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Jurors acquit Smith



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William Kennedy Smith talked to reporters after the jury found him not guilty of sexual assault. His mother, June; sister, Kym; and brother, Stephen; stand to Smith's left. Lawyer Roy Black is behind Smith.

Jury takes 77 minutes to decide

■ Relieved William Kennedy Smith embraces lawyer after verdict is read.

By David Margolick
N.Y. Times News Service

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — After deliberating for 77 minutes, a jury acquitted William Kennedy Smith on Wednesday of charges that he raped a woman on the Kennedy family's Palm Beach estate one moonlit night last Easter weekend.

The jury returned its verdict at 5:10 p.m. (EST), giving startlingly short shrift

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to the impassioned pleas they heard from the prosecutor, Moira K. Lasch, barely two hours before.

Smith bowed his head, as if in prayer, as Judge Mary E. Lupo warned that she wanted no histrionics or any "public expression" from anyone once the verdict was read.

But when the court clerk, Deborah Allen, announced that the jury had cleared Smith on both counts, of sexual battery

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THURSDAY NEWS WATCH

Rather on radio

CBS Evening News anchorman Dan Rather will be the guest on KRIL Radio's live morning talk show today. Host Clyde Butter will visit with the former Texas newsman on his 8:30 a.m. show and take listeners' call-in questions. Rather's appearance is in conjunction with publication of his autobiography "I Remember." KRIL is at 1410 on the AM dial. Questions and comments should be called in at 580-6870.

Teamster vote

WASHINGTON — Teamsters reform candidate Ron Carey appeared headed to victory Wednesday in a historic Justice Department-ordered election aimed at ridding the nation's largest union of mob influence. Carey, who has headed a United Parcel Service local in New York for two decades, overwhelmed his chief opponent for the union's presidency, R.V. Durham, in the early voting, according to results released by the court-appointed officer overseeing the election./12A

Denvers split

ASPEN, Colo. — John Denver has filed for divorce and asked for a temporary restraining order to bar his wife of three years from entering his home. Not granting the order would result in "irreparable injury or damage," the 47-year-old singer said in court documents filed Tuesday. Denver's filing said the marriage is "irretrievably broken." He asked for joint custody of the couple's 2½-year old daughter, Jesse Belle. Cassandra Delaney Denver, 30, currently has custody of the child although her whereabouts are unknown, according to documents.



Denver

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Adobe Resources Corp., Santa Fe Energy to merge

By John Paul Pitts
Business/Oil Editor

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Adobe Resources Corp. of Midland will be merged into Santa Fe Energy Resources of Houston, company officials announced Wednesday.

James L. Payne, chairman and chief executive officer of Santa Fe Energy Resources Inc., and Stanley R. Rawn Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Adobe Resources Corp., said a definitive merger agreement had been signed and must be approved by shareholders.

Santa Fe had been rumored as a potential buyer of Adobe since Minorco, the largest stockholder in Adobe Resources, announced in June that its investment in Adobe might be short term.

"We expect the merger to result in a combined company with a greater cash flow per share, a lower debt to equity ratio, and an annual reduction in the combined overhead of more than $15 million," Payne told the Reporter Telegram Wednesday.

He said the stock-swap merger will provide Santa Fe Energy with higher immediate revenues from the Gulf of Mexico, a position in the natural gas pipeline, processing and marketing business, established production in West Texas, and an expanded role in international oil exploration and production operations.

Payne said there would be some consolidation of operations of the two companies in the Permian Basin, but he was not prepared to say how many Adobe employees might be terminated in the process.

"I understand Adobe has a fair severance plan in

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More republics to join federation

By T. Elaine Carey
N.Y. Times News Service

MOSCOW — Support for a commonwealth as the heir to the Soviet Union mushroomed Wednesday.

Several republics have decided to join or consider joining the commonwealth of independent states

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founded on Sunday by Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia, Russian President Boris Yeltsin said.

Armenia and Kirgizia will become members, he said.

And the Moslem republics of Kazakhstan, Tadzhikistan, Turkmenia, Uzbekistan and probably Azerbaijan

Please see JOIN/2A

Museum hopes to solve mystery of lost WWII ship

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Australia's biggest wartime sea disaster remains as shrouded in mystery today as when it occurred, but modern technology may be able to uncover how a naval warship and its crew disappeared 50 years ago.

The Australian cruiser Sydney was lured into pulling so close to a German raider ship disguised as a Dutch vessel that its superiority in weaponry was negated.

Both ships sank during the subsequent firefight 95 miles off the north coast. The Sydney, however, left no oilslick, and none of the bodies of the 645 Australian crew were ever found.

So many questions remain a half-century later that experts are digging in with renewed vigor. The Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachu-

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Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Marie Walters prepares a Christmas display in her yard. Midland is taking on a festive look as more residents decorate for Christmas.

Resident's idea 'Lights Up Midland'

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Thia season's holiday spirit was a bit slow hitting Gail Meads — the organizer of the "Light Up Midland" outdoor Christmas decoration contest last year.

"When I got a phone call from a little girl (asking about the contest), I wanted to say 'no,'" Mrs. Meads said.

But she didn't.

"Sometimes you just need a little inspiration. All I needed was a little spark and I had it," she said.

And so Mrs. Meads is seeking entries for the second "Light Up Midland" contest.

Please see LIGHTS/3A

Insurers propose increased auto insurance rates

By John Powers
Reporter-Telegram Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — Typical Midland County automobile owners would pay $55 a year more for insurance, an 8 percent increase, if the State Insurance Board adopts a benchmark rate proposed by State Farm Insurance.

State Farm also is proposing a 43.8 percent jump for commercial vehicle coverage.

But the Office of Public Insurance Counsel, a new state agency that represents consumers in rate hearings, is recommending no increase for private autos but a 5 percent hike for business vehicles.

State Farm's proposal would raise rates from $676 to $748 for typical coverage in Midland County. Ector County would get a whopping $102 jump, or 15.78 percent increase, from $646 to $818 a year.

The Farmers Insurance Group wants higher rates that would average 11.7 percent statewide for private autos. However, figures on Farmer's proposed increase in each of the state's 55 geographic rating territories were not available Wednesday.

Automobile insurance rules will get a thorough hearing during the next 30 days as the state board tries to put reforms into place for rates, how coverage is sold to previously uninsured motorists and how premiums can be paid.

Decisions are expected early next year, with rates to take effect in March.

Board members conducted a hearing Dec. 2 on home owners insurance rates.

The board will hold a public hearing

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JOIN: Gorbachev thinks he's losing

(From 1A)

will discuss membership today.

The only Soviet republics left out would be Moldavia and Georgia, both of which have declared their independence and want no part of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's proposed confederation with a central Moscow government.

Even Georgia said Wednesday the commonwealth proposal was interesting. Moldavia said it was considering merging with Romania.

The three founders declared last Sunday that the Soviet Union had ceased to exist.

Gorbachev, surprised by the move, declared the commonwealth illegal Monday. Since the commonwealth agreement does not call for a president, Gorbachev would be out of a job.

By the end of Wednesday, however, Gorbachev reportedly was beginning to cave in as it became clear he was losing the political battle. Yeltsin told some Russian legislators that "his (Gorbachev's) mood is changing," said Russian parliamentarian Stanislav Shustov.

Some of Gorbachev's advisers were urging him not to resign. Rather, they urged him to back down quickly in order to secure a job for himself in the commonwealth, said Yegor Yakovlev, a Gorbachev adviser and the chief of the Soviet government media organization.

Gorbachev has tried unsuccessfully to get the 12 states to agree to his confederation since last August's failed coup. When Ukraine voted for independence early this month, Gorbachev's vision of confederation vanished.

Yeltsin met with military leaders Wednesday to discuss the commonwealth. Although the military has not taken a public position yet, it appeared it was leaning toward supporting the commonwealth.

Defense Minister Yevgeni Shaposhnikov called Yeltsin later in the day to say the meeting had gone well. That was taken as another sign that Yeltsin, rather than Gorbachev, had the military's backing.

"There can be no question of any division in the armed forces. The world can remain calm," Yeltsin told the military brass Wednesday in a closed door session, according to Defense Ministry spokesman Valery Manilov.

Russia has already taken on the responsibility for paying the army after the Soviet government bordered on bankruptcy. Yeltsin has doubled the salaries of the troops and acknowledged that improving their living conditions was the top priority.

The army's cohesiveness and support is seen as crucial in helping avert explosions of unrest as food shortages worsen and winter days grow colder. The army is the only body that could maintain order.

The three commonwealth founders, all of which have nuclear weapons, have repeated daily their dedication to keeping the old Soviet Union's nuclear arsenal under central control. Yeltsin told a visiting German delegation Wednesday that the West could rest even easier because it appeared the other Soviet nuclear state, Kazakhstan, would soon come aboard.

Kazakhstan President Nursultan Nazarbayev, miffed at being left out of Sunday's founding meeting, sided with Gorbachev on Monday. But by Wednesday night he appeared ready to join the commonwealth. Nazarbayev was Gorbachev's only ally among the republican leaders.

Yeltsin met Gorbachev in the Kremlin after his discussion with the armed forces. No details were given of the session.

Russia's parliament was to be asked to ratify the commonwealth accord today. Although Russian legislators have complained bitterly that they weren't consulted beforehand by Yeltsin, they don't appear to oppose the idea. The parliaments of both Ukraine and Byelorussia overwhelmingly endorsed the agreement Tuesday.

Bush refuses to take sides; Strauss thinks Yeltsin will succeed

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush declined to take sides Wednesday on the turmoil in the Soviet Union, but U.S. Ambassador Robert Strauss said Russian President Boris Yeltsin and his ministers "are the people with whom we will deal."

"We are watching it very closely," Bush said of the rapidly changing situation. The president, who has developed a close working relationship with Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev, said the United States would support reformers "wherever they are" in the Soviet Union.

"They are going to sort these matters out themselves," Bush said at the White House.

Secretary of State James A. Baker III will fly to Moscow this weekend for meetings with Gorbachev, Yeltsin and other republic leaders.

Strauss, reflecting U.S. uncertainty over the situation, said to the House Armed Services Committee at one point Wednesday, "I don't know what I'm ambassador to."

He said he believed Yeltsin would succeed in winning ratification of the commonwealth agreement uniting Russia and other powerful Soviet republics.

"That puts President Yeltsin in a very strong position vis-a-vis President Gorbachev," Strauss said. "Unquestionably, President Yeltsin and his various ministers are the people with whom we will deal."

He added that the Soviet military, which had been seen as remaining primarily loyal to the dwindling central government, "will then be under the strong influence of President Yeltsin also."

Verdict seen as good for family

BOSTON (AP) — William Kennedy Smith's acquittal should help repair his family's tattered image, but the verdict will also discourage women from bringing charges of date rape, say a variety of experts and average citizens.

Around the country, and especially here in the home base of the Kennedy clan, people were riveted to their television sets Wednesday to watch the jury acquit Smith of rape.

Some said the trial reminded them of the recent Clarence Thomas-Anita Hill clash on Capitol Hill. Like those Supreme Court confirmation hearings, when Thomas defended himself against Hill's charges of sexual harassment, the Smith trial came down to a case of his word vs. hers.

"What we have learned and relearned and relearned is when a woman charges a man with rape it is she who goes on trial," said Ellen Convisser, president of the National Organization for Women in Massachusetts. "It's her behavior and her character that is more than called into question."

Some people weren't convinced by Wednesday's verdict.

"I feel he's guilty," said Gail Martin, of Providence, R.I., a customer at a Boston tavern. "I'm just sorry about the message that's being sent to men, they buy you a drink and they can take you to bed."

But Jim Leary, of Worcester, said he thought Smith was wrongly accused.

"I've always liked the Kennedys," Leary said. "The trial showed that he as a Kennedy was as human as anyone else."

Some observers said the outcome would help erase a stain on the family's name.

"There's no question that since the family itself was on trial as well as Willie Smith, his victory is a victory for the family as well," said Doris Kearns Goodwin, a Kennedy biographer. "This will be considered an end to the slippage."

The proceedings had caused political damage for Smith's uncle, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., who accompanied his nephew to the Palm Beach night club where Smith met the woman who later accused him of raping her on his family's lawn.

But Paul Watanabe, a political science professor at the University of Massachusetts-Boston, said the verdict would bring the senator's loyalists back into the fold.

"I don't think that anybody's minds were going to be changed in the sense that those who have loathed the Kennedys were going to be swayed either way," Watanabe said. "But I must say that those who have traditionally supported the senator ... would not be inclined to withdraw their support."

Kennedy spoke to reporters briefly Wednesday night outside the John F. Kennedy Federal Building in downtown Boston.

"I'm gratified by the verdict. I'd always believed that after all the facts were in, that Will would be found innocent," Kennedy said. "My heart goes out to Will, who I love very much. I hope he will be able to continue his medical education and his life."

"If there's anything good that has come out of this whole long experience, it's the renewed closeness of our family and friends,"

The case focused attention on date or acquaintance rape, in which a woman is attacked by a man she knows. Both Smith and his accuser said the two had sex, but they disagreed on whether it was consensual.

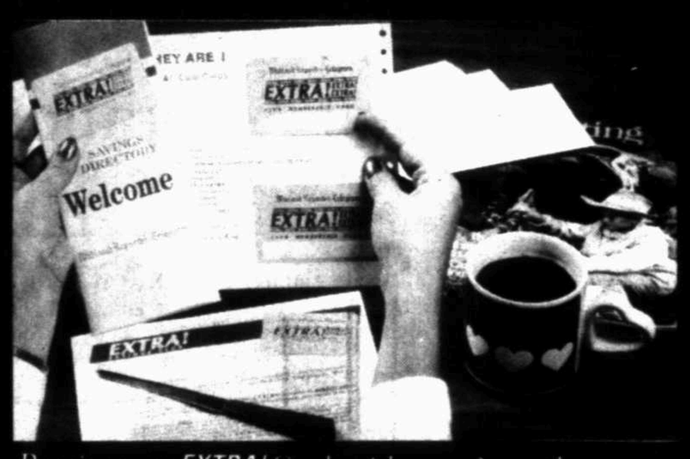
"I think there will be a sense among victims that coming forward will expose them to tremendous public scrutiny and ridicule," said Kevin Burke, the district attorney for Essex County north of Boston.

But Alan Dershowitz, a Harvard Law School professor known for his criminal defense work, said the Smith trial should have little effect on date rape prosecutions.

"It will encourage truthful figures to come forward and discourage lying victims," Dershowitz said.

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SHIP: Questions remain about sunken vessel

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setts, which explored the wreck of the Titanic, has offered its assistance.

Both the Sydney and the German ship, the Kormoran, are buried in the Indian Ocean seabed, but there are only approximate coordinates for the German vessel.

Historians and relatives of the men who died ask how the Sydney, with guns far superior to its German foe, allowed itself to be maneuvered into such a vulnerable position that the Australian ship was eventually bombed and sank.

If so, did the Kormoran's crew, 315 of whom survived, kill off the Australians as they bobbed in the water or sat in lifeboats? Some claim such a massacre was carried out to cover up that the German boat, disguised as a Dutch merchant ship, fooled the Australians into thinking it needed medical aid.

Others suggest the Sydney was hit by a Japanese submarine, with the Australians killed or taken captive to keep Japan's supposed "neutral" status in World War II a secret. The Sydney went down on Nov. 19, 1941, 18 days before the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor to mark their entry into the war.

The Western Australian Maritime Museum in Perth and two Australian companies have begun plans to locate the wrecks.

A Perth company has been flying over the sea using an airborne magnetic device capable of detecting a large steel hull.

The company is to comb the area with the assistance of a satellite navigation system. If the site is located, another Perth firm will use a sonar system to hone in.

Museum officials then plan to have Woods Hole, the locators of the Titanic as well as the German battleship Bismarck, bring out their search-camera submarine for a closer look.

And what if no bodies are discovered aboard the Sydney?

Australian Jim Davies says in a new book that German sailors slaughtered the Sydney's crew to cover up the Japanese involvement.

Davies accuses successive Australian governments of "the greatest coverup in Australian history."

The Australian navy says only that the Kormoran was preparing to lay mines off Australia when encountered by the Sydney. While the Kormoran tried to pass itself off as a Dutch freighter, the Sydney steamed within 1,500 yards.

Having coaxed the Sydney into a position that diminished its tactical advantage, the Kormoran dropped its disguise, hoisted the German battle flag and fired.

Both ships were badly damaged, but most of Kormoran's crew survived.

The two major questions that remain: Why did the Sydney's captain, Joseph Burnett, allow his ship's overwhelming gunnery capability to be lost by bringing his ship so close? And why was the Sydney lost with all hands and virtually no trace?

LIGHTS: Midlander to judge outdoor holiday decorations

(From 1A)

The competition is open to anyone in the city and county of Midland who wishes to decorate his residence.

"There are no rules. They can do whatever they want," she said.

Contestants are asked to send an index card-sized piece of paper with their name, address and phone number to: Light Up Midland, 4701 S. County Road 1200, Midland 79703. The deadline is Dec. 19.

Displays will be videotaped and viewed by judges who will award six winners.

Last year, Mrs. Meads received 48 entries.

"Everybody loved it. It was great," she said of the first contest.

The competition was begun by Mrs. Meads, shortly after moving to Midland, when she discovered such a contest did not exist here.

"I think everybody has Christmas in their heart," she said. And the contest helps bring that spirit out, she added.

In addition to the decoration contest, Mrs. Meads said she is trying to organize a group of Christmas carolers to visit homebound individuals.

For information on the contest or the caroling, call Mrs. Meads at 687-3719.

Entries will be listed in the Reporter-Telegram for holiday sightseers. Winners, expected to be announced around Dec. 20, will also be listed, Mrs. Meads said.

Smith's accuser became 'compelling presence'

By Linda Deutsch
Associated Press writer

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — The nation never saw her face, but the woman who accused William Kennedy Smith of rape became a compelling presence in homes across the land as her anguished words were broadcast on live television.

"It's been a nightmare for me. I want this to be over!" she cried from the witness stand. "... Everybody in the world knows what happened to me."

Her face was blocked out and her identity kept secret by most media, but the firestorm of publicity she ignited engulfed the Palm Beach area and spread across the country as she testified.

She had not just alleged rape. She had leveled the allegation against a member of one of America's most powerful political dynasties. Sen. Edward Kennedy was a player in the courtroom drama. And the woman who said she was "nobody" became somebody — albeit without a face.

This much was known about the 30-year-old accuser:

She grew up in Akron, Ohio, the daughter of a welder. Her parents divorced and in 1981 her mother remarried a millionaire tire company executive, who provided a trust fund for the accuser.

When she was 14, she was involved in an auto accident that broke her neck, and she spent long months in the hospital recovering.

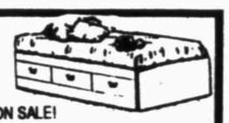
After moving to Florida, she attended classes at Palm Beach Community College and Rollins College. She worked as a secretary and bookkeeper for employers including Disney World and the Orlando Methodist Church. In 1990 she was a clerk at The Palm Beach Post.

She is the single parent of a 2-year-old daughter who was born 10 weeks prematurely after a twin was miscarried. The child is chronically ill, which the woman spoke of during her testimony.

The slender, dark-haired woman said she was drawn to Smith when they met at a trendy nightclub because he was a medical school graduate and was able to discuss her daughter's condition. He later denied they talked about the child.

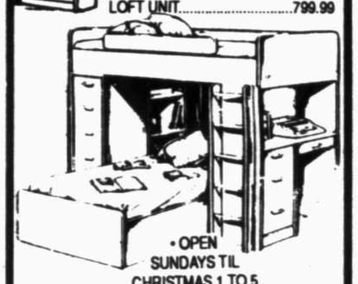
The woman was 29 when she reported on March 30, 1991, that she had been raped at the seaside Kennedy estate.

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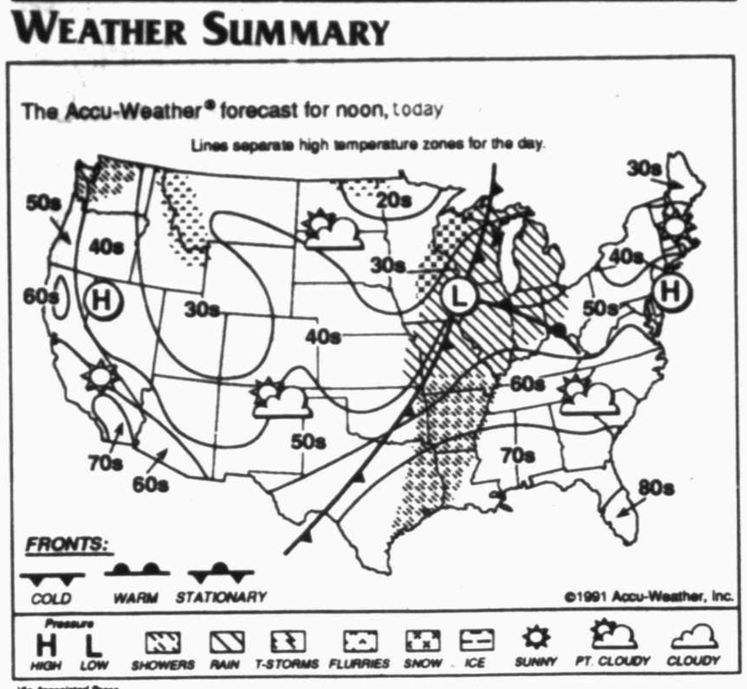
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Via Associated Press

Cool weather on tap

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-60s and westerly winds at 10 to 20 mph. Tonight should be mostly clear with a low in the mid-30s, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Friday should be mostly sunny with a high in the upper 50s.

After an overnight low of 53, Wednesday's high inched to 61 compared with the record high for that date of 84 set in 1987. The record low for Wednesday's date is 10 set in 1989.

STATE

It was overcast, cooler and damp across most of Texas on Wednesday. Dense fog shrouded the Gulf coast and patches extended far inland into North Texas, where torrential showers were triggered by a cold front.

Most readings peaked in the 50s and 60s ahead of the front but temperatures remained in the 40s in West Texas. Far South Texas had 70s and 80s.

The North Texas forecast was for continued cloudiness with a decreasing chance of rain. Highs in the upper 60s with lows 35 to 54. Highs Friday from 56 in the northwest to 65 in the southeast.

South Texas was expected to have dense fog today with mostly cloudy skies and rain. High temperatures were to range from the 70s in the north to the 80s in the south. Lows tonight in the 40s and 50s North with 60s to near 70 south. Highs Friday in the 60s except in the 50s across the Hill Country and the 70s to near 80 in extreme South Texas.

Forecasters said West Texas would clear gradually with a warming trend. Highs Thursday were to be in the 50s and 60s with lows in the 20s and 30s.

NATION

Rain and snow on Wednesday kept much of the West wet.

Storms drenched the Phoenix area with more than two inches of rain since Tuesday. Rain and warm temperatures melted snow in the lower elevations of the mountains.

Snow fell in the western Rocky Mountains, the mountains of Washington state and in the southern Rockies.

Rain fell in the rest of the Pacific Northwest, in much of the southern Plains, southeast Kansas and into west central Missouri.

In the six hours ended at 1 p.m. EST, snowfall measured 3 inches in the Wolf Creek ski area and South Fork, Colo., close to 3 inches at Creede and Summitville, Colo., and 2 inches Mullan, Idaho.

In the same same period heavy rainfall left two-thirds of an inch at Truth or Consequences, N.M.

The Associated Press also contributed to this report

Midland statistics

FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy, high in the mid-60s, west wind at 10-20 mph.
Tonight: Mostly clear, low in the mid-30s.
Friday: Mostly sunny, high in the upper 50s.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High	61 degrees
Overnight Low	53 degrees
Sunset today	5:45 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	7:40 a.m.
Precipitation:	
Last 24 hours	0.63 inches
This month to date	0.66 inches
Year to date	21.92 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 p.m.	55	6 a.m.	55
7 p.m.	52	7 a.m.	56
8 p.m.	50	8 a.m.	56
9 p.m.	53	9 a.m.	57
10 p.m.	53	10 a.m.	58
11 p.m.	54	11 a.m.	58
midnight	54	noon	59
1 a.m.	54	1 p.m.	60
2 a.m.	54	2 p.m.	60
3 a.m.	54	3 p.m.	60
4 a.m.	54	4 p.m.	60
5 a.m.	54	5 p.m.	61
		6 p.m.	60

Texas temperatures

	Hi	Lo	Ppn
Alpine	80	42	.87
Austin	66	59	.14
Corpus Christi	78	65	
Dallas	61	58	.80
El Paso	61	51	.69
Fort Worth	60	56	.40
Houston	69	58	.11
Lajitas	68	53	.47
Lubbock	54	48	.30
Marfa	60	42	.27
Presidio	M	M	
San Angelo	66	57	.77
San Antonio	73	61	.05
Wink	62	50	.60

Border forecasts

New Mexico: Today, decreasing cloudiness with light rain and snow showers ending in the early morning. Partly cloudy in the afternoon. Tonight and Friday, fair skies. Highs today and Friday mostly 40s mountains, upper 40s to near 60 at the lower elevations. Lows tonight 5 to 20 mountains, upper teens to near 30 at the lower elevations.

Oklahoma: Partly cloudy west with rain ending all but extreme southeast today. Rain ending southeast and fair elsewhere tonight. Fair Friday. Highs Thursday 50 Panhandle to lower 70s southeast. Lows tonight lower 20s western Panhandle to mid 40s southeast. Highs Friday lower 50s Panhandle to mid 60s southeast.

County forecasts

Midland, Ector, Crane, Upton, Glasscock, and Reagan: Today, partly cloudy. High in the mid 60s. West wind 10-20 mph. Tonight, mostly clear with a low in the mid 30s. Friday, mostly sunny. High in the upper 50s.

Sterling, Tom Green, Irion and Coke: Low in the mid 50s. Southeast wind 5-15 mph. Today, becoming partly cloudy. High in the upper 60s. Southwest wind 10-15 mph. Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the upper 30s. Friday, partly cloudy with a high around 60.

Extended forecast

West Texas: Saturday through Monday — Texas Panhandle, fair. Highs mid 40s to lower 50s. Lows lower to mid 20s. South Plains-Low rolling plains, fair. Highs mid 40s to lower 50s. Lows in the mid 20s. Permian Basin, fair. Highs upper 40s to mid 50s. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s. Concho Valley-Edwards Plateau, fair. Highs lower to mid 50s. Lows in the lower 30s. Far West Texas, partly cloudy. Highs in the 50s. Lows around 30. Big Bend area, partly cloudy. Highs mid 40s to lower 50s mountains, and upper 50s to lower 60s lowlands. Lows mainly in the 20s mountains, and near 30 to the mid 30s lowlands.

Area forecasts

West Texas: Becoming partly cloudy today. Mostly clear tonight. Mostly sunny Friday. Highs today from around 50 Panhandle to near 70 Big Bend lowlands. Lows tonight from the lower 20s Panhandle to the lower 40s Big Bend lowlands. Highs Friday from the lower 50s Panhandle to the mid 60s Big Bend.

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VERDICT: Jury acquits Smith

(From 1A)

and battery, the defendant smiled, jumped up, and hugged his chief defense lawyer, Roy E. Black of Miami, who removed his tortoiseshell glasses and wiped his eyes.

Then Smith wrapped one arm around Black and extended the other to a second lawyer, Mark Seiden. The defendant's mother, Jean Kennedy Smith, smiled slightly when the jury's decision was announced.

Even the members of the four-woman, two-man jury seemed overcome with emotion.

Lea Haller, a 37-year-old cosmetics executive, immediately removed her glasses and cried into a pink puffy cloth. The foreman, Thomas Stearns Jr., who collected seven Purple Hearts in Vietnam, wiped his eyes, as did at least two other jurors.

Judge Lupo's law secretary and court reporter beamed.

Mrs. Lasch, remained expressionless, writing intently on a yellow legal pad as she had almost from the moment court reconvened.

Once the verdict was read, Smith and his team went into an adjacent room where Judge Lupo's admonition on histrionics did not apply.

"The party's started!" one member of Smith's team declared.

Forty-five minutes later, after accepting congratulations from cheering court buffs and dashing down corridors to elude reporters, Smith ambled up for the last time to the bank of microphones stationed in front of the Palm Beach County courthouse.

His face bathed in television lights and bleached by strobes, his voice cracking at times, he thanked his mother, his family, his lawyers, his jury consultants, and the jurors themselves.

"My life was in their hands and I'm so grateful for the job they did and the seriousness with which they took it," he said, as his mother, looking still stunned and stressed, stood at his side. "I have an enormous debt to the system and to God and I have a terrific faith in both of them. And I'm just really, really happy. So we'll see you guys later."

A family spokesman said Smith would begin his medical residency next month at the University of New Mexico hospital in Albuquerque.

Smith's 30-year-old accuser was not available for comment. Her lawyer, David Roth of West Palm Beach, read a statement from her in which she, too, offered thanks to her supporters.

"Despite the enormous personal price, I do not for one moment regret the course of action I have pursued. I pray that my decision to proceed was not in vain, and that in some small way I have contributed to a reasoned consideration of the critical issues this case has raised."

Afterwards, Roth read a statement of his own. "The jury has spoken, and we, as well as our client, respect its labors and enormously difficult decision. However, a not guilty verdict does not equate to innocence."

The jury's decision was a stunning rebuke to Mrs. Lasch and the Palm Beach County state attorney's office, which spent eight months and hundreds of thousands of dollars prosecuting Smith, the 31-year-old nephew of a president and two senators and the cousin of a congressman.

The prosecutor, who declared in court that in prosecuting Smith she had effectively taken on the "Kennedy machine," brushed by reporters and offered no comments once the verdict was handed down.

Black said he felt "terrific, absolutely terrific."

Offering an amalgam of sex, the dynamics of date rape, Palm Beach society and the personal foibles of America's most famous family, the case attracted international interest and gavel-to-gavel television coverage. The trial's graphic testimony reached millions of homes.

The verdict came so swiftly that Smith and his legal team had to backtrack from the Kennedy estate almost as soon as they arrived. It marked an almost instantaneous end to the prolonged ordeal that began in the early morning hours of March 30, shortly after Smith met the woman at a Palm Beach night club called Au Bar.

The woman charged that Smith used his charm and even the knowledge he had picked up in medical school to lure her to his family's estate, before tackling her on the lawn and raping her.

In 10 days of testimony, the two sides called 45 witnesses. There was testimony on grains of sand and blades of grass, as well as experts on meteorology, clothing analysis, and penile penetration.

There were the obscure, like bartenders and parking valets, and famous, like Smith's uncle, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, whose desire to go out after what he described as a somber evening of family reminiscences set the whole odyssey in motion. And there were the main characters.

Both to the handful of people sitting in Judge Lupo's courtroom and the millions who saw her only as a figure behind an gray electronic circle, the testimony of the woman, the single mother of a 2-year-old, was deeply affecting.

But there were numerous inconsistencies and gaps in her account, which she had described and redescribed to rape counselors, policemen, lawyers and, most recently, jurors.

Methodically, clinically, Black highlighted them all in his cross-examination.

Very much in contrast was Smith's immaculately airtight version of events, which he gave for the first time on Tuesday. He depicted the woman as sexually aggressive, hysterical and, ultimately, unreliable.

Both he and his lawyer acknowledged that Smith had intercourse with the woman, and that he had treated her caddishly and callously afterwards. The jury could not convict him on that, however, and judging from their reactions afterwards, did not even look askance at him for it.

But the outcome of the case hinged on more than the testimony of the main players. Indeed, in one sense Smith may well have won the case before the first witness was called, when Judge Lupo barred prosecutors from introducing testimony of three women — two graduate students and a doctor — who came forward after the Florida woman surfaced to say that Smith had either assaulted them or attempted to do so.

Then there were the lawyers themselves. To some extent, there was a disparity of resources: two civil servants versus four respected private practitioners headed by Black, the man many regard as the finest criminal defense lawyer on the fertile legal territory of southern Florida.

Smith retained Cathy Bennett, the nation's premier jury consultant, and spent tens of thousands of dollars on experts and exhibits.

Looming even larger than that, however, was the disparity in technique and, arguably, talent. Mrs. Lasch tried her case in precisely the way she composed and delivered her closing statement Tuesday: long on detail, short on indignation.

Black, by comparison, burnished his reputation as a lawyer with a sophisticated legal mind beneath a veneer of the Everyman.

In his closing statement, he called on jurors to draw on "general, human common sense," in reaching their conclusions about the behavior of both Smith and his accuser. Mrs. Lasch's vision of relations between the sexes, he suggested, was limited and unrealistic.

"She keeps making the point that it's spring break in Florida, and it's preposterous that a man and a woman would get together after knowing each other for a couple of hours and have sex," Black said. On the contrary, he said, it would not be at all unusual for "two young people" to have sex, especially on a moonlit night on a secluded beach and later with a large walled estate that afforded them privacy.

He ridiculed the prosecutor's assertion that the rape occurred under Mrs. Smith's bedroom window. "What's the other side of that coin?" he asked. "What they want us to believe is that this young man goes up there and rapes a screaming woman under the open windows not only of his mother, but his sister, two prosecutors from New York, and the father of one of them, who is a former special agent for the FBI. They want you to believe that he ran across that lawn, tackled that woman, who was screaming at the top of her lungs under those open windows, and rapes her."

After the verdict, the two Kennedy men who accompanied Smith to the night club on the night of the incident made statements.

In Rhode Island, where he is a state legislator, Smith's cousin Patrick Kennedy said: "This has been a very difficult time for my family. I believed in my cousin Willie's innocence all along. The jury's swift verdict will now allow Willie and all of us to get on with our lives."

Trial costs Smith his anonymity

By Dan Sewell
Associated Press writer

Even though he was acquitted, his friends said the allegations will shadow him the rest of his life.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — In the early morning hours last March 30, William Kennedy Smith could move around in Palm Beach nightspots without anyone recognizing him as part of America's most famous family.

No longer.

The 31-year-old medical school graduate, who had been as close to anonymous as any Kennedy could be, has now crowded even "Uncle Teddy" from tabloid headlines — such as "Willie The Wolf." His rape trial brought such intense public interest that CNN's coverage at times drew larger national audiences than did the Persian Gulf War.

Even though he was acquitted, his friends said the allegations will shadow him the rest of his life.

"It would be impossible to say all the ways this is going to change his life," said Cathie Aime, a former steady girlfriend who figured into Smith's defense testimony. "I think Willie did a great job, but I think some people will always doubt him. It's really unfair."

She and other friends of Smith described him as unassuming and caring, "just an ordinary guy," said fellow Georgetown University medical graduate Dr. David Seiden.

But the 30-year-old Jupiter woman who accused him of rape described the medical student as making a Jekyll-and-Hyde transformation — a nice guy who invited her to his family's Palm Beach estate, then tackled and raped her without warning.

Smith's new notoriety also put his medical career in limbo — and in jeopardy.

Upset, he halted his medical board exams in April, but then completed and passed them in September. He postponed beginning an internal medicine residency at the University of New Mexico hospital until resolution of the case, aware that a felony conviction would make it nearly impossible for him to gain a license in most states.

From the time he was identified as the Kennedy accused of rape, through the July 22 disclosure by prosecutors that three other women claim he sexually attacked them in the 1980s, through his sensational rape trial, Smith has had a glaring 8½ months in the national spotlight. The other women weren't allowed to testify in his trial.

When he took the witness stand, Smith calmly told a story of "getting picked up" by an aggressive woman who willingly performed two sex acts with him, but acted strangely and became furious when he accidentally called her "Cathy." Smith later testified he had broken up with Ms. Aime less than two months before his encounter.

The younger son of Stephen E. Smith, Smith wound up on an unusual path for a Kennedy — becoming a doctor.

Reared in New York City, he is one of four children. After attending prep school in Connecticut, he went to Duke University. He worked as a volunteer in the 1980 presidential campaign of his uncle, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass..

In 1983, after graduation, he worked a year as a Wall Street investment banker. His father was running much of the Kennedy family's financial holdings.

But Smith left finance, going to England to work in a Liberal Party parliamentary candidate's campaign, and then living in China and Taiwan.

He returned to the United States after deciding he wanted to become a doctor and enrolled at Georgetown University's medical school after a year of pre-med classes at Bryn Mawr.

His father, reputed as a "political fixer" for the Kennedys, died of cancer in August 1990.

According to trial testimony, Smith's mother, Jean Kennedy Smith, persuaded him to leave Washington for a Easter weekend visit to the estate. She also invited his uncle, who testified he was restless after an emotionally draining conversation with her about her late husband the night of March 29.

The senator then invited his son Patrick and Smith to go to Au Bar for a beer.

And within days, William Smith would no longer be an unknown Kennedy.

Clarification

Although Midland School board trustees passed a motion to change the scope of construction work for Fannin, Pease and Washington elementary schools as reported in Wednesday's edition, trustee James Fuller opposed the motion.

Fuller said reducing the scope of work to save money will not result in buildings which are comparable to others in the school district.

Shootings fell officer, suspects

DALLAS (AP) — A police officer was hit by gunfire during a confrontation at a restaurant in which two suspects were also shot, authorities said late Wednesday.

The officer was not identified and his condition was not immediately known, said a police communications supervisor.

"We don't have much in yet. We know that an officer and two suspects are down," said police Sgt. Roger Houston.

He said the shootings occurred at a Bennigan's restaurant.

A witness told television station WFAA that 10 to 11 shots were fired after an officer in plainclothes approached a car.

"I was standing by the game room when a narcotics man came over to a car," the unidentified witness said. "Then, boom. They shot at them."

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Christmas music distracts jurors

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — They've killed the daytime Christmas music in the east side of Municipal Park.

The reason?

Attorneys in the adjacent courthouse realized jurors weren't paying attention to their opening arguments.

As a result, "Jingle Bells," "White Christmas" and "Deck the Halls" can be heard in the west park during the day, but not in the east part of Christmas Village until after 5 p.m.

It started when attorneys in 2nd District Judge David E. Roth's court inside the Municipal Building saw that jurors in a felony trial were not listening to their opening statements. So attorneys asked the judge to intervene.

"I didn't order it to be turned off completely, just long enough for the trial," Roth said.

Jerry McKean, assistant superintendent of Ogden City Parks, said the music will not be played in the east part of the park during the day so as not to interfere with court proceedings.

But not everyone's happy about the quiet.

"We've received complaints from employees in the Municipal Building who enjoyed the music asking why we turned it off," McKean said.

Stock conversion plan accompanies merger

Staff Report

A complicated stock conversion plan has been adapted to accomodate the Adobe-Santa Fe merger.

Basically, the merger agreement calls for the conversion of Adobe's three stock classifications:

- Each share of Adobe Resources common stock will be converted into 0.6196 shares of Sante Fe Energy Resources common stock;
- Each share of Adobe Resources 9.2 percent convertible preferred stock will be converted into 0.5974 shares of Sante Fe Energy Resources common stock plus 0.5065 shares of a new convertible series of a Santa Fe Energy Resources preferred stock; and
- Each share of Adobe Resources 12 percent preferred stock will be converted into 0.7029 shares of Santa Fe Energy Resources common stock plus 0.5959 shares of the new Santa Fe Energy Resources conertible preferred stock.

Stockholders of each company will meet during the first quarter of 1992 to approve the merger.

Santa Fe Energy Resources officials said it has received irrevocable proxies from Adobe's three major stockholders.

They are: Minorco (U.S.A.) Inc., owner of 14,518,245 shares of Adobe Common stock; B.J. Pevehouse, former president of Adobe and owner of 333,461, 1,152,473 and 1,162,996 shares of Adobe common stock, 9.2 percent convertible, preferred stock and 12 percent preferred stock, respectively; and Stanley R. Rawn Jr., owner of 204,630, 27,475 and 83,275 shares of Adobe common stock, respectively.

Adobe Resources has received an irrevocable proxy from Italy Corp., beneficial owner of 6,064,005 shares of Santa Fe Energy Resources stock, to vote its shares in favor of the merger at the meeting of Santa Fe Energy Resources stockholders.

In addition, Olympia & York SF Holdings Corporation, beneficial owner of 9,724,078 shares of Santa Fe Energy Resources stock, has provided a written indication of its intention to vote in favor the merger.

Holders of the new convertible preferred shares of Santa Fe Energy Resources, which are to be issued in the merger, will have the right to receive cumulative dividends, when declared, at an annual rate of $1.40 per share payable quarterly, officials said.

That new series of stock will have a liquidation preference of $20 per share and will be convertible into common shares of Santa Fe Energy Resources at the ratio of 1.3913 common shares for each preferred share, subject to adjustments.

The common shares of Adobe Resources closed Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange at $6.125. Adobe's 9.2 percent convertible preferred shares and 12 percent preferred shares each closed Wednesday on the NYSE at $15.875 and $18.125, respectively.

Adobe has approximately 30.7 million shares and 4.9 million 12 percent preferred shares outstanding. The common stock of Santa Fe Energy Resources closed yesterday on the NYSE at $9.625. Santa Fe Energy Resources has approximately 63.8 million common shares outstanding.

ADOBE: Stockholders, SEC must approve consolidation

(From 1A)

place, " he said.

Adobe which employs approximately 100 people in Midland and 200 nationwide, announced December 3 that it would cut its workforce in Midland by approximately 25 employees, and that the cuts would be across the board.

With the announced merger those cuts could be even more severe.

At the time the cuts were announced, Russell Allen, senior vice-president of finance for Adobe, blamed the cuts on soft natural gas prices and reduced cash flow. He also indicated that no firm plans had been made to sell the company.

Payne said actual consolidation of the two independent oil companies will not take place until the merger has been approved by the stockholders and Securities and Exchange Commission.

Santa Fe already has a sizable operation in the Permian Basin, employing 70 throughout the Basin and 35 in Midland.

Two small field offices are maintained at Seagraves and Carlsbad, N.M. District Production Manager Lou Shuflin said the company operates 350 wells and has net production of 11,000 barrels of oil daily and 25 million cubic feet daily of natural gas.

Santa Fe drills about 50 to 60 wells per year in the Permian Basin and most are in southeast New Mexico, according to Shuflin.

Since 1985, the company has had an extensive exploration program, supported primarily by an acquisition from Coquina Oil.

Payne said Adobe assets would complement Santa Fe Energy's existing operations in West Texas, a very long-term rising production profile in California crude oil, and existing operations in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as overseas.

"I think the two companies will be able to go forward and do more together than they would have been able to do separately," Payne said.

While the stock market did not react favorably to the news, with both Adobe and Santa Fe stocks showing declines Wednesday, Payne said that once investors were able to see the numbers he was confident that situation would be corrected.

He said he thought the reason for the drop was the fact that Adobe was perceived to have short-term reserves and short-term cash flow, while Santa Fe had longer reserves and cash flow.

AUTO: State insurance board to study proposals

(From 1A)

today on a permanent rule to prohibit insurance companies from denying auto liability coverge solely because a driver previously was uninsured.

The three-member board adopted a similar rule on an emergency basis in September after previously uninsured drivers complained that companies automatically were assigning them to the expensive high-risk pool.

Insurance companies asked for a temporary injunction against the rule, and a state district court judge agreed that the board had not proved an emergency existed.

While the board has appealed the decision of Judge Scott McCown of Austin, it also has begun proceedings to adopt the rule through the regular process.

Part of sweeping insurance reform laws approved by the Legislature earlier this year requires motorists to show proof of liabiltiy insurance when obtaining or renewing license plates, driver's licenses and inspection stickers. Previously, motorists were asked for such proof only when stopped for traffic violations.

Experts estimated one-fourth of Texas drivers did not carry liability insurance, as required by law, which created an additional financial burden on insured drivers.

On Monday, the board will conduct its first hearing on creating a new rate structure for auto insurance as required by the reform bill.

The board will set a benchmark rate for various classifications of autos, and allow companies to compete within a "flexible band" by offering premiums as much as 30 percent below or above the benchmark.

Previously, each company had to get board permission to vary premiums from the state rate.

While Farmers Insurance and State Farm are the only companies to file rate proposals, the insurance board's final decision will apply to all companies.

The public counsel's office also is suggesting that companies be allowed to deviate only 15 percent above the benchmark and the full 30 percent below.

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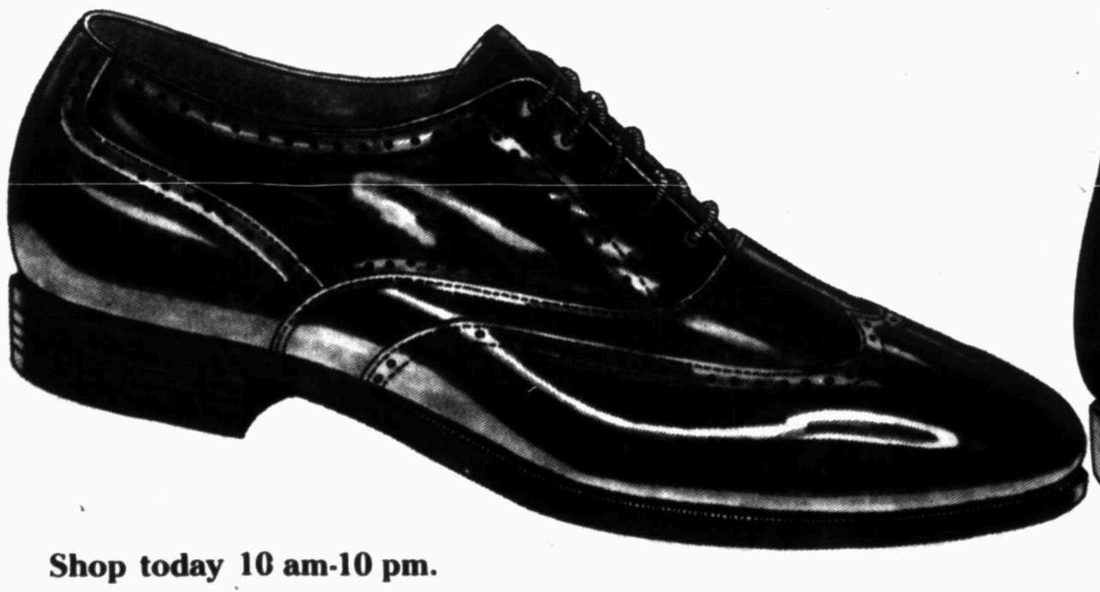


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Suicide unlikely, pathologist says

The cause of death has not yet been determined but preliminary findings by the Spanish pathologists have indicated he could have fallen into the sea after a heart attack.

LONDON (AP) — The Spanish pathologist conducting Robert Maxwell's post mortem said Wednesday it's unlikely he committed suicide and that he may have suffered a heart attack and fallen from his yacht, according to a report.

Britain's Independent Television News quoted pathologist Carlos Lopez de Lamela as saying a report on the autopsy to be released this week would say Maxwell almost certainly died of natural causes.

Revelations of massive debts in Maxwell's international publishing empire and news organizations' accusations that he stole and lied to prop it up have led to speculation in London that he may have killed himself.

But Lopez de Lamela, asked in the interview about suicide, said he doubted that was the case, ITN said.

It quoted him as saying: "There are no facts to suggest that possibility (suicide). Pathologists operate in a rather restricted area, and there could be other information which leads in that direction.

"But I think it's improbable with the sequence of events: a previous state of ill-health, a worsening of that condition, and his fall into the water. You could raise the hypothesis of suicide, but in my opinion in this case, it's very improbable."

The publishing magnate's body was found in the sea off the Spanish Canary Islands. He had been cruising on his yacht when he disappeared Nov. 5.

The cause of death has not yet been determined but preliminary findings by the Spanish pathologists have indicated he could have fallen into the sea after a heart attack.

His son Kevin, publisher of The Daily News, who is in New York trying to retain his hold on the newspaper his father bought in March, told ITN he was not surprised by Lopez de Mela's view that Robert Maxwell died of natural causes.

"That has always been my view," he said in the ITN interview.

Asked why he was so sure his father had not killed himself, he said: "Because we knew the man. There was not a fiber in him that was a quitter."

Maxwell's Daily Mirror, meanwhile, reported that the publisher bugged his own son's office.

The Daily Mirror, Robert Maxwell's London tabloid flagship, reported in its Thursday issue: "Crooked tycoon Robert Maxwell bugged his own son's office."

It said detectives found wires running from Maxwell's office to son Kevin's room next door on the ninth floor of Maxwell House, next to the Mirror in central London. Kevin Maxwell was quoted as saying he was unaware of any bugging.

Last week, the Daily Mirror reported that the office of Lawrence Guest, the finance director of Mirror Group Newspapers PLC and other senior executives, had been bugged.

On Dec. 4, the Serious Fraud Office, a government prosecution agency, began investigating management of Mirror Group Newspapers' pension funds and related matters.

The company says $633 million of its pension fund assets were transferred to private Maxwell interests.

Rival Koreas close to signing agreement

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North and South Korea moved closer to signing an agreement to end four decades of hostility Thursday at a meeting of their premiers, spokesmen said.

Spokesmen for North Korean Premier Yon Hyong Muk and Chung Won-shik, his South Korean counterpart, said they were working toward a broad-based non-aggression pact with plans to expand trade and people-to-people contacts between the Koreas, sealed off from one another since their war in the 1950s.

Both sides said Thursday that differences remained over aspects of the non-aggression accord and a proposal for a nuclear-free Korea.

As the talks opened Thursday, Yon smiled and shook hands with Chung. Thirty minutes later, it was announced the talks had been adjourned so the delegations could work separately on language for a reconciliation agreement.

Spokesmen Lee Dong-bok of South Korea and An Byung Su of North Korea said the talks — the fifth round of high-level negotiations in the past year — would resume as soon as the language was completed.

The Chosun Ilbo newspaper said Thursday that South Korea and the United States had agreed to suspend joint military exercises in 1992 if North Korea agreed to a proposal for a nuclear-free Korea.

A halt to the exercise has been one of North Korea's major demands. U.S. officials declined to comment on the report.

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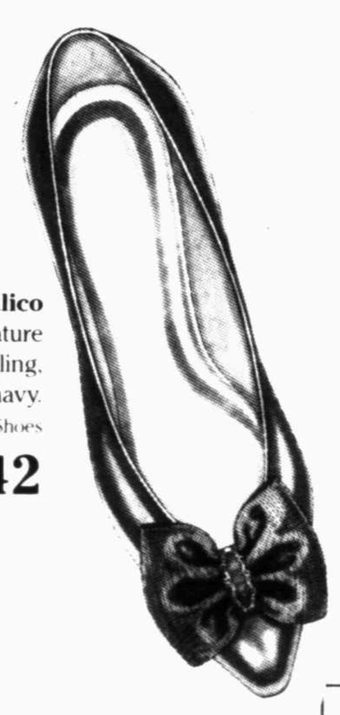
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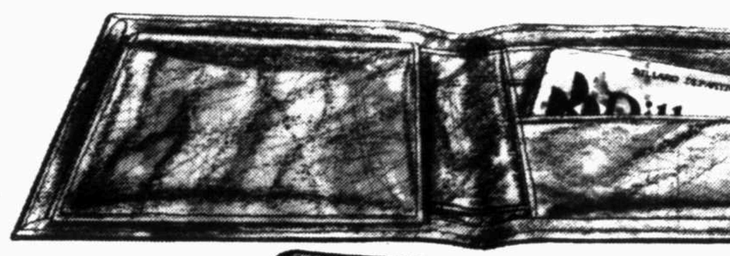
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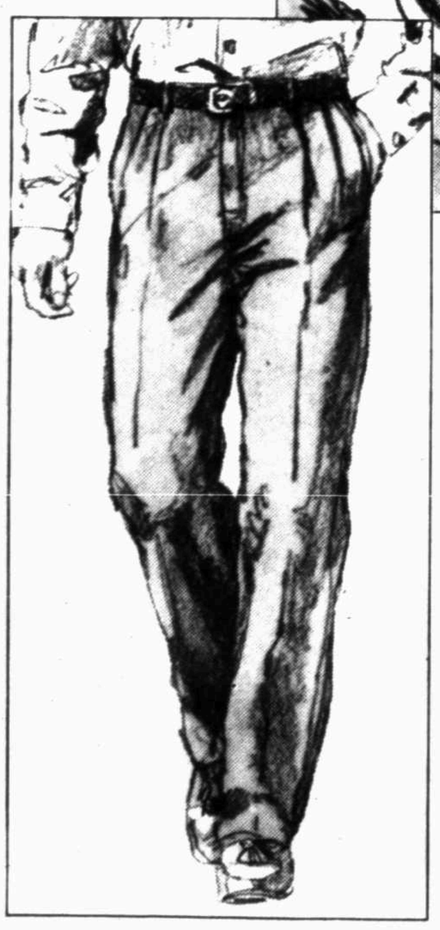


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Nuclear inspectors compile list of firms

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Nuclear inspectors on Wednesday provided the United Nations with a list of European and American companies whose products were used in Iraq's secret program to build atomic weapons.

None of the companies was accused of knowingly supplying the Iraqi nuclear project. U.N. officials said the equipment and other materials could have been purchased through middlemen to hide the destination, and they stressed that many of the materials had wide applications outside nuclear work.

The most sensitive technology appeared to come from European companies, primarily in Germany, but the U.S. chemical giant Du Pont Co. was on the list as was an American subsidiary of a German concern, U.N. officials said. Asea Brown Boveri, a leading equipment manufacturer in Switzerland, also was named.

The United Nations did not release the list of companies, but officials who spoke on condition of anonymity confirmed the names of 10. Seven others were disclosed by the International Atomic Energy Agency, which prepared the report.

It was not clear if those were all the names in the report. The U.N. nuclear agency, which is based in Vienna, Austria, also released a statement saying other companies were not being identified yet while it continues its study of Iraqi nuclear documents seized by U.N. inspectors.

The report Wednesday went to the U.N. Special Commission, which is in charge of dismantling Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.

In a related development, U.N. weapons inspectors in Iraq reported Wednesday that they discovered a chemical weapon production site hidden in a sugar factory in Mosul. The factory escaped allied bombing during the Gulf War.

Hans Blix, director of the International Atomic Energy Agency, asked U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to determine whether the list should be made public.

In Vienna, agency spokesman Hans Friedrich Meyer said, "Identification of the manufacturer does not necessarily mean identification of the supplier, as orders were often placed through intermediaries."

Meyer also said much of the equipment and materials had many industrial uses.

A spokesman at Du Pont's headquarters in Wilmington, Del., said that was the case with a special Du Pont vacuum pump oil used at one of Iraq's nuclear sites.

"The lubricant in question is used in chemical processing, in oil refining, in nuclear power plants, in dozens and dozens of applications. So why would we know where it was being used? It could be used anywhere," said the spokesman, Clinton C. Archer Jr.

Leybold Vacuum Products Inc. of Export, Pa., a subsidiary of the Leybold AG engineering company of Hanau, Germany, was put on the list for supplying electron-beam welding equipment that Iraqis used in building uranium-enrichment centrifuges.

Centrifuges are used to separate uranium into highly enriched uranium, used for warheads, and lower quality uranium.

In Hanau, Leybold released a statement saying that "electron-beam welders are primarily used for welding alloys, which cannot technologically be welded in atmospheric conditions. Such equipment enjoys widespread commercial use."

Leybold said its American subsidiary obtained a U.S. Commerce Department license in 1987 to export an electron-beam welder to Iraq for repairing military equipment.

Many of the companies identified by the U.N. sources were cited for producing equipment used in the centrifuges. For instance, officials said Iraq obtained slow turning machines built by HH Metalform of Germany.

Jack Mann fought off sexual advances, film-maker says

LONDON (AP) — Former British hostage Jack Mann says he fended off sexual advances from one of his captors, a documentary film-maker said Wednesday.

Mann talked about his 2½-year captivity in Lebanon during filming in September of "The Hostage Retrievers," a Thames Television documentary scheduled for broadcast Thursday night.

Paul Woolwich, editor of the documentary program "This Week," said Mann told the filmmakers the captors' leader was a homosexual who tried six times to sodomize him.

"This 77-year-old war hero fought him off with fisticuffs and lost two teeth in doing it," Woolwich said in a telephone interview.

Woolwich said producer Martyn Gregory spent four or five days visiting Mann just after his Sept. 24 release.

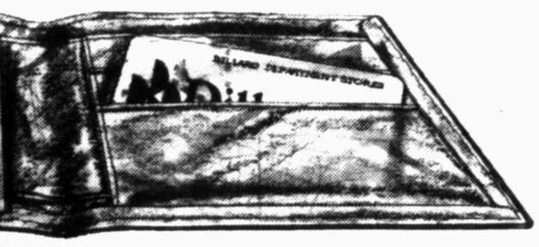
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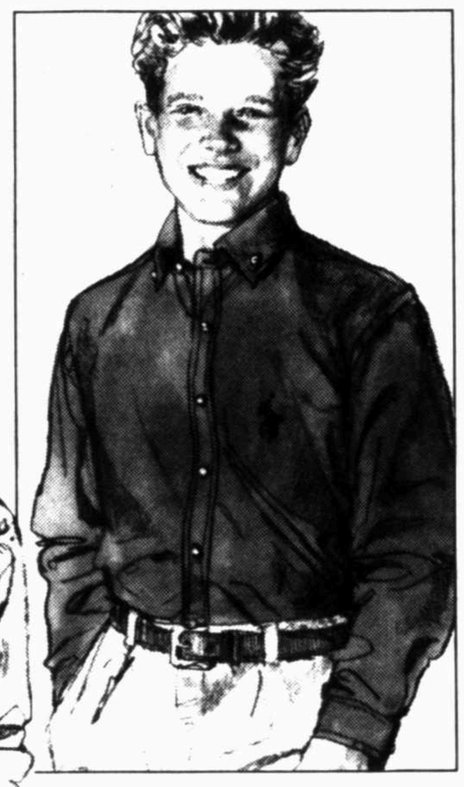
Mann was undergoing mental and physical tests at the Royal Air Force base in Lyneham.

Air Force psychiatrists who examined Mann said they were impressed with his mental agility. He scored 98 out of 100 on a memory cognitive test.

"That is very good. But we are dealing with a highly intelligent man," Mann's psychiatrist, Squadron Leader David Stevens said.



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The World

■ 120 exiles return in first U.N. repatriation

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Winnie Mandela hugged African National Congress exiles who returned home Wednesday under a United Nations repatriation program.

Adelaide Tambo, wife of ANC leader Oliver Tambo, joined Mrs. Mandela, the wife of ANC official Nelson Mandela, and about 50 others in greeting the 120 exiles, mostly youths, who arrived from Tanzania.

"We would like to try our best to make them feel as happy and as comfortable as possible," Mrs. Tambo said.

It was the first repatriation by the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, which agreed to come to South Africa last September to assist in bringing home thousands of exiles.

The agreement marked the first time a U.N. agency had set up operations in South Africa, long a target of U.N. sanctions because of apartheid.

Kallu Kalumiya, head of the agency's South African mission, said four more flights in December would bring about 600 exiles home and that he hoped to complete the repatriation of the estimated 25,000-30,000 exiles by the end of next year.

More than 6,000 exiles already have returned to South Africa under an August 1990 agreement between the government and the African National Congress. When the repatriation stalled, the U.N. agency agreed to set up its program.

Thousands of blacks fled South Africa to avoid arrest after the ANC and other anti-apartheid groups were banned in 1960.

■ Kabul offers to sell natural gas to Europe

KABUL, Afghanistan — The government is offering to sell natural gas to Europe to generate cash to rebuild Afghanistan's war-shattered economy.

Engineers recently uncapped 31 wells in the vast gas fields of Sibirgan in preparation to resume supplies to Afghanistan's biggest client, the Soviet Union.

Moscow and the Soviet Central Asian republics are arguing about pricing, distribution and share of the 1.2 billion cubic yards of gas the Afghan government wants to sell annually.

Samand Salah, the minister of industries and mines, said no agreement had been reached.

"The republics are claiming their own shares of our gas exports. And they have not settled this dispute yet," he said.

Until 1989, almost half of Afghanistan's national income was generated through natural gas sales to the Soviet Union. But that income stopped abruptly in 1989 as Moscow withdrew its 115,000 soldiers sent to help the government put down a rebellion by insurgents backed by the United States, Saudi Arabia and other Arab states.

Last week, President Najibullah told Parliament that the government had activated the gas fields in the northern province of Jawzjan following the discovery of a field that will produce an estimated 10 billion cubic yards of gas.

Geologists said the new gas find should generate more than $300 million annually for the government.

Salah also said that the cash-strapped government had approached Hungary and Czechoslovakia about buying gas and planned to make similar offers to the European markets.

For now, government officials say their main client remains the Soviet Union.

■ Shiite guerrillas attack in security zone

JEZZINE, Lebanon — Shiite Muslim guerrillas twice attacked Israeli-backed troops in south Lebanon Wednesday, wounding five militiamen, security sources said.

The attacks came in the "security zone" carved out by Israel in 1985 as a buffer against cross-border guerrilla infiltrations. The fundamentalist, Iran-backed Hezbollah, or Party of God, claimed responsibility.

Hezbollah guerrillas have increased their attacks against Israeli troops and South Lebanese Army militiamen in the past six weeks to underscore their opposition to Arab-Israeli peace talks. The talks resumed this week in Washington, D.C.

Two members of the South Lebanon Army, which Israel finances, arms and trains, were slightly injured when a roadside bomb exploded in the morning on the Rimat road in the Christian town of Jezzine.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Premier makes first visit in 31 years

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Chinese Premier Li Peng opened an official visit to India on Wednesday against a clamor of protest from Tibetan refugees demanding their country's freedom from Chinese rule.

Li's visit — the first by a Chinese premier in 31 years — brought together the leaders of 2 billion people, nearly one-third of humanity.

Both sides considered the occasion a milestone in relations, though neither expected to resolve the border dispute that led the world's two most populous nations to war in 1962.

Police said they arrested 230 people as helmeted officers broke up demonstrations with tear gas and bamboo staves and sealed off two Tibetan exile camps. About a dozen people were injured in the police actions, witnesses said.

One hundred more Tibetans and their Indian supporters have been put under preventative detention since Sunday.

"No one with a Mongolian face can go out on the road," complained Tashi Dhondup, a 24-year-old activist of the Tibetan Youth Congress.

Earlier, police shoved about 25 people, including four robed Buddhist monks, into jeeps at India Gate, a towering monument near government offices and Parliament. The incident happened five hours before Li was given an honor-guard welcome at the nearby presidential palace.

The arrests were denounced in Parliament by George Fernandes, of the opposition Janata Dal Party, who said his Indian secretary had been detained in an anti-Tibetan sweep.



AP Laserphoto

Chinese Premier Li Peng is greeted by his Indian counterpart P.V. Narasimha Rao Wednesday at the Presidential Palace in New Delhi. Indian police arrested more than 230 people at a pro-Tibet demonstration when the premier arrived.

Officials of the Dalai Lama's Tibetan government-in-exile — formed after China's army seized Tibet in 1950 — were exhorting his followers against violence.

"I told them they have to be peaceful. Prayers are stronger than the atom bomb," said Dawa Lapchu, the secretary of the Dalai Lama's office in New Delhi, after speaking to refugees who clustered around him.

The Dalai Lama, who won the 1989 Nobel Peace prize for his nonviolent campaign, is the spiritual leader of 6 million Tibetans.

The 56-year-old monk left the Indian capital Tuesday for his home in the Himalayan town of Dharmsala after the Chinese rejected an approach by his aides to set up a meeting between him and Li.

Officials expected the gains of the visit to be more symbolic than substantive.

It comes at a time when both countries are voicing dismay over the unchallenged dominance of the West following the collapse of communism in Europe.

Talks opening Thursday were likely to skirt the boundary quarrel along the 2,400-mile frontier.

Li gave no indication that he expected the dispute to be resolved soon. "Though the boundary issue remains outstanding, neither side wishes to see it become an obstacle" to better relations, he said in a prepared speech at a banquet.

Indian Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao agreed that "differences over the border created serious strains in our relationship.... This period is now behind us."

China says India is holding 36,000 square miles of its territory along India's eastern border. India says China is illegally occupying 14,500 square miles that it seized.

Serbian premier resigns; fighting continues

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Serbia's premier reportedly resigned Wednesday, amid an escalating economic crisis in the republic and growing conflicts with Germany and other members of the European Community.

Studio B TV said Dragutin Zelenovic, a moderate, described himself as a "peacetime premier" in the resignation letter he read during a private session of parliament.

His departure was likely to further undermine the position of Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic, whose popularity has plunged in the past month, according to opinion polls.

On the battlefield, fighting in the eastern Croatian stronghold of Osijek abated Wednesday after overnight shelling, but the army claimed that several Serb-held villages came under Croatian fire, violating a U.N. cease-fire.

The army said 24 Serbs were killed in the village of Divos, 10 miles south of Osijek. There were few details and the report could not be confirmed.

Milosevic, a former Communist, is the leading proponent of the war against Croatia that is being fought by Serb irregulars and the Serb-dominated federal army.

More than one third of Croatia has fallen to the Serbs since fighting broke out after Croatia declared independence June 25. Thousands of people have been killed.

Croatia's leaders view the war as a land grab by Serbia, the largest Yugoslav republic, and say it is inspired by Milosevic's demagogic aspirations. Western Europe increasingly blames Serbia for the war, and Germany and others have said they will recognize Croatia's independence soon.

Serbia's leading opposition movement blasted Milosevic for comments Tuesday in which he declared that Serbia would have to combat "dark, conservative" forces in Europe.

The Serbian Renewal Movement said Milosevic "has declared that Europe's most important countries are fascist, and is pushing Serbia into a war against all of them."

European economic sanctions are taking a growing toll in Serbia. Unemployment, which already stood at 17 percent a year ago, is rising, industrial production is down and the republic has been printing large amounts of money, boosting inflation.

The Belgrade-based Tanjug news agency said the government planned to ban German planes, trucks and ships from the country starting next week to retaliate for a similar step ordered by Germany against Serbia and its ally Montenegro. The German ban became effective Tuesday.

Meanwhile, fighting also was reported around the towns of Pakrac, Daruvar and Lipik, the army said. Radio Zagreb reported that 13 villages had been recaptured by Croatian forces.

Fighting has continued despite a cease-fire resolution agreed upon Nov. 23. The United Nations says it won't send peacekeepers to Croatia until both sides hold their fire.

Croatian defense officials also reported fighting around Nova Gradiska and Novska on the main Zagreb-Belgrade highway, which is part of the central war front.

Researcher is optimistic about vaccine

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) — Luc Montagnier, the French pioneer researcher in AIDS, was quoted Wednesday as saying that a vaccine against the HIV virus that causes the disease probably will be available in five years.

Montagnier, director of the Pasteur Institute in Paris and the man credited with discovering the virus, told the German magazine Stern he was highly optimistic about the vaccine.

"For years we were groping in the dark, all attempts proved to be dead ends," Montagnier was quoted as saying.

"Now I see a great chance for a vaccine, which comes out of a part of the cover of the virus."

Asked how long it would take before the vaccine would be widely produced commercially, Montagnier was quoted as replying: "Not to make any hasty promises, you can count on five years."

He said the vaccine would be produced from a part of the HIV virus that does not spread the infection.

"It does not contain any genetic information, but it programs the immune system for the defense against all similar substances, therefore also against the real HIV-1, as soon as it appears in the blood," he was quoted as saying.

He said problems could arise in Africa, where the vaccine may not be effective against all variations of the virus that appear there.

Montagnier was also quoted as saying that industrial nations will have to help developing countries pay for the vaccine.

The human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome, which is fatal. AIDS attacks the body's immune system.

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Peace talks make little headway on two fronts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mideast peace talks made little headway Wednesday, with Israel and Syria stonewalled over territory while Israelis and Palestinians were stuck in a hallway, unable to decide how to enter the negotiating room.

Only the least publicized talks, between Israel and Lebanon, appeared to be inching forward on the second day of negotiations. "We are progressing bit by bit," said Uri Lubrani of the Israeli team.

Leaders of the Israeli, Palestinian and Jordanian groups twice during the day sat down on a sofa in a State Department corridor, but failed to agree on how to deal with the Palestinian demand they meet separately with the Israelis, not as part of a joint Palestine-Jordanian team.

"We're still in the corridor. We have not agreed on anything," a Palestinian delegate said after some six hours of talks during the day.

Earlier, Haidar Abdul Shafi, the chief Palestinian negotiator, said he had received a note from Elyakim Rubinstein, his Israeli counterpart, and returned to the State Department for the second round "hoping he has a positive response" to Palestinian proposals.

The Palestinians seek separate talks as part of a campaign to assert independence.

Israel, with apparent support from the Bush administration, is resisting because it would suggest Israel's recognition of a separate Palestine entity. The bickering over Palestinian representation is blocking negotiations over Israel's proposal for limited self-rule for the 1.7 million Palestinians who live on the West Bank and in Gaza.

Hanan Ashrawi, a Palestinian spokeswoman, said she was hopeful the dispute could be settled.

"We saw this morning an attempt to try and resolve the procedural issues and we are hopeful we will overcome the Israeli obstacles," she said.

Arab diplomatic sources said the Bush administration had offered a solution to the dispute but that the Palestinians had rejected it.

Still, the Syrians and all other delegations agreed to return to the State Department Thursday. The United States, with the Soviet Union, is co-hosting the peace talks, which are resuming after an opening round in Madrid, Spain, Oct. 30-Nov. 4.

Benjamin Netanyahu, Israel's chief spokesman, said Israel was prepared to begin talks on substantive issues. "The Palestinians, who have been in the corridor of peace for 43 years, should now want to enter the room," he said.

Syria made a muted threat to go home. After Israel refused again to withdraw from the Golan Heights, chief Syrian negotiator Muwaffak Allaf told reporters: "If we have no hopes for results we shall not stay."

But he added: "We still hope that maybe, at a certain moment, the other party would realize that its real interest is to try seriously to talk peace and not insist on keeping territories occupied by war."

Israel has held the strategic outpost since the 1967 Six-Day war and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has vowed not to give up it or other land captured from the Arabs. Israel villages routinely were attacked from the Golan Heights before the war.

"We are discussing, but there is still an insistence of rejecting that principle of land for peace," Allaf said. "We came to Washington in order to ... take steps to establish peace but the other side is still using its own tactics to delay such progress."

Joseph Ben-Aharon, the head of the Israeli delegation for the Syria talks, said the Syrians "are locked into a rigid position with emphasis exclusively on the issue of territory." He said the Syrians refused "to engage in a discussion of the elements of peace."

Israel suggested an afternoon session, but the Syrians refused, saying they would be back Thursday morning, Israeli officials said. Israeli official Yossi Olmert said the mood was so hostile that two Syrian diplomats refused to get into the elevator with an Israeli diplomat at the State Department.

Netanyahu, however, said the talks were "not without promise." On the second day, "the edge was taken off the frost... there was a creaking of smiles."

On a third front, Israel's talks with Lebanon are centered on the zone occupied within Lebanon by Israel and Lebanese allies in order to block guerrilla attacks on Israel.

Palestinian leader harshly criticizes Israeli settlement

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian leader Faisal Husseini charged Wednesday that Israel's settlement policy in east Jerusalem and the occupied lands was obstructing peace and encouraging extremist factions.

He spoke as talks between Israel and a joint Palestinian-Jordanian delegation stalled for a second day in Washington over Palestinian insistence on meeting separately with Israel.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, whose government insists on meeting only with the joint delegation, said, "I think that these problems will be solved. ... I hope that today there will some progress on this issue."

Foreign Minister David Levy urged Israel's delegates to stay in Washington as long as they feel there is a chance for progress.

"Israel should not create a situation whereby we will abandon the talks," he said. "We have waited a long time for these meetings and we have to show both determination and openness."

In a separate statement, Shamir said he saw "great importance in the start of the talks in Washington, that despite the expected difficulties, we feel are moving forward."

Husseini, chief adviser to the Palestinian delegation in Washington, spoke to reporters after a Cabinet decision Sunday cleared the way for Jewish settlers to move into homes in east Jerusalem once their legal rights are established.

'We have waited a long time for these meetings and we have to show both determination and openness.'

— Foreign Minister, David Levy

He called the Jerusalem activity "one of the real provocative steps that the Israeli government is taking, trying to destroy the whole idea behind the peace conference, not only here in Silwan, but in other places in Palestine."

Jewish settlers tried to take over six houses in Silwan last October, but were ordered out by police as a security precaution. Israel's attorney general is expected to issue an opinion on the settlers' legal rights next week.

Silwan is in east Jerusalem, which Israel annexed after capturing it from Jordan in the 1967 Mideast war. Palestinians want east Jerusalem as the capital of their would-be state.

Israel also has continued to build and expand Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, where Palestinians hope to achieve statehood.

Husseini said Israel's actions — "killing people, demolishing houses, confiscating lands, settling" — are encouraging extremist Palestinian factions.

"We will not be able to defend the peace process ... they are provoking our people, they are pushing our people to use also other means out of the negotiating table and this is a dangerous thing," Husseini warned.

Later Wednesday an assailant fired on the car of a Jewish settler near the West Bank settlement of Alon Moreh, slightly scratching one passenger, the army command said. A settler told army radio a stone barricade blocked the car and 20 shots were fired at the settlers.

The settler movement Gush Emunim asked the government to recall Israel's delegation in light of the attack and break contact with "the two-faced monster called the Palestine Liberation Organization," Israel radio said.

Intellects hold debate on whether man is good

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Ninety of the world's leading intellects debated Wednesday whether humanity was using its brains to improve the world. Yes, they decided, but the vote was close.

Half of about 90 Nobel laureates upheld the proposition that "mankind is, on balance, harnessing its intelligence to build a better world." Roughly 40 percent took the pessimistic view, and the rest couldn't decide in the vote by show of hands.

Past Nobel winners in physics, chemistry, medicine, economics, literature and peace discussed the issue for two hours in the last major event of a 90th anniversary celebration of the Nobel prizes.

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The debating Nobelists brought up many of the ways that technological and intellectual activity have become more of a bane than boon to Earth's inhabitants.

American physicist Henry Kendall, a leading member of the Union of Concerned Scientists, warned of an "environmental disaster" if mismanagement of resources and overpopulation persist.

An overriding concern among the laureates was mankind's failure to slow the birth rate and consumption of the planet's resources by the growing population.

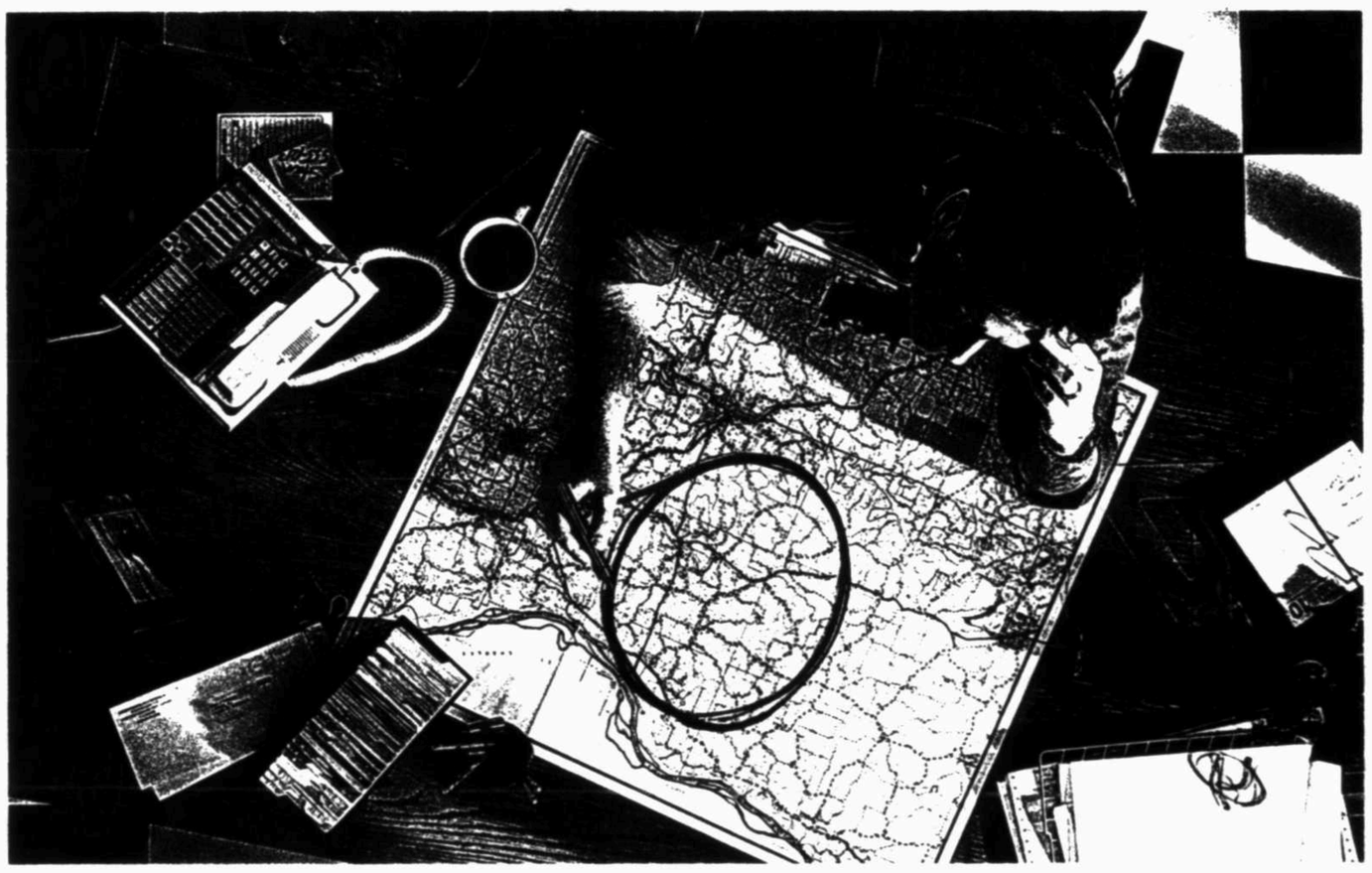
"It we do not stop it, we will bequeath a mutilated world, an act we will never be forgiven" for, said Kendall, winner of the 1990 physics prize.

"The decade ahead of us is critical."

"My concern is if the human race can organize itself to avoid destruction," said American economist Milton Friedman, a 1976 laureate. He and Kendall voted no to the proposition.

The vote was held for the taping of "The Great Nobel Debate," a television event hosted by interviewer David Frost and planned for broadcast in the United States on Dec. 27.

Canadian John Polyani, a 1986 physics prize winner, who voted 'yes,' said his optimism was "based on the fact that man can learn."



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Don't be blinded by a 'Phoenix'

The events of this week in Moscow have given the West a better indication of what is transpiring there even though the final restructuring of Soviet power may not be known for months or even years.

Action by the leaders of Russia, Byelorussia and the Ukraine to form a commonwealth of independent republics on the ashes of the Soviet empire was predictable since it has been known for weeks that Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was being stripped of power in the "revolution" gripping what has been known for 70 years as the Soviet Union. Many of the other republics have been vying for their freedom from the Soviet Union for decades.

That is the one major problem facing Russian Republic President Boris Yeltsin or any other leader who hopes to hold the numerous people of different backgrounds together as a "nation," although earlier this week Yeltsin reported other republics to be interested in joining the commonwealth.

If the commonwealth idea survives it could relieve for the United States concerns about the Soviet military and, particularly, about nuclear weaponry. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney has been telling reporters that the United States has been growing increasingly concerned about the nuclear weapons — and with good reason.

Not knowing who holds control of those weapons could put the United States in an extremely delicate position. For now all appears secure since Gorbachev has been left in charge of the military for the time being. But that leaves an awfully open-ended arrangement for the future since Gorbachev is virtually powerless and may be on his way out of the picture.

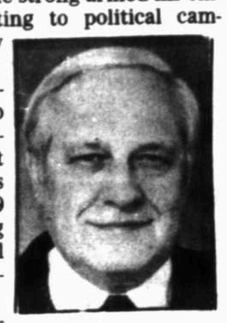
Like the Phoenix of Greek mythology, the new government that will arise from the ashes of world communism could spell a rebirth of all that was evil and vicious about the old Soviet Union. It will be up to Yeltsin and the other leaders of the former Soviet republics to ensure that more than the outer appearance of government in the Soviet Union is changed.

The lessons learned at the hand of Soviet Communists for seven decades must not be forgotten. The nations of the world must hold the new commonwealth to the criteria established for the leaders of the Soviet Union: don't accept their words at face-value alone; watch their actions, too.

JACK ANDERSON

Justice probes S&L kingpin's PACs

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department has turned its sights on Florida savings and loan kingpin David Paul to determine whether he strong-armed his employees into contributing to political campaigns so he could buy influence in Congress.



Anderson

Paul's CenTrust savings and loan had two political action committees that doled out $328,000 to politicians from 1986 through 1989 when Paul was buying time to keep federal regulators from shutting down CenTrust.

When the thrift finally collapsed, it went under with $1.7 billion in debts that the taxpayers will have to cover. The government wants Paul to pay $30 million in restitution.

He has been under investigation by several federal agencies for the way he ran CenTrust. Now the Justice Department's Office of Public Integrity recently opened a probe that takes a closer look at how Paul ran his PACs.

The results of the investigation could affect the ongoing debate on whether PACs should be outlawed because they allow special-interest money to control Congress. Two Democratic presidential candidates — Jerry Brown and Paul Tsongas — have already said they will not take PAC money, setting an ethical litmus test for the upcoming election.

Paul's role in the S&L drama has been overshadowed by the more famous bandit, Charles Keating. But Paul's modus operandi mimicked Keating in many ways. He shared Keating's passion for bathing himself in luxury. He also shared Keating's talent for investing in powerful senators. They both blamed overzealous federal regulators for their problems.

And, our sources indicate, they both leaned on their employees to contribute to political causes when their own contributions had reached the maximum allowed under the law.

Federal election rules say that the heads of corporate PACs cannot pressure their employees to give money to those PACs. Our associate Jim Lynch has seen some of Paul's internal documents which reveal that, at the very least, he kept close tabs on which employees supported his political agenda.

A March 31, 1987, memo to Paul from his political secretary listed the names of CenTrust officers who had not contributed to the PACs. The secretary wrote, "Although I understand that these contributions are voluntary, I do feel that it is something which should be brought to your attention periodically."

Another memo on Oct. 11, 1988, gave Paul a list of executives who "didn't make significant contributions" to a CenTrust PAC. A November 1988 memo to all CenTrust officers reminded them to make their "voluntary" contributions to the PAC.

The Justice Department is sifting through allegations that Paul dished out bonuses to his employees with the implicit instruction that the money should be passed on to the PACs. One of CenTrust's former vice presidents told bank regulators that the CenTrust PAC was "tied to and deducted from yearly bonuses." The executive called it an "unwritten law" that all executives would contribute to both of Paul's PACs. Regulators were also told that Paul pressured his employees to make independent donations to candidates in addition to putting money in the PACs for him to pass along.

Our sources say that Keating used similar strategies to maximize the money he channeled to politicians.

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GEORGE WILL

Buchanan acts as 'Irish confetti' for Bush

WASHINGTON — Pat Buchanan is "Irish confetti" for George Bush. Parts of Manhattan were paved with extremely hard Belgian stones (Romans used such stones on the Appian Way), which first served as ballast in lightly loaded ships coming to America. Irish immigrants, including some as turbulent as their descendant Buchanan, expressed disagreements with cops by chucking Belgian stones at them. The cops called these bone-breaking showers "Irish confetti."



Will

Buchanan, the pugnacious political aide (to Presidents Nixon and Reagan) and commentator, is challenging Bush for the Republican nomination, beginning in New Hampshire, where a Boston Globe poll gives Bush an approval-disapproval rating of 42-47. Buchanan may be particularly troubling to Bush because he is two things Bush is not: articulate and ideological.

Consider Buchanan's budget-cutting strategy. It is to propose deep cuts and when Congress rejects them, to veto Congress' appropriations bills or continuing resolutions. The result will be havoc, recrimination, polarization: President Buchanan will be in his element. Then the government shuts down. Bliss! Social Security recipients raise hell. Buchanan tells Congress: I'll sign only what it takes to keep Social Security flowing.

Buchanan favors "the politics of confrontation. Consensus, compromise haven't done it for 25 years. Why not try something new." Grab a stone.

Buchanan's style may appeal to working class and lower-middle class former Democrats who recently have voted Republican and now, polls show, are the most disaffected Americans.

Furthermore, one function of insurgent candidacies, within and outside the two parties, from Robert La Follette, Eugene Debs and Norman Thomas through George Wallace and Eugene McCarthy, is to put topics on the table that more conventional politicians are too timid to touch. One such topic today is immigration. It brings out Buchanan's strength — his eagerness to talk about whatever is troubling people — and his weakness: Do not expect from him nuances of thought or delicacy of expression.

He correctly warns that there can come a point when indiscriminate diversity in a population produces national incoherence by blurring identity and diluting community feelings. He is right that "culture, language, background are not illegitimate criteria for us to discuss when we discuss legal immigration."

But it won't do to say, as he does, that a million English immigrants would be easier for Virginia to assimilate than a million Zulus. The English are not knocking at the door. The real policy questions concern people of many other cultures.

Besides, Buchanan evidently does not understand what distinguishes American nationality — and should rescue our nationalism from nativism. Ours is, as the first Republican president said, a nation dedicated to a proposition. Becoming an American is an act of political assent, not a matter of membership in any inherently privileged or especially appropriate group, Caucasian or otherwise. His most lurid liability is his wrong, sometimes mean and occasionally crackpot ideas regarding Israel, the Holocaust and the politics of American Jews. These ideas will not matter immediately for three reasons: The Jewish vote is not crucial in Republican presidential primaries; no foreign policy questions will be central just now; and Bush is semi-Buchananesque regarding Israel.

Bush has made the executive branch into a megaphone to turn American attitudes against Israel. Besides, voters will, at least initially, look at Buchanan not as a potential president but as a megaphone for hollering in Bush's ear.

Bush may come to envy New York's 19th century cops. They got the city to put asphalt over the Belgian stones. Bush's solution to his "Irish confetti" problem may not be so simple.

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LETTERS

Diet information available at IHF

In one of her past articles, Myra Lee Salcedo mentioned children with Attention Deficit Disorders and hyperactivity. I've been interested in children with these problems over two decades and I'm writing to comment.

Counseling, behavior management and educational therapy are important parts of a therapeutic program for these children and their families. Ritalin and other medications also help most ADHD children settle down and pay attention. No doubt about it.

In so doing, these medications are a godsend to parents and teachers. When the impulsive, inattentive, irritable child settles down and pays attention, his school work and his behavior at home, at school and in the neighborhood also improves.

But, recent reports in the medical literature show that over half of these hyperactive children are helped by changing their diets. Moreover, many of them are sensitive to some of their favorite foods, including milk, wheat, corn, eggs and sugar. Uncovering the troublemakers is safe and simple but does require some detective work.

Instructions for carrying out a one week elimination/challenge diet, excerpts of four reports from the medical literature and other materials are available from the IRS-approved, International Health Foundation. Readers of the Reporter-Telegram can obtain this information by sending a long SASE (2 stamps) and $2 to IHF, Box 3494-H, Jackson, TN 38303.

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We should all show respect for our flag

I'm just sharing my personal feelings, but I know there are a lot of other people who feel the same way.

I fought for the American flag for 30 some odd years and it just breaks my heart when people don't show respect for that flag.

As a member of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse, I've carried the flag and watched as the flag was carried in parades, and the people along the way didn't salute or show any respect whatsoever for the flag. A major in the National Guard or the regular Army stood by without saluting as I passed within four feet of him in the Roswell, N.M. parade. He should have known better.

Two times lately, I've passed by and seen retired people salute, and I've saluted back even if it was with my left hand. (I was carrying the flag in my right hand.)

When the flag goes by, if you're sitting down, you ought to stand up; and men should remove their hats.

It's our flag.

Dick White

Ruidoso, N.M.

WILLIAM MURCHISON

And so another newspaper shuts down

I had a job to come to this morning, and a place to write this, and I reflected: This was infinitely more than could be said for my brothers and sisters at the late Dallas Times Herald. The Herald expired Sunday of economic sclerosis. The funeral rites are free-form and ongoing. Indulge me while I rise from my seat with the family and claim the pulpit for a moment or two.



Murchison

I sit in the family pew by virtue of long membership in the Times Herald alumni association. The Herald took me on 25 years ago — March 16, 1966. I stayed for seven and a half years, as, serially, oil editor/business writer, general assignments reporter, religion writer, statehouse correspondent and editorial writer/columnist.

These were good times. The newspaper business was good, if underpaid at $135 a week. We loved what we were doing, and we loved — in that cynical, hard-boiled newspaper way of ours — each other. We were part of a great enterprise, that of telling readers what goes on, speaking secrets aloud, informing, illuminating, admonishing, castigating. I had trained in college to profess Southern history. The Times Herald newsroom wove its spell, and I never emerged from beneath it.

All right; enough snuffling. We are grown up around here. These things happen. The world goes on, and anyway I promised that my time in the pulpit would be brief. One thing more needs saying, nonetheless. It is that an unsettling trend is underway throughout society, and that this very trend contributed greatly to the Herald's demise, and that the trend is increasing, not slackening, and we must do something.

People simply seem not to depend on newspapers in the degree they formerly did; indeed, they seem not to depend on the printed word — whether it is newspapers, books or magazines — for information, edification, amusement. Or, if they do, it is for narrow purposes, as contrasted with the broad purposes served by the mass-circulation newspaper.

Circulation of printed journals rises in absolute numbers; as a proportion of total population, it declines. The printed word is — well, not dying exactly, but slipping from view. The Times Herald was a victim of the tendency to get one's news and views from the airwaves — or simply not to bother. We journalists are vendors of words, as St. Augustine put it; the market for our product, alas, is declining. Quickly — when was the last time you caught your teen-ager sprawled on his bed with a newspaper or, save the mark, a book; a book unassigned to him, a book chosen for its pleasure-giving capacities? You probably noted the occasion on the family calendar, so monumental it seemed.

Basic literacy in this, our nation, is on the wane. The problem is not the ability to read and write. The problem is the desire to do so, and the fault is — whose? Television's? The schools'? The home's? A little of each, probably. Television is everywhere, an ever-subtle temptation; the schools, in the '60s, moved from reading and writing to experiential learning; parents probably don't adequately police the tube or enforce homework assignments. Maybe, for that matter, our product isn't all it ought to be. I don't know.

But I ask: What is more glorious than reading? Unless it is writing for reading? And what binds us more securely as a society than the printed word? The printed word is well-nigh imperishable; the spoken word is of the air itself; even taped, it loses accessibility. We have Homer's words, Virgil's words and Shakespeare's and Milton's and Mencken's and Reston's because they wrote them down, and others preserved them. Where will Ted Koppel's words end up?

Another newspaper gone and the world's supply of words correspondingly diminished. The pain is intense. We must do something. Yes, we must. But what?

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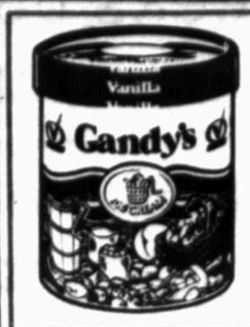




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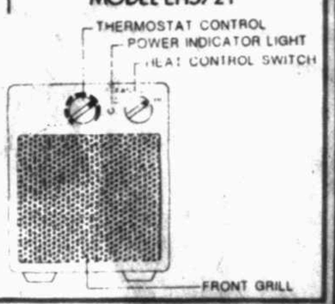
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Prosecutor seeks death penalty for sniper

CALIFORNIA, Mo. (AP) — Some acquaintances of a man charged with murdering three law officers and a sheriff's wife said Wednesday the military-trained sniper was friendly and mild-mannered. Others said his stepdaughter complained of abuse.

Moniteau County prosecutor John Kay, who said Wednesday he'll seek the death penalty for his former schoolmate James R. Johnson, said he saw nothing that might have foreshadowed violence.

"He was in my opinion a very normal, quiet individual, as I've known him through the years," Kay said.

Johnson, 42, a National Guard mechanic, sat impassively at a brief court hearing Wednesday as the charges — four counts of first-degree murder and one of first-degree assault on a law enforcement officer — were read. He faces life in prison without parole or death by injection if convicted of murder.

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Johnson allegedly killed Leslie Roark, 27, a Moniteau County deputy sent to the Johnson home in nearby Jamestown in central Missouri on Monday night to answer a domestic complaint.

While Sheriff Kenny Jones went to help Roark, Johnson went to Jones' home and killed the sheriff's wife, Pam Jones, 38, as she led a prayer meeting, police said.

Mrs. Jones was a teacher whose students included Johnson's stepdaughter. But Columbia police Capt. Chris Egbert, spokesman for the Mid-Missouri Major Case Squad, said he doesn't believe the assailant was looking for Mrs. Jones.

"She happened to be there. The sheriff wasn't there, so he took it out on his wife," Egbert said.

Then, early Tuesday, Deputy Russell Borts, 29, was shot at his home near the Moniteau sheriff's office after he returned from investigating the death of Mrs. Jones.

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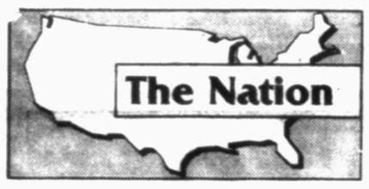
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Reform candidate appears to win Teamsters union president's post

WASHINGTON (AP) — Teamsters reform candidate Ron Carey appeared headed to victory Wednesday in a historic Justice Department-ordered election aimed at ridding the nation's largest union of mob influence.

Carey, who has headed a United Parcel Service local in New York for two decades, overwhelmed his chief opponent for the union's presidency, R.V. Durham, in the early voting, according to results released by the court-appointed officer overseeing the election.

By Wednesday afternoon, Carey had 34,632 votes, or 54 percent of the ballots counted; Durham had 23,112 votes, or 36 percent; and longshot candidate Walter Shea had 6,575 votes, or 10 percent.

The 64,000 counted ballots represent about 16 percent of the expected total. Of the 1.6 million Teamsters eligible to vote, about 400,000 were estimated to have cast ballots. Final results were not expected until this weekend.

A source close to Durham, long considered the front-runner, said Carey had amassed an early insurmountable lead. Durham, a vice president of the international union since 1989, had the support of retiring Teamsters President William McCarthy.

"It's over," said the Durham source, who asked for anonymity. The votes that had been counted were "a good sampling" and represented bell-weather union locals, said both the Durham source and another, neutral source close to the vote process.

The election, the first ever rank-and-file vote in the Teamsters' 89-year history, was the biggest election in U.S. labor history.

The union agreed to the election to settle a massive racketeering lawsuit the Justice Department filed in 1988 alleging that the Teamsters' leadership had made a "devil's pact" with the mob.

Previously, presidents of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, such as Jimmy Hoffa, Roy Williams and Jackie Presser, were elevated to the top job by a small group of union insiders.

None of the candidates were at the downtown Washington office building where the votes were being counted amid tight security, but each campaign had aides on hand keeping tallies as the results were released.

A spokesman for Carey, Ed Burke, stopped short of declaring victory but said, "We obviously are pleasantly pleased with the progress."

Later results provided by the Carey campaign showed that his trend held up. He had about 50,000 votes compared to Durham's 34,000 and Shea's 16,000, with about 135 locals counted. That would be more like 25 percent of the vote.

Carey had contended during the campaign that he was embroiled in a "David and Goliath" battle with Durham, the head of a Greensboro, N.C., local for 25 years who had the backing of the union's hierarchy.

Besides pledging to purge the union of corruption, hefty salaries and private jets, Carey had campaigned on a promise to negotiate lucrative contracts.

Teamsters for a Democratic Union, a dissident group based in Detroit, had backed Carey even though he was not a member of the faction.

Ken Paff, an organizer for that group, said the early results indicate "a major victory" for Teamsters members who have long clamored for reform. "The grass roots movement had more power than all the money and power and apparatus that the insiders had."

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Consultants propose long-term airport expansion

■ **Firm studies land acquisition in high-noise zones and future development of the terminal and runway systems.**

By Debbie Lincecum
Staff Writer

Midland International Airport consultants proposed land acquisition in high-noise areas and long-term expansion of the terminal and runway system Wednesday.

Representatives of Barnard Dunkelberg & Co. told airport advisory board members and city staffers two projects — a noise abatement study and a long-range development plan — are more than half completed.

"The uniqueness of the airport is its potential," said Mark McFarland of the Tulsa, Okla., consulting firm. "Because of surrounding land uses that are very compatible, the airport does have unlimited development potential."

Many plans to meet that potential involve the airport growing in size, and are designed to meet expected increases in passengers, airline carriers, general aviation use and military operations.

"These are all demand-driven recommendations," McFarland said. "The entire master plan is demand-driven, based on the potential need."

The long-range plan does not affect the recent controversy surrounding replacement of the existing terminal using a passenger enplanement fee. City officials have indicated that proposal has been put on hold indefinitely, due in part to a lack of public support.

Noise reduction recommendations could be implemented within the next few years, consultants said. Because the study found about 22 homes located inside an area of high noise concentration, consultants suggest the airport purchase about 11 acres between I-20 and U.S. 80, just southeast of the airport.

The plan would leave only one home in the high-noise area, a ranch house northwest of the terminal building. Consultants have recommended acquiring an "aviation easement" for that home, documenting the residents' understanding of the noise and relieving the city of noise-related liability.

Funds for the acquisition process would come from the FAA, officials said.

"There's a very specific procedure for land acquisition," said consultant Ryk Dunkelberg. "We must get three appraisals, and pay for not only the land acquisition cost but also provide relocation money."

Because all residents of the area may

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Students present holiday programs

Staff Report

Each holiday season, the public schools offer a variety of entertainment for Midlanders, from concerts to plays, from contemporary music to traditional Christmas songs.

Beginning today, students will be performing in various Midland locations.

Sam Houston Elementary School's strings and choir students will perform at 11:30 a.m. today in Midland College's student union building.

A list of additional performances follows:

FRIDAY

DeZavala sixth-grade choral students will perform at 12:15 p.m. in NCNB, 303 W. Wall.

Washington orchestra students will perform at noon in the Clay-Desta Atrium, 6 Desta Drive.

San Jacinto Junior High school students will perform a holiday play during school hours at Bowie Elementary, corner of Elk and N. "A." The public is invited to attend.

Bush Elementary school pupils will end their food drive today. The school is serving as a collection point for the for Salvation Army. Food may be dropped off during school hours at the school, 5001 Preston.

MONDAY

Through Dec. 20, another food drive for the Salvation Army is being conducted during school hours at Crockett Elementary, 401 E. Parker.

TUESDAY

Midland High School band, stage band and orchestra will perform an instrumental concert 7:30 p.m. at MHS, 906 W. Illinois.

Lee High School choral and orchestral ensembles will perform 7:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas.

Emerson orchestral students will present a 1:15 p.m. concert at Henderson Elementary, 4800 Graceland.

Second-graders at Crockett Elementary, 401 E. Parker, will present a 7 p.m. holiday program.

Fifth-graders at Bowie Elementary, corner of Elk, and N. "A," will present a 7 p.m. holiday program.

Bonham first-graders will present a 7 p.m. holiday program at the school, corner of Cuthbert and Bonham Streets.

KNFM will broadcast, "Learning to Give — One Child's Gift to Another," at K mart, 340 N. Midland Dr. The broadcast will feature a drive to provide gifts and Christmas trees to needy DeZavala

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Spirit symbols washed away

Lee High School custodians Ricky Gamboa and Joe Porras remove school spirit symbols from school windows Wednesday. The drawings were part of the support for the football team, which was defeated last Saturday by Odessa Permian in the state playoffs, 35-7.

Bruner announces candidacy for judge

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Attorney and Midland County hospital district board member Tom Bruner Wednesday announced his candidacy for the Republican Party nomination for 142nd District Court judge.

"I believe my maturity and temperament are well-suited for a judicial role," Bruner said before a group of supporters and members of the media in the County Commissioners' Courtroom.

Bruner also stressed his law experience and civic dedication to the community.

"I think I've tried to work on every endeavor in Midland from Christmas in April to picking up trash on the highway," said Bruner, an attorney with the law firm Boldrick & Clifton.

Bruner, 48, is the third candidate — all Republicans — to announce for the district judge post. Attorney George D. "Jody" Gilles and Assistant District Attorney Robin Malone Sams announced earlier.

Judge Pat Baskin, who will have held the position for 12 years at the end of his term, has said he will not seek re-election.

Candidates have until Jan. 2 to officially file for the position. Primaries are scheduled for March 10.

Bruner has served on the Midland County hospital board of directors for two years. His service in that capacity will expire in May 1992.

In addition, Bruner previously was on Memorial Hospital's board of trustees for 11 years.

In the field of law, Bruner has been with Boldrick & Clifton since 1986.

From 1975 — when he moved to Midland — until 1986, Bruner was an executive vice president and trust officer for Texas American Bank. Prior to that, he worked for



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Tom Bruner

banks in Abilene and El Paso.

His civil trial practice has been primarily in the areas of family law, business and probate litigation, according to a news release.

Bruner graduated from the University of Texas School of Law in 1972 and from the University of Texas in Austin in 1969.

He served with the U.S. Navy in Vietnam from 1964-65.

At Wednesday's press conference, Bruner was accompanied by his wife Barbara Gilmore Bruner. The couple have two sons, Michael and Marc, and Ms. Bruner, a daughter, Julie Douglas.

Valencia seeks second term

■ **Precinct 3 commissioner says her budget decisions were for the good of the taxpayers.**

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Louisa Valencia, though contending with a difficult county budget and a county beset by discord, is seeking re-election to a second four-year term as Midland County commissioner for Precinct 3.



Valencia

"After holding office for three years," Mrs. Valencia said Wednesday, "I feel I have done what I was elected to do ... get the most for every tax dollar."

In doing so, the Commissioners' Court has become unpopular with some county departments, particularly Sheriff Gary Painter's 156-member office and Tax Assessor-Collector Frances Shuffield's 23-person office.

The Commissioners' Court has viewed those cuts as reflecting fiscal responsibility and accountability and trying to get the most out of the county's $18.5-million budget or, adding in $3.2-million in projected surpluses, $21.7 million.

"We made the cuts in order to keep the budget down and in order to keep the tax increase down," Mrs. Valencia said of the 1991 budget study.

Even so, the county tax rate increased to 22.75 cents per $100 valuation from 18 cents. The 4.75-cent increase represents a 26.38 percent tax increase. Much of that increase was for funds to operate the county's two jails.

However, Painter and Mrs. Shuffield have viewed those cuts as attempts to control them or, at least, to limit their power.

"I felt that we did what we had to do," Mrs. Valencia said. "It was one of the hardest budgets (to balance) that I had ever seen. I don't feel that I did anything wrong ... in trimming departmental budgets. Some departments didn't get what they wanted."

Mrs. Valencia indicated that she has no intention of trying to tell another elected official how to operate his or her office and who to name to what post.

However, the five-member Commissioners' Court determines by how much each of the county's various departments will be funded.

Mrs. Valencia is seeking the Democratic Party's nomination for the post which she has held since 1989 after she defeated the incumbent, Scott Welch, in the primary election.

So far, Mrs. Valencia, 59, has drawn only one contender, 45-year-old Jo Ann Carr, a Republican, for the $28,000-a-year-post.

If Mrs. Valencia gets re-elected, she will be the first Precinct 3 commissioner to win a bid for re-election since Democrat Clark Moreland last served in that post in 1972. Since then, one-term commissioners, all Democrats, have been John Thomas, Jack Leonard,

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ED TODD

History helps us see what is really important today

As time moves on, the past bleeds into the present.

And you've got to pursue those bygone days to catch up with today.

That seems to be the case with any situation, particularly with World War II, which isn't *that* far away in time.



Todd

How did we get to here from there and, good or bad, how did we get in the shape we're in worldwide and here at home?

In one fashion or another, the world is always in upheaval. If it's not in a fighting war, it's in a cold war. If there is peace on the horizon, economic upheavals crop up. Reforms are carried out, at least attempted. The economy gets inflated, becomes stabilized, and then gets deflated.

In peace or war, somebody always is trying to pinch a penny or is trying to run somebody else's business when theirs is running amuck.

Or if they are doing nothing in particular, they are groping for some sort of entertainment face-to-face with the television set, driving over to a movie, bar hopping, chasing skirts (or pants), or doing a thousand and one things in times of idleness.

And then there is work, which fuels the paycheck, which buys the groceries, pays the bills, and makes the car and mortgage payments. And if there is anything left over, maybe the preacher will hear coins rattling in the offering plates and maybe the banker will be entrusted with a few dollars to build on and to lend out.

The business of the world goes on and on.

And so it did back in the Second World War dating back to the 1930s and the 1940s.

For many of the men and women who served in that global war overseas and on the home front, it is only a moment away in time.

"It seems only like yesterday," some old veterans have said in amazement. Their youth faded so quickly. Many were young in years and old in experience and long on battle-scarred wisdom.

To the mind, the past can be so very real — the joys, the sorrows, the thrills, the laments, the humdrum, the interesting, the bizarre, the ordinary.

It has been written again and again that World War II was the "last good war." And it has been written that "there is no good war."

War, after all, is built on death and destruction. Victory or defeat is their aftermath.

War is not a rational, practical, or sane way to resolve disputes. But, good or bad, it has been effective in subduing "evil" that ravaged lands and sought to enslave nations of people — to deny people their freedoms.

War is despicable. It is borne out of the lust for power and avarice or something called "national destiny" or some other rhetoric.

Its makers ignore the sensitivities of others. They have no sense for equality and no respect for others. The makers of war have no idea how vain they are.

To historians, scholars, and history buffs, the maze of events leading up to World War II, the personalities shaping policies and intrigue, how the war on the various fronts was handled, and how post-war political and national lines were drawn make for captivating study.

It, too, is fascinating to learn of stories of a people united to combat an enemy perceived as evil. It is heartening to know that heroes and legends are still in people, that people, men and women, can be catapulted to great personal heights — to do their best and more — at times of crisis. Nobility hasn't died.

It is good to review the past, as best as often-imprecise history will allow, and somehow to figure out what *in the world* is the human race up to. It seems that mankind always ends up warring in some form or another and, after it is all over, wonders why things could not have been worked out in the first place.

War is crude and barbaric, even with sophisticated weaponry, and is quite uncivilized in a supposedly civilized world.

Mankind needs time to reflect and to consider what *really* is important in life. There are lots of pulls and tugs out there, especially when it comes to the flesh and to greed and other appetites. But what really counts goes beyond those temporal desires. It is, above all, kindness.

Ed Todd is a staff writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

DEATHS

Ruby Watford

Interment for Ruby Franklin Watford, 95, a 40-year resident of Midland County, will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Resthaven Memorial Park with Ellis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Watford died Tuesday at a Clifton nursing home following a lengthy illness.

She was born Oct. 13, 1896, at Honey Creek in Hamilton County.

Mrs. Watford, and her husband, Hardy Watford, taught in rural schools in Mitchell and Midland counties for several years. She later became a nurse's aide at the Old Western Clinic Hospital and for more than 10 years at Midland Memorial Hospital. She also worked as a private duty nurse well into her 70s.

In 1972, she moved to her daughter's farm near Mount Calm.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1954.

Mrs. Watford's parents were pioneers of Colorado City.

She was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Midland for many years and of the First Baptist Church in Mount Calm.

Survivors include her son, George F. Watford of Houston; two daughters, Margaret Bass of Mount Calm and Rebecca Yarbough of Clifton; a sister, Mary Womack of Clifton; nine grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family has requested memorials be directed to Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home, 300 S. Avenue Q., Clifton, Texas 76634 or First Baptist Church, Mount Calm, Texas 76673.

Edward Petersen

Services for Edward Thomas 'Ed' Petersen of Midland are set for 3 p.m. Friday at Ellis Chapel with the Rev. Ray Johansen, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday at a Houston hospital.

He was born on March 29, 1933, in Bennington, Neb., and graduated from high school in Benson, Neb., a suburb of Omaha.

He met Joan Hollander while in high school, and they were married on March 29, 1952, in Omaha, Neb. The family lived in Nebraska until 1971 when they moved to Fort Stockton.

While in Fort Stockton he was with Creole Production. In 1981 they moved to Midland, and he worked with Enron for 4½ years before becoming an independent consultant. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church and the Eagles.

Survivors include his wife, Joan Petersen of Midland; a son, Larry T. Petersen of Midland; four daughters, Connie Fordham of Canyon, Kim Woodard of Midland, Tracy Turpin of Round Rock and Joni Weddle of Midland; four sisters, Donna Hamilton of Bellvue, Neb., Ruth Callan of Wahoo, Neb., Evelyn Damewood of Omaha, Neb., and Myrtle Murray of Montgomery, Ala.; and 11 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be directed to a favorite charity.

Will Grosse

Services for Will A. Grosse of Midland are set for 3 p.m. today at Ellis Chapel with James Otterness, pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church, officiating. Graveside services are set for 3 p.m. Friday at the Holland Cemetery in Holland.

He died Tuesday at a local hospital.

He was born on Oct. 12, 1924, in Bartlett. After graduating from high school he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and attended the University of Texas and Notre Dame. He was commissioned as a lieutenant before his graduation in 1944. He then served in Japan on a mine sweeper. He later returned to the United States and worked as a party chief on a sysmic crew in Wyoming, Oklahoma, Kansas, North Dakota, South Dakota and Texas before coming to Midland in 1958.

He then went to work as a geophysicist for Atlantic Richfield. In 1964 he became a stockbroker and was the manager of Eppler, Guerin & Turner before his death.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbie Ruth Grosse of Midland; a daughter, Brenda Goth of Mission Viejo, Calif.; a brother, Alfred Cox of Dallas; a sister, Mary Louise Warren of Cedar Hill; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Cynthia Grosse in 1988.

Fred Rodriguez

A vigil prayer service for Fred Rodriguez of Midland will be held at 8 p.m. today in the Ellis Chapel. Mass will be recited at 10 a.m. Friday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with Father Domingo Estrada officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Rodriguez died Tuesday at a local hospital.

He was born on April 28, 1921, in Ft. Davis. He began working on area ranches as a ranch hand. In 1949 he came to Midland and worked as a foreman for South Texas Construction Company.

Survivors include seven sons, Alcario Rodriguez, Fred Rodriguez Jr., Blas Rodriguez, Raymond Rodriguez and Ralph Rodriguez, all of Midland, Robert Hernandez of Pecos and Ismael Paredes of Big Spring; five daughters, Lupe Bernal of Monahans, Monserette 'P.J.' Sanchez of Ft. Bragg, N.C., Monica Rodriguez of Midland and Maria Fuentes and Rita Ramirez, both of Odessa; a brother, Henry Rodriguez of Midland; four sisters, Aurora Calvert of Midland, Anita Patterson of Houston, Eva Chavez of Odessa and Candy Ybarra of El Paso; 28 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Samuel Cooper

ROOSEVELT, Okla. — A memorial service for former Midlander Samuel S. Cooper, 63, are set for Saturday in Roosevelt, Okla.

Cooper died Friday at his Santa Clara, Calif., home following a lengthy illness.

He was born Sept. 1, 1928, in Roosevelt.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving with the SEALs unit in Korea from 1944 to 1954.

Cooper moved to Midland in 1956 and owned Cooper Mud Co.

Survivors include his wife, Evangeline Cooper of Santa Clara; two sons, Dr. Greg Cooper of Midland and Jim Cooper of Tempe, Ariz.; two daughters, Samantha Cooper and Kathi Vester, both of Midland; two stepsons, Sammy Walker Orr of Kalispell, Mont. and Tommy Walker of Garland; three brothers, Jerry Cooper and Pete Cooper, both of Roosevelt and Harvey Cooper of Oklahoma City; three sisters, Dr. Alice Ferdinand of Peoria, Ill., Edith Stilson of Auburn, Calif., and Bertha Sells of Harlingen; two granddaughters and two grandsons.

Memorials should be directed to American Cancer Society.

Margaret Hicks

A vigil prayer service for Margaret Murphey Hicks is set for 6 p.m. today at Ellis Chapel. Mass will be at 9:30 a.m. Friday at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Fred Nawarskas officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hicks died Tuesday at a Dallas hospital.

She was born on Jan. 3, 1903, in Rule, Ark., to Finley Dillard Webb and Minnie Elsia Hague. Her family moved to Texas when she was seven years old. She married Henry D. Murphey in Little Rock, Ark., on Jan. 4, 1923. The family moved to Midland in 1945.

In May of 1990 she was preceded in death by her only daughter, Maggie Lee Coffield.

Survivors include two sons, Henry D. Murphey Jr. of Midland and John Willis Murphey of Addison; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Betty Compton

Services for Betty Compton of Stanton are set for 11 a.m. today at Ellis Chapel with the Rev. Lucian Rudd officiating. Graveside services are set for 1 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Park Cemetery in Big Spring.

She died Tuesday in San Angelo.

Essie Farris

Services for Essie M. Farris are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Wednesday at a local hospital.

LIST: Students perform

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Elementary area children. The event is sponsored by KNFM, K mart, the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Ward III of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

WEDNESDAY

Bowie fifth-grade choral and orchestra students will perform 11:30 a.m. in the ClayDesta Building atrium area, 6 Desta Drive.

DEC. 19

LHS and Lee Freshman High School bands will perform an instrumental concert 7 p.m. at LHS 3500 W. Neely.

The Santa Rita Singers will present a choral concert at 7 p.m. at the school, corner of Whitman Street and Bluebird Lane.

Sixth-grade Pease Elementary school students will present a concert and skits, 7:30 p.m. at the school, 1700 E. Magnolia.

DEC. 20

The choral concert "Oh, Tannenbaum" will be presented at 11:30 a.m. in the ClayDesta Building, atrium area, 6 Desta Drive. Almost 300 first-graders from Bonham, Scharbauer and Washington will perform.

Pair creates endowment

Staff Report

LUBBOCK — A former Coke County County couple has created the Vernon L. and Elizabeth K. Haggerton Endowed Chair in Neurology at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

The endowment which will support research in Alzheimer's disease, was announced recently by Texas Tech President Robert W. Lawless. The Texas Tech board of regents presented a plaque to honor the Haggertons for their $1 million gift to establish the endowed position.

The Haggertons retired in Lubbock after 50 years in farming and ranching in West Texas and eastern Oklahoma. They became interested in Alzheimer's disease after caring for Mrs. Haggerton's mother, an Alzheimer's patient, before her death.

Proceeds of the Haggerton endowment will be used to further Texas Tech research into the disease.

The Texas Tech neurology department is recognized for its program in the neurology of aging. Through the Texas Tech Alzheimer's Institute, the department provides a comprehensive center for patient care, education and research.

Alzheimer's, a progressive disease responsible for about 75 percent of the dementias in people over 65, causes the degeneration of brain cells.

Symptoms usually begin as forgetfulness and progress to permanent memory loss. By the disease's final stages, patients are severely disoriented and lack the mental capacity to care for themselves.

"Alzheimer's is a great tragedy, not only for the individual patient, but also for the family and other caregivers," Ms. Haggerton said. "It robs the aging person of memory, independence and the ability to perform simple tasks. It places a great burden on the family."

Radio station to 'freeze' host

Staff Report

An area radio personality will be "frozen alive" in a show of support for the Permian Basin Food Bank's "Hunger on Ice Food Drive."

Mike Lawrence, morning cohost on KGEE-FM, 99.9, will allow renowned hypnotist Dr. Silkini to place him inside 5,000 pounds of solid ice to "put a freeze on hunger."

The event is slated for 3 p.m. today at Performance Honda in Midland, and Lawrence will be performing his regular daily broadcasts from inside the mammoth block of ice. The demonstration will last 48 hours.

KGEE, Performance Honda and KTPX-TV (Channel 9) hope the event will raise money and collect food for the food bank as well as increase public awareness about hunger.

The public is requested to contribute two cans of food for admission.

For additional information, call Kacey Caldemeyer, KGEE, at 561-5499, or Dolly Neff, Permian Basin Food Bank, 580-6333.

Mauro announces essay contest

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro has announced that his office is organizing an essay contest worth $1,200 in college scholarships for high school juniors and seniors on the subject of the use of natural gas to run vehicles.

Money for the scholarships, ranging from $100 to $500, is being contributed by Energas, Entex-A Division of Arla Inc., Lone Star Gas Co; Rio Grande Gas Co.; and United Texas Transmission Co.

Deadline for essay entries is Feb. 15.

AIRPORT: Consultants study future expansions

(From 1B)

not be willing to move, the airport could buy land contingent upon the resident's future relocation, or make an agreement to buy the land when its current owner is agreeable or after his death.

Dunkelberg said as a future protection, they will ask the City Council to pass an ordinance prohibiting residential structures in high-noise zones. It would include the requirement that any commercial buildings built in the area be sound-proofed according to the anticipated noise level.

Among other recommendations, the company has suggested extending the northwest runway, shifting traffic — and the resulting noise — to that area of the airport. Consultants have also recommended setting up an office to monitor future noise complaints.

Long term development recommendations include extensions of most runways, including a possible 14,700 feet addition to the northwest cross-wind runway, known as 10/28, and construction of a new north-south runway.

The plan includes a new terminal building, and consultants have chosen to use the conceptual plan currently under consideration. It is a five-to-six operational gate, $29 million design that would be built directly behind the current structure.

For industrial and general aviation development, the consulting firm has identified two possible expansion areas — one to the east and one to the west of the airport.

A public hearing is planned for February to consider drafts of the noise study and master plan, when citizen comment will be recorded for submission to the FAA.

"It's an opportunity for the general public to comment on any recommendation," Dunkelberg said.

After the hearing, both documents will be available for public review and comment.

VALENCIA: Precinct 3 commissioner seeks a second term in office

(From 1B)

DeWayne Davis, Scott Welch, and, to date, Mrs. Valencia.

The precinct takes in south central Midland County and the southern and eastern sectors of the city of Midland.

In trimming the county's budget, the Commissioners' Court decreased the sheriff's budget, reassigned deputies and clerks by numbers and not by names, curtailed the sheriff's out-of-county reverse-sting drug operations, and reduced his fleet of county-maintained vehicles by a third.

The Commissioners' Court, in trying to persuade Mrs. Shuffield to relinquish her constitutionally-mandated duty of collecting taxing, implemented a plan to reduced her personnel by six deputy clerks. The court wants to assign county-tax collecting to the Midland Central Appraisal District to save on expenses.

Mrs. Shuffield is threatening to sue the Commissioners' Court for interfering in the carrying out of her duties.

By law, she can, however, give the Commissioners' Court permission to contract with the Appraisal District to collect county taxes. But the Commissioners' Court legally cannot force her to give up that right.

Painter, however, already has filed suit against the Commissioners' Court for interfering in the operation of his office.

Painter is asking a Texas state district court to nullify an Aug. 12, 1991, Commissioners' Court order which restricts the sheriff's operations.

Essentially, the Commissioners' Court's order told the sheriff to limit his investigative activities to Midland County. However, the five-member court allowed for exceptions, including cooperative agreements with other governments representing law-enforcement agencies.

Meanwhile, Midland County Attorney Mark H. Dettman is seeking an Attorney General's opinion on the sheriff's jurisdiction outside Midland County.

Since 1985, the sheriff, through his Operations Division Captain Clayton McKinney, has undertaken drug operation outside Midland County and into other states.

"Until this lawsuit is resolved," Mrs. Valencia said, "I don't think we will have very much harmony in the county. It is sad. It shouldn't be that way."

Mrs. Valencia said that the decisions which she made in budget study "have been my own" and that she has "not always gone with the majority of the court."

"I represent the taxpayers," she said, "and will continue to do so." The commissioner said that she checks "every bill that comes in" to the county for payment.

"Maybe not all the departments got the amount of money they requested," she said. "Maybe not all the roads were kept up to satisfy everyone. But I feel I did the best I could and will continue to do so."

Mrs. Valencia said that she "strongly" supports law enforcement "in our county and will continue to do so in order to protect our county taxpayers.'

El Paso buys a West Texas farm

EL PASO (AP) — El Paso water officials voted Wednesday to close a deal on a Valentine farm it wants for its water, a move that has angered some West Texas officials.

The El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board appropriated $1.7 million for the purchase of Antelope Valley Farm from Connecticut General Life Insurance Co. The 25,000-acre farm is about 150 miles southeast of El Paso, between Valentine and Marfa.

The farm sits at the tip of the Ryan Flat Acquifer and El Paso wants to use it as an alternate water source.

West Texas ranchers and officials have been trying to dissuade El Paso's PSB from buying the ranch. They fear the additional demand on the aquifer could affect area farming and ranching.

In an October meeting, several West Texas county judges asked El Paso to drop plans to buy it.

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Officer admits shooting report was a hoax

EUSTACE (AP) — An East Texas lawman who claimed his bullet-proof vest saved his life during a Thanksgiving eve shooting Wednesday said his story was a hoax, authorities said.

Eustace Police Officer Colin McBride, 23, recanted the report he had filed Nov. 27 that said he was struck on the head and shot three times that night by a black man driving a red Corvette.

McBride reported the car's driver and another occupant shot at him and fled. The officer said he did not shoot back.

Henderson County District Attorney Billy Bandy said McBride confessed before him and Texas Ranger Ray Nutt shortly before noon Wednesday.

"There was no black male, he had not been shot, there was no red Corvette," said Bandy.

McBride resigned from the police force Tuesday night "citing financial and family or emotional problems," Bandy said.

McBride is not listed in the Eustace telephone directory and could not be reached by The Associated Press.

For weeks, the Texas Rangers investigated the reported shooting as an attempted murder case. They conducted a fruitless search of the region for the suspects.

Later, authorities began to question McBride's story.

"He lost me when he said he didn't want to fire back," Bandy said.



AP Laserphoto

The Goodyear blimp, based near Spring since 1969, will be leaving the area in April.

Blimp floats away from Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — The corporate cost-cutting knife is severing Houston's ties with the Goodyear blimp America.

After 22 years in the Houston area, the blimp and its crew in April will be moved from its base in Spring, north of Houston, to Akron, Ohio, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. says. The America was built in Akron.

Company officials said the base and 40 acres of land will be sold to save money.

"This should in no way be construed as anything negative about Houston — it is a business decision," Goodyear spokesman Fred Haymond said Tuesday.

The company has four blimp bases but only three blimps. The base near Akron has been used only for occasional maintenance during the summer blimp tours.

The America has been spending six months of the year at its winter base in Houston. The rest of the year it barnstormed throughout the United States and Canada.

The move will permit year-round appearances at high visibility events in Ohio and other states in the East and Midwest, John Perduyn, corporate vice president for public affairs, said.

Officials investigate bee swarm in Victoria

VICTORIA (AP) — Federal authorities were conducting tests Wednesday to see if nearly 2,000 bees found aboard a railroad car in Victoria this week are the so-called "killer" bees.

If the bees are determined to be the Africanized honey bees, Victoria would have the distinction of being the farthest northern place the bees have been found.

Two Southern Pacific Transportation Co. employees were conducting a routine inspection of the train Tuesday when they spotted the bees on one of the train's 65 cars.

"I noticed something kind of unusual and then I notified the railroad yard," one of the workers, H.E. Reed, said. He did not disturb the bees, which were clustered on the outside of an empty tank car.

The train came to Victoria from Harlingen in the Rio Grande Valley, some 200 miles to the south. Killer bees have been found in the Valley and as far north as Kingsville and Robstown. They had not been expected to arrive in the Victoria on their own until late next year or early 1993.

The Victoria Fire Department, Victoria City-County Health Unit, U.S. Department of Agriculture and a local bee expert, James Loggins, were notified and went to the scene.

Some of the bees had left the cluster by then and officials first decided to wait until dark to kill the bees in hopes they would all return to the tank car. Jack Greer, with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, said he was worried the bees would swarm and leave the scene before that, so two firefighters sprayed the bees with a combination of foam and industrial-strength detergent.

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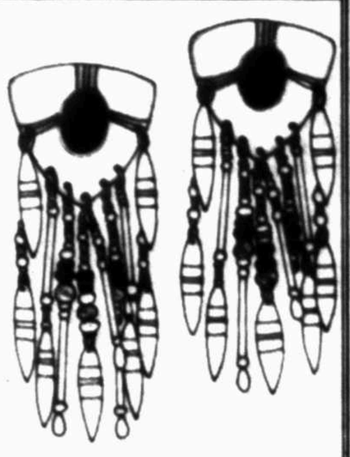
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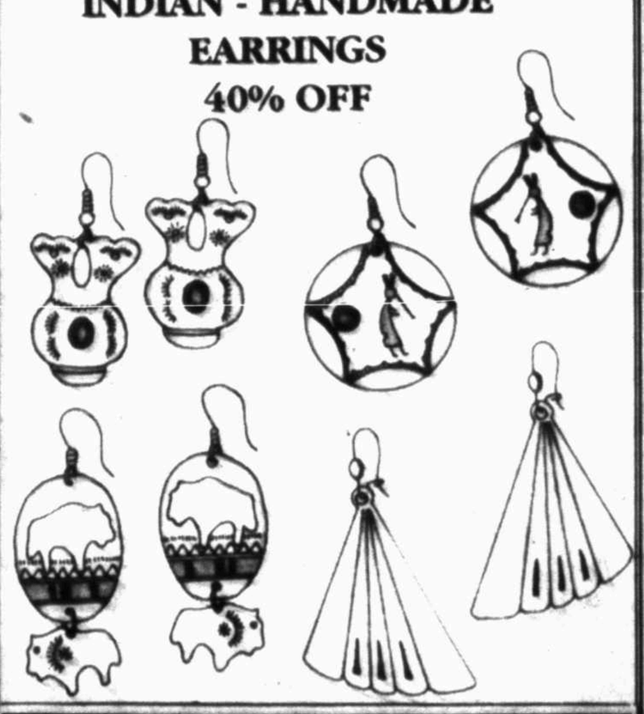
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Students of the American Ballet Theater and New York City Ballet are the models wearing these Swiss-dot tulle short and knee-length skirts with floral print and sequined bodices, from the collection of Scaasi.

Runway fashions translate into clothing for real life

By Teresa S. Johnson
N.Y. Times News Service

While many women only recently brought out their winter clothes, the fashion world is already welcoming spring.

In the past few weeks, fashion designers have paraded their creations down runways in Paris, Milan, London and New York.

Among their interpretations of what will tickle the fancy of women wearers were evening gowns with bra tops, tulle skirts that resemble ballerina tutus, wispy, transparent skirts that sweep the ground and ruffled, Caribbean-inspired Carmen Miranda dresses.

Such fanciful creations may attract media attention, but what does such impractical clothing have to do with real life?

Most designers don't really expect their runway attention-grabbers to end up on the average woman on the street, but many general trends do filter down to mainstream garments. After all, city shorts and split skirts were a novelty a few years ago. Now they are seen in every area, from casual to career wear.

OF COURSE there are ironies. This year, after several seasons of short skirts being hits on the runways but duds in many retail stores, several designers announced that the most fashion-forward length for spring will be long.

This is cause for amusement among women who never completely abandoned long skirts in the first place. Still most women do own at least a few outfits with hems shorter than we ever thought we'd wear them a few years back.

Of course change is important to the fashion industry. Without it designers would be out of business and malls would be very dull.

What will be the major themes for spring? Following are some general trends that showed up in the runway offerings of major designers plus some of the ways these looks were interpreted in the ready-to-wear displayed at the spring market at the Dallas Apparel Mart.

■ Underwear as outerwear:

On runways — Adding spice, and some might say vice, to their shows, many designers dressed models in see-through blouses, bra tops and cotton undershirts and slips that passed as dresses.

In real life — With a sexy feel but more modest attitude are sheer (but not see-through) blouses, haltertops and camisoles and lacy tank tops worn under sheer or open blouses and spaghetti strap sheaths that bare the shoulders and back but not the bust.

■ Long lines:

On runways — Moving away from ultra short lengths, some designers dropped skirt lengths almost to the floor. To make long look new, they draped transparent skirts over body suits and cut thigh-high splits in straight ankle-length skirts.

In real life — Sheer (but not see-through), flowing fabrics give longer lengths movement and a feminine feel. If long straight skirts are too restrictive, women can get a similar look (and still be able to get out of her car) with spilt skirts.

■ MIX NOT match:

On runways — Florals paired with stripes, stripes with plaids and sometimes all three seen together, mixing prints adds excitement to the popular long-jacket-and-pleated-skirt and jacket-over-dress looks.

In real life — Mixed prints can look mixed up if not done correctly. Fortunately many ready-to-wear lines help out with dresses with different prints for bodice and skirt and coordinated sports wear.

■ Cut it out:

On runways — Designers snipped and slashed away at their clothes, revealing skin in peek-a-boo styles — from skirts slit up the side to gowns with gapping backs.

In real life — Dresses with conservative fronts and cut-out backs can be worn with jackets for a convertible day-to-evening outfit. Slits, albeit more conservative than the thigh-high ones shown on models, allow for movement in long straight skirts.

■ Stand outs:

On runways — Layers of tulle petticoats, often resembling ballerina tutus, lifted short skirts to new heights.

IN REAL life — Silhouettes for short skirts are growing fuller. Even without a petticoat beneath, gathers at the waist give them movement. These thigh-high creations (mostly worn for fun rather than for the office) often paired with opaque stocking for coverage.

■ (Carmen) Miranda rule

On runways — Open shirts tied at the waist, ruffled hems and fruit-basket hats, all reflect the shift to a Calypso mood in ethnic looks.

In real life — You may not see many Carmen Miranda look-alikes on the street, but the Caribbean theme will prevail with floral prints, island-inspired sundresses and cotton shirts tied at the waist.



AP LaserPhoto

This Carmen Miranda look from Oscar de la Renta's spring collection may not be what the average woman would like to wear, but such styles can be the inspiration for more conservative fashions.

Numbers don't add up

By Valli Herman
N.Y. Times News Service

Some numbers don't add up. Because the television show "Beverly Hills 90210" is such a hit, it has inspired all kinds of knock-offs, the latest a sweatshirt featuring the Malibu ZIP code, 90265. The shirt is available at Flair, a boutique in Encino, 91316 ZIP code.

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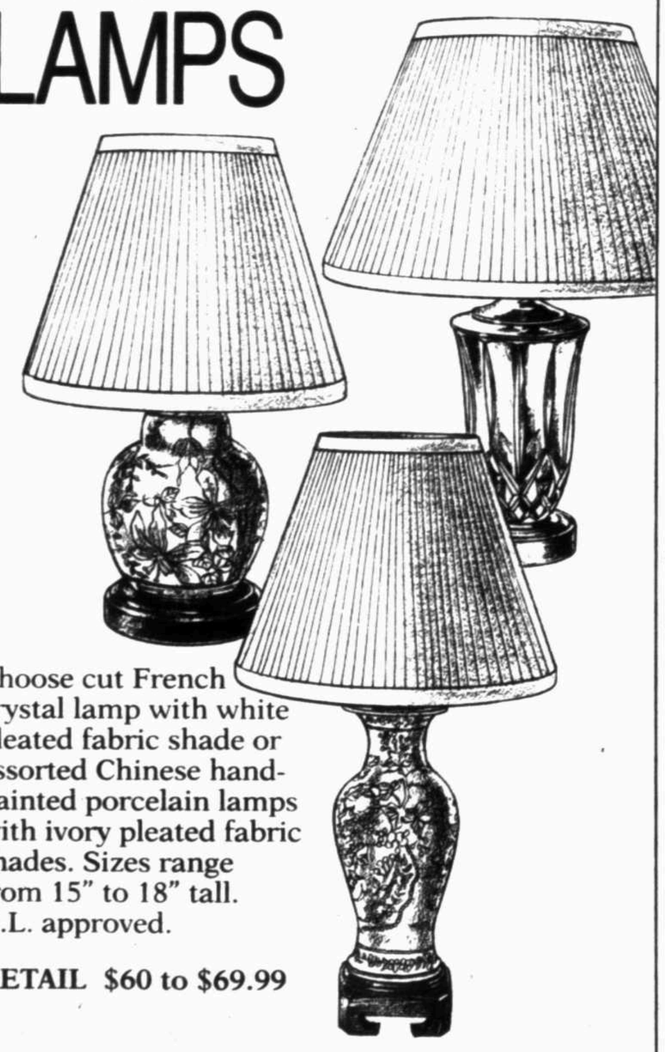


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New holiday styles feature sparkles, pearls, classics

By Trish Donnally
N.Y. Times News Service

Whether sitting by a crackling fire singing Christmas carols or dancing the year away at some big New Year's Eve bash during the festive days and nights that lie ahead, you'll need something smashing to wear.

This year's top trends include plenty of sparkle, pearls and cozy classics with holiday motifs.

Sequins and metallics add splash to any holiday scene. If you want high-volume sparkle, go the sequin route. More toned-down shine comes from metallics, especially comfortable knits.

It's a big season for pearls, which add a touch of elegance to any outfit. Pearl straps crisscross the backs of cocktail dresses, studded pearls swirl around sweaters, and then there's pearl jewelry.

Colored faux pearls are the latest. Particularly popular: silver, gold and pale pink.

Much as you might be tempted to wear something either too wild or too tame, it's better to err on the side of elegance when dressing for your office party.

FORGET ABOUT the saucy number with the plunging neckline.

And you need to do more than just add a pair of glittery earrings to the gray flannel suit you wear during the week. Show some personality.

Why not wear a wonderful silk or velvet dress in red, green, silver or gold? The selection is larger than usual this year. And you'll stand out in a room full of little black dresses.

For more casual gatherings, white jeans are white hot. Add a big, bulky sweater strewn with poinsettia embroideries, candy cane appliques, snow flake intarsias or shots of Lurex.

If you invest in classic fashions with a holiday theme, you can make a tradition of wearing them for years to come.

You might make merry with scarves that emit a holiday spirit. Echo's classic silk square that depicts the Twelve Days of Christmas, or its rectangular scarf with ribbon candy and peppermint rounds will be as uplifting to wear next year as now.

You can give a favorite old scarf fresh flourish with a new scarf clip. Anne Klein, for instance, has a smart selection of pearl, gold and silver clips.

YOU'LL FIND cotton turtlenecks with holly leaves or wreaths, which can be worn by themselves or as warm layers if you're heading to the slopes or colder climes. These would be good at informal holiday brunches, tree-trimming parties and caroling, too.

You can even buy cowboy boots for kids with "1991" and Christmas tree motifs inlaid in leather. These Rocketbuster Boots are made in El Paso, Texas, and can be passed on from one generation to the next.

Judith Leiber's jewel-encrusted Christmas ornament evening bags are collectors' items. Dangling from long cords, they look just like sparkly Christmas balls with tassels.

Scattering rhinestone, crystal or pearl pins across a jacket front is another great way to perk up an outfit. Heraldic crests, fleurs de lys and flowers are hot sellers this season. Or, perhaps over the years you've unwittingly collected a merry melange of holiday brooches you can pool together. Could be an ice-breaker as you explain you've had your Santa pin since you were 16.

A GOLD HEADBAND, a poinsettia print hair bow, or a set of stylish button covers can add holiday punch to an outfit, too. A simple white or chambray shirt gets new life with button covers that snap over ordinary buttons. Macy's has a selection that includes cameos, jet, colored jewel stones and gold filigree designs.

Nordstrom sells white shirts with candy cane embroideries or holly leaf buttons spilling down the front placket.

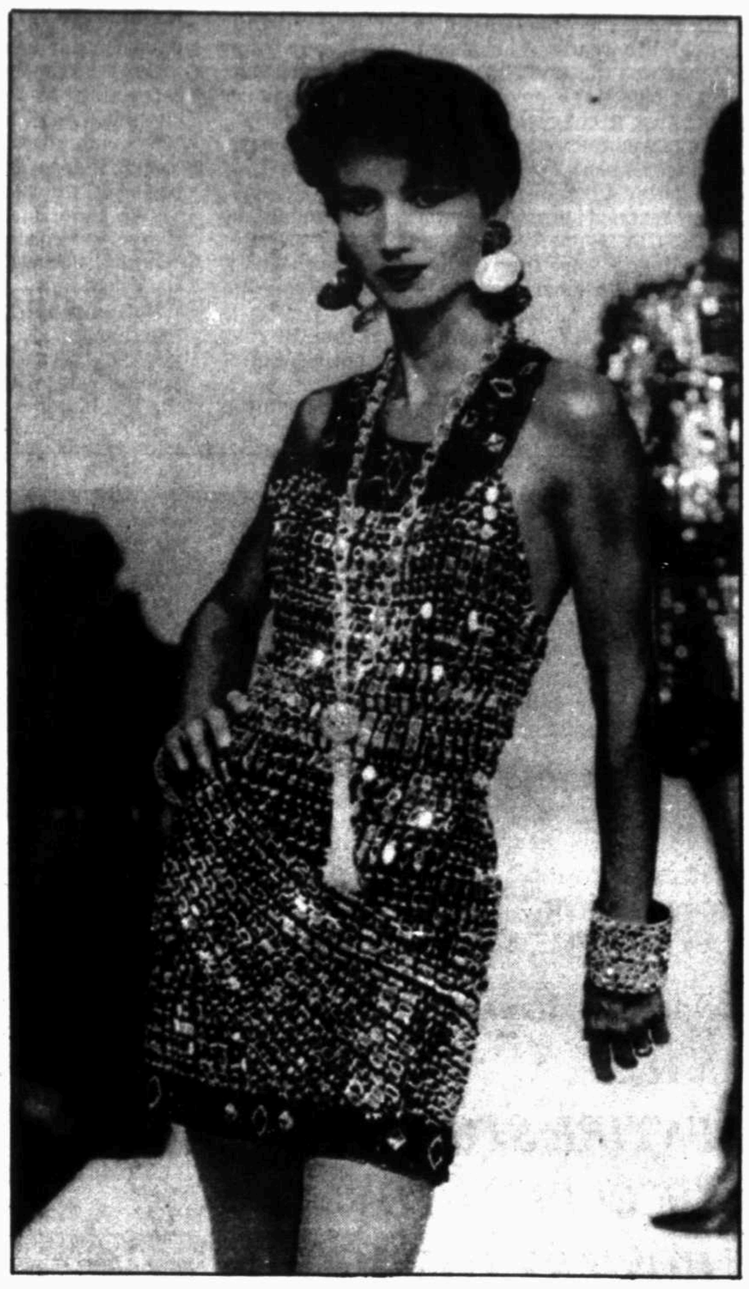
You can sizzle in something more daring at that New Year's Eve blowout.

This is where you wear the lingerie look, the slip dresses, camisoles and bustiers that are of the moment. Bustiers these days are encrusted with multi-color beads; if you like flash, things don't get much flashier.

Crystal jewelry is a big seller this season. Crystal earrings that catch the light as you dance might be just the festive touch you need.

Also, as you go through the holidays, shake things up by wearing your hair differently. If your hair is long and you usually wear it down, pile it into a pretty upswept style.

If it's short and you usually wear sporty bangs, slick it back with gel and go for all-out glamour.



AP LaserPhoto

This short shiny gray-striped lurex cocktail dress is a perfect outfit for a holiday party. The dress is a part of French designer Louis Feraud's 1991-92 Fall/Winter haute couture fashion collection which was shown in Paris.

Miami Beach appears as a fashion gridlock

By Woody Hochswender
N.Y. Times News Service

MIAMI BEACH — Greetings from Miami Beach, America's hottest new style center, where you can barely walk down the street without running into camera crews, models, hairdressers and fashion editors. It's practically fashion gridlock.

There was Jenny Capitain, a fashion director of Vogue, towing a group of hairdressers, stylists and the model Elaine Irwin (the one with the blond hair and black eyebrows), for a fashion shoot over the weekend.

Or Bruce Weber, the photographer, down to do some Ralph Lauren ads. Or Frederic Fekkai, the New York hair stylist, exchanging bon mots at Brasserie Le Coze, a branch of Le Bernardin that opened in Coconut Grove two weeks ago.

For all its reputation as a tacky retirement place, Miami Beach is emerging as an American St. Tropez, with new boutiques, chic restaurants and a rare blend of beauty, talent and converging cultures.

In addition to the wonderful light, which makes winter catalogue photography a piece of cake, the big draw has been the distinctive Art Deco hotels along Ocean Drive and Collins Avenue, streamlined odes to the last stylish American architecture before the numbing sameness of Bauhaus set in.

The South Beach area of Miami is a visual dream. Everything is pink and aqua and coral and sapphire, soothing by day and electric with neon by night. Against this backdrop unfolds a polyglot style parade like nowhere else: fresh-faced teen-age models in linen sundresses; tattooed bikers in studded leathers; ponytailed executives who look as if they've been lightly brushed with olive oil; sunburned Germans and Scandinavians in black nylon socks and sandals.

Tara Gilani, a Miami writer, calls it Touro-Style, a variation on Euro-Style, but based on local fashions and the influx of foreign tourists.

"You get everything from Linda Evangelista, fresh from the Milan collections, wearing a T-shirt, Levi's and a baseball cap," Ms. Gilani said, "to what I call a 'full Cleveland.' " That, she said, is a man at least 50, visiting from the Midwest, wearing white patent-leather shoes, white belt and white slacks with a colorful polyester shirt and sunburned head.

Men's neckties now women's fashion

By Carrie Donovan
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Women have long appropriated all kinds of men's attire for their own use. But now they are after the one item left virtually untouched: the necktie.

These supple lengths of fabric are one of the few ways most men have of expressing individuality, from the most conservative to the wild and wacky. Now women have decided neckties can do the same for them, and it is a man who is suggesting they give it a try.

At Ralph Lauren's recent spring showing, glamorous models sauntered onto the runway turned out in impeccably tailored jackets, pleated pants, starched white shirts, suspenders, pocket squares and, of course, silk neckties. Inexplicably, they looked very sexy.

Now is a good time to browse through the printed silk neckties featured in men's haberdasheries as Christmas approaches. Tiffany & Co. has a beautiful selection of 50 patterns printed on Italian silk. The ties are $85 each. The first floor of Bergdorf Goodman Men is a sea of neckties, priced from $45. And at Polo/Ralph Lauren at Madison Avenue and 72d Street, the big oval mahogany table on the main floor is laden with neckties from $60 to $67.

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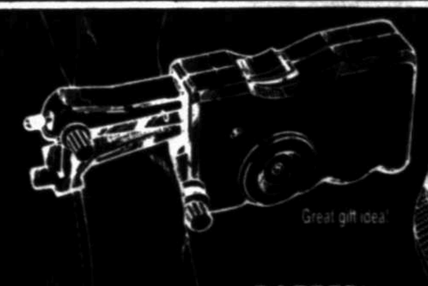
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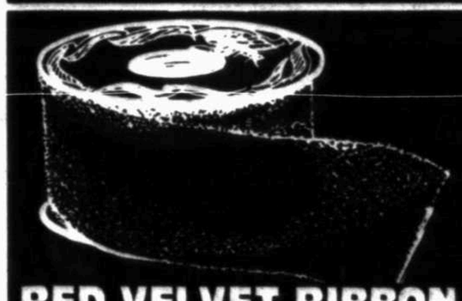
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Making coffee leaves bitter taste in secretary's mouth

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am a secretary and have been for some years now. But recently, I started working with a new company, and I have one major problem with one of the higher authorities (who isn't my boss/supervisor) who uses me as her personal secretary — and I do mean personal. She has me doing her income taxes, her daughter's income taxes, her lease, etc., and making coffee. The last duty is extremely irksome.



Van Buren

Yes, I am supposed to assist her, as directed by my boss. But he means as an aide, not a maid. I do not like coffee, therefore I don't drink it — so why do I have to make it? I really don't think coffee-making is in any secretarial job description.

I really would like to tell her to do her own personal things and make her own coffee, but she's very sneaky and I fear she might go behind my back and tell my boss some off-the-wall story. How do I handle this without jeopardizing my job or any future references I may need when I decide to change jobs in the future? — NO PERSONAL SECRETARY

DEAR NO PERSONAL SECRETARY: If you are comfortable with your own boss, talk with him confidentially. Keep the level professional, and calmly explain what this lady is asking you to do, specifically. Tell him that the woman's personal requests are cutting into company time and productivity.

From there on it is the responsibility of your boss either to direct you to fulfill this lady's requests or not. But remember, it is the boss's responsibility to speak to this "higher authority" — and not yours.

DEAR ABBY: I need to settle a dispute concerning proper telephone etiquette. When someone telephones me and I am not at home, my brother asks if there is a message. If there isn't one, he terminates the conversation.

I say he should ask who is calling, so that I will, at least, know who called. As it stands, when I get home all I am told is, "Someone called — and he didn't leave a message."

My brother insists he has no right to ask more than, "Do you care to leave a message?" He says it would be rude — an invasion of privacy — to ask more.

I say it is acceptable to ask, and if the caller does not wish to leave his name, he can say no. Who is right? — D.K. IN CONN.

DEAR D.K.: It is not rude to inquire, "Who is calling, please?" But the problem could be easily resolved by using the following routine:

The telephone rings. Your brother answers it. The caller asks, "Is 'Donna' there?"

Your brother replies, "May I ask who is calling, please?"

If the caller does not wish to leave his or her name, the stock reply will be, "Never mind, thanks, I'll call back later." (Then he will hear the dial tone.)

But nine times out of 10, the caller will give his name if asked before he's told whether the party he's calling is home or not.

DEAR ABBY: Sometimes I think that the U.S. Postal Service is its own worst enemy. They came out with a five-digit ZIP code which the public finally accepted (after a lot of grumbling). But right on top of that, they reduced the state abbreviations to only two characters which makes them very, very confusing. And now, four more ZIP code digits have been added!

Abby, ask people who don't come from these nine states the following questions:

Is "MA" Maine, Maryland or Massachusetts?

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I have recently had five mailings returned by the U.S. Postal Service because the address on the envelope had no apartment number on it. If the people who gave me their address did not include an apartment number, I have to address their mail as I see it. Why put the onus on me?

People tend to ignore decisions they feel are wrong and that they had no choice in making. Maybe they hope that the rules will be modified. — HOPEFUL IN DAYTONA BEACH

DEAR HOPEFUL: The Postal Service now uses computers to speed up mail delivery. However, the machines that scan and sort the envelopes cannot decipher them properly unless they are coded with their new two-letter abbreviations. Mail addressed using the old familiar abbreviations is automatically shunted aside to be handled by postal employees — which slows the process.

If you have forgotten the new abbreviations for each state, a pamphlet listing them is available at your local post office. Keep it handy, and you'll be amazed at how quickly you will learn the new system.

DEAR ABBY: You ran a piece about the benefits of hugging. I believe it was in 1988. Will you please run it again? — B. REAVES, WINTERVILLE, N.C.

DEAR B.R.: Here it is:

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Yalie learns to risk wearing new fashions

By Chris Burrett

N.Y. Times News Service

Fashion lightweights, take heart.

If William Lieppe can do it, so can you.

For years, the Atlanta cardiologist went blissfully through life wearing khakis and blue blazers. After all, that was the uniform of his alma mater, Yale.

But a decade ago, he committed a fashion faux pas so big that it changed the way he dressed.

"He picked me up for a concert at Chastain Park, wearing red pants," recalled his wife, Randee. They were dating then. "I almost fainted."

They married shortly afterward. And prodded by his wife, Dr. Lieppe began cleaning out his closet — the red pants were the first to go. He restocked it with European labels such as Giorgio Armani and Hugo Boss.

Like many men, he was skeptical at first. He realized his conservative garb was a bit boring. But at least it was safe.

Think about it. How many of you men have toyed with the idea of buying a double-breasted jacket — but backed down because you feared being ribbed?

Outside New York, it's certainly easier for men to stick with The Uniform — dark suits, striped neckties and, if you're really daring, a white handkerchief tucked in the breast pocket.

But Dr. Lieppe, 44, claims his transformation was refreshing. As he gradually switched to European clothing, he felt better about himself. At 6 feet 1 and 185 pounds, his frame is well suited to tailored styles.

Mrs. Lieppe thinks of her husband's dress as a bottle of wine almost ready to uncork.

"We have finally ironed out the shoe situation," she said, explaining that he had a penchant for "clunky, conservative shoes" before switching to sleek loafers.

But, she added, he still has trouble putting outfits together.

For his part, Dr. Lieppe figures he's along for the fashion ride, with his wife at the wheel. "I realize she has better taste in clothing than I do," he said.



AT WIT'S END

Leg cramps: Little-known affliction

By Erma Bombeck

Forget yeast infections, bad breath, nasal congestion and diaper commercials for women over 50. The electronic medicine men have yet to offer an ounce of compassion for the woman who performs the nightly "leg cramp shuffle."



Bombeck

We have yet to see a leg cramp sufferer on TV dancing around a dark bedroom at night — and we won't. It's not a pretty sight.

In an unofficial poll conducted among acquaintances and perfect strangers I've met in airports, I've been able to ascertain that a staggering number of women of all ages engage in this nocturnal craze.

It begins about an hour after you are asleep. You are awakened suddenly when your toes part like siblings pulling on a wishbone. This division intensifies. When you wriggle your toes, a wrong message is sent to your foot. Your toes bend in half to meet your heel, causing sharp pains to move up the back of your leg. As you straighten the leg, the muscles go into a serious knot similar to the one that is used to secure the QE II when it docks.

At this point, the crampee will leap out of bed and begin bouncing off the walls like sound. She dances alone. Her husband sleeps soundly through it all.

A thirtysomething told me that she experiences leg cramps when she switches back and forth from heels to tennis shoes. An older woman said it was caused by muscles that shrink when you stop climbing mountains. There doesn't seem to be a pattern for who dances and who doesn't. Women who are pregnant find comfort in leg cramps. They haven't seen their legs for so long it's nice to know they're still there.

I used to worry about Mary Hart on "Entertainment Tonight." What would happen if she got a leg cramp while her legs were entwined around one another like a viper climbing a tree? Would she screw herself into the floor? Since she is pregnant, she no longer crosses her legs.

Thousands of television hours are devoted to the American headache and relief from it. I'm waiting for the day when a co-worker approaches me at the copier and says, "Let me finish that. You have a leg cramp."

I'd say, "How do you know I have a leg cramp?"

She would smile, "It shows."

As I would pull myself off the floor and drag a limp leg behind me to a waiting couch, somehow I would feel appreciated.

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Hairdos have new twist

By Carrie Donovan

N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — If you've just been to the hairdresser and a passing wind whips up your coiffure, don't be mad — be happy.

This season, the deliberately disheveled hairdo is the height of style. Top stylists like Oribe, the hair maestro at the Elizabeth Arden Salon, are making sure their customers leave the shop looking as if an errant breeze had already dislocated a lock or two.

"It's a way to make the popular '60s bouffant look younger, sexier and more modern," Oribe said. What Oribe does is set, tease and arrange a coif the usual way. Then he coaxes some pieces and tendrils to drop out of place.

Oribe invented this degage hair style for the spring Chanel show-ing in Paris. Some of the models, particularly the exotic Yasmin Le-Bon, who appeared with two large hunks of hair obscuring her eyes, looked quite startling. But as Oribe explained, this was purposeful exaggeration to create runway drama.

"All Karl Lagerfeld, the designer, asked me to do," he said, "was make the girls feel wonderful — and they did."

When Oribe does a modified version for his salon customers, they come out looking quite fetching. And the notion of hair gone slightly amiss is fast spreading to other salons.

But a word of warning: the practitioner has to know what he or she is doing. It's one thing to look attractively disheveled; it's another to look as if you just rolled out of bed.

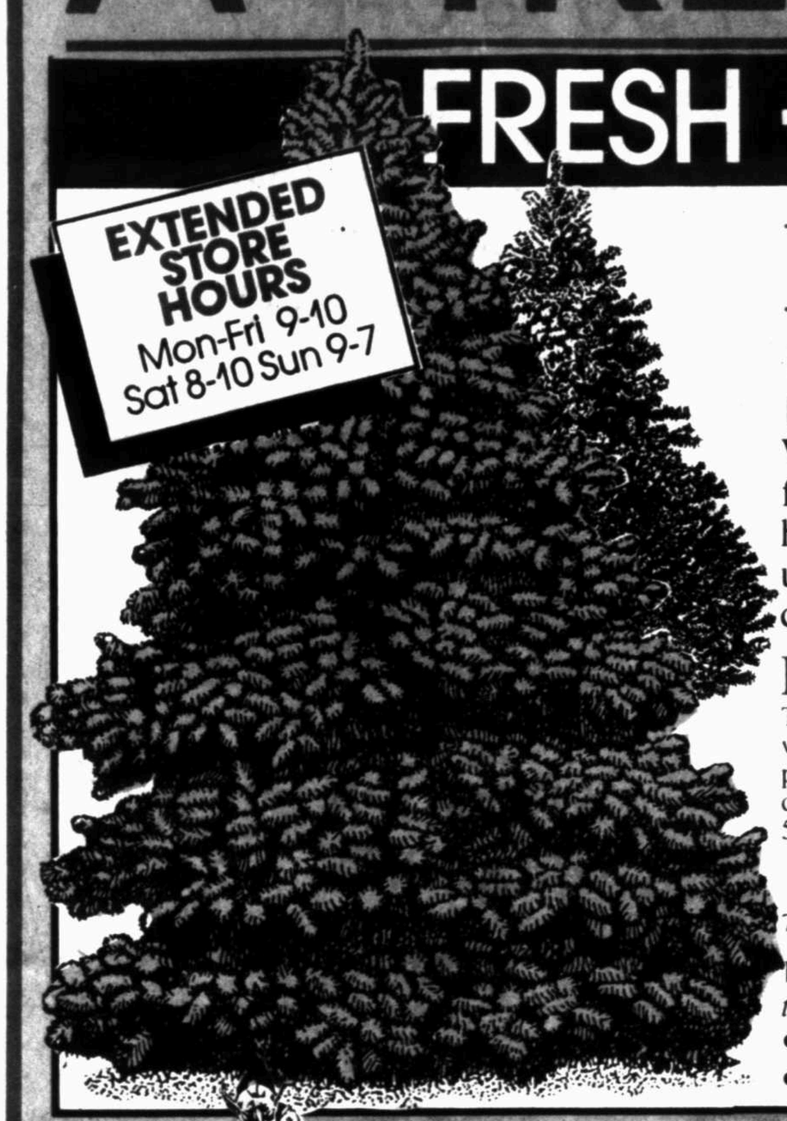
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Governor attacks state nursing homes, urges immediate action

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Ann Richards and her appointed "citizen trustee" on Wednesday attacked the state's nursing homes for recurring problems and chastised the state's Department of Health for neither acting swiftly in regulating the homes nor enforcing penalties against them.

Richards met with department officials Tuesday and insisted they take immediate action to clean up a system in which 36 percent of the nursing homes have been cited for abuse and neglect violations against their patients.

"I want bad nursing homes — those who allow patients to sleep in their own body waste, those that abuse the infirmed and those that are repeatedly cited as bad operators — closed," said Richards, who began her quest to provide better living for the state's 91,000 nursing home patients in October.

"I told them (the Health Department) that I want to send a message to those in the nursing home industry that operate under the notion that slipshod and sleazy behavior are acceptable business practices," she said, adding that the best way to convey that message is by closing homes that have been found to be heinous offenders.

Logistical problems should not keep unsafe homes open, Richards told a news conference, because there are about 25,000 empty beds in the state. Although there are certain considerations when moving a nursing home resident such as placement for those needing special care, the governor said neither that factor nor cost should hinder possible action by the department.

David Bragg, an Austin attorney who volunteered to serve as the governor's unofficial "citizen trustee" to monitor the state's nursing homes, said the situation has not improved in the last 13 years, since he oversaw the problem as an assistant attorney general.

"There is no doubt in my mind that there are literally thousands of elderly and infirmed Texas citizens suffering needlessly in a significant number of nursing homes in this state," he said.

His three-prong cleanup plan details recommendations to "end the compliance game," increase community involvement and a push for added legislation.

The "game" Bragg alluded to included scheduled inspection visits which allow the homes to put on their best face.

Hundreds attend funeral for four slain teens

AUSTIN (AP) — Hundreds of people paid their respects to the families of four teen-age girls who were gunned down over the weekend at a yogurt shop.

The girls, Jennifer and Sarah Harbison, Eliza Thomas and Amy Ayers, had many friends who crowded a funeral Mass on Tuesday at St. Louis Catholic Church. The police chief, the mayor and top school officials also attended.

The Rev. Kirby Garner, who officiated at the Mass, said he believed he could speak for Austin when he told the girls' families: "We offer our deepest sympathy ... We share in your pain. We share in your loss."

The church was packed with about 1,000 people an hour before the funeral was to start; another 500 gathered on the lawn and stayed for the hour-and-a-half Mass even though they could not hear a word.

The procession to the grave sites stretched for more than five miles; it took a half-hour for all vehicles to pass through the cemetery gates.

Richards says Fort Worth state school 'salvageable'

FORT WORTH (AP) — Gov. Ann Richards, who supports a plan to close some state facilities for the mentally retarded, says she hopes troubled Fort Worth State School remains open.

Richards said Tuesday she's been assured by the state Department Mental Health-Mental Retardation that the agency is trying to rid the facility of safety problems that resulted the termination of Medicaid funds last week.

"I don't really think any institution is not salvageable," Richards told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram on Tuesday. "But I think it has been a shame that MHMR has been remiss in not addressing the specifics of what they knew needed to be cleaned up."

Richards' comments counter a suggestion by a Philadelphia lawyer that Fort Worth State School be closed to help end a 17-year-old lawsuit against MHMR's care system for the retarded.

David Ferleger, attorney for about 2,000 of the 7,000 residents in Texas' 13 state schools, says the Fort Worth facility should be closed because of the safety problems.

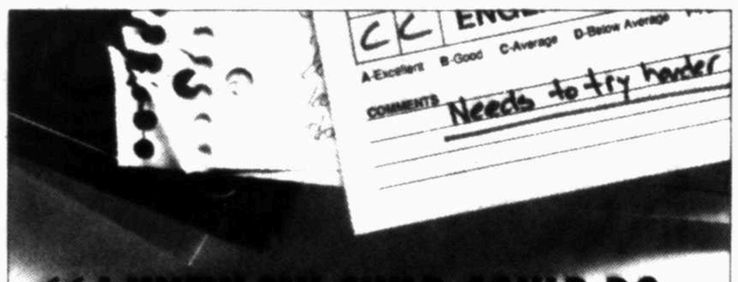
Beginning Dec. 7, Medicaid funding to Fort Worth State School was terminated because of problems which resulted in one death and 30 injuries since Nov. 13.

Earlier this week, U.S. District Judge Barefoot Sanders of Dallas gave school officials until Thursday to explain why conditions at the school forced health inspectors halt the funding.

Medicaid payments to Fort Worth State School total more $10 million annually, about 64 percent of the institution's budget.

Sanders' order also questioned whether the funding cutoff would affect a settlement to end the 1974 class action suit involving Ferleger's clients.

Ferleger said settlement of the lawsuit over state school conditions might depend on closing the Fort Worth State School.



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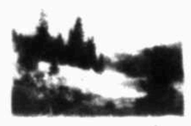
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Jury sentences convicted killer, rapist to death

HOUSTON (AP) — A Harris County jury deliberated for 3½ hours Wednesday before deciding a man convicted of kidnaping and killing a Houston woman should be put to death.

The same jury Monday found Theodore Goynes Jr., 38, guilty of capital murder for the Oct. 6, 1990 slaying of Linda Marie Tucker.

Goynes' sentence to lethal injection receives an automatic appeal.

In punishment phase testimony, jurors heard from four women who testified Goynes also had raped them.

They included a 40-year-old woman, who testified Goynes broke into her home 18 years ago and raped her. The woman said he then tied her up, put a knife to her neck and tried to set her on fire.

Mrs. Tucker was abducted from a grocery store parking lot after she stopped to pick up her own birthday cake for a family celebration the next day. Instead, her body was found in an abandoned apartment complex on the day she would have been 25. She had been shot in the head.

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Texas Scores

NBA: Dallas Mavericks 106, Charlotte Hornets 103.

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NBA playoff free throws

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Magic Johnson 883	11
John Havlicek 874	13
Elgin Baylor 847	12

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Bettsville wins

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The school bus, with its horn honking and a strobe light flashing on top, slowly pulled through the little town of Bettsville. There were girls hanging out of every window cheering that they were No. 1.

"I sat there thinking that the night before we had lost by 53 points," says Bettsville basketball coach Russ Hagerty. "I guess we really were No. 2."

Pardon the Bettsville Bobcats if they don't quite have the hang of winning. After all, through more than five seasons and 130 games, they had never known what it was like to not lose.

But that all changed two weeks ago, when they beat Lakeside Danbury 24-17. The last time Bettsville won before that was a 36-31 victory over New Riegel on Feb. 18, 1985.

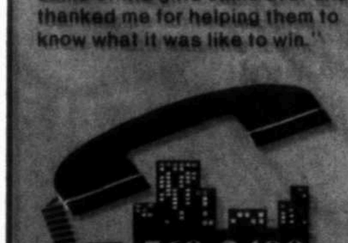
"Our first game this year, we lost to Fremont St. Joseph," said Hagerty, starting his third year as Bettsville's coach. "We got beat 68-15 and I have to admit I was depressed. We had put in a lot of time in preparing for the season and then went out and lost badly."

That was in the opening round of a tournament. The next night, the Bobcats met Danbury in the consolation game.

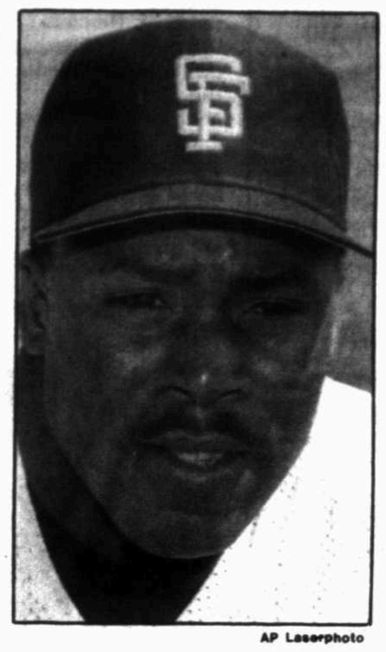
"I know that 24-17 score is kind of low, but we stalled the last 2½ minutes of the first half and again the last three minutes of the game because we lost two regulars to fouls," Hagerty said.

"After the game, the senior was crying. The girls all got together and hugged each other. We had maybe 30 people there and they came out of the stands and joined us on the floor.

"What really made it worth remembering for me was that some of the girls came over and thanked me for helping them to know what it was like to win."



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Giants' Kevin Mitchell ...now a Mariner

Mariners trade for Mitchell

Associated Press

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — The Seattle Mariners finally made their big move, and it wasn't to Florida.

Instead, as many teams packed up and left the winter meetings Wednesday, the shakiest franchise in baseball found a foundation player in Kevin Mitchell.

The Mariners traded three pitchers to San Francisco for Mitchell and a minor leaguer, saving the best deal of the week until the end. Mitchell has hit 109 home runs in three years, and may hit even more in the Kingdome, the Florida Suncoast Dome or wherever the Mariners might wind up.

For commissioner Fay Vincent, there is an even more pressing matter. He said he would soon meet with NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue and NBA commissioner David Stern to talk about AIDS.

"We think it is appropriate for us to come together," Vincent said. "I'm sure each of us can contribute something. Each of us has a lot to learn."

Vincent made his remarks following a joint owners meeting. In other business, Vincent said it was up to the New York Yankees' partners to pick a successor for Robert Nederlander to run the team. Nederlander is resigning Dec. 31; Vincent did not comment on the possibility of George Steinbrenner returning.

While the owners met, three other swaps were worked out, starting when Kansas City's Todd Benzinger moved to Los Angeles for Chris Gwynn.

Later, Philadelphia's Bruce Ruffin and Milwaukee's Dale Sveum traded places and then Cincinnati made its fourth trade of the off-season, sending John Wetteland to Montreal for Dave Martinez in a five-player deal.

Tom Kelly, meanwhile, was rewarded for being the AL manager of the year and leading Minnesota to the World Series championship when the Twins gave him a one-year contract extension through 1994.

Mitchell is also signed through 1994, at $3.5 million per season. Even with Mariners owner Jeff Smulyan struggling to sell the team for $100 million, he said he wasn't hesistant about spending a lot to land Mitchell.

"We needed someone like him," Smulyan said. "He's worth it."

It cost the Mariners more than money. To get Mitchell and minor league

Please see **BASEBALL**/2C

Basketball slate full

■ Chaparral Center hosts four weekend high school games while three local teams hit the tournament road.

By Jimmy Patterson
Assistant Sports Editor

High school basketball doubleheaders are becoming increasingly popular in wide open West Texas. The way the format works in Midland, two teams will usually travel in from El Paso or Amarillo, play two opponents in two days beginning with a Friday game, and be back home by late Saturday night.

Midland High, 5-4 this year, will host such a doubleheader this weekend, a weekend that will see all local four boys and girls teams in multiple-game events.

Midland Lee travels to the Concho River Classic, while the Lee and MHS girls will take part in the Del Rio Tournament.

"A lot of high schools are trying to do it, because of (not) missing school," said Mike Stevens, director of Midland College's Chaparral Center. "You spend one night, play two games, the two teams can travel on the bus together. Out here in West Texas, it may be the wave of the future."

Chap Center will be the site of this weekend's doubleheader, which begins Friday evening when the Snyder boys meet El Paso Hanks at 6:15 p.m. Midland High hosts El Paso Bel Air Friday in an 8 p.m. game.

Saturday, Bel Air meets Odessa Permian at noon, while Hanks and MHS battle at 1:30 p.m.

Midland Lee's Rebels, also 5-4 on the year, travel to San Angelo's Concho River Classic, Thursday through Saturday. The Rebs face El Paso Ysleta Thursday at 5 p.m.

Abilene Cooper, Austin McCallum, Lubbock Coronado and Copperas Cove are other teams in Lee's side of the Concho bracket.

Midland High's girls open play in the Del Rio tournament with a 1 p.m. Friday game. The Lady Dawgs, 6-2 this season, won't learn of their opponent until the outcome of the San Antonio Sam Houston-Uvalde game Friday morning. MHS will meet the winner of that contest.

The Lee girls open play in Del Rio Friday at 11:30 a.m. against San Antonio Burbank.

A total of 10 teams will participate in the Del Rio tournament.

Elsewhere, the Greenwood girls host the Lady Rangerette tournament Thursday through Saturday. Greenwood will face Fort Stockton Thursday at 7 p.m., and Big Spring Friday at 7 p.m.

Weekend Basketball Schedule

Weekend basketball action for Midland High and Midland Lee boys and girls basketball teams:

MIDLAND HIGH BOYS
vs. El Paso Bel Air, 8 p.m., Friday, Chaparral Center.
vs. El Paso Hanks, 1:30 p.m., Saturday, Chap Center.

MIDLAND LEE BOYS
at Concho River Classic, Thur.-Sat.
Opening round: vs. El Paso Ysleta, 5 p.m., Thursday.

MIDLAND HIGH GIRLS
at Del Rio Tournament, Fri.-Sat.
First Game: vs. winner of San Antonio Sam Houston-Uvalde, 1 p.m., Friday.

MIDLAND LEE GIRLS
at Del Rio Tournament, Fri.-Sat.
First Game: vs. San Antonio Burbank, 11:30 a.m., Friday.

Howard has arm on Heisman

■ Michigan split end could also have been a great basketball player.

Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Greatness can sometimes come wrapped in strange packages. That may explain how Desmond Howard almost became a basketball player.

And, who knows, he might have been a great basketball player, too. But you don't win the Heisman Trophy for playing basketball.

The Heisman goes to the nation's outstanding college football player, and Howard is a virtual cinch to claim the award Saturday night. The Michigan split end already has won the Walter Camp and Maxwell awards.

But it might never have happened if Howard's father, J.D., hadn't been quick to spot an obvious talent. Howard was interested mainly in basketball when he enrolled at Cleveland's St. Joseph's High School.

"Desmond was a good basketball player," J.D. Howard recalled. "That's why he wanted to go to St. Joseph's. But after he scored five touchdowns in his first football ball game, I said, 'Maybe we better rethink this thing.'"

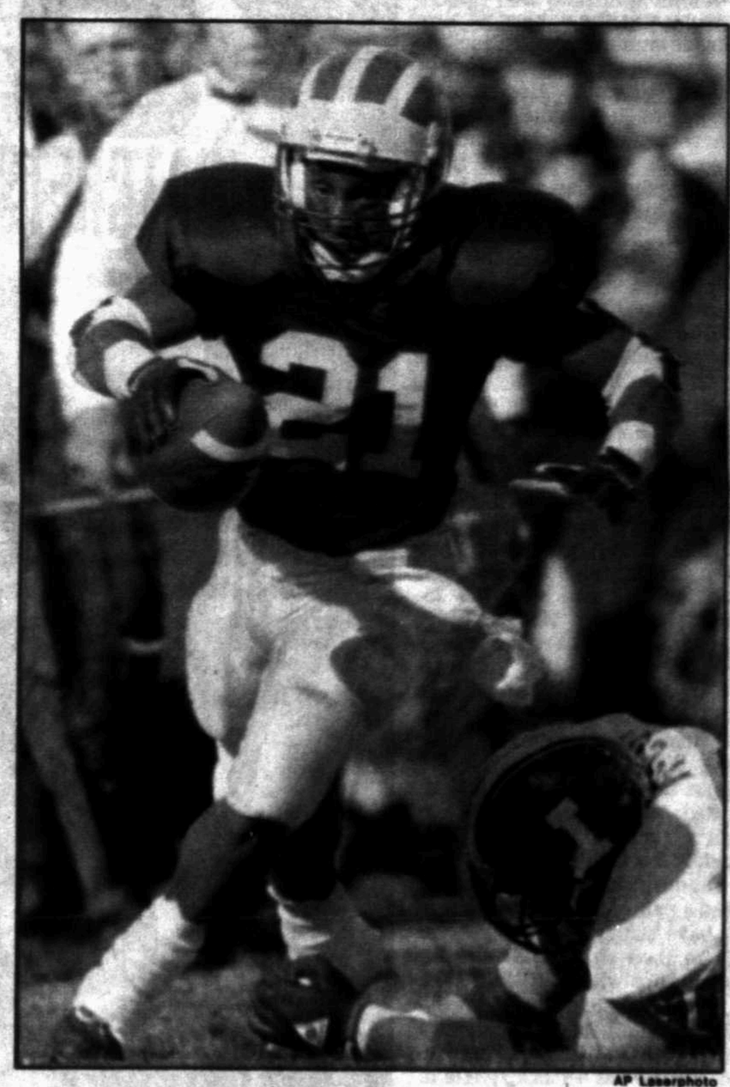
But the young Howard's time on the basketball court wasn't completely wasted. It was on the basketball team that he became friends with a tall, raw-boned kid named Elvis Grbac.

In the 11th grade, after some prodding by his pal, Grbac tried out for the football team. His inexperience showed, but they let him play quarterback where his main function was to hand the ball off to Howard, a dynamite tailback in those days.

"We lived in different parts of town," Grbac said. "We aren't that close socially, but we've had this friendship right from the start because of sports."

When the college recruiters began swooping down on Howard, he made it clear he wasn't

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AP Laserphoto

Michigan split end Desmond Howard is expected to be named as the 1991 Heisman Trophy winner Saturday in New York.

Mets trade for Royals' Saberhagen

Associated Press

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Two-time Cy Young Award winner Bret Saberhagen was traded to the New York Mets by the Kansas City Royals for Kevin McReynolds and Gregg Jefferies in a five-player deal Wednesday night.

The biggest trade of the winter meetings also sent infielder Keith Miller to Kansas City and second baseman Bill Pecota to the Mets.

The Mets came to the meetings looking for a pitcher and they got one of the best in the baseball. Saberhagen, 13-8 last season, won the American League Cy Young Award in 1989 when he was 23-6 and in 1985 with a 20-6 mark.

"I know the New York Mets have made some big deals in their history but none involving so many quality players," Mets general manager Al Harazin said. "Saberhagen is one of the three or four best pitchers in baseball."

"What we did was a difficult thing," Royals GM Herk Robinson said. "We have finished sixth the last two seasons so if Bret

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Longhorns have new grid coach

Austin paper reports that Illinois' John Mackovic is headed for Texas

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Illinois coach John Mackovic has agreed to become the new coach at the University of Texas, the Austin American-Statesman reported Wednesday night.

Mackovic will fly to Austin Thursday afternoon for a news conference to announce that he will succeed David McWilliams, the newspaper said.

Mackovic, 48, had topped the list in the search for a new coach at Texas, a longtime power which has only two Top 10 finishes in the last 13 years.

The position was vacated Dec. 2 when McWilliams resigned after compiling a 5-year record of 31-26, with three losing seasons. McWilliams followed Fred Akers, who was dismissed in 1986 after going 5-6, his only losing season in 10 years. Under Akers, Texas finished No. 4 in 1981 and fifth in 1983.

Mackovic reportedly was scheduled to interview with school president William Cunningham.

Earlier, Mackovic told the Champaign-Urbana News-Gazette: "I can't tell you any more, other than to say the job has not been offered and I have not said that I will accept. There is room for both sides to see if it's a good fit.

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New head football coach at Texas

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Mackovic said he hoped to tell Illinois officials and players his intentions by Thursday afternoon's practice. Illinois (6-5) is preparing for the Dec. 31 John Hancock Bowl at El Paso, Texas, against UCLA.

Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds interviewed Mackovic in Chicago on Sunday night and Monday.

While the Austin American-Statesman said a new coach could be named as early as Thursday, Mackovic's present employers reportedly are trying hard to keep him.

The News-Gazette reported that Illinois has been working on a long-term compensation package for Mackovic, who also serves as athletic director, if he doesn't leave for Texas.

The package is based on the presumption that he would want to stay on as athletic director at Illinois until about the year 2000, the News-Gazette reported.

Mackovic meets the criteria set by Dodds when announcing the search. Dodds said then that he wanted someone with Division I-A and possibly professional coaching experience.

Mackovic was a Dallas Cowboys assistant and head coach of the Kansas City Chiefs.

Penders blasts NCAA ouster of Cambridge

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — The importance of Dexter Cambridge to the Texas Longhorns was clear in a loss to No. 17 Oklahoma. So were coach Tom Penders' feelings about why the senior forward isn't available.

"I just felt the NCAA was out to hang Dexter Cambridge," Penders said following the 106-91 loss Tuesday night. "They encourage you to cooperate, tell you that if you cooperate they'll take those things into consideration, and here they've castrated the kid."

On Monday, the NCAA eligibility staff ruled Cambridge permanently ineligible for accepting $7,000 as a graduation gift from a man in Jacksonville, Texas, where Cambridge attended Lon Morris Junior College.

Cambridge, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, had volunteered the information to the NCAA during the investigation of another matter.

The NCAA rule that accepting the gift affects Cambridge's amateur status.

Penders said there is no doubt Cambridge is an amateur. He said the ruling leaves Cambridge's attorneys no other option than to go to court "which is the option they will take and I would encourage them to take."

"I would also discourage any school to self-report anything unless they (the NCAA) have smoking guns or proof," Penders said. "I think what we did is equivalent to asking the IRS to come in without checking with our accountants.

"We self-report everything — sidewalk spitting, spelling errors in memos. Maybe there's a lesson to be learned here because a young man who is innocent, his career and his whole future is in jeopardy."

Penders said the man who gave the money to Cambridge is not a Lon Morris booster, as previously reported. He said the man simply lives in the Jacksonville community and has helped other students, including non-athletes.

Penders also noted that in 21 years as a head coach, he has never been accused of a violation.

"I have always believed you should cooperate and run a clean program. We run a squeaky clean program," he said.

"But I think when you see something like this happen to a youngster who we all — from our president on down — feel is totally innocent, when you see a kid like this castrated by the NCAA staff, it's a sad, sad commentary."

He said if his son were being interviewed by the NCAA, he would tell him not to say anything "because they're going to hang you if they found out that you took a ride from your girlfriend."

Lions' Mike Utley transferred to Denver rehabilitation center

DETROIT (AP) — Mike Utley, the Detroit Lions' offensive lineman who is paralyzed from the chest down, has been transferred to a rehabilitation center near Denver.

Utley was discharged at his own request Wednesday from the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan and flown in an air ambulance to Craig Hospital in the Denver suburb of Englewood. He is expected to continue his extensive program there for the next several weeks.

Utley, who has not granted any interviews since a freak accident Nov. 17 against the Los Angeles Rams, told team publicist Mike Murray he thought there would be fewer distractions in Colorado.

"The best thing for me right now is a change of scenery," Utley said in a written statement. "Moving to Denver will allow me to concentrate on getting stronger while being closer to my family in Washington."

"He has been up working regularly with his therapy team," DeSantis said.

BASEBALL: Benzinger to Dodgers

(From 1C)

pitcher Mike Reminger, Seattle gave up relievers Bill Swift, Mike Jackson and Dave Burba.

"Our main priority was finding a right-handed, No. 4 hitter," Mariners general manager Woody Woodward said. "With Kevin hitting behind Ken Griffey Jr., our entire lineup has become a lot more potent."

The Mariners and Giants talked during the season about a trade for Mitchell, but Seattle balked when San Francisco wanted starter Erik Hanson. The teams met several times this week, and completed the deal in the early hours Wednesday after four more meetings.

Mitchell was the subject of several trade rumors recently, including a possible trip to Texas for reliever Jeff Russell. Most moves were put on hold until Monday, when it was announced that criminal charges would not be filed against Mitchell in an alleged rape involving his former girlfriend.

Mitchell, 29, hit 27 home runs with 69 RBIs in 113 games last season, a year interrupted by a groin pull. He was NL MVP in 1989, when he had 47 homers and 125 RBIs, and he hit 35 home runs with 95 RBIs in 1990.

Swift, 30, was 1-2 with 17 saves and a 1.99 ERA. Jackson, 26, was 7-7 with 14 saves and a 3.25 ERA. Burba, 25, was 2-2 with a 3.68 ERA for the Mariners.

The Reds, who acquired Wetteland last month in a trade that moved Eric Davis to the Dodgers, turned around and sent the 25-year-old pitcher to Montreal.

Cincinnati also gave up minor league pitcher Bill Risley in return for Martinez, who hit .295 with 42 RBIs and 16 steals, plus pitcher Scott Ruskin and minor league infielder Willie Greene.

Since the World Series ended, the Reds also have obtained Bip Roberts from San Diego and Greg Swindell from Cleveland.

Philadelphia and Milwaukee traded a pair of 28-year-old players who have struggled since success early in their careers. Sveum hit 25 home runs with 95 RBIs in 1987, but broke his leg the following September and never regained a starting job in the Brewers' infield. Ruffin was 9-4 as a rookie in 1986, but never had another winning season for the Phillies.

The Dodgers tried to fill their first base needs by getting Benzinger, a career .255 hitter who spent last season with Cincinnati and Kansas City. The Royals received Gwynn, who always was overshadowed by older brother Tony, and minor league second baseman Domingo Mota.

Wildcats gain tourney semis

Staff Report

DALLAS — The Under-10 Midland Wildcats girls soccer team made some local history here this past weekend by reaching the semifinals of Tournament of Champions.

No Midland girls Under-10 team had ever reached the T-of-C semifinals before. San Angelo, however, eliminated the Wildcats in the semifinal contest by a narrow 1-0 margin. Earlier the Wildcats had beaten Garland, Oak Cliff and Lubbock.

To qualify for the Tournament of Champions, a team must win its local soccer association division title. The 24 best Under-10 girls teams competed for the title. The Wildcats recently won Midland's Turkey Shootout Under-10 title.

Wildcat players are Kathleen Coleman, Tircia Goodwin, Linsey Johnson, Colleen Johnston, Lindsey Leaverton, Meredith Meyers, Robin Nelson, Katie Solmonson, Emily Statton, Emily Stewart, Rachel Wallace, Kate Watkins and Kate Wilkinson. The team is coached by Guy Nelson and Mike Goodwin.



SPORTS SCOREBOARD

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NHL

National Hockey League
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WALES CONFERENCE

Patrick Division

	W	L	T	Pts
Washington	21	9	0	42
NY Rangers	17	12	1	35
Pittsburgh	15	10	4	34
New Jersey	15	11	3	33
NY Islanders	10	14	4	24
Philadelphia	9	15	3	21

Adams Division

Montreal	20	11	2	42
Boston	11	13	5	27
Hartford	11	12	4	26
Buffalo	9	15	4	22
Quebec	9	17	3	21

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

Norris Division

	W	L	T	Pts
Detroit	17	9	4	38
St. Louis	13	10	7	33
Chicago	13	13	5	31
Minnesota	11	14	3	25
Toronto	9	18	4	22

Smythe Division

Vancouver	17	11	3	37
Winnipeg	15	8	7	37
Edmonton	12	13	5	29
Calgary	12	14	4	28
Los Angeles	11	12	6	28
San Jose	6	22	3	15

Wednesday's Games
St. Louis 6, Buffalo 3
N.Y. Islanders 5, Toronto 4
Thursday's Games
Montreal at Boston, 6:35 p.m.
Quebec at Detroit, 6:35 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 6:35 p.m.
Winnipeg at Los Angeles, 9:35 p.m.
Edmonton at San Jose, 9:35 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 9:35 p.m.

Blues 6, Sabres 3

St. Louis	0	4	2—6
Buffalo	0	2	1—3

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, St. Louis, Hull 26 (Mongeau, Shanahan), :51 (pp). 2, Buffalo, Hawerchuk 8 (Mogilny), 5:31 (pp). 3, St. Louis, Shanahan 12 (Mongeau, Norwood), 9:22 (pp). 4, St. Louis, Shanahan 13 (Brown, Oates), 10:22 (pp). 5, Buffalo, Hawerchuk 9 (Ruuttu, Bodger), 12:25 (pp). 6, St. Louis, Oates 5 (Hull, Lowry), 19:31.
Third Period—7, Buffalo, Audette 15 (Hawerchuk), 1:08. 8, St. Louis, P.Cavallini 5, 8:13. 9, St. Louis, Brown 6 (Emerson), 18:44 (en).
Shots on goal—St. Louis 10-20-6—36. Buffalo 8-14-16—38. Power-play Opportunities—St. Louis 3 of 6; Buffalo 2 of 6. Goalies—St. Louis, Hebert, 1-0-0 (38 shots-35 saves). Buffalo, Draper, 4-3-3 (36-30). A—12,786.

Isles 5, Leafs 4

NY Islanders	3	0	2—5
Toronto	2	2	0—4

First Period—1, New York, Ferraro 13 (Flatley, Hogue), 1:26. 2, Toronto, Berube 5 (Foligno, Godynyuk), 4:03. 3, Toronto, Marois 5, 5:24. 4, New York, McLlwain 5 (Pilon), 8:06. 5, New York, King 16 (Creighton, Vukota), 8:43.
Second Period—6, Toronto, Gill 2 (Cimetta, Bullard), 1:32 (pp). 7, Toronto, Bullard 8 (Cimetta, Shannon), 10:03 (pp).
Third Period—8, New York, Kurvers 5 (Ferraro, Flatley), 12:46. 9, New York, Ferraro 14 (Hogue, Flatley), 18:10.
Shots on goal—New York 8-3-8—19. Toronto 15-18-14—47. Power-play Opportunities—New York 0 of 3; Toronto 2 of 5. Goalies—New York, Weeks, 5-2-1 (47 shots-43 saves). Toronto, Fuhr, 8-13-2 (19-14). A—15,114.

Leaders

By The Associated Press
HORSE RACING
QUARTERHORSE LEADERS
Through Dec. 8

Horses
1, Royal Quick Dash, $1,041,155. 2, Ed Grimley, $536,420. 3, Corona Chick, $457,303. 4, See Me Gone, $358,470. 5, Steppin For The Moon, $299,633. 6, Takin On The Cash, $283,279. 7, Magic Dozen, $280,398. 8, Refrigerator, $232,058. 9, Apprehend, $199,318. 10, De Elegant Zevi, $187,756.

Trainers
1, Blane Schvaneveldt, $1,323,129 2, Jack Brooks, $1,119,289. 3, Ben Torres, $1,060,844. 4, Dwayne Gilbreath, $963,490. 5, Frank Monteleone, $736,602. 6, Daryn Charlton, $724,769. 7, Caesar Dominguez, $667,148. 8, Ed Giles, $490,458. 9, Bob Baffert, $489,748. 10, Bob Gilbert, $483,536.

Jockeys
1, Kip Didericksen, $2,466,033. 2, Jerry Rodriguez, $1,148,014. 3, Henry Garcia, $909,701. 4, Eddie Garcia, $907,812. 5, Bruce Pilkenton, $794,806. 6, G.R. Carter, $682,564. 7, Jerry Nicodemus, $653,471. 8, Danny Cardoza, $627,575. 9, Joe Martinez, $621,615. 10, Steve Treasure, $615,249.

TENNIS
Women
Through Dec. 8
WITA Money Leaders
1, Monica Seles, $2,457,756. 2, Steffi Graf, $1,468,336. 3, Gabriela Sabatini, $1,192,971. 4, Martina Navratilova, $989,986. 5, Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, $799,340. 6, Jana Novotna, $766,369. 7, Mary Joe Fernandez, $672,035. 8, Natalia Zvereva, $556,002. 9, Jennifer Capriati, $535,617. 10, Gigi Fernandez, $455,226.

Virginia Slims Points
1, Sabine Hack, 110. 2, Veronika Martinek, 75. 3 (tie), Donna Faber and Ines Gorrochategui, 50. 5 (tie), Luanne Spades, Florencia Labat, Virginia Ruano, and Patricia Tarabini, 25. 9, 8 tied with 10.

WTA Rankings
1, Monica Seles, 277.1500. 2, Steffi Graf, 219.2929. 3, Gabriela Sabatini, 200.0625. 4, Martina Navratilova, 191.1209. 5, Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, 153.4042. 6, Jennifer Capriati, 142.9872. 7, Jana Novotna, 108.5754. 8, Mary Joe Fernandez, 100.9980. 9, Conchita Martinez, 95.0357. 10, Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere, 87.6250.

Men
Through Dec. 1
ATP Tour Money Leaders
1, Stefan Edberg, $2,363,575. 2, Pete Sampras, $1,908,413. 3, Jim Courier, $1,748,171. 4, Ivan Lendi, $1,438,983. 5, Michael Stich, $1,217,636. 6, Boris Becker, $1,216,568. 7, Guy Forget, $1,072,252. 8, Andre Agassi, $980,611. 9, Anders Jarryd, $756,444. 10, Emilio Sanchez, $672,071.

IBM-ATP Tour Points-Rankings
1, Stefan Edberg 3,515. 2, Jim Courier 3,205. 3, Boris Becker 2,822. 4, Michael Stich 2,675. 5, Ivan Lendl 2,565. 6, Pete Sampras 2,492. 7, Guy Forget 2,392. 8, Karel Novacek 1,599. 9, Petr Korda 1,570. 10, Andre Agassi 1,519.

AUTO RACING
NASCAR
Final
Winston Cup Points
1, Dale Earnhardt, 4,287. 2, Ricky Rudd, 4,092. 3, Davey Allison, 4,068. 4, Harry Gant, 3,985. 5, Ernie Irvan, 3,925. 6, Mark Martin, 3,914. 7, Sterling Marlin, 3,839. 8, Darrell Waltrip, 3,711. 9, Ken Schrader, 3,660. 10, Rusty Wallace, 3,582.

Money
1, Dale Earnhardt, $2,416,685. 2, Davey Allison, $1,712,924. 3, Harry Gant, $1,194,033. 4, Ricky Rudd, $1,093,765. 5, Ernie Irvan, $1,079,017. 6, Mark Martin, $1,039,991. 7, Ken Schrader, $772,434. 8, Bill Elliott, $705,805. 9, Sterling Marlin, $633,890. 10, Geoff Bodine, $625,258.

CART
Final
PPG Point Standings
1, Michael Andretti, 234. 2, Bobby Rahal, 200. 3, Al Unser Jr., 197. 4, Rick Mears, 144. 5, Emerson Fittipaldi, 140. 6, Arie Luyendyk, 134. 7, Mario Andretti, 132. 8, John Andretti, 106. 9, Eddie Cheever, 91. 10, Scott Pruett, 67.

NBA Results

NBA Standings
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	13	6	.684	—
New York	13	6	.684	—
Miami	9	11	.450	4½
Philadelphia	9	11	.450	4½
Orlando	6	12	.333	6½
Washington	6	14	.300	7½
New Jersey	5	14	.263	8

Central Division

Chicago	16	3	.842	—
Cleveland	11	7	.611	4½
Atlanta	11	9	.550	5½
Detroit	9	12	.429	8
Milwaukee	9	12	.429	8
Indiana	9	13	.409	8½
Charlotte	6	16	.273	11½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	13	6	.619	—
San Antonio	11	8	.579	1
Houston	10	8	.556	1½
Denver	9	10	.474	3
Dallas	9	12	.429	4
Minnesota	3	14	.176	8

Pacific Division

LA Lakers	14	6	.700	—
Golden State	12	6	.667	1
Portland	13	8	.619	1½
Phoenix	13	9	.591	2
Seattle	11	9	.550	3
LA Clippers	11	10	.524	3½
Sacramento	6	13	.316	7½

Wednesday's Games
Late Games Not Included
New York 96, Seattle 87
Denver 98, Philadelphia 88
Miami 106, Cleveland 103
Dallas 106, Charlotte 103
San Antonio 96, Minnesota 85
Detroit at LA Clippers, (n)
Utah at LA Lakers, (n)
Thursday's Games
Denver at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Orlando at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

Spurs 98, Wolves 85

SAN ANTONIO (98)
Carr 3-10 1-2 7, Elliott 6-12 0-0 12, Robinson 12-24 11-15 35, Anderson 5-11 1-2 11, Johnson 4-7 0-0 8, Green 3-7 0-0 6, Royal 3-5 4-4 10, Garrick 0-2 0-0 0, Sutton 1-1 0-0 2, Buechler 2-3 1-1 5, Pressey 0-1 0-0 0, Copa 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 40-84 18-24 98.
MINNESOTA (85)
Glass 10-25 0-0 21, Mitchell 2-7 0-0 4, Breuer 2-4 2-3 6, West 3-9 0-0 6, Richardson 8-14 3-4 19, Longley 1-5 0-0 2, Campbell 5-14 5-7 15, Murphy 1-2 1-2 3, Bailey 1-6 1-2 3, Brooks 2-5 2-2 6. Totals 35-91 14-20 85.

San Antonio	23	27	27	21—98
Minnesota	18	22	24	21—85

3-Point goals—San Antonio 0-2 (Anderson 0-1, Pressey 0-1), Minnesota 1-6 (Glass 1-2, Campbell 0-1, Brooks 0-1, Richardson 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 59 (Robinson 14), Minnesota 53 (Richardson 9). Assists—San Antonio 25 (Johnson 7), Minnesota 26 (Richardson 9). Total fouls—San Antonio 20, Minnesota 24. A—18,247.

Mavs 106, Hornets 103

DALLAS (106)
McCray 2-4 1-3 5, T.Davis 4-8 0-0 8, Donaldson 1-4 3-4 5, Harper 12-20 9-12 35, Blackman 10-18 4-5 24, Williams 6-13 3-4 15, Smith 6-12 0-1 12, B.Davis 1-3 0-0 2, White 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-82 20-29 106.
CHARLOTTE (103)
Johnson 10-18 4-5 24, Newman 7-17 4-4 18, Gattison 6-11 6-8 18, Bogues 6-10 0-0 12, Gill 4-11 3-6 11, Curry 8-17 1-2 18, Leckner 0-1 0-0 0, Lynch 1-2 0-0 2, Frederick 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-87 18-25 103.

Dallas	24	33	28	21—106
Charlotte	27	35	21	20—103

3-Point goals—Dallas 2-7 (Harper 2-5, Blackman 0-1, Smith 0-1), Charlotte 1-4 (Curry 1-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 51 (Donaldson 16), Charlotte 50 (Gattison 18). Assists—Dallas 20 (Harper 8), Charlotte 29 (Bogues 17). Total fouls—Dallas 22, Charlotte 23. A—23,698.

Knicks 96, Sonics 87

SEATTLE (87)
Johnson 5-13 0-0 10, Kemp 4-7 6-6 14, Cage 3-7 0-0 6, Payton 3-8 2-2 8, Pierce 9-19 7-7 25, Conlon 2-4 0-0 4, McMillan 6-9 1-1 13, Benjamin 3-9 1-3 7, King 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-76 17-19 87.
NEW YORK (96)
McDaniel 6-13 2-6 15, Oakley 1-1 0-0 2, Ewing 6-16 5-6 17, Jackson 5-9 2-2 12, Wilkins 5-12 0-0 11, Starks 6-14 2-2 19, Mason 1-3 4-6 6, Anthony 4-6 2-2 10, Vandeweghe 2-5 0-0 4.Totals 36-81 17-24 96.

Seattle	21	19	22	25—87
New York	25	19	24	28—96

3-Point goals—Seattle 0-4 (Cage 0-1, Benjamin 0-1, Pierce 0-2), New York 7-10 (Starks 5-5, McDaniel 1-2, Wilkins 1-2, Anthony 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Seattle 54 (Kemp, Benjamin 9), New York 41 (Ewing 10). Assists—Seattle 23 (Pierce 7), New York 24 (Jackson 9). Total fouls—Seattle 19, New York 19. A—14,934.

Heat 105, Cavs 103

CLEVELAND (103)
Bennett 0-1 0-0 0, Nance 6-13 5-6 17, Daugherty 3-12 6-8 12, Ehlo 4-9 1-2 11, Price 7-15 5-6 21, Williams 7-12 4-7 18, Brandon 5-11 2-2 12, James 3-10 5-5 11, Battie 0-7 0-0 0, Ferry 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 35-90 29-36 103.
MIAMI (105)
Burton 4-17 0-0 8, Long 7-16 2-5 16, Seikaly 7-18 6-8 20, Rice 9-19 2-2 21, Smith 5-8 4-4 15, Kessler 4-8 0-0 8, Edwards 3-9 0-0 6, Coles 4-10 3-4 11. Totals 43-105 17-23 105.

Cleveland	18	23	26	36—103
Miami	26	29	25	25—105

3-Point goals—Cleveland 4-10 (Ehlo 2-4, Price 2-4, James 0-2), Miami 2-5 (Rice 1-2, Smith 1-3). Fouled out—Williams. Rebounds—Cleveland 68 (Williams 16), Miami 64 (Seikaly 24). Assists—Cleveland 17 (Daugherty, Price 4), Miami 18 (Smith 6). Total fouls—Cleveland 22, Miami 22. A—14,707.

Nuggets 98, 76ers 88

DENVER (98)
G.Anderson 6-13 1-4 13, R.Williams 7-13 6-7 21, Mutombo 7-15 4-5 18, Macon 4-11 1-2 9, Garland 5-11 0-0 11, Davis 9-12 0-0 18, Wolf 1-2 0-0 2, Lichti 1-2 0-0 2, Jackson 2-8 0-0 4. Totals 42-87 12-18 98.
PHILADELPHIA (88)
Barkley 6-10 7-7 21, Gilliam 10-19 3-4 23, Shackleford 1-5 0-0 2, Dawkins 1-13 2-2 4, Hawkins 5-15 12-14 24, Bol 2-7 1-2 5, R.Anderson 3-10 1-1 7, Oliver 0-2 0-0 0, J.Williams 1-3 0-0 2.Totals 29-84 26-30 88.

Denver	26	22	27	21—98
Philadelphia	26	20	28	12—88

3-Point goals—Denver 2-3 (R.Williams, 1-1, Garland 1-1, Macon 0-1), Philadelphia 4-7 (Barkley 2-3, Hawkins 2-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Denver 57 (G.Anderson 14), Philadelphia 53 (Gilliam 12). Assists—Denver 23 (Garland 6), Philadelphia 12 (Barkley 5). Total fouls—Denver 26, Philadelphia 18. Technicals—Denver illegal defense 3. A—12,231.

NFL Injury Report

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Football League injury report for this week's games as provided by the league:

Saturday
TAMPA BAY AT CHICAGO — Buccaneers: G Ian Beckles (elbow), QB Vinny Testaverde (back) are questionable. Bears: RB Neal Anderson (hamstring), G Mark Bortz (knee) are out; TE James Thornton (ankle) is questionable; LB John Roper (ankle-hamstring) is probable.
KANSAS CITY AT SAN FRANCISCO — Chiefs: CB Albert Lewis (knee) is doubtful; RB Bill Jones (ankle), RB Christian Okoye (knee) are questionable; S Deron Cherry (neck), CB Kevin Ross (foot), LB Derrick Thomas (knee), WR Robb Thomas (ankle), RB Harvey Williams (hamstring) are probable. 49ers: DE Kevin Fagan (knee) is out; LB Charles Haley (hamstring), RB Keith Henderson (ankle) are questionable; LB Keith DeLong (back), CB Don Griffin (calf) are probable.
Sunday
CINCINNATI AT PITTSBURGH — Bengals: Report no new injuries. Steelers: G Tom Ricketts (groin), RB Barry Foster (ankle) are doubtful; S Thomas Everett (ankle-foot), S Gary Jones (shoulder), WR Louis Lipps (groin) are questionable; DT Craig Veasey (knee) is probable.
HOUSTON AT CLEVELAND — Oilers: S Mike Dumas (hamstring) is doubtful; CB Steve Jackson (ankle) is questionable; S Bubba McDowell (back), G Mike Munchak (knee) are probable. Browns: RB Leroy Hoard (leg), DT Michael Dean Perry (shoulder) are questionable.
MIAMI AT SAN DIEGO — Dolphins: RB Marc Logan (concussion) is questionable; CB J.B. Brown (foot), LB David Griggs (thigh), RB Sammie Smith (shoulder) are probable. Chargers: CB Gill Byrd (ankle), NT Joe Phillips (ankle), LB Billy Ray Smith (ankle), WR-KR Kitrick Taylor (knee) are questionable; G Mike Zandofsky (hand) is probable.
NEW ENGLAND AT NEW YORK JETS — Patriots: T Danny Villa (ankle) is out; WR Irving Fryar (leg), WR Greg McMurtry (ankle), S Fred Marion (stomach) are questionable. Jets: WR Chris Burkett (knee) is questionable; RB Freeman McNeil (ankle), DT Scott Mersereau (ankle), DE Jeff Lageman (arch), K Pat Leahy (hamstring-hip) are probable.
BUFFALO AT INDIANAPOLIS — Bills: S Dwight Drane (knee) is questionable. Colts: T Bill Schultz (virus), DE Donnell Thompson (foot-knee) are doubtful; T Zefross Moss (ankle) is questionable; RB Ken Clark (hip), G Randy Dixon (leg) are probable.
DALLAS AT PHILADELPHIA — Cowboys: QB Troy Aikman (knee) is doubtful; G John Gesek (ankle) is questionable; TE Jay Novacek (knee), RE Emmitt Smith (knee) is probable. Eagles: QB Jim McMahon is out; DT Jerome Brown (shoulder) is questionable; RB Keith Byars (thigh) is probable.
NEW YORK GIANTS AT WASHINGTON — Giants: CB Everson Walls (kidney) is out; LB Lawrence Taylor (knee), QB Phil Simms (shoulder), LB Bobby Abrams (back) are probable. Redskins: TE Ron Middleton (knee), CB Alvoid Mays (ankle) are out; LB Kurt Gouveia (shoulder) is probable.
DETROIT AT GREEN BAY — Lions: NT Jerry Ball (knee) is out; LB George Jamison (toe-ankle) is doubtful; LB Tracy Hayworth (back), NT Lawrence Pete (back), LB Chris Spielman (ankle) are questionable. Packers: LB Bryce Paup (calf) is out; RB Darrell Thompson (knee), WR Sterling Sharpe (knee), DE Robert Brown (knee), RB Chuck Webb (knee) are probable.
LOS ANGELES RAMS AT MINNESOTA — Rams: WR Vernon Turner (ribs) is doubtful; WR Ron Brown (foot) is questionable; RB David Lang (hamstring), C Doug Smith (knee) are probable. Vikings: CB Carl Lee (thumb), S Solomon Wilcots (knee) are probable.
PHOENIX AT DENVER — Cardinals: LB Tyronne Stowe (ankle) is doubtful; QB Stan Gelbaugh (elbow), NT Jim Wahler (hand), S Michael Zordich (hand) are questionable; LB Eric Hill (chest) is probable. Broncos: DE Warren Powers (heel) is doubtful; LB Mike Croel (ankle), T Ken Lanier (back), RB Greg Lewis (ankle), QB John Elway (right shoulder) are questionable; DE Kenny Walker (neck), T Harvey Salem (shoulder) are probable.
SEATTLE AT ATLANTA — Seahawks: LB Rufus Porter (shoulder) is doubtful; DT Jeff Bryant (ankle) is questionable. Falcons: S Tracey Eaton (shoulder), WR Andre Rison (ankle) are questionable; T Chris Hinton (foot), G Houston Hoover (knee), G Mike Ruether (chest), CB Elbert Shelley (knee) are probable.
Monday
LOS ANGELES RAIDERS AT NEW ORLEANS — Raiders: G Steve Wisniewski (knee), DE Howie Long (knee), DE A.J. Jimerson (knee) are out; WR Sam Graddy (ankle), S Elvis Patterson (groin) are questionable. Saints: G Chris Port (ankle), CB Reggie Jones (shoulder), T Kevin Haverdink (back) are out; QB Bobby Hebert (shoulder) is questionable; LB Sam Mills (knee), S Gene Atkins (shoulder), T Richard Cooper (shoulder) are probable.

Ski Report

Wednesday, Dec. 11
ROCKIES USA
Packed powder conditions exist at almost all Rocky Mountain ski areas. Bases are deeper than usual for this time of year. Portions of New Mexico and Arizona were receiving snow at report time.
Colorado
Arapahoe Basin — 1 new, packed powder, 34-34 base, 360 acres, 51 trails
Arrowhead — To open 12-20
AspenSnowmass — 0 new, packed powder, 24-28 base, 1725 acres,
Aspen Highlnds — 2 new, powder-packed powder, 29-40 base, 380 acres,
Beaver Creek — 0 new, powder-packed powder, 24-34 base, 940 acres,
Breckenridge — 1 new, packed powder, 36-36 base, 1025 acres, 74 trails
Buttermilk — To open 12-14
Copper Mt. — 0 new, packed powder, 29-34 base, 960 acres,
Crested Butte — 1 new, powder-packed powder, 27-45 base, 760 acres,
Eldora Mt. — 0 new, packed powder, 20-20 base, 303 acres,
Keystone — 0 new, packed powder, 30-30 base, 1040 acres, 81 trails
Loveland — 1 new, powder-packed powder, 29-29 base, 836 acres,
Monarch — 1 new, powder-packed powder, 37-37 base, 800 acres, snowing
Powderhorn — No report
Purgatory — 3 new, powder-packed powder, 34-36 base, 1150 acres,
Silvercreek — To open 12-12
Ski Cooper — 0 new, powder-packed powder, 39-39 base, 335 acres,
Ski Sunlight — 1 new, powder-packed powder, 24-27 base, 270 acres, snowing
Steamboat — 1 new, powder-packed powder, 33-45 base, 2425 acres, Jazz Weekend
Telluride — 1 new, powder-packed powder, 29-41 base, 575 acres,
Vail — 0 new, powder-packed powder, 24-35 base, 3800 acres,
Winter Park — 0 new, packed powder, 32-37 base, 1060 acres,
Wolf Creek — 3 new, powder-packed powder, 51-53 base, 800 acres, ski shop thurs.
New Mexico
Angel Fire — To open 12-12
Pajarito Mt. — 1 new, powder-packed powder, 41-41 base, 200 trails, 100 pct open
Red River — 0 new, powder-packed powder, 36-36 base, 195 acres, Ski daily 12-13
Sandia Peak — To open 12-14
Santa Fe — 0 new, packed powder, 47-47 base, 630 acres,
Sipapu — To open 12-13
Ski Apache — 1 new, packed powder-groomed, 22-22 base, 375 acres, snowing

Top 25 Boxes

Missouri 113, Neb-Kearney 67

NEBRASKA-KEARNEY (3-6)
Boss 5-13 2-4 13, Mueller 4-7 4-6 12, Nielsen 7-12 0-0 14, Pierson 0-7 0-0 0, Scheidegger 7-21 0-0 15, Somerhalder 1-6 0-0 2, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0, Newcomb 0-1 0-0 0, Miller 0-1 0-0 0, Koster 2-6 1-4 5, Swanson 3-4 0-0 6. Totals 29-77 7-14 67.
MISSOURI (5-0)
Crudup 5-10 2-2 12, Warren 7-11 0-0 14, R.Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Booker 8-10 0-0 15, Peeler 10-14 5-8 25, C.Smith 0-2 0-2 0, Frazier 2-6 3-3 7, Frost 3-8 5-6 13, Coleman 4-8 5-6 13, Dunham 3-7 0-0 6, Horton 3-8 2-4 8. Totals 43-84 22-31 113.
Halftime—Missouri 62, Nebraska-Kearney 30. 3-Point goals—Nebraska-Kearney 2-19 (Boss 1-5, Scheidegger 1-7, Koster 0-2, Pierson 0-5), Missouri 5-13 (Booker 3-4, Forst 2-7, Peeler 0-1, C. Smith 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Nebraska-Kearney 43 (Mueller 7), Missouri 53 (Crudup, Frazier 8). Assists—Nebraska-Kearney 11 (Pierson 5), Missouri 28 (Crudup, Peeler 5). Total fouls—Nebraska-Kearney 25, Missouri 11. A—13,300.

Seton Hall 77, Rutgers 72

SETON HALL (4-1)
Walker 5-9 5-7 15, Winchester 8-11 2-3 18, Leahy 3-3 5-5 13, Dehere 3-11 2-2 9, Caver 0-0 1-2 1, Hurley 3-7 7-9 13, Mims 1-3 0-0 2, Criat 1-2 2-2 5, Wright 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 24-46 25-32 77.
RUTGERS (3-1)
Jones 5-6 0-0 10, Smith 4-7 3-3 11, Weiler 1-3 0-1 2, Redden 2-5 0-0 5, Worthy 4-15 3-3 13, Phillips 4-5 4-4 12, Rich 3-6 1-1 8, Santiago 0-3 1-2 1, Drury 0-0 0-0 0, Lumpkin 3-9 2-3 10. Totals 26-59 14-17 72.
Halftime—Seton Hall 42, Rutgers 38. 3-Point goals—Seton Hall 4-9 (Leahy 2-2, Criat 1-1, Dehere 1-5, Hurley 0-1), Rutgers 6-19 (Lumpkin 2-6, Worthy 2-7, Redden 1-3, Rich 1-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Seton Hall 31 (Walker 7), Rutgers 30 (Jones, Worthy, Phillips 4). Assists—Seton Hall 12 (Hurley 3), Rutgers 13 (Worthy 7). Total fouls—Seton Hall 17, Rutgers 24. A—8,966.

SWC Boxes

Texas Tech 76, Midwestern St. 64

Midwestern St. (9-2)
Beasley 7-16 1-1 15, Hurst 2-11 1-1 5, Stegall 2-2 2-3 6, Paty 2-4 4-6 9, Harper 0-0 1-2 1, Ibarra 0-2 2-2 2, Farina 2-4 5-7 9, Pegues 2-4 0-0 4, Galloway 1-3 4-4 6, Nelson 1-1 2-2 4, Collins 0-1 0-1 0, Shead 0-1 0-2 0, Lewis 1-2 0-0 3, Bragg 0-1 0-0 0, Jenkins 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 21-53 22-31 64.
Texas Tech (5-1)
L. Dale 2-8 4-6 8, B. Dale 3-6 2-3 8, Flemons 7-7 9-10 23, Bailey 5-12 4-6 15, Moore 1-5 2-2 4, Collins 1-3 0-0 2, Austin 1-2 0-0 2, Hughes 3-6 6-7 12, Brewer 0-2 0-0 0, Hastings 0-1 2-2 2, Brown 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-50 29-36 76.
Halftime—Texas Tech 31, Midwestern St. 25. 3-Point goals—Midwestern St. 2-5 (Paty 1-1, Ibarra 0-1, Collins 0-1, Lewis 1-2), Texas Tech 1-4 (L. Dale 0-1, Bailey 1-2, Moore 0-1). Fouled out—Harper, Moore, Hughes. Rebounds—Midwestern St. 31 (Stegall 7), Texas Tech 37 (Flemons 14). Assists—Midwestern St. 9 (Hurst 4), Texas Tech 13 (Moore 6). Total fouls—Midwestern St. 29, Texas Tech 23. Technicals—Hughes. A—3,224.

TCU 66, Pacific 61

Pacific (3-3)
Lavender 5-12 4-5 14, Griffin 0-1 0-0 0, Jordan 1-3 0-0 2, Amundsen 5-12 2-3 14, Richardson 2-4 3-9 7, Dempa 5-10 0-0 11, Rishwain 3-3 1-1 9, Olin 2-2 0-0 4, Morphew 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-48 10-18 61.
Texas Christian (7-0)
Tolley 3-5 2-2 8, Moton 5-9 1-2 12, Smith 5-12 2-6 12, Atwater 2-3 4-6 8, Strickland 4-12 4-6 16, A.Thomas 2-5 0-0 6, K.Thomas 1-3 1-2 3, Graves 0-3 2-2 2, Trambie 0-2 0-0 0, Fiedler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-54 16-25 66.
Halftime—Texas Christian 38, Pacific 23. 3-Point goals—Pacific 5-9 (Lavender 0-1, Jordan 0-1, Amundsen 2-3, Dempa 1-2, Rishwain 2-2), Texas Christian 6-14 (Moton 1-1, Strickland 3-8, A.Thomas 2-4, Graves 0-1) Fouled out—Lavender, Dempa, Smith. Rebounds—Pacific 36 (Lavender 9), Texas Christian 31 (Smith 13). Assists—Pacific 6 (Amundsen, Morphew 2), Texas Christian 13 (Atwater, Strickland 3). Total fouls—Pacific 22, Texas Christian 17. A—4,537.

Transactions

Wednesday's Transactions
By The Associated Press
BASEBALL
American League
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Assigned Domingo Mota, second baseman, Baseball City of the Florida State League.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Extended the contract of Tom Kelly, manager, for two years. Named Joel Lepel, Brad Wietzel and Scott Groot scouts.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Signed Kent Anderson, infielder; Julian Yan, first baseman; and Butch Davis, outfielder; to minor league contracts. Named Joe Siers midwest scouting supervisor.
National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Traded John Wetteland and Bill Risley, pitchers, to the Montreal Expos for Dave Martinez, outfielder; Scott Ruskin, pitcher; and Willie Greene, infielder.
FLORIDA MARLINS—Reached a one-year player development agreement with Erie of the New York-Penn League for 1992. Named Fredi Gonzalez manager of Erie.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Traded Chris Gwynn, outfielder, and Domingo Mota, second baseman, to the Kansas City Royals for Todd Benzinger, first baseman-outfielder.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Traded Bruce Ruffin, pitcher, to the Milwaukee Brewers for Dale Sveum, infielder.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Traded Kevin Mitchell, outfielder, and Mike Remlinger, pitcher, to the Seattle Mariners for Bill Swift, Mike Jackson and Dave Burba, pitchers. Designated Rafael Novoa, pitcher, for assignment.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA—Fined Richie Adubato, Dallas Mavericks coach, $3,000, for making disparaging remarks about the officiating following a game on Dec. 7.
SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Placed Quintin Dailey, guard, on waivers.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NEW YORK GIANTS—Placed Jeff Hostetler, quarterback, on injured reserve. Signed Mike Perez, quarterback. Assigned Anthony Moss, linebacker, to the practice squad.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NEW YORK RANGERS—Signed Mark Messier, center, to a multiyear contract.

Tennis

MUNICH, Germany (AP)— Results Wednesday from the $6 million Grand Slam Cup tennis tournament at the Olympiahalle (seedings in parentheses):
First Round
David Wheaton (7), Deephaven, Minn., def. Paul Haarhuis, Netherlands, 1-6, 6-3, 6-2.
Guy Forget (5), France, def. Jaime Yzaga, Peru, 6-3, 6-3.
Michael Stich (3), Germany, def. Goran Prpic, Yugoslavia, 6-4, 6-3.
Todd Woodbridge, Australia, def. Aaron Krickstein, Grosse Pointe, Mich., 6-3, 6-3.

Midland Bowling

Bowling results for the weeks of Nov. 28 and Dec. 4 as provided by the Midland Bowling Association:

CACTUS LANES
Petroleum American: Jimmy Oden 268—655; Louis Sanchez 234—601; Charles Rothwell 227—644; Arthur Brown 236—600; Phillip Aldredge 216—615, 226—623; Dean Berry 234—609; Dennis Samsel 246—675, 224-255-246—725; Junior Brown 227; Cliff Butler 204; R. Vest 204; Gary Gerhard 203; Jerry King 222; J. Moore 213; Louis Sanchez 234; Edwin Stewart 204; Ray Weisner 208; Forest Riggs 215; Jeff Smith 211; Vernon Hines 209; Steve Bellis 207; Ed Mackey 213; H. Woods 227; Bardie Tryon 225; Arthur Brown 236; Scott Pope245—649; Jesse Rodriguez 200; Mike Boyer 221; Bert Griggs 207; Don Clark 236; R. Seawright 222; Darren Tryon 206; M. Clark 200; Robert Blair 201; Rob Moore 246; Roman Harper 211; Jr. Brown 205; Monty Caperton 235; Mike Hunt 200; David Bellis 198—606 (136 avg.).
Petroleum Mixed (Men): Phillip Aldredge 244—629; Dayton Berry 246—695; Tommy Hogue 221; Scooter Starritt 213; Russell Hight 206; Scott Pope 258—721; Billy Sullivan 203; Cliffs Hogue 200; Karen Hensley 200.
High Sky Ladies: Becky Graves 203; Lisa Samsel 201; Jane Grubbs 211; Jeane Webb 201; Pam Sanchez 217; Tammy Windham 203.
Keglers (Men): Lance Pomeroy 248—667; Scott Pope 237—650; Mark Maddox 205; Mike White 27; Buster Davis 210; David Augsburger 204; David White 203; Clarence Grant 204; Bill Davis 208; Russell Hall 200; Don Clark 202, Lee Pittman 205; Steve Witte 230; Ken Maisel 216; Burt Evans 204; Loren Guess 201; Guy Gullic 203.
Keglers (Women): Sam Augsburger

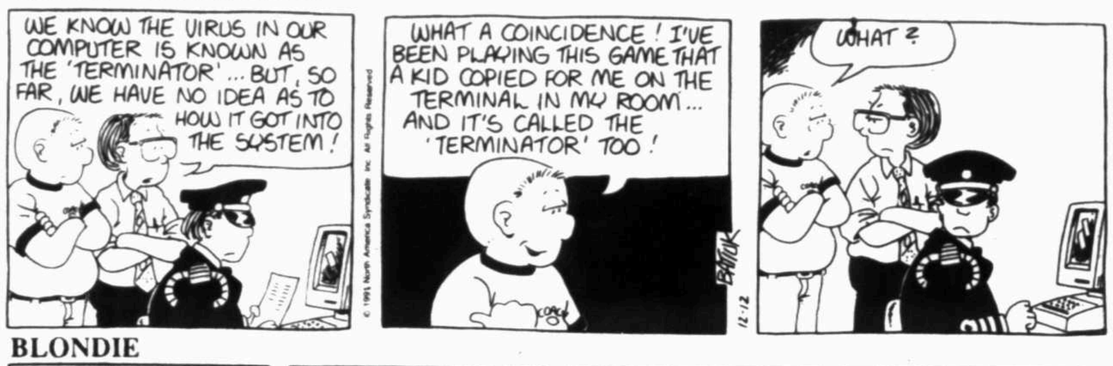
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YOUR HOROSCOPE

By Jeane Dixon

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1991

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Your diplomacy and hard work will pay off royally. Launch a self-improvement program early in 1992. Family life dictates several important decisions in late spring. Greater business success will be yours by midsummer! Influential people applaud your dedication and long hours. Next October brings travel and romance. You see an old friend in a new light. Early winter features exciting career negotiations.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: superstar Frank Sinatra, game show host Bob Barker, singer Sheila E., gymnast Cathy Rigby.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Current challenges may involve child-care or joint-custody arrangements. Keep your cool. A period of quiet reflection will help restore your vitality. Good music chases away the blues.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Beware of snags in communication or transportation today. You have a winning way with influential people and need to make only certain facts clear. Nurture a romantic relationship.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A wonderful time to work on partnership matters and firm up arrangements regarding joint funds. Your Midas touch continues day and night. Avoid appearing selfish if you want someone's cooperation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Workplace communications go smoothly today. Now is the time to ally yourself with influential associates. You are dynamic and articulate — and would make a great spokesperson.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Reclusive tendencies could bar the door to progress. How can people get together with you if you will not meet them halfway? Shake hands on an agreement today. Romance takes a happy turn.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Try not to overreact to an employer's questions or a supervisor's suggestions. You have a tendency to take things too personally. Lighten up! Spend a fun evening with your loved ones.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can move mountains today, thanks to your strong organizational skills. Be tactful if you must correct someone's mistakes. Those in authority express appreciation for your efficiency.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A friendship or romance could fall short of your expectations. It is better not to kick up a fuss. Your keen eye for value remains sharp. You are able to make a shrewd investment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Career obstacles may temporarily deprive you of the praise and freedom you are due. Lie low; an influential friend will come through for you. Shop for high-quality items.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A long-term legal agreement or major purchase indicates a secure future. An uncertain domestic situation will soon improve. Avoid acting recklessly in a personal relationship.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A social event or romantic interlude will make this a special day. Let your words of support flow freely; you will touch an emotional chord. Loved ones rally to your side this evening.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Going to the top is usually preferable to wasting time with subordinates. You may be dealing with people of wealth and influence over the next day or two. Dress and act conservatively.

TODAY'S CHILDREN love to make things with their hands, including airplane models, dolls and theater scenery. Adventuresome and fun-loving, these youngsters sometimes fail to look before they leap. Wise parents will urge caution without becoming overprotective. Real people-watchers, these Sagittarians often grow up to be writers or cartoonists! Their somewhat cynical humor will occasionally offend others without their even realizing it.

PEANUTS



GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

A FINE DEFENSE

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ A Q 10 7 4 3 2
♡ Q 9
◇ K 7 5
♣ 4

WEST
♠ 6 5
♡ J 3 2
◇ A J 6 4 3
♣ K 10 2

EAST
♠ K J 9 8
♡ 7 6
◇ Q 10 9 2
♣ A 5 3

SOUTH
♠ Void
♡ A K 10 8 5 4
◇ 8
♣ Q J 9 8 7 6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♡	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	2 ◇	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	4 ♡	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Ace of ◇

Winning defense requires partnership cooperation. If the partners are on different wavelengths, it is all too easy for one to undo the good work of the other. On this deal from a recent Southwest regional championship, East and West combined perfectly to sink a contract that was made more often than not.

North's bid of two diamonds, the fourth suit, created a game-forcing auction. South described a mammoth two-suiter, and the auction died at four hearts—most of North's cards were not working.

West, Ed White of Houston, Texas, got the defense off to its best start by leading the ace of diamonds, then shifting to a trump to cut down dummy's ruffing power. The table's nine won the trick and a low club was led off the board. East, Eddie Wold, also of Houston, continued the good work by refusing to go up with the ace.

In with the king of clubs, West led another trump. Declarer could take two club discards on the ace of spades and king of diamonds, but still had to concede two club tricks for down one.

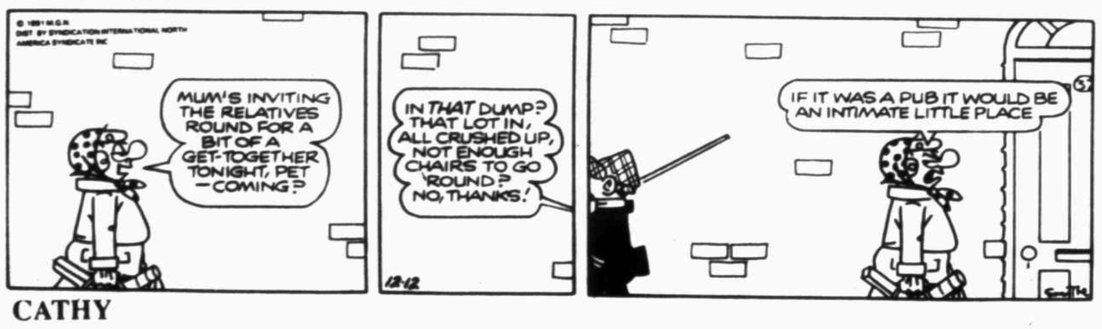
The defenders had to play exactly as they did to prevail. If West does not lead the ace of diamonds, declarer can discard the singleton diamond on the ace of spades. If West does not shift to a trump, declarer will be able to ruff a club in dummy and lose only two clubs and a diamond. And if East rises with the ace of clubs, the defenders will again get only two club tricks.

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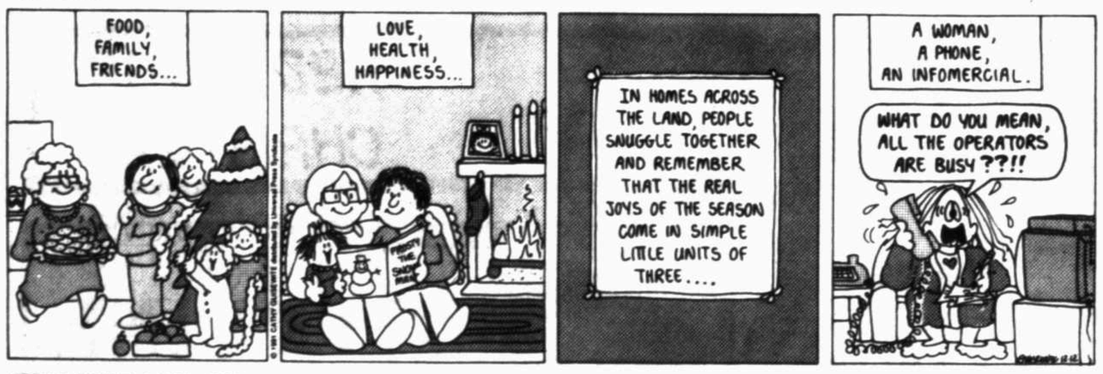
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THE FAR SIDE



If pets wore hats: a study in animal personalities and styles

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"If Santa watches everything we do, could he be sued for invasion of privacy?"

DENNIS THE MENACE



"THERE'S NOBODY OUTDOORS TO PLAY WITH EXCEPT MR. WILSON... AN' I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER HIM SO CLOSE TO CHRISTMAS."

PEOPLE

Princess attends first event since her husband's death

PARIS — **Princess Caroline** of Monaco returned to the storybook world of socialites, royalty and tycoons for the first time since the death of her husband in a boating accident last year.

The event Tuesday, set among centuries-old Greek statues of the Louvre Museum, was a joint charity benefit for foundations honoring Caroline's mother, the late **Princess Grace**, and **Georges Pompidou**, the late president of France.



Princess Caroline

Elegant in a floor-length, black velvet gown festooned with the trademark Chanel chain-link belt, Caroline swept into the Louvre auditorium flanked by her father, **Prince Rainier**, and her siblings, **Princess Stephanie** and **Prince Albert**.

The 500 guests, who each paid $925, had eyes only for Caroline, who has been in virtual seclusion since the death of her husband, **Stefano Casiraghi**, in a boating accident in October 1990.

The gala raised $370,000 for handicapped children, the elderly and aspiring artists.

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PONTIAC, Mich. — **Madonna**'s brother is being sued by a lawyer who says he is the aspiring actor's manager and that **Martin Ciccone** withheld money from a television appearance.

James Randolph aiso claimed in the lawsuit, filed Tuesday in Oakland County Circuit Court, that Ciccone damaged his own marketability by appearing intoxicated in his sister's music video, "Truth or Dare."

Randolph said he and Ciccone signed a contract in April in which Ciccone promised to pay a certain percentage of his income in exchange for the attorney's management services.

Ciccone, of suburban Southfield, was paid for appearing on Maury Povich's TV show but refused to pay Randolph or tell him how much he received, according to the lawsuit.

A Dec. 18 hearing was scheduled.

Ciccone could not be reached for comment because there is no telephone listing for him.

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TULSA, Okla. (AP) — New York Giants quarterback **Jeff Hostetler**, who spends much of his time helping critically ill children, was among the U.S. Jaycees' 1992 Ten Outstanding Young Americans.

The 1992 recipients, named for achievements ranging from state affairs to medicine to philanthropy, will be honored Jan. 17 at a ceremony in Tulsa, the Jaycees' headquarters.

Hostetler, 30, who led the Giants to victory over the Buffalo Bills in last season's Super Bowl, began working for critically ill children after his oldest son Jason was born with heart problems.

Past winners include **Elvis Presley**, Vice President **Dan Quayle**, boxing champion **Joe Louis** and **Zbigniew Brzezinski**.

Other winners this year: **Paula Marshall-Chapman** of Tulsa, president of Bama Pie Ltd; West Virginia state Sen. **Keith Burdette**; paramedic **Gregory Brooks** of Evans, Ga.; **Teresa "Tia" Casertano** of Cheshire, Conn.; **Marceta Claypool** of Fremont, Iowa; Army doctor **Katherine Moore** of Yelm, Wash.; Mississippi Attorney General **Michael Moore**; Memphis, Tenn., businessman **Stan Sawyer**; and **Dr. Craig Walker** of Houma, La.

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LOS ANGELES — **Little Richard** was joined by singers and disc jockeys of the 1950s and 1960s to honor a man who helped make them great.



Little Richard

Disc jockey **Alan Freed**, who coined the phrase "rock 'n' roll" but was implicated in the 1960s payola scandal, was posthumously awarded a star Tuesday on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

"This man was great. If the record was good, he played it," regardless of the performer's race or color, said Little Richard as he stood next to the star imbedded in a Hollywood Boulevard sidewalk.

Those flanking the singer included **Phil Everly**, **Johnny Rivers**, **Wolfman Jack**, and **Harvey Fugua** of the "Moonglows."

Freed's 1950s program in Cleveland, called the "Moon Dog Show," pioneered rock 'n' roll. His broadcast career ended in the 1960s when hearings by the U.S. House of Representatives implicated him in the scandal of accepting payment from record companies for playing their records on the air.

Freed, who died in 1965 at age 42, has the walk's 1,945th star.

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BALTIMORE (AP) — Writer **Kurt Vonnegut Jr.** says television has made ghouls of us all, citing the joy Americans exhibited following the Persian Gulf War.

"Americans didn't used to be gleeful about enemy soldiers dying. We didn't celebrate the Japanese dying in World War II, or the SS. It was decent to mourn the enemy," Vonnegut said Tuesday night at Johns Hopkins University. "It is television that has made us inhumane ... without pity. Something terrible has happened to America."

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

THURSDAY PRIME TIME — *December 12, 1991* — *For complete information check movie listings.*

Broadcast	O	C	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KMID	2	3	News 909	Wheel of Fortune	Pros & Cons 8251		FBI: Stories	American Detective	Homefront 7763		News 95831	Cheers 71251	Entertainment	Nightline 30589
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KPEJ	24	14	Who's the Boss?	Mama's Family	The Simpsons	Drexell's Class	Beverly Hills, 90210 64724		Hunter 87980		Arsenio Hall 97367		Love Connection	Paid Programming
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VC1		1	Tom & Jerry		What About Bob? (PG, '91) +++ 4579589				The Cure 9601831				The Cure 1719763	
FAM		4	The Waltons 891367		That's My Dog	You Asked/Agai	Father Dowling Mysteries 443744		The 700 Club 423980		Bordertown	Law and Order ('53) ++ (Ronald Reagan) 150183		
CNN		6	Moneyline	Crossfire	Primenews		Larry King Live!		World News		Sports	Moneyline	Newsnight	
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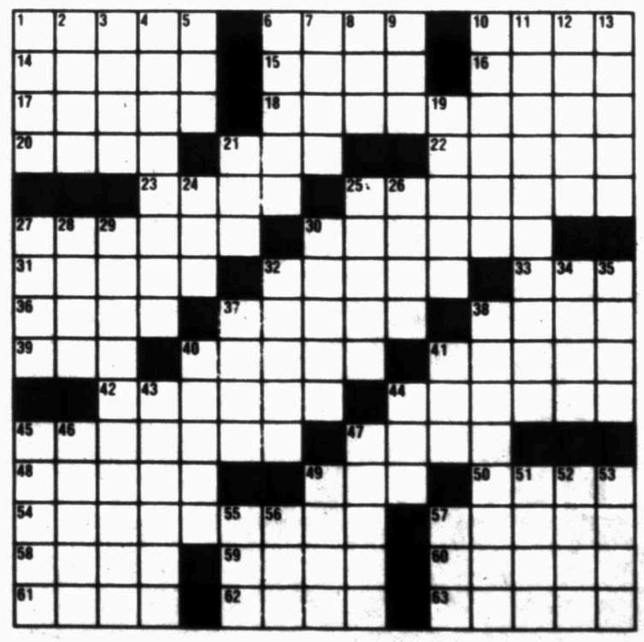
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San Antonio snaps skid

Johnson hits 24 for Hornets, but Dallas wins

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — David Robinson had 35 points, 14 rebounds and nine blocks Wednesday night as the San Antonio Spurs snapped a five-game losing streak with a 98-85 victory over the Minnesota Timberwolves.

Robinson, who scored 15 points during a 21-5 run at the end of the third quarter, finished one block shy of his seventh career triple-double.

It was only the third win in 10 road games for the Spurs, who are 8-1 at home.

Gerald Glass scored 21 points for Minnesota, which has lost five consecutive games. The Timberwolves have the worst record (3-14) in the NBA.

The Timberwolves used a 15-2 surge to take a 59-56 lead with 6:35 left in the third quarter. But they missed their final 10 shots of the period as San Antonio went on a 17-1 run, including 10 straight points by Robinson, to take a 73-60 lead.

A dunk by Glass with 6:12 left in the game made it 83-74 before Sean Elliott scored six of his 12 points during a 10-0 spurt that put the game out of reach. The last eight points of the run came without Robinson, whose fifth foul sent him to the bench with 4:55 remaining.

Mavericks 106, Hornets 103

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Derek Harper scored 15 of Dallas' 21 points in the fourth quarter, helping the Mavericks beat Charlotte.

Harper finished with 35 points, while backcourt mate Rolando Blackman added 24 for the Mavericks. They outscored the Hornets' starting guards 59-23.

Former Odessa College star Larry Johnson led Charlotte with 24 points and 10 rebounds, while Kenny Gattison added 18 points and 18 rebounds. Mugsy Bogues had 17 assists and no turnovers for the Hornets.

James Donaldson grabbed 16 rebounds for Dallas.

Harper hit two consecutive bank shots to put Dallas ahead 97-94 with 4:04 left. A free throw by

NBA Roundup

Harper put the Mavericks up 104-100, but a three-point play by Johnson got the Hornets within one with 16.9 seconds remaining.

Harper then sealed the win with two free throws with 14.9 seconds left.

Dallas trailed through most of the second and third quarters, but a 3-pointer by Harper put the Mavericks ahead 85-83 entering the final period.

The Hornets led 62-57 at halftime after shooting 55 percent from the field. Gattison paced Charlotte in the first half with 15 points.

Knicks 96, SuperSonics 87

NEW YORK — John Starks hit three of his five 3-point goals in the fourth quarter, salvaging New York's victory over Seattle.

Ricky Pierce led the Sonics with 25 points and hit all seven of his free throws to pull within three of Calvin Murphy's NBA record of 78 consecutive foul shots without a miss.

But it was Stark's marksmanship from long range that saved the Knicks. He was 5-for-5 from 3-point distance and 1-for-9 on 2-point attempts. Starks scored 11 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter and Patrick Ewing finished with 17 points and 10 rebounds.

The Knicks led 79-68 with 8:19 left in the game and still had an 85-75 advantage after Greg Anthony's jumper wit 6:47 left.

Seattle came back with a 12-3 spurt, closing to 88-87 on Shawn Kemp's two free throws with 3:29 left. But the Sonics didn't score again in losing their fifth straight road game.

After a free throw by Xavier McDaniel, Starks hit his fifth 3-pointer for a 92-87 lead with 2:21 remaining, and free throws sealed the victory that gave the Knicks an 8-0 home record.

Pierce, who missed seven of his first 42 free throws this season, moved past Larry Bird into second place on the NBA free throw list with 75 straight. Bird made 71 consecutive foul shots in 1989-90.

Murphy set the record for most free throws without a miss for Houston in 1980-81.

Heat 105, Cavaliers 103

MIAMI — Rony Seikaly scored 8 of his 20 points in the final 2:35, including the go-ahead free throw with 12.7 seconds left, as Miami snapped a 5-game losing streak.

Terrell Brandon and Mark Price each had six points during a 21-6 run that put Cleveland in front 95-94 with 2:50 remaining in the game, the Cavaliers' first lead since the first quarter.

Two free throws by Seikaly, who also grabbed 24 rebounds, and a running jumper by Glen Rice, who finished with 21 points, put the Heat ahead 98-95 with 2:13 remaining.

Cleveland's Henry James and Seikaly exchanged baskets before John Williams made a free throw and Price, who led the Cavaliers with 21 points, added two more foul shots to tie the game at 100-100 with 48.8 seconds to play.

Seikaly sank two free throws to put Miami back in front, but Larry Nance's dunk re-tied the score with 30.2 seconds left.

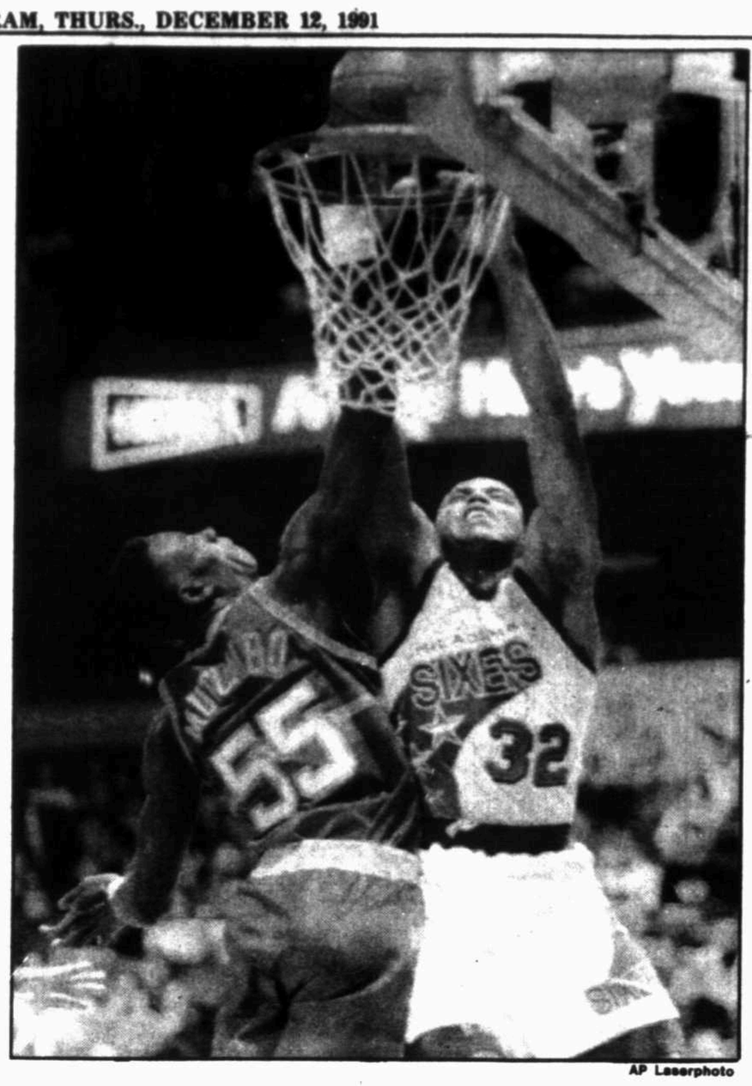
Seikaly hit the first of two free throws with 12.7 seconds to go for a 103-102 lead. He missed the second, but Bimbo Coles banked the ball out of bounds off Nance to allow Miami to keep possession.

Seikaly was fouled on the inbounds pass and hit one of two free throws for a 104-102 lead with 8.6 seconds left.

Nance was fouled with 2.3 seconds left and had a chance to tie it, but missed the first shot. He made the second to make it 104-103.

Nance fouled Grant Long on the inbounds pass and Long made the first of two shots to create the final margin. He missed the second, but time ran out before Cleveland could get a shot off.

Price missed his first foul shot of the season when the second of two free throws bounced off the rim with 3:23 remaining in the first period. Price had hit his first 39 free throws of the season and had made 42 straight dating back to last season.



AP Laserphoto

Denver's Dikembe Mutombo (55) tries to prevent Philadelphia's Charles Barkley from scoring on a dunk Wednesday night.

Nuggets 98, 76ers 88

PHILADELPHIA — Reggie Williams scored 21 points as Denver won at Philadelphia for the first time in four years.

Dikembe Mutombo and Walter Davis added 18 points apiece, leading the Nuggets to their first victory at the Spectrum since Dec. 12, 1987.

The Nuggets, who had lost three straight at Philadelphia, won for the second time in their last three road games after losing the previous 25. Their franchise record at the Spectrum is 3-16.

Hersey Hawkins had 24 points, Armon Gilliam 23 and Charles Barkley — playing for the first time after missing six games with bruised ribs — 21 for the 76ers. Philadelphia has lost seven of its last 10 games.

Denver scored the first six points of the fourth quarter to take an 83-76 lead as Philadelphia went 5:29 without a point. After Gilliam scored for the 76ers, the Nuggets went on an 8-2 tear for their biggest lead of the game, making it 91-80 on a 3-point shot by Winston Garland with 4:06 to play.

A 3-point shot by Barkley pulled Philadelphia to 93-86 with 2:36 remaining, but the 76ers got only two free throws from Johnny Dawkins thereafter. Dawkins had a horrible shooting game, making just one of 13 from the floor.

Greg Anderson had 13 points for the Nuggets, who improved their road record to 2-6 this season.

Flemons' 23 paces Tech

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Will Flemons scored 23 points and grabbed 14 rebounds to lead Texas Tech to a 76-64 victory against Midwestern State Wednesday night, extending the Red Raiders winning streak to five games.

Flemons earned his fourth double-double of the season as Tech improved to 5-1. Midwestern State, a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, fell to 9-2.

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Tech opened up a 46-34 lead early in the second half after a 14-6 run sparked by five points from Stacey Bailey and a thunderous dunk by Lance Hughes. Midwestern State never got any closer than nine points down the stretch.

Flemons, who is Tech's tallest player at 6-foot-7, was too strong inside as he connected on all seven of his shots from the field and helped the Raiders win despite 30 turnovers.

The Indians committed 29 turnovers and connected on only 22-of-31 shots from the free throw line.

Bailey scored 15 points and Hughes added 12 for the Raiders, who shot 46 percent from the field.

The Indians were led by Bart Beasley who scored 15 points.

Tech shot 39 percent from the field in the first half as the Raiders took a 31-25 lead at intermission.

Texas Christian 66, Pacific 61

FORT WORTH — Michael Strickland scored 15 points Wednesday as Texas Christian downed Pacific University 66-61, giving the Horned Frogs their best start in nearly 50 years.

Texas Christian used clutch free throw shooting to push its record to 7-0. The Horned Frogs started the 1942-43 season with eight victories.

The Tigers (3-3) had closed within one point at 57-56 at the 2:44 mark.

But the Frogs converted 13 of 16 free throws to keep Pacific from proving a spoiler in Fort Worth. Strickland helped he Frogs seal the victory by grabbing a couple of rebounds and coming up with a late steal.

Center Reggie Smith scored 12 points and a game-high 13 rebounds.

Randy Lavender and Tony Amundsen led Pacific, which shot 59 percent in the second half, with 14 points apiece.

No. 21 Missouri rips Nebraska-Kearney by 46 points

Associated Press

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Nebraska-Kearney coach Tom Kropp figured his team needed to hit 18 3-pointers to have a chance against No. 21 Missouri on Wednesday night.

But the Antelopes made only 2-of-19 from long range and the Tigers cruised to a 113-67 victory.

"We knew we were outmanned coming in," Kropp said. "We thought we would have to play hard and hit a lot of threes to have a chance at winning. We needed to hit about 18-of-29 to have a chance."

Top 25 Roundup

The Tigers (5-0) led 50-19 with 5:47 left before halftime and the Antelopes had yet to connect on a 3-pointer.

Senior Anthony Peeler led Missouri with 25 points in 24 minutes. Peeler moved into seventh place on Missouri's all-time scoring list, passing Willie Smith and Larry Drew. He now has 1,410 career points.

"I don't have any pressure on me at all about shooting the jumper," Peeler said. "When we get the transition game going, that just makes my game better."

Kropp told his players after the game that they may see Peeler in the NBA.

"Peeler stood out tonight," Kropp said. "Our kids will watch A.P. in the pro's next year and have something to remember."

Missouri coach Norm Stewart was glad to see Peeler playing well.

"We're glad to see Anthony Peeler stay after it tonight after two 30-point games," Stewart said.

No. 12 Seton Hall 77, Rutgers 72

PISCATAWAY, N.J. — Jerry Walker scored 4 of his 15 points in an 8-0 second-half burst that enabled No. 12 Seton Hall to hold off Rutgers.

Gordon Winchester added 18 points for Seton Hall (4-1) and John Leahy and Danny Hurley both had career highs with 13 points apiece as the Pirates handed Rutgers its first loss in four games.

Rutgers, which was led by Steve Worthy with 13 points, was coming into the game off consecutive victories over then-No. 24 UNLV and at Princeton. However, the Pirates proved too much.

Seton Hall never trailed in the second half, leading by as many as 12 in the early minutes and by as little as 60-59 after Jamal Phillips capped a seven-point run by putting in a rebound.

But each time Rutgers got its second-largest home crowd ever into a frenzy, the Pirates found a way to quiet the mostly red-shirted crowd of 8,966.

After the Scarlet Knights got within 60-59, Walker hit a 12-foot jumper and a turnaround jumper to start an eight-point run that Hurley capped with two free throws. Winchester also had a layup in the spurt on a nice assist from Hurley, who had to leave the game shortly afterwards after apparently injuring his ribs in a collision with Winchester.

Clippers defeat Pistons, 101-96

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Charles Smith scored 23 points and the Los Angeles Clippers matched their longest winning streak at six games with a 101-96 victory over the Detroit Pistons on Wednesday night.

The winning streak is the longest by the Clippers since December 1984.

TRADE: Saberhagen has inconsistent year

(From 1C)

Saberhagen won four more Cy Young Awards, and we did win, it doesn't mean a thing."

He joins a starting rotation which includes Dwight Gooden, David Cone and Sid Fernandez.

The Mets had extra players to trade after signing free agent first baseman Eddie Murray and outfielder Bobby Bonilla. New York and Kansas City had been discussing Royals pitchers Kevin Appier and Tom Gordon, but the Royals liked their future.

McReynolds is coming off a disappointing season when he hit .259 with 16 homers and 74 RBIs.

The Mets had high hopes for Jefferies when he joined the club in 1988, projecting him as a .300 hitter.

But he had trouble adjusting to the pressures of New York and did not fit in with his teammates. Jefferies hit .272 last season with nine homers and 62 RBIs.

At one point, he even sent an open letter to the fans of New York explaining how he was mistreated by his teammates.

The Mets always had trouble finding a place to play him. He came up as a third baseman and was later moved to second base. But he had trouble handling either position.

New York, considered a pennant contender, had a miserable year in 1991 and finished fifth in the NL East.

Just before the end of the season, Frank Cashen stepped down as general manager and Harazin moved in.

Harazin moved fast to keep the Mets from sinking by hiring Jeff Torborg to manage and signing Murray for $7.5 million over two years and Bonilla for a record $29 million over five years.

Saberhagen made $2.95 million last season and was inconsistent. But the Mets felt they needed a solid starter because Frank Viola is leaving as a free agent.

The Royals have also made a major push for first in the AL West by signing free agent Wally Joyner at the meetings and now adding Jefferies and McReynolds.

Miller played second base for the Mets last season and was scheduled to be a starter this season.

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Federal grand jury to indict Keating

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A federal grand jury indictment was expected by Thursday against Charles Keating Jr. and four associates on criminal charges in the $2.6 billion collapse of his Lincoln Savings, their lawyers said Wednesday.


Keating

The indictments, long expected, come after a grand jury investigated the case for 2½ years and five former Keating associates agreed in plea bargains to testify against him in the nation's worst savings and loan failure.

The five defendants planned to surrender to face the charges Thursday, eight days after the renegade Arizona land developer and financier was convicted in state court of securities fraud, their lawyers said.

"There will be a variety of paperwork that will have to be carried out and we'll have a hearing on bail," said Keating's attorney, Stephen C. Neal. He said he will ask that Keating be allowed to remain free without bail pending trial because he is no flight risk or danger to society.

Keating has regularly appeared in state court, where he remains free on $100,000 bond pending appeal of his conviction Dec. 4 on charges that carry a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison.

The scope of the pending federal charges was unclear, Neal and lawyers for the other defendants said.

Keating has been accused of masterminding land, securities and tax scams to tap Lincoln's federally insured deposits for financially risky ventures, huge salaries and luxurious perks for himself, his family and associates.

The $2.6 billion bailout tab to taxpayers made Lincoln's collapse in April 1989 the costliest thrift failure in U.S. history and a symbol of the nation's S&L crisis.

A federal judge has said Lincoln's looting was "akin to an adult taking candy from a helpless child."

Five former Keating associates already have pleaded guilty to federal charges, agreeing to testify against him in hopes of light sentences.

The most recent of those plea bargains came Monday when Keating's former top associate, Bruce Fairchild Dickson, 38, pleaded guilty to bank fraud. Dickson was formerly Lincoln president and senior vice president of Lincoln's parent company, Keating's Phoenix-based American Continental Corp.

Many attorneys familiar with Keating's tangled legal affairs identified the other defendants in the federal case as:

- Judith J. Wischer, American Continental's former president.
- Keating's son, Charles Keating III, a former officer and director of American Continental and many subsidiaries.
- Keating's son-in-law, Robert Wurzelbacher, a senior American Continental vice president who headed real estate operations.
- Andrew F. Ligget, American Continental's chief financial officer.

Attorneys for Wurzelbacher and Ligget confirmed that their clients would surrender to a federal indictment Thursday.

Mrs. Wischer's attorney, Abbe David Lowell, didn't immediately return a telephone call. Lowell said previously, though, that he expected his client to be indicted. And other lawyers close to the case, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said she was among the defendants.

Those attorneys, again speaking on the condition of anonymity, also said the fifth defendant in the federal case is Keating's son.

Neal previously had represented the younger Keating, but can't in the federal criminal case because of potential conflicts of interest. It wasn't known who would represent him.

In the state fraud case, Keating was convicted of duping buyers of American Continental junk bonds about the securities' safety. When Lincoln was seized and American Continental filed for bankruptcy protection, $250 million in bonds became worthless.

Remaining S&Ls post small profit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Savings institutions eked out a meager $272 million profit in the July-September quarter, but the industry suffered heavy losses in California, home to the nation's largest S&Ls, the government said Wednesday.

Profits at the country's 2,148 still-solvent thrift associations were down slightly from a revised $275 million in the second quarter, originally reported at a healthier $387 million, the Office of Thrift Supervision said.

Still, it was far better than the $774 million loss during the third quarter of 1990 and it marked the third consecutive quarterly profit by the industry, the first such string since 1986.

In a worrisome development, California S&Ls, which hold roughly a third of the thrift industry's assets, lost $127 million, the most of any state in the country. California was among 13 states posting losses.

Many of California's big thrift institutions are suffering from the same problem hurting commercial banks there — defaulted loans to commercial real estate projects. In an earlier report, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said the state's commercial banks lost $74 million during the quarter.

The trend could herald the development of a third problem region for financial institution failures, which swept Texas in the late 1980s and New England the past two years.

"It's an indication you have troubles developing ... out there in California. ... I would think everyone is worried when they see those kinds of numbers," said Charles A. Bowsher, head of the General Accounting Agency, Congress' accounting and investigative agency.

Timothy Ryan, director of the thrift office, attributed the string of earnings nationally to the government's continuing program to rescue insolvent S&Ls and to a sharp drop in the interest rates thrifts pay on deposits and other borrowed funds.



Looking for a rebound

Ford Motor Co. President Philip E. Benton, 62,is shown in the automaker's headquarters near a 1992 red Ford Thunderbird with gift wrapping. He says he islooking for a rebound in the economy and the auto industry in the spring. Ford least nearly $1.8 billion in the first thre quarters of this year and is expected to incur a loss in the fourth quarter, he said.

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Large bank failure could break FDIC

■ The head of the General Accounting Office warns that a large bank failure could send the FDIC into insolvency.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A single failure of a very large bank could topple the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. into insolvency despite the agency's new authority to borrow $70 billion, a senior congressional official said Wednesday.

Charles A. Bowsher, head of the General Accounting Office, Congress' auditing and investigative agency, also said the Bush administration's effort to break the credit crunch by loosening bank accounting standards likely will further jeopardize the insurance fund.

The administration had said it expected the $70 billion would last through 1993. However, no so-called "megabanks" — the top dozen or so institutions in the country — are classified by the administration as likely to fail.

Bowsher's warning that such a failure could occur raises serious questions about the adequacy of the FDIC replenishment even before the president signs it into law. It was adopted by Congress Nov. 27.

"While we are not saying that any particular money center bank is on the verge of failing, the questionable quality of bank ... data, coupled with deficiencies in existing accounting standards, provides the potential for a large bank to unexpectedly require assistance," Bowsher told the House Banking Committee.

"If this were to occur, the level of funding provided in the legislation would not be sufficient to resolve the institution and those other institutions the regulators have projected will require assistance between now and the end of 1993," he said.

Bowsher said an accounting directive issued jointly last month by five bank and S&L regulatory agencies would make surprise failures more likely by making it easier for banks to hide loan losses.

"As a result, there will be more banks failing without reasonable warning ... and the regulatory process will be severely hampered," he said.

The agencies will go over the new standards in an unprecedented gathering next week in Baltimore of 500 senior bank examiners from across the country.

Only the initial hours of the conference will be open to journalists and others outside the agencies, prompting a charge from Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, D-Texas, that "jiggery-pokery is about to happen."

Both Bowsher and Gonzalez, chairman of the House Banking Committee, said the administration effort contradicts last month's banking bill, which seeks to toughen regulation of banks.

"If they undo what we have done, it will be a gross disservice to the national interest," Gonzalez said.

Rather than relaxing accounting standards to disguise losses, Bowsher said, the government may want to consider pumping federal assistance into institutions to keep them alive.

This would be a major change in strategy for dealing with financial institutions. Currently, regulators seize failed banks and S&Ls and dismantle them, selling off the pieces to the highest bidders. Stockholders in failed institutions are wiped out, while creditors usually take big losses.

"Some of these institutions might be able to be saved if they had a capital infusion. That might be less costly and that might mean the government doesn't have to take over all these institutions," he said.

INVESTORS' GUIDE

Questioner's income below tax threshold

By Bill Doyle

Q. My husband became disabled and retired at age 60. He put the money from his company's retirement plan into a rollover individual retirement account.


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In 1989, we withdrew $3,500 from the IRA. That and $617.97 from interest on other money was our only income, except for $9,864 Social Security benefits. The man who prepared our income tax return said we did not owe any tax, because the $9,864 was not taxable. Is that correct?

In 1990, we again withdrew $3,500 from the IRA. Our interest and SS benefits were similar to 1989. So we did not file an income tax return.

Yet, according to your column, IRA withdrawals are taxable. If we owe tax on those withdraws, how should we go about doing so?

A. Relax. You don't owe Uncle Sam a penny.

Most IRA withdrawals are taxable as ordinary income because no income tax was paid on the money when it went into the IRA — either as tax-deductible annual contributions or tax-deferred rollovers. Nondeductible IRA contributions, on which tax was paid, are tax free when the money is taken out of the IRA.

But you're off the tax hook. The IRA withdrawal and interest total less than the level at which federal income tax takes hold.

As a married couple entitled to file a joint return, for 1989, that threshold was $9,200 if both spouses were under 65, $9,800 if one was 65 or older, and $10,400 is both were 65 or older. For 1990, the corresponding numbers were $9,550, $10,200 and $10,850.

The "who must file" numbers are adjusted upward annually to offset inflation and are listed in the Internal Revenue Service's income tax returns forms and instruction booklets and other IRS literature.

You're required to pay federal income tax on part of SS benefits only when adjusted gross income, plus half of your SS benefits and all of your otherwise tax-free municipal bond interest tops a different set of numbers — $32,000 for married couples filing jointly, $25,000 for single people and zero for most marrieds filing separate returns. These figures do not change annually.

Q. I don't contribute a dime to the pension plan sponsored by my employer. When I retire, may I roll over the money in my pension plan into an IRA? Or must I pay tax first?

A. You can go the rollover route, thereby deferring income tax on the money until you make withdrawals. For the vast majority of people, that's the sensible thing to do.

If you roll over the total amount in the account, you'll keep it all tax deferred. If you rollover only part of the money and take the rest out, the portion you receive will become taxable.

The latter is not the worst idea in the world. Many retirees, after working hard all their adult lives, like to splurge on a few things right after retiring. They are entitled to do so.

Q. According to what you wrote, when a person receives more than $150,000 in "retirement distributions," such as withdrawals from IRAs and payments from other other retirement plans, the excess is subject to a 15 percent (excise) tax.

I plan to make the required withdrawals from my large rollover IRA after age 701/2. I have always been under the impression, by using the life-expectancy withdrawal tables in IRS Publication 590, I would pay only regular income tax.

The additional excise tax is a big surprise to me. Will I be subject to that tax?

A. You will, if you follow your plan. The rules do not make an exception for so-called "excess distributions" resulting from IRA mandatory withdrawals.

This is a kick in the rump for people who have very large IRAs and other retirement accounts from which they are required to make withdrawals. If you have a number of years to go until 701/2, think about taking money out before reaching that age.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but is able to provide answers only through the column.

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- Previous Close $19.41
- One Year Ago $25.35

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- Today $18.25
- Previous Week $19.50
- One Year Ago $24.25

Prices rebound

NEW YORK — Oil prices swung wildly Wednesday, finishing higher after rebounding strongly from a nine-month low reached in the morning.

West Texas Intermediate for delivery in January settled at $19.51 per barrel, up 10 cents, at the New York Mercantile Exchange. In the morning, oil had fallen more than 40 cents a barrel to dip below $19 for the first time since March.

"It was quite a whipsaw session," said Victor Yu, vice president of futures for the Nikkhah Energy Group of Refco Inc. "Early in the morning, no one wanted it, and toward the end of the day, people couldn't get enough of it."

Traders began their sell-off on an industry report, issued the night before, which showed large increases in the nation's supplies of crude and gasoline. The supply of heating oil showed a more modest increase, but traders pointed out this is the time of year when supplies should be getting smaller as people heat their homes.

The market finally became oversold.

At that point, a buying spree began. Some traders began passing around rumors of problems in the oil supply from the Soviet Union, the world's largest petroleum producer and a major exporter which is now undergoing massive political turmoil.

Traders also responded to a statement from the Algerian oil minister indicating the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries should cut back its production quotas next spring, when demand for oil is expected to fall.

Natural gas prices were hit hard amid the recent warmish weather, with contracts for delivery in January settling at $1.851 per 1,000 cubic feet, down 7.9 cents.

Dollar falls

NEW YORK — The dollar fell against major European currencies as dealers turned their attention away from turmoil in the Soviet Union to the grim outlook for the U.S. economy.

In Tokyo, the dollar rose 1.06 yen to a closing 129.38 yen.

In London, the British pound rose to $1.8100 from $1.8085 late Tuesday.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Tuesday: 1.5770 German marks, down from 1.5792; 1.3930 Swiss francs, down from 1.3950; 1.3025 Canadian dollars, down from 1.1365; 5.3840 French francs, down from 5.3950; and 1,190.25 Italian lire, down from 1,194.00.

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	Sell	Buy	Chg.
AALMutual:			
CaGr p	12.89	13.53	+.02
Inco p	10.21	10.72	—.01
MuBd p	10.30	10.81	
AARP Invst:			
CaGr	29.84	N.L.	—.21
GinM	15.95	N.L.	+.01
GthInc	26.51	N.L.	—.15
HQ Bd	15.97	N.L.	—.01
TxFBd	17.33	N.L.	+.03
ABT Funds:			
Emrg p	10.24	10.75	—.05
FL TF	10.54	11.07	
GthIn p	9.87	10.36	—.02
UtilIn p	12.45	13.07	—.01
AdsnCa p	19.11	19.70	—.09
AEGON USA:			
CapApp	4.28	4.49	—.02
HiYld	10.13	10.64	
Gwth	6.18	6.49	—.07
TaxEx	11.50	12.07	
AHA Funds:			
Balan	11.51	N.L.	—.04
Full	10.62	N.L.	—.01
Lim	10.59	N.L.	
AIM Funds:			
Chart p	8.31	8.79	—.03
Const p	11.81	12.50	—.07
CvYld p	12.10	12.70	—.06
HiYld p	5.32	5.59	+.01
LimM p	10.17	10.35	
Sumit	9.70		—.05
Weing p	15.98	16.91	—.08
A M A Family:			
ClaGt p		N.L.	
GlbGt p		N.L.	
GlbIn p		N.L.	
USGv p		N.L.	
AMEV Funds:			
AstAl p	13.66	14.30	—.03
Capitl p	17.14	17.99	—.08
CoAp p	19.57	20.49	—.03
Fidcr p	27.95	29.27	—.13
GvTR p	9.17	9.60	—.01
Grwth p	26.59	27.92	—.12
HiYld p	7.75	8.12	—.02
TF MN	9.92	10.39	
TF Nat	10.24	10.72	
TF NY	10.86	11.37	
US Gvt	10.07	10.54	—.02
AMF Funds:			
AdjMtg	10.01	N.L.	
Cp Bd	9.70	N.L.	—.01
IntLiq	10.82	N.L.	
MtgSc	11.35	N.L.	—.01
ASO Bd	11.04	11.56	
ASO Eq	11.73	12.28	
AcornF	43.19	43.19	—.20
Afuture	9.77	N.L.	
Advest Advant:			
Govt p	8.86	8.86	—.01
Gwth p	15.80	15.80	—.03
HY Bd p	7.83	7.83	—.01
Inco p	11.27	11.27	—.04
Spcl p	15.14	15.14	—.08
AlgrSCp t	21.11	21.11	+.02
AlgerG t	17.28	17.28	—.10
Alliance Cap:			
Alian p	6.18	6.54	—.04
Balan p	12.45	13.17	—.01
Canad p	5.43	5.75	—.04
Count p	17.66	18.69	—.04
GlbSA p	9.72	10.29	—.06
Govt p	8.42	8.84	—.01
Grinc p	2.29	2.42	—.01
HiYld p	5.39	5.66	
IntlA p	14.20	15.03	—.11
ICalT p	12.72	13.32	
InsMu p	9.71	10.17	
MonIn p	11.83	12.42	—.03
Mortg p	9.06	9.51	—.02
MMIn t	1.97	1.97	
MNIG	9.85	9.95	—.01
MMSA			p
	9.74	10.04	
MMSB t	9.74	9.74	
MuCA			p
	9.91	10.38	
MuNY p	9.25	9.69	
NtlMu p	9.91	10.38	
NEur p	8.88	9.40	—.04
QuasA p	19.14	20.25	—.14
ST	Mia		p
	9.82	10.12	
ST Mlb t	9.82	9.82	
Tech p	26.66	28.21	—.05
WldIn p	1.96	1.96	
AlpnCA			
Altura Funds:			
Gvint	10.74	11.19	
Grwth	14.07	14.66	—.04
Inco	10.77	11.22	—.02
TF Inc	9.94	10.35	
Ambassador Fds:			
Bond	10.12	10.12	+.03
Growth	10.22	10.22	—.06
IdxStk	10.07	10.07	—.01
IntBd	10.06	10.06	+.01
SmCoG	10.14	10.14	—.02
Amer AAdvant:			
Balan	11.41	N.L.	—.02
Equity	11.51	N.L.	—.02
LtdTr	10.18	N.L.	+.01
Amer Capital:			
Cmstk	17.05	18.63	—.05
CpBd p	6.76	7.10	
EmGr p	20.97	22.25	—.10
Entrp p	13.40	14.22	—.05
Eqlnc p	4.57	4.85	—.01
Exch	92.60		—.53
FMgA p	13.00	13.54	—.01
GlEqA p	9.60	10.19	—.06
GvSc p	10.74	11.28	—.01
GvT97	11.39	11.74	
Grinc p	11.76	12.48	—.02
Harbr p	14.44	15.32	—.05
HiYld p	5.92	6.22	
MunB p	9.65	10.13	
Pace p	12.84	13.62	—.05
TEMY p	10.79	11.33	+.01
TxE I p	11.07	11.62	
AExpEV	12.35	12.60	+.02
American Funds:			
A Bal p	11.65	12.36	+.01
Amcp p	11.72	12.44	—.03
AMutl p	19.55	20.74	+.04
Bond p	13.47	14.14	—.02
CapIB p	28.36	30.09	
CapW p	16.03	16.83	—.02
Eupac p	31.58	33.51	—.21
FdInv p	15.86	16.83	—.06
Govt p	13.86	14.55	—.01
Gwth p	22.09	23.44	—.11
HI Tr p	13.79	14.48	+.01
Inco p	12.78	13.56	—.01
IntBd p	14.06	14.76	
ICA p	16.45	17.45	—.03
NEco p	22.14	23.49	—.09
N Per p	11.58	12.29	—.06
SmCp p	17.63	18.71	—.08
TxEx p	11.36	11.93	
TECA p	14.67	15.40	
TEMd p	14.53	15.25	
TEVA p	14.95	15.70	
Wsh p	14.95	15.86	+.03
A GthFd	7.66	8.37	—.08
A Herlg	1.31	N.L.	—.01
A Invst	6.68	6.99	—.08
A Inv In	5.17	5.44	—.04
Amer Nati Funds:			
Grth	4.79	5.23	—.02
Inco	22.20	24.26	—.03
Triflex	15.56	16.82	—.06
Am Perform:			
Bond	10.92	11.38	
Equity	11.70	12.19	—.07
IntBd	10.82	11.27	
A Allinc			
API Gr fp	12.63	12.63	—.04
Amway f	8.55	8.81	—.06
Analyt	12.48	N.L.	
AnchrCo			
Amstng	6.74	N.L.	—.02
Aquila Funds:			
AZ TF	10.11	10.53	
CO TF	10.04	10.46	
HI TF	11.05	11.51	
KY TF	10.26	10.69	+.01
OR TF	10.20	10.63	+.01
ArchCap	12.27	12.85	—.06
ArchDiv	10.23	10.71	—.01
Atlas Funds:			
CaMuni	10.44	10.76	+.01
Grolnc	12.41	12.79	—.03
GvtSc	10.48	10.80	
NaMuni	10.38	10.70	+.02
BB&K	10.36	N.L.	—.05
BakerGv	15.86	N.L.	+.01
Babson Group:			
Bond	1.61	N.L.	
Enterp	13.79	N.L.	—.08
Gwth	11.01	N.L.	—.06
Intl	12.18	N.L.	—.04
Shadw	9.56	N.L.	—.04
TaxFr	9.00	N.L.	
UMB St	14.47	N.L.	—.05
UMB B	11.41	N.L.	
Value	18.67	N.L.	—.03
BairdBl p	16.78	17.80	—.02
BairdCo p	19.46	20.65	—.05
BaronA r	14.18	14.18	+.03
Bartlett Funds:			
BasVl	12.36	N.L.	—.03
Fixedl	10.05	N.L.	
Vl Intl	9.13	N.L.	—.02
Bascom	21.92	21.92	—.03
Beac Hill	32.93	N.L.	—.14
BellAtBd	10.90	N.L.	
BellAtEq	11.09	N.L.	+.01
Benham Group:			
AdjGov	10.12	N.L.	
CatfL	11.06	N.L.	+.01
CatfIn	9.54	N.L.	+.01
CatfH	8.86	N.L.	
CaTFI	10.55	N.L.	
EqGro	10.62	N.L.	
GNMA	10.68	N.L.	—.03
GoldIn	8.39	N.L.	—.23
IncGro	12.36	N.L.	—.01
NITFI	10.50	N.L.	
NITFL	11.27	N.L.	
Tg1995	81.19	N.L.	
Tg2000	54.47	N.L.	—.05
Tg2005	35.81	N.L.	—.11
Tg2010	25.19	N.L.	—.08
Tg2015	18.34	N.L.	—.08
Tg2020	12.22	N.L.	—.09
TNote	10.74	N.L.	+.01
Berger Group:			
100	11.47	N.L.	—.08
101	8.36	N.L.	—.03
Bernstein Fds:			
GvSh	12.97	N.L.	
ShtDur	12.93	N.L.	
IntDur	13.31	N.L.	—.02
Ca Mu	12.98	N.L.	
DivMu	13.04	N.L.	
NYMu	13.07	N.L.	
Blanchard Funds:			
PrsM p	6.06	6.06	—.09
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Boston Co:			
AAloc p	14.52	N.L.	—.02
CaAp p	25.46	N.L.	—.15
Intl	10.80	N.L.	—.05
IntlGv p	12.67	N.L.	
MgdI p	11.29	N.L.	—.01
SpGth p	15.54	N.L.	—.16
Brndywn	18.62	N.L.	—.09
Bruce	86.61	N.L.	—.14
Bull & Bear Gp:			
CaGr p	6.65	N.L.	—.05
Eqinc p	12.34	N.L.	
FNCI p	15.95	N.L.	—.02
Gold p	12.30	N.L.	—.22
HiYld p	8.30	N.L.	+.02
SpEq p	16.98	N.L.	—.25
TxFr p	17.69	N.L.	
USGv p	14.64	N.L.	—.04
Burnhm	20.70	21.79	—.05
CGM Funds:			
CapDv	31.89	N.L.	—.13
Mutl	26.87	N.L.	—.14
Calmos	11.92	N.L.	—.01
CalMun			p
	8.69	8.69	
CalTrst	11.93	N.L.	+.01
CalUS	10.04	N.L.	—.01
Calvert Group:			
Ariel	27.26	28.62	—.04
ArielA	17.61	18.49	—.14
CapitI p	20.64	21.67	—.05
Inco	16.95	17.80	
Social p	27.77	29.15	+.01
SocBd	16.52	17.34	—.01
SocEq	18.34	19.25	—.02
TxF Lt	10.66	10.88	
TxF Lg	15.90	16.69	+.01
TxF VT	15.43	16.20	+.01
US Gov	15.49	16.26	—.02
CapitolEq	9.91	N.L.	
CapitolFI	10.64	N.L.	
Capstone Group:			
CshFr	9.20	9.66	—.07
Fd SW	16.24	17.05	—.11
GvtInc	4.83	4.83	+.01
MedRs	17.18	18.04	—.18
PBHG	9.45	9.92	—.04
Ray Ei	6.53	6.86	—.03
Trend	13.13	13.78	—.02
CarlICa	12.31	12.96	—.02
Carneg Cappielo:			
EmGr p	12.05	12.62	—.05
Grow p	18.27	19.13	—.10
TRetn p	11.61	12.16	—.03
Carnegie Funds:			
Agrsv p	17.12	18.02	—.01
GvSc p	10.30	10.84	
Grth p	15.07	15.86	—.07
HiYld p	8.95	9.42	+.01
Inco p	7.90	8.32	—.01
MunB p	7.98	8.40	+.01
TE CT	10.39	10.94	+.02
Util p	14.12	14.86	+.02
Value p	18.01	18.96	—.14
Citibank IRA-CIT:			
Balan f	2.60	N.L.	
Equit f	2.88	N.L.	—.01
Incom f	2.35	N.L.	
SMTr f	1.85	N.L.	
Clipper	46.71	46.71	—.01
Colonial Funds:			
AGold p	15.42	16.36	—.34
CalTE	7.15	7.51	+.01
CpCsh p	45.69	46.62	+.03
Fund p	19.92	21.14	—.07
GvSec p	10.87	11.41	—.01
Gwth p	12.79	13.57	—.04
HiYld p	5.85	6.14	—.01
Incom p	6.37	6.69	—.01
IntEq p	15.50	16.45	—.10
MATx	7.34	7.71	+.01
MI TE	6.67	7.00	+.01
MN TE	6.98	7.33	
NY TE	6.83	7.17	
OhTE	7.01	7.36	+.01
SmlIn p	11.10	11.78	—.13
StrtIn	7.06	7.41	—.01
TXIns p	7.89	8.28	
TxEx p	13.18	13.84	
US	Gv		p
	7.04	7.39	
US Id p	18.56	19.69	—.01
Colonial VIP:			
DvRet t	11.08	11.08	—.05
FdSec t	9.98	9.98	
Gwth t	11.44	11.44	—.07
Hilnc t	8.90	8.90	—.04
HYMu t	9.63	9.63	—.01
IntHd t	9.82	9.82	—.10
Columbia Funds:			
Fixed	13.56	N.L.	—.01
Govt	8.86	N.L.	
Grth	26.16	N.L.	—.13
Muni	12.06	N.L.	
Spec!	47.86	N.L.	—.17
Common Sense:			
Govt	11.63	12.47	
Grwth	15.10	16.50	—.05
Grlnc	14.40	15.74	—.04
MunB	12.81	13.45	+.01
CwthBl	2.07	2.24	—.01
Compass Capital:			
Eqlnc	11.28	N.L.	—.03
FxdIn	10.58	N.L.	—.01
Grwth	11.88	N.L.	—.03
Shlnt	10.54	N.L.	
Composite Group:			
BdStk p	11.00	11.46	
Gwth p	11.36	11.86	—.04
InFd p	8.85	9.22	
NW50 p	25.56	26.76	—.10
TxEx p	7.86	7.67	
USGv p	10.62	11.06	—.02
ComPrSt	9.77	10.23	
Conn Mutual:			
Govt	11.23	11.70	—.03
Grwth	14.20	14.95	—.09
TotRet	13.92	14.65	—.06
Copley	16.00	N.L.	+.04
CorEqIn	18.87	N.L.	—.01
ChryCo	17.03	17.56	—.08
Cowen p	11.43	12.01	+.02
CownOp p	14.74	15.49	—.14
CmbldG	11.54	11.54	
DR Euro	7.07	N.L.	—.02
Dean Witter:			
AmVl t	20.14	20.14	—.08
CalTF t	12.31	12.31	
CapGr t	13.85	13.85	—.03
Convt t	8.59	8.59	—.03
DevGr t	13.79	13.79	+.03
DivGr t	24.96	24.96	
EqInc t	8.90	8.90	
Euro t	8.86	8.86	—.07
Glbl t	9.57	9.57	—.01
GPlus t	9.53	9.53	
HiYld	6.21	6.57	+.01
Intmd t	9.79	9.79	
MuCA t	10.01	10.43	
NYTF t	11.51	11.51	
NtlRs t	9.79	9.79	—.05
PacGr t	11.43	11.43	—.09
PrcM t	8.48	8.48	—.15
Premr p	10.04	10.46	—.01
SearT p	11.72	11.72	+.01
AdTx p	8.08	8.08	—.02
Mngd t	10.57	10.57	—.01
ST US p	10.24	10.24	
Strat t	13.03	13.03	—.03
TaxEx	11.48	11.96	
USGvt t	9.43	9.43	—.01
Util f	12.63	12.63	—.01
ValAd t	14.56	14.56	—.03
WWIn	9.06	9.06	—.01
WldW t	14.95	14.95	—.12
Delaware Group:			
Dectrl	15.64	17.09	—.01
Dectll p	12.64	13.27	—.01
Delaw	17.92	19.22	—.07
Delcp p	21.52	22.59	—.17
Delchl	6.45	6.92	—.01
Dlchll p	6.45	6.77	—.01
Gvt II p	9.00	9.45	—.02
Invl	10.13	10.44	—.01
Inv II p	10.13	N.L.	—.01
TxFPo	8.08	8.48	+.01
TxIns	11.00	11.55	
TxFU	11.64	12.22	
Trend	10.88	11.42	—.13
Value	15.54	16.31	—.08
Dimensional Fds:			
US Sml	6.10	N.L.	—.05
Japan	24.43	N.L.	—.40
UKing	20.49	N.L.	—.08
Cont x	13.13	N.L.	—1.17
Fixd e	102.32	N.L.	
GlBd	100.56	N.L.	+.02
Govt	103.79	N.L.	+.02
IntGv	108.32	N.L.	—.06
Dodge&Cox:			
Balan x	37.49	N.L.	—.76
Inco x	11.28	N.L.	—.25
Stock x	40.69	N.L.	—1.22
Dreyfus:			
A Bond	14.42	N.L.	
CalTx	14.80	N.L.	
CapV p	13.17	13.79	—.05
CvSec	8.35	N.L.	—.01
Dreyf	12.36	N.L.	—.01
GNM p	15.16	N.L.	—.01
GthOp	12.35	N.L.	—.07
Index	15.99	N.L.	—.01
InsMu p	18.11	N.L.	
Interm	13.83	N.L.	
InvGIN	15.01	15.01	—.02
Levge	17.61	18.44	—.07
Mas Tx	15.97	N.L.	+.01
NJ Mun	12.87	N.L.	+.01
NwId p	32.13	N.L.	—.07
NY Tax	15.16	N.L.	+.01
NYTE p	16.98	N.L.	+.01
NYIn p	11.13	N.L.	
PeopIn	13.69	N.L.	—.01
ShInT	12.78	N.L.	
ShIGv	11.81	N.L.	
StrAg p	32.66	33.67	—.26
StInc p	13.66	14.30	—.01
StInv p	21.89	22.92	—.02
StrW p	29.60	30.52	—.08
Tax Ex	12.73	N.L.	+.01
Thrd C	7.79	N.L.	—.03
USG Bd	13.94	N.L.	—.03
USG In	12.99	N.L.	—.01
Dreyfus General:			
GnAg p	26.43	N.L.	—.05
GnCA	12.93	N.L.	
GNBd	14.55	N.L.	+.01
GNY p	19.08	N.L.	+.01
Dreyfus Premier:			
CAMu p	12.52	13.11	+.01
CTMu p	11.45	11.99	
FLMu p	14.22	14.89	+.01
Gnma p	15.08	15.79	—.02
MDM p	12.35	12.93	
MIMu p	14.67	15.36	+.01
MAM p	11.30	11.83	+.01
MNM p	14.54	15.23	
NYM p	13.48	14.12	+.01

StTrur p	9.80	9.80	—.04
BdEndw	18.40	N.L.	—.02
PAMu p	15.57	16.30	
TX	Mu		p
	19.73	20.66	
MuBd p	13.57	14.21	+.01
DupKyrf	7.03	N.L.	
Eaton Vance:			
EVStk	13.90	14.66	+.03
GvtOb p	11.62	12.20	—.01
Grwth p	8.51	8.93	—.04
InBos p	7.70	8.08	
Invst fp	7.47	7.84	—.01
MunBd	9.52	9.99	+.01
Nautls	15.72	16.50	—.09
STGbl t	9.74	9.74	—.01
STTsy p	52.51	52.51	+.01
SpEqt p	9.56	10.04	—.06
TotRt p	10.26	10.77	—.01
Eaton V Marathn:			
CalMn t	9.93	9.93	
Eqlnc t	10.70	10.70	—.06
FlTxF t	10.68	10.68	+.01
Hilnc t	6.91	6.91	
MATF t	10.27	10.27	+.01
MITxF t	10.21	10.21	+.01
NtMun t	9.37	9.37	+.01
NJ TF t	10.34	10.34	
NYTF t	10.65	10.65	+.01
OhTF t	10.22	10.22	+.01
PA TF t	10.36	10.36	
EclipEq	10.93	N.L.	—.06
Emblem Fund:			
EmEq	11.38	11.85	—.03
IntGv	10.96	11.42	+.02
OH Reg	11.02	11.48	—.08
RelEq	11.02	11.48	—.05
SI Fxd	10.46	10.90	
EmrlEq	10.39	10.88	—.04
EmrlUS	10.58	11.08	—.01
EmpBld	17.45	18.22	+.01
Endow	16.19	N.L.	+.04
Enterprise Group:			
CapA p	25.42	26.69	—.21
GvSec p	12.36	12.98	
Grinc p	14.84	15.58	—.04
Gwth p	7.98	8.38	—.05
HYBd p	10.14	10.65	
IntlGr p	12.73	13.36	—.08
PrcM p	11.09	11.64	—.25
Equitable Funds:			
BalB t	16.45	16.45	—.07
GvScB t	10.39	10.39	
GwthB t	18.14	18.14	—.16
GrlnB t	13.48	13.48	—.04
STWF p	9.13	9.41	
STWB t	9.14	9.14	
TxEB t	10.43	10.43	+.01
EqStrat	27.82	N.L.	—.43
Evergreen Funds:			
Evgrn	13.06	N.L.	—.04
TotRtn	18.10	N.L.	—.05
ValTm	12.17	N.L.	—.04
LtdMk	20.26	N.L.	—.07
ExcelMid	2.56	2.68	—.02
ExcHY p	7.09	7.44	
FBL Gth t	11.81	11.81	—.04
FFB Lexicon:			
CapApp	9.54	N.L.	—.06
FxInc	10.21	N.L.	—.01
IntGv	10.16	N.L.	
FMB Funds:			
DivE C	10.23	10.83	
DivE t	10.23	N.L.	
IntG C	10.05	10.41	
IntG t	10.05	N.L.	
MITF C	10.00	10.47	
MITF t	10.00	N.L.	
FPA Funds:			
Capit	15.09	16.14	—.17
Nwinc	10.57	11.07	—.01
Parmt	13.87	14.83	—.12
Paren	21.06	22.52	+.02
Pairmt	13.57	N.L.	—.10
Federated Funds:			
Exch	58.09	N.L.	—.08
FBF	9.68	N.L.	—.01
FIGT	10.31	N.L.	+.01
FFRT	9.09	N.L.	
GNMA	11.73	N.L.	—.03
FGRO	20.84	N.L.	—.12
FHYT	8.44	N.L.	+.02
FIT	10.76	N.L.	—.02
FIMT	10.23	N.L.	
FSIMT	10.22	N.L.	
FSIGT	10.38	N.L.	+.01
FSBF	15.03	N.L.	+.01
FST	23.18	N.L.	—.03
FGVT	9.98	N.L.	—.01
MaxCp	10.70	N.L.	—.01
Fidelity Invest:			
AgTF r	11.72	11.72	
A Mgr	12.91	N.L.	—.01
Balanc	11.82	N.L.	—.03
BluCh	19.97	20.59	—.10
CA TF	11.47	N.L.	
CA In	9.97	N.L.	
Canad	14.31	14.75	—.11
CapAp	11.63	11.99	—.07
Cplnc r	7.25	N.L.	+.01
CngS	137.06		—.18
Contra	24.31	25.06	—.15
CnvSc	13.37	N.L.	—.02
Destl	14.78		—.02
Destll	21.93		—.06
DisEq r	14.74	N.L.	—.02
EmGr r	15.11	N.L.	—.12
Eq Inc	24.55	25.05	—.02
EQII	13.75	N.L.	—.03
Eqidx	14.18	N.L.	—.01
Europ	15.40	15.88	—.01
Exch	89.18		—.28
Fidel	18.28	N.L.	—.11
FlexB	7.13	N.L.	—.01
GloBd	12.06	N.L.	—.01
GNMA	10.98	N.L.	
GovtSc	10.07	N.L.	—.01
GroInc	18.89	19.28	—.08
GroCo	26.14	26.95	—.13
HiYld	12.67	N.L.	+.01
InsMu	11.43	N.L.	
IntBd	10.43	N.L.	—.01
IntGr	13.47	13.74	—.09
LtdMn	9.54	N.L.	
LowPr	12.42	N.L.	—.02
Magin	66.35	68.40	—.25
MI TF	11.23	N.L.	
MktIn r	28.10	N.L.	—.02
MA TF	11.35	N.L.	+.01
MN TF	10.61	N.L.	
MgSc	10.82	N.L.	
MunBd	8.40	N.L.	
NY HY	12.08	N.L.	+.01
NY Ins	11.27	N.L.	
Oh TF	11.13	N.L.	+.01
OTC	23.90	24.64	—.14
Ovrse	25.53	26.32	—.12
PcBas	12.24	12.62	—.11
Puritn	13.39	13.66	—.02
RealE	9.87	N.L.	—.03
RetGr	17.54	N.L.	—.06
ShtBd	9.43	N.L.	
SpcSt	17.49	18.36	—.04
StkSlc	14.29	N.L.	—.05
Trend	46.52	N.L.	—.29
USBI	10.75	10.75	—.01
Utilinc	13.11	N.L.	
Value	27.05	N.L.	—.10
Wrldw	8.96	N.L.	—.04
Fidl Inv Instit:			
CTAR	8.78	N.L.	+.01
EqP G	24.71	N.L.	—.15
EqP I	10.97	N.L.	—.01
IP LTD	10.64	N.L.	
IP SG	9.87	N.L.	
TE Ltd	10.80	N.L.	
Fidelity Selects:			
SlAir r	11.37	11.72	—.11
SlAGl r	13.63	14.05	—.24
SlBio r	32.41	33.41	—.26
SlBrd r	13.32	13.73	—.02
SlBrk r	11.15	11.49	—.03
SlChe r	27.80	28.66	—.07
SlCmp r	15.07	15.54	—.04
SlDef r	13.50	13.92	
SlElec r	9.97	10.28	+.09
SlEUr r	12.81	13.21	+.01
SlEngy r	14.22	14.66	—.12
SlEnSv r	9.04	9.32	—.24
SlEnv r	11.13	11.47	
SlFnS r	33.07	34.09	—.16
SlFd r	29.47	30.38	—.14
SlHlth r	75.93	78.28	—.38
SlInd r	13.27	13.68	—.11
SlIns r	16.97	17.49	—.08
SlLesr r	27.42	28.27	—.11
SlMD r	19.93	20.55	—.23
SlMetl r	11.88	12.25	—.28
SlPap r	12.64	13.03	—.08
SlReg r	13.03	13.43	—.04
SlRetl r	19.77	20.38	—.10
SlSfL r	11.49	11.85	—.06
SlSoft r	17.78	18.33	—.09
SlTec r	30.68	31.63	—.23
SlTele r	26.88	27.71	—.03
SlUtil r	38.14	39.32	+.01
Fidl Plymth:			
Europ p	9.32	9.78	—.03
GovSc p	9.65	10.05	—.01
GrOp p	17.62	18.50	—.06
HI Mu p	11.37	11.94	+.01
HiYld fp	9.87	10.36	—.06
IncGr p	13.01	13.66	—.06
ST	Bd		fp
	9.93	10.08	
SpcSit p	17.39	18.26	—.05
Fidelity Spartan:			
CAHY r	10.44	N.L.	
CTHY r	10.90	N.L.	+.01
GNMA	10.35	10.35	
GovIn	11.08	N.L.	—.01
HighI r	10.87	10.87	—.04
LtdGv	10.22	N.L.	
LTG	11.79	11.79	—.01
MunIn r	10.37	N.L.	
NJHY r	11.00	N.L.	
NYHY r	10.41	N.L.	
PAHY r	10.20	N.L.	+.01
ShtMu	9.69	N.L.	
FiduCap	16.29	N.L.	—.01
Financial Funds:			
Dynm p	9.99	N.L.	—.04
USGvt p	7.41	N.L.	—.02
Engy	9.82	N.L.	—.13
Envirn	8.46	N.L.	—.03
Eqty	16.77	N.L.	—.06
Europ	10.73	N.L.	—.02
FinSvc	13.50	N.L.	—.14
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General Motors signals big changes

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp., the nation's leading industrial corporation, Wednesday signaled that profound changes are planned for its North American automotive business.

A terse announcement by GM about the changes didn't provide details, but industry analysts said the plan likely would include plant closings, new cost-cutting steps and perhaps a senior-level shakeup. The business has been squeezed particularly hard by the recession.

"General Mortors has developed a comprehensive program to improve profitability and cash flow in 1992 and beyond," Chairman Robert C. Stempel said in the announcement. "This program includes major actions related to GM's North American Operations."

GM has been losing enormous amounts of money on its American automotive business. The company's declining fortunes have become one of the most visible symbols of the recession that is plaguing many areas of the country.

The company's stock, a symbolic barometer of the health of U.S. manufacturing, has been under especially intense pressure recently, falling to $27.625 a share on Monday, a 4-year low. The stock closed higher at $28.50 on Tuesday but was down to $27.75 as of midday Wednesday.

The company's statement Wednesday said the changes planned for the automotive operations, endorsed by the GM board of directors Monday, could result in an accounting charge to earnings to pay for the restructuring.

The amount wasn't specified but the statement said it would be smaller than the one-time $2.1 billion charge the automaker took in the third quarter of 1990.

The statement said details of the plan would be released a week from Wednesday.

Rumors have been circulating for weeks about what GM will possibly do to shrink in response to the national economic contraction, which has forced many of the nation's biggest and best-known companies to scale back.

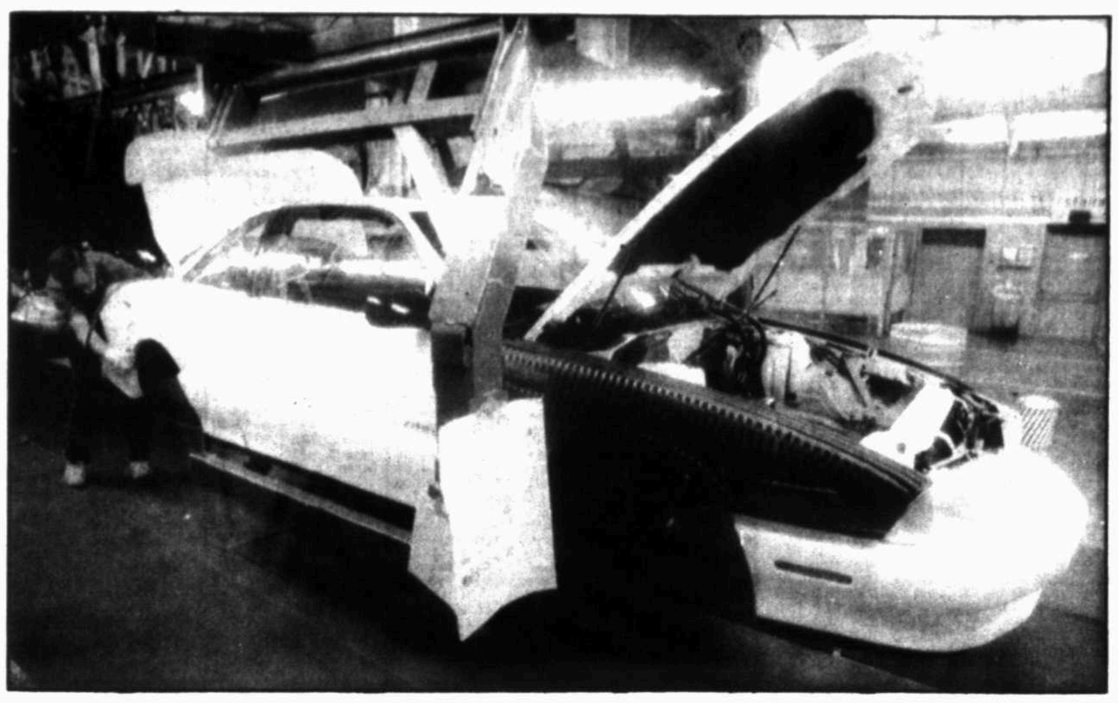
International Business Machines Corp., for example, announced a radical restructuring a few weeks ago to become more competitive, which will include 20,000 job eliminations next year.

Bond-rating houses in New York have warned that GM's high credit rating, which is crucial to the company's ability to borrow money at competitive rates, may be downgraded if action isn't taken to cut costs and become more profitable.

"The key is if this is taken in real terms as the definitive restructuring," auto analyst Joseph Phillippi of Shearson Lehman Brothers in New York said Wednesday, "That this is not one-more halfway measure, one more Band-Aid on the problem.

"This obviously sounds as though this has got to be the definitive restructuring."

GM doesn't say specifically, but analysts have predicted that GM is losing money at the annual rate of $5 billion to $6 billion in North America. During the first nine months of this year, GM lost $2.2 billion, with profits in its finance, computer services and electronics subsidiaries watering down the huge automotive losses.



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A worker at a Geneal Motors assembly plant in Lansing, Mich., works on a newly introduced Oldsmobile Achieve. GM is signaling plans for big changes in its operations.

Real estate sale may be largest in nation

DALLAS (AP) — Auctioneer Ross Dove won't see as many people when he walks into the Fairmont Hotel ballroom Thursday as he did when he sold off the remains of Drexel Burnham Lambert in New York last year.

But the people he sees will have more money.

Dove and his brother Kirk, principals in one of the nation's largest auction houses, will auction 175 commercial real estate properties for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., which obtained them from failed banks and thrifts.

The properties are valued at more than $500 million. The sale will become the nation's largest property auction if it raises more than $106 million, expected before the halfway point.

"This is first one ever with more than $200 million in dollar expectations," Dove said.

His Foster City, Calif.-based company, Ross-Dove Co., conducted the June 1990 auction of desks, coat racks and other property left from the failed Wall Street brokerage Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. That sale drew 10,000 people but raised just a few million dollars.

The record property auction was two weeks ago in Beverly Hills, when the Resolution Trust Corp. sold 14 commercial properties.

By contrast, the records of the nation's leading art sellers, Sotheby's and Christie's in New York, are both about $269 million, set in separate sales of impressionist paintings in May 1990.

The ballroom in Dallas will be the hub for the Thursday's auction, but investors will be bidding via satellite from Boston, Orlando, Fla., Denver and Los Angeles.

"It's going to be like a fast-paced football game," said Al Bond, president of Satellite Management International, the Dallas company running the five-way TV set-up.

Technicians transformed the ballroom Wednesday and tested the lights and sound systems.

Meanwhile, investors and their brokers flooded Ross-Dove and Grubb & Ellis, the giant San Francisco-based real estate service firm, with final inquiries about the properties, the companies said.

Since the auction was announced two months ago, the two companies have sent out 50,000 catalogs and received 20,000 inquiries.

"We've had a lot of action from the Pacific Rim. We've had calls from the Netherlands, Great Britain ... pretty much a global response," Dove said.

About 1,000 bidders are expected in the five cities.

Movie studio files bankruptcy

NEW YORK (AP) — Loss-ridden Orion Pictures Corp. sought federal bankruptcy court protection Wednesday, saying discussions with creditors on restructuring the Hollywood studio's debt have collapsed.

Orion, maker of the 1990 Academy Award winner "Dances with Wolves," filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws in New York.

The studio is among the most troubled in the American film industry and has been negotiating with creditors for months over nearly $700 million in debt and production obligations.

Under Chapter 11, a company gets a reprieve from creditors while it devises a way to pay the bills and reorganize as a viable business.

William Bernstein, Orion president and chief executive, said in a statement that the company sought bankruptcy court refuge because discussions with Orion's bondholders had broken down.


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Quayle blasts back at critics of his Competitiveness Council

WASHINGTON — Vice President Dan Quayle, under attack for helping ease government restrictions on industry, on Wednesday accused his critics of taking an "attack mode" just because they don't get their way.

Quayle said the Council on Competitiveness, a White House panel he heads, is "on the people's side" and is fighting "for rationality and common sense in a town that's biased in favor of more and more regulation."

The council is under investigation by three congressional committees that are probing its secret operations softening restrictive proposals affecting such matters as factory emissions, wetlands protection and federal drug approval.

Quayle accused the Congress members of being part of an "iron triangle" with bureaucrats and interest groups to oppose efforts to cut the regulatory burden.

"If you don't do things their way, they shift immediately into an attack mode," the vice president said.

His comments in a speech to the Food and Drug Law Institute Conference came a day after legal experts told a congressional hearing that Quayle and a top aide should have withdrawn from participation on the council when it dealt with matters related to their financial interests.

Two law professors said Quayle, chairman of the council, improperly considered a recycling rule that affects his family owned newspaper investment.

In addition, they said Allan B. Hubbard, the council's executive director and Quayle's deputy chief of staff, should have stopped participating in clean air discussions because of his investments in a chemical firm and power company.

Both men have denied they did anything improper.



Indian dance troupe highlights tree lighting

WASHINGTON (AP) — American Indian dancers in colorful costumes danced and chanted Wednesday as lawmakers lighted the Capitol Christmas tree.

"As we light it, I hope we can think about all of those all around the world for whom this season is an opportunity for a better life and a better future," said House Speaker Tom Foley, D-Wash., as he threw the switch.

It was the 28th annual lighting of a tree at the Capitol and the first time a live tree has been used. It's a blue spruce, 60 feet tall and more than century old, trucked in from Carson National Forest near Taos, N.M.

Gov. Bruce King and New Mexico's congressional delegation joined in the musical program which featured the Frank Marcus Family Indian Dance Troupe from the Taos Pueblo.

Several hundred people, including about a hundred New Mexicans who flew in for the occasion, watched from the lawn on the West Front of the Capitol and the dancers performed in authentic Indian garb.

The tree was decorated with 1,000-foot string of chili-pepper-shaped lights and 12,000 ornaments made by schoolchildren in Taos.

A related display, in the Russell Senate Office Building, is an exhibit of Taos artists.

Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., said the tree was "a fitting gift to the nation" and came at a fitting time, with the release last week of the last American hostage in Lebanon.

In January, the tree will be planted at the National Arboretum. It arrived at the Capitol on Nov. 25 and then its 30-ton root ball was encased in a wooden box carved by Taos residents.



AP Laserphoto

Smoke rises from the crash site on Lavendar Mountain, outside of Rome, Ga., of a corporate jet carrying grocery executives from the Birmingham, Ala., based Bruno's Wednesday. According to officials, at least nine people were killed.

Corporate jet crash kills nine

ROME, Ga. (AP) — A corporate jet taking executives on a Christmas tour of their grocery stores slammed into a mountain Wednesday, killing the seven passengers and two crew members on board.

In northern Georgia, a twin-engine Beechcraft jet owned by Birmingham, Ala.-based Bruno's Inc. and bound for Huntsville, Ala., went down on Lavendar Mountain on the Berry College campus just northwest of Rome, a town of 30,000 people 80 miles north of Atlanta. Nobody survived.

The plane took off from Rome's Richard B. Russell Airport shortly after 9:30 a.m., said Floyd County Sheriff Mike Thornton. "The weather was apparently clear, but there was some fog in the area this morning," he said.

The cause of the crash was under investigation.

Among those killed in the crash were Bruno's Chairman Angelo J. Bruno, his brother, Vice Chairman Lee J. Bruno, and three company vice presidents.

The company operates more than 240 stores in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Mississippi and South Carolina.

"We are deeply saddened by this tragedy." Joseph Bruno, chairman emeritus of the chain and brother of Angelo and Lee, and President and Chief Executive Officer Ronald J. Bruno, Angelo Bruno's son, said in a statement.

Jerry Helms, a grocery store official in Decatur, Ala., said the Bruno's officials were on a Christmas goodwill tour of Bruno's-owned stores in several states. The Foodmax store in Rome was part of the tour, said its manager, Frank LeClair.

Air traffic controllers reported no radar contact with the flight after it took off, said Kathleen Bergen, a spokeswoman for the Federal Aviation Administration in Atlanta.

The U.S. Air Force Rescue Coordination Center at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois alerted the sheriff's department about 11:15 a.m. that a plane might be missing.

The wreckage was found at midmorning in a heavily wooded, inaccessible area after searchers spotted downed trees and smoke. Sasser said the plane burned and set the surrounding brush on fire.

It was the second plane crash in six months at Berry, a small liberal arts college.

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Mafia war violence rocks Brooklyn with 'Big Whack Attack'

By Rick Hampson
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Brooklyn's biggest Mafia war in 30 years has claimed two septuagenarians and another mobster who was stringing Christmas lights outside his house. A runaway getaway car hit three pedestrians, and innocent blood was spilled in a bagel shop on a Sunday morning.

And whom do lawmen hold ultimately responsible for what the Daily News calls "The Big Whack Attack"? Themselves.

Although the FBI hasn't called a news conference to confess, prosecutors and investigators agree the Colombo crime family feud is largely the product of their own decade-long war on the city's five Mafia families, which has jailed many mob elders and left the field to hotheaded neophytes.

Ronald Goldstock, director of the state Organized Crime Task Force, called the violence "a cost that society will have to bear for the destruction of the mob's organization."

Mob experts said the incarceration of successive Colombo bosses Carmine "Junior" Persico and Jerry "Jerry Lang" Langella effectively threw its leadership up for grabs. Although Persico appointed Victor "Little Vic" Orena acting boss, Orena apparently stopped following orders, authorities say.

With the bosses in jail, no one on the street was powerful enough to settle disputes over turf and rackets peacefully.

Howard Abadinsky, author of an organized crime textbook, put it this way: "The Mafia is composed of murderers who don't murder because they're afraid they'll be murdered if they do." When the boss who enforces the rules is removed or weakened, he added, bullets start to fly.

In the past two months, five Colombo members or associates have been shot to death, and five others have been wounded. Three bystanders were hit when one of the wounded men lost control of his car. Last Sunday a teen-age clerk at a bagel shop owned by reputed Colombo members was shot to death, apparently in a case of mistaken identity.

Mafiosi, traditionally, only kill each other. But "it's clear the people around today are less skilled at that," Goldstock said.

The Colombos were the original gang that couldn't shoot straight, and apparently they still can't. The war began this summer when Orena spotted four Persico loyalists lurking near his home and sneaked off into hiding, authorities say. In the months that followed, several of the mobsters shot were not the primary targets, and the bagel shop clerk had no mob ties at all, police said.

The bagel shop shooting was the last straw for Brooklyn District Attorney Charles J. Hynes, who complained, "They've turned this into a class B movie, for heaven's sake!"

Declaring, "We're not going to allow this county to become a shooting gallery," he subpoenaed 50 to 100 Colombo members and associates, even though they would have to be given broad immunity in return for any grand jury testimony.

The strategy, explained a Hynes aide who spoke on the condition of anonymity, "is to get them to put their guns up until cooler heads can prevail."

The war has occasioned sitdowns on both sides of the law. Local, state and federal law enforcers gathered at a precinct house to plot strategy, and Persico loyalists did the same at a townhouse in the Carroll Gardens section.

The Colombo feud has its origins at least as far back as 1986, when Persico and Langella received 100-year sentences for their membership on the Mafia "commission" that regulated relations among the five families.

Court hears case allowing students to sue school district

WASHINGTON (NYT) — The Supreme Court considered Wednesday whether a former Georgia high school student is entitled to seek monetary damages from her school district if she was sexually harassed by a teacher.

The Gwinnett County case could have widespread implications — deciding if a federal law prohibiting gender discrimination at public schools and universities allows students to sue government entities for money.

"The natural presumption is that all remedies are available," argued Joel Klein, a Washington lawyer representing the former student seeking to revive her lawsuit against the Gwinnett County School District.

Congress never meant to allow lawsuits for money in sex-bias cases against schools, countered Albert Pearson, the Athens, Ga., lawyer representing the school district.

Providing "equitable relief" is the "rational stopping point," Pearson told the justices in oral arguments.

The case centers on Christine Franklin, who was a student at North Gwinnett High School from 1985 to 1989. She charged that Andrew Hill, an economics teacher and coach, began showing her favoritism in 1986 when she was in the tenth grade.

The following year, she said, Hill walked her from class to class, arranged to have her visit his office and initiated sexual conversations. On three occasions, she charged, Hill got her excused from classes and had sexual intercourse with her.

Rumors circulated around the school that the teacher and student were having an affair. Students told other teachers and a guidance counseler about the alleged relationship. William Prescott, then band director at the school, tried to prevent an investigation, according to the court documents.

Finally, the charges reached the principal, who began an investigation against Hill. After the school probe, Hill resigned on condition that any charges against him be dropped. Prescott retired.

Ms. Franklin subsequently filed a lawsuit under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 that outlaws gender discrimination in any school that receives federal funds. However, the case was dismissed by lower courts that ruled that victims of sexual harassment can go to court to stop the offensive behavior under Title IX but not to seek monetary damages.

Ms. Franklin graduated from the high school in 1989 and is now married and living in Atlanta. Making sure that sexual harassment does not now occur at the school does not fairly compensate her for the abuse that a teacher inflicted upon her, her attorneys argued.

However, Pearson said the law is intended to require only that schools provide "equitable relief" — stopping the sexual misconduct and dealing with the perpetrators.

Justice John Paul Stevens questioned whether this was fair.

"What kind of equitable relief" could the victim get in this case? he wondered aloud.

The case prompted increased interest because it is the first involving sexual harassment to come before the court since Clarence Thomas was confirmed as a justice.

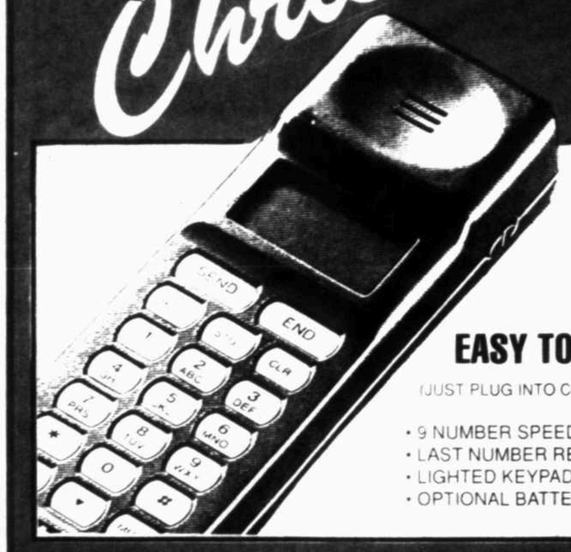
During his Senate confirmation hearings, Thomas was accused of sexual harassment by Anita Hill, a law professor who worked for Thomas at two federal agencies. He strongly denied the allegations.

Thomas asked no questions during the oral arguments.

The case does not deal with sexual harassment in the workplace. In such cases, victims can already sue for monetary damages.

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Army designs tape to avoid 'friendly fire'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army said Wednesday it is making a training videotape to help tank gunners in future wars avoid battlefield mistakes of the kind that caused the most deadly U.S. "friendly fire" incident in the Persian Gulf War.

The tape, expected to be ready in January, is one of a series of innovations and policy changes emerging from a lengthy Army investigation of battlefield fratricide in the Gulf War.

Senior Army officers were scheduled to explain details of the changes at a Pentagon news conference Thursday.

Thirty-five of the 148 Americans killed in action in the gulf were killed inadvertently by fire from their comrades, mostly cannon shots from tanks. Also, 72 of the 467 wounded in action were hit by friendly fire.

The worst incidence involving U.S. soldiers happened in the predawn hours of Feb. 27 in a fierce tank battle with Iraqi forces in southern Iraq.

In that case, details of which were reported by The Associated Press on Sept. 17 from Army documents obtained under the Freedom of Information Act, U.S. tank gunners "looking" at other U.S. tanks through thermal-image viewfinders saw flashes caused by relatively harmless Iraqi grenades exploding on armor.

The gunners mistook the flashes for cannon blasts that they assumed were coming from the tanks, and so opened fire. The result: six U.S. soldiers killed and 25 wounded. Five M1-A1 tanks and five Bradley Fighting Vehicles were destroyed.

Capt. Joe Curtin, a spokesman at the Army's Training and Doctrine Command at Fort Monroe, Va., said in a telephone interview Wednesday that the videotape, being produced at Fort Knox, Ky., is designed to help gunners avoid such errors.

The tape includes battlefield footage shot during the 100-hour ground war in Iraq, Curtin said, and will show a wide variety of flashes and explosions.



AP Laserphoto

Old bones

A construction crew working on a drainage project in an Albuquerque, N.M., street discovered an old skeleton Tuesday. The bones appear to be those of an Anglo man in his 40s who died early this century, said Frank Ciaccio of the office of the medical investigator. He said the area in southeast Albuquerque may have been a potters' field many years ago.

Report urges restoration of aquatic ecosystem

WASHINGTON (AP) — Without a large-scale restoration program, polluted lakes, waterways and wetlands will permanently damage the nation's aquatic ecosystem, a group of scientists said Thursday.

The National Academy of Sciences panel called for cooperation among federal and state governments and business groups to restore thousands of miles of waterway as well as wetland lakes harmed by industrial pollution and commercial development over the years.

"Without an active and ambitious restoration program ... our swelling population and its increasing stresses on aquatic ecosystems will certainly reduce the quality of human life for present and future generations," concluded the 485-page report.

"The piecemeal approach to restoration has not been efficient or effective," it added.

The study by a special panel of the academy's National Research Council did not estimate how much the proposed restoration program would cost, but suggested funding be channeled through a special restoration trust fund that would be created by Congress.

"We can repair damaged ecosystems to a close approximation of the condition they were in before they were disturbed, even with present knowledge," John Cairns Jr., the committee's chairman, said at a news conference.

The report was released at a time when the Bush administration has been under intense criticism from environmentalists for attempting to remove thousands of acres of wetlands from federal protection by narrowing the definition of a wetland.

Critics as well as many of the government's own wetland experts say the administration's proposed definition — praised by commercial and agricultural interests — could reduce the number of wetland acres by 30 percent to 80 percent in many areas of the country.

The scientific panel, although acknowledging the controversy, said the report was not intended to address the definition issue, but to examine whether damaged wetlands — as well as polluted rivers and lakes — can, and should, be restored.

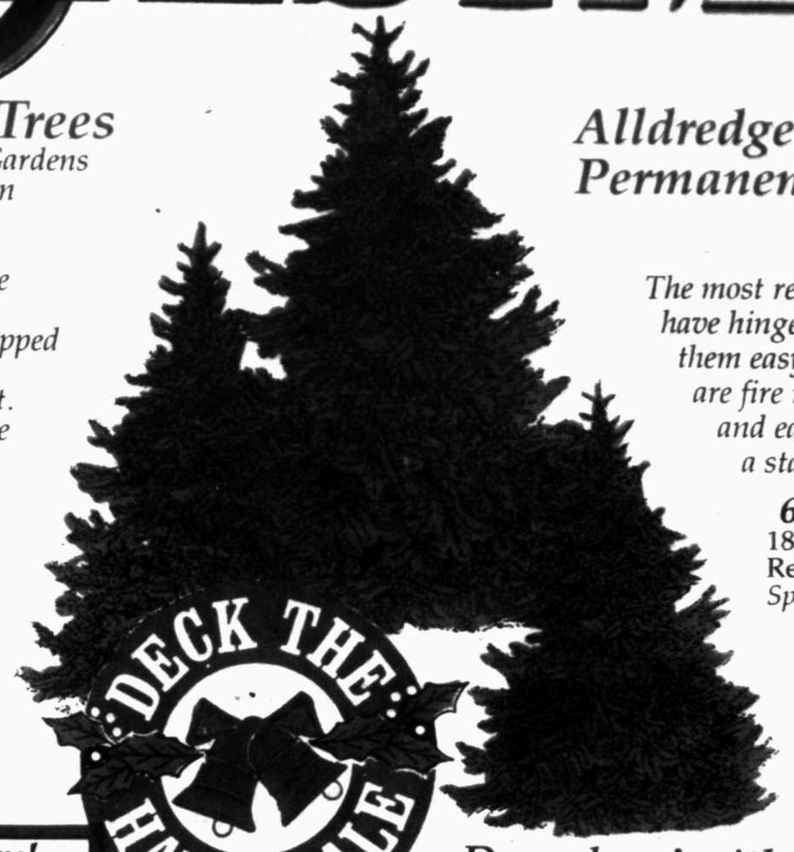
The report urged that the restoration program:

- Restore damaged wetlands at a rate to offset further losses with a goal of gaining 10 million wetland acres by 2010.
- Target 12 percent, or 400,000 miles, of rivers and streams for restoration.
- Restore 2 million acres of degraded lakes by 2010, about half over the next 10 years.

Cairns, who is director of the University for Environmental and Hazardous Materials Studies at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, said the panel believes these goals could be achieved without taking prime agricultural land and urban areas out service.

"There are so many other areas that could benefit from restoration that wouldn't affect agriculture or urban areas," he said.

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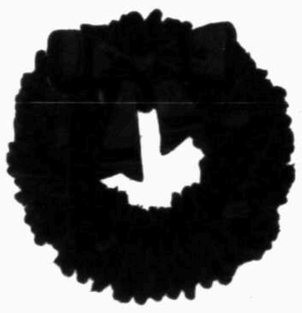
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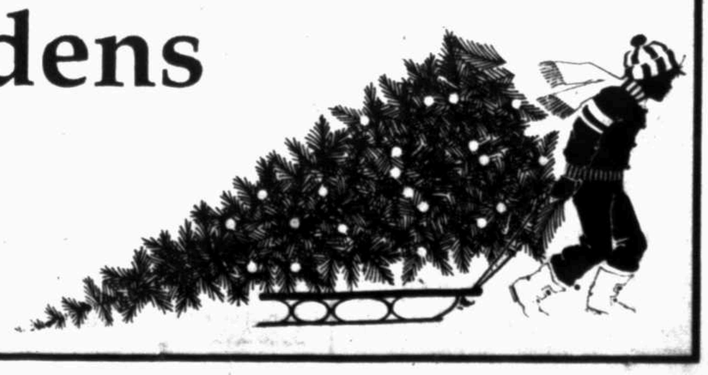
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Health myths

Here are some myth that persist despite scientific evidence:

1 MYTH: Bundle up to avoid catching a cold



TRUTH: Repeated experiments indicate that people left shivering outdoors are no more likely to catch a cold than those who stay warm indoors.

2 MYTH: Chocolate causes pimples



TRUTH: No evidence found in studies. Breakouts are thought to be linked with increased levels of testosterone; genetics may also play a part.

3 MYTH: Suck a snakebite to prevent poisoning



TRUTH: The bacteria in your mouth multiplies the risk of infection to the wound

4 MYTH: Mayonnaise is a source of bacterial infections and high in cholesterol



TRUTH: The vinegar in mayonnaise is acidic enough to block bacterial growth. Mayo is only 5 mg of cholesterol per tablespoon.

5 MYTH: Milk is good for ulcers



TRUTH: Milk is rich in protein, which stimulates acid production in the stomach and irritates an ulcer.

6 MYTH: Fasting will shrink your stomach



TRUTH: Fasting will not shrink your stomach any more than it will shrink your mouth.

7 MYTH: If you cross your eyes, you'll become cross-eyed



TRUTH: Those who have enough muscular control to deliberately cross their eyes are probably least likely to be cross-eyed.

8 MYTH: As long as you don't burn, you can get a safe suntan



TRUTH: Even small doses of sun add up to an increased risk of skin cancer and premature aging.

9 MYTH: Eating sugar can cause diabetes



TRUTH: In diabetes, sugar becomes the problem, but the cause is insufficient or ineffective insulin, the hormone that regulates how the body uses sugar.

10 MYTH: The right brain is the seat of creativity



TRUTH: No scientific evidence for this. In healthy people the two hemispheres work together.

Source: *American Health Magazine*

AP/Martha P. Hernandez

Doctors pretend to be patients

As part of hospital program, residents learn what it's like to be sick

By Lee Siegel
Associated Press writer

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Jeff Ortiz felt lonely as he languished in a hospital bed. Nurses repeatedly jabbed Dynse Crunkleton with an intravenous needle. Jose De Souza was shocked at his $1,000 bill for a one-night hospital stay.

But Ortiz, Crunkleton and De Souza weren't really sick. They were young doctors who faked illness in an innovative program designed to help them see the hospital through patients' eyes.

"A hospital is not necessarily a pleasant place when you're a patient," said De Souza, 28, now chief resident of family medicine at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center.

During each of the last five years, the hospital's six incoming family medicine residents spent their first work day assuming fake names and diagnoses and posing as patients. Doctors and the supervising nurse are told about the ruse, but other nurses and staffers are kept in the dark.

"I'm a better doctor because of it," said Grant Uba, 31, a Long Beach family doctor who posed as an AIDS-infected patient when the program started in 1987. "I'm a lot more aware of what the patient is feeling — the fears, the anxieties, the uncertainties."

THE PROGRAM inspired a scene in "The Doctor," a film in which William Hurt portrays an arrogant doctor who gains new sensitivity when he becomes a cancer patient. He ends up making his residents spend three days pretending to be patients.

The goal of Long Beach Memorial's program "is to give the residents a taste of their own medicine as well as sensitizing them to the needs of their patients," said Dr. Stephen Brunton, 40, who devised the program as head of family medicine at the hospital.

"It's incredible how we can spend our lives treating patients yet never have the experience of being one."

Brunton was inspired by his own unpleasant hospital experience after being kicked in the face during a karate tournament two decades ago. The blow broke his eyeglasses and sent glass into one eyeball. At a hospital in Melbourne, Australia, he was appalled by the staff's lack of concern.

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— Dr. Grant Uba

"While I was waiting to be seen, I could hear a resident and a nurse flirting," Brunton recalled. "I became irrelevant. I was frightened. I couldn't see. I was in shock. Yet no one allayed my anxiety. Many patients may feel similar fears and estrangement."

To help doctors improve bedside manners, hospitals and medical schools conduct classes on communications, empathy, interviewing and medical ethics. Dozens of medical schools hire actors or other "professional patients" to help students learn to deal with real patients.

BRUNTON SAID he is unaware of any other hospital that has doctors pose as patients, although hospitals around the country have called him asking how to start such a program.

Young doctors at Long Beach Memorial said their experience as make-believe patients influenced how they practice medicine.

Ortiz, 28, started his residency last year by faking chest pain and a broken leg. He was placed in a leg cast by doctors who were in on the plot. Then he was admitted to the hospital.

Nurses stuck an IV needle in his arm, placed electrodes on his chest to monitor his heart, fed him a bland diet meant for cardiac patients, and kept waking him up for tests.

"It was incredibly lonely. I was very bored, extremely bored," Ortiz said. "It was uncomfortable in that leg cast. The bed was uncomfortable. ... I actually started to feel sickly. It made me appreciate how isolating, how boring, how uncomfortable it can be to be a patient."

Ortiz now routinely orders extra foam padding for patients' beds, avoids awakening them for tests, puts them on special diets only if essential, and tries "to minimize the number of times they need to be stuck" for blood samples.

Dynse (pronounced Denise) Crunkleton, 29, faked a concussion and a broken right arm when she was admitted to the hospital last July. Her arm was placed in a cast. The worst experience came when nurses had trouble finding a vein for an IV needle.

"AFTER THE third or fourth poke, they finally got it in," Crunkleton said. "It was really painful."

Crunkleton said she now thinks twice before ordering IVs for patients, especially children.

De Souza pretended to have a back injury and faked "excruciating pain" when he entered the hospital in a wheelchair two years ago. He said he felt powerless during his overnight stay because "everybody was controlling everything for me."

So he tries to make his own patients feel less helpless by sitting on their beds and having them sit up when he speaks with them.

A month after his stay, De Souza got the itemized $1,000 bill. The residents don't have to pay, but are billed so they know how patients feel.

"It was amazingly expensive," De Souza said. "It was a big eye opener."

NOW De SOUZA avoids expensive tests unless he really needs them.

Having to pose as patients isn't the only part of sensitivity training for residents at Long Beach Memorial.

Brunton had a comedy troupe of schizophrenics perform for young doctors to break down their stereotypes about mental illness. Residents had to smear petroleum jelly on their eyeglasses to know how it feels to be an old person with cataracts.

Brunton also plans to file make-believe malpractice lawsuits against doctors and stage mock trials.

Exercise can help splurgers shed holiday pounds

By Ira Dreyfuss
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Sin creates its own punishment, and this is the busy season for the sin of gluttony — for which the punishment is fat.

Expiation for this sin is exercise.

"What I really hate is to have a person go into the holidays and it's a disaster," said aerobics guru Dr. Kenneth Cooper of Dallas. "They gain and they stop exercising and they don't start back."

People can expect to gain some weight — a couple of pounds is reasonable, said Cooper, founder and president of The Aerobics Center in Dallas. However, many of us are unreasonable. Experts estimate the average holiday weight gain at five to 10 pounds.

"They have a devil of a time taking it off," he said.

Exercise alone can't control your weight if you insist on eating and drinking everything in sight. However, regular exercise "will help you prevent a real splurge, and may help you lose it afterward," Cooper said.

If you walk a mile in 15 minutes or jog it in eight, you can expect to burn about 100 calories per mile, Cooper said. So let's say you cover three miles: "That piece of pie has 250-300 calories — you've at least compensated for dessert," Cooper said.

A good time to get vigorous exercise is before you eat, he said: "Exercise before a meal suppresses appetite. It makes you thirsty but not hungry."

A bad time for vigorous exercise is up to 90 minutes afterward, he said. A big meal makes your body shunt blood to the stomach, Cooper said, while powerful exercise shunts blood to the muscles. Doing both can reduce blood flow feeding the heart and brain, and can trigger angina in some people.

However, if you're capable of moderate exercise 45 minutes after you eat, you can do your body a lot of good, said David A. Levitsky, professor of nutrition and psychology at Cornell University.

A brisk walk of about 20 minutes can burn off maybe 10 percent of the meal's extra calories, Levitsky said. You'll still have a gain, but the walk can help you to recover faster, he said.

You also can put your pounds into perspective. If you can increase your exercise and bring your eating habits back to normal after a holiday meal, you create enough of a caloric deficit to slowly shed the weight.

Besides, the damage may be less than you fear.

"Most of us don't really pig out as much as we think," said Charles T. Kuntzleman, an adjunct associate professor of physical education at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. "We allow one meal of bingeing to sort of skew us into a guilt trip."

Most people will "eat 2,500 calories or whatever and feel grossed out," he said. There is reason for that — 2,500 calories is a whole day's total or more for most adults.

It can be less hard than you think to burn off the extra calories, if you work exercise into your ordinary patterns of living, Kuntzleman said.

43 percent of poll respondents view depression as weakness

WASHINGTON (AP) — Half of Americans in a recent poll said they or their family members have suffered from depression and 43 percent say they believe depression is a personal weakness, according to the National Mental Health Association.

Elisabeth Rukeyser, who chairs the mental health association, said the poll, released Tuesday, shows that most Americans do not realize that depression is a disease that can be treated.

"The failure to recognize depression as a disease is most troubling and encourages the misconception that people should blame themselves, family members and friends for this illness," she said in a statement. "They need to know that depression can be treated effectively in 80 percent of the cases."

The poll, conducted by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc., showed that of 1,022 adults interviewed by telephone in October, 25 percent felt they had suffered from depression at some point in their lives. Another 26 percent said that some member of their family has had depression.

Depression was considered to be a health problem by 46 percent of those surveyed, while 43 percent saw it as "a sign of personal or emotional weakness," the survey found.

Alcoholism was regarded as a personal weakness by 56 percent of the poll and as a health problem by 34 percent. Eight percent were not sure. Obesity, or being overweight, was regarded as a personal weakness by 38 percent of the poll and as a health problem by 48 percent. Fourteen percent were not sure.

If depression strikes in the family, the survey found that 53 percent of those polled would tell friends, while 30 percent would not want friends to know.

The respondents were asked to whom a person should go to receive help for depression. The survey permitted up to three answers.

Forty-five percent of those polled suggested a medical or family doctor, and 60 percent suggested a psychiatrist, psychologist, "shrink", therapist, counselor, mental health clinic or psychiatric hospital. Only 20 percent suggested a church, minister, rabbi or priest, and only 14 percent suggested a spouse, parent, friend or family member.

In questions addressed only to those who admitted to depression either in themselves or in their family, 27 percent said they had handled the problem by themselves.

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AUTOMOTIVE NEWS

Ford breaks new ground with Taurus

Bob Plunkett

When Ford's first mid-size Taurus sedan rolled out of the factory six years ago, its severely curved and windswept styling shocked the country.

Never before had Detroit produced such a daring design for mass consumption.

Yet Taurus quickly built a loyal audience because it steered and scooted with an impressive character which seemed to fit its swift shape. No previous American-built car could match the tight-fisted functions of that new Ford.

In its debut year, Taurus captured all of the big awards from the automotive industry and consumers scrambled to put a Taurus in their driveway.

Through six model years and two million sales, the original concept behind this machine proved so valid that it continues to appear on everyone's list of ten best cars.

But for 1992, Ford has developed a second generation edition which elevates Taurus to contemporary styling standards as it streamlines the powertrains and adds some new safety features, such as the optional passenger-side airbag available after the first of the year.

The 1992 Taurus sports a stretched shape that measures almost four inches longer than its predecessor, with the extension adding about a cubic foot of space to the trunk.

Also, there are new front headlamps wrapping around the side in the aero-style format that seems to be the vogue with virtually every new car this year.

While these styling details freshen the form, Taurus for '92 nevertheless looks a lot like last year's Taurus, which perhaps is a testament to how far ahead of times the original issue actually was.

The new models delete last year's 4-cylinder base engine in favor of a 3.0-liter V6, the first of three available for 1992.

These 6-cylinder plants are actually the same as appeared in last year's Taurus models, with the 140-horsepower 3.0-liter unit ending up in Taurus L, GL and luxury-oriented LX sedans and the GL wagon.

Optional power for these models comes from a 3.8-liter V6 — the same horsepower but with high torque rating (up to 215 lbs.-per-ft. at a low 2000 rpm) and plenty of low-end acceleration power.

Both of these V6 team with a 4-speed automatic transaxle which provides a lockup torque converter.

This auto shifter is perfectly adequate and quiet to a fault, but it can be cantankerous. It seems to lurch, for instance, when you're trying to reaccelerate after braking.

Then that macho masterpiece, Taurus SHO, packs a twin-cam 3.0-liter high-performance plant which knocks down as much as 220 horsepower.

Taurus SHO carries a manual 5-speed stick as the only transaxle, and it has a beefed-up suspension, 4-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock action, fog lamps, a leather-wrapped sport steering wheel and 16-inch alloy wheels and tires.

There's no mistaking SHO, either, as it sports a unique grille which integrates the fog lamps, and special color-keyed bodyside and rocker-panel moldings, flared mud spats and stylized rear bumper.

The SHO is certainly not the mainstream Taurus, though.

Taurus LX is — this is the luxury model, and it comes with a long list of comfort features.

The real question concerning this and all other Taurus models, though, is: How does it drive?

In a word, Taurus performs, even in base edition.

It turns quickly and easily, due to a new variable-assist feature for power-assisted rack and pinion steering.

Even the base Taurus has a disc brake at each wheel, and there's snappy power, too, so it zings to a stop in short order, perhaps not nearly as quickly as some zillionaire's German sedan, but with haste nonetheless.

With 4-wheel independent suspension, you can drop a tire off the edge of the pavement and still have firm control over this thing, which helps build confidence.

Also, Taurus features unibody construction, which adds to its overall rigidity to enhance ride quality without intruding on its ability to swing through a set of curves.

All the while, you're encased in a cockpit that seems refreshingly quiet.

Like its revised rival, Toyota Camry, Ford's new Taurus has addressed the issue of noise isolation for passenger compartment and come up with high marks for success.

The interior's dashboard design is new, with easy-read gauges and controls which are easy to reach from the driver's seat.

Seats are firm and comfortable, with a split-reclining bench up front for all the models save SHO, which comes with twin buckets separated by console.

A lot of plastic and vinyl have been used to coat the interior of most Taurus editions, and the treatment comes off as rather polyester at points. However, when you select the optional leather upholstery of upper-level editions, Taurus speaks with a certain sense of elegance.

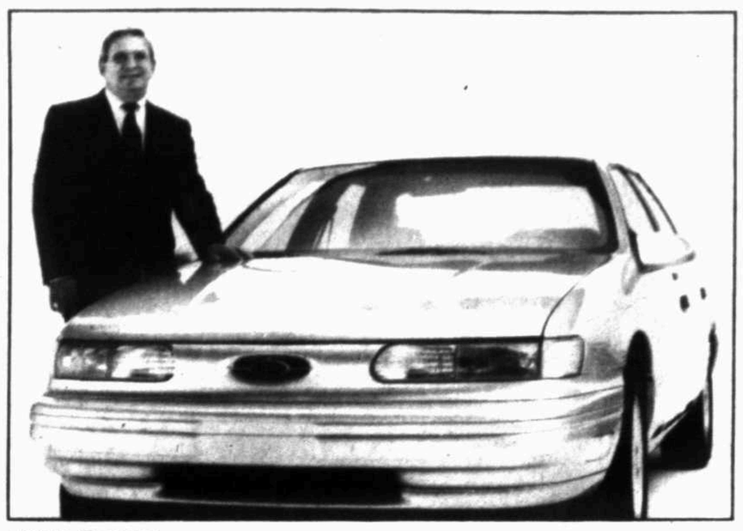
In the end, it really becomes a car for many different types of drivers.

In base edition, it's affordable and still brings some impressive handling features.

With upscale trim and comfort items added, Taurus appeals to the tony set who likes to buy domestics and appreciates the in-town benefits of a car with something less than the long dimensions of a land yacht.

For the young and restless, the speed freaks and power hunks, Taurus SHO presents an impressive package of performance gear and all the horsepower you'll ever need to win friends and influence impromptu traffic-light debris.

So Ford's magic for Taurus continues into a new generation.



1992 Taurus
Ford vice president and Ford Division general manager Ross H. Roberts (above) says Taurus receives the greatest change since the car's introduction in December, 1985.

Fast Facts

1992 Ford Taurus

- **Description:** mid-size sedan, wagon
- **Model Options:** Sedan: L, GL, LX, SHO
  Wagon: GL, LX
- **Wheelbase:** 106.0 inches
- **Overall length:** Sedan: 192.0 inches
  Wagon: 193.1 inches
- **Engine size:** OHV 3.0-L V6 SEFI
  OHV 3.8-L V6 SEFI
  DOHC 3.0-L V6 24v PFI
- **Transmission/speeds:** Auto/4
  SHO: 5-speed manual
- **Rear/front drive:** front
- **Steering:** power rack and pinion
- **Braking:** power 4-wheel disc,
  optional anti-lock
- **EPA mileage estimate city/hwy.:** 18/28 mpg



1992 Volvo 240.

Money Magazine says Volvo 240 is great buy

In its continuing effort to help people use their money effectively, the editors of Money Magazine have analyzed 522 cars, small pickups, sport utility vehicles and minivans. Money identified "Real Buys" in eight categories of vehicles and the venerable Volvo 240 was their pick in the $20,000 to $30,000 grouping.

Within each of the eight categories, vehicles were ranked on the basis of the "lowest total five-year cost" for depreciation, financing, maintenance, insurance and repairs. Editors were assisted in their analysis by IntelliChoice, a San Jose research firm that specializes in automobile ownership costing. For the Money project, it was assumed that the owner drove 14,000 miles per year and paid "average" insurance premiums, loan interest and gasoline prices. The complete Money Car Costing Ratings are included in the November issue.

Volvo sells approximately 30,000 of the rugged 240 sedans and wagons in the U.S. In the mid-seventies, the U.S. Government bought a fleet of 240s to be used in establishing the safety performance criteria by which all new cars sold in America are measured today. The Volvo 240 models for 1992 begin at just over $20,000. They are powered by Volvo's rugged 2.3 liter, fuel injected, overhead cam, four-cylinder engine coupled to either a five-speed manual or four-speed automatic transmission. Standard equipment on all 240s includes: driver's-side air bag, four-wheel power assisted disc brakes with ABS, power assisted rack and pinion steering, air conditioning, AM-FM stereo cassette radio and orthopedically designed front bucket seats, along with many other thoughtful items.

GMAC: vehicle leasing doubles from last year

Leasing is not the wave of the future — it's the wave of the present,

Chevrolet has more than doubled the number of retail leases processed through General Motors Acceptance Corporation (GMAC) in 1991 compared to 1990 (through August). The primary advantages of leasing are lower monthly payments and the opportunity to drive a new vehicle more often.

Chevrolet predicts that the retail leasing industry will more than double again by 1995 and will represent as many as 2.5 million vehicles.

Chevrolet will introduce attractive lease rates of as low as 4.9 percent through the GMAC Smart-Lease program.

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December 12, 19, 1991

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Gilmer Aubrey Davis, Deceased, were issued on December 10, 1991 in Docket No. 9968, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas to Ludy Niedecken Davis.

The residence of the Independent Executrix is Midland County, Texas and the name and address of the appointed resident agent in Texas is Jeffrey D. Hewett, Post Office Box 3580, Midland, Texas 79702.

All persons having claims against

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this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 10th day of December, 1991.

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Grand Lodge Report by WM 12/12/91
Robert G. Kiker, W.M.
H. B. Walker, Jr. Sec.

CENTENNIAL LODGE #1448
1,000 Upland at Cuthbert NO Stated meeting Dec. 7th, 1991. Due to Grand Lodge Meeting same day in Waco.
Doyle Eades, W.M.
Bob Ellwood, Secy.

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
Dec. 10th 6:30 pm Mexican buffet. Ladies bring covered dish. Open Lodge at 7:30 pm, Christmas party at 8:00 o'clock pm.
Gary D. Anderson, W.M.,
Ron Yeager Sec.

The Midland Shrine Club, 2019 Trade Drive, 682-5509. Regular stated meeting third Thursday each month. Hospitality 6:30 pm. Catered dinner 7 pm. Business meeting 8 pm. All nobles and their ladies invited.
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LOST: miniature schnauzer, salt and pepper, no collar. Vicinity of Lee High School. Please call 697-7693.

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FOUND wallet by Lee High tennis courts. Call 682-5666 and identify.

FOUND: Black horse, Friday night, December 6th. Call to identify. 682-7558.

FOUND: Saturday by Cactus Lanes Bowling Alley, 1 male Weimaraner and 1 male Lab. Taken to SPSCA. 684-7582.

FOUND: Basset Hound needs to find his home. Please call to identify. 682-9731, ext. 116 or 683-6400.

FOUND: Yellow Lab, vicinity of Big Spring and Colorado. He's lonely and wet. Call to identify. 699-4747.

LOST: large reddish/ brown part Chow male dog. Broken hind leg. Big Spring and Wall vicinity. Call 687-2234.

FOUND: 8 to 10 week old buff colored kitten vicinity of A street and Scharbauer Dr. 683-4391 ask for Sue.

LOST Brittany Spaniel, female, vicinity of East County Road 90, collar and long leash. Reward. 686-0241.

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160 Money, Loans Wanted

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310 General Help Wanted

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310 General Help Wanted

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310 General Help Wanted

COMPANION CARE needs live-ins nurse aides 2 to 4 days at a time or longer, flexible, room and board. Taking Applications at: 2817 JBS Parkway, Building A, suite 203, Odessa. 550-4101

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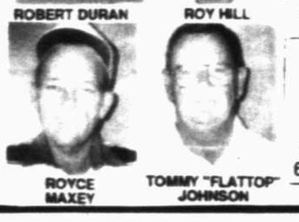
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335 Adult Care

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340 Child Care Needed

MATURE PERSON for child care in our home. Monday thru Friday 7:15 - 4:45. References required. 694-6835 after 6 PM.

NEED child care giver in my home, 7:30 - 5:30, Monday - Friday. References required. Call 520-0407.

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341 Child Care Providers

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350 Business Opportunities

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

BEAUTIFUL authentic Indian jewelry. Some old pieces. Repair, buy or trade. 694-8670, leave message.

SMALL Sears Wood Stove, glass door, only used 1 season. $300. Call 684-5308.

LUME' Nail Kits with teflon forms, like new, $75 or best offer 694-1409/697-4421, leave message.

BEAUTIFUL hand beaded earrings. Great prices. Can change from pierced to clip. See at Endless Horizons Records (behind Walgreens, Andrews Highway). Call Cindy Abel, 686-9419.

AMERICAN AIR LINES 2 one way tickets 12/ 23. DFW to Hartford Connecticut. $120 each. 263-1923.

2 Pair, long white, pinch pleated drapes, excellent condition/ fabric. 697-6155, after 5 weekdays.

BARGAINS on rebuilt vacuum cleaners. Repair all makes. Rainbow Flea Market, 1503 W. Industrigl, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

30 AND 100 Gallon aquariums Eheim, and Ug filters, bookcase stand, lights, heater, and more. $600. 684-5118.

BARBIE clothes, office desk and chair, Baldwin Fun Machine with bench. Call 699-0304.

1 PACKARD BELL 286 computer, 1986 Honda Spree, Southwestern Bell Freedom phone system with 5 phones. 2 metal desks, 2 computer desks, 570-5002.

WEDDING RING SET: beautiful, 1 karat, marquis cut, solitaire, with 1 karat tdw guard. Written appraisal for $6,000 available for review. Make offer. 697-4478 for appointment.

2 CT. DIAMOND ring in yellow gold. Must see to appreciate. Call 689-0176.

6 FOOT Oak Dry Bar; 3.6 cu. ft. refrigerator; 19" Montgomery Ward portable TV. All in good condition. Call 694-2601, after 1 pm.

SANTA Claus will appear at your next party or gathering! For information call Ronnie, 687-1640.

CARIBBEAN Cruise for 2, 7 nights, with air $549. 713-975-6215

MINK COAT, size 8 - 10. Beautiful full skin construction in mahogany with fox collar. Paid $3,500, will take $1,000. Call 697-6454.

MONTGOMERY WARD microwave oven with stand for sale. $75. Call 694-1287.

2 used garage doors, 7' x 8' with hardware. Boy's 10-speed bike. 570-1009.

HOLIDAY Specials from Jarvass Carpet Cleaning. Up to 2,000 sq. ft. or less for $79.95. Receive FREE cleaning on couch, love seat, etc. Serving West Texas Area 1-800-498-JARV.

CHRISTMAS YARD SIGNS, 4' x 2' $15 each, Call 684-4545. After 4 pm

NEARLY NEW Rex Air Rainbow vacuum cleaner for sale. Call 550-7000.

OPEN HOUSE & TOURS
December 14th, 1 - 5
Southwests largest porcelain doll factory.
MIDESSA PORCELAIN DOLLS
4209 So Co Rd 1290
(Coor's Road) 563-5557

ATARI game console, 7 controllers, game holder and 14 games, $100 or best offer. 699-5441.

UPRIGHT CAN COKE machine, excellent condition, $400. Call 697-6663.

2 GIRLS bicycles, GE washer, almond GE refrigerator with ice maker, full size bed, twin bed, dining room table. 699-0960.

SCOOTER, Pace Saver electric 3 wheel scooter/ wheel chair, seat elevator, 2 batteries, charger. 699-6560.

LADIES Clothes, sizes 11 - 12, 3 suits, 2 blouses, modern styles, like new. 683-4621, evenings.

BASSETT French provincial table, 6 chairs, buffet, mirror, $1,500. Call 683-2321.

GREENTREE membership $250 plus transfer fee. Golf tennis and swimming. 697-3638.

KENMORE DRYER $75, swing set $35, baby crib $45, secretarial metal desk $85, dirt bike $85. 694-9890.

DOUBLE Crypt at Resthaven Mausoleum, discounted price. Odessa - 368-0146.

CUSTOM MADE doll houses, sized for barbie type dolls. Three story with elevator. Call 697-6005 after 5:00 561-9395. 3003 Princeton.

SLEEPER Sofa $400, brown. Call 688-1447.

DREXEL Free standing bar, brass footrail, wine rack, locking cabinet, 2 matching bar stools. 689-7651.

CAR seat, vaporizer, child's potty chair, adult handicap toilet, men's, women's shirts, $1, bedspread. 694-6414.

FUR COAT. Beautiful full length ladies Muskrat fur coat. Exceptional quality. Moving - will take $500. 694-5221.

SELLING Parts of a comic book collection, some of what I'm selling is X-Men, Punisher, Wolverine, Spiderman. Call 697-0624, leave message.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

DON'T THROW AWAY that non-working portable color T.V. or VCR it might be worth money! 697-1558 or 699-1454.

TOP DOLLAR paid for your Southwest Airlines Company Club Awards. Call 687-5039.

WANTING TO BUY Southwest frequent flyer coupons. Call 694-1881 after 5 PM.

WANTED: OLD GUITARS and amplifiers any condition. Local collector. 682-3929 leave message.

WANT to buy good used full size trampoline in good condition. Call 682-1908.

WANTED: 6 cylinder pickup with or without motor, but basically good body and running gear. 684-8338, days, 682-2893, evenings.

420 Good Things To Eat

FRESH Fish Hawled from Louisiana. Catfish, Buffalo, and Drum. 560-5339. Free home delivery.

LOCAL RAW HONEY- in honey bears or bulk. Call 689-8028.

GARDENDALE- Pecans processing, custom shelling, pecan sales. Electric nut cracker- Holiday shipping. We also buy pecans. FM 554 in Gardendale 366-9793.

FRESH shelled pecans. Halves, $5 per pound, pieces, $4.50 per pound. Call 697-1480.

FRESH PECANS IN SHELL. $1.40 per pound. Call 682-7896.

FOR HOME BAKED GOODIES- pumpkin pie, bread pudding, cookies, banana cake, etc. call Tammy 687-2822.

430 Household Goods

THE AUCTION IS OVER and MITCHELL'S NEW & USED IS OPEN for business. Buy & Sell used building supplies, used clothing,furniture and appliances. Mitchell's New & Used 3100 W. Front 694-5701.

WE need good used furniture. We pay extra. Call D & K New and Used for estimate. 4404 W. Illinois. 697-4847.

TWIN BEDDINGS for sale $50. water bed with 6 under drawers, super single heater- $100. Call 687-5831.

NEED good used furniture. Buy, sell & trade used furniture and appliances. Rowe's New & Used. 1211 S. Big Spring. 687-5966.

COUCH and loveseat. Pink, grey/ off white. - (3) Rattan barstools. All very good shape. 694-1859, after 10 AM.

New 3 piece living room suites start at $299. New pit groups, 4 - 5 drawer chest of drawers, bedroom and dinette sets, new bedding all sizes. Used dinette and living room sets, electric ranges, refrigerators, dressers, bar with 2 stools. Bedding starts at $39/ set.
JOHN'S FURNITURE
600 E. Florida 683-7872

USED WASHERS & DRYERS - Sell, Buy, Trade. 30 Day Guarantee. 694-5350, after 5 682-7529.

GOLD, Electric Roper Range, $110. Call 697-2465 or 683-5029.

RCA 25" Console television, $100 - microwave, $60 - 55 moving boxes, $80. Call Byron 688-5405 or 685-3830.

COMPLETE set wicker. Divan, chair, end tables, coffee table, bar stools. $300. 697-2829.

SOFA: Southwest design, soft pastels, new condition. $450. Call 689-0176.

Jenny Lind Baby Bed and cradle, King size water bed with sheets, make offer. 699-1656.

DRAW drapes & matching scrim curtain, medium green, good condition. 90 x 90. $50. 694-3724.

FREEZER, Admiral upright $100 Jim 689-6843 or 683-5368.

KING size waterbed with drawers, heater, new $350 waveless, dark wood, brass, $200. 694-6324.

INSTANT cash for your working or non-working appliances. Fast pick up. Call 1-337-3830.

WASHER, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, $100 each. Free delivery. 30 day warranty. Parts available. 1-337-3830.

KING SIZE four poster, firm support, full motion, Hibernation Series Waterbed, $300 - Peach colored velour sofa, $125. 689-3721 after 6/ weekdays.

36" MODERN Maid electric cooktop, white, in good condition. $50. Call 683-4473.

QUEEN waterbed, with bookcase and heater in excellent condition. $100. Call 699-5451.

Six-piece sectional sofa, beige, textured fabric, contemporary style $499. Call 694-7287.

KING size waterbed for sale. Brand new fiberfill mattress. $300 negotiable. Call 697-1549.

BEAUTIFUL traditional dining room suite, hutch, large table, 6 chairs. $500. Call 694-1476 or 683-7440.

4 YEAR old washer and dryer, Frigidaire, almond, excellent condition. $300/ pair. 685-4034.

CLUB CHAIRS, striped fabric. We've bought new chairs. Good condition. Call 699-5284.

TRINITRON SONY color television. Call 697-5418 after 6, or 682-6386.

NICE, MAPLE, dining room suite with china cabinet and 6 chairs. Priced for quick sale. 684-3784.

STOVE: free standing Signature electric stove with 2 ovens, copper color, $100. Call 697-6206.

70" round handmade cut work table cloth with 8 napkins. $250. Call 699-7967.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIRE WOOD. Mesquite, $120. Oak $135. Delivered/ stacked. 1-453-2151. Robert Lee.

DENNIS FIREWOOD- oak and mesquite. Call 699-4719.

QUALITY MESQUITE Firewood. We split/ deliver and stack full cords $125. 1-357-4429 anytime.

TEXAS FIREWOOD- seasoned oak and pinion. Call 689-0504 or come by at 3004 Front Street.

FIREWOOD - Oak or Mesquite any amount delivered, extra for stacking. Call Larry Tucker 689-7151 or come by 3413 Industrial.

OAK FIREWOOD for sale. Delivered and stacked. Call 3D Firewood in Stanton, 1-756-2012 or 1-756-2502.

THE WOOD YARD. Oak, Mesquite, Pecan. 701 N. Fairgrounds. Call 686-8107 or 684-8918.

Merchandise

400	Auctions	460	Antiques & Art	510	Office Supplies
405	Garage/Yard Sales	470	Musical Instruments	520	Store, Shop, Cafe Equip.
410	Miscellaneous Sales	475	Crafts & Supplies		
415	Miscellaneous Wanted	480	Cameras & Supplies	530	Air Cond. & Heating
420	Good Things To Eat	485	Radios, Stereo & TV	540	Building Materials
430	Household Goods	490	Computers & Access.	550	Portable Buildings
440	Firewood	495	For Free	560	Machinery & Tools
450	Sporting Goods	500	Pets & Supplies	570	Oilfield Supplies
		505	Livestock - Poultry	580	Farm Equipment

400 Auctions

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PUBLIC AUCTION
Midland Hilton Ballroom
117 W. Wall, Midland, Texas.
Sunday, December 15, 1991,
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
• Western bronzes • Jewelry
• Gift items • Guns • Coins
• Knifes. ALSO following will be baseball card and sport memorbelia auction beginning at 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Same place, same date. More fun to follow. Come see us. Call for details (915)682-1004. Auction conducted by Auction Action Midland II Auctioneer, Fred F. Munoz, TXL #6250, Executive Sales Manager, A. Tamez, Jr.

PUBLIC AUCTION
Midland College
Annual Surplus Auction
Saturday, December 21, 1991, 10:00 am. Auction site: 1909 W. Industrial, Midland, Texas. Preview, Friday, December 20, 1991, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Call for details, (915)682-1004. Auction conducted by: Auction Action Midland II, Auctioneer, Fred F. Munoz, TXL #6250, Executive Sales Manager, A. Tamez, Jr.

405 Garage/Yard Sales

The Texas Bedding Law requires all second hand bedding to be sanitized by a licensed germicidal treatment operator and properly labeled before being offered for sale.

ABANDONED MERCHANDISE. Pawn shop overstock - Appliances, TV's, auto parts, mag wheels, tires, clothes, miscellaneous. Alamo Auction Barn, 110 W. Shandon at Big Spring Street. 9 to 5 Tuesday - Saturday, 12-4 Sunday.

405 Garage/Yard Sales

1962 CHEVY Pickup was $6,800/ $5,300. 1959 was $4,800/ $3,900. 1967 Pontiac good work car $650. Living, dining, bedroom furniture. All appliances. Guaranteed. 570-4851.

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The ★ star on garage sale ads means the address and day of the sale will appear in our Garage Sale Directory which runs each Friday. To get your sale listed in the Garage Sale Directory, simply call your garage sale ad in by 4 p.m. Tuesday.

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★4405 N. GARFIELD Apt. 622, 9-4, Friday-Saturday 1988 Chevy Caprice, lots of womens, men's and children's clothes, furniture, miscellaneous.

Several Families, lots of clothes and miscellaneous items. Thursday Only 9 to 5 111 W. Spruce.

★4505 GREENTREE Friday 12 to 5, Saturday 9 to 4 - Metal desk, baby items, children's clothes, maternity, weight set, much more.

★710 DEVONIAN, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. New items added, hair bows, clocks, toys, jewelry, etc.

★GARAGE SALE: Various items, lawn equipment, books, etc. 2606 Shandon. Friday - Saturday, 8 - 6.

★3 FAMILY Inside Sale. Friday, 8- 2, Saturday 8 - 12. 2505 W. Washington. Lots of children and large women's clothes, toys, books, magazines, dishes, shoes, knick-knacks, Christmas tree, ornaments, miscellaneous auto parts.

★3214 Preston Drive (alley) swimming pool, light fixtures, vanity and commode, doors, men's Levis, toys, women's and girl's clothing, other miscellaneous. Saturday 9 am - 4 pm.

★WINDOWS, quilt tops material, odds and ends. Thursday and Friday, 516 Ruby. No Checks.

★CRAFTS garage sale. 5114 Canadian Avenue. Saturday and Sunday, 10 - 3. Christmas gifts and items.

405 Garage/Yard Sales

★ 809 NEELY ★
3 Family Sale!
Friday and Saturday

Furniture, beds, exercisers, clothes, lawnmowers, bicycles, telescope, trombone, lots of good stuff!

★3321 NEELY #J1 Brighton Court Friday-Sunday, 8 to 2. Exercise equipment, furniture, mens suites, miscellaneous items.

GARAGE Sale: 220 Eisenhower Thursday only, 8 am - 6 pm. No early sales. Handcrafts, household items, old Barbie and Ken, lots of miscellaneous.

FRIDAY ONLY. New quilts and lab robes, used Christmas decorations, 1 upright freezer. 9 am - 4 pm. 3318 Fannin.

HUGE SALE, Shop for Christmas, #8 Virginia Circle, Greenwood. Saturday only, 9 am - 5 pm.

CRAFTS sale. Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. 208 E. Pecan. 686-9250.

1807 W. KENTUCKY. Craft Sale Friday and Saturday 9:00 to 9:00, Sunday 12:00 to 5:00. New woodcrafts: clocks, jewelry, music boxes, Christmas ornaments and decorations, lots of gift ideas under $5.00.

RAIN OR SHINE
5102 RAINBOW
(alley behind Bush Elementary)
FRIDAY, 7:30 a.m.

Power tools, fishing gear, lawnmower, garden and lawn tools, weed eater, household decor, girl's, boy's, adult clothes, miscellaneous. 520-3124

1016 WARD. 8-6 Thursday - Sunday. Moving. Bicycle, jewlery, plants, furniture, baby bed, dishes, luggage.

MOVING Sale. Everything Goes! Something for everyone! Sierra Paseo Apartments, 3417 N. Midland Drive, #2807.

2300 TERRACE - Saturday 8-2. Microwave, vacuum, kids and adult wear, exercise bike, 10 speed bike, girls bike, motorcross bike, household miscellaneous.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL; 20% off on all concrete, birdbaths, pots, stepping stones, benches, etc. Mitchell's Precast 3100 W. Front. 694-5701.

LADIES, BEAUTIFUL diamond and platinum cluster fashion ring. Over 4 carats. Appraised at $9,500 only $4,700. 366-9322.

CHRISTMAS Gift investment, quality 4½ carat, brilliant cut diamond, Tiffany mount, certified appraisal. Appointment Buddy's 697-5709.

OFFICE Furniture, all types and styles, new and used, desks, U desk units, secretarials, chairs, 2 to 5 drawer files, all steel lateral files, wire map racks & cabinets, and much more. Call The Paper Clip Office Supply, 682-5251 or come by 1201 S. Big Spring.

MEN! Does your wife spend a fortune on her nails? Here's the perfect gift! 697-3593.

405 Garage/Yard Sales

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PUBLIC AUCTION
Inventory Reduction - Alamo Pawn Shop
Saturday, December 14, 1991, 10:00 a.m.
Preview at Alamo Auction Barn Friday, December 13, 10:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.
110 W. SHANDON, MIDLAND, TEXAS
Corner of N. Big Spring & W. Shandon, (1 blk south of Wadley)

Miller Bobcat Welder on 10-foot Terry Trailer, Torch, Gauges, Hoses, Rockwell Table Saw, Sears 9" Radial Arm Saw, Two Airless Paint Rigs, York XL-80, Paint Guns, Cutoff Saw, Pickup Tool Box, Skill Saws, Sanders, Chains, Aluminum Extension Ladder, Socket Sets, ¼, ⅜, ½ drive, Truck Tires 11R x 22.5, 8.25 x 18, Mag Wheels, Marquette Engine Tester, Two Wheelbarrows, IBM Computer Mod 5322 with Data Print Printer, Color TVs, Stereos, VCRs, Sonic Double Keyboard Organ, Kenmore Dryer, Whirlpool Dryer, Dining Table with 4 Chairs, Bedroom Furniture, Rods & Reels, Glassware, Brass Items, Hand Tools, Jewelry, Lawnmowers, Bicycles, Florescent Light Fixtures.

ITEMS TOO NUMEROUS TO LIST
Food and Drinks Available on Premises
THE COMANCHE AUCTION CO., BIG SPRING, TEXAS
Ron Mowery - Auctioneer, TX Lic. #10096
(915)264-7918 (915)685-1312

310 General Help Wanted

316 Clerical Help Wanted

OLD ESTABLISHED CARPET STORE

Steady realiable person to do light bookeeping, answer telephone and floor sales when necessary. 5 days per week.

Send replies to:
BOX L-05
c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, Texas 79702

312 Professional Help Wanted

316 Clerical Help Wanted

BUSY REAL ESTATE OFFICE IS INTERVIEWING

Interested in licensed agents or individuals ready to be licensed. If you are not satisfied at present, call now for confidential interview. Call 694-1046, ask for Linda.

PETROLEUM ENGINEER to manage Permian Basin operations for national microbial enhanced oil recovery engineering/ service company. Job includes designing MEOR projects, sales and field supervision. Expect to train. Must have 5 years combined experience in production operations and Reservoir Engineering. Salary and perks based on qualifications. All replies confidential. Send replies to BOX L-06 c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

OIL & GAS TAX ACCOUNTANT

needed immediately for multi-entity business in Austin. 2 - 4 years experience preferred. Fast-tax, Latin experience helpful. Send resume and salary requirements to:

P.O. BOX 5623
AUSTIN, TX 78763

LOCAL ESTABLISHED Mortgage company looking for branch manager. Salaried position with benefits. Require minimum 5 years experience FHA/ VA, and conventional mortgage lending. Salary commensurate with experience.

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The Midland Reporter-Telegram
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Midland, Texas 79702.

316 Clerical Help Wanted

TEMPORARY RESOURCES
Needs experienced office workers NOW!!!
Call 684-0527.

WORKLOAD, INC.
570-0510.

V.I.P. TEMPORARIES. Call for Temp. or permanent jobs available now! No Fees. 686-9722.

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Temporary Assignments
TEMP TIME 687-1545

NEED Secretary/ Receptionist for busy office. Bring resume by 4311 W. Wadley, Monday - Friday, 9 - 5.

TYPIST wanted. Income tax preparation experience helpful but not required. Call 686-7007.

IMMEDIATE OPENING

for automotive warranty and title clerk. Must have previous automobile experience. Must be neat in appearance and manner. Must be oriented to customer satisfaction. Interview by appointment only.

Contact Mike Britt
Britt Imports Mercedes Benz
Midland, 699-7993.

WEST TEXAS OPPORTUNITIES, Inc. Child Care Management Services, is taking applications for 1 bookkeeper position. Computer entry and adding machine proficiency required; 6 months bookkeeping experience required. Pick up applications at: WTO, I. CCMS Office - 2525 N. Grandview, suite 600; Odessa, Texas, 79761. Deadline for applications is December 20, 1991. WTO, I. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

320 Sales Help Wanted

EXPERIENCED SALES PERSON NEEDED IMMEDIATELY for CHRISTMAS RUSH.
Earn: part time $175 to $400 per week or $400 to $600 per week full time. For information report to: WORLD BOOK Exhibit, Midland Park Mall by Sears.
Bring resume.

AUTOMOTIVE CONSULTANT

If you are aggressive, present a professional appearance and have a desire to earn great commissions, we offer training, health insurance, bonuses, vacation and bonuses. Apply in person at:

Village Lincoln Mercury
3915 W. Wall
Midland, Tx

311 Medical Help Wanted

TERRACE WEST Nursing Center has opening for RN Weekend Coverage. Apply at 2800 N. Midland Drive.

RN full or part-time for outpatient Cardiac Rehabilitation Clinic. Non-smoker, monitor experience. Send resume to: P.O. Box 893, Odessa, TX 79760. For more information call 333-2222.

SOCIAL WORKER for long term care facility, flexible hours. Call Tom Killingsworth at 686-1898. E.O.E.

RECEPTIONIST FOR new physician. Medical office experience required, typing 60 WPM. Send typed resume and salary history to: Dr. Foster 2201 W. Tennessee, Midland, TX 79701.

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Please apply in confidence to:
Mary Ann Fyfe at 694-8831
TERRACE GARDENS NURSING CENTER
2901 W. Ohio
Midland, Texas

312 Professional Help Wanted

Independent Oil & Gas Company seeks Gas Contracts Administrator. Successful candidate will be well versed in all aspects of natural gas marketing including term contracts and spot market sales. Accounting background helpful. Career opportunity for highly motivated, self-starter. Salary commensurate with experience. Good benefit package. Send resume in confidence to:

BOX L-08
c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, Texas 79702

We need three special people to work with:

Aerobics (Experienced)
Membership Sales
Management

Call 682-0813 or come by 225 Corporate Drive.

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450 Sporting Goods

JIM'S Golf Club Repair. Regrip, $3; Reshaft, $13.50; Custom made clubs. Lowest prices - best work. 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

EXERCYCLE - All body action machine, paid $2,898, asking $1,650. Executive model, like new. 5 year warranty. 683-7125.

SHOOT SPORTING Clays. Have fun shooting. Improve your game shooting. Open Tuesday thru Sunday. 694-2311.

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CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Give your shooter a membership in Midland Shooter's Association for $45.

Call 563-5116 for information.

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POOL TABLE - full size, 1" slate, mohogany and hardwood, excellent condition, $2,000 with accessories including light bar and stools. Jim at 689-6843 or 683-5368

WANT to buy good used full size trampoline in good condition. Call 682-1808, after 5.

SCHWINN AIR - DYNE bicycle for a total body exercise and with ergometer. Excellent condition. $400. Call 694-6267 before 8 PM.

REMINGTON 700 FS 7 mm mag, factory fiberglass stock. $375 cash. Call 684-9079 evenings.

SKI GEAR, 2 pair boots, men's 9½ - 10 and skis, excellent condition. $45/ all. Call 697-5334.

MUST sell Winchester Defender 12 gauge shotgun. A deal at $175! Call 697-5334.

PRO STEEL gun safe. Holds 22 rifles and shotguns, $800 cash - you move! Call 697-2529.

BASEBALL, Football cards. Great stocking stuffers, major gifts. Sets, sub-sets, singles. Far below Becket. 8 - 6, Saturday & Sunday, 2604 Bedford.

WEIDER 310 pound weight set, bench and leg extension. Asking $200. Call 685-3709.

460 Antiques and Art

RETA'S Antiques Glassware And Collectibles. 1607 W. Industrial (Royal Furniture Refinishing) 682-9239. Now open on Saturday, 10 til I get tired. Tuesday thru Friday 10 to 5:30. Gift Certificates Available.

INSURANCE or Estate Appraisal, 13 years experience, member International Society of Appraiser, hourly rates. For appointment 683-2934, Yvonne.

YEAR END SALE 10% to 30% off Our Already Low Prices. Antique Furniture- Reproduction Signs- lots of miscellaneous- Collectibles. Come See Us Soon! OLDIES-BUT-GOODIES ANTIQUES. 2305 W. Michigan. 570-0588, 10:30-5:30.

HAVE Surplus Antiques? I buy and take on consignment quality antiques and accessories - a single item or an entire estate. References available. Call Joe at: Pat's Antiques, 682-4000.

"BEAUTIES of the Red Mansion" plate collection, full set. Still in box. $600. 694-8702, message.

CHRISTMAS IDEAS
GALLERY 12 X 12
Open Mon. - Sat.
11 a.m .- 6 p.m.
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Local Artists with original works. Watercolors, oils, acrylics, pottery and Bunnies.
in the Gray Room
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Howl at the Moon
LUCKY DOG ANTIQUES
Come See Us Soon
3712 W. Wall 689-6373

HAVE 2 Solid Oak dining tables for sale with claw feet pedestals, also have set of oak tea back chairs, roll top desk. Make Offers. 520-5335.

JUST IN TIME for Christmas! All furniture has been marked down. Halltrees $100 and up, China Cabinets, chest, vanities $150 and up, Secretary $250, chairs, Welch dresser $300, clocks, gift items, Christmas decorations etc. AM & FM Antiques and Gifts, 1025 N. Dixie, Odessa. 332-7490.

Bev DooLittle Prints, Sacred Ground, Forest Has Eyes (framed), Sentinel, and Hide and Seek (7 prints). Will sacrifice all four for $5,500. Valued at almost $9,000. Call 684-8200.

DOES she have everything? Brand new magnets and Home interior decorative items at low prices. 3100 Caldera Blvd, #513, 9 - 5 weekdays or call 699-0917.

ROLEX WATCH of vintage King Air, two tone, $1,100. Like new. Call 699-0715.

470 Musical Instruments

$100 to $200 OFF Selected new violin outfits. Up to 30% off selected violin cases. Layaway for Christmas Waltrip Music 807 N. Midkiff. 694-7524.

GUITARS, DRUMS, KEYBOARDS. Full size guitars with five year warranty, $119. New five piece drum sets with symbols, seat, sticks, $499. All electronic keyboards on sale to. For all your musical needs, Caldwell Music 697-0852.

BEAUTIFUL ORGAN excellent condition with special features. Must see to appreciate. $400. Call 563-2733.

PEAVEY bass amp, $250; Fender Precision bass guitar, $500; G & L bass, $500; Shure SM57 microphones, $75 each; Biamp powered mixer, 12 channels, 500 watts, $1,350; Ross 18" PA speakers, $350 each. 563-3706, 682-1028.

FIDDLES Unique: Buy, Sell, Trade, Rent 3118 Franklin. Make violins, rehair bows, repair. Other instruments. 697-3849, 694-3780.

SUPER OLDS Trombone with locking case. Like new. $400. Call 694-6267 before 8 PM.

FAMILY MUSIC for Christmas - Baldwin Fun Machine, good condition, $450 or trade, 699-7725 evenings.

SERIES 10 electric guitar. Rock style design with case, $200 or best offer. 694-8933 evenings.

KRAMER Electric guitar; one-year-old, metallic, gray with EMG select pickups, PEAVEY Rage Amplifier. Both for $300. Call 699-6554.

475 Crafts and Supplies

HITACHI VHS Camcorder AC/DC light, character generator, extra batteries, hard case and more. $495. 684-3764

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490 Computers and Accessories

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL. 1989 IBM PS/2 System 25 computer. 30 mb hard drive. 3.5" disk drive, 2,400 BAUD modem, mouse and keyboard, $800. Please call 682-6601, after 5, 684-8797.

NEW 386SX Computers in time for Christmas. 386sx 16 Mhz. with 14" Color VGA Monitor, 3½ & 5¼ Floppies, 101 Enhanced keyboard, 2 Meg RAM, 40 Meg HD, with DOS 5.0 Installed. Full 12 Month warranty, with 6 month onsite. Free Setup & delivery. 697-6456.

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NEW COMPUTERS

386-SX25 Desktop with: 1MB RAM, 1 - 2, 1.44 FD, 40MB HD, VGA Card, VGA Monitor, Game Port, 101 Keyboard, 2 Ser, 1PR, Mouse and Windows DOS 5.0 $1,295

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Call for listing of used equipment

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286-8 system, 32 meg hard drive, 3½ x 5¼ floppies, CGA color monitor. $700 or best offer, 683-4473 AFTER 5.

APPLE IIE computer. Like new. Monitor, disk drive, lots of software, etc. $799. Call 694-6104.

IBM - 286 16 Mhz compatible computer 41 MB HDI 17 ms 3½ 1.44 MB and 5¼ 1.2 M B drives. Color 14" VGA monitor, 1 MB ram, mouse and keyboard. $850. 694-2225.

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL- 2 complete sets of Commodores 64- $375 each, also 3 cordless phones- will trade for anything of value. 570-5707, 503 W. Florida.

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BLACK LAB, 85 pound beautiful 7 year old male, registered (with papers), needs good qualified home. Call 685-1890, evenings.

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WE ARE HOPING FOR A HOME for Christmas: Gold Lab, Great Dane, Cocker Spaniel, Shih Tzu, Afghan Hound, Chinese Pug, Boarder Collie. These animals are up for adoption at the Big Spring Humane Society, if you are interested call 267-7832. Adoption Fee $35 dogs, $25 cats, includes spaying and neutering.

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500 Pets and Supplies

AKC ENGLISH MASTIFF Apricot and fawn. Call 915-263-8836. After 5 p.m.

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AKC PUG PUPS- ready December 13 can hold till Christmas. Fawn with black masks. 363-9217.

CHRISTMAS PUPS - Shar-Pei puppies, due on December 23, $500 to $800. Call 697-0032.

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AKC CAIRN Terriers, 1 male, 1 female, 6 weeks old. Shots and wormed. Parents on premisses. $150 cash. 520-2903.

AKC POMERANIANS for sale. $250. Will be ready for Christmas. Call 685-3561.

AKC COCKER Spaniel puppies, 6 weeks old, $175. Will hold until Christmas. After 5, 699-1538.

55 GALLON Aquarium set up with filters, wood base and mature fish. Also Beta tank, a 10 gallon fish tank. Call 694-2601, after 1 pm.

FOR SALE Labrador Retriever puppies AKC registered. First puppy shots. Call 694-4464.

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505 Livestock and Poultry

HORSE & SADDLE AUCTION, Big Spring Texas Livestock Auction Saturday, December 14th, 1 p.m. Jack Aufill Auctioneer, TX#7339. 1-800-221-9060.

FIGHTING CHICKENS for sale. $3.00 a piece. Call 563-5497.

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1000 - 1x4, 6' pickets, 50 4x4 7' posts, 2x8 Concrete wood forms. Make offer. 697-4712.

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Rentals

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610	Apartments Unfurnished	665	Business Prop. Office Rental
615	Apartments Furn. & Unfurn.	670	Warehouses & Storage Rental
620	Houses Furnished	675	Recreation & Resort Rental
625	Houses Unfurnished	680	Out Of Town Rental
630	Houses Furn. & Unfurn.	685	Hunting Leases
635	Condos & Townhouses Furn.	690	Oil And Gas Leases

605 Apartments Furnished

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EFFICIENCIES: 1 and 2 bedrooms, all utilities paid. No Lease. LEXINGTON Apartments 697-3155, 1003 S. Midkiff.

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605 Apartments Furnished

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610 Apartments Unfurnished

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CALL 683-9270

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SPACIOUS: one, two & three bedrooms which start at $205 monthly.
WESTPARK APARTMENTS.
2928 W. Louisiana. 687-4514.

610 Apartments Unfurnished

Midland Apartments At A Glance!	EFFICIENCY	1 BEDROOM	2 BEDROOM	3 BEDROOM	TOWNHOUSE	FURNISHED	CLUBHOUSE	EXTRA STORAGE	PATIO/BALCONY	COVERED PARKING	SWIMMING	TENNIS	SAUNA	SPA/WHIRLPOOL	FITNESS FACILITY	PLAYGROUND	CABLE TV READY	FREE BASIC CABLE	LAUNDRY	W/D/FURNISHED	W/D/ CONNECTIONS	MINI-BLINDS/VERTICALS	CEILING FANS	FIREPLACE	PETS	R.O. WATER	WATER VOLLEYBALL
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AFFORDABLE LIVING, 2 bedroom, 1 bath & 2 bedroom 1½ bath apartments. Starting at $265. WESTPARK APARTMENTS 2928 Louisiana 687-4514.

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620 Houses Furnished

FURNISHED: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, garage, near hospital/ elementary school. $400 monthly, $250 deposit. 684-4671.

625 Houses Unfurnished

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625 Houses Unfurnished

SMALL 2 bedroom house and garage on West Washington. Hardwood floors, vented heat, no pets please. Call 682-0605.

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TWO bedroom house, one bath, garage, washer connections. No refrigerator or stove. $350 monthly. 2706 Mariana. 699-6258, evenings.

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3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, garage. Fireplace, no refrigerator. Anson Jones area. $550, $250 deposit. 550-6412.

DUPLEX. Large, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, dining room, fireplace, garage, fenced yard, next to Bush elementary. Available November 30. $600 per month. 697-7097.

TWO Bedroom, 1½ bath duplex, fireplace, covered parking, washer/dryer connections. Children welcome, no pets, $375 monthly. 685-1056.

DUPLEX 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Skylight and appliances. No washer/ dryer connections. $250 monthly, deposit required. 1713 N. Marienfeld. Call Patricia 682-6948.

Several nice homes. $185 - $1200 monthly. Call Jeannie Printz, agent, 699-3636.

3 BEDROOM, 1¾ bath, 1 car garage, dishwasher, garbage disposal, fenced yard. $475 plus deposit. 697-2465 or 683-5029.

3201 KESSLER - rent/ purchase 2 or 3 bedroom, 1½ baths, refrigerated air, carpeted, fireplace, covered patio, fenced, carport. $450 per month, $300 deposit with references. 363-3560, 683-3548 or 683-9371. Also range, refrigerator, washer dryer available to rent or purchase.

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625 Houses Unfurnished

1408 KEITH ST. Two bedroom, one bath, central heat/ air, washer/ dryer connections, single garage. Must see to appreciate. $350 monthly plus deposit. 682-5084 or 697-6466.

2001 NORTH 'C' St.
$700 month, $500 deposit.

$600 month, $500 deposit.

1006 LANHAM
$500 month, $300 deposit.

1807 W. ILLINOIS
$475 month, $350 deposit.

To see these properties contact Clemmie Sorge at RE/MAX 682-8820 or 697-1848 evenings.

HISTORIC MIDLAND. 1406 College, over 2,000 sq. ft. 4 bedrooms, 2 bath, livingroom - hardwood floor/ fireplace. formal diningroom/ den, ceiling fans, covered patio, garage, water well. $800 month plus deposit. No Pets. 683-9462.

3511 THOMAS. 3 bedroom, 1½ bath, carpet, fenced, $425 plus $200 deposit. 694-6037.

DUPLEXES FOR LEASE Westside Midland. Appliances furnished washer/ dryer hookups, fireplaces. Excellent area. Call Erin Roberts 682-1659.

3 BEDROOMS, 2 baths, fireplace, double garage. Walking distance to Parker Elementary. $750 monthly. Please call Kay Sutton, Associate, Don Harvey Realtors, 683-5333 eves., 694-8640.

ON GREEN TREE GOLF COURSE

Large 2Br, 2ba., (2500 sq.ft.) Townhouse. Excl. cond. sep. din/rm, 3 car gar. No Pets. $1,100/mo.+ $500 sec./dep. 5301 Green Tree Blvd. Days 694-2534, eve./wkends. 694-9345.

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THREE BEDROOM, 1¾ bath, skylight, fireplace, two car garage. Claydesta area. Call 699-7716 after 5.

"OLD MIDLAND" - 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, hot tub. $700 monthly. Call 686-0251.

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4 bedroom, 2½ bath, large living room, dining room, garage, fireplace, Bonham District. $525 monthly, $150 deposit. 689-8398.

WESTSIDE, 3 bedrooms, kitchen, living, carpet, gravity heater. No pets! $150 deposit, $290 monthly. 684-0010.

TWO bedroom, 1 bath, single garage. 1518 S. Weatherford, $225 monthly, $50 deposit. Call 685-4035.

NEW ROSE CARPET, designer mirrors, nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, $475 monthly, 697-0911, 4406 Humble.

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, fireplace, 2 car garage, $640 monthly, $320 deposit. Northgate. Call 694-5259.

2 & 3 UNITS. Some Appliances, fresh paint, new carpet. $265 - $365/ month, deposit. 694-9663.

407½ HART (in rear). One Bedroom House. $140/ Monthly, $80 deposit. 694-9663.

4 BEDROOM, 2 bath on Eastside. $450 monthly, deposit required. Call 520-8407.

MAMAR- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, lots of storage, Fannin district. Year lease. $1,000/ month. 694-2866

630 Houses Furn. and Unfurn.

$85 MONTHLY. Bills paid. Trade rent for work or valuables. House 801 W. Michigan. 682-3542.

635 Condos and Townhouses Furnished

SPACIOUS EXECUTIVE Condo overlooking pool and palms. Beautifully furnished. Near Claydesta. $550, bills paid. 699-4461.

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640 Condos and Townhouses Unfurnished

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AFFORDABLE, GRACIOUS LIVING: 2 bedroom, 1½ bath Town Houses start at $330. WESTPARK APARTMENTS 687-4514.

655 Mobile Homes Unfurnished

COUNTRY NICE private 2 bedroom, carpeted, appliances. Greenwood school. Quiet neighborhood. Good water. Fenced. 684-7549.

COUNTRY 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Utilities paid. Deposit and References. $345. Call 694-4648 or 682-3256.

TWO bedroom mobile home, excellent condition. Free water and satellite TV. $250 monthly, $50 deposit. No dogs! 520-9928.

922 N. GRANT, Odessa. Retail location on corner lot. Call 335-3409.

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660 Mobile Home Spaces For Rent

LARGE PARK RECENTLY REOPENED. Move in special for first few. $39 monthly for 2 years regularly $80. Privacy fence around entire park with paved roads and driveway. Dumpsters, water free, $100 towards move in. 563-3510, 550-7505

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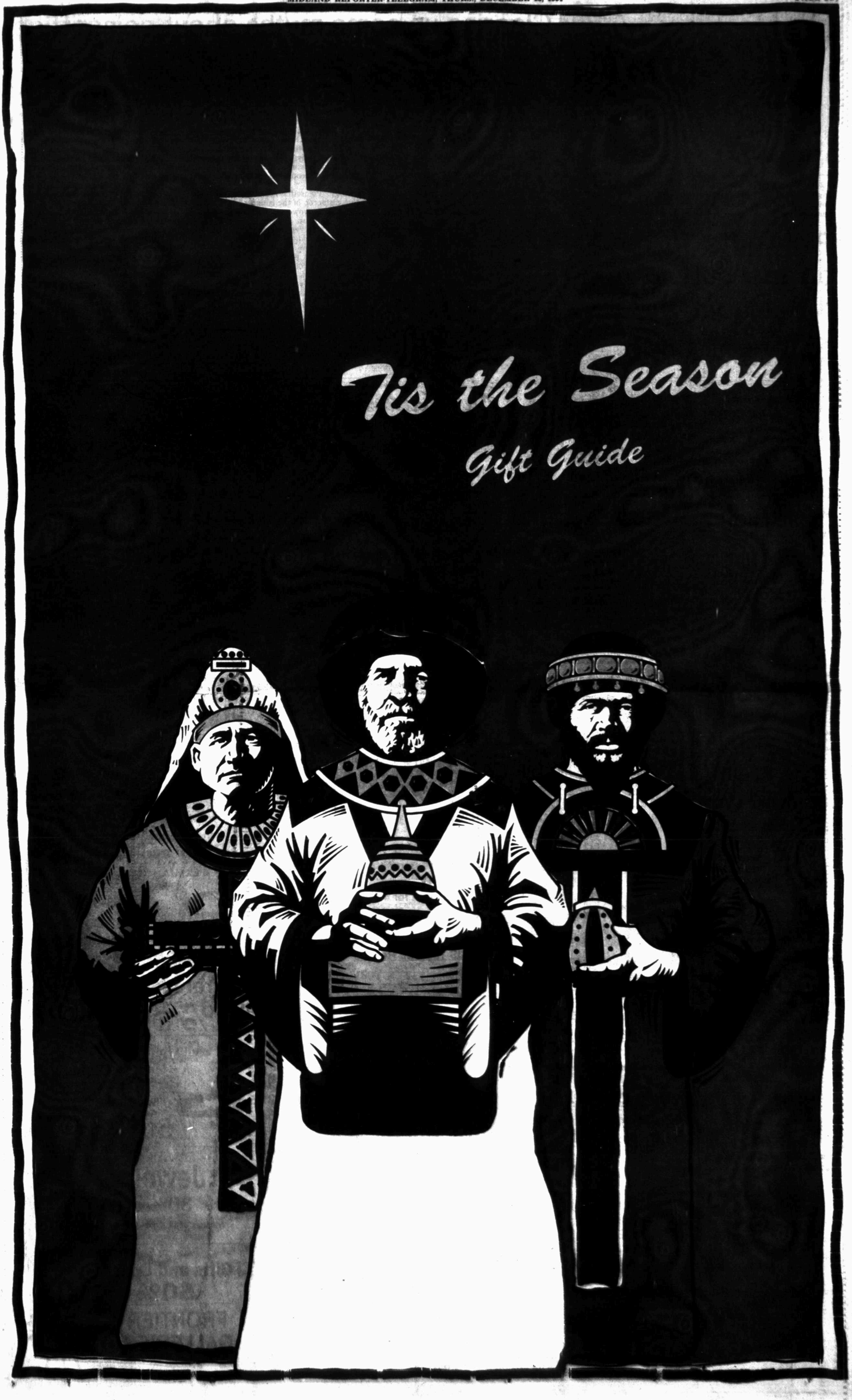
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Value-packed gifts from Switzerland that are sure to please anyone on your holiday list include the Original Swiss Army Knife, the Original Swiss Army Watch and Swiss Army Brand Sunglasses.

Pick gifts to remain on the cutting edge throughout the year

By Metro Newspaper Service

With the holiday season fast approaching, it's time again to face the annual dilemma: dealing at the same time with a growing gift list and a shrinking budget.

This year, with the economy particularly tight, it will be a daunting challenge to find gifts of quality without totally emptying your wallet.

For those of us who don't knit, bake or build, a little research is the key. Check the stores for products that are well made, classic in design and clearly within your budget. If you've done your "holiday homework" well, you'll be surprised to learn how many of them are made in Switzerland.

For example, a gift that has wide appeal among both men and women, because of its quality and versatility, is the Original Swiss Army Knife. There are so many varieties of this classic that you're sure to find something for everyone. These are impressive gifts, priced as low as $8.

The Original Swiss Army Knife has been to the moon with the Shuttle Astronauts, explored the North Pole and scaled Mt. Everest. And it's a gift that's packed with a 100-year history, comes in an extraordinary range of styles and colors and is perfect for secretary, sailor or seamstress.

Another outstanding example of Swiss quality and workmanship is the Original Swiss Army brand watch, a beautiful and affordable timepiece. Available at about $100 with a red, black or nickel inlaid bezel framing a face with bold, easy-to-read numbers, this handsome watch will provide many years of dependable timekeeping, and is a gift you'll be proud to give.

Still another treasured gift from Switzerland: Swiss Army brand sunglasses. Because of their extraordinary comfort and fit — thanks to an exclusive torsion system that conforms the frames to each face — they're perfect for winter's skiers, spring's joggers, summer's sailors and the hikers of fall. Clearly, good sunglasses are always in season and Swiss Army brand scratch-resistant, stylish and lightweight sunglasses are perfect for the man or woman on your gift list who loves the outdoors.

Gifts of quality are always warmly remembered and appreciated. They're sources of pride, not only for their recipients but also for the giver, who takes the time and effort to select gifts carefully.

This holiday season, when time and money are perhaps not as plentiful as you'd hoped they would be, consider the fine products of Switzerland for those special gifts that keep delivering value long after they're purchased.

Clearing up some myths about poinsettias

By Connie Ballard
Associated Press writer

They often arrive as gifts. Cheerful ruby flowers on top, tacky green foil on the bottom. A cheap way to bid the hostess a happy holiday. Ten days later, it's a miserable leggy skeleton. Something you're hesitant to throw out for fear the dog will eat it and die.

No wonder you think you hate poinsettias.

Poinsettias have gotten a lot of bad press lately. Poisonous, some claim. Bearers of the dreaded poinsettia white fly, say others.

It's time to set the story straight about this much-maligned plant.

Myth No. 1: Poinsettias can cause an infestation of the nasty superbug whitefly.

"There's no such thing as the poinsettia whitefly," says Tim Malone, executive director of the Poinsettia Growers Association and marketing manager for the Paul Ecke Ranch in Encinitas, Calif.

"That's correct," says Kevin Heinz, a postdoctoral research scientist in the department of entomology at the University of California at Davis. "The true name is sweet potato whitefly. There are two strains, but they are not species so they don't deserve their own name."

The name "poinsettia whitefly," he says, evolved in two ways. First, researchers collected some whitefly off poinsettias for genetic work. Secondly, the poinsettia strain is believed to have entered the country on poinsettias. But even that is open to debate, he says.

Myth No. 2: Poinsettias are out of style.

Some things are forever. Turkeys go with Thanksgiving. Poinsettias go with Christmas. Traditions don't go out of style. That's why they're called traditions.

If poinsettias are no longer in fashion, how do you explain the demand for them?

Bob DeMartini, a cashier for Silver Terrace Nursery at the San Francisco Flower Mart, says the poinsettia rush started the Saturday before Thanksgiving. "We lost a few days with Thanksgiving being so much later this year," but, he says, "people are really making up for it."

In fact, "Poinsettias are the No. 1 wholesale value cash crop in the country," says Malone. (Translation: Growers make more money off poinsettias than any other potted plant.) "That's pretty remarkable since poinsettias are marketed in a six-week time span whereas other plants are offered year-round."

Estimates of poinsettias sold each year range from a conservative 50 million to 100 million, Malone says. That adds up to $300 million in sales per year; $40 million to $60 million in California, which boasts more than 1,200 growers.

Myth No. 3: You've seen one poinsettia, you've seen 'em all.

"We like to be creative with the poinsettias we grow," says Jim Bergantz, owner of Bergantz Flowers in Angels Camp. "We have eight shapes in eight colors."

New colors include 'Lilo' Red (a deep red with dark-green leaves); 'Lilo Pink' (light blush pink with deep-green leaves); 'Jingle Bells' (speckled red and pink bracts); 'Top White' (snowy-white blooms); 'Lemon Drop' (buttercup yellow blooms, olive-green leaves); 'Marble Pink' (bracts of pink and cream); and Pink 'Peppermint' (speckled pink and peach).

Myth No. 4: Poinsettias are strictly Christmas plants.

Actually, they don't have to be associated with any holiday at all. "They last a long time," Bergantz says.

And the new colors, he adds, go with any decor. The peach is especially compatible with the Southwest look.

Myth No. 5: The poinsettia is a closet plant.

Many "experts" suggest putting poinsettias in a closet for a month each fall to make them bloom. Not so, says Bergantz. Poinsettias are plants and plants need light.

"People are misled," Bergantz explains, "because we talk about putting them in the dark. What it needs are periods of darkness that duplicate the shortening of the days. It's triggered into bloom when days are short and nights are long.

Between September 20 and November 1, he says, poinsettias need 14 hours of uninterrupted darkness. If your poinsettia is indoors, don't turn the light on in that room. If it's outside, unscrew the porch light for a month.

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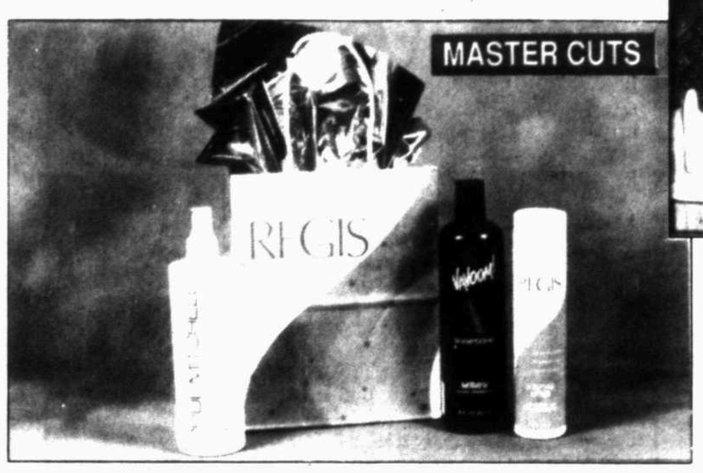
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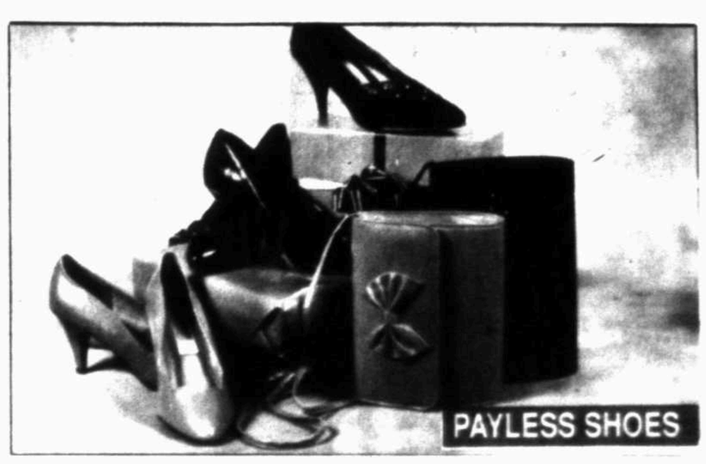
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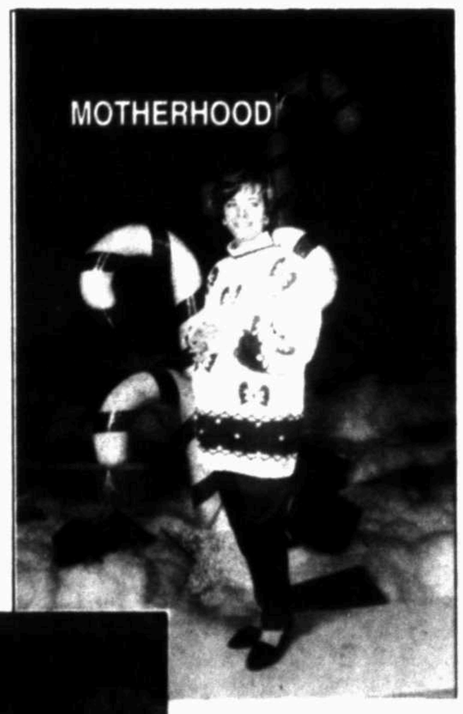


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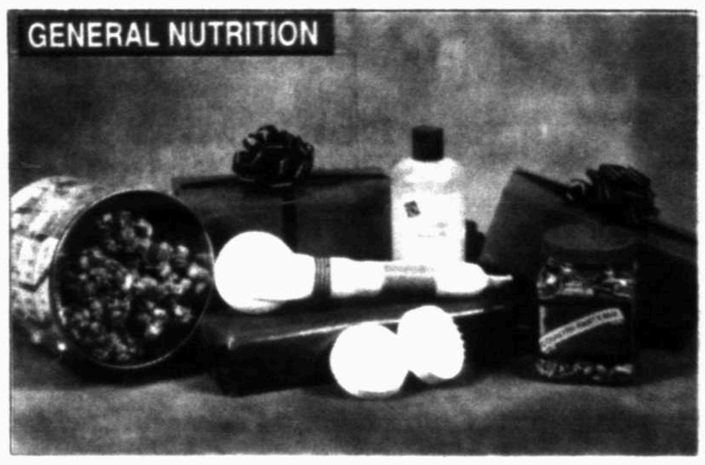
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On the decorating track, trains and tradition

By Metro Newspaper Service

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And you've come perilously close to tumbling into the tree as you placed a star or angel at the top.

Now your tree shimmers and shines. But is the decorating done? Not according to the traditionalists who believe a tree's not done until it has a train underneath.

The train-under-the-tree tradition began in the early 1900s with German tin-metal sets powered by wind-up engines. In the '20s and '30s the first electric sets appeared and, by the 1950's, the train was firmly established as a part of Christmas.

As interest in formal and theme tree decorating has increased in recent years, Bachmann Industries, the model train manufacturer, has seen an increase in the percentage of train sets purchased by women. Sets are primarily purchased by men during the rest the year, but the percentage purchased by women surges to 65 percent during the holiday season.

While many of these sets are undoubtedly purchased as gifts, many more are purchased specifically as decorations. They add visual interest and movement to the tree; the newer sets even have working headlights, smoke and sound features.

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Books open bright new vistas of fun and learning for children

By Christopher Lehman-Haupt
N.Y. Times News Service

"Children are entitled to their otherness, as anyone is," wrote Alastair Reid in "Places, Poems, Preoccupations" (1963), "and when we reach them, as we sometimes do, it is generally on a point of sheer delight, to us so astonishing, but to them so natural." With the idea of furthering such contact, here are 10 delightful children's picture books that one hopes will seem both astonishing and natural. They are described in roughly ascending order of sophistication.

MOUSE AROUND, by Pat Schories (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, $11.95). A water leak develops in a dark brown cellar, attracting from its nest a baby mouse who, in the act of trying to catch a droplet, falls into the pocket of the plumber fixing the leak. In wordless pictures, you follow the mouse's progress around a bustling town, back to the house and into its cozy nest again. If you can't find the mouse in the big pictures, close-ups in the border zoom you in.

HARRY AT THE AIRPORT, by Derek Radford (Aladdin Books/Macmillan, $10.95). In a world of hippopotamuses, Harry and his family pack for a vacation, drive to the airport, stroll on the moving walkway, board their flight, buckle their seat belts, learn how to work the seat-arm controls and feel their plane lift off the runway. Lots of brightly colored details for the curious child, including the logos of 20 airlines from the world over.

THAT BOTHERED KATE, by Sally Noll (Greenwillow Books/William Morrow, $13.95). Kate's little sister, Tory, was a copycat. And that bothered Kate. Until Tory started making her own friends and didn't seem to need Kate anymore. And that bothered Kate, too. Kate and Tory look like a pair of iridescent rag mops, but they charmingly convey this lesson in the ambivalence of sibling loe.

THE LAST TIME I SAW HARRIS, by Frank Remkiewicz (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard Books, $13.95). Harris, you must understand, is a parrot who is the best friend of a wealthy boy named Edmund. Harris need learn only the color purple to gain command of the whole color wheel, but a fierce windstorm sucks him out the parlor window, and Edmund takes to his bed, grief-stricken. The color spectrum will, of course, play a role in Harris and Edmund's eventual reunion, but what is inspiring here is the exuberant nonsense of the exercise.

SANTA COWS, by Cooper Edens. Illustrated by Daniel Lane (Green Tiger Press/Simon & Schuster, $14). "'Twas the night before Christmas, and in our duplex/The children were plugged into special effects,/While pizza with sausage and peppers they downed/With soda, plus popcorn and chips by the pound." Anyway, instead of reindeer showing up, the mooing of Santa Cows comes to their ears. "So we ran to the windows and opened the shutters./We threw up the blinds to a sky full of udders." Well, I guess you have to see illustrations, especially the expressions on the faces of the family, to appreciate fully the comic zaniness of this surreal parody of Clement Moore's poem.

IRENE AND THE BIG, FINE NICKEL, by Irene Smalls-Hector. Illustrated by Tyrone Geter (Little, Brown, $14.95). In which Irene wakes up, stretches her "sturdy caramel frame," takes off her stocking cap and gets a good day going, at the climax of which she and her friends find a whole nickel in the gutter.

Old is new again: perfect parties with port

By Metro Newspaper Service

We all look forward to holiday parties — until it's our turn to host the event! Then, the rush of work, gift shopping and holiday cooking and cleaning turns the prospect of entertaining from eager anticipation to something more like dread. Deciding what to serve, how to serve it and — even worse — finding time to prepare it, becomes overwhelming.

But it is possible to plan a holiday menu that's not only easy and relatively inexpensive, but one that's truly original and elegant, too. Just plan your party around port.

Port is a rich, full-bodied and deliciously sweet red wine that first became popular in England in the 18th century. Even today, it instantly conjures up images of crystal decanters on polished mahogany sideboards, fireside evenings and Dickensian Christmases, and will set the tone for your holiday party.

The brand to look for, and one you're likely to find at your local liquor store, is Cockburn's. It's one of the oldest and finest of the great port houses, and the most popular brand of port in England.

To give your guests some variety, set out a bottle of Cockburns' Special Reserve, a luscious, deep red and elegantly fruity wine, as well as a bottle of Cockburn's Fine Tawny, a smooth, mellow, reddish-amber wine with a lovely nutty flavor. A glass of either of these classic examples, and you'll instantly understand the mystique of port.

With port a your centerpiece, you don't need an elaborate menu. Nothing could be easier than the traditional accompaniments to port: cheese, as in Stilton or English farm-house-style cheddar, and nuts, as in whole walnuts, cashews, macadamias or toasted almonds. A box of fine, semi-sweet chocolates, perhaps a holiday fruitcake or a not-too-sweet chocolate dessert, and an assortment of cookies is all you need. Or try this deliciously simple cheesecake delicately flavored with port



Make port the centerpiece of your dinner party and an elaborate menu won't be necessary.

Cockburn's Cheesecake

Crust:
- 1½ cups shortbread cookies
- 1 stick butter, melted
- ¼ teaspoon nutmeg

Crush cookies, blend with nutmeg and mix with melted butter. Pat into springform pan, covering bottom and sides part way up.

Filling:
- 4 8-ounce packages cream cheese
- 1½ cups sugar
- 6 eggs
- ½ cup Cockburn's Port
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Let cream cheese soften in bowl. Blend in 1½ cups sugar; beat until fluffy. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each egg. Add Cockburn's and vanilla. Pour into crust.

Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until firm in center. Let stand 15 minutes.

Topping:
- ½ cup Cockburn's Port
- ¼ cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 cups raspberries - fresh or canned, drained

Heat sugar can Cockburn's until sugar melts; add cornstarch and mix well; as soon as mixture thickens, add raspberries. Pour warm - not hot - mixture over cake.

Imagination, glitter, spark decorating

By Madeline McDermott Hamm
Associated Press writer

HOUSTON — All the rules change when it comes to holiday decorations.

Normally conservative tastes turn to glitter and excess. The most sophisticated setting can become a young-at-heart display of family heirlooms, teddy bears and Santa dolls.

The Christmas tree, whether laden with favorite ornaments collected over many years or shiny new baubles, fills a room with so much joy we always wonder why we shouldn't leave it up year-round.

Many people have their own traditions about decorating for the holidays and entertaining friends and family. Here are a few easy ideas borrowed from professional decorators, clever party givers, and the dogeared pages of favorite decorating books.

- Group lots of candlesticks short and tall — all brass, all crystal or a generous mixture — on the mantel, buffet or cocktail table. Tie each candlestick with a bow. Splurge on the type of ribbon with wire in it to make it mold into any shape. Add berries or holly, preferably fresh, to the bow for an extra touch.
- Swag holly or fir garlands across the mantel or across the top of a curtainless window. Finish with a giant bow at each end.
- Pile red apples in a pretty bowl and put them out to fill the room with a pleasing aroma. Use an attractive porcelain or crystal bowl if your room is formal, a wooden bowl for a more country touch. If you want a touch of glitz, dust the apples with gold spray paint.
- For a dinner table or buffet centerpiece, encircle a fresh standing pineapple — the symbol of hospitality — with an ample border of seasonal fruit and nuts for a very traditional look. You can dress it up with greenery entwined with ribbons and candlesticks on each side. Or spray big magnolia leaves gold and arrange them under the fruit like a round placemat.
- Bank cranberries around a punch or cider bowl atop a bed of big leaves.
- Mix dolls, teddy bears and other toys into groupings with holiday greenery for family events.
- Wrap garlands of greenery with gold or silver ropes of beads that usually go around the Christmas tree, or use golden ropes with long tassels.

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Cooking up some really hot holiday giving

By Paula Marshall

Those little wonders with an electric cord can seem absolutely heaven sent. The toaster started out as just a gadget to make toast. However, over time, toasters, along with other small appliances, practically became members of the family.

However, you wouldn't let just anybody into your family. So, if now's the time to buy yourself a new small appliance or you're thinking of giving one as a gift, here's what you need to think about.

Two considerations total up to the bottom line in small appliance selection: Use and storage, says Mary H. Yearns, Ph.D., housing specialist at Iowa State University.

Before buying a small appliance, determine how frequently the item will be used and where it will be stored, Yearns said.

For example, if a waffle maker will fit nicely into a corner of your kitchen and you'll use it reguarly to whip up scrumptious waffles for supper or Sunday brunch, you'd be making a smart purchase.

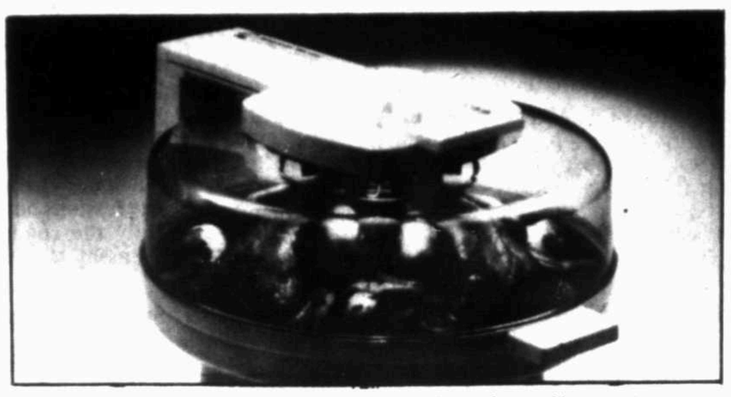
But if it will sit in the back of a cabinet most of the time, you may want to think twice before buying it.

Consider exactly how you plan to use the appliance when looking at features. An 18-speed blender is overkill if you're buying a blender only to make milk shakes or specialty drinks.

Think safety

Next, look at the safety of each model, advises Wanda Olson, a housing technology specialist at the University of Minnesota Extension Service. Start your safety review by checking out the controls.

Look for controls that are clearly labeled and easy to read. The lettering should strongly contrast with the background. Olson says white lettering on a dark background is best.



The Jet-Stream Oven from American Harvester.

Knobs, buttons and touch pads should be easy to operate correctly. The on-off control must be easy to see and reach when the appliance is running.

Olson notes that appliance manufacturers are paying more attention to the usability of all appliances. "Universal design" means an appliance has been designed to be easy for anyone to use. You won't see that term on an appliance, but you'll notice a difference when you "test-drive" an item.

Also, look for the Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) seal of approval to be sure the product meets the UL safety requirements.

What does it really cost?

The real cost of a small appliance goes beyond its price tag. Consider how long it will last under the conditions you'll use it. Sometimes that means buying a brand or model costing a little more will be worthwhile, Olson said.

Look for features that make a small appliance more durable: solid construction, sturdy materials and, in products that get hot or make noise, sufficient insulation.

Shop talk

Even the best-made small appliances may break down. So, check out the repairability of each model you're considering.

Be sure the appliance has a guarantee. Most guarantees are about the same these days, according to Olson. But that doesn't mean you can overlook them. Read the guarantee and be sure a list of authorized service centers is included.

Find out if you can take the item back to the store if you have a problem. Manufacturers often prefer to have you exchange a small appliance at the store rather than send it in for repair if you have a problem with it shortly after you purchase it, Olson said.

In this area, too, manufacturers are responding to consumer demands. Many new models of small appliances are made so they are easy to repair. Parts that get the most use are being designed to be removed and replaced when they wear out.

Manufacturers also are packaging replacement parts in sets. So if the elements of your toaster oven give out after several years of hard use, you may be able to replace them yourself, rather than having to buy a new toaster oven.

Dual purpose or double trouble

You may think one of the combination appliances will suit you perfectly, but the experts say shop carefully,

In some cases combination appliances don't perform any task as well as the individual models and can be a duplication of other appliances already in the home. In other cases, however, these appliances are a smart choice. Consider needs, the quality of the appliance and costs involved.

For example, a toaster oven may be a wise choice even if you own a toaster and an oven. For baking small items or warming up a single serving a toaster oven is much less expensive to operate than a full-size oven, does the job quickly and holds items that won't fit in the toaster.

Smart giving

The same rules apply when giving a small appliance as a gift. Start by putting yourself in the recipient's place: Does that person really want or need the item?

"Not everybody needs a razor or a mixer," Olson said. Don't let a low price influence your decision. If you think, "This only costs $12.95," and buy it even though the person doesn't need it, you could just be wasting $12.95, she added.

Style is very important to some people, so it pays to ask them exactly what they want.

"Why worry about making it a surprise?" asks Olson. If the brand they want costs more than you can justify spending, give a gift certificate instead.

If you're shopping ahead or see a sale you just can't pass up, keep in mind that the guarantee period usually starts with the date of purchase on the receipt. So the guarantee on a gift that was stashed in your closet for three months before you gave it may have already expired.

When you choose small appliances wisely, you'll be glad to have them in the family.

(Paula Marshall is the assistant editor of Mature Outlook. She can't imagine what life would be like without her toaster oven.) (c) 1991, Meredith Corporation. Reprinted with permission from Mature Outlook. Distributed by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate



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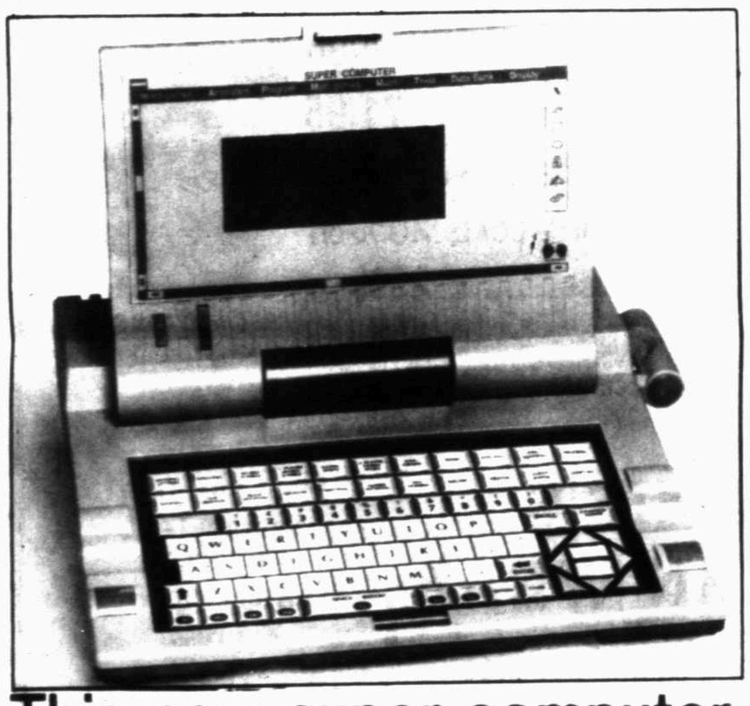
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By News Promotion Services

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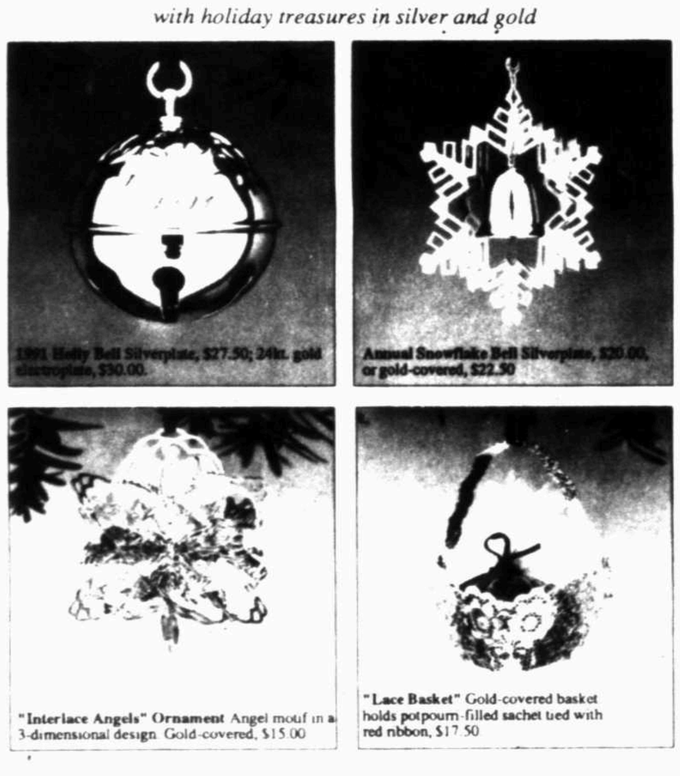
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An exercise in fun and caring, gifts that make kids feel good

By Gerald Secor Couzens

In this age of Nintendo, rock videos and budding all-American couch potatoes, the fitness message is sometimes a difficult one to get across to children. But in Philadelphia, fitness guru Pat Croce has discovered, with a little help from his friends, a fun way to promote fitness and drug and alcohol avoidance without sounding preachy.

More than 350 yellow school buses were parked in neat rows outside the Spectrum in Philadelphia one drizzly Friday morning in late March. Inside, the cavernous arena was rocking as 15,200 students in grades four to eight from 132 schools in Pennsylvania and New Jersey screamed, stomped and cheered their way through Croce's 75-minute "I Feel Great Show," the largest motivational, pro-fitness, anti-drug rally ever in this country.

At a time when so many children are being damaged by drug and alcohol use, stars from the worlds of sports and music came to Philadelphia to amplify Croce's powerful message to children: Stay away from drugs and alcohol by building self-esteem through regular exercise, eating right and believing in your dreams.



More firms are building exercise machines that adjust for children. This is the VersaClimber from Heart Rate Inc.

After a short, jazzy dance routine by the Philadelphia Eagle cheerleaders to get the show rolling, the house lights dimmed and the spotlight picked out Pat Croce, the dynamic driving force behind this unique, free event.

When Croce lowered his hands, the children hushed, and he began his low-key pitch about sports participation, exercise, achievement and success: "Life is not just about winning, but what's behind the winning. It's all the work that you put in that will make your dreams come true. Believe in yourself. Think positive thoughts and you will succeed."

Croce then brought out his lineup of stars to hammer home his message. Ron Tocchet, Ron Hextall and Tim Kerr of the Philadelphia Flyers, Andre Waters from the football Eagles and Charles Barkley and Rick Mahorn of the 76ers emphasized how exercise and sports bolster self-esteem and provide confidence needed to say "no" when offered drugs or alcohol by peers.

Croce asked Alq Gurley II, the current Mr. Universe, to perform a one-minute posing session to the oohs and aahs of the enthusiastic crowd. Gurley built himself up into a rippling mass of muscles by training six hours daily — without benefit of anabolic steroids. These drugs, now commonly abused by one in 10 male adolescents, build bulk and muscle mass, but they also can adversely affect body metabolism.

Grammy award-winning songwriter Julie Gold and popular rap artist DJ Jazzy Jazz told the preteens and teens there's no shortcut to success. With their own music videos playing behind them, each spoke of the years of hard work that finally resulted in national recognition.

This same theme was echoed on the Spectrum video system in brief, powerful messages from hockey great Wayne Gretzky, NBA legend Michael Jordan and juvenile favorites Vanilla Ice and New Kids on the Block.

Charles Barkley's Spectrum appearance was his way of warning kids about the dangers of drugs.

"I hope that they all get the message," he said quietly in a crowded dressing room after the show. The NBA all-star had stunned the crowd earlier when he told them about his 23-year-old brother who had suffered a debilitating stroke after using drugs and is now in daily rehabilitation to regain the use of his body.

"I hope the kids don't give in to the pressures from their peers like my brother did. Pat's message is really simple, and best of all, it works."

The "I Feel Great Show" grew from a simpler idea. Croce, the wiry 36-year-old physical therapist who serves as conditioning consultant to many pro sports teams, had developed an exercise program for schoolchildren called "Time Out." At his own expense he began taking it to 25 Philadelphia schools in 1987. The waiting list of schools that wanted the show soon stretched into 1995, so Croce booked the Spectrum last year with his first "I Feel Great Show" in order to reach as many children as possible.

Teachers and school administrators are enthusiastic about the show.

"I've never seen such an overwhelming positive response to anything from my students," says Sister Mildred, principal of Our Lady of Calvary grammar school in northeast Philadelphia, who brought 330 students to the show. "Kids typically are so cynical and ready to be negative to anyone in authority. But Pat has all the stars, and he's certainly able to get the children's attention. You could see him reeling them all in like a master fisherman. They all buy his message of a healthy mind in a healthy body."

"If we're able to help a child believe that he or she is important, then I've done my job," says Croce. "Once they have self-esteem that they get from dance, sports or music, they won't be tempted to resort to artificial means."

Croce believes that parents can reinforce this positive message by praising their children whenever possible. "They're sometimes hard to give, but compliments are a form of love and caring, and that, more than anything else, is what really makes a child feel great."

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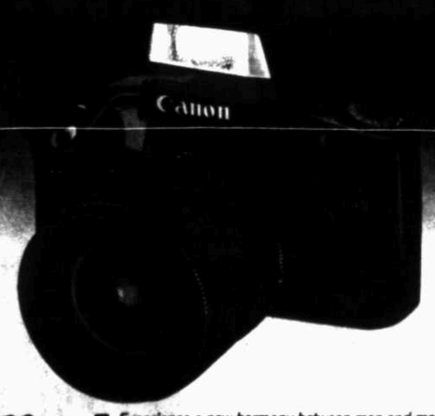
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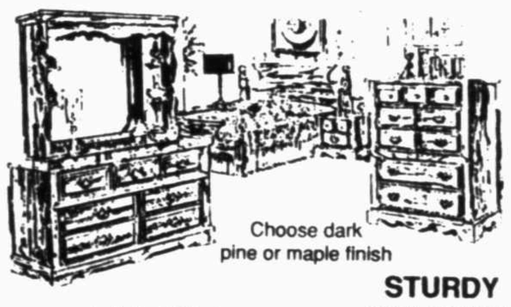


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Concentrating on the basics of smart holiday gift-giving

By Metro Newspaper Service

Unwrapping a special gift is exciting for any child. But sometimes the box and wrappings hold a child's attention longer than the gift inside. And now more than ever, parents want gifts that foster a love of learning while they interest and entertain their children.

These tips for parents show the ABCs of giving gifts that will hold a child's attention, offer the best value, and enrich creativity and learning:

A is for "Attention." Think about whether a gift will keep a child's attention after the holiday season. No one wants to give a gift that will end up in the back of a closet. So why buy an "in" gift when it will fade "out" in a month? One fad gift in a holiday season is certainly enough for any child. Make sure your gift is practical and useful. Test the product yourself. Does it keep your interest? If not, it probably won't hold a child's attention, either.

B is for "Best value." Is the gift well made? By investing in a good quality product you can prevent spending money on replacements or repairs. Shop around and check with friends or relatives about their satisfaction with a product's quality and durability.

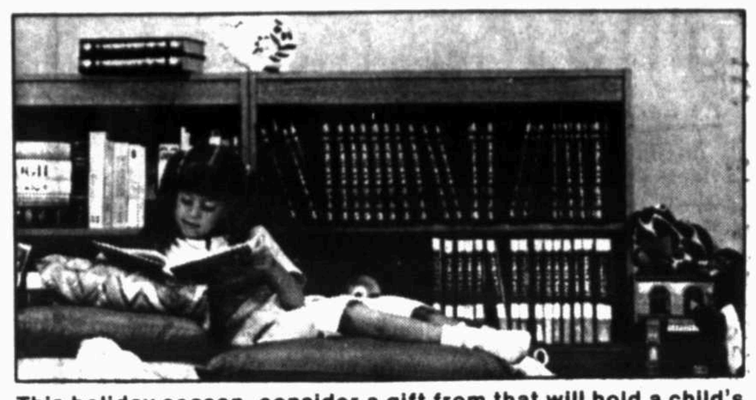
C is for "Creativity and learning." It is not too much to ask that a gift stimulate a child's interests and creativity. Look for a fun gift that is appropriate for the child's age and interests. Expanding a child's knowledge can be a great benefit in gift giving.

Educational toys and books promote learning and creativity and are entertaining. Before buying, look to "experts," including other parents, consumer publications and librarians, for advice.

Gift ideas for all ages

World Book suggests one gift that families can enjoy together. "A book is a rare gift that teaches as it entertains," says nationally known reading expert, author and consultant Dr. Alvin Granowsky, World Book vice president of School and Library Services.

"Reading fosters the active use of a child's imagination," says Dr. Granowsky. "And a child who has an encyclopedia, a dictionary and lots of other reading materials around the home seems to do better in school than someone who doesn't have these resources."



This holiday season, consider a gift from that will hold a child's attention, enrich creativity and promote learning.



Doll collecting is a fast-growing hobby, attracting millions of adults who have never outgrown their enthusiasm for dolls like "Rosemary."

It just wouldn't be Christmas without a doll

By Metro Newspaper Service

Whether considered childhood companions or cherished collectibles, dolls have played an important role in civilized cultures and under Christmas trees for hundreds of years.

The tradition of using dolls as playthings dates back to 2,000 B.C. when the ancient Egyptians made dolls of wood or fabric, some with moveable joints and extra clothing. Dollmaking also thrived during the Greek and Roman Empires.

During the Renaissance, European nobles commissioned life-sized dolls, or mannequins, to keep up with the latest fashions. It wasn't until relatively modern times — and the development of a prosperous middle class — that the use of dolls as children's toys found wide acceptance in Europe and, later, in America.

Today, millions of Americans never outgrow their enthusiasm for dolls. The number of adults involved in doll collecting started rising about 10 years ago, prompting a sharp increase in dolls created specifically for this purpose. Primarily made of porcelain, these dolls are intended for display, and many are issues in limited-edition thematic series.

One of the most sought-after contemporary doll series on the market is Yolanda's Picture-Perfect Babies, designed by leading doll artist Yolanda Bello, and available from the Ashton-Drake Galleries.

Dolls in this collection are frequently listed among the best-selling in the country, and four of Bello's porcelain babies — "Michael," "Amanda," "Jennifer," and "Heather" — have earned the first place in Doll Achievement awards from the National Association of Limited Edition dealers (NALED) in 1991, 1989, 1888, and 1987, respectively.

Also, prices for the six dolls, which are no longer in production, have appreciated significantly on the secondary market. "Jason," the first doll in the series, was originally issued in 1986 for $48. An August 1991 survey of selected dealers across the country revealed that the doll has been selling at retail for an average of $887. A later doll in the series, "Amanda," was available for $63 in 1988. According to the survey, it is now selling for an average of $133.

Regardless of theme or age, however, all dolls have one thing in common: their ability to touch the the human heart. Perhaps more than any other collectible, dolls are acquired because of an emotional response. Collectors may buy a doll because it reminds them of one they used to own as a child; or it may resemble a favorite friend or relative. That's why dolls have endured for almost 4,000 years.

For more information on collectible dolls, write for "The Pleasure of Their Company: The Story of Doll Collecting," Ashton-Drake Galleries, 9200 N. Maryland, Dept, M, Niles, IL. 60648.

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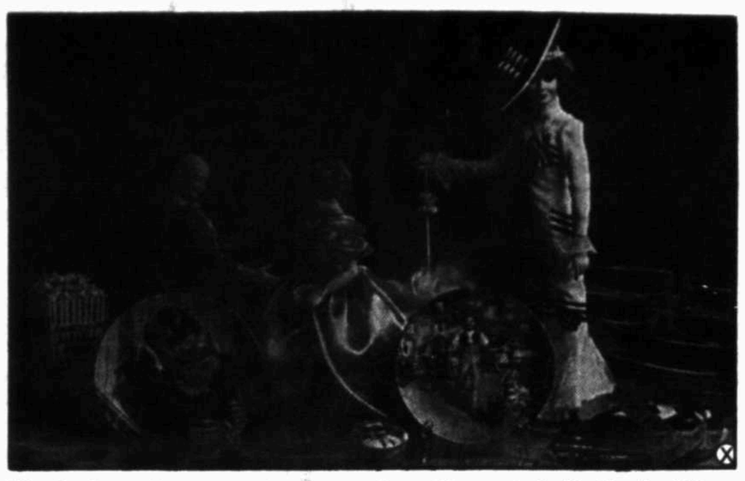
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'Reel' collectibles are greatly appreciated as holiday gifts

By Metro Newspaper Service



Magical movie moments are captured forever in limited-edition collectibles inspired by big-screen classics such as "Gone With the Wind," "The King and I," "The Wizard of Oz" and "My Fair Lady."

America's love affair with motion pictures doesn't end when the credits roll and the lights come up. Limited-edition collectibles inspired by big-screen classics have given film buffs a way to make their favorite movie moments last long after the final reel.

Collector's plates are one of the most popular limited-edition artforms for movie collectibles. There are more than 20 movie-themed series included in the U.S. listings for The Bradford Exchange, the world's largest trading center for limited-edition plates. The earliest series listed on the exchange began in 1977 and featured scenes from "The Wizard of Oz." This perennial favorite is also the subject of a second collection; "The Wizard of Oz: A National treasure."

The latter series has recently premiered in honor of the film's selection by the Library of Congress as one of the original 25 classics listed as American treasures in the National Film Registry. The National Treasure series starts with "Follow the Yellow Brick Road," a plate that portrays Dorothy and Toto as they begin their journey to Oz.

Other feature films which have been been capture on porcelain plates include "Oklahoma," "The Sound of Music," "Casablanca," "Singin' in the Rain," and "Mary Poppins." In addition, "Cinderella," "Fantasia," "Snow White," and "Sleeping Beauty" are among the roster of animated Disney pictures to inspire plate series.

The eternal appeal of Scarlett O'Hara and Rhett Butler has helped to make collectibles recreating scenes from "Gone With the Wind" among the most sought after. This cinematic masterpiece is the focus of no less than three plate series, the latest of which is entitled Gone With the Wind: Critic's Choice. The initial issue, called "Marry Me, Scarlett!," shows Scarlett and Rhett embracing as she breathlessly agrees to accept his proposal of marriage.

In the collectible doll category, Ashton-Drake Galleries has debuted reproductions of several characters from vintage Hollywood musicals. From "The King and I," the waltzing duo of Deborah Kerr as Anna and Yul Brynner as the King of Siam is recreated in "Shall We Dance," the first set of porcelain dolls to be endorsed by the estates of Rogers and Hammerstein.

Unlike more fragile memorabilia (such as posters and photographs) limited-edition plates, dolls and music boxes won't tear or fade with time. The characters and scenes they capture will remain as vivid as when they first appeared on screen, assuring these collectibles a starring role as long as there are happy endings in Hollywood.

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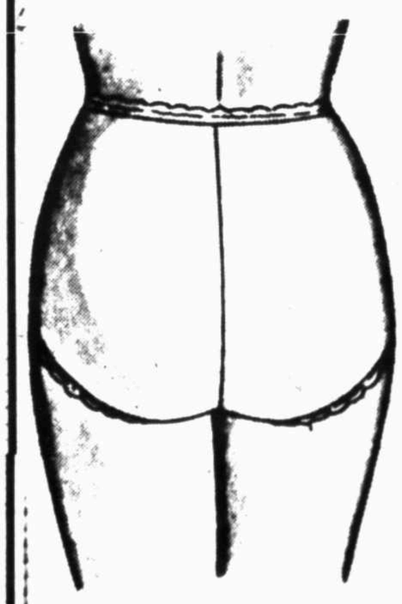
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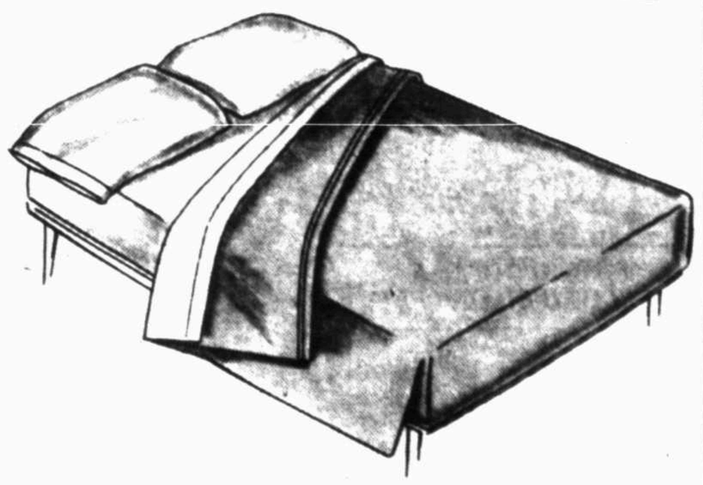


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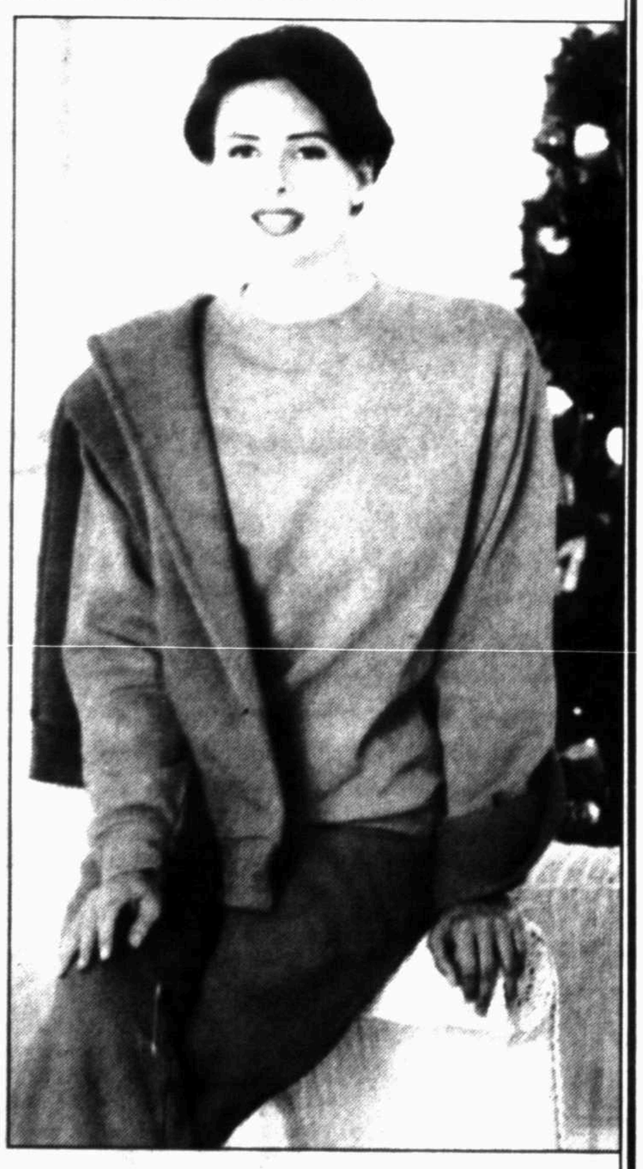
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By Ruth B. Roufberg

Many parents assume that the classroom is the primary place where career choices and preparations will be made.

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A PBS television program, "Skyscraper," included a scene in a Mohawk reservation where children were shinnying up and down vertical steel construction beams and walking across horizontal beams without hand support.

Mohawk Indians grow up to be highly skilled steel workers who traditionally specialize in the hazardous work of erecting steel skeletons for New York City skyscrapers, and their training begins on the playground.

Frank Lloyd Wright's career also began with play. In his autobiography, Wright acknowledged that his childhood building blocks had awakened his mind to rhythmic structure and led him to become an architect.

Although toys do not inevitably determine career choices, they do open children's eyes to the world of adult work.

Toys mirror the culture of the times, and the changing job options over the years can be tracked through the evolution of the Parker Brothers game Careers. The original version (1957) of the Parker Brothers game includes farming, seafaring and Hollywood.

A decade and a half later, the first two occupations had been replaced by ecology, Hollywood had given way to the arts, and sports and space had emerged as new careers.

By 1979, ecology was out, arts became show biz, but both sports and space continued. Only two careers have remained through all three editions of the game: business and politics.

The latest version, new in 1990, is Careers for Girls. One doesn't know whether to cheer the fact that the choices run the gamut from animal doctor to super mom, or to be dismayed that the game has become as sex-segregated as certain careers once were.

Nevertheless, the game does give each player the option to individualize her personal formula for success, based on the ratio of fame, money and happiness she desires. (For ages 8 to adult, $12.)

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■ Kids' Business is a three-drawer storage kit that holds all the tools of the business world: company stationery, checkbook, message pads, "will return" clock sign, paper clips and that all-time favorite – a changeable date stamper. (For ages 4-11 years. $39.95 from Toys To Grow On.)

■ Curator: A Museum Adventure in Collecting Art is a board game that demonstrates how museums work. Players move through a museum floor plan, collecting art reproductions in various categories.

They learn to observe and appreciate the art of many cultures. (For ages 10 and up. $25 by mail from Ackland Art Museum, University of North Carolina, Campus Box 3400, Chapel Hill, N.C. 27599-3400.)

■ Cub Reporter is a set of five newspaper tabloids dummied for news, features, book reviews, travel and health. Headlines are given, and children may fill in the stories and illustrations.

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(Ruth B. Roufberg is a toy consultant, free-lance toy and game reviewer, and juror for the annual Parents' Choice Awards.) (c) 1991, Ruth B. Roufberg.

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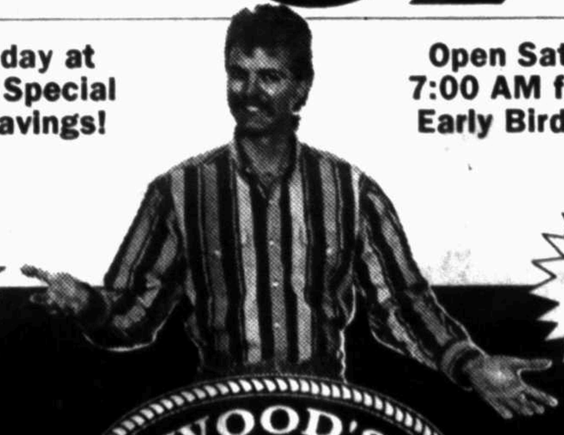
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By Ruth B. Roufberg

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Toys for travel: take-alongs

■ Tricky Fingers (DGI/Buki) is a game of visual perception and finger control for one or two players. Two clear-covered trays each hold 25 colored marbles that can be manipulated through finger holes in the base. Players try to rearrange the marbles to match pattern cards. Ages 7-up. $10. At chain or discount stores.

■ Hex (Binary Arts) is a link puzzle that stretches open like a bicycle chain. The object is to regroup the segments into a hexagon while restoring the original pattern on the edges of the links. Ages 8-up. $15. At museum or small toy shops.

■ Pocket Amazers (LEFS Marketing) are double mazes. Rotate the transparent upper maze to guide the ball through the bottom maze. Logic and patience will help, but it's just as much of a challenge the second time around. Ages 8-up. $5. At museum or small toy shops.

■ Magimixer (DGI/Buki) is a match puzzle played with seven number-cubes embedded in a disc. Rub the disc between your palms to mix up the numbers. Then figure out a mathematical formula that will make the numbers on all five white cubes equal the sum of the two black cubes. Ages 8-up. $3.75. At museum or small toy shops.

■ Travel Time Activity Pads (Creative Learning Products) are pencil-and-paper games: spotting state license plates, highway signs, roadside items, and the ever-popular game of dots. Ages 5-up. About $2.50 for a two-game pack. At museum or small toy shops.

■ Sing Along (Golden) is a 45-minute audiotape of traditional folk songs, nicely sung by children and just right for a family sing-along. An accompanying book of related games and activities has wipe-off pages. Suggested ages: songs, 3-up; book, 5-up. $7. At chain or discount stores.

■ Travel Guess Who? (Milton Bradley) is a compact version of the popular deductive reasoning game. Each of two players has the same 20 faces. Each selects one. The opposing player tries to guess this secret face by asking questions — "Is your person wearing a hat?" — to eliminate certain groups of faces. Ages 6-up. $7. At chain or discount stores.

■ Swoggle Travel Edition (Chieftain) is a crossword board game without letter tiles. On a wipe-off grid players write words of their choice, limited only by the number of letters determined from a die throw. The strategy comes in placing words so they cover high-scoring or bonus squares. This game has more options than Scrabble, even addicts will have to admit. Ages 10-up. $20. At chain and discount stores as well as museum and small toy shops.

Mementos

Games and activities can enhance the whole vacation experience and help children appreciate the geography and culture of places they visit.

■ The Disneyland Game (Parker Brothers) can be a memento of The Magic Kingdom or even a prelude. Players move their trains around the Disneyland map board, collecting point cards that represent attractions, characters and photos of the theme park. The clock moves ahead one hour per turn, and closing time marks the end of the game. True to life, the photograph cards include both good and bad shots, the latter worth zero points. Ages 5-up. About $13. At chain and discount stores.

■ A trip to the Southwest might inspire children to try their hand at pottery-making with American Indian Pottery (Curiosity Kits), which contains historical and cultural notes as well as the needed materials and directions. Ages 8-up. About $10. At museum and small toy shops.

■ Children who visit a dinosaur park or areas where dinosaurs have been found can re-create the archeological dig with The Dinosaur Hunter's Kit (Running Press). A slab of soft rock containing fossil fragments comes with handbook, tools and instructions for excavating and assembling them into a 5-by-7-inch Apatosaurus replica. About $15. Call (800) 345-5359.

At the beach

■ For safety at the beach or pool, Swim Sweater (Swimways/Kransco) is a one-piece unit that combines a rubber inner tube with a tank top. The tube is held in place to support a preswimmer in either upright or swimming position and cannot be removed without adult help. Ages 2-6. About $15. At chain and discount stores.

■ At the Seashore (Barron's) is a look-behind-the-picture book that is instructional in an easygoing way. As each die-cut page is turned, sand and water play activities come into view. Ages 3-6, $8.95 at bookstores.

■ Lovers of beach resorts and amusement parks can look back in time with two books of views from America's past: Down by the Seaside and Built to Amuse (Preservation Press). Each contains 17 old-time postcards of fabulous places, some no longer in existence. Mail them to friends back home or treasure them as historical artifacts. About $6.95. Call (202) 673-4058.

Toys from home

■ Sand and Water Activity Table (Playskool) is a home-size version of a nursery school favorite with separate compartments for sand and water play. Fold-up covers convert it to a picnic or game table. On rainy days or in winter, move it indoors where the recessed areas can be use for finger-painting, clay modeling and other messy play. Ages 2-7. About $60. At chain and discount stores.

■ Cave Climber (Little Tikes) is an arch with recessed toeholds for climbing up one side and sliding down the other. Low walls at the base transform it into a hideaway, tunnel, cave or camp-out shelter for two. Ages 2-6. About $85. At chain and discount stores.

■ Nature Crafts and Activity Kit (Creative Art Activities) contains pine cones, sand-casting materials, stones and more for a hands-on approach to developing respect for the environment. Ages 7-up. About $17. At museum and small toy stores.

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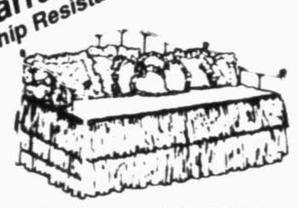
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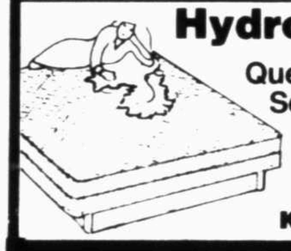
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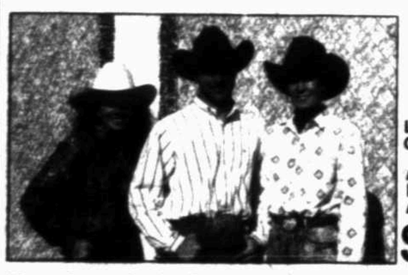
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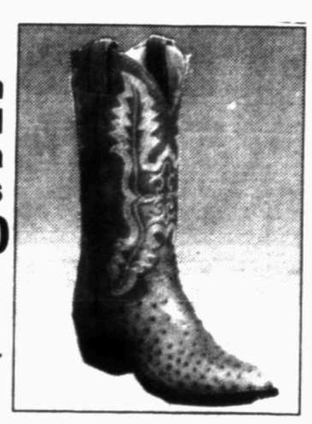

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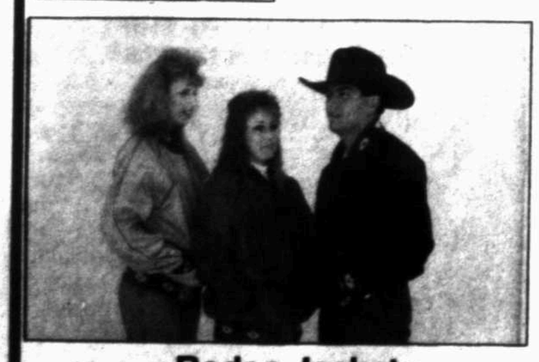
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