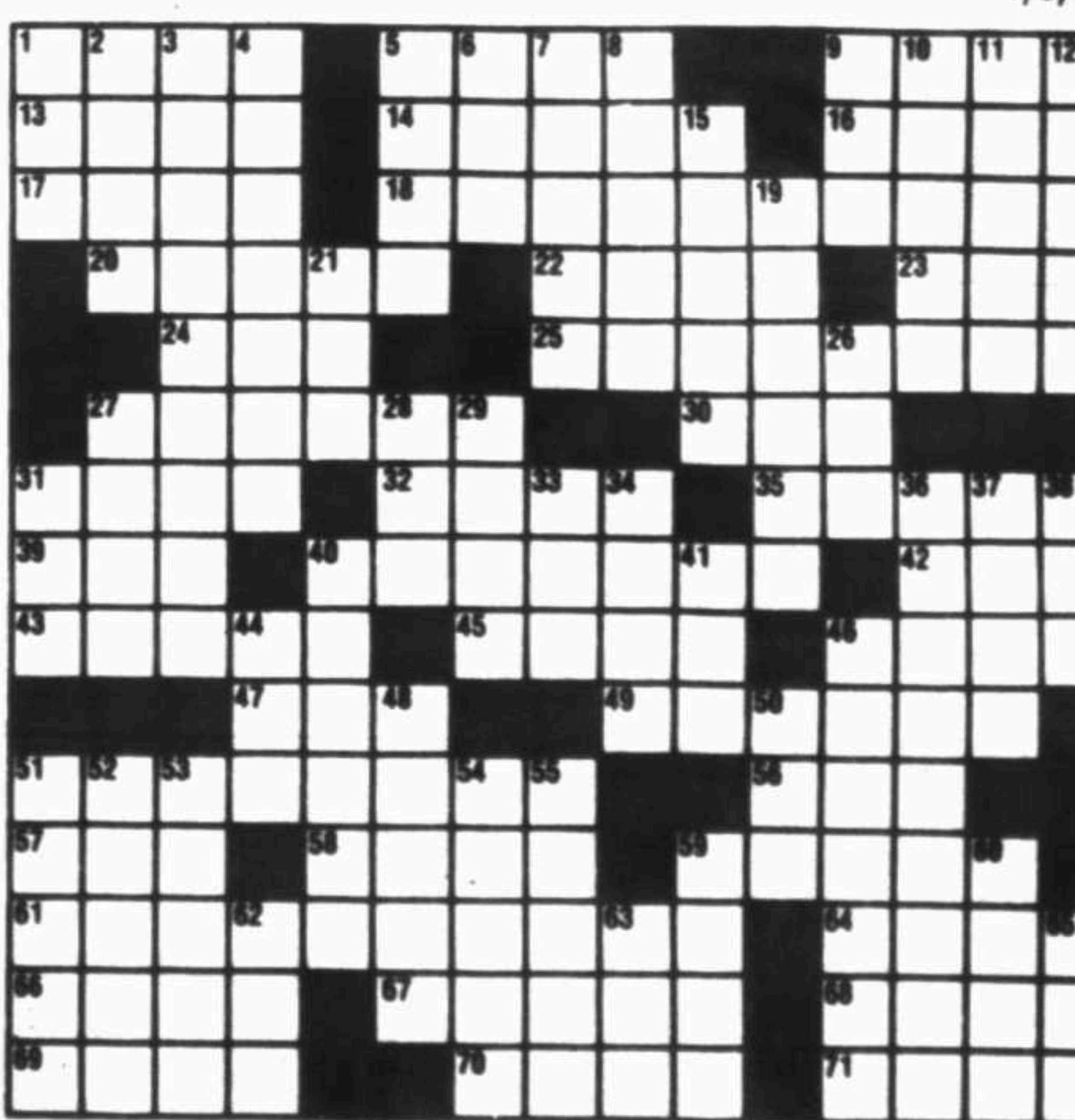
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Spectators at the 38th annual Farm Progress show in Amana, Iowa, pass by a Chinese pig on exhibit. The Chinese pigs are being studied by Iowa State University researchers because their genes should make U.S. sows more prolific parents and the offspring more disease-resistant.

Chinese pork valued for genes, not meat, researcher reports

By Steven P. Rosenfeld

AMANA, Iowa (AP) — Chinese pigs may not have a future on U.S. dinner tables, but their genes could help make U.S. sows more prolific parents and their offspring more disease-resistant, a researcher says.

The Chinese hogs, which look like animals dressed in ill-fitting pig suits, are described by Iowa State University as "the cute, the ugly and the wrinkly."

But it's not their homely appearance or slow growth rate that interests the pork trade. And it certainly is not the gross obesity of the Chinese swine at a time when breeders are concentrating on leaner hogs and marketing pork as "the other white meat."

It is that Chinese pigs produce bigger litters than American breeds and the piglets appear to be resistant to a common form of baby pig diarrhea, ISU researchers say.

"In the food chain they're not going to have a place, but there are certainly characteristics we may want to get out of them," says Palmer Holden, a university swine specialist.

In 1989, after years of negotiations, China shipped 140 pigs to the United States. Forty-seven wound up at Iowa State University, with the rest going to the University of Illinois at Urbana and the U.S. Department

of Agriculture's meat animal research center at Clay Center, Neb.

ISU received male and female Meishan breeds and only male Fengling and Minzhu breeds from China.

The first litters averaged 11.5 pigs per sow, and the second litter averaged 12.8 pigs. Mature Chinese sows average 15 or more pigs per litter and litters of up to 40 are possible, researchers say.

U.S. breeds average closer to 10 piglets a litter.

"In two years we're going to have more pigs than we know what to do with," Holden says.

But Holden and other researchers are grateful for the pigs, hoping to isolate the genes responsible for litter size and disease immunity and cross-breed for those traits.

While good U.S. pork going to market averages less than 1 inch of back fat and 3 percent to 4 percent fat in the loin eye, the Chinese pigs have an estimated 2 to 3 inches of back fat and 10 percent to 12 percent fat content in the loin eye.

"There's just no demand for fat anymore," Holden says.

Nor is there demand for the low meat content per Chinese hog. U.S. hogs produce loin eye cuts of 5 inches or more; the Chinese breeds have loin eyes of around 3 inches.

Krak des Chevaliers frozen in time

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Krak des Chevaliers in Syria and Saladin's Citadel in Egypt are among the most famous survivors of hundreds of 12th-century castles scattered across the Middle East, the fortresses where the Crusaders did battle with Islamic armies. Some castles disappeared centuries ago with the advent of artillery and gunpowder. Others survived only to fall victim to the mayhem of modern warfare.

By Mimi Mann

KRAK DES CHEVALIERS, Syria (AP) — A thick noonday fog covers Mount Khalil. The massive walls and silent towers of the Krak des Chevaliers rise in and out of its mists like a ghost ship adrift.

It's been 720 years since the last homesick Crusader rode from the gates of this invincible fortress. Long gone, too, are the sultans and their victorious Moslem armies.

Today, in the fields below the deserted Krak, Syrian peasant women in billowing pantaloons till their crops.

Almost 500 miles to the west in Egypt, the view from the ramparts of Saladin's Citadel is a panorama of the pollution and bedlam of bustling modern-day Cairo. Reportedly built with the sweat of Crusader prisoners and finished in 1183, the Citadel was a masterpiece in its day, a state-of-the-art castle of the 12th century.

But unlike the Krak des Chevaliers, a castle frozen in time, Cairo's Citadel suffers the aches and pains of old age.

"If only the Citadel had been put on ice about 1492, how splendid it would be today," says Islamic art historian William Lyster. "But it wasn't, so what we see today only hints at its former glory."

LYSTER HAS just published "The Citadel of Cairo," the first in-depth look at the fortress so long at the heart of Cairo history.

Last spring, surrounded by fog and the throbbing drums and songs of young Syrian merrymakers, Lyster led a group of Cairo-based Americans through the Krak des Chevaliers. It was his first encounter with the Syrian castle that Lawrence of Arabia

called the best in the world.

"It's more wonderful than I could ever imagine," Lyster says.

The Krak des Chevaliers — the Castle of the Knights — and Saladin's Citadel are among the most famous survivors of hundreds of fortresses running up, down and around the mountainsides, lost in the deserts and dominating the cities of the Middle East.

The men who built them and fought over them became legends in their own time: Saladin, Richard the Lion-Hearted, Raymond de Saint-Gilles.

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BUT THERE'S something enduring about castles, even if time has left them militarily obsolete.

"You love castles the way you love pirates," Lyster says. "They remind us of childhood, stories of knights and courtly love. The tales of Sir Walter Scott."

Fortifications have played a vital role in military operations since the first Iron Age forts. In biblical times the Assyrians, feisty ancestors of Iraqis, were skilled at walling cities and battering down enemy fortifications.

Romans mastered the techniques. Flavius Silva successfully overcame the Jewish stronghold at Masada by building a siege wall with 12 towers.

A few centuries later, in the Dark Ages, the architects of Constantinople perfected all that had come before. The city had a moat 60 feet wide and 20 feet deep, backed by a row of battlements and two more walls, each studded with 96 towers.

The elements of moats, towers and walls became standard for castle-builders. In the Middle Ages, Crusaders going and coming in the Middle East liked what they saw and took home the idea of having a castle of one's own.

"Richard the Lion-Hearted was so impressed with Middle East castles he returned to France to build Chateau Gaillard, one of the most powerful castles ever constructed," Lyster says.

LYSTER SAYS it's difficult to say a particular fortress belonged



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The Krak des Chevaliers — the Castle of the Knights — and Saladin's Citadel is positioned majestically atop Mount Khalil in Syria. It is among the most famous survivors of hundreds of fortresses running up and down the mountainsides, lost in the deserts and dominating the cities of the Middle East.

to Moslems or Crusaders because they changed hands so often.

"As a gross generalization, I can say that the Moslems preferred to build castles in cities. The Crusaders built country castles.

"Moslems at the time were used to city life, to urban comforts such as bathhouses. European knights generally came from agricultural roots. They were suspicious of neighbors. And the average Middle Ages knight took a bath once in his lifetime, if then."

The Krak des Chevaliers is an example of a basic Moslem fortress turned into a Crusader castle. Captured by the Hospitallers in 1144, the fortress became a masterpiece of military might.

Towering 2,300 feet above sea level, the castle was enlarged to hold 2,000 to 3,000 knights, with storehouses to withstand years of siege.

Lyster says the Krak was so imposing that the great Islamic warrior Saladin took one look at it and said, "No way." Off he went with his army.

IF TIME has been kind to the Krak, not so Syria's other two great medieval castles, citadels in Damascus and Aleppo. Both were in the center of town, Lyster says, and like Cairo's Citadel they have suffered from centuries of urban life.

The Citadel in Cairo has changed so much it's doubtful Saladin would recognize it as his. At any rate, Lyster says, Saladin never saw the completed fortress. He forsook "backwater" Cairo for "sophisticated" Damascus.

Still, some of the Citadel's spirit survived until last century.

But then an Albanian commander, Mohammed Ali, not known for impeccable taste, "tore down the fortress's harem palace and put in its place a gaudy mosque," Lyster says. "So today when we see the Citadel, we see his domes and minarets, not the original fortress."

Despite their aura and intrigue, castles have their down side, Lyster notes.

"They were awful places," he says. "No privacy. The smell of animals. Nobody would like to live in one."

Eastern Europe fears massive Soviet exodus

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP) — Soviet army units enforcing the Kremlin view of life are not new to East Europeans, but the next Soviet invaders may be civilians trying to escape it.

A possible mass influx of Soviet citizens fleeing economic chaos and ethnic strife at home has Eastern Europe, which has its own economic problems, balancing empty pockets against humanitarian ideals.

"A 'poverty wall' must not take the place of the Iron Curtain," Prime Minister Jozsef Antall of Hungary said recently.

Six months ago, the Soviet government promised to ease travel restrictions, but an emigration law is hung up in the Supreme Soviet legislature. No one can say when the reforms will come.

Similarly, no one knows how many people will leave when new legislation takes effect. Estimates range from the 1990 total of 400,000 refugees to 5 million.

Lev Lyubimov of the Soviet Institute of the World Economy and International Relations said currency restrictions and technical limitations on printing passports and visas probably would keep the

number of emigres at about the current level.

Economic and social reforms also might keep Soviets at home, he said.

Soviet troops went into Hungary to stop a popular uprising in 1956 and Czechoslovakia in 1968 to crush the "Prague Spring" liberalization. They began leaving only after peaceful revolutions a year ago.

The possible invasion of refugees coincides with Eastern Europe's struggle to transform itself from communism to capitalism. Soviet emigration was discussed

at a 34-nation summit in Paris in November. Recent food aid to the Soviet Union from Western nations is at least partially aimed at encouraging its people to stay home.

East European officials question whether the West is willing to accept its share of Soviet refugees. They fear most of the Soviets determined to emigrate will land in their countries.

Poland cannot afford to take Soviet emigres, but will not turn them away, said Barbara Rozycka, a Polish official.

Tourists unaware of Jewish catacombs

ROME (AP) — When the Roman Catholic Church turned the Jewish catacombs over to Italy, leaders of the West's oldest Jewish community thought they would be as popular with tourists as the Christian catacombs on the Appian Way.

More than five years later, most tourists still don't know the Jewish catacombs exist. Those who do have to brave Rome's bureaucracy for permission to visit them.

Plans to make the Jewish catacombs safe and easy to visit fell victim to a government budget that is chronically short of money even to care for archaeological sites already open to the public.

"All the plans are ready," said Nicoletta Pagliardi of Rome's superintendency of archaeology. "We could do it tomorrow, but the funds are used up. We have to wait for next year's budget."



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Sports Today

TENNIS — United States Tennis
Association tournament, day,
at The Midlander.
BASKETBALL — Odessa
Permian vs. Midland Lee, 8 p.m.,
Chaparral Center.
Midland High at Odessa High,
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NFL Most Valuable Player

Selected by sportswriters
and broadcasters polled by the AP

Joe Montana

QB, SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

1990 regular season stats

COMP.	%	YDS.	AVG.	TDs
321	61.7	3,944	7.58	26

Rushing		Miscues	
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40	162	1	4

NFC top-rated quarterbacks

PTS.	PLAYER	TEAM
92.7	P. Simms	Giants
91.6	R. Cunningham	Eagles
89.0	Joe Montana	49ers
88.9	J. Harbaugh	Bears
79.8	R. Peete	Lions

Past MVPs

YEAR	PLAYER	TEAM
1989	Joe Montana	49ers
1988	Boomer Esiason	Bengals
1987	John Elway	Broncos
1986	Lawrence Taylor	Giants
1985	Marcus Allen	Raiders

AP/Pat Lyons

Kelly's back

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) —
Jim Kelly will begin practicing with
the Buffalo Bills today and, ac-
cording to the team doctor, will be
ready for Saturday's AFC play-
off game against the Miami
Dolphins.

"He's right on schedule,"
said Dr. Richard Weiss, the Bills'
team doctor, said Monday.
"He's going to play this weekend,
I'm sure."

Trivia Teaser

Tuesday's Question — Name
the New Year's Day bowl team that
had the longest absence from a
bowl before this season.

Monday's Answer — The Cit-
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to earn a College World Series
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Odessa, Midland cage paths cross

■ Midland basketball teams go
against Odessa tonight as teams
appear to be going in different
directions.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

Midland schools go against Odessa tonight in District
4-5A basketball action in a night that will feature teams
going in opposite directions.

The Midland Lee Rebels, off to an 0-2 start in 4-5A
play, will host 1-0 Odessa Permian at Chaparral Center
at 8 p.m. with the Rebels needing to break its string of
bad luck.

"Against Permian, we have a mountain to climb," is
the way Lee coach Jon House puts tonight's meeting
with Mojo.

"From what I've seen, we are not that much worse
than the teams we have played, but we always seem to
find a way to lose. We've got to find a way to win
instead of keep shooting ourselves in the foot."

Permian comes into the game after a slight 10-point

upset over Odessa High last Thursday. Permian lost an
82-71 non-conference decision to Lamesa on Saturday
while Lee fell to Abilene Cooper by four points after
leading by four at the end of three periods.

"We can put one or two quarters together, but we
can't seem to put a whole game together," said House.

Lee has three players averaging in double figures
with Eugene Hicks, 14.3; Martin Lattibeaudiere, 11.3;
and Wayne Wilson, 11.2. Against OHS, Permian got 20
points from Tony Daniels, 19 from Erskine Talbert and
10 from Rueben Loud.

Meanwhile, Midland High's Bulldogs had a great
opening week with wins over Lee and defending cham-
pion Abilene High. Now the Pack faces 0-2 Odessa High
in Odessa.

"I'm still numb after the win over Abilene High, but
you don't really have time to breathe with three games
in five days," said Midland High coach Jack Stephe-
nson. "And now it's Odessa High Tuesday and San An-
geles on Friday. You don't really have time to enjoy
things, but we sure like the way things have started."

MHS' Rodrick Hickey is the only Bulldog averaging
in double figures at 17.7 per game, but sophomore
Antwan Goodley (7.6 average) continues to improve
and had 19 points in the win over Abilene High.

"Sand Williams has been the key to the OHS attack in
district play while Ira Young is another returning start-
er. OHS was 11-6 entering 4-5A action and was consid-
ered to be a contender, but now face an early survival
role."

"I really don't see anyone in the district going unbea-
ten," said House. "You could have four or five losses
and still make the playoffs."

In girls action, 2-1 MHS will host 0-3 Odessa High
while 1-3 Lee tangles with 3-0 Permian in Odessa in 8
p.m. games.

MHS is coming off a horrible 67-29 loss to 4-0 Abilene
High. Lee got its first league win Saturday by two
points over Cooper.

If Lee is to stay in the girls race, they must win
against Permian tonight in a key road game while MHS
must win to stay in the thick of the race, but after the
huge loss to AHS, the Lady Bulldogs need to get back
some confidence in a hurry with a big game against
OHS.

The MHS girls are led by the 14.4 average of Sally
Gibson and the 11.6 effort of Ashley Chase. Donna
Eaden has a 10.4 average. Lee has nobody averaging in
double figures with Lachette Crisp leading the scoring
attack with a 7.6 average.

Rose leaves Illinois prison

■ Pete Rose is out of jail, but now he
must fulfill the second phase of tax
evasion sentence.

CINCINNATI (AP) — Pete Rose was released from an
Illinois prison on Monday and was expected to check in to a
halfway house in his hometown to fulfill the second phase
of a sentence for cheating on his taxes.

Rose is to work three months in the Talbert House's Cor-
nerstone program, in which 45 men from the federal prison
system must either work or undergo treatment to earn their
way back into society. He starts with orientation this week
to define his program goals and the regulations.

He will live in a room with a metal spring bed, a steel
trunk for belongings and a bathroom.

"Clean, neat and livable," said Tom Berghausen, associate
executive director of Talbert House. "It's not ever going to
be luxurious."

THE RESIDENTS live two or three to a room. They
include drug offenders and white-collar criminals.

The former Cincinnati Reds manager and baseball's all-
time hits leader also must satisfy his federal court sentence
by doing 1,000 hours of community service. He is to work it
off starting Jan. 14 by serving as a teacher's assistant in gym
classes in five inner-city public elementary schools.

After the school year, Rose is to complete his court-
ordered service by working at a community center for young-
sters in the city's Lower Price Hill neighborhood.

He then will be on probation for nine months.

Berghausen declined to discuss the program conditions
for Rose.

"The differences in treatment of the people depend on
the needs they came in with," Berghausen said. "Basically,
it is a real monitored and controlled environment for activi-
ties. They have to sign in and sign out. They are monitored
quite closely."

Rose's wife, Carol, drove him away from a federal prison
camp in Marion, Ill., Monday morning, prison warden John
Clark said. Rose made no statement except to answer
"Great!" in response to a shouted question about how he
felt.

The warden declined to comment on any specific activi-
ties that Rose was involved in during his stay at the mini-
mum-security facility, except to say that he worked hard at
a manual labor job. Rose earned 11 cents an hour working
eight-hour days in a prison welding shop.

"He neither asked for nor was granted any special privi-
lege or condition and was cooperative with our staff," Clark
said. "He tells us he is eager to return to the community and
work with youngsters in Cincinnati."



AP Laserphoto

Cincinnati's Pete Rose ...trading jail for halfway house

Rose, 49, spent five months at the prison serving the
sentence he received July 19 for guilty pleas to two felony
counts of failure to report income from autograph appear-
ances, baseball memorabilia sales and gambling.

He acknowledged hiding \$354,968 in income from 1984 to
1987. He was fined \$50,000 and paid the Internal Revenue
Service \$366,042 as part of an agreement.

Before his prison term, Rose obtained psychological coun-
seling or his gambling.

After Rose left the prison in a white station wagon, radio
station WLW-AM in Cincinnati played a song dedicated to
Rose.

Montana NFL's MVP

NEW YORK (AP) — Joe Montana could
make a habit of this.

The super quarterback for the San
Francisco 49ers was selected Monday as
the NFL's Most Valuable Player by The
Associated Press. Montana also won the
award last year.

"Simply put, I'm truly honored," said
Montana, the fourth straight quarter-
back to win the award — Boomer Esi-
ason took it in 1988 and John Elway was
the 1987 MVP. "There are so many out-
standing players in the NFL ... both on
offense and on defense. This team even
has a few of them. It is really a mean-
ingful award."

This season, Montana was the league's
seventh-leading passer with an 89.0 rat-
ing. He completed 61.7 percent of his
passes, tops in the NFC, averaged 7.58
yards per gain and threw for 26
touchdowns.

BUT MONTANA is not just about
numbers, as anyone on the 49ers will tell
you.

"Joe has this special ability to give you
confidence in everything he says and
does," teammate Roger Craig said. "The
man is a leader and a winner. We never
go onto the field thinking about the ne-
gatives. We always keep a positive frame
of mind. Joe is a big reason for that."

Having a Montana around certainly
made the coaching transition from Bill
Walsh to George Seifert easier in 1989.
Wisely, Seifert recognized that and con-
tinually has consulted Montana on off-
ensive strategies.

"Being a defensive coach, basically, it
can't be measured how helpful it is to
have someone like Joe," Seifert said. "I
can't imagine there being a more valu-
able player to any team."

As always, Montana prefers praising
his teammates on what might be the
greatest team in NFL history. A third
straight Super Bowl crown and fifth in
just over a decade probably would se-
cure that ranking.

"An honor such as this one is really
gratifying because it doubles as praise

Please see MVP/3C

Pardee looks for reasons

■ The Houston Oilers don't have
all the answers for their playoff loss,
but coach Jack Pardee promises
to do better next year.

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston coach Jack Pardee
doesn't know if his split-personality Oilers need
more mental toughness or a few more players to go
farther in the playoffs, but he pledged Monday to
find out during the off-season.

"I expect us to be better next year," Pardee said.
"The key is the off-season. The players should get
away for awhile and then they've got six months to
make themselves better."

The Oilers' roller coaster season went flat on the
road for the final time Sunday, in a Cincinnati 41-14
loss in the first round of the AFC playoffs.

Houston is the only team in the AFC to reach the
playoffs four straight years, but they have only two
victories to show for it.

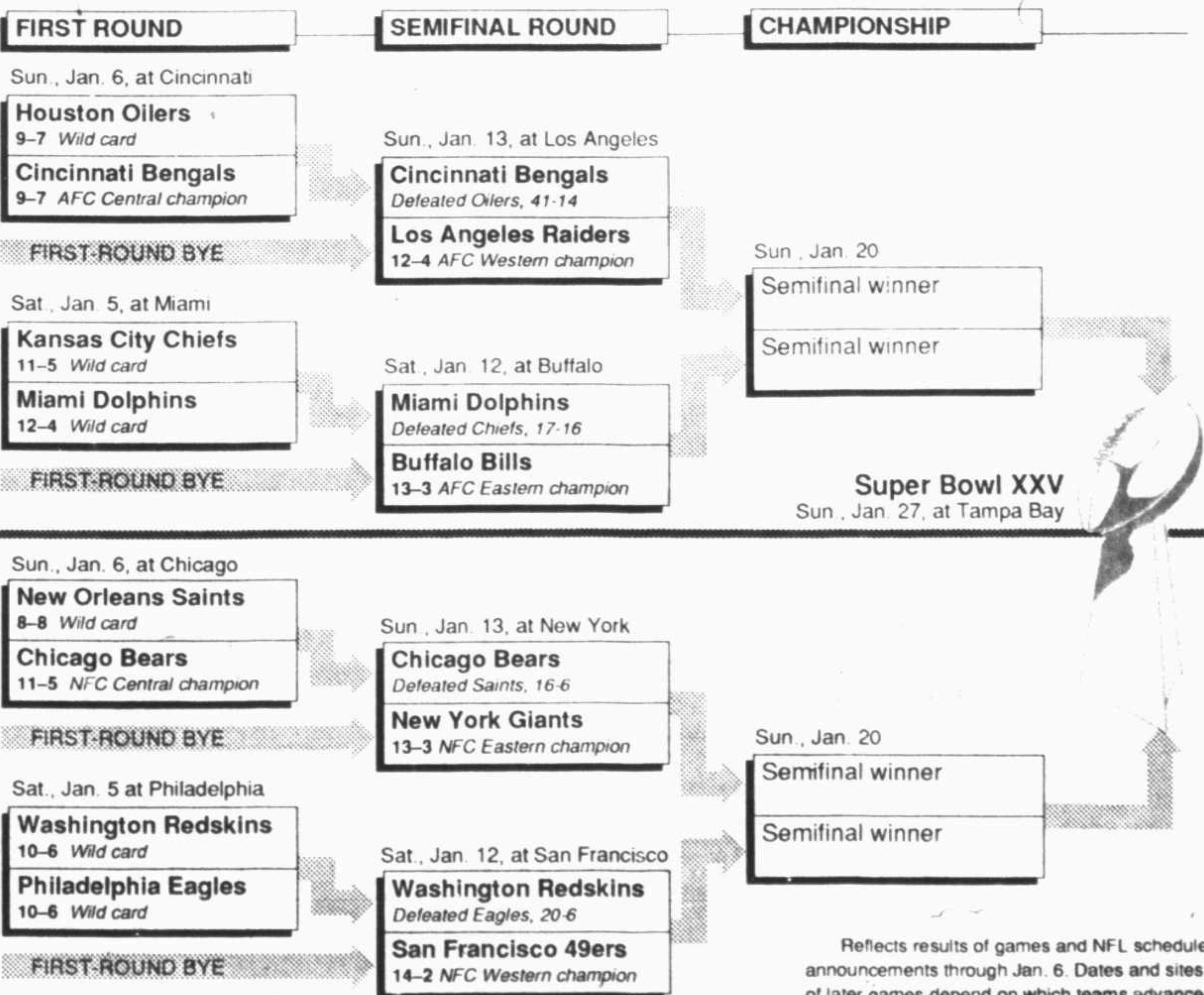
"If it takes mental toughness or two to four more
players, that's what we've got to get done," Pardee
said.

The Oilers beat Pittsburgh 34-14 in the regular
season finale behind backup Cody Carlson, who re-
placed injured Warren Moon and completed 22 of 29
passes and threw three touchdowns.

But the Oilers closed out the season in typical up-
and-down fashion. They lost for the fourth straight
time in Cincinnati's Riverfront Stadium. The com-
bined scores have been 186-62, including a 61-7 hu-
miliation last season.

Please see OILERS/3C

Road to the Super Bowl



Mavs win in overtime

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Rolando Blackman made a 3-point basket with 1.8 seconds remaining in overtime to give the Dallas Mavericks an 88-87 victory Monday night, sending the New Jersey Nets to their seventh straight loss.

Blackman, who finished with 15 points, also scored the basket that sent the game into overtime.

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when he hit a jumper with 24 seconds remaining in regulation to tie the score at 79. The victory, its fourth in 12 games, broke Dallas' three-game losing streak.

Sam Bowie led the Nets with 27 and 14 rebounds, while Reggie Theus added 18 points. Alex English had a season-high 27 points for the Mavericks.

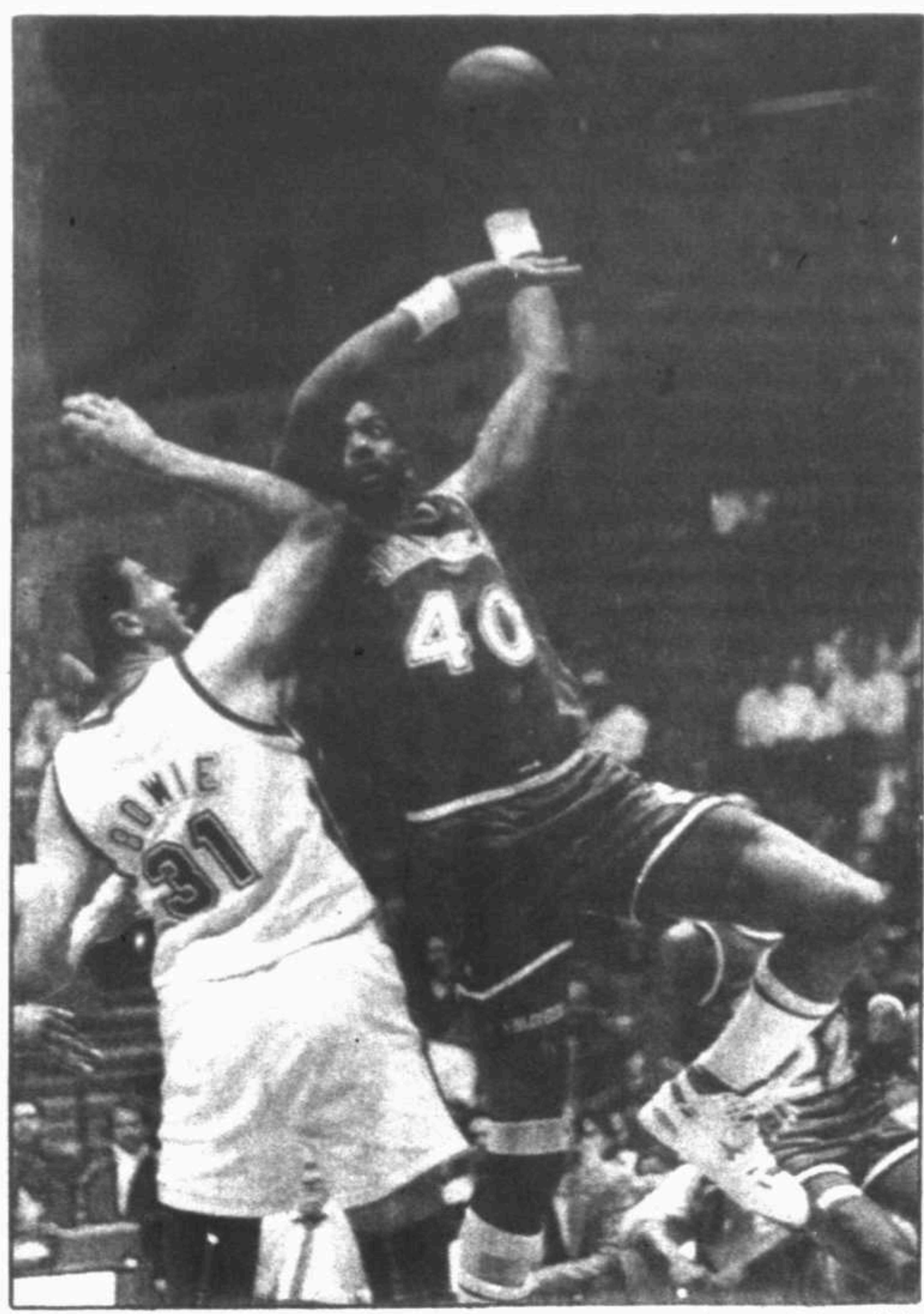
Spurs 111, 76ers 102
PHILADELPHIA — David Robinson scored 31 points, including six in overtime, and grabbed 16 rebounds to lead San Antonio past slumping Philadelphia.

The Spurs have won nine of their last 10 road games, including three in a row. Philadelphia has lost five of its last six games.

Armon Gilliam, acquired from Charlotte on Jan. 4, scored 15 points in his 76ers debut. Dave Hoppen, who was also acquired in the trade for center Mike Gminski, did not play.

A 3-point shot by Willie Anderson with 2:04 left in overtime gave the Spurs a 103-100 lead. After Robinson hit two free throws, Charles Barkley scored. But Robinson then hit four free throws as the Spurs pulled away.

Philadelphia held a 93-87 advantage on two free throws by Hersey Hawkins with 3:28 left in regulation, but the Spurs scored seven straight points and took a 94-93 lead with 2:06 remaining on a 3-point basket by Sean Elliott.



Dallas center James Donaldson (40) wards off New Jersey's Sam Bowie for two points Monday night.

Barkley scored with 1:45 left, then made one of two free throws at the 1:12 mark to give the 76ers a 96-94 advantage. Rod Strickland made two foul shots with 12 seconds left to send the game into overtime.

Elliott added 25 points and Strickland 21 for the Spurs, while Barkley had 31 and Hawkins 30 for Philadelphia.

The Spurs played without starting forward Terry Cummings, sidelined with a groin injury.

Magic 111, Kings 83

ORLANDO, Fla. — Jerry Reynolds scored 19 of 57 points by Orlando reserves as the Magic beat Sacramento, handing the Kings their 14th loss in 15 road games this season.

Otis Smith added 17 points for Orlando, which won for the fourth time in six games. The Kings, led by Wayman Tisdale's 23 points, have lost eight of their last nine games.

Suns 119, Timberwolves 106
MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Johnson had 29 points and 14 assists, and Tom Chambers returned to the lineup with 25 points and 11 rebounds as Phoenix beat Minnesota.

Coming off their worst quarter of the season — a 12-point fourth period during which they blew a 10-point lead Saturday in an 88-86 loss at Milwaukee — the Suns shot 59 percent to take a 38-23 first-quarter advantage. Minnesota, losing for the 10th time in 12 games, trailed throughout.

Rebs unanimous pick in AP basketball poll

Associated Press

UNLV became the first school in four years to receive unanimous acclaim as the top-ranked college basketball team when The Associated Press released its poll on Monday.

UNLV (8-0) got all 64 first-place votes and 1,600 points in balloting by a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters. The Runnin' Rebels beat James Madison 89-65 and Fullerton State 98-67 last week.

The last unanimous No. 1 pick was North Carolina, which received all the first-place votes in four different weeks in 1986. In 1985, both Georgetown and St. John's were at one time unanimous No. 1 picks.

Arkansas (13-1), a 95-79 winner over Houston its last time out, held onto the No. 2 spot with 1,517 points.

Indiana, Ohio State and North Carolina — Nos. 5-6-7 a week ago — took advantage of losses by Syracuse and Arizona to move up to Nos. 3-4-5.

Indiana (14-1), with easy Big Ten wins over Illinois and Northwestern last week, had 1,407 points. A close No. 4 with 1,397 points was unbeaten Ohio State (12-0), which beat Michigan 67-57. North Carolina (11-1) pummeled Notre Dame 82-47 and got 1,340 points.

Rounding out the Top Ten were

AP Top 25 Poll

Arizona (11-2), UCLA (12-1), Syracuse (13-1), Connecticut (10-1) and St. John's (10-1).

Syracuse fell from No. 3 to No. 8 after a 92-86 overtime victory over St. John's and a 76-66 loss to Villanova in the Carrier Dome at Syracuse. The victory was Villanova's third in a row over the Orangemen.

Arizona lost 70-56 at Washington last week and fell from fourth to sixth.

Texas-El Paso moved into the rankings for the first time this season with convincing victories over Air Force and Colorado State. UTEP took the 25th spot vacated by Michigan State, which fell out of the poll after losing to Iowa, the Spartans' fourth defeat of the season.

Kentucky (10-2) beat Georgia, and LSU last week to move from 16th to 11th, followed by Oklahoma (11-2), Virginia (9-2), Duke (10-3), Georgetown (9-2), East Tennessee State (10-1), Pittsburgh (12-3), Nebraska (14-1), Southern Mississippi (6-1), and LSU (8-3).

Duke fell from No. 8 to 14th after losing to Virginia 81-64.

No. 21 was South Carolina (10-2), followed by Iowa (12-2), New Mexico State (9-1), Georgia Tech (9-3) and Texas-El Paso (10-2).



Records through Jan. 6

Rank	Record	School	Points
1	8-0	UNLV	1,600
2	13-1	Arkansas	1,517
3	14-1	Indiana	1,407
4	12-0	Ohio State	1,397
5	11-1	North Carolina	1,340
6	11-2	Arizona	1,207
7	12-1	UCLA	1,192
8	13-1	Syracuse	1,162
9	10-1	Connecticut	1,029
10	10-2	St. John's	1,023
11	10-2	Kentucky	824
12	11-2	Oklahoma	798
13	9-2	Virginia	791
14	10-3	Duke	783
15	9-2	Georgetown	719
16	10-1	E. Tennessee St.	598
17	12-3	Pittsburgh	550
18	14-1	Nebraska	548
19	6-1	Southern Miss.	414
20	8-3	LSU	397
21	10-2	South Carolina	378
22	12-2	Iowa	317
23	9-1	New Mexico St.	255
24	9-3	Georgia Tech	172
25	10-2	Texas-El Paso	49

Others receiving votes: Utah 38, New Orleans 37, Michigan 30, Georgia 29, Washington 27, Kansas 24, Villanova 24, Seton Hall 18, Mississippi 17, South Florida 15, Illinois 10, Oklahoma 9, Mississippi 9, Temple 8, Texas 7, New Mexico 6, Wyoming 6, Houston 5, Princeton 5, Alabama 4, Baylor 3, Missouri 3, Ala.-Birmingham 2, Baylor 2, Virginia Tech 2, Arizona 2, La Salle 1, SW Louisiana 1, Southern Cal 1, Texas Christian 1.

Mustangs blister Sam Houston State

DALLAS (AP) — Tim Mason and Mike Wilson scored 20 points apiece Monday as Southern Methodist reached its highest point total in almost three years in a 96-67 victory over Sam Houston State.

It was the most points the Mustangs have posted since a 98-76 victory over Houston in February 1988 and the most SMU scored in

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their three seasons under coach John Shumate.

Keith Hanks led Sam Houston State with 20 points.

SAM HOUSTON (67): Alexander 1-2 0-3, Donelson 1-4 0-2, Hamilton 3-8 5-8, Jefferson 2-11 4-8.

Hammock 4-8 0-0, Johnson 1-7 0-2, Hanks 7-14 5-6, Rhodes 0-0 0-0, Sears 5-12 3-3, SMU (96): Hampton 1-3 0-2, Robertson 2-3 2-6, Wilson 9-14 1-3, Mason 8-9 4-6, 20, Holman 1-2 2-2, Parker 0-0 0-0, Lewis 2-6 2-6, Valentino 6-9 0-0, Gatewood 0-1 1-3, Jensen 1-2 0-2, Chambers 1-3 0-2, Shivers 5-5 8-8, 16, Kinzer 0-5 0-0, Van Beveren 1-1 0-0, 2, Totals 37-63 16-26.

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Pitt stuns No. 8 Syracuse

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Brian Shorter, bothered all season by a strength-draining viral infection, scored 32 points on Monday night and No. 17 Pittsburgh beat No. 8 Syracuse 93-79, the Orangemen's second straight loss after a 130 start.

Shorter, who scored only 17 points in Pitt's first two Big East Conference games, scored 22 points in the second half, including 14 in the first six minutes.

The victory ended Syracuse's three-game winning streak in Pittsburgh and the Orangemen's streak of eight consecutive victories over Top 25 teams. The Orangemen (13-2), who lost 76-66 to Villanova last Saturday, fell to 1-2 in the Big East.

Shorter was averaging just 10 points per game — half his average of a season ago — and was coming off a seven-point performance at Connecticut that included a career-low three field goal attempts.

Team doctors had predicted the two-time all-Big East Conference forward would not be 100 percent until mid-season because of the rare viral infection, which sidelined him for 4½ weeks of pre-season practice.

No. 1 UNLV 95, San Jose St. 63
LAS VEGAS — Former Odessa College star Larry Johnson scored 27 points as No. 1 UNLV wore down stubborn San Jose State in the second half Monday to remain unbeaten with a 95-63 win, the Runnin' Rebels' 20th in a row.

UNLV (9-0 overall, 3-0 in the Big West) came out flat and appeared

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lethargic as the Spartans (2-10, 0-3) closed to within 11 points in the second half before the Runnin' Rebels pulled away.

Johnson, who also had 11 rebounds, scored 17 of his points in the second half before being pulled with 7:29 remaining and UNLV ahead 79-49.

George Ackles added a career-high 16 points for the defending national champions, who along with Ohio State (12-0) are the only unbeaten teams in Division I.

Terry Cannon's 14 points led the Spartans, who lost their fifth straight.

No. 21 S. Carolina 67, Louisville 64

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Jo Jo English hit a jumper in the lane with 10 seconds left to lift No. 21 South Carolina to a Metro Conference victory over Louisville, its first win ever over the Cardinals in Freedom Hall.

South Carolina (11-2, 1-0) saw a 55-48 lead with 3:58 to go vanish when Louisville's Everick Sullivan hit a 3-pointer from the left side of the key to tie the game at 64-64 with 25 seconds left.

South Carolina then worked 15 seconds off the clock before English drove into the lane to hit the game-winner, snapping an eight-game losing streak on Louisville's home court.

Louisville (5-5, 0-2), which has lost four in a row, got the ball with eight seconds left, but Cornelius Holden threw the ball outside the

reach of LaBradford Smith on the right sideline as South Carolina regained possession.

On the inbound play, Michael Glover was fouled by Holden and made one of two free throws for the final margin.

Smith was able to launch an off-balance 3-pointer before the final buzzer, but it bounced off the left side of the rim.

Joe Rhett, Barry Manning and Jeff Roulston each had 16 points and English added 10 for South Carolina.

Sullivan led Louisville with 27 points and Smith added 12.

No. 20 LSU 83, Georgia 76
BATON ROUGE, La. — Shaquille O'Neal had 34 points and 16 rebounds and No. 20 Louisiana State held on to beat scrappy but cold-shooting Georgia.

Georgia (8-5 overall and 1-3 in the Southeastern Conference) held the 7-foot-1 O'Neal to just four points in the game's first 10 minutes as 6-10 center Neville Austin smothered the sophomore in the post while the Tigers were also bothered by the Bulldogs' press.

O'Neal finally got his poise back and wound up with 16 first-half points as the Tigers (9-3, 2-1) took a 37-29 halftime lead. The Bulldogs shot 33 percent from the field in the first half and finished the game at 32 percent (24-for-76).

Litterial Green, who had just seven points midway through the second half, led Georgia with 26 points.

The Tigers managed to beat the press in the second half, leading by as much as 16.

Rangers escape Kermit

Staff Report

GREENWOOD — Greenwood's Chuck Boecking made all 12 of his free throw attempts en route to a game-high 24 points in the Rangers' 73-66 win over Kermit in the District 6-3A boys basketball opener for both teams here Monday.

In District 6-3A girls action, Greenwood smothered Kermit 57-33, but no details were available on that game.

The Rangers, 5-12 overall, owned a 38-30 halftime lead, but couldn't put the visiting Yellowjackets away until the final seconds. Kermit came within three points late in the fourth quarter, but the Jackets soon fell off the pace.

Eric Clutter and Ray Seales scored 14 points each for Greenwood. Seales got his points coming

off the bench.

Harry Dawson led Kermit with 19 points, while Byron Heiser added 14 before fouling out. Greenwood held sophomore Brandon Heiser to one point, though, the younger Heiser had had several double-figure scoring games recently.

The Greenwood cagers travel to Sonora for a boy-girl doubleheader on Friday.

Kermit (66): Michael Lopez 3-6-4 12; Jason Mills 1-2-3; Steve Chavaria 1-0-0 3; Jeff Thompson 0-2-2; Brandon Heiser 0-1-2 1; Kevin Mann 2-1-1 6; Byron Heiser 0-2-7 14; Harry Dawson 0-2-7 16; Clay Foster 0-1-2 7. Totals 24 16-29 66.

Greenwood (73): Ted Flowers 0-0-0 0; Eric Clutter 6-2-6 14; Mark Burleigh 1-2-4 4; Roger Gessa 0-1-2 1; Chris Hall 0-0-0 0; Jason Seales 4-0-3 8; Damon Dublin 2-1-6 6; Chuck Boecking 9-12-24 24; Ray Seales 7-0-2 14; Cody Mabane 1-0-0 2. Totals 27 18-31 73.

Score by quarters: 15 18 21 19-66

Greenwood 18 22 22 13-73

Three-point goals: Seales, Lopez, Chavaria. Total Fouls: Kermit 22, Greenwood 22. Fouled Out: Dublin, Mabane, By, Heiser. Technical Fouls: By, Heiser.

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NBA

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Atlantic Division

Boston	26 5
Philadelphia	20 13
New York	14 1
Washington	13 1
New Jersey	10 2
Miami	8 2

Central Division

Minneapolis	24 8
Chicago	21 10
Detroit	22 11
Atlanta	18 1
Indiana	12 1
Cleveland	11 1
Charlotte	10 1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

San Antonio	22 10
Utah	18 13
Dallas	9 2
Minnesota	9 2
Orlando	9 2
Denver	8 2

Pacific Division

Portland	29 5
LA Lakers	19 10
Phoenix	20 11
Golden State	18 10
Seattle	14 1
LA Clippers	11 2

Monday's Games

Dallas 85, New Jersey 81	7:00
Orlando 111, Sacramento 92	7:00
San Antonio 111, Philadelphia 97	7:00
Phoenix 119, Minnesota 102	7:00

Tuesday's Games

San Antonio at Atlanta	6:00
LA Clippers at Indiana	6:00

Mavs 88, Nets 87

DALLAS (88):

McCray 1-10 7-8 9, 15
3-27, Donaldson 7-15
5-9 2-2 13, Blackman
15, Alford 2-0-0 4, White
Shawky 1-10-2, Upshaw
Dallas 33-87 20-21 88
NEW JERSEY (87):
Morris 11-20-3, Coleman
4-10, Bowie 11-25 5-6 2
4-13 0-0 8, Theus 7-14 4-4
1-2 0-0 2, Conner 2-8 3
1-8 3-5, Buechler 0-0 0-0
0-2 0-0 0, Lee 0-1 0-0 0
3-4 7, Totals 33-87 20-21
Dallas 33-87 20-21 88
New Jersey 19 15 21 87
3-point goals—Dallas
1-3, Blackman 1-3, New
(Morris 1-3, Blacklock 0-3)
3) Fouled out—None
Dallas 56 (English 12),
70 (Bowie 14), Assist—
(Blackman 7), New Jersey
18, Coleman, Blacklock
four—Dallas—Morris 4-9

Spurs 111, 76ers 102

SAN ANTONIO (111):

Elliott 8-17 8-25, Gre
0-0 6, Robinson 9-16
Strickland 8-15 4-8 3
5-13 0-0 10, Pressey 7-
5 Green 1-2 0-0 2, Schin
2 Higgins 0-1 0-0 0 7
24-29 111
PHILADELPHIA (102):
Barkley 11-27 8-12 31
16-1-15, Butler 0-0 0-0
0-0 0, Hawkins 12-24 8-
Turner 1-2 0-0 2, Olve
Totals 43-86 15-32 102
S. Antonio 20 30 24 31
Philadelphia 27 25 31 11
3-point goals—San An
(Elliott 2-2, Strickland 1-
son 0-2, Pressey 0-2),
1-10 (Barkley 1-5, Gillia
derson 0-1), Hawkins 0-
out—None. Rebounds—
56 (Robinson 16), Phil
(Barkley 11), Assist—
27 (Strickland 13), Phil
(Green 8) Total fouls—
nio 20, Philadelphia 25

Women's

Women's Top Two

By The Associated Press

The top two teams in the

college basketball poll

voted by Mel Greenberg

adolphia, Inquirer

votes in parentheses

through Jan. 6 total po

on 25-24-23-22-21-20-19

15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7

and last week's ranking

Records

1 Penn St. (57) 9-2

2 Virginia (3) 12-1

3 NC State (1) 11-1

4 Tennessee (2) 10-2

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

MacPherson tabbed as coach of Pats

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — In a rush to put a happy face on a sad team, the New England Patriots on Monday named Dick MacPherson as their third coach in three years.

MacPherson, the successful and spirited coach at Syracuse for 10 years, takes over a team that was 1-15 and had highly publicized off-field problems and low attendance. His appointment came three days after Rod Rust was fired and eight days after the Patriots' final game.

"If you're going to come in and change the attitudes and your approach you better do it immediately," said Sam Jankovich, who joined the Patriots as their chief executive officer on Dec. 20. "If you wait very long, people are going to fall into the same rut."

MacPherson, a Maine native who went to Springfield (Mass.) College, brings an outgoing personality to a team that struggled the past two seasons under two reserved coaches, Raymond Berry and Rust.

"This sends a signal what kind of an organization we're going to have," Jankovich said. He refused to give details of MacPherson's contract.

"I can't emphasize to you how much of a joy it is for me to be here," MacPherson, a former NFL

assistant, said at a news conference. "What a great way to make a living. And here I am at age 60 still able to do it and loving every minute of it."

Because of MacPherson's energy and enthusiasm, Jankovich said he wasn't concerned about naming a 60-year-old man to rebuild the NFL's worst team. MacPherson scoffed at the issue with a swipe at President Bush.

"I think one of his records is that he was the youngest pilot ever in the United States Navy," MacPherson said. "I don't think that's an accomplishment at all. The guy that I think is exceptional is the oldest pilot in the United States Navy."

Jankovich cited another president, Ronald Reagan, as an example that older people can lead organizations.

"We had a president of the United States elected at age 72 (actually 73)," Jankovich said.

But MacPherson may have a tougher job.

The Patriots tied NFL single-season records for most losses and most consecutive losses (14). They scored the fewest points and allowed the second most of any teams in the league this season.

His appointment leaves two head coaching vacancies in the NFL, Cleveland and Tampa Bay.

NBA Standings

By The Associated Press
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away	Conf
Boston	26	5	.839	0	1	W	17	9	14
Philadelphia	20	13	.606	7	4	L	13	7	10
New York	14	18	.438	13	5	W	7	9	11
Washington	13	17	.433	14	7	W	8	5	12
New Jersey	10	21	.323	18	2	L	8	10	21
Miami	8	24	.250	19	3	L	5	10	14

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away	Conf
Chicago	24	8	.750	0	1	W	10	7	15
Indiana	21	10	.679	3	2	W	14	7	11
Atlanta	22	11	.667	2	2	W	14	8	10
Charlotte	12	20	.375	12	4	L	11	11	7
Cleveland	11	21	.344	13	1	W	7	11	10
Orlando	10	20	.333	14	2	W	7	9	11

Western Conference

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away	Conf
San Antonio	22	10	.688	1	2	W	14	8	16
Utah	18	13	.581	5	4	W	12	6	10
Houston	11	20	.357	12	4	L	11	11	7
Dallas	11	19	.367	13	4	W	8	5	13
Golden State	9	24	.273	15	4	W	8	8	11
Denver	6	26	.188	17	1	L	4	10	16

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away	Conf
LA Lakers	20	10	.667	7	3	W	11	4	8
Phoenix	19	11	.633	8	4	W	11	4	9
Portland	18	12	.600	9	3	W	11	4	9
Seattle	14	16	.469	13	3	L	9	5	11
LA Clippers	11	22	.333	17	1	L	7	9	15

Monday's Games

Dallas 86, New Jersey 87, OT	Orlando 111, Sacramento 102	Phoenix 119, Minnesota 106	Tuesday's Games
San Antonio at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.	LA Clippers at Denver, 8:30 p.m.		

NBA Box Scores

Mavs 88, Nets 87

McGraw 11-7-89, English 12-24

3-3-27, Donaldson 7-15-22, De

Wesley 11-10-22, Blackman 4-17-88

15, Alford 2-4-0-0, White 17-0-2

Shawky 1-1-0-2, Upshaw 0-0-0-0

33-87, 20-21-86

NEW JERSEY (87)

Morris 1-0-0-3, Coleman 4-13-2

4-10, Bowie 11-25-5-6-27, Black

4-13-0-0, Thayer 7-14-4-5-18, Hal

2-0-2-2, Connor 2-8-3-7, Dudley

1-8-3-5, Beucher 0-0-0-0, Hinson

0-2-0-0, Lee 0-1-0-0, Gervin 2-3

3-4, 7-10, 33-24, 20-32-87

Dallas 16, Nets 17, 16-88

New Jersey 19, Nets 24, 8-87

3-point goals—Dallas 25 (Davis

12, Blackman 13), New Jersey 18

(Morris 13, Bryant 2, Thayer 0)

3) Fouled out—None. Rebounds—

Dallas 58 (English 12, New Jersey

58) (Blackman 7, New Jersey 15)

Morris, Coleman, Blackman 3) Total

four—Dallas 26, New Jersey 24

Technical—Morris A-9,055

Spurs 111, 76ers 102

SAN ANTONIO (111)

Elliott 8-18-7-25, Greenwood 3-8

0-0-8, Robinson 6-15-4-18, 3-1

Strickland 8-15-4-5-21, W. Anderson

5-13-10-0, Presley 7-11-0-14, S

Green 1-2-0-2, Schintz 13-0-0

24-29, 11-0-0-0, Totals 42-85

PHILADELPHIA (102)

Barkley 11-27-8-12, Gilliam 7

16-12-15, Bol 0-0-0-0, P. Green 0-0

0-0, Hawkins 12-24-6-30, Mahorn

2-0-0-4, R. Anderson 8-14-0-16

Turner 1-2-0-2, Oliver 2-2-0-4

Totals 43-86, 15-22-11

Philadelphia 27, 31-13-102

3-point goals—San Antonio 37

(Elliott 27, Strickland 11, W. Anderson

10, Presley 0-2), Philadelphia 1-0

(Barkley 11, Gilliam 0-1, R. Anderson

0-1, Hawkins 0-3) Fouled out—None

Rebounds—San Antonio 56 (Robinson

16), Philadelphia 51 (Barkley 11)

(Strickland 13), Philadelphia 26

(Green 11) Total fouls—San Antonio

20, Philadelphia 25 A-18,166

Women's Poll Optimist

Women's Top Twenty Five

By The Associated Press

The top 25 teams in the women's

college basketball poll, as com-

plied by Mel Greenberg of The Phi-

delphia Inquirer, are listed below.

Notes in parentheses, records

through Jan. 6, total points based

NHL

National Hockey League

By The Associated Press

W L T Pts GF GA

Philadelphia 26 13 7 57 171 136

Pittsburgh 22 20 4 47 189 169

New Jersey 19 16 9 47 164 147

Washington 20 22 2 42 145 144

NY Islanders 15 21 5 35 118 143

Adams Division

Boston 22 13 6 52 152 140

Montreal 22 15 4 48 143 138

Buffalo 18 20 4 40 120 140

Quebec 9 27 7 25 102 192

Campbell Conference

Norfolk Division

Chicago 28 14 3 56 147 118

St. Louis 22 13 6 50 148 122

Minnesota 11 25 8 30 131 157

Toronto 20 19 4 44 148 157

Smyth Division

Calgary 23 14 5 51 176 130

Los Angeles 22 14 5 49 165 136

Edmonton 19 18 2 40 128 122

Vancouver 18 23 3 39 140 163

San Jose 13 25 3 34 148 167

Monday's Games

Portland 5, Winnipeg 2

NY Rangers 3, Philadelphia 2

Tuesday's Games

Minnesota at NY Islanders, 6:35 p.m.

Edmonton at Pittsburgh, 6:35 p.m.

Boston at Quebec, 6:35 p.m.

Calgary at Toronto, 6:35 p.m.

St. Louis at New Jersey, 6:45 p.m.

Harford at Los Angeles, 9:35 p.m.

Buffalo at Vancouver, 9:35 p.m.

Bruins 5, Jets 2

Winnipeg 0-0-2-2

Boston 3-0-2-6

First Period—1, Boston,

D. Sweeney 5 (Jennings), 1:14, 2, Bos-

ton, Hoover 2 (Wesley), 8:45, 3, Bos-

ton, Waltz 6 (Gallagher), 10:15.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—4, Winnipeg, Car-

rye 5 (Cole, Houston), 3:01, 5, Win-

niego, MacDermid 3 (2-2-8, Bonner),

5:58, 6, Boston, Neely 25.

D. Sweeney, Jennings, 6:26, 7, Bos-

ton, Chirba 19 (Burroughs), 10:22.

Shots on goal—Winnipeg 71-17-

25, Boston 17-10-36. Power play

opportunities—Winnipeg 0-1, Bos-

ton 0-1, 4 goals, 1 goal.

Tabaracci, 1-3-4 (17 shots, 14

saves), Esassen 10-0-20, 19.

Three Point Goals, 1-1 (25-23)

A-13,713.

Rangers 3, Flyers 2

Philadelphia 0-1-1-2

NY Rangers 0-1-2-3

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, New York,

Ogorodnik 2 (Nichols), 1:13, 2, Phil-

adelphia, Tschert 2 (Murphy,

Latal), 15:08 (pp).

Third Period—3, Philadelphia,

Tschert 2 (Carkner, Samuelson),

5:54, 4, New York, Klatz (Mullen,

Moller), 12:09 (pp).

King 6 (Shaw, Rochford), 12:35.

Shots on goal—Philadelphia 9-12-

5-26, New York 8-12-27, 20-36.

Power play opportunities—Philadel-

phia 1 of 4, New York 1 of 6.

Philadelphia, Hextall, 4-7-4 (27

shots, 24 saves), New York, 10-12-

16-36, 12-6-4 (26-24).

A-16,262.

Transactions

Monday's Sports Transactions

By The Associated Press

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DETROIT TIGERS—Announced the

resignation of Bill Lajoie, vice presi-

dent and general manager.

District 4-5A Standings

By The Associated Press

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San Angelo 17

Midland High 11

Odessa High 11

Abilene High 10

Odessa Permian 7

Midland Lee 7

Abilene Cooper 3

District 4-5A

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Midland High 2

Odessa Permian 1

San Angelo 1

Abilene High 1

Odessa Cooper 1

Midland Lee 0

Abilene Cooper 0

Saturday's Results

Midland High 81, Abilene Cooper 81

70, Midland Lee 66, San Angelo 57

Lamesa 82, Odessa Permian 71 (non-conference)

Tuesday's Games

Odessa Permian vs. Midland Lee, Chaparral Center

Midland High

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War fears send oil prices up nearly \$3

■ Renewed tough talk from President Bush and Saddam Hussein raised war fears among traders, sending West Texas Intermediate up \$2.75 Monday.

By Dirk Beveridge
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil prices shot up nearly \$3 per barrel Monday, as traders decided war was growing more likely in the Middle East and they began buying crude to try to beat the rush.

"Everybody wants to get in early before it actually happens," said Thomas P. Blakeslee, an energy analyst with Pegasus

Econometric Group Inc. "It's a wild day."

West Texas Intermediate for delivery in February closed \$2.75 higher at \$27.65 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. At its peak Monday, oil hit \$28 per barrel, up \$3.10.

Crude prices started moving up hours earlier on the Tokyo cash market, as traders responded to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's latest saber-rattling.

Saddam told Iraqi troops on Sunday that he will not give up Kuwait. He urged them to prepare for "the mother of all battles," which he indicated would involve Israel as well as the U.S.-led forces now deployed in Saudi Arabia.

The oil rally first spread to London, where Brent grade crude closed \$3.23

higher at \$26.79 per barrel on the International Petroleum Exchange.

As oil soared later in New York, it was matched by skyrocketing prices in other energy products.

Home heating oil finished up 7.87 cents at 76.27 cents a gallon on contracts for delivery in February. Unleaded gasoline was up 7.01 cents at 71.63 cents a gallon on contracts for delivery in February.

Natural gas was up 4.2 cents at \$1.785 per 1,000 cubic feet on contracts for delivery in February.

Heating oil and natural gas had been weak in recent trading sessions, largely because unseasonably warm winter weather cut back demand. Analysts said they may have moved up partially in re-

sponse to light snowfall around the New York City area.

Crude's surge made up for the losses it posted last week, when traders sold oil on news that Secretary of State James A. Baker III would meet this week with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz. The hints of peace had pushed crude down to prices it had not seen since Aug. 3, the day after Iraq invaded oil-rich Kuwait.

From the outset on Monday, oil traders changed their strategy as they started thinking that the meeting Wednesday in Geneva will probably yield no breakthrough. They were also becoming more nervous as the Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait drew near.

"The jitters are back with eight days to go," Blakeslee said.

Uninsured deposits added to cost of Bank of New England bailout

By Dave Skidmore

WASHINGTON (AP) — The decision by federal regulators to protect uninsured depositors in Bank of New England added \$200 million to \$300 million to the cost of the bank bailout, a top regulator said Monday.

In weekend meetings leading up to the bank's seizure by the government on Sunday, officials considered forcing depositors with more than \$100,000 in the bank to accept some loss, said L. William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

But in the end, regulators and the Bush administration agreed the frailty of the region's economy and financial system meant all deposits must be protected, Seidman said in a telephone interview.

He estimated the bailout eventually will cost the government insurance fund



Bob Lavigne of Winthrop, Mass., leaves the Charlestown branch of the Bank of New England Monday after closing his accounts.

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Congress says banks should pay

By Alan Fram

WASHINGTON (AP) — Banks, not taxpayers, should be forced to shore up the federal insurance fund that helps keep the troubled industry afloat, members of Congress said Monday.

But following the government's Sunday seizure of banks owned by Boston-based Bank of New England Corp., some lawmakers said they worried that the public eventually may have to foot part of the bill to protect depositors.

Some legislators said that if the recession becomes severe and bank failures multiply, taxpayers may be the only source of the tens of billions of dollars that would be needed.

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Meetings set

The Permian Basin Landmen's Association will meet Tuesday, Jan. 15 at Greentree Country Club, not Jan. 8 as was reported in Sunday's Business section. The meeting begins with social hour at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m.

The Midland College Business and Economic Development Center, through its Procurement Center, is sponsoring a seminar today on "Total Quality Management" at the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission, 2910 La Force, beginning at 1 p.m. Speakers will be Jim Faulkner, section chief for the Abilene District Quality Assurance division of the Department of Defense, and Bill Bradshaw, quality assurance inspector for the local region.

Dollar rises

NEW YORK (AP) — The dollar advanced sharply then eased to more moderate gains Monday as volatility in the Middle East and Soviet Union reinvigorated the currency's appeal as a safe-haven investment.

Gold also posted a sharp increase on heightened war fears and a nearly \$3-per-barrel jump in the price of crude oil futures. Gold rose \$9.20 a troy ounce to \$394.10 on the New York Commodity Exchange.

The dollar settled at 1.5355 German marks in New York, up from late Friday's 1.5050 marks.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Friday's rates, included: 1.2925 Swiss francs, up from 1.2740; 5.2065 French francs, up from 5.1070; 1.153.50 Italian lire, up from 1.132.00; and 1.1537 Canadian dollars, up from 1.1513.

Silver was also sharply higher in New York, rising 13.3 cents a troy ounce to \$4.288 on the Commodity Exchange.

Rates mixed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interest rates on short-term Treasury securities were mixed in Monday's auction.

The Treasury Department sold \$10.0 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 6.52 percent, unchanged for the last three weeks. Another \$10.0 billion was sold in six-month bills at an average discount rate of 6.51 percent, up from 6.48 percent last week.

In a separate report, the Federal Reserve said Monday that the average yield for one-year Treasury bills, the most popular index for making changes in adjustable rate mortgages, fell to 6.78 percent last week, down from 6.95 percent the previous week.

Williams finals 50th horizontal well in Chalk

Staff Report

Clayton W. Williams Inc. has completed its 50th horizontal well in the Austin Chalk trend of South and Central Texas the firm announced Monday.

The well, the Burns "E" No.1 Pearl-sall field in LaSalle, Co. had a horizontal displacement of 3,994 feet and was completed for a flowing potential of 2,039 barrels of oil, 733 Mcfd of gas and 1,072 barrels of water. Drilled on an 18,200-acre lease that is jointly owned by Union Pacific Resources Inc. of Fort Worth, the well joins a list of recent prolific completions.

Williams, in partners with Wintershall Energy of Houston, finished the Wintershall-Gerke No. 1 for 1,194 barrels of oil. The E.B. Porter No.1, in the Giddings field, potential for 797 barrels, and the E.B. Porter No. 4 potential to flow 1,067 barrels.

Williams, who owns 100 percent interest in the 3,206-acre E.B. Porter lease, says he plans to continue drilling in the Austin Chalk thru 1991, utilizing eight to ten rigs.

Chevron fears political backlash from high fourth quarter profits

■ Chevron fears that profits in the fourth quarters, fueled by the Persian Gulf crisis, will be so high they'll create a political backlash.

By Dirk Beveridge
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Chevron Corp. said Monday that high crude oil prices brought on by the Persian Gulf crisis will make the petroleum company's fourth quarter profits so big it is worried about a political backlash.

After Chevron makes a \$220 million accounting deduction to reflect the divestiture of its fertilizer business, reported earnings will be in the range of \$2 per share, or \$700 million, Chevron Chairman Ken Derr told financial reporters at a briefing in New York.

"They're going to be high, and they're going to create a lot of flack," Derr said.

In the fourth quarter of 1989, Chevron had declared an \$883 million loss after taking a \$1.2 billion accounting charge for costs relating to inactive oil fields and environmental cleanups.

Derr called that 1989 period a "horrible quarter," and predicted he soon will see headlines saying "our earnings are up two- to three-fold" when comparisons are made.

Derr would not say specifically what kind of fallout he anticipates.

"I'm worried that people will just look at the raw numbers and say there's been profiteering," he said. "There are a lot of anti-oil representatives elected in this country. They are looking for an opportunity to make political rhetoric against the oil companies."

Chevron's profits will be high for the quarter because crude oil prices were about \$32 per barrel for the quarter, bringing in lots of cash for the production, or "upstream," end of the business.

At the same time, the refining and marketing, or "downstream," portion of Chevron's business had recovered from losses it suffered early in the Persian Gulf crisis and moved back into the black, Derr said.

In an attempt to diffuse any pending attacks, Derr characterized the successful fourth quarter as a one-time event for the San Francisco-based company.

"Although the fourth quarter profits are strong, Monday we are earning at a

significantly lower rate and I hope we don't end up with a major political problem over a quarter I regard as an anomaly," Derr said.

Nonetheless, Derr predicted oil prices will surge should a shooting war develop in the Persian Gulf. He would not say how high they might go or how long they might stay high.

"I think there will be an emotional spike," Derr said.

Oil prices should settle in the \$20 to \$21 range after the Middle East crisis is resolved, he predicted.

Chevron announced Monday that it will increase its capital and exploratory spending by about \$800 million to about \$5.1 billion during 1991, pointing out that more oil production outside the Middle East should lessen U.S. dependency on crude from the volatile region.

Derr's comments comes following the naming of Donald G. Henderson, corporate comptroller, as a corporate vice president.

Henderson, heads the firm's corporate-wide accounting, financial reporting, control, forecasting, investment analysis and actuarial operations.

Henderson has been comptroller for the company since 1983.

JANE BRYANT QUINN

Public schools cheapest college education

By Jane Bryant Quinn

NEW YORK—The fastest way to "save" money for college education is to love public colleges and universities. For students who live within the state, they usually cost less than half the tab at a private school. The four-year publics average \$4,970 this year for tuition, fees, room and board, compared with \$13,544 for the privates (not counting the extra student aid that the private colleges and universities give).

Cash-strapped parents who might once have chosen a private school are looking particularly at the "public ivys"—the public universities considered to be on a par with the best of the private schools.

A plausible list of the top public schools was first set out by Richard Moll in his 1985 book, "The Public Ivys" (now

available in a Penguin paperback). Here are his picks:

All the campuses of the University of California; Miami University at Oxford (Ohio); the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor; the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; the University of Texas at Austin; the University of Vermont at Burlington; the University of Virginia at Charlottesville; and the College of William and Mary at Williamsburg (Va.).

Moll listed the following as "the best of the rest": the University of Colorado at Boulder; the Georgia Institute of Technology at Atlanta; the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; the New College of the University of South Florida; Pennsylvania State University at University Park; the University of Pittsburgh; the State University of New York at Binghamton; the University of Washington at Seattle; and the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

So there's your shopping list. But before dreams of paying only \$4,970 for a \$14,000 education light up your hopes, three warnings about the public ivys:

First, some of these schools cost more than average. The University of California's Berkeley campus charges \$7,208. The University of Vermont costs \$6,616. Low-income students can get scholarships at these schools. But higher-income parents, who are fleeing the cost of private colleges, may not be eligible for student aid.

The University of North Carolina, by contrast, pursues a lower-tuition policy, charging \$4,554.

Second, the public ivys may sock it to out-of-state students. The University of Vermont hits "foreigners" for \$17,216 for tuition, fees, room and board, which is more than you'd pay at the average private school. The College of William and Mary charges \$12,992.

A few of the schools on the list are more welcoming. Out-of-staters pay \$6,920 at the University of Texas at Austin.

Third, state schools typically set quotas for out-of-state students. "We're getting a lot more applicants from out-of-staters," says University of Virginia spokes-

person Louise Dudley, "and since there are fewer spots for them, it's a lot harder to get in."

For "foreigners" to become state residents isn't easy. Different states have different rules. But typically, you have to establish a house or an apartment there, get a driver's license, register to vote, get a job, stay in the state over the summer, file a tax return there, perhaps work for a year at a full-time job.

Ask the college what its rules are on establishing residence. Even if you meet them, you may face a one-year waiting period before qualifying for in-state-student status.

One thing you can count on: State tuitions won't stay as low, relative to private schools, as they are today. A significant trend throughout the 1980s "has involved increased reliance on tuition and decreased reliance on state appropriations," says Steven Gold, director of the Center of Study for the States in New York. Richard Novak at the American Association of State Colleges and

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MARKET PERFORMANCE

Ups & Downs

UPS AND DOWNS — The following table shows the New York Stock Exchange's gains and losses in the last trading session. The table is based on the closing prices of the 300 most actively traded stocks.

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NEW YORK (AP) — The stock

market fell sharply today, extending its early-1991 slide amid worries about the situation in the Persian Gulf and the domestic banking system.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks fell 33.37 points last week, dropped 30.94 to 2,535.15 by 2 p.m. today on Wall Street.

Losers outnumbered gainers by more than 3 to 1 in nationwide trading of New York Stock Exchange-listed issues, with 358 up, 1,145 down and 432 unchanged.

Analysts said traders were edged about diplomatic prospects in the Middle East as Secretary of State James Baker prepares to meet Wednesday with Iraq's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz.

They also said the market was unsettled by the weekend news that federal regulators had taken over the Bank of New England.

Severe problems at the bank holding company, the third largest

in New England, had been widely

publicized for more than a year. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. moved in to staff off any run on the company's three banks and to assure depositors that they were protected against losses.

Nevertheless, brokers said the banks' insolvency posed new questions about the extent and severity of problems in the banking system.

Student Loan Marketing Association ranked among the volume leaders, down 3% at 44%. The New York Times reported that the Bush administration was considering changes in student loan programs that would put greater emphasis on direct lending by the government.

The NYSE's composite index of all its listed common stocks dropped 2.02 to 173.93. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index was down 2.46 at 300.59.

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Creators of wildly-patterned pants prove retailers wrong

■ The creators of Zubaz pants were laughed out of fashion houses, but they have the last laugh as the wildly-patterned pants and accessories meet with incredible success.

Associated Press

ROSEVILLE, Minn. — Zubaz pants are zooming off warehouse racks in greater quantities as the zany pajama-like clothes add pizzazz, and dollars, to the fashion industry.

But it wasn't instant success for former prison guard Bob Truax and his weight-lifting buddy, Dan Stock, who created the wildly patterned drawstring pants on a shoestring budget in 1988.

"We were laughed right out of sales meetings. We got laughed at over the telephone," said Mr. Truax, who is now laughing all the way to the bank.

Messrs. Truax and Stock began selling Zubaz (pronounced ZOO-baz) pants in the pro shop of their Roseville weight-lifting gym. Zubaz, which means "in your face" in gym lingo, was designed by a weightlifter and sewn by inmates at women's state prison in Shakopee with fabric bought from local stores.

Today, they're sold in more than 75 patterns of assorted animal hides and jungle vegetation through Warrior Distributing Co. Similarly patterned Zubaz hats, ties, shorts, T-shirts and diaper covers also have evolved.

Sales of the pants and accessories are expected to at least double in 1991 from last year, to more than \$40 million, according to the company.

Zubaz moved from gym shops into the mainstream with the help of John Ford, a J.C. Penney Co. store manager who was wowed by the pants after seeing two University of Minnesota football players wearing them while shopping. He quickly placed a \$270,000 order for Penney.

"They've been blowing out of stores ever since," Mr. Stock said.

Warrior Distributing has 5,000 retail accounts nationwide. Besides large orders from stores like Penney, the company gets a bevy of smaller orders from sporting goods stores, college book stores, and small department stores.



AP Laserphoto

Bob Truax, left, and Dan Stock expect their zany, pajama-like pants, Zubaz, to bring in sales of more than \$40 million in 1991.

"We're getting faxes (of orders) every day that are three to four inches deep," Mr. Truax said. "We've got areas of the country where it's going nuts." Singer Crystal Taliefero counts herself among the enthusiastic Zubaz wearers. She custom-ordered several pairs of pants recently.

"As soon as I get that, I'll wear them every show. It's hot stuff," she said.

Licensed to carry the logos of National Football League and college teams, Zubaz clothes were frequently spotted on NFL sidelines. Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Jim McMahon, for instance, gets no promotional fee for wear-

ing an Eagles cap done in green zebra.

"He's perfect for it," Mr. Stock said.

Zubaz garb also has found a place on the rock scene. During a November tour stop in the Minneapolis area, for example, Billy Joel's band and crew members invaded the Zubaz warehouse at the company's invitation, buying a van full of merchandise.

The pants sell for \$32 to \$36; those featuring NFL logos go for as much as \$60 at stadiums.

PAY: Taxpayers may foot bill

(From 4C)

"If the economy is worse than we think, the taxpayer may have to take a hit," said Rep. Stephen Neal, D-N.C., a senior member of the House Banking Committee.

"Absent a severe recession, there should be no taxpayer bailout," agreed Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, one of the panel's ranking Republicans.

But one lawmaker said that with the economy slowing and scores of additional bank failures all but certain in the near future, additional levies on the taxpayers are inevitable — probably within a year.

"Anyone who says taxpayers won't be ultimately involved is deluding the public," said Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., another banking panel member.

Federal officials injected \$750 million over the weekend into the Bank of New England's banks in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine after the institutions fell victim to a regional real estate slump.

Regulators estimated that overall, the Bank of New England bailout could cost \$2.3 billion, making it one of the biggest federal bank rescues ever.

But what has lawmakers most concerned are the prospects of the overall banking industry, and the costs of protecting its depositors.

With real estate values beginning to plummet, 169 of the nation's approximately 12,000 banks failed last year. Chairman L. William Seidman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., which guarantees customers' deposits, estimated last month that another 180 would go under in 1991.

With those costs mounting, Seidman said he expects the FDIC's insurance fund to be drawn down to \$4 billion by the end of this year. Unless the fund is somehow refilled, that would be the only money available to protect \$2 trillion in deposits.

Costliest Bank Rescues



List of the five costliest commercial bank rescues to date by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

1. First Republic Bank Corp. Dallas, July 29, 1988: \$2.9 billion
2. MCorp. Dallas, March 29, 1989: \$2.7 billion
3. Bank of New England Boston, Jan. 6, 1991: \$2.3 billion
4. Continental Illinois Chicago, May 17, 1984: \$1 billion
5. First City Bancorporation, Houston, April 20, 1988: \$979 million

The cost estimates were the latest available from FDIC documents and are subject to change depending on the ultimate recovery realized by selling the failed banks' delinquent loans and repossessed real estate.

AP

DEPOSITS: Area couldn't take losses

(From 4C)

\$2.3 billion, placing it among the nation's most expensive.

Perhaps \$200 million to \$300 million of that could have been saved if some loss had been imposed on uninsured deposits, which amounted to \$2 billion out of a total of \$17 billion, he said.

"But it was the clear view of the Federal Reserve and our board members that the situation in the financial community in New England was that it would be unwise to do that," Seidman said.

Jittery customers of Bank of New England had yanked more than \$1 billion from their accounts on Friday and Saturday after the bank announced an unexpectedly large fourth quarter loss.

Their nervousness had been heightened by events in neighboring Rhode Island, where a state insurance fund collapsed, at least temporarily closing 45 banks and credit unions.

In a hastily called news conference Sunday night, Seidman said even businesses and individuals with more than \$100,000 in Bank of New England accounts would enjoy full access to their funds.

That decision jeopardizes Bush administration plans to jolt banks with a dose of private-market discipline by curbing the informal

protection given uninsured depositors at the largest banks.

Regulators believed they had little choice but to continue the too-big-to-fail policy begun with the 1984 bailout of Chicago's Continental Illinois.

Had Bank of New England been handled differently, uninsured depositors in other large institutions in weakened condition could have been spooked into withdrawing their funds.

"I really don't think they had the option of liquidating the bank. It would have been devastating to consumer confidence," said Kenneth Guenther, executive vice president of the Independent Bankers Association of America. Indeed, in a report last month to the House Banking subcommittee on financial institutions, three economists identified three large banks, in addition to Bank of New England, nearing insolvency.

They are Midatlantic Corp., Edison, N.J. with \$30 billion in assets; Valley National Corp., Phoenix, Ariz., with \$9.4 billion; and Southeast Banking Corp., Miami, with \$15.5 billion.

Treasury officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they do not intend to completely forbid regulators from going beyond the \$100,000 insurance limit. Moreover, any measures designed to

make such bailouts less common would be phased in over time, they said.

Analysts, however, are skeptical that regulators would adhere to such a half measure.

"They blink every single time," said Robert Litan of the Brookings Institution, a Washington think tank. "Every time they're faced with looking over the precipice, they say, 'No, we don't want to do this.' In my opinion, future policy makers will always blink."

The final sequence of events leading to Bank of New England's failure began Thursday when the holding company's chairman, Lawrence Fish, visited Washington to inform regulators that the bank would report a \$450 million loss for the final three months of 1990 — enough to topple the bank into insolvency.

"The way we had been handling the situation had to be changed because the situation was not one they (bank managers) could control by themselves any longer," Seidman said.

On Friday, the FDIC board instructed agency staff to examine a variety of options for handling the failure. Top officials from the FDIC, Federal Reserve and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency gathered Saturday morning to confer.

QUINN: Tuitions rising

(From 4C)

Universities predicts "dramatic tuition increases in the 1990s," due to budget pressures on the states. But even at a higher cost, a public ivy is a bargain at the price.

Jane Bryant Quinn's column, syndicated by Washington Post Writers Group appears on the Reporter-Telegram business pages each Tuesday and Friday.

RTC approves sale of San Antonio thrift

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — The Resolution Trust Corp. on Friday approved the sale of First Federal Savings and Loan Association to First Federal Savings Bank, a newly chartered thrift.

First FSB will assume all deposits and certain secured liabilities totalling approximately \$500.2 million. Deposits will be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. Savings Association Insurance Fund.

Nine potential buyers attended a bidders' conference. The RTC determined First FSB's bid was less costly than a payout of insured deposits.

Services to First Federal's customers will continue without in-

terruption, RTC officials said. The former institution's 10 banking offices will operate under their normal schedules.

First FSB also will purchase \$468.1 million of the failed institution's assets. The asset pool includes \$245.1 million in residential mortgage loans and \$185.3 million in cash and securities.

The RTC will advance an estimated \$46 million to First FSB and will retain approximately \$155.5 million of the closed institution's assets. The RTC will recover a portion of its advance through the sale of assets to be held in the receivership.

The transaction is expected to cost taxpayers an estimated \$69.4 million.

America West cuts fares between D-FW, hubs

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — America West Airlines has reduced its one-way fares between the Dallas-Fort Worth airport and the airline's Phoenix and Las Vegas hubs, America West said Monday.

The one-way fare to or from Phoenix will be \$150, Chairman Edward R. Beauvais said. The fare will be \$180 between Dallas and Las Vegas.

Beauvais said the fares were a challenge to Dallas-based Southwest Airlines and its "predatory pricing practices."

"Throughout our history, Southwest has feverishly introduced absurd pricing and marketing tactics focused on our Phoenix and Las Vegas hubs in an obvious attempt

to cripple America West," Beauvais said in a prepared statement.

"Although they continue to claim the title of 'pricing policeman' of the airline industry, the fares Southwest Airlines charges in Texas are twice ... what they offer in markets where they are competitive with America West," Beauvais added.

Southwest is prohibited by federal regulations from direct flights between Phoenix or Las Vegas and Dallas. For example, Dallas-bound passengers must fly into Albuquerque, N.M., or El Paso, Texas, on one Southwest flight and then transfer planes for the second leg.

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By Evelyn Kiera
Copley News Serv

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CONSUMERS Sara

By Linda Ander

You know all t resolutions you healthier and los how difficult it has been to actually keep those same resolutions?

You're in luck — Sara Lee Bakery has recently introduced a new line of "Free and Light" bakery products that are supposed reach your goals eliminating the crave.

Free and Light several different t olate Cake, App Cherry Streusel Blueberry Muffl Yogurt Dessert a — in order to taste preferences

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Company info desserts ranged \$2.59 to \$3.29. Of sert was one of sive varieties.

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According to i the company, Sa "the category lo baked goods," o new products bec terol and calorie consumer concern ny is also said to their tradition of ingredients, with artificial sweete preservatives. No used in the line.

Safe packing starts trip right

By Evelyn Kieran
Copley News Service

Obviously, anyone who travels as much as I do and lives to tell about it has a basic constitution made of solid steel. My doctor really can't understand why I don't get a lot sicker than I do. But even I occasionally succumb — and there's never any prophesizing when or where something debilitating may strike.

I stepped in a hole on the grounds of the Forbidden City one day, and had it not been for the kindness of a couple of young Chinese students who had been practicing their English with me, I never would have made it back to the bus.

Fortunately, I always have an ace bandage in my suitcase, so I was able to patch up back at the hotel. It could have been a lot worse.

No one likes to consider the possibility of anything unpleasant happening on a long-planned, expensive holiday, so most people don't give much thought to providing for unwanted emergencies.

But experience has shown that should a health emergency arise, it can be difficult to get medical help or other emergency aid once you are abroad — particularly in an exotic destination.

There are a few things you can do in advance to reduce the chances of health problems overseas and give yourself more peace of mind:

Check with your health insurance carrier to find out how much coverage you have outside the United States. If it's limited or non-existent, you may want to buy additional insurance to cover the costs of emergency treatment and possible transportation home if special accommodations are necessary. (Medicare, for instance, does not take care of bills out of the country.)

Travelers with chronic illnesses and those taking medication should carry a letter from a physician summarizing the condition. This can be extremely helpful to the attending physician should you need care when away from home.

All medications should be carried in well-marked containers. Don't take your pills out of their properly labeled bottles — not only because it's easier for cus-



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toms to identify them, but if you should have an accident, the attending medical personnel can tell instantly what medications you are taking.

Of all the possible sicknesses travelers can get, diarrhea is by far the most common. Diarrhea, cramps, nausea, vomiting or fever may be relatively mild and last only a day or two. But if you have bloody, profuse diarrhea or a high fever a doctor should be called.

In areas of poor hygiene and sanitation, travelers are advised to drink only beverages made with boiled water such as tea and coffee, or canned or bottled carbonated drinks including carbonated bottled water and soft drinks. Beer and wine are another option.

Avoid using possibly contaminated ice in drinks. Glasses that may be contaminated should be cleaned with soap and hot water.

Unpasteurized milk and cheese should be avoided. Fish, meats and vegetables should be properly cooked and still hot when served. Raw fruits and vegetables should have unbroken skins and be personally peeled by the traveler.

Anti-diarrhea medicines may provide some relief, but are not recommended because they may prolong the illness. They may be

used for short periods of time when relief is imperative, such as when flying. Pepto-Bismol tablets are easy to carry and fairly effective when taken regularly.

If you are heading for exotic — especially tropical — areas, check with the Public Health Service for whatever shots, pills or precautions are indicated. They keep a current list of infected areas and make treatment available either free or for a modest cost. Check with your own physician as soon as you know that you are going to such an area and begin treatment at the proper time.

Carry a small first-aid kit routinely. It should include aspirin, antibiotic ointment, antihistamine tablets, a broad-spectrum antibiotic (by prescription from your physician), small bandages and larger gauze patches.

Don't forget extra eyeglasses or hearing aids (and batteries) if you need them, plus sunscreen lotion and insect repellent if you think you'll need it. Cutter's makes an excellent, easy-to-use stick.

If you are one of those bee-sting-allergic types (as I am), be sure your medication is on your person at all times and tell at least one other responsible member of your group where it is and what to do.

Once luxury, printers now affordable

By Larry Blasko
Associated Press

Owning a personal computer without a printer is a bit like planning a vacation while in jail — you can make all sorts of preparations, but you can't really get anywhere.

Once a luxury, printers may now be had for as little as \$200. You can find them for \$3,000 and up, too, but most of us can get by very comfortably with something costing less than \$1,000.

The Nov. 13 issue of PC Magazine reviews 121 printers in its seventh annual printer issue, and if you think you're in the market, it's a fast and thorough guide to six ink jet, 47 laser and 68 dot matrix models.

Here's a once-over on how printers in those three broad categories work and what you can expect them to cost.

Dot-matrix printers are "impact" printers, which means the ink gets put on the paper when a piece of metal pokes against an ink-bearing ribbon. That's just the way a typewriter works, but instead of pre-formed cast-metal or plastic letters, dot-matrix printers use a number of tiny pins. The pins are arranged in a matrix. Pins in the matrix are triggered to put dots on the paper so close

together that we see them as letter images, not individual dots.

Dot-matrix printers are fast, accept continuous form paper (many accept single sheets, too), can run multi-part forms, and are the most inexpensive printers available. They may be had on sale for less than \$200. The downsides: Although the newer breed of 24-pin dot-matrix printers produce much better quality on both text and graphics, the result still looks a bit computer. Dot matrix printers are noisy.

Ink-jet printers spit tiny drops of ink at the paper to form characters. The ink comes from a matrix of ink jets, so the ink-jet printer and the dot-matrix printer have that much in common, but the ink jet quality is very much greater, hard in most cases to tell from a laser printer.

Ink-jet printers won't do multi-part forms, but some will run continuous form paper. And some will print in color. Because you can get an ink-jet printer for around \$500, it's often a nice compromise for those who want high-quality output and a quiet printer (college students, for example) without having to negotiate a bank loan. Downsides include slower-than-laser printing

speeds and a tendency of the ink to smear when wet.

Laser printers are essentially photocopiers that learned to speak Computer. A light source, usually a laser but sometimes a light-emitting diode, paints an electrical charge on portions of a drum. The drum attracts a fine, dry powder, which is transferred to the paper. The paper is heated so the toner is fixed to the surface.

Laser printers have a typical resolution of 300 dots per inch, which is good enough for low-quality typesetting. They have given birth to the whole "desktop publishing" boom. They do a great job on graphics and will pop out between four and eight pages of text per minute. They're top-of-the-line, with prices to reflect that, although several laser printers have "street" prices of \$1,000 or less. Toner cartridges typically cost \$75 to \$100.

For CompuBug's newly updated 170-page book, "ABCs of Computing, a Plain-English Guide," send \$10 to CompuBug, P.O. Box 626, Summit, N.J. 07901. (\$7 for active-duty members of U.S. armed forces.) Questions and comments of general interest are welcome at the same address.

Plain tap water ranks better than bottled

Copley News Service

Researchers at Northeastern University report plain tap water is usually better than more expensive bottled waters.

The reason: Most bottled water is not refrigerated and when stored at room temperature for 30 days, bacteria can increase anywhere from 100-fold to 10,000-fold.

Although tap water isn't refrigerated, either, these bacteria usually are killed when chlorine or ozone is added to local drinking supplies.

This advice means if you drink bottled water, keep it refrigerated for several days before consumption.

CONSUMING INTERESTS

Sara Lee light dessert tasty in 'healthy way'

By Linda Anderson

You know all those New Year's resolutions you made to eat healthier and lose weight? Know how difficult it has been to actually keep those same resolutions?

You're in luck — Sara Lee Bakery has recently introduced a new line of "Free and Light" bakery products that are supposed to help you reach your goals without totally eliminating the desserts you crave.

Free and Light desserts come in several different varieties — Chocolate Cake, Apple Streusel Pie, Cherry Streusel Pie, Pound Cake, Blueberry Muffins, Strawberry Yogurt Dessert and Apple Danish — in order to please different taste preferences.

We, of course, chose Strawberry Yogurt Dessert to sample for taste, price and advertising accuracy (it looked the most like cheesecake). Even the young taste-testers agreed that was the dessert for us. Company information said the desserts ranged in price from \$2.59 to \$3.29. Of course our dessert was one of the more expensive varieties.

Label advertising claims the product is "99 percent fat free" with "½ less calories" (than what?), and "cholesterol free, low sodium" with "120 calories per serving."

According to information from the company, Sara Lee Bakery, "the category leader in frozen baked goods," developed these new products because "fat, cholesterol and calories top the list of consumer concerns." The company is also said to "remain true to their tradition of using only pure ingredients, with the addition of artificial sweeteners, flavors or preservatives. No tropical oils are used in the line."

All of the new desserts are supposed to be (1) fat free (which means they contain no more than 0.5 grams fat per serving), or 98 percent or 99 percent fat free; (2) cholesterol free; (3) "light," which means they must have one-third less calories, and about the same nutritional content, as a same-size serving of the regular product; and (4) low sodium, 140 mg or less sodium per serving.

After all that healthy stuff, what about taste? I'm happy to say the Strawberry Yogurt Dessert we tried was light and tasty — but I'm sorry to say that it didn't taste

enough like cheesecake to suit us. It did have a strawberry topping and a graham-cracker crust, but the middle yogurt part wasn't tasty enough. Not when you have your mouth set for cheesecake-like taste.

Still, the dessert was good, in a "light" sort of way, and would probably be gratefully received by someone who was sweets-starved but who didn't want to feel the guilt involved in over-indulging in real cheesecake.

Not a bad trade-off. See, resolutions don't have to be all bad.

Linda Anderson is a Reporter-Telegram staff writer.



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More air in tires, less gas in tank

N.Y. Times News Service

Motorists in the United States waste the equivalent of 100,000 barrels of oil a day because the tires on their cars are underinflated. Now, especially with the increases in gasoline prices, drivers who want to save money should buy an accurate tire-pressure gauge and check their tires regularly.

Gauges are relatively inexpensive and easy to use. And it pays to keep tires up to the proper pressure: the federal Energy Department estimates that motorists can save 2 percent of their total gas bills each year.

And tires that are neither underinflated nor overinflated are also safer and last longer, and they will help a car ride and handle as it should.

Ditlow and other experts recommend that motorists buy their own tire gauges because studies have found that many gauges built into service-station air pumps are inaccurate.

Tires should be inflated to the pressure recommended by the tire manufacturer or the car maker (if the recommendations differ, Ditlow said to use

the pressure suggested by the car maker, for the best stability and handling).

Readings, measured in pounds per square inch, should be taken when the tires are cold.

There are three types of gauges: the pencil type, also called a stick gauge, and the dial and digital types.

All are accurate, experts say, but they differ in readability, durability and price.

The pencil gauge is the most common and least expensive. Many experts also say it is best because it is easy to store and hard to break, although the readings can become inaccurate if the measuring stick becomes bent or gritty.

The major disadvantage is that the numbers on the measuring stick are small and can be hard to read in low light or by people who can't see well.

Some cost as little as \$1, and good quality pencil gauges, made of either metal or plastic, are less than \$5.

The big advantage of the dial gauge is readability: the pressure is measured by a needle moving across a face, which is

usually marked at one-pound intervals. Experts advise buying a dial gauge that holds the reading after it is taken.

An angled head (also known as a chuck) can make it easier to push the gauge against the tire valve.

A disadvantage of dial gauges is that they break more easily than pencil or digital models and will not withstand bumping around in a glove compartment as well as a pencil gauge.

In 1987, Consumer Reports magazine found that every dial gauge tested lost its accuracy after being dropped onto a concrete floor from a height of three feet.

Dial gauges are also more expensive: they cost about \$7 to \$25 or more.

The newest pressure gauges give their readings digitally. Charlotte Hart Cuomo, the marketing director at Beverly Hills Motoring Accessories, a California mail-order company, said the numbered displays were easier to read than pencil or dial gauges. She also said digital gauges were more convenient: some models beep when the correct pressure is reached.

At Wit's End

Ah, sweet dreams — after lunch

By Erma Bombeck

There has always been a stigma attached to adults who nap. People think you're sick, lazy or bored. My husband used to say, "I saw your poster child on TV today. President Reagan was napping at a summit meeting."



Bombeck

I don't know how it happened, but somewhere along the way, someone thought it was children who needed to rest during the day. What do they need to rest for? They don't do anything. It's the adults who get cranky and need sack time in the middle of the afternoon. Because it is considered a childish thing, many adults feel compelled to hide the fact that they drift off for an hour or so after lunch.

My husband used to come home and say, "What's wrong with your face?"

"Bad skin," I would say, turning quickly away from him.

"It's chenille tracks!" he accused. "You've been napping!"

The older I get, the more I really look forward to those midday siestas ... especially after lunch. I discovered that I can do one of two things: digest my lunch or sit upright. I cannot do both at the same time.

George Sheehan, an authority on exercise and fitness, has come forward to shed some light on the subject in the current Runner's World. He writes, "Many highly successful people who have earned the freedom to do so, take naps after lunch."

He says authorities don't know everything about sleep, but they do acknowledge we need to repair and to restore our bodies for the following day with extra sleep. People have discovered that it diminishes tension and restores energy. When scientists put people underground with no access to clocks or sunlight, they found that most of them slept twice in a 24-hour period, once for six or seven hours and again for one or two hours. It's the way the body works best.

Frankly, I think there are a lot of closet nappers out there. Take Jimmy Swaggart. When he closes his eyes, is he praying? We'll never really know. And what about the pope when he slouches in a chair and covers his eyes with his hands. Meditating? Check his breathing. And when Mel Torme closes his eyes and sways, how can we be sure he hasn't left us for a while?

Even Time magazine reported that Americans are not getting enough sleep, and it is affecting the quality of our lives on every level. I wouldn't be surprised if napping became the next major sport in this country. All we need is a cute outfit to wear to bed with a matching headband and a pair of napping shoes that cost \$95. This will be followed by a nap video by George Burns. Me? I'm perfect to write the book on "Is there life after lunch?"

Erma Bombeck's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

New fiber takes drip out of cone

Copley News Service

Scientists working on the frontiers of human knowledge may have stumbled upon something that could change everyone's lives: no more soggy ice cream cones to drip on your nice skirt or pants.

Oregon State University researchers have developed a thin fibrous film that's placed beneath the chocolate layer on ice cream cones so the cone will stay crisp.

Food experts predict rise in aquaculture

NEW YORK (AP) — The average American eats about 15.9 pounds of seafood a year, a figure expected to rise to 25 pounds within 30 years.

Since many waters are becoming fished-out, new supply sources may be necessary to meet demand.

Food experts predict increasing emphasis on aquaculture, or farmed-raised seafood, first pioneered in Norway 20 years ago.

DEAR ABBY

Child's visit is less than heavenly

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I have two adorable children, ages 1 and 2 1/2. My best friend and college roommate, "Judi," is their godmother, but because we live nearly 1,000 miles apart, Judi has never really had the chance to know my children.

My husband travels, and when he had a two-week road trip coming up, I called Judi and asked her if she would like me to bring the children to visit her. She said it would be wonderful, so I packed up the kids and we drove across two states to visit their godmother. Judi is single and lives alone. She's always loved children, and arranged to take two weeks of vacation from her job while we were there.

After a few days, I began to feel unwelcome. Judi seemed irritable, and the kids were restless and cranky in their unfamiliar surroundings. I considered cutting my trip short, but I didn't want to hurt Judi's feelings, so we stayed the full two weeks. I could tell that Judi was glad to see us leave, and now I'm wondering if perhaps I made a mistake in asking her to be my children's godmother. What do you think? — MAMA

DEAR MAMA: Since Judi was your best friend, your mistake was not asking her to be a godmother,

it was taking your very young children to visit her for two weeks. When it became apparent that Judi was irritable, you should have risked hurting her feelings, packed up the kids and headed for home.

Next time, why not ask Judi to visit you? That way, she can leave whenever she wants to, and nobody's feelings will be hurt. Very few single, childless adults would be comfortable with two restless toddlers for such a lengthy stay.

DEAR ABBY: I cannot describe how happy you have made Thomas and me. We met through Operation Dear Abby when Thomas was on the U.S.S. Coral Sea in 1987. We wrote to each other constantly for six months before meeting in person. Well, love blossomed, and after two years of dating, we were married last October at the home of my parents in Lacombe, La. (I wore a traditional white satin and lace wedding gown and veil, and he wore his Navy uniform.)

We can't thank you enough, Abby. This never would have happened if it weren't for you. — ELIZABETH AND THOMAS SIMMONS

P.S. I just found out that we will be having our first baby next August. I am enclosing our wedding picture. Although we look like teen-agers, Tom is 23 and I'm 21.

DEAR ABBY: I think you need to update your list of "isms." New

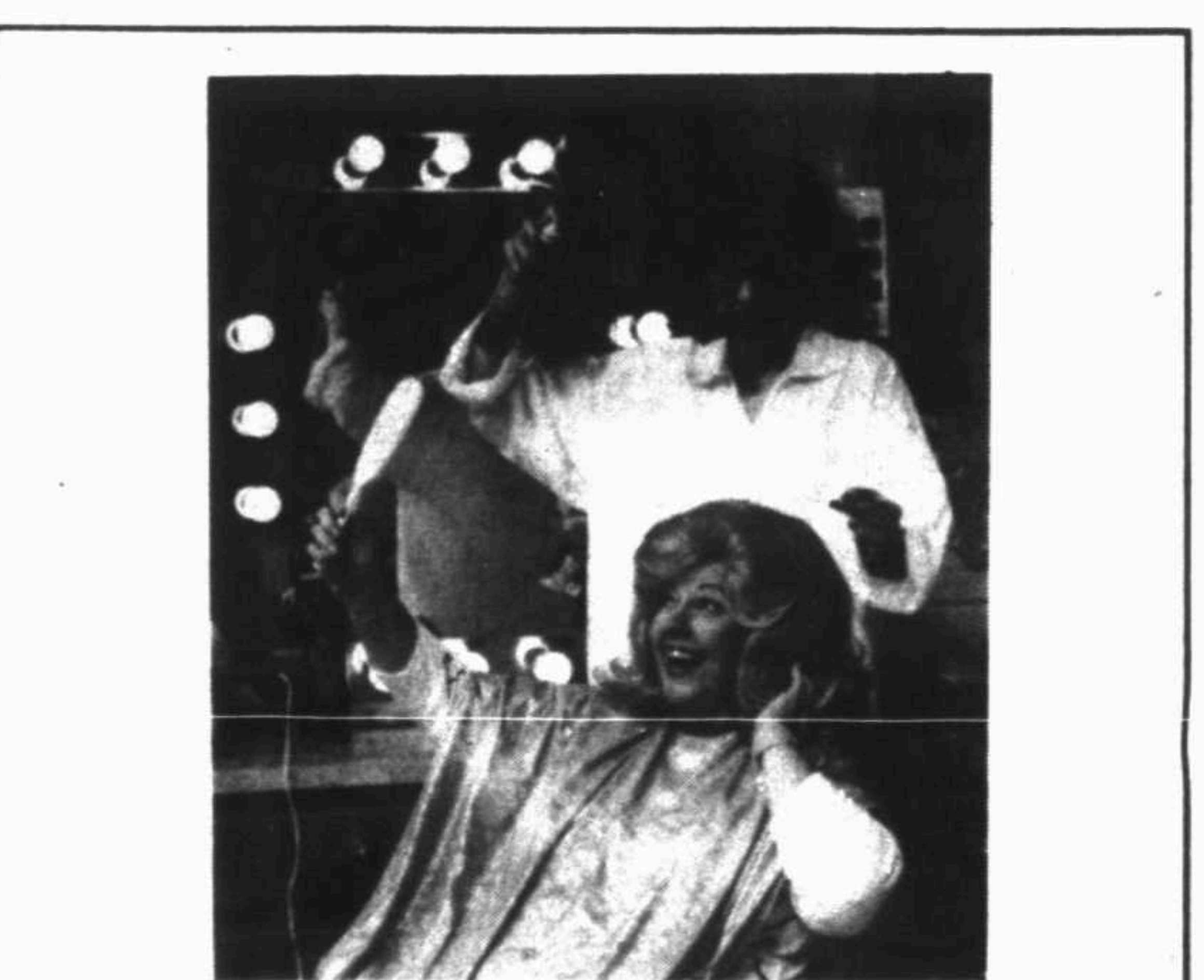
Capitalism: You buy a whole herd of cows on a bank card. Then milk the cows dry, sell part of the milk to buy into a junk bond business, and use the rest of the milk to whitewash the whole deal when it turns sour. — ROBERT JOINER

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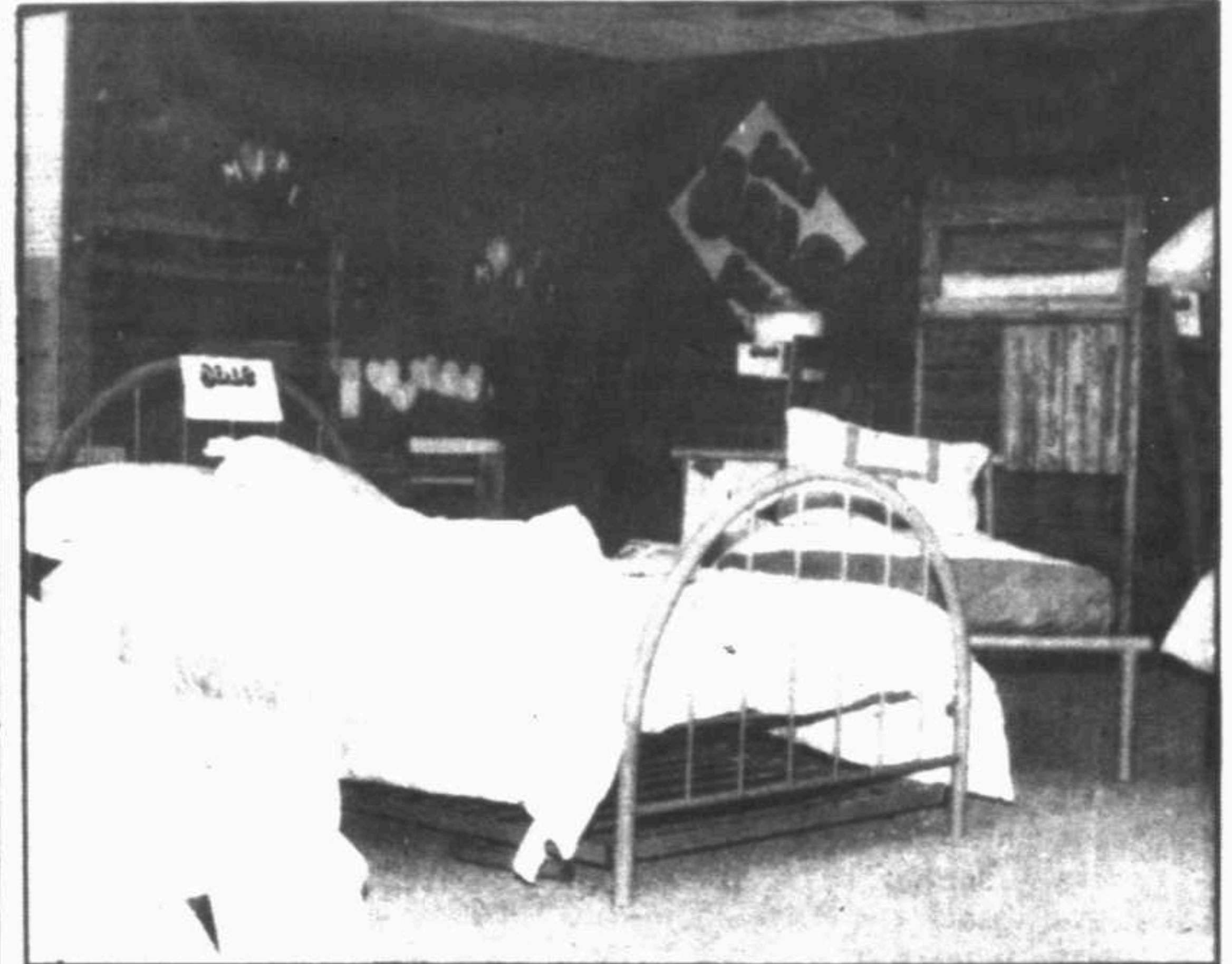
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Happy 20th birthday Diet Center; call now for special rates

Sara Smith happily reports that she has more energy, more confidence and new friends, all thanks to Diet Center. In 13 weeks, Sara has lost 40 pounds on the Diet Center program.

In addition, the Midland College freshman has dropped 37 1/2 inches and is down four sizes. Sara is half way to her weight loss goal. "All of the clothes I started the program with are now boxed up," she noted. "Now as regular clothes, I wear leggings and other clothes that I used to wear only around the house. I'm even thinking about getting a bathing suit this year."

"Diet Center has given me a brand new beginning," Sara said. "People come up and say I look great and that's a great feeling."

Sara has been on a number of weight loss programs in the past, but she attributes her success this time to the sensible Diet Center eating plan, motivation from her family and the personal, daily counseling from Diet Center owner Tina Blake.

"Other plans were horrible," Sara recalled, noting that substitutions were often confusing and that food choices often left her feeling hungry and deprived.

She also said that the Diet Center plan was easy to follow, and she eats plenty of good food — enough to leave her feeling satisfied. As a side benefit, Sara noted that drinking extra water as required in the plan made her skin feel softer and the daily vitamin supplements increased her energy level.

Daily counseling sessions have added to Sara's success, she noted, because, "you keep in touch with things so you don't slip off the program." The personal, private one-on-one sessions are fit to a client's needs and schedule.

"I now have the boost I need to get up and out of the house to do things. When you are happier with yourself, your life changes." She has become more active in activities outside the home as she continues to lose weight. One of her activities includes work as a drama volunteer with children at Casa de Amigos. She loves working with children and intends to be an elementary school teacher someday.

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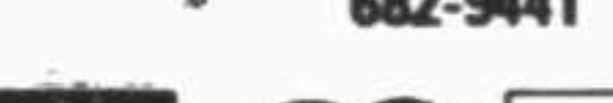
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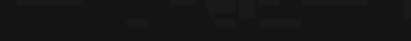
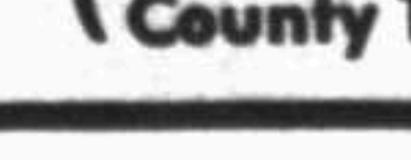
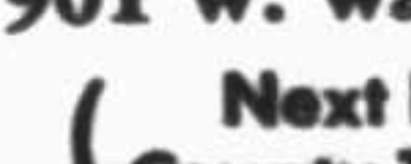
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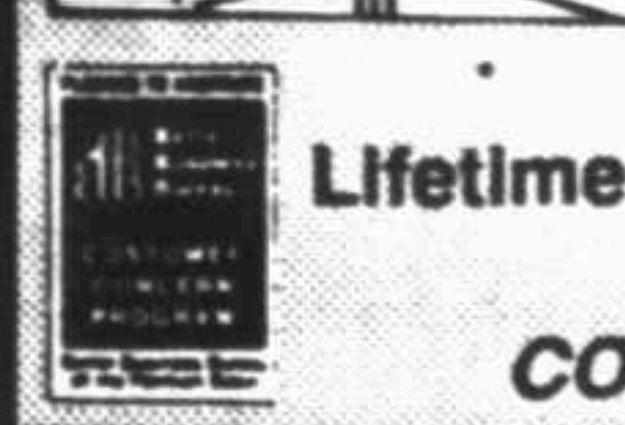
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