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Lake to see improvement

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

Progress in Lake McClellan development efforts will receive a major boost next month when the annual meeting of Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. takes place in Pampa.

The 185 members of Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. are expected to hear a presentation on improvements to the national recreation area, both previous and planned, at the meeting of the non-profit corporation.

Also at the meeting, which is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. Jan. 21 in the Gray County Courthouse in Pampa, the membership of the organization will be asked to vote on an amendment to its bylaws that would increase the number of members on the board of directors from 10 to 15.

The board works with the U.S. Forest Service, which owns the Lake McClellan property, along with the Soil Conservation Service, Resource Conservation and Development, and Gray County, in management of the lake area. Lake McClellan covers 316 surface acres and is located approximately three miles north of Interstate 40.

Gerald Wright, president of the Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. board of directors, said expansion of the board is needed because of the large number of projects

being conducted by the non-profit corporation. More board members are needed to serve on the various committees of the group, he said.

Those who aren't currently members of the non-profit corporation but are interested in joining it are encouraged to attend the Jan. 21 meeting. An individual donation of at least \$10 automatically makes a person a member.

Also at the annual meeting, the general membership is expected to vote on appointing or reappointing three members to the 10-member board of directors. The three board members whose terms have expired are Bill Bennett, Lewis Meers, and Ted Simmons.

The board member election will be the first since establishment of the non-profit corporation in August 1991.

Bennett, who is vice president of the board of directors, and Meers, who is treasurer of the board, have both said they would accept another term on the board if re-elected by the membership. Wright said he does not know whether Simmons, who is also a Gray County commissioner, wishes to serve another term.

The new terms for the three board positions will begin Jan. 21. Each term will last three years.

The other board members are Scott Hahn, secretary to the board, who is also Gray

County treasurer; Jack Selby; Garth Thomas; and Tracey Warner, all of whom will be facing a vote on reappointment in January 1994; and Mike Ehrle, Sid Mauldin, and Gerald Wright, all of whom will be facing a vote on reappointment in January 1995.

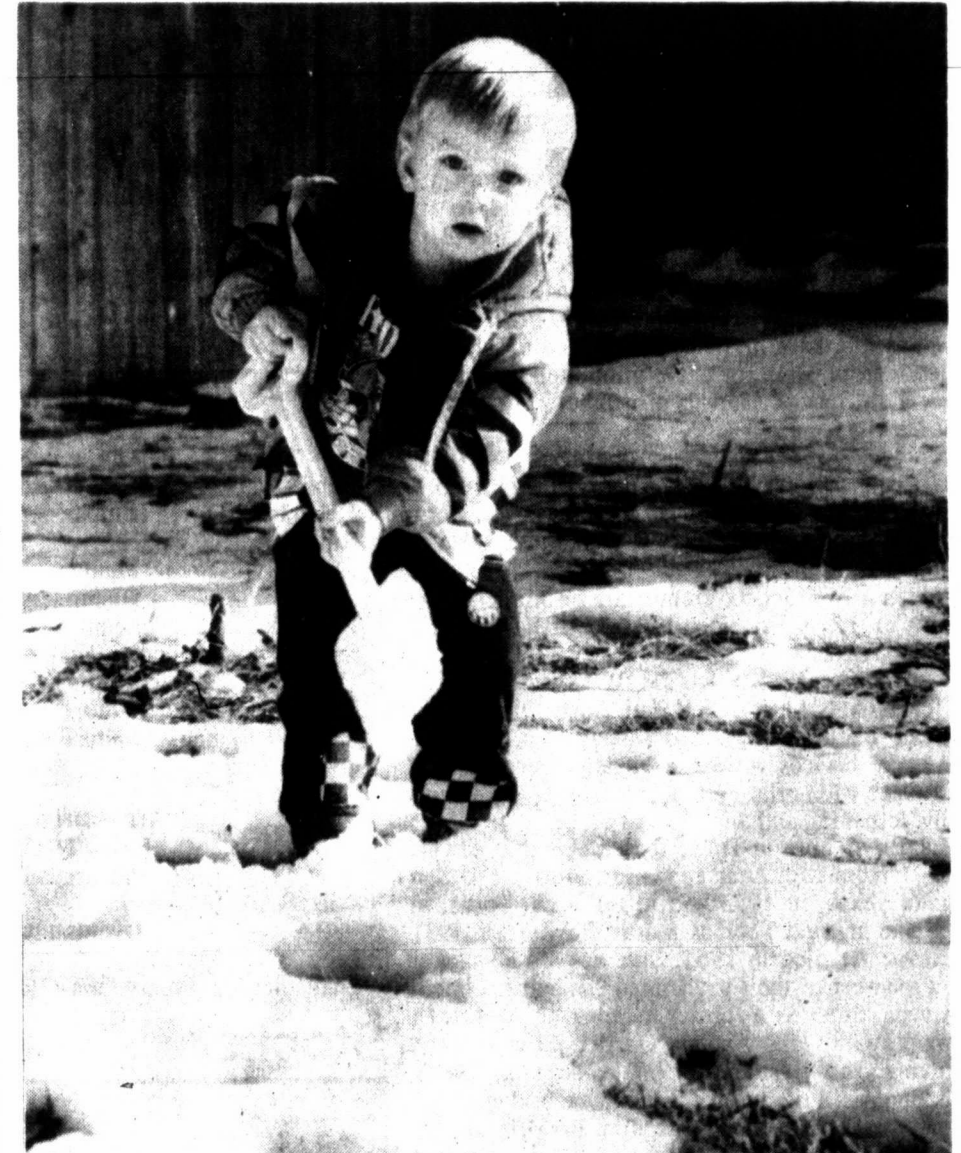
Also at the annual meeting in January, Meers, a certified public accountant in Pampa, is expected to present a financial report on the non-profit corporation. In addition, a treasurer's report will be on the agenda for the January meeting.

Asked about the chief accomplishments of Lake McClellan Improvement Inc., board member Scott Hahn said it has provided the impetus for an increase in U.S. Forestry Service funding for improvements at the national recreation area from \$1,000 a year to more than \$100,000 a year over the last five years.

The \$100,000 a year is spent primarily on dredging the lake to remove silt and store it in a siltation pond. The dredging is expected to begin in the spring of 1993, Hahn said.

Other improvement projects planned for Lake McClellan national recreation area include installation of more recreational vehicle hookup facilities, picnic tables, construction of an amphitheater at Lake McClellan, and construction of flush toilets to replace primitive toilets in the Lake McClellan area.

Man at work



(Staff photo by Daniel Wiegars)
Colby Dennis, 2, shovels snow from the front yard of his grandparents' home on Navajo Road Monday afternoon. No snow is in the immediate forecast.

Holiday delivery defeats weather

Letters are pouring in at the Pampa post office for delivery before Christmas.

"The volume of mail has been heavier for the 1992 Christmas season than it was in recent years," said Pampa Postmaster Richard Wilson. "Weather delayed us for a short time with the snowstorms, but we caught up."

Postal employees made deliveries through the slush and snow that plagued the city during the holiday season.

"Now everything is current," Wilson said. "Last Monday we had a difficult time getting around, but we weathered the storm."

The volume of letters coming through the post office to be delivered to loved ones and friends isn't the only thing that has increased this year.

The volume of parcel post packages is heavier than in past years, said Wilson.

The post office extended its window hours to handle mail on two Saturdays in December.

"We had quite a bit of mail brought to us on those Saturdays," he said.

As the Christmas holiday is only a few days away, the load shows signs of slowing down, Wilson said.

"I expect it will slow down at the window today," he said.

He added there is still time for gifts to arrive for the holiday, depending on the destination.

"We have a lot of express mail, which is overnight," he said. "That is the way to get packages delivered at this late date."

— Angela Leggett



(Staff photo by Daniel Wiegars)
Preston Wiley, a postal employee, unloads Christmas packages from a post office truck at the Pampa post office early today.

Airliner crashes in Libya

ROME (AP) — A Libyan plane on a domestic flight crashed today, killing all 157 people aboard, Libya's JANA news agency said.

The agency in a brief report said the victims were on a morning flight from Benghazi, Libya's second-largest city, to the capital, Tripoli, when the plane crashed at about 10 a.m.

It said authorities have opened an investigation into the cause of the crash, which occurred a day after the fourth anniversary of the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland.

The Pan Am crash led to U.N. sanctions against Libya, including an air embargo, barring flights by foreign airlines to Libya and blocking flights by Libyan airlines abroad.

JANA's Rome office said the crash today

involved a Boeing jetliner owned by Libyan Arab Airlines. Flight schedules list the craft serving that route as a Boeing 727.

There was no immediate report from other Middle East news agencies on the crash.

The U.N. sanctions against Libya were imposed last April for its refusal to hand over the suspects in the bombing of Flight 103, which killed 270 people.

Two Libyans are charged in the United States and Britain as suspects in the bombing. Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi has refused to turn them over for trial.

France also wants Libya's cooperation in the investigation of four other Libyans suspected in a similar attack on a French UTA airliner in Niger in 1989, which killed 170 people.

Libya's 4 million residents have been under Gadhafi's rule since 1969.

Passport case may escalate

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal court ordered an independent counsel to pursue any leads that point to White House involvement in the pre-election search of Bill Clinton's passport files.

The special three-judge court responsible for appointing independent counsels confirmed Monday that White House aide Janet G. Mullins is the main target of the probe. But the panel authorized independent counsel Joseph E. diGenova to pursue any evidence that points to other White House officials.

"The independent counsel ... shall have prosecutorial jurisdiction to fully investigate ... all matters and individuals whose acts may be related" to the passport case, said the court order.

DiGenova is now authorized to find out whether Mullins, and possibly other White House officials, prompted the search of

Clinton's State Department files and later sought to cover up their actions.

The search occurred Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 amid Republican attacks on the Democratic nominee's anti-Vietnam War activities when he was a student at England's Oxford University in 1969-70.

The three-judge court on Monday also made public Attorney General William P. Barr's formal request for an independent counsel in the case.

Barr told the court there is "evidence that Mullins was aware of interest in Clinton's files before the search occurred and that Mullins helped encourage and direct the search."

In addition, the attorney general said, "Information was also received suggesting that Mullins may have made false statements to agents of the State Department Office of Inspector General."

Economic output up in third quarter; recession officially over

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's economic output during the July-September quarter registered its best showing in nearly four years, the government said today as a private non-profit group formally declared the recession over.

The Business Cycle Dating Committee of the National Bureau of Economic Research — the official arbiter of the beginning and ending of recessions — said the economy's slump concluded in March 1991, eight months after it began in July 1990.

The committee, based in Cambridge, Mass., said it delayed its decision until today because the Commerce Department report on the gross domestic product showed that the economy finally had surpassed its pre-recession peak. That means any future slump will be considered a new recession rather than a continuation of the old one.

The Commerce Department said economic output grew at a 3.4 percent annual rate during the July-September quarter, not quite as

strong as earlier estimates but still the best since 1988.

Meanwhile, in a good sign for the economy next year, the Commerce Department said businesses plan to increase their investment spending on new equipment and buildings by 5.3 percent in 1993. If realized, that would be the biggest increase in four years.

Even with the department's downward revision to its reckoning of the gross domestic product, the economy in the third quarter still was clearly accelerating its recovery from the 1990-91 recession.

It had grown at a seasonally and inflation-adjusted 1.5 percent rate in the second quarter and a 2.9 percent rate in the first.

In advance of today's report, most economists were expecting the GDP increase to hold at last month's estimate of 3.9 percent or perhaps be revised down a tick to 3.8 percent.

Separately, the department said insurance company losses because of hurricanes Andrew and Iniki

pushed overall, after-tax corporate profits down by 4.5 percent in the third quarter to \$222.2 billion. It was the biggest drop in three years but came after two strong quarters. Last month, the department had estimated the third quarter decline at 6 percent.

Profits had soared 10.8 percent in the first quarter and advanced 1.3 percent on top of that in the second quarter.

Despite the latest GDP revisions, the third quarter still marked the strongest growth of George Bush's presidency. The last quarter with better growth came in October-December 1988, when Ronald Reagan was still president.

Most analysts weren't overly concerned by the revision, noting that the bulk of it came because the buildup in inventories was less than previously thought.

That actually is a good sign for future growth, because it means increases in buying demand will be transformed into increased factory production and hiring.

The biggest factor behind third quarter growth was a robust 3.7 percent increase in the rate of consumer spending, particularly for big-ticket durable goods such as automobiles and appliances.

Housing construction advanced at a 0.2 percent annual rate after four much stronger increases, and government purchases rose at a 3.8 percent rate. Part of that was driven by a fluky 8.3 percent jump in defense expenditures, the strongest first quar-

ter of 1991 during the Persian Gulf War.

The various changes brought the GDP to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$4.93 trillion, marking a return to an output level not seen since the quarter before the recession began in July 1990.

Economists predicted that the economy will finish the final quarter of this year at a decent, although less robust, 2 percent annual rate of growth. But by the end of next year,

it should be growing by more than 3 percent, they said.

"In general, 1993 will be a better year than 1992, and 1992 was clearly better than 1991. So, we're moving in the right direction," said economist Mark M. Zandi of Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa.

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3 shopping days to Christmas

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

AUSTIN, Benjamin Andrew — 11 a.m., Memorial Park Cemetery East Chapel Mausoleum, Amarillo.

BOYD, Jessie Ruth — 11 a.m., graveside, Twin Oaks Memorial Park, Artesia, N.M.

SPANGLER, Charles (Danny) — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.

WOODRUFF, Geneva — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.

Obituaries

BENJAMIN ANDREW AUSTIN

Benjamin Andrew Austin, 29, a former Shamrock resident, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1992. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Memorial Park Cemetery East Chapel Mausoleum with the Rev. Albert Green, pastor of Chaparral Hills Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery by Memorial Park Funeral Home.

Mr. Austin, born in Shamrock, moved to Amarillo in 1964 from Shamrock. He graduated from Palo Duro High School. He was a member of Chaparral Hills Baptist Church.

Survivors include his father, Acie Austin of Amarillo; his mother, Wynonah Austin of Amarillo; a brother, Stephen Austin of Amarillo; a sister, Cheryl Austin of Casper, Wyo.; and his grandmother, Helen Austin of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be made to the Crown of Texas Hospice, 1901 Medi Park Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

JESSIE RUTH BOYD

ARTESIA, N.M. — Jessie Ruth Boyd, 79, a former McLean, Texas, resident, died Sunday, Dec. 20, 1992. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Twin Oaks Memorial Park at Artesia. Arrangements are by Terpening and Son Mortuary Inc.

Mrs. Boyd, born in Tulsa, Texas, moved to Artesia in 1941 from McLean, Texas. She moved to San Angelo, Texas, in 1973 and to Lubbock, Texas, in 1985. She married Thomas Martin Boyd Sr. in 1931 at Clovis. He died in 1967. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church at Artesia. She was a former member of the Artesia Woman's Club, the Artesia Garden Club and the Women's Golf Association of the Artesia County Club. She was a life master of duplicate bridge.

Survivors include three sons, Tom Boyd Jr. of Ruidoso, Bob Boyd of Amarillo and Kerry Boyd of Santa Fe; two sisters, Maxine Smith of Tucson, Ariz., and Dorothy Henry of Albuquerque; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

JACQUELINE HURST EVANS

Jacqueline Hurst Evans, 70, died Sunday, Dec. 20, 1992. Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. today at Fairview Cemetery with Dr. John T. Tate, pastor of the First Christian Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Evans was born Sept. 3, 1922, at Breckenridge. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1927, graduating from Pampa High School in 1941. She attended Gulf Park College and Texas Christian University. She married James Evans on June 26, 1943, at Knoxville, Tenn. She was past president of both Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and Junior Service League. She was a member of the First Christian Church.

Survivors include her husband, James, of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Donald and Barbara Evans of Pampa; and a daughter and son-in-law, Anne and Jim Heslet of Tulsa, Okla.

The family requests that memorials be made to a favorite charity.

CHARLES (DANNY) SPANGLER

Charles (Danny) Spangler, 52, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1992. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. M.B. Smith, a Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be in White Deer Cemetery at White Deer.

Mr. Spangler, born Nov. 9, 1940, in Newbarto, Tenn., moved to Pampa in 1960 from Knoxville, Tenn. He married June Watkins on March 21, 1962, at Pampa. He worked as a tool pusher and driller in the oil field for the past 25 years. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, June, of the home; two daughters, Pamela D'Anne Spangler of Pampa and Becky Lynn Ramey of Ponca City, Okla.; a son, Craig Lee Spangler of Bowling Brook, Ill.; two sisters, Marion Francis and Patsy Davis, both of Knoxville, Tenn.; two brothers, Kenny Davis and Franklin Spangler, both of Knoxville, Tenn.; and six grandchildren.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....	911
Crime Stoppers.....	669-2222
Emergas.....	665-5777
Fire.....	911
Police (emergency).....	911
Police (non-emergency).....	669-5700
SPS.....	669-7432
Water.....	669-5830

Obituaries

GENEVA WOODRUFF

Geneva Woodruff, 66, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1992. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. M.B. Smith, a Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be in Mobeetie Cemetery at Mobeetie.

Mrs. Woodruff was born April 29, 1926, in Ringling, Okla. She married Bill Woodruff on March 7, 1945, at Wheeler.

Survivors include her husband, W.C. "Bill" Woodruff, of the home; three daughters, Helen Lemons of Skellytown, Coleen Rector of Amarillo and Elaine James of Pampa; a son, James Woodruff of Pampa; five sisters, Shirley Davis and Dorothy Woodruff, both of Pampa, Lyvonia Cox of Monahan, Roylene Meadows of Springdale, Ark., and Lavada Stennitt of Roswell, N.M.; three brothers, Thomas Hunt of Cleveland, Tenn., LeRoy Hunt of Wheeler and Melvin Hunt of Briscoe; 12 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Rayford Hunt.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions

Rebecca Jane Aderholt, Pampa
Helen Irene Farrar, Pampa
Ruth W. Mann, Pampa
Myrtle T. Prigmore, Pampa

Dismissals

Helen W. Black, McLean
Sandra Organ Bronner, Pampa
Thressia E. Calhoun, Pampa
Velda W. Chadwick, Lefors
Pamela Kirkman, Canadian
Ovie S. Tipton, Fritch
Ila Irene Ward, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admission

Alice Faulk, Shamrock

Dismissals

Peggy King, McLean
Luella Soapes (observation), Harrisonville, Mo.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat.....	3.08	up 1/4
Milo.....	3.37	dn 1/4
Com.....	4.04	dn 1/4

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Ky. Cent. Life.....	9 1/8	up 1/4
Serco.....	3 3/8	NC
Occidental.....	17 3/4	dn 3/8

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan.....	62.71	dn 1/4
Puritan.....	14.63	dn 1/4

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco.....	51	dn 3/4
Arco.....	115	dn 1 1/8
Cabot.....	44 1/2	dn 1

West Texas Crude..... 20

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

MONDAY, Dec. 21

Darla Pulse, White Deer, reported a robbery at Coronado Center. (See related story).
Gordon Stanley Hulsey, 516 N. Christy, reported criminal mischief to a 1966 Dodge.

Arrests

MONDAY, Dec. 21

Steven Mark Kimbley, 19, 1124 Sierra, was arrested in the 2300 block of North Hobart on two warrants. He paid a fine and was released.
Donald Joe Williams, 30, 412 Hill, was arrested in the 400 block of Hill on two warrants.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported no incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no accidents in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Dec. 21

6:44 p.m. — Two units and four firefighters responded to a medical assist 1 1/4 miles east of Pampa on Texas 152.

Under construction



Eric Duggan, 11, left, and his sister, Abby Duggan, 8, play in the snow Monday and work on building a snow fort at their grandparents' house on Aspen Drive.

Report: Prison chief to step down

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — The chief of the state prison system's internal affairs department, who has drawn the ire of Gov. Ann Richards over questionable state investigations, reportedly will step down from that post next month.

James Gant, 53, will assume the duties of assistant warden of the Ellis I Unit near Huntsville on Jan. 4. The change comes a little more than a month after Richards reportedly demanded his resignation.

The move is part of an employee shuffle announced Monday by Prison Director James A. "Andy" Collins, the *Houston Chronicle* reported.

Gant, who formally holds the title of assistant director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for internal affairs, stumbled into controversy earlier this year

when his department investigated a gubernatorial appointee. His office also was reported to have investigated Richards.

Gant will succeed Assistant Ellis Warden Richard Belanger, who will assume "overall responsibility for the inmate transportation system at the Wynne Unit," Collins said in a statement.

TDCJ Executive Director James Lynaugh said he will announce an interim replacement for Gant on Jan. 4. A permanent replacement must be approved by the prison board.

State Rep. Allen Hightower, chairman of the House Corrections Committee, said Gant's removal likely is "the result of (the governor's) concern that internal affairs needed to have a different direction."

Richards was angered by reports

that Gant had conducted an investigation into Beaumont businessman Joshua Allen, a member of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, at the insistence of former board chairman Selden Hale. Hale resigned under pressure from the governor after it became public that he had ordered the investigation.

Richards also had heard rumors that Gant had investigated her and that her criminal justice adviser, Travis County Sheriff Doyle Bailey, had been followed by some of Gant's investigators when Bailey met with a whistleblower.

But Lynaugh said Gant was transferred because he asked to be.

"He asked for (the assistant warden's job) when he heard it was available," Lynaugh said. "He had talked to me over a year ago about the potential of going into security."

City briefs

WATER WELL Service, Doug Kennedy, 665-4088. Adv.

SNOW REMOVAL (Snow Blower). Residential, commercial. Eugene Taylor 669-9992. Adv.

PRE-CHRISTMAS Sale, everything marked down 20-50% off. Open til 8 p.m. The Clothes Line. Adv.

AFTER 51 years Pampa News Stand, 114 N. Russell is closing for Business effective December 23, 1992. Would sell to interested party. Adv.

CHRISTMAS DAY Dinner at the Coronado Inn Restaurant, 12 noon-3 p.m. Reservations are appreciated! 669-2506. Adv.

CHRISTMAS NIGHT: Enjoy a Festive Nightcap or let us do your Christmas Evening Dinner at Club Biarritz, 5 p.m.-9:30 p.m. and don't forget our Special Midnight Breakfast 11 p.m.-3 a.m. on December 25, 26th. Adv.

MOVING SALE, inside at 522 E. Francis. Adv.

LAST MINUTE Gifts at the Mustard Seed and Old Towne Kitchen, 420 W. Francis. Adv.

CORRECTION ON D-Fy-It Coupon for Ogden and Son should read Free Filter with Oil and Filter Change. Adv.

CHILDREN'S EXCHANGE: Everything 1/2 Price!!! 1329 N. Hobart. Adv.

JOY'S UNLIMITED. Come do your last minute shopping, 20 to 50% off from now til Christmas. Adv.

CLEARANCE SALE on Poinsettias, Christmas Cactus and live Evergreen trees. Watson's Feed & Garden. Adv.

DON'T FORGET to Order your fruit baskets! Wednesday will be the last day for us to deliver. Watson's Feed and Garden, 665-4189. Adv.

2-GOCARTS left! We will make you a deal no one can beat. Pampa Lawnmower, 501 S. Cuyler, 665-8843. Adv.

HOMEMADE OLD Fashion Fudge at the Lunch Box. Call in orders welcome. 669-1957. Adv.

HICKORY SMOKED Spiral sliced, honey glazed ham, turkey breast, beef eye of roast. Clint & Son's Processing, White Deer, 883-7831. Adv.

JO ANN'S Creations, Victorian, Country, Contemporary, Southwest. 1200 Mary Ellen, 669-2157. Adv.

MARY KAY Cosmetics, Deb Stapleton consultant. Facials, supplies, deliveries. 665-2095. Adv.

NOW OPEN til 8 p.m. Peggy's Place with evening specials, across from City Hall, 665-7830 for deliveries. Open Christmas Day, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Buffet 11 a.m. Adv.

LAST MINUTE Christmas gifts: oil paintings on saws, sawblades, mini sawblades, flyswatter holders, mailboxes, handmade knives. 669-9689. Adv.

THE LUNCH Box, Price Rd. at Alcock will be open Christmas Day 2-5 p.m. Adv.

Shop Pampa first — it's worth it

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, fair with a low of 25 and northwesterly winds 5-10 mph. Partly cloudy Wednesday morning, then becoming windy and colder in the afternoon. The high Wednesday will be in the mid-40s, with temperatures falling by mid-afternoon. Winds switching to the north and increasing to 15-25 mph and gusty in the afternoon. Monday's high was 45 degrees; the overnight low was 29 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, fair. Lows in the lower to mid-20s. Wednesday, partly cloudy morning becoming windy and colder in the afternoon. Highs 40-45 before temperatures begin falling during the afternoon. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy and colder. Lows in the teens. Extended forecast: Thursday, mostly cloudy and cold. Highs in the mid-20s to lower 30s. Christmas, mostly clear. Lows in the teens. Highs in the mid-30s to near 40. Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows around 20 to the mid-20s. Highs in the mid- to upper 40s. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows from the upper 20s to the lower 30s. Wednesday, partly cloudy and a little cooler. Highs 50-55. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy and colder. Lows in the upper teens to the lower 20s. Extended forecast: Thursday, mostly cloudy and cold. Highs in the

30s. Christmas, mostly clear. Lows around 20. Highs in the lower to mid-40s. Permian Basin: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid- to upper 30s. Wednesday, partly cloudy and a little cooler. Highs in the upper 50s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy and colder. Lows in the lower to mid-20s. Extended forecast: Thursday, mostly cloudy and cold. Highs in the mid- to upper 30s. Christmas, mostly clear. Lows in the lower to mid-20s. Highs in the upper 40s to near 50.

South Texas — Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas: Tonight, cloudy with a slight chance of light rain. Lows in the 50s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Highs in the 60s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy and turning colder with a slight chance of showers. Lows in the upper 30s to lower 40s. Extended forecast: Thursday, partly cloudy and cold. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 40s to near 50. Friday, part'y cloudy and continued cold. Lows in the 20s Hill Country to the 30s south central. Highs in the 40s to near 50. Saturday, partly cloudy and not as cold. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 50s to near 60. Texas Coastal Bend: Tonight, cloudy with a slight chance of light rain. Lows in the 60s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Highs in the 70s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Turning colder

late with lows in the upper 40s to lower 50s. Extended forecast: Thursday, mostly cloudy and cold. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 50s. Friday, mostly cloudy and cold. Lows in the 30s to near 40. Highs in the 50s. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, cloudy with a slight chance of light rain. Lows in the 60s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Highs in the 70s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with chance of showers. Lows in the 50s. Extended forecast: Thursday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Turning colder with lows in the 50s. Highs in the 60s. Friday, mostly cloudy and cold. Lows near 40.

North Texas — Tonight and Wednesday, morning fog east and south, otherwise mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Rain and thundershowers likely extreme southeast. Lows 33 northwest to 56 southeast. Highs 52 to 64. Wednesday night, turning windy and much colder. Rain ending east. Drizzle and a few snow flurries north and west. Lows 22 northwest to 40 southeast. Extended forecast: Thursday, becoming fair and cold. Highs in the 30s. Friday, continued very cold. Increasing cloudiness late. Lows in the teens and lower 20s. Highs in the 30s. Saturday, partly cloudy and not quite as cold. Lows in the mid-20s to lower 30s. Highs in the 40s.

Police seek clues in purse-snatching

An unknown man stole a purse from a woman at 7 p.m. Monday in Coronado Center, Pampa police said today.

"A white/Hispanic male took, by force, a ladies purse while the female was walking to the Cinema Four movie at Coronado Center," stated Det. Morse Burroughs in a news release.

"The initial investigation by members of the Pampa Police Department patrol division revealed

that the victim was walking with her children to the theater and as she walked by the suspect, he grabbed her purse and pulled it from her shoulder."

He said the suspect then ran west from the scene. She chased the victim for a short distance, but he escaped.

"The suspect was described as a white male, approximately 35 to 40 years old, 5 foot 3 inches to 5 foot 4 inches tall, weighing approximately

150 pounds with dark brown or black collar-length hair and brown eyes," Burroughs said. "He was last seen wearing a blue baseball cap, blue denim jacket and blue jeans."

He said the suspect was described as possibly being dark complected or Hispanic with bushy sideburns.

Anyone with information can contact the police's Criminal Investigation Division at 669-5700 extension 290 or Crime Stoppers at 669-2222.

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Economy

Meanwhile, a survey of businesses in October and November showed that they collectively planned a 3.6 percent increase in investment spending this year.

When they were surveyed a year ago, they had projected a stronger 5.4 percent increase for 1992. But as the year progressed, economic growth proved disappointing and they scaled back their plans.

Investment actually declined 0.8 percent during the recession year of 1991,

the first drop since 1986 and only the fourth decrease in the past 33 years.

If businesses follow through with plans to raise spending by 5.3 percent next year, it would total \$577 billion, up from \$547 billion in 1992. It would mark the largest increase since an 11.4 percent jump in 1989.

U.S. sues six airlines on alleged fare fixing

By MARCY GORDON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government reached a settlement with two major airlines and sued six others, accusing them of fixing fares in the \$40 billion domestic passenger business.

The airlines shared their planned fare changes through a computer system, the Justice Department alleged Monday in the civil antitrust lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court here. The suit, which followed a three-year investigation, had been anticipated for 10 days.

Named in the suit were American Airlines, United, Delta, Northwest, USAir, Continental, TWA and Alaska Airlines. Also named was Airline Tariff Publishing Co., or ATP, of Chantilly, Va., the computer data system run by the industry.

The Justice Department reached a tentative settlement of the charges against United and USAir that required them to discontinue certain practices it said were anticompetitive. The two airlines were named in the suit, which was filed simultaneously with the settlement.

In a statement, USAir said that under the settlement, which is subject to court approval, it will change its fare-setting practices "in certain respects," which were not specified. The airline said it also will implement a compliance program to

make its employees aware of their new responsibilities under the settlement.

The suit didn't seek money damages from the six airlines but asked that they be prohibited for 10 years from making any agreement to fix fares. The department also wanted the airlines to cover unspecified legal costs.

The suit charged the airlines with agreeing to increase particular fares and eliminating some discounts between specific cities.

"Using ATP, the airlines were able to engage in an elaborate dialogue with one another about future fares," said J. Mark Gidley, acting head of the Justice Department's antitrust division.

"For example, airlines communicated the details of proposed fare increases to competitors and obtained their reactions," he said. "These discussions often continued until there was an agreement on a higher fare."

The department said the system has been used at least from April 1988 through May 1990.

At least some of the airlines had been informed in advance of the suit.

Continental denied Monday it violated antitrust law and said the lawsuit failed to address what it said was the real problem — predatory fare undercutting that can drive smaller carriers out of business.

Continental said it intended to fight the lawsuit and "defend its ability to notify travel agents and consumers about fare changes and to respond quickly to competitive pressures from other airlines."

Northwest called the rules proposed by the Justice Department "a regulator's dream but a consumer's nightmare."

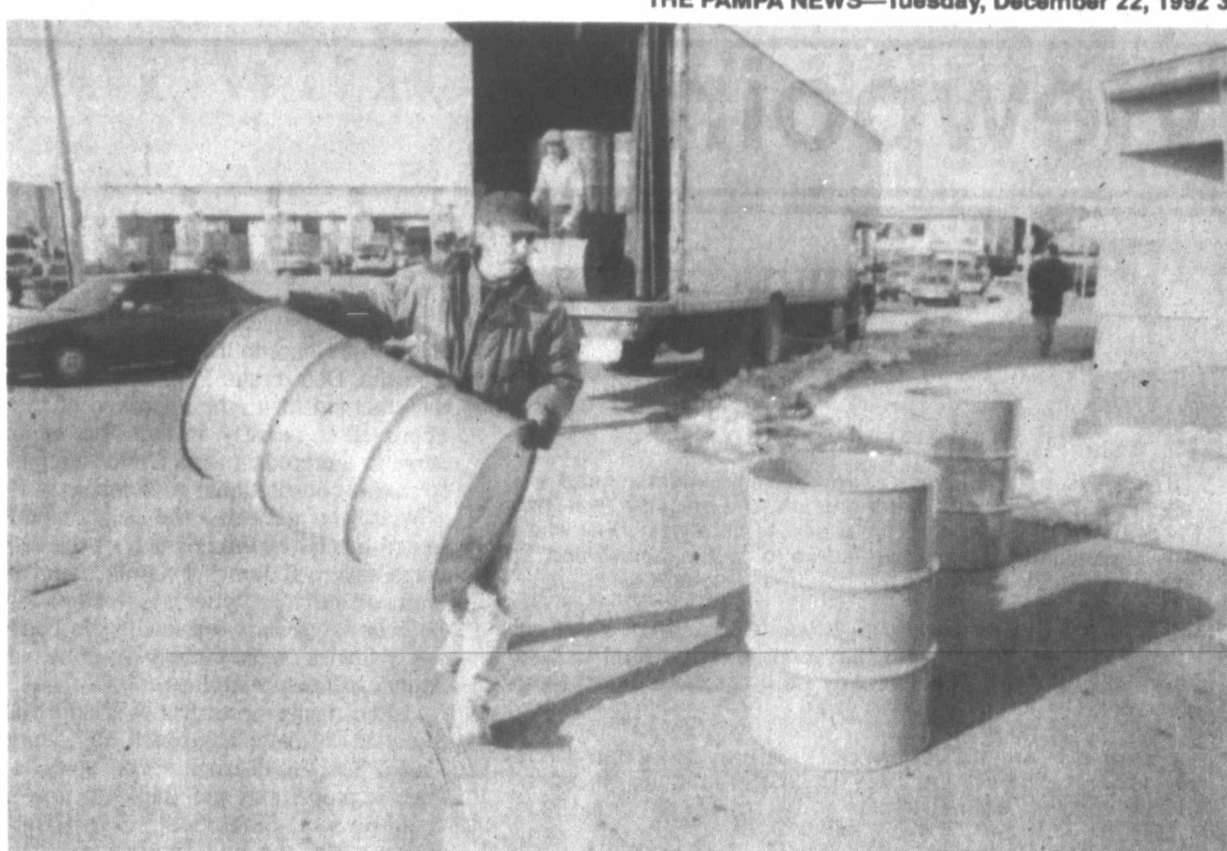
For example, a Northwest official said in a statement, airlines and travel agents would not be able to tell customers making reservations when a given fare would expire, unless the fare had been advertised in the media. Because of high advertising costs, "few fares would qualify," said Elliott Seiden, vice president for law and government affairs.

American Airlines called the lawsuit "an unprecedented governmental intrusion in the workings of an industry already struggling under monumental losses."

Delta Air Lines previously denied breaking any laws or regulations and said it had no plans to change the way it set prices.

The suit involved the same computer system that was the subject of a class-action lawsuit tentatively settled earlier this year by six major airlines.

The carriers agreed to distribute \$458 million worth of discount coupons to passengers who claimed they were affected.



Gary Cyr of the Lawrence Department of Public Works sets up a barricade in Lawrence, Mass., Monday. (AP Photo)

Police erect barricade to stop crime in Mass. neighborhood

By TONY ROGERS
Associated Press Writer

LAWRENCE, Mass. (AP) — Residents of a crime-plagued neighborhood have to pass through a police checkpoint just to get home, but many say they don't mind if it makes the streets safer. Some even brought snacks to the officers.

"It ain't a bad city," said Jeff Sadezwicz, who runs an auto repair shop. "But there are a lot of scums."

Police cordoned off a four-block area Monday and issued special passes to residents in a desperate attempt to stem drug dealing and other crimes in this city of 70,000 about 40 miles north of Boston.

"This is not an occupation army coming in and setting up a police state. This is part of community policing," Police Chief Allen W. Cole said.

Police reported no serious incidents during the night, and Cole said there were no arrests or confrontations at the checkpoints.

"In fact, our officers advised me that they saw one of the drug dealers packing up and moving out," Cole said. "Residents of the neighbor-

hood also bought the officers working the checkpoint pizza and soda."

Cole said the neighborhood drew drug buyers from other towns, including the suburbs. Over the past 18 months, police had set up similar blockades, but none affected such a large area.

John Roberts, director of the Civil Liberties Union in Massachusetts, said his group would probably challenge the measure in court. "This is martial law without the federal troops," he said.

But many residents, even those in the barricaded area, said they are fed up with crime and think the barricades are a good idea.

Sadezwicz said he had seen carloads of drug dealers cruising the streets, shotguns stuck out the window.

And Lisette Ortiz, 24, who lives just inside one of the barricades, said drug dealers and prostitutes cruise the streets at night and gunfire is not uncommon.

"Twice they've tried kicking in my door at night, asking if I sold drugs," Ortiz said. "I don't go out at night. I'm scared."

Those without police passes can

enter the neighborhood only after being stopped and having their vehicles identified at a roadblock of squad cars and bright yellow barrels.

Non-residents' license plate numbers are recorded, and police send letters informing the vehicle's owner that the car was seen in that area.

"If you were coming in here to buy drugs, would you drive past a police car, knowing that a letter will be sent to your house?" the police chief asked.

Essex County District Attorney Kevin Burke said he has no power to stop the barricades but had asked Cole not to put them up.

"It has the potential of violating individual civil rights," Burke said. "I told him that it was not legal and I didn't see how he could enforce it without running the risk of violations."

Police said the barricades will be in place up to 18 hours a day for an indefinite period.

Cole said police asked residents if they would support the barricades after one officer was fired at and a gun was pulled on another officer in the neighborhood within 10 days.

'Mystery winners' claim prize

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — While the rest of the state waited and wondered, Peter Luong was well aware he had become very rich.

He just wanted to tell his family and friends first.

Luong on Monday claimed \$7.9 million, half of the \$15.8 million Texas Lotto jackpot from Dec. 16.

He claimed it on behalf of himself and a group of eight friends and relatives who pitched in with him to purchase lottery tickets.

A Kerrville couple, who also picked the six winning numbers, claimed the other share of the jackpot last week, worth an identical \$7.9 million.

Luong, a Houston businessman, had been dubbed the "mystery winner"

by lottery officials because it took five days for him to claim the prize.

He said he watched the drawing and knew he won right away, but waited to come forward until everyone who had helped buy tickets had been notified.

"I felt very excited, and I couldn't believe it happened because the chance was so small," said Luong, who added that he wants to keep publicity about the winnings to a minimum.

"Our mystery winners finally came to town, just in time to go home with a sleigh full of cash," Texas Comptroller John Sharp said.

Luong said each member of his group contributed up to \$10 each per drawing to buy lotto tickets, with each member picking some of the numbers.

The winning numbers in the Dec.

16 drawing were 14, 23, 24, 31, 38 and 42.

Luong accepted his first payment of \$395,658 on Monday and said it would go towards a new house. He will receive a payment of \$394,000 every Dec. 15 through the year 2011, and lottery spokesman Steve Levine said Luong plans to share each installment with the other members of his group.

Luong's winning ticket was purchased in Houston at Diamond Shamrock No. 265, which will receive a 1 percent jackpot bonus of \$78,816.

Meanwhile, the search continued Monday for the winner of the Texas Lotto's \$2 million jackpot drawing on Saturday. Blair's Supermarket on Highway 79 north of Franklin sold that winning ticket with the numbers 9, 15, 21, 23, 33 and 37.

Environmentalists cheer energy nominee

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hazel O'Leary, President-elect Clinton's nominee for energy secretary, drives a car that runs on environmentally preferable natural gas.

She also likes energy conservation, instead of building more electric power plants that pollute the air.

That all fits the new administration to a tee.

In selecting the 55-year-old lawyer and utility executive as the country's seventh energy secretary, Clinton on Monday said he wanted to move U.S. energy policy in "a different direction" — toward greater use of natural gas and conservation, and away from coal and oil.

Clinton called Mrs. O'Leary, a senior vice president at the Northern States Power Co. in Minneapolis and former official in the Ford and Carter administrations, "an energy expert with hands-on experience in both business and government."

She will become the first woman to run a department where two-thirds of the budget goes to building nuclear warheads and cleaning up the environmental mess left from decades of bomb making.

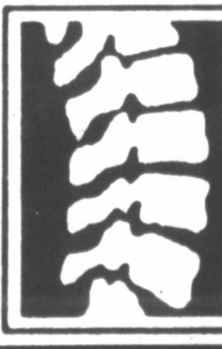
While there is praise over Mrs. O'Leary's views on the role of natural gas, renewable energy sources and conservation, her appointment, nevertheless, prompted concerns

among some environmentalists over her close ties to nuclear power.

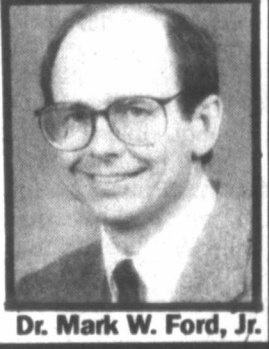
Northern States Power, which serves 1.6 million customers from northern Michigan to the Dakotas, operates three commercial nuclear reactors and has an interest in a proposed uranium enrichment plant. The utility — at times with Mrs. O'Leary as their spokeswoman — has been among the most vocal critics of the federal government's failure to tackle the nuclear waste issue.

In Minnesota the utility has been criticized by environmentalists for wanting to store spent reactor fuel in metal containers near the Mississippi River flood plain.

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Opinion

When seeing isn't always believing

The Bush administration recently took a small step toward normalizing relations with Vietnam and ending an embargo imposed in 1975. The U.S. government's concession, in response to underwhelming progress on the POW-MIA question, underlines just how questionable trade embargoes are as a tool for extracting human-rights concessions from foreign regimes.

Eventually a time comes when conditions change and it seems to make sense to end the embargo. So the government has to pretend to see progress when hardly any progress has been made.

The new Bush policy doesn't end the 17-year trade embargo. It allows U.S. companies to sign contracts now to do business in Vietnam should the embargo be lifted. The U.S. government also will follow a liberalized licensing policy, allowing U.S. companies to open offices in Vietnam, hire staff, write and design plans, and carry out preliminary technical surveys.

White House spokesmen say the new policy responds to cooperation by the Vietnamese government in the effort to determine what happened to about 1,600 American servicemen still listed as missing in action after the Vietnam war. Hanoi did release some material, including 4,000 photographs. Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, chairman of the Senate Select Committee on POW-MIA affairs, praised the Vietnamese government following a recent trip he led and urged the U.S. to reward the regime.

Although the material the Vietnamese released was interesting, it resolved only four cases of missing Americans. Some cynics will say that the U.S. government would be at least as embarrassed as the Vietnamese government if any Americans turned up alive, but that notion falls flat considering that live POW-MIAs are even likelier to turn up under the openness of relaxed trade.

Did the embargo work? About 60 demonstrators and 14 hunger strikers claimed last week that the Vietnamese government still holds about 32,000 prisoners in 47 prisons for no crime other than being political opponents of the government. The U.S. government has shown little interest in this issue.

The embargo against Vietnam will likely end soon because the country's socialist policies have failed, the regime is more open to free-market policies, and business people from other countries are already moving to be first in line when Vietnam opens up to trade. The talk about POW-MIA progress and human rights is sincere enough, but then so is window dressing.

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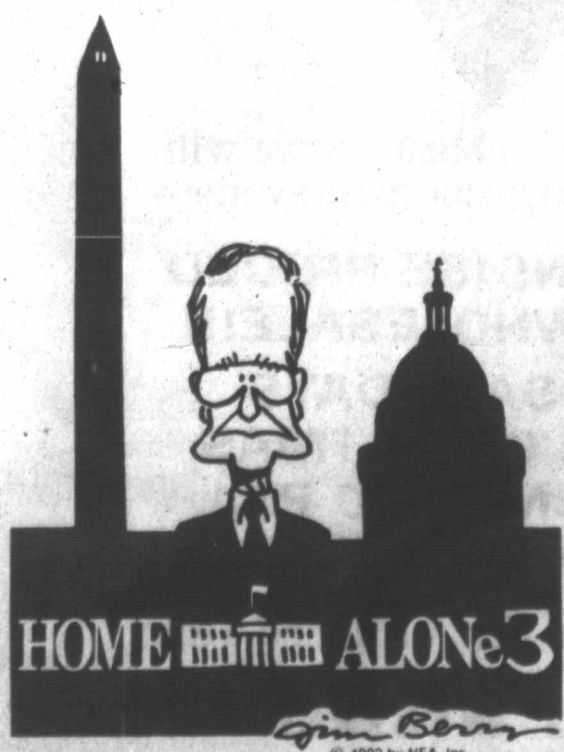
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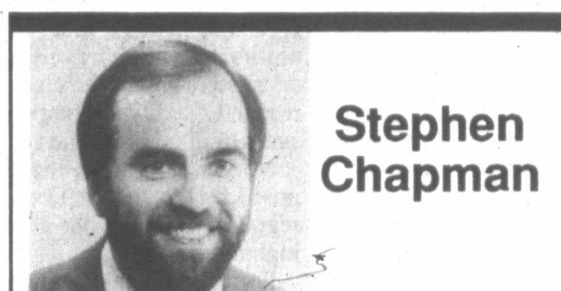
After congressional leaders were summoned to the White House to discuss the U.S. intervention in Somalia, Democratic Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin emerged to say he approved of the effort. He approved so heartily, in fact, that he suggested it serve as a precedent for a United Nations operation to restore constitutional government in Haiti.

Well, why not? After the Democratic Party nominated a relative unknown for president in 1844, wags asked, if James K. Polk could be plucked from obscurity, "who is safe?" If suffering in Somalia is grounds for sending in the Marines, is any upheaval on the globe beyond the vast reach of American's responsibility?

Haiti certainly meets the two criteria established by Secretary of state Lawrence Eagleburger for the United States to dispatch troops: It is "a tragedy of massive proportions and, underline this, one that we could do something about." But if Haiti warrants action under the Eagleburger test, then so does Bosnia, and Sudan, and Liberia, and Mozambique, and Cambodia, and Angola, and — well, it's quicker to list the places that don't qualify. And more applicants are on the horizon in the Soviet Union's former republics and its former clients in Eastern Europe.

There are any number of massive tragedies taking place at any given moment on this immense planet and very few that the world's richest and most powerful country is incapable of doing something about if it chooses. We could have won the Vietnam War, after all, if we had wanted to badly enough. But we eventually concluded from painful experience that it was not our duty to fight a foe who posed no threat whatever to our security or liberty.

We've ignored that lesson in Somalia, acting on the blithe hope that we can accomplish our mission without wasting too many lives or dollars. Maybe



Stephen Chapman

we can. Keep in mind, though, that we are also maintaining a substantial military role in Europe, the Middle East and East Asia — which are beguilingly tranquil now but could easily play host to future military confrontations. Also keep in mind that American taxpayers flatly refuse to pay for their existing commitments, which have to be funded out of borrowed money by a grossly indebted federal government.

Operation Restore Hope may not add a lot to the bill. But it establishes a precedent — using military force purely for altruistic ends — that could lead us to further overextend ourselves. That is the apparent desire of many of its supporters, who see intervention in Somalia as the prelude to intervention in Bosnia. Memo to Bill Clinton: Cancel the peace dividend.

What's odd about this potentially fateful undertaking is that hardly anyone is pledging that it won't be repeated. A lot of people, on the contrary, fervently hope to see it repeated over and over, though on a grander scale. Liberals used to say America shouldn't be the world's policeman. Now, allied with many conservatives, they expect it to be not only the cop, but the foster parent.

If they get their way, Somalia will not be a six-week relief mission but a semipermanent occupa-

tion by outside forces. Administration officials acknowledge that the U.S. effort will be wasted unless someone takes over the country with the aim of restoring order and erecting constitutional government. The idea, endorsed by commentators on the left and on the right, is to make shattered nations into U.N. "protectorates," to be governed by some other country until they are capable of governing themselves. Another name for this, noted uneasily by some and pugnaciously by others, is colonialism.

If you're looking for a quick way to spend yourself into bankruptcy, look no further. A generation ago, fashionable thinking regarded colonialism as a crime against the colonized. After three decades of independence in Africa, the former subjects may think imperial rule doesn't look so bad. But running an empire, U.N. blessing or no, is still a losing deal for the imperialist. Ask Britain. Ask the Soviet Union.

The idea that the United States, or any other Western country, should assume the costly and thankless duty of governing people other than its own is absurd. Given the trouble and expense involved, of course, no one but the United States could afford to consider such an extravagance. The assumption that we have unlimited resources tempts us to write blank checks.

Only four years ago, a Yale professor named Paul Kennedy enjoyed a spell of fame and influence for a book, "The Rise and Fall of Great Powers," which argued that the United States was dooming itself to economic decline by taking on more global responsibilities than it could afford. The end of the Cold War enabled America to avoid that bleak destiny by greatly diminishing our obligations. But the role assigned us in the new world order could make containing communism look cheap.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 22, the 357th day of 1992. There are nine days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 22, 1944, during the World War II Battle of the Bulge, the Germans demanded the surrender of encircled American troops at Bastogne, Belgium. Brigadier Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe reportedly replied: "Nuts!" The Americans held out until additional U.S. forces ended the siege four days later.

On this date:

In 1775, a Continental naval fleet was organized in the rebellious American colonies under the command of Ezekiel Hopkins.

In 1807, Congress passed the Embargo Act, designed to force peace between Britain and France by cutting off all trade with Europe.



Anger in the sky

ON LAKE OCONEE, PUTNAM COUNTY, Ga. — The paper said they were still dragging Lake Oconee in search of bodies that might have been swept into the lake with there homes by the tornado that came out of a recent five o'clock afternoon sky.

Three have been confirmed dead in Putnam County, my recently-adopted second home.

I own a place on Lake Oconee, too. By the grace of someone or something, they weren't looking for me and my two friends. James and Steve and I were watching a football game in my house that Sunday afternoon. We were aware of the tornadoes that had hit in Cobb County earlier in the day.

But that was 70 miles to our west. The weather was uncommonly warm and there were cloudy skies, but we had even seen golfers playing the 18th hole at the Great Waters course. My house sits across a neck in the lake from the Great Waters' 18th. I'm no more than 40 yards from the shore.

Shortly before 5 p.m., the television station suddenly cut into the ballgame. A man stood in front of a weather radar screen and said tornadoes had been sighted in our area and that Putnam County was under a tornado warning.

We went out onto the back deck. The sky over the lake to the south was the color of steel and getting darker. The wind was growing in velocity. A bolt of lightning knocked out our power.

I looked at a house two doors from mine. I saw four people come out of it and crawl into the base-



Lewis Grizzard

ment. They seemed to be in a great hurry.

"You have a basement?" Steve asked me.

"There's some storage space under the deck," I said, "but I'm not sure it has a door on it."

We never had time to check.

It was the most frightening and spellbinding show I had ever seen nature produce.

That steel-gray cloud to the south began to dive towards the lake; it turned black and mean.

James saw the funnel first.

"Look at the sparks," he said. Apparently the funnel was ripping off power lines.

I had never seen such anger in a sky. It was mesmerizing. I just stood there staring at it.

I have no idea how far the funnel was from us. It looked close. Very close.

James awakened me from my staring.

"Get in a closet!" he warned.

Steve went into a closet in the guest bedroom. I

went to the closet in mine. James went to a small bathroom and took Catfish, the black Lab, with him. I love Catfish, but it was James who was looking out for him at that moment.

I was on my stomach in the closet. I put my hands and arms over the back of my head and waited.

Waited for that sound. The one tornado victims always say is that of a rumbling freight train.

A minute passed. Two minutes. My heart was pounding so it felt like it was lifting me off the floor.

After what may have been four minutes, James and Catfish came out first. Steve found me and said, "I think we've dodged it."

We had. The tornado had not come in our direction. But the storm that had sired the funnel was whipping the lake into a frenzy of waves while the rain and lightning continued.

Nightfall was maybe 15 minutes away and we didn't even have a flashlight.

"I'm not staying here in the dark waiting for another one," I said.

I grabbed my things, jumped in the car with Catfish and headed west, where it seemed to be clearing. James and Steve were right behind me. I didn't know until later of the death and destruction the tornado caused, and that Lake Oconee homes had been blown into the lake and more bodies might be found.

But I did know this. The three of us had been very lucky while so many others hadn't been. This was the most thankful Thanksgiving of my life.

When sexual harassment is political

The other day, the radio brought news of yet another five women to charge Sen. Bob Packwood with making unwanted sexual advances toward them, pushing the tally of accusers to 15.

I'm trying to be as understanding as I can that these women kept silent for as long as 10 and 20 years, if they truly knew that a powerful man whose ideas and votes directly affected every U.S. citizen was pawing women who worked with him.

I can comprehend to a point keeping silent, because I said nothing to anyone about the real estate agent who grabbed me and tried to press me into his groin as I was reaching in my cabinets to get him a cup of coffee six years ago. If I could have that moment back I'd bean him with the cup, but instead I just ordered him off me and then out the door.

In the years since it happened and I let him walk off, and perhaps into the homes of other women he's grabbed from behind, I've tried to sort out my silence: (a) He was a friend of my landlord and I didn't want to cause my: if any trouble with her. (b) I was a TV reporter with a high profile in the community, and frankly, I didn't want to risk making the news instead of reporting it. (c) I wanted to deny it had happened, even to myself. I wanted to think of myself as someone the agent wouldn't dare have tried anything like that with, instead of a victim he could corner in her own kitchen, grab and essentially reduce to the status of a sex object.

Still, I'm having trouble understanding the



Sarah Overstreet

silence on Packwood. One woman replied the senator stood on her toes and tried to pull her clothes off. Several recent accounts in the press allege that Packwood's peccadilloes were common knowledge on Capitol Hill. If this is true, where were all the men and women who work in the area of women's rights when they were hearing these rumors?

Some columnists and commentators have charged that women's rights advocates knew and looked the other way to preserve the Oregon Republican's power so he could continue to vote for "women's" issues, such as abortion rights and family leave. I guess that would be just business as usual in Washington. But it seems a particularly hypocritical in this case, like giving Marge Schott an NAACP award for hiring some of the men she's said to have called "niggers" privately.

Over the years, I've interviewed several women who've said they were sexually harassed, and

they've all had about the same reasons for keeping silent. In some cases, they would rather consider an incident just another nuisance in the natural course of having to work with difficult people. Just as you don't go running to "tell on" someone who is unfair or verbally abusive at work, you might not feel like running to a superior about sexual harassment. As a good soldier, you just keep quiet.

And there can be serious career consequences to not being a "good soldier." You can be branded a trouble-maker in a company that prides itself on having a good public relations image. Or the person you accuse, or his or her supporters, can threaten to run your own reputation through the dirt, as Packwood accuser Julie Williamson says she was threatened.

The personal price of "telling" can be steep, just as it was for blacks who spoke up when they were the victims of verbal abuse or employment inequity in the workplace. I don't have a finger to point at women or men who keep silent about workplace abuse.

However, when the powerless are victimized it becomes even more important for professional women who do have some degree of power to make sure if someone stands on your clothes and tries to pull your clothes off, you yell all the way to your car and then start honking the horn. It's something we owe other potential victims, if not simply the great god Integrity.

If Bob Packwood was a bottom feeder, anyone who looked the other way for political purposes was right down there sucking up the muck with him.

An injustice comes clean with DNA analysis

By BEN DOBBIN
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The victim said she was positive he was the rapist. The jury took one hour to convict. And the judge put Lennie Callace away for 25 to 50 years.

Nearly six years later, the 38-year-old father of four is back home in a crumbling Brooklyn neighborhood called "The Hole," finally getting even with his anger.

What convinced the criminal justice system they had the wrong man was DNA analysis — hailed as the most powerful forensic tool since fingerprinting. It first was submitted as evidence in a U.S. courtroom in October 1987, eight months after Callace "went to trial for justice and found there was no justice."

Thousands of police investigations have either been dropped or resolved on the basis of genetic identification. And now DNA is being put to a more dramatic use — to overturn wrongful convictions.

In the last two years, in cases where blood, semen, tissue, saliva or bone marrow from the crime scene has been preserved, it has become the final arbiter in setting free at least a dozen men imprisoned around the country for rape.

DNA, or deoxyribonucleic acid, is a molecule in the nucleus of body cells that forms patterns different for each individual except identical twins. The technique of matching DNA in blood samples can also be used to determine parentage.

"I'm glad for that stuff," said Callace, whose indictment was dismissed Oct. 19. "It's going to save the taxpayer's money and save a lot of heartaches."

So far, freedom hasn't been so easy for him to grasp.

Callace can hardly bear to dwell on how Lennie Jr., 15, Frank, 10, Sal, 8, and Elizabeth, 7, have grown up without their father. How his girlfriend "did the bird on me," deciding she couldn't wait for a parole hearing in October 2006.

And how his mother, Delores, grieved over her favorite son until her death from cancer in 1990.

He wasn't permitted to attend her funeral.

"That was my heart, my mother, and I couldn't be there for her," Callace said, struggling not to cry. "She's resting now. She knows I'm home."

"I'm just glad it's over with," he added, "but I've got a lot of hate, frustration. I'm not right. I snap. Last night, I had to go for a walk — 2 o'clock for a walk!"

Callace, a sometime cabdriver, construction worker and petty thief, was picked up in July 1986 and charged with sexually assaulting and sodomizing an 18-year-old nursing-home aide at knifepoint in the parking lot of a shopping center in Selden, on Long Island, in January 1985.

Callace's parents had moved to Long Island in 1973, and their son often visited. So when he missed a court appearance for stealing hub caps, detectives on Long Island were asked to help locate him.

Instead, after noting his description, the detectives snatched Callace at gunpoint outside a corner store in July 1986. The woman picked him out of a line-up as the man who raped her.

Eighteen months earlier, she had described the rapist as 5-foot-10 or taller, with reddish-blond Afro-style hair, a full beard and a cross tattoo on his left hand. Callace is 5-foot-8, has straight blond hair and a goatee he's always kept tightly trimmed, and a tiny cross on his right hand.

The case was weak, and prosecutors offered a deal: Plead guilty and serve just four more months. Callace's legal aid lawyer pressed him to accept. An incensed Callace said no.

At the trial, the defense failed to mention that hair found on the woman's sweater was not Callace's; that eyewitness identification is widely considered to be the least reliable form of evidence;

that another suspect was eliminated after revealing he was circumcised — Callace also is circumcised.

Her testimony was compelling, and the verdict was guilty on all six counts.

"I had to sit down," Callace said. "I turned to my brother and said, 'What's going on here?'"

Callace's current lawyer, Thomas McVann, is more blunt: "Lennie was railroaded. I am sure they put pressure on her. It's a suggestive process."

In maximum-security in Clinton Correctional Facility in upstate New York, Callace said he worked 16 hours a day in the tailor shop, sewing inmate uniforms. His redemption was to befriend a jailhouse lawyer in 1989, when DNA testing was becoming more common.

The legal system lacks guidelines even today on how DNA should be reconsidered, and Callace's request for a test of a semen stain on the woman's blue jeans was denied.

But two years later, Charles Dabbs, a New York inmate convicted of rape, successfully sought a DNA test and was cleared.

Suffolk County Judge John Vaughn allowed a private lab to compare the genetic makeup in Callace's blood to DNA in the semen. The test came back negative.

But with freedom, sleep doesn't come easy. He won't travel anywhere alone. He's wound up like a steel coil, smoking 1 1/2 packs a day, his hawk-like face florid from high blood pressure.

Some days, Callace is with his brother, Pierre, chimney-cleaning or selling Christmas trees. But at weekends, he's back "down The Hole," a basin-shaped, Italian-American enclave where he grew up.

"I live day by day," Callace said, sipping coffee in a family friend's threadbare kitchen. "Yesterday is history. I ain't changed except my marbles are a little loose."

"Am I normal, Val?" he asks his friend.



Lennie Callace, a 38-year-old father of four, stands near his home in the run-down Brooklyn, N.Y., neighborhood known as 'The Hole' earlier this month.

"Half and half," says Valerie Gallo, smiling, squeezing his shoulder.

Callace points at a house where he plans to move — to the top room with the cracked pane. He ambles up the hill with his eldest son, pointing out the white brick house where his family lived. He calls out to a neighbor, Sam Amico, who asks him into his dilapidated home for a cup of wine.

"They treat me the same," Callace says of his neighbors. "I came home in a big stretch limo. They seen me and they went crazy."

Later, thoughts turn to his accuser. "I forgive her but I'm still mad at her," he said. "The cops pumped her so bad she believed them."

The woman's lawyer, David Grossman, denied police pressured her.

"She has absolutely no comment about the DNA test," he said.

More than 10,000 DNA tests have been performed since 1987. About 30 percent of the 6,000-plus DNA tests done by the FBI show there is not a match, said John W. Hicks, assistant director in charge of its laboratory in Washington.

New York attorney Barry Scheck predicted there'll be "hundreds and hundreds of cases" in which convicts make use of DNA "to be freed for crimes they didn't commit." But he warned, "There's a real need to regulate private DNA laboratories to make sure they're reliable."

Scheck helped defend Kerry Kotler, 34, whose conviction for raping a Long Island housewife was reversed Dec. 1 after DNA tests showed there was more than a reasonable doubt of his guilt. Kotler had served 11 years in prison.

Callace could get "maybe a million dollars" in a year under a state law for compensating people who are wrongly convicted, his lawyer said.

It doesn't seem real, like much else, and Callace's plans are tentative — crabbing on the Rockaways, a week's vacation in Hawaii, buying a small house.

Then he breaks into a smile. "Ain't nobody going to stop me now."

A chronology of use of DNA fingerprints

By The Associated Press

A look at the use of DNA fingerprinting as evidence:

1985: Dr. Alec Jeffreys, a British scientist develops a technique, called DNA fingerprinting, that makes it possible to identify murderers and rapists from blood samples with virtually no chance of mistake.

1987: Tommy Lee Andrews becomes the first person convicted with DNA fingerprinting of rape, aggravated battery and burglary.

1988: Timothy W. Spencer, 26, is the first defendant in a U.S. serial-murder case to be convicted with DNA fingerprinting evidence used at his trials.

1989: Sammie Scheff, who spent six months in jail on rape charges, was released after DNA tests cleared him.

1992: Ricky Hammond, convicted in March 1990 of rape despite DNA evidence suggesting he was innocent, is freed pending a new trial after spending more than two years in jail.

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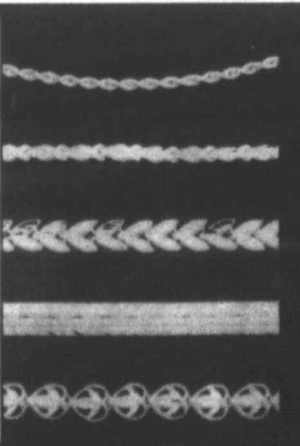
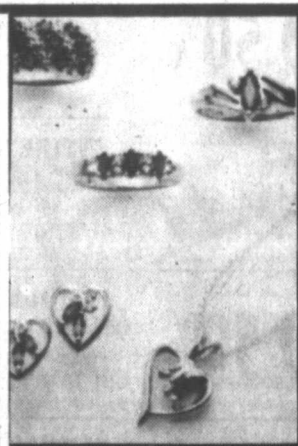
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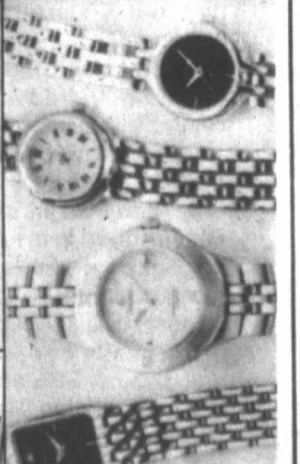
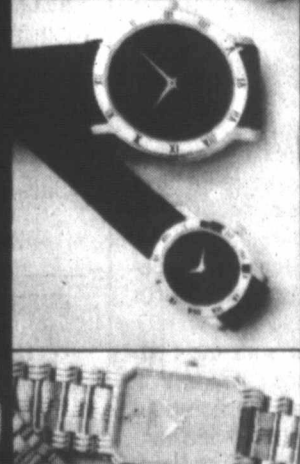
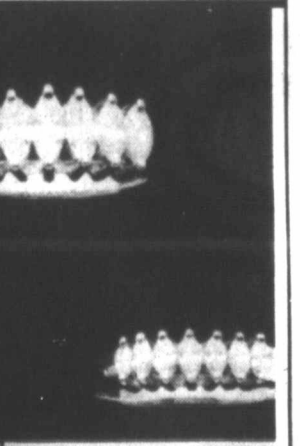
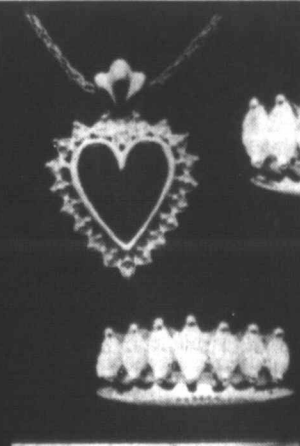
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Nativity postmark draws ire of ACLU

NAZARETH (AP) — Thousands of Christmas cards were postmarked with a special nativity scene before the mailings were halted because of an American Civil Liberties Union protest, the postmaster of this predominantly Catholic community says.

Most of the cards were sent to the Nazareth post office by collectors and by people who wanted their Christmas cards to be mailed with a Nazareth postmark, town postmaster Stephanie Dobmeier said.

The post office last offered the special postmark in 1990 when more than 5,000 postmark requests were received.

"We probably ended up with as many this year," Ms. Dobmeier said Monday night.

But the ACLU complained after seeing a story and picture distributed nationally last week by *The Associated Press* on the Nazareth postmark.

Joe Cook, ACLU director for the northern region of Texas, called the postmark a promotion of the Christian religion in clear violation of constitutional protection of the separation of church and state.

Cook said it was indefensible for postal officials to have allowed the postmark to be used. He said he complained Friday to Don Frisbee, supervising postmaster in Lubbock, requesting "an immediate end to the ... clear violation of the law."

"To his credit, Mr. Frisbee ... did act promptly, within 30 minutes of my notice, to order the Nazareth personnel to cease and desist use of the Christian postmark," Cook said.

The postmark, drawn by a local woman, shows a nativity scene: Mary and her husband, Joseph, adoring the infant Jesus. Two doves encircle the figures with a ribbon that proclaims "Love" and "Peace."

The postmark's bottom is dated Dec. 15, 1992, with Nazareth's name and zip code.

Ms. Dobmeier said the postmark was used in 1990 and again this year only after postal officials in Washington gave their approval.

Ms. Dobmeier declined to comment Friday night about Frisbee's order or about the ACLU's intervention. She deferred comment to her direct supervisor, Don Jones, in Lubbock or Frisbee.

The Associated Press was unable to reach Frisbee or



(AP Photo)

Nazareth Postmaster Stephanie Dobmeier looks through a post office mail slot recently.

Jones Friday night by telephone for comment.

The link from Jesus' hometown to the farming community about 60 miles southwest of Amarillo reaches back to its colonization by a German priest. A history of Holy Family Catholic Church says the Rev. Joseph Reisdorff in 1902 "wanted the parish to have a biblical name and be under the protection of the Holy Family."

Even though Jesus was born in Bethlehem, residents say, Nazareth's "Holy City" reputation shines this time of year. People "seem to relate the town with the season," Ms. Dobmeier said.

The Nazareth post office sits on the corner of First and St. Joseph streets.

Donations to Salvation Army drop

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A sluggish economy, hurricane disasters and negative feelings toward charitable organizations are to blame for a 20 percent drop in donations this year, an area commander for the Salvation Army says.

Maj. Henry Gonzalez, San Antonio-based area commander, said Monday that the 20 percent drop in donations comes as the need for services has increased 35 percent over 1991.

"We're seeing more families coming to us for assistance," Gonzalez said.

About 4,500 families signed up for Christmas assistance this year, he said, and more would have signed up if the organization had not stopped taking applications in late November.

"If you add all those up, and you have four to five in a family, that's a lot of people," Gonzalez said.

The Salvation Army will help about 40,000 people this year, compared with about 29,500 in 1991, said Irma Mellon, director of social services for the Salvation Army.

"There are people out of work, and people are holding on to whatever they have," Gonzalez said, explaining the dwindling donations.

Others "may be employed, but they're having a tough time making ends meet," he said.

Contributions to the Salvation Army also are down in Houston, Dallas and Fort Worth, he said.

"It's just a reflection of the current economic conditions," Gonzalez said.

Gonzalez also said that donors are skeptical about giving to charities following the controversy surrounding the national United Way of America.

"There's been a lot of negative stuff," he said. "The United Way left a negative impression on some people."

But tough times get a share of the blame, too.

Gonzalez said many people are having to choose between giving to charity or paying their electricity bill.

"I cannot blame them for doing the latter," he said.

Another factor, he said, is that "there are a lot of people not certain what will happen in January, with the new presidential administration."

"Maybe people will loosen their purse strings a bit (then)."

"It really puts us in a dilemma — trying to make a decision of whether

to provide services or reduce items," Gonzalez said. "We're leaning toward providing services. But we're being more selective of the people we serve. ... Perhaps the assistance will not be as great."

"The Salvation Army will do what it can," Gonzalez added. But "we are moving cautiously," he said.

Hurricane Andrew also dealt the Salvation Army a serious blow, he said. That left the organization's Christmas fund slim.

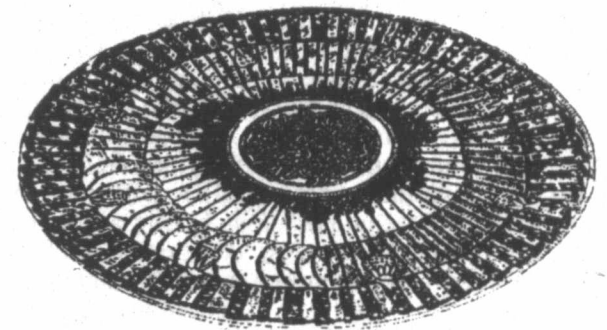
"We only have so much to give to charity," Gonzalez said. "And now at Christmastime, the Salvation Army is having a hard time generating donations."

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Mauro files for bankruptcy; faces \$3.4 million debt

AUSTIN (AP) — General Land Commissioner Garry Mauro says he will not abandon his career in public life even though he has been forced into personal bankruptcy, a move that leaves about \$3.3 million of debt to taxpayers.

"I spent 20 years trying to affect public policy and 10 of those running for public office and I expect to run again," Mauro said.

Mauro filed for bankruptcy Monday, a move caused by his involvement in bad business dealings during the 1980s, he said.

Because all but about \$100,000 of Mauro's debt is held by financial institutions taken over by the federal government, taxpayers probably will be left picking up some of the tab, said Gray Jolink, Mauro's attorney.

"It's a step that I detest," Mauro said. "I was raised to honor my obligations and pay my debts. For four years, I've pursued every avenue at my disposal to do just that. I've expended all my cash — more than \$300,000 — and liquidated all my assets. I don't have anything left except my home, my car and my family. I've gone as far as I can go."

Mauro said the problems grew out of his decision to create a blind trust in 1984. That step was aimed at ending questions about possible conflicts of interest.

The trust, managed by his cousin Don, handled all Mauro's investments, most of which were in real estate ventures such as strip shopping malls, office buildings and apartment complexes. Most of the investments were limited joint ventures with other partners.

"When I started out things were going well, I thought I was smart. A couple of years later, I figured I was lucky. I found that I was neither smart nor lucky," he said.

"I learned that in business, well, business isn't something you dabble in, that having your affairs in a blind trust is not the best way to go. I learned business success depends on being able to devote all your time and energy to it," Mauro said. "I take full responsibility."

The bankruptcy filing does not reflect on his abilities to serve as land commissioner, Mauro said.

"I created a blind trust. I made a mistake possibly about who I appointed as my blind trustee. But I didn't have anything to do with the day-to-day management of this," Mauro said.

"I named the trustee and I was certain he would do a good job. And candidly, considering the bank and real estate markets in Texas, he probably did as good a job as he could have done or as I would have done if I had been involved in my own affairs."

Jolink said Mauro reached agreements with most of his creditors for payment of his debts.

But efforts to work with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Resolution Trust Corporation, which assumes control of failed savings and loans, failed, Jolink said, because of a "bureaucratic logjam."

Mauro said he and Jolink did their best at working with the federal regulators.

"I don't think there's any doubt that there's going to be some debt that the FDIC-RTC are going to end up having to cover," Mauro said. "The only people that wouldn't talk to me were the government, or wouldn't talk to my lawyer. They've got all my assets and they've got all

my money. I can't do anymore."

The filing was forced on him, Mauro said, when his bank account was seized for debt payment.

"What caused this final filing was when a Republican ended up with one of my notes and garnished my bank account. It finally occurred to me that in modern-day America, you couldn't function without a checking

account," Mauro, a Democrat, said.

"I tell you what, there's nothing more humbling than the day that you help elect a guy president of the United States, you also have to go down to the check-cashing store to get money orders to pay your debts," said Mauro, who chaired President-elect Bill Clinton's campaign in Texas.

Mauro, who makes about \$77,000 a year as land commissioner, will retain possession of his \$318,000 Austin home, his 1992 Dodge Caravan and personal possessions, he said.

But his wife, a corporate attorney, may be forced to give up interest in two Washington, D.C., condominiums she invested in while working in the nation's capital, he said.

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Club members' motto: We're 'born to shop'

By TONI Y. JOSEPH
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS (AP) — If you hear "oodle, oodle" while shopping, don't be startled. It's the call of a lost shopper — specifically, a displaced member of the Born to Shop Club.

This is no ordinary group of shoppers. The eight members wear matching "I Love to Shop" T-shirts, drive a vehicle large enough for the entire club and their purchases, get in and out of the vehicle about 40 times on a typical shopping day, award a statue to the one who finds the bargain of the day and even hum and sing like a busload of nuns.

The Shop Club descends on Dallas-area discount and outlet stores four or five times a year, including the biggest shopping day of the year: the day after Thanksgiving. As a warm-up this year, the eight relatives held a night-before slumber party at the Preston Hollow home of Sandy McRae.

To understand these power shoppers and their shared enthusiasm for bargain hunting is to appreciate sisterly affection. Twenty years ago, Pauline Moore, 64, lived in Wichita Falls, and Letrice Henning, 68, lived in Longview. Visits, they figured, would be easier if they met halfway, in Dallas. It wasn't long before the sisters discovered the shopping bonanza offered by Big D, and a family tradition was born.

Ms. Moore's daughter and granddaughter, who also live in Wichita Falls, joined up, as did Ms. Henning's daughter and a third sister,

Crooks move in and out of Fort Worth

FORT WORTH (AP) — A band of con artists moved in and out of the city in recent days, tricking several elderly people out of about \$12,000, police say.

"They're very difficult to catch," said Fort Worth police detective Chuck King.

Police believe the hustlers were part of a gang that "just comes through, makes a few hits and they're gone," King said. They typically obtained several thousand dollars by persuading victims to withdraw sums from bank cash machines.

In one scam, a woman brought an envelope of money to the victim, saying she had found it on the street. She and a partner persuaded the victim to withdraw money from a cash machine to show "good faith" in splitting the "found" money.

"They said they would return the good-faith money and then part of the big money would be split," the victim told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The hustlers disappeared when the victim drove them to another bank where one of them had said she would withdraw "good faith" money.

Another scam involved con artists pretending to be visitors from another country who wish to give money to charity but don't trust banks. The con artists tell victims they will leave the money with them if they can prove they have a reputable bank by withdrawing cash.

When the victim checks a bag that supposedly contains all the money, the con artists are gone and so is the withdrawn cash.

King said the victims are often stunned by the possibility they have come onto a large amount of cash.

"There's a little avarice there," King said. "They get a little greedy and think their ship has come in, and they are willing to show a little good-faith money to get the money."

Elderly people are most commonly targeted, the detective said, because they often have access to cash savings, trust others and typically have poorer eyesight that makes them poor witnesses.

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Elsie Jordan. Other relatives successfully lobbied to be included, and participate when they can.

At about 9 a.m., the ladies squeeze into Ms. McRae's extended Chevy Suburban and ease onto West Northwest Highway. They're headed to a women's fashion outlet, the day's first stop.

"It's the first place we always go," says Ms. McRae, 46, Ms. Henning's daughter.

A voice in the back of the Suburban mumbles, "They (Fashion Outlet Store) probably won't have much today."

But it has enough for this group. Inside the store, members fan out, each keeping an eye on the whereabouts of her "buddy." Much of the merchandise is bargain-priced summer clothing, but Ms. McRae and others quickly snap up a few accessories and a shorts set. They're in and out of the store in less than 20 minutes, long enough for a few patrons to ask who they are.

The group is frequently asked this question, mostly because members resemble some sort of team. Their black T-shirts "I Love to Shop" appliques are sequined and sparkle in the early morning sun. The women grin a lot, too, like characters in a toothpaste commercial. Their infectious giggles also turn heads.

"People always ask if we're a

singing group," says Ms. McRae, giggling.

The next stop on their list of 27 stores — a designer handbag outlet tucked away in a nondescript North Dallas office park — is closed.

No problem. Twenty-year-old Kristi Craig, who is the youngest member and today's navigator, points south. A dash down Interstate 35 takes the group to Regal Row, a street filled with several underground outlet and discount stores. A look at the day's itinerary reveals that the group was scheduled to conquer this strip after lunch, but what the heck.

"Flexibility is important," says Paula Vaughn, 44, Ms. Moore's daughter.

Signs posted in the median along Regal Row advertise a host of shops not included on the list. The women wheel into Herbert Stehberg Inc., a wholesale jewelry and accessories store on King Arthur Drive off of Regal. The tiny store specializes in costume jewelry — pins, earrings, bracelets, necklaces. The clerk tells the group that every item is 75 percent off today.

No one can resist such a bargain. Club members buy so much, in fact, that the owner emerges from a back room with his special stock of rhinestone "I Love to Shop" pins. Club members "ooh" and "ahh" and good-naturedly try to persuade

Garry Okowita to lower his price on the pins.

Four of the women leave with new, glittery brooches.

Around the corner is an import shop that specializes in seasonal items. Ms. Vaughn spots a Christmas tree for her husband's office. Ms. Jordan, 63, picks a pair of decorative cherubs. The group files out of the jam-packed store 15 minutes after entering — but not before, once again, several other shoppers stop them to ask whether they're tourists.

At Sheryl's Basement, Ms. Jordan sniffs out the bargain of the day, a \$1 brownish-print blouse, and wins the "Bargain of the Day" bronze statue. Even though Ms. Vaughn dallies long enough to try on a color-block sweater, the excursion takes about 20 minutes.

Next stop: Vantage Street, home of the shoe outlet of the same name. There, the group picks up another shopper, Jean Anderson, 41, and scatters down the street chock-full of discount houses. Ms. Anderson, daughter-in-law of Ms. Jordan, finds a white Western shirt for less than \$17. The price is right, so she takes home two.

As she leaves the store, she's greeted by a chorus of, "Ooh, how cute! Where'd you find it?"

"Back of the store," Ms. Anderson says.

Sheryl Henning, 29, can't resist the price or style, so she heads for the back of the store and buys the same blouse.

"I had a list," Ms. Henning explains. "I needed a concho belt, some silver earrings and a cowboy shirt. That's what I came home with, plus a few other things."

An hour later, club members rest up over lunch at the Loews Anatole. They pray, eat sandwiches, make pit stops and talk.

Then they pose for pictures in the hotel lobby and dash over to another cluster of outlet stores on Inwood Road near Interstate 35.

"There's just so much here," Ms. McRae says of Dallas shopping. "We can barely cover all the places."

When chattering subsides in the Suburban, Ms. McRae starts humming the "Born to Shop" theme song — a piece Ms. Moore wrote to the tune of "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing."

After two decades of group shopping, everyone knows everyone else's taste and sizes. The trips are planned around discount and outlet stores, but the group is not above cruising garage sales. They don't shop for recreation or out of boredom, Ms. Vaughn says. Their primary objective is camaraderie.

Another objective is bargain hunting, Ms. Henning says. They seek

items sold in department and specialty stores for a fraction of the cost. Several of the women buy watches adorned with tiny Christmas trees, sleighs and other seasonal decorations. A local department store sells the same \$7 to \$10 watches for \$30.

"We don't buy anything unless we really want it," Ms. Vaughn says.

Adds Ms. Henning: "We never really know what we're going to go home with."

Their end-of-the-day inventory confirms that. Dashing in and out of 20 stores, club members buy everything from a whole cooked ham to assorted barrettes.

The variety is made possible, in part, by planning. The group pre-selects most stores from the multiple that advertise in Hidden Values Outlet & Discount Directory, a monthly purse-sized directory of outlet and discount stores. Members are longtime devotees of the booklet, and a photograph of the four original Born to Shop Club members appeared in the January 1987 edition.

By the end of the day, the women return to Ms. McRae's kitchen, where bags are sorted and parceled out to their rightful owners. There are tearful goodbyes, then everyone goes her separate way.

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Stepfamilies find flexibility foremost during holidays

By MIA B. MOODY
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO (AP) — Christmas Day is usually a peaceful, carefree time for children, but it may be one of the worst days of the year for those in stepfamilies.

The first Christmas after Van Jones' second marriage was an awkward holiday for his newly blended family. Even outfitting the family Christmas tree was stressful.

"We had one Christmas tree and enough ornaments for several because everybody wanted to make sure that their family's decorations were included," said Jones, director of treatment services at the Methodist Home Family Services and Counseling Center.

Over the last seven years the Jones-Gibson clan has reduced the number of Christmas ornaments to only the most important. The new assortment includes some purchased before and after Jones remarried.

The father said flexibility has helped his two biological children, ages 17 and 23, and three stepchildren, ages 15, 22 and 23, adjust to sharing Christmas with one another.

"When you are in a blended family, you have to be flexible because children are going back and forth between mom and dad," he said. "It is helpful to focus on your time with the kids and not on their time with other people."

Christmas planning is seldom peaceful for new stepfamilies. The holiday season often is stressful because it stirs up old feelings that have not been resolved.

Older children may not want to take part in family activities because they are resentful. Families may also have trouble deciding which family traditions will be recognized.

Dr. James Bray, a psychologist and associate professor of family medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, said bringing two families together will result in a few disappointments. "So have reasonable expectations and be patient," he said.

Bray said parents should keep a few things in mind during the Christmas season. For example, be careful not to give preferential treatment to biological children.

"If the non-custodial, remarried parents give preferential treatment to their biological children and not their stepchildren, hard feelings may result," he said.

The professor also recommends creating new family traditions and

retaining old ones. He said rituals can become shared experiences that will help solidify the family. However, he said stepparents should not overpower Christmas with drastic changes.

Joan Anderson, author of "The Single Mother's Book," said parents also should give special consideration to their teen-agers during the holidays.

"The holidays are a stressful time for teens," she said in a telephone interview from Nashville. "Parents should give them time alone if they need it."

Also, if a teen wants to spend time with relatives of an ex-spouse, let them, she said.

"Pay attention to their requests because what is good for children is good for the family," she said. "They may end up at someone else's house on Christmas Day so make arrangements to open gifts at a different time, such as Christmas Eve."

Scott Finnell, who remarried seven years ago, agrees that flexibility is the key to peace at Christmas.

He often spends Christmas Eve on the road with his 11-year-old daughter Amanda en route to Dallas where he enjoys Christmas Day with his wife, Judy, and stepdaughters, McKenna and Bailey Sharbrough, ages 10 and 11.

"You've got to be flexible, he said, because the minute you start saying, 'I want, I need or I must have,' things are going to crumble."

Finnell said his family has followed several guidelines to make Christmas holidays a little more peaceful.

For starters, he has developed a businesslike relationship with his ex-wife who lives about a minute away from him in Hewitt. This makes it easier during the holiday season and the whole year, he said.

Finnell added parents should also make sure they are not trying to outdo each other at Christmas to make up for lost time.

"Children of divorce often receive an abundance of gifts from both sides of the family," he said. "Parents need to look at the message that this sends to children."

If parents can't make Christmas peaceful for themselves, they should do it for the sake of their children.

Finnell's daughter, Amanda, who was 4 when her parents divorced, said she has devised a special way to make the holidays peaceful.

"If I am having a hard time going to sleep, I close my eyes and think about all of the good things that have happened and I know that it will be OK," she said.

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Man mourning pet snake ashamed of grief

DEAR ABBY: I had to write when I read the letter about David, the 9-year-old boy who was laughed at for crying when Prettyboy, his parakeet, died. People would say, "It was only a bird."

I'm a 24-year-old man. Two years ago I moved to California. In my fully packed car, I brought my mother and Poobo — my 4-foot boa constrictor. I had Poobo for 3 1/2 years.

A month after I arrived in San Francisco, I moved into a warehouse in Oakland. It was great, except it was very cold inside, and boa constrictors need at least 75-degree temperatures. Unfortunately, I couldn't come up with a way to keep Poobo warm until it was too late, and he died of pneumonia.

I found him dead during my lunch break from work. I cried so hard, I couldn't return to work that day. When I went back to my job, I was depressed and teary-eyed and people would say, "It was only a snake; how can you cry over a snake?"

Abby, I had had Poobo since he was a baby. I watched him grow. I could tell when he was hungry or in a bad mood. If I left him for too long, he would "pout" and refuse to come near me. He had feelings just like any other pet. To this day, I get a lump in my throat when I think of him. I've had snakes as pets all my life, but after losing Poobo, I don't think I'll get another one. Losing him was too hard on me.

So, David, cry all you want over Prettyboy. Real friends will understand what you are going through, and they will sympathize with you. All 9-year-olds cry, 29-year-olds cry,



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

and 99-year-olds cry when they lose a beloved pet.

Abby, please put this in your column for David to see.

KELLY ARNAUDON,
PITTSBURG, CALIF.

DEAR KELLY: Here's your letter. I hope David finds comfort from it. No one should be ashamed to cry. Tears come naturally, and are healing.

DEAR ABBY: This is for "X-Ray Tech" who wrote to say that numerous women, while having a mammogram, will say to the technician, "My, what a disgusting job you have!"

For my 35th birthday, as a gift to myself, I took your advice and got my first mammogram. When I walked through the door at Sky Park Mammography Center in Torrance, Calif., the receptionist congratulated me for taking good care of myself.

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The technician was obviously very well-trained. She put me at ease, explained the procedure, answered all my questions and made me feel very comfortable. A "disgusting" job? Hardly!

Abby, there will always be people who can't find anything positive to say about anything.

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KATHY HUNNICUT,
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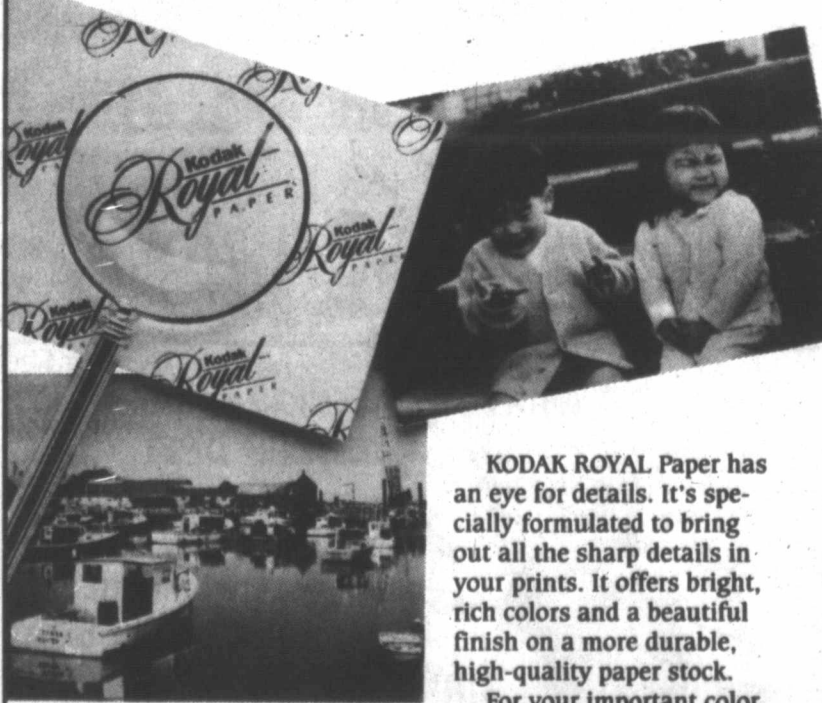
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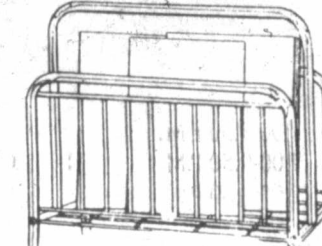


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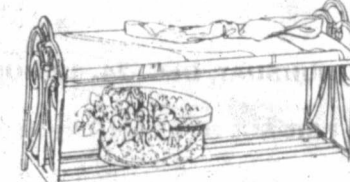
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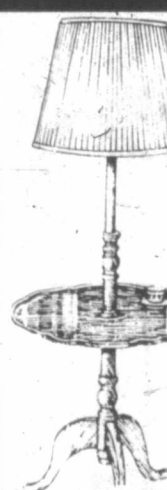
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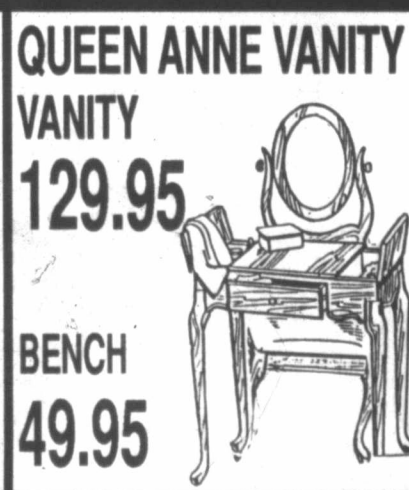
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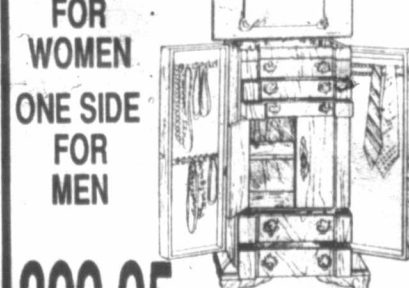
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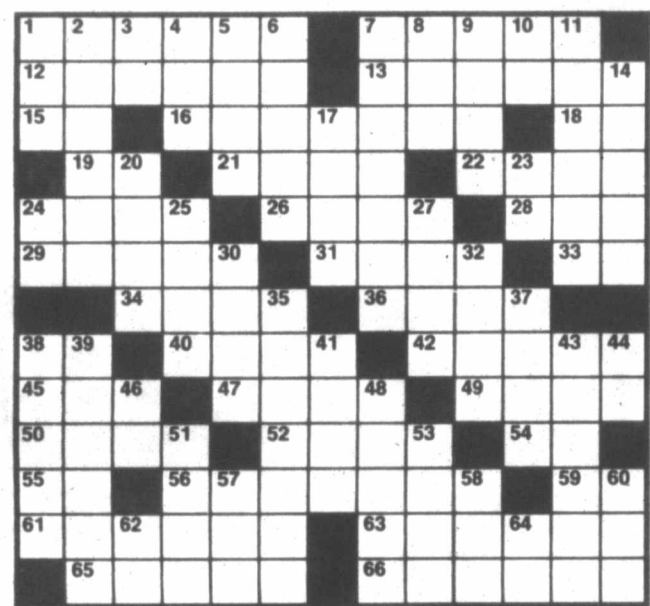
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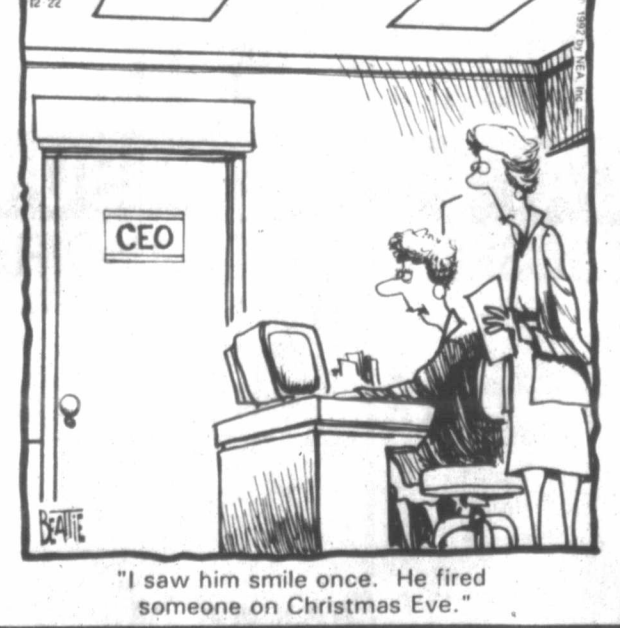


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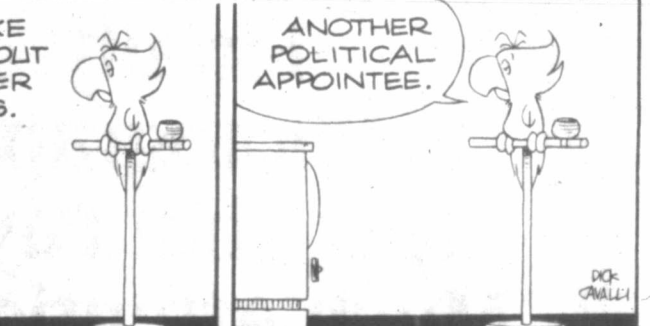
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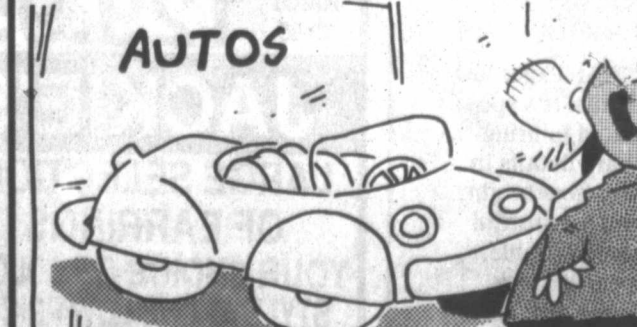
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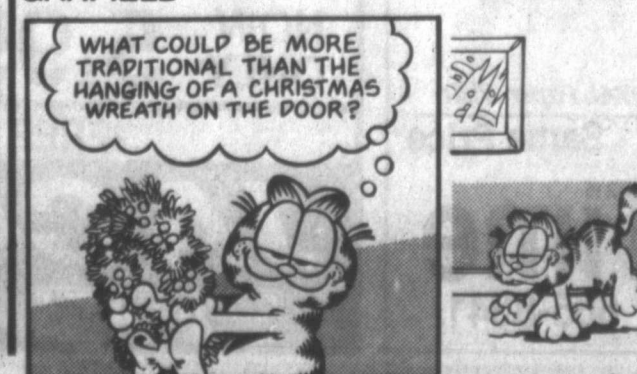
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By Jim Davis



Astro-Graph

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Ventures or endeavors you undertake now could have promising, long range effects. Plan tomorrow with great care. What you envision is reachable. Capricorn, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Capricorn's Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) New life can now inspire an enterprise that looked like a lost cause. You believed in it previously and soon you may believe in it again.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Contacts you make now can do a great deal to advance your personal interests. It looks like you'll become involved with a new crowd who are doers rather than duffers.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You've entered into a promising cycle that will last for the next few weeks; you can advance your status in life if you apply yourself. Set realistic objectives and pursue them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Beginning today, experiences you gain could help broaden your outlook and perspective. A happier and wiser you may result from your new slant on life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might be invited to join an endeavor at this time with someone you know and trust. The foundation already has been established, but you can still make effective contributions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Partnerships which you enter in this cycle could be beneficial for both you and your allies. There is strength, as well as opportunity, in these unions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There are indications you might be given a larger range of responsibility where your work or career is concerned. Perform to the best of your ability, because rewards will be proportionate.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Happy changes could now be available to you regarding your social life and popularity. Present relationships may also become more meaningful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Influences that affect your home and family life could undergo constructive changes in this time frame. Harmony will replace discord.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Listen carefully to ideas or proposals brought to you by others, because they might provide you with constructive elements that you can incorporate into your immediate plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your chart indicates a marked improvement in your financial trends. Be alert, because profitable new channels or situations might open up for you over the coming weeks.

Sports

Cowboys crush Falcons

Dallas wraps up NFC East championship

By ED SHEARER
AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — Coach Jimmy Johnson isn't calling the Dallas Cowboys America's team.

He'll let others do that after the Cowboys wrapped up the NFC East championship Monday night with a 41-17 victory over the Atlanta Falcons.

"I think most people in the country will recognize the NFC East as the most difficult division in all of football and to be able to win it with still one game to go, it really says something about our football team," Johnson said.

Troy Aikman threw for three touchdowns and Emmitt Smith ran for season-high 174 yards and scored twice on 29-yard runs as the Cowboys claimed their 14th division championship in history — the first since 1985.

"This is important," Aikman said of winning the division and clinching a first-round bye in the playoffs. "How many teams have made it to the Super Bowl without the bye?"

"Winning the East was obviously a goal of ours, and drawing the bye," he said. "It's one less game we have to play."

"Just a tremendous feeling being Eastern Division champs," linebacker Ken Norton said. "I've been here for a few years, and I can recall when things weren't quite so exciting. It's way too soon to celebrate. We've got unfinished business."

The Cowboys (12-3) put this one out of reach with two touch-

downs within 25 seconds after fumble recoveries in the third quarter helped build a 34-10 lead.

The Falcons (6-9) also yielded a field goal after a lost fumble in the opening period, then drove 73 yards for their only lead of the game, scoring on a 6-yard pass from Wade Wilson to Drew Hill with 5:21 left in the opening period.

Aikman's scoring passes went for 11 yards to Kelvin Martin and 18 yards to Jay Novacek in the second quarter and 23 yards to Alvin Harper in the third.

Lin Elliott had field goals of 47 and 22 yards.

"It's been a long day for us," Falcons coach Jerry Glavine said. "We thought at halftime we really had a shot."

Thomas Everett got the Cowboys going early when he returned Mike Pritchard's fumble 15 yards to the Atlanta 35.

The Falcons appeared ready to play at that point, holding Dallas to 6 yards and forcing the Cowboys to settle for Elliott's 47-yard field goal and a 3-0 lead.

The quick strikes in the third quarter came after Larry Brown recovered Steve Broussard's fumble on the Atlanta 48.

It took only three plays to score — runs of 8 and 17 yards by Smith and Aikman's 18-yard pass to Harper, who got behind Tim McKyer.

Deion Sanders fumbled away the ensuing kickoff, with Everett getting his second recovery on the Atlanta 29.

Smith scored on the first play, breaking out of a stack at the line of scrimmage, hitting the right sideline and getting a foot in the end zone on a bump by Sanders at the 1.

Aikman completed 18 of 21 passes for 239 yards as the Cowboys had little trouble moving the ball throughout the game.

Atlanta's other scoring came on a 27-yard field goal by Norm Johnson and a 10-yard pass from Wilson to Andre Rison with 8:15 left in the game.

Wilson threw for 342 yards, hitting 30 of 41 passes.

Smith has 1,582 rushing yards, five shy of NFL leader Barry Foster.

Scoring Summary				
Dallas	3	17	14	7-41
Atlanta	7	3	0	7-17
First Quarter				
Dal—FG Elliott	47	5:29		
Atl—Hill 6 pass from Wilson (Johnson kick)	9:39			
Second Quarter				
Dal—Martin 11 pass from Aikman (Elliott kick)	5:33			
Dal—FG Elliott	22	8:46		
Dal—Novacek 18 pass from Aikman (Elliott kick)	13:46			
Atl—FG Johnson	27	15:00		
Third Quarter				
Dal—Harper 23 pass from Aikman (Elliott kick)	3:10			
Dal—E. Smith 29 run (Elliott kick)	3:35			
Fourth Quarter				
Dal—E. Smith 29 run (Elliott kick)	1:45			
Atl—Rison 10 pass from Wilson (Johnson kick)	6:45			
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The Cowboys' Emmitt Smith rushed for a season-high 174 yards Monday night against the Falcons. (AP Photo)

Oakland re-signs Sierra

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Now that the Oakland Athletics have signed outfielder Ruben Sierra to a five-year contract, the team is turning its attention to its last premier free agent — first baseman Mark McGwire.

But A's general manager Sandy Alderson said Monday that he is ready to look elsewhere for a first baseman if the team can't work out a deal with McGwire.

The first baseman, who hit 42 homers and drove in 104 runs while batting .268 last season, is said to be deciding between the Athletics and the Chicago White Sox.

"We'd like to sign McGwire," Alderson said. "Our fans would like him to come back. He certainly would make us more competitive than if we started to play this afternoon."

"I don't think (Sierra's signing) adds any pressure sign McGwire. ... There are first basemen we could acquire. Just as an example, Randy Milligan of Baltimore. There are other people who are available."

Alderson said that the Athletics' total payroll, depending on what happens with McGwire, will end up somewhere around \$33 million — \$3 million more than the team's target but lower than last season's total.

Alderson refused to say how much signing Sierra had cost the team, but said the deal was worth less than news reports have indicated.

Sierra's agent, Bob Wolff, said a few days ago that a deal with Oakland was close to being completed for about \$30 million.

Sierra is a three-time All-Star. The 27-year-old outfielder was acquired by Oakland on Aug. 31 along with pitchers Jeff Russell and Bobby Witt in the trade that sent Jose Canseco to Texas.

Last year, Sierra won a record \$5 million in salary arbitration. Alderson said Sierra requested a five-year deal.

"That was something that Ruben wanted," Alderson said. "He had been offered shorter contracts for more money on an annual average basis. But that's not what he was looking for."

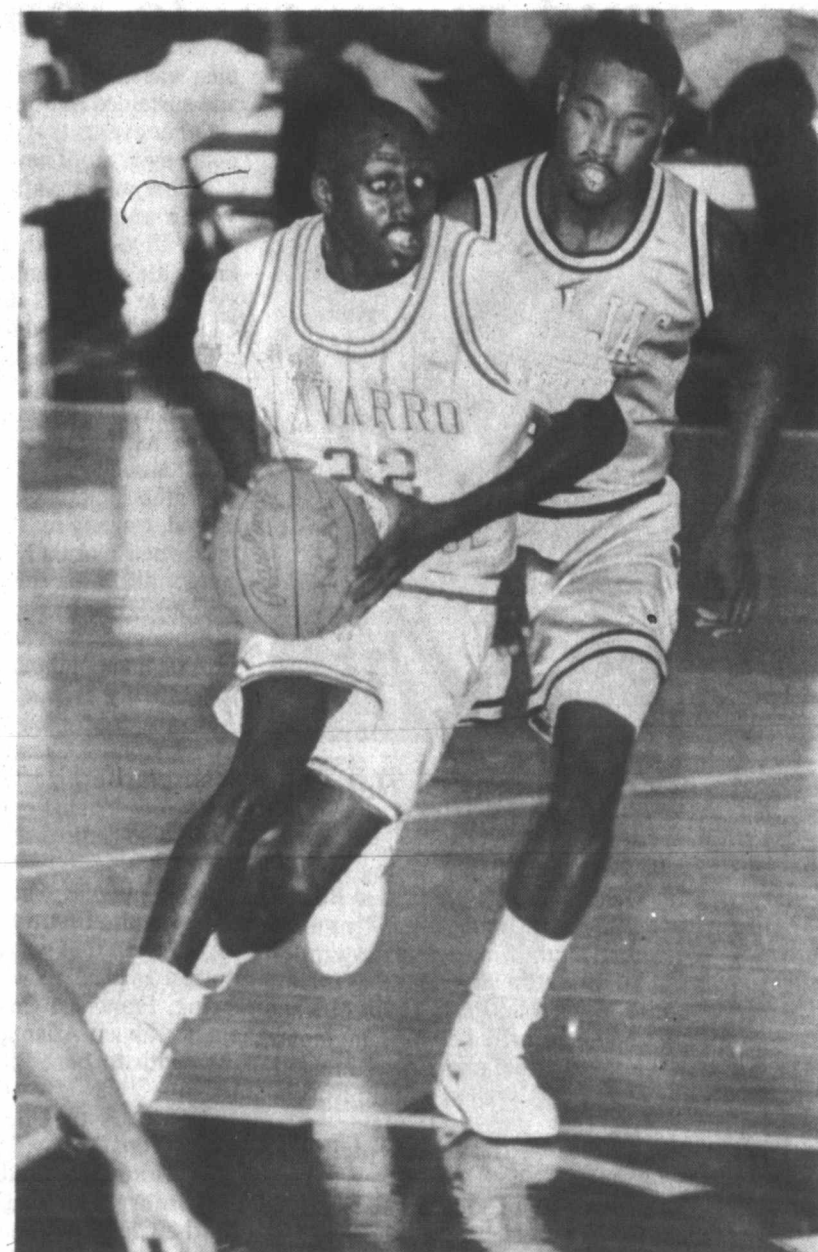
Sierra hit .278 with 17 homers and 87 RBIs overall last season. He played in 27 games for the Athletics, hitting .277 with three homers and 17 RBIs.

Alderson said he liked Oakland's chances to keep McGwire. The A's have won the AL West in four of the last five years, including last season, and McGwire has been a major factor. The Athletics' chances for 1993 were uncertain as they went into the offseason with more than a dozen players eligible for free agency.

"I think they are pretty good," Alderson said of McGwire signing prospects during a conference call. "If it's going to happen at all, it will happen in the next two or three days."

Some observers said it would be difficult for the A's to keep both Sierra and McGwire and keep down the payroll.

The A's lost starting pitchers Dave Stewart and Mike Moore earlier this month.



Cedrick Wilbon drives hard to the basket in a recent game. (Special Photo)

Pampa's Wilbon makes swift transition from prep to collegiate basketball

Ex-Harvester on starting JUCO team

By DAN FROMM
Sports Writer

Cedrick Wilbon started his college basketball career on the bench of a small junior college. But according to his coach, he could be playing at a first-rate Division I school before it's all said and done.

Wilbon attends Navarro College and when the basketball season first got underway, he was not a starter. Now he's the second-leading scorer on the team. He starts at point guard, but Wilbon is also used at the off-guard position. He's third on the team in assists (averaging just over two per game) and also grabs an average of two rebounds per game.

Wilbon, who graduated from Pampa High last spring, is averaging 14 points through the first 12 games of the season and 19 points in Navarro's eight conference games. In his last three conference games, Wilbon is averaging 29.7 points.

And the conference, the Texas Eastern League, is one of the best for junior college basketball. In last year's NCAA Division I tournament, the league had 22 of its for-

mer players represented on the 64 teams.

The six-foot Wilbon is the only player from Texas on Navarro's roster and assistant coach Darrell Pattillo described him as "a diamond in the rough." As a Harvester, Wilbon was the team's leading scorer two years in a row. In 1990-91, Wilbon averaged 21.7 points per game, breaking the single-season record for most points with 828. In 91-92, he averaged 19.5 points.

Wilbon is making the transition from high school to college quite well. In a recent conference game against San Jacinto, Wilbon went head-to-head against Michael Lloyd. Lloyd signed out of high school to play for Nolan Richardson at Arkansas, but failed to meet all the academic requirements. Lloyd scored 27 points in the game... Wilbon scored 30.

But Pattillo commended Wilbon for more than just scoring. He is averaging less than 1.5 turnovers per game while doing the majority of the team's ball-handling.

"He was definitely under-recruited coming out of high school," Pattillo said. But the coach doubts that will happen again. If he continues his success at Navarro, Pattillo said this "diamond in the rough" will most likely play at a top-50 Division I school.

Colorado State names Lubick as new football coach

By JOHN MOSSMAN
AP Sports Writer

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) — Sonny Lubick is running short of fingers to hold national championship rings, so he's accepting a new challenge — that of head football coach at Colorado State University.

Lubick, Miami's defensive coordinator the last four seasons, was named on Monday to the CSU post. He succeeds Earle Bruce, fired amid controversy last month.

Lubick, 55, signed a five-year contract that will pay him a base salary of \$100,000 annually. He'll remain at Miami, however, until the top-ranked Hurricanes take care of some unfinished business — their pursuit of a third national title in the last four years when they take on No. 2 Alabama in the Sugar Bowl.

Lubick said he wasn't pressured by CSU to leave Miami immediately.

"That was not even brought up by CSU," he said Monday in a speakerphone interview from Miami. "I'm sure they knew the things I had to do (in preparing for

the bowl game), and that two or three days a week wouldn't make that much of a difference."

Until the bowl game, Lubick said he will do some recruiting by telephone for CSU, as well as contacting potential assistant coaches. "I expect to be in Colorado by Jan. 3 at the latest," he said.

Lubick was interviewed at CSU on Sunday, then returned to Miami for a final practice prior to a short Christmas break for the players. He was offered the job Monday morning and accepted almost immediately.

He said the decision was made easier by encouragement from Miami head coach Dennis Erickson, a long-time friend.

"Dennis has been tremendously supportive of this move, 'almost to the point that I thought he wanted to get rid of me,'" Lubick said.

Lubick returns to the school where he served as offensive coordinator from 1982-84. He previously was both an assistant and head coach at Montana State.

After leaving CSU, he was an assistant at Stanford, serving vari-

ously as passing-game coordinator and secondary coach.

He joined Erickson's staff at Washington State, but never coached a game in a brief off-season stint that ended when he accompanied his boss to Miami in 1989.

The Hurricanes won national championships in 1989 and 1991. In both seasons they were ranked first nationally in most defensive categories.

"Recruiting is important, obviously, but we've got to get everything else going, too," he said. "I want to meet with the boosters, the friends of CSU, to sell our program."

"We've got to get people believing in our program, which I know can be successful. I feel we can win a lot of games at CSU."

Lubick replaces Bruce, fired Nov. 23 for allegedly violating NCAA rules, abusing his players and creating a climate of "intimidation and fear."

Bruce, 22-24-1 in four seasons at CSU, had two years left on his contract and threatened legal action against the university.

The two sides reached a settle-

ment last week that will pay Bruce \$110,000 in salary and benefits.

Lubick said he planned to incorporate aspects of both the Miami offense and defense at CSU, depending on the personnel and the assistants he hires.

"I would like to throw the football, using some one-back," he said.

CSU athletic director Corey Johnson said Lubick was chosen because of his "special feelings for CSU and his great passion for the game of football. He is a player's coach, sincere and caring. And he brings instant recognition to Colorado."

Above all, he knows how to win. Not many coaches are going for their third national championship.

Lubick won out over four other candidates — Paul Schudel of Ball State, Jim Hess of New Mexico State, Ted Kessinger of Bethany (Kan.) College, and New York Jets assistant Greg Robinson.

Another finalist, Tulsa's Dave Rader, withdrew from consideration on Sunday.

Pampa bowling roundup

LADIES TRIO LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Schiffman Machine	35	25
Rosie's Raiders	32 1/2	27 1/2
Wheeler Evans	32	28
R.L. Gordy	30 1/2	29 1/2
Team Six	29	31
Peggy's Tree Ser.	20	40

Week's High Scores

High scratch series: Carla Schiffman 557; High scratch game: Carla Schiffman 224; High handicap series: Jan Bockmon 645; High handicap game: Cheryl Lanham 255.

MEN'S PETROLEUM LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Easy's Club	41	19
Reed's Welding	40	20
Flint Engineering	27 1/2	32 1/2
Panhandle Industrial	27	33
U.S. Navy	25 1/2	34 1/2
Wink's	19	41

Week's High Scores

High scratch series: Alvin Stokes 572; High scratch game: Jesse Cannon 233; High handicap series: Raymond Ward Jr. 643; High handicap game: Randy Carter 232.

HARVESTER WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
GAS & Go	37 1/2	18 1/2
Locke Cattle Co.	36	20
Play More Music	34 1/2	21 1/2
Keyes Pharmacy	29	27
H & H Sporting	25	31

Week's High Scores

High scratch series: Rose Johnson 523; High scratch game: Bettye Clegg 190; High handicap series: Betty Lyman 656; High handicap

HARVESTER MEN'S LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Harvester Lanes	38	18
OCAW	37	19
Danny's Market	33	23
B & B Solvent	31	25
Earl Henry's	28	28
Cabot Pampa Plant	21	34
Dyer's BBQ	21	35
Frito Lay	14 1/2	41 1/2

Week's High Scores

High scratch series: James Richardson 693; High scratch game: James Richardson 279; High handicap series: T. Shawn Deaver 702; High handicap game: James Homer and James Richardson 281.

WED. NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Derrick Club	43	13
Chingadera's	36	20
Respond	36	20
Don's Pro Shop	31	25
Showcase	29	27
Harvester Lanes	27	29
Cox Enterprises	24	32
Peggy's Place	22	24
Panhandle Equip.	20	36
Carter's Automotive	18	34
Parks Welding	26 1/2	25 1/2
Black Gold	18 1/2	32 1/2

High series: Men — Andy Anderson 620; Women — Emma Bowers 573; High game: Men — Ray Romack 237; Women — Emma Bowers 221.

Buffalo in position to win AFC East crown

By JOHN F. BONFATTI
AP Sports Writer

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Looking for a clue as to how the Buffalo Bills will play on any given week? Don't ask coach Marv Levy.

"It's hard to tell when a team is up or not up," Levy said.

A better idea would be to see who's on the schedule. As was the case in Sunday's 20-16 victory over the New Orleans Saints, the Bills have shown a predisposition toward playing their best against good teams — and their worst against the others.

The Bills can't explain why they can beat NFC powers like the Saints and the San Francisco 49ers, and lose to average teams like the New York Jets and the Indianapolis Colts. Buffalo did the latter consecutively in the last month.

"During the season, there's going to be a lot of stumbling along the way," cornerback Nate Odomes said Monday. "We just happened to do it two weeks in a row."

"A lot of teams in the league had a stretch like that. It's something you weather, and we've done that."

Buffalo (11-4) has righted a ship that was listing badly after the demoralizing loss to the Jets three weeks ago.

Victories over Denver and the Saints have put the Bills in position to claim their fifth straight AFC East title and home-field advantage for as long as they win in the AFC playoffs. All they have to do is beat Houston in the Astrodome next Sunday night.

If the Bills' habit of playing up — or down — to the level of their competition continues, the Oilers (9-6) should be ready for a battle.

Levy said he understands why people think the Bills' effort in any given game is dictated by the relative strength of the opposition.

"The results of our games would indicate that, but I hope our players realize the competition is always good," he said. Odomes also understands the logic.

"If you looked at who we lost to, that's a good assumption," he said. "Those two clubs (the Colts and Jets) came out and made their seasons versus us."

Jim Kelly said the Bills aren't the only team that seems to stumble in games they're supposed to win.

"During the course of the year, everybody is going to lose a game against a team they're supposed to beat," he said. "We'd like to come out with those wins, but sometimes you don't. I wish I had the answer."

Both the Jets and the Colts were badly banged up when the Bills played them, and Kelly said players notice that. The Saints, he said, probably felt the task of beating the Bills would be easier because defensive end Bruce Smith didn't play, and linebacker Cornelius Bennett missed the second half.

"You see a team with a lot of injuries, and you think that team will take a step backward, but we showed yesterday that teams can't do that," Kelly said. "Bruce didn't play, Biscuit (Bennett) and (Steve) Tasker got hurt, and we all rose to the occasion."

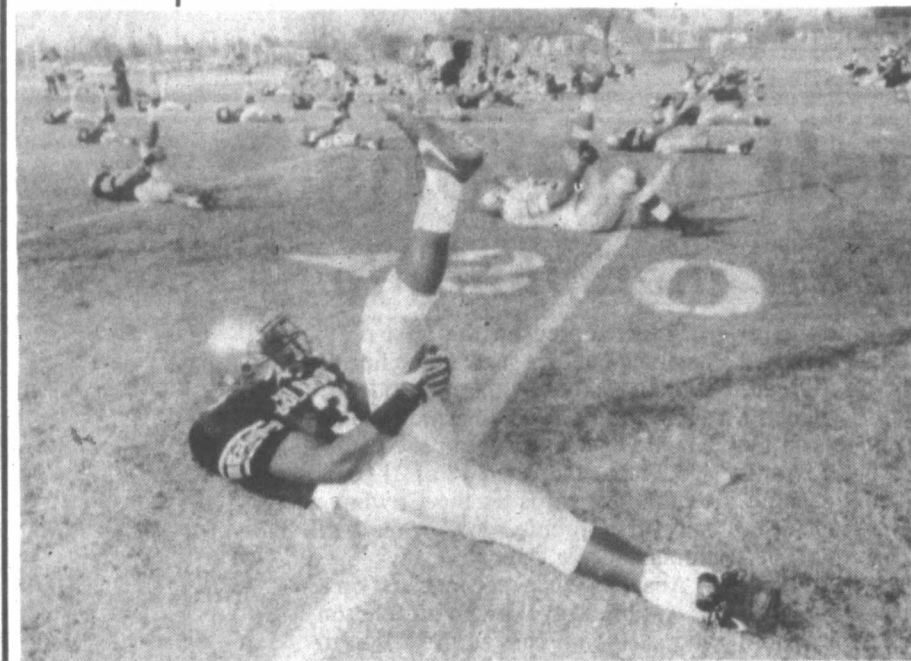
The victory over the Saints makes the Bills 4-0 against the NFC this season, but neither Levy nor the players felt that would mean much if Buffalo advanced to its third straight Super Bowl.

"We'd be better off if we were 8-0 versus the AFC East with the same number of wins and losses," Levy said. "The only game to me where the NFC is different from the AFC is the Super Bowl."

Buffalo's next victory this season against an NFC opponent will be the only one that matters, Odomes said.

"I'd like to be 5-0 versus them," he said. "Then we will have accomplished what we set out to do."

Fiesta practice



Colorado Buffaloes' tailback Salaam Rashaan stretches with his teammates at Mesa, Ariz. Community College Monday. The Buffaloes meet Syracuse in the Fiesta Bowl New Year's Day.

Top-ranked Duke wallops DePaul

LAHAINA, Hawaii (AP) — Just another game for Duke: good shooting, great passing, some impressive dunks and a win.

The top-ranked and two-time defending national champions beat DePaul 89-73 Monday night in the opening round of the Maui Invitational, the Blue Devils' 18th consecutive victory.

Duke (5-0) will play the winner of the quarterfinal between Louisiana State and Stanford in Tuesday's semifinals.

Grant Hill led Duke with 22 points, most coming inside, while Bobby Hurley had 19, 12 from 3-point range, in addition to a number of spectacular assists. Thomas Hill had 10 points, his last two on a monster dunk in the lane with 6:25 to play that gave the Blue Devils their biggest lead of the game, 77-57.

"We hung in there and just kept build-

ing the lead until we got to where they couldn't catch up," Grant Hill said. "This was the sort of game that could get us back to where we were before, before the week off for exams and the jet lag and stuff."

It wasn't that DePaul (4-3) played poorly, far from it. The Blue Demons shot 50 percent from the field in the first half and were outscored by just three, yet still trailed 45-34 after 20 minutes.

DePaul tied the game for the last time at 26-26 with 7:09 to play in the half on a rebound basket by Curtis Price.

Grant Hill scored on a drive 18 seconds later to start an 11-2 run, one in which he scored the final four points. Kris Hill's rebound basket got DePaul back within 7, but Hurley then made consecutive 3-pointers and Duke built its largest lead of the half at 43-28.

tana was hurt in a car crash in Venezuela, and sustained multiple broken bones.

Other events that occurred off the field made even more news.

A few months after NL president Bill White announced his retirement and said, "I deal with people now who I know are racists and bigots," controversy arose when Schott, owner of the Cincinnati Reds, admitted using slurs.

Once again, baseball's hiring practices were called into question. The hirings of Don Baylor, Dusty Baker and Tony Perez as managers did not stem the storm around Schott.

On the same day Schott publicly apologized, tragedy hit the wild winter meetings when Florida Marlins president Carl Barger died after a blood vessel ruptured near his heart.

Among those who also died in 1992: Hall of Fame announcer Red Barber and player Billy Herman, along with Sandy Amoros, Eddie Lopat, Aurelio Lopez, Chuck Connors, Jean Yawkey and Deron Johnson. Bernice Gera, who umpired one New York-Penn League game in 1972, also died.

Other notable events: — For the first time in postseason history, a team that was one out from elimination rallied to win a series on one swing. Francisco Cabrera's ninth-inning single capped Atlanta's three-run rally in the ninth to beat Pittsburgh in the NL playoffs.

— The Astros held up just fine on their record 28-day, 26-game road trip.

— More than 3 million fans flocked to Baltimore's beautiful, new Camden Yards. Cleveland and Texas will be the next two teams to get new stadiums.

— A game without any hits. Andy Carter and the Clearwater Phillies beat Scott Bakum and Winter Haven 1-0 in the Florida State League. Both Carter and Bakum pitched no-hitters; the last pro game without any hits was in the New York-Penn League in 1952.

— A day after the double no-hitter, Hurricane Andrew tore through Florida. The storm ripped apart Cleveland's spring training home in Homestead, several months before the Indians were supposed to train there for the first time.

— Tom Seaver, Rollie Fingers, Hal Newhouser and umpire Bill McGowan went into the Hall of Fame. Pete Rose, in what would've been his first year of eligibility, did not appear on the ballot because of his banishment from baseball; even so, Rose's name was written in on 41 of the 430 ballots.

— The Junior circuit led the AL to its fifth straight All-Star victory. Griffey Jr., Cal Ripken Jr. and Sandy Alomar Jr. led a record-breaking assault against Tom Glavine for a 13-6 victory.

— In the most graphic example of baseball's topsy-turvy year, the Canadian flag was hung upside down before Game 2 of the World Series.

because we have so much respect for Stanford.

"I thought we really rose to the challenge, regardless of how the game changed and the momentum changed in both games. In both situations we had times we could have folded and we didn't."

Baseball had rapid changes amid memorable moments

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

Every day, it seemed, baseball changed in 1992.

Commissioner Fay Vincent was kicked out and the World Series went international. George Brett, Robin Yount and Mickey Morandini rewrote the record book and Barry Bonds, Jose Canseco and Greg Maddux switched teams.

1992 review

Marge Schott was in trouble, George Steinbrenner was ready to return. The National League re-aligned with Florida and Colorado, and then it didn't, and the San Francisco Giants moved, and then they didn't. Labor problems loomed, again.

By the fall, after Steve Howe was reinstated for the eighth time and owners said they didn't have time to hear the Rev. Jesse Jackson's views on racism, it looked like baseball was truly in turmoil.

After more than a decade of steady growth, baseball ran into the same harsh economic realities in 1992 as the country as a whole.

Eighteen of the 26 teams lost attendance. The Dodgers dropped about 1 million fans and, after their first last-place finish since 1905, apologized to their fans. The New York Mets and Boston Red Sox, two other big-budget busts, did the same.

The games of the week on CBS were the lowest-rated ever. And ESPN said it couldn't afford to continue showing games under its current contract, paying a \$13 million buyout to eliminate its 1994 telecasts.

How bad was it? Mike Bream, age 6, was already sound asleep when his dad, Sid, slid across home plate with the winning for Atlanta in the NL playoffs in one of the most memorable moments of the year.

"I think the fans are fed up," Richard Ravitch, head of the owners' Player Relations Committee, said. "People are disgusted. They're tired about all this bickering, about how millionaires spend their money, whether they have 'Owners' written across their chests or 'Players' written across their chests."

The owners didn't like the way Vincent governed the game, so they forced him out. Milwaukee owner Bud Selig is temporarily in charge, although he says he's not a candidate for the permanent job. Neither is anyone else right now.

Owners also didn't like their contract with players, so they voted 15-13 in December to re-open negotiations. For those keeping score, there have been work stoppages the last seven times the two sides have tried to work out new deals.

Spiraling salaries are the owners' biggest beef, but nobody forced the San Francisco Giants to sign Bonds for a



The Atlanta Braves celebrate after repeating as National League West Division champions last September.

record \$43.75 million, or made the Yankees offer more than \$30 million to both Bonds and Maddux. The Seattle Mariners, now under Japanese ownership after being one of four major league clubs to be sold in 1992, spent \$24 million on Ken Griffey Jr.

Overall, the 26 teams took in a record amount in 1992, an estimated \$1.641 billion, up from \$1.537 billion in '91. But the commissioner's office said there were no profits overall, down from a record \$215 million in 1990 and \$99 million in 1991.

No money was paid out to players for collusion in the mid-1980s, but there were early recommendations on how much some players should get. Andre Dawson, Jack Clark and Lance Parrish stand to get at least \$1 million each.

Economics, and the struggle between big and small teams, were at the heart of the coup against Vincent, who favored revenue sharing. And money matters were behind many of the major moves in 1992.

Oakland and Pittsburgh, both division champions, began to break up because of diminishing dollars. The A's traded Canseco and lost Dave Stewart and Mike Moore to free agency; the Pirates traded John Smiley and Jose Lind and lost Bonds, Drabek and others to free agency.

But the champion Blue Jays, after again drawing more than 4 million fans, were able to sign Stewart and Paul Molitor, and outbid Kansas City to re-sign Joe Carter. Toronto, however, did lose David Cone to the Royals, after getting the pitching ace in August in a trade with the Mets.

The free flow of the free agents continued at the winter meetings — with a record \$280 million spent in just one week.

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Blizzard, a 7-year-old springer spaniel, pulls his master Jacob Johnston, 11, on a sled through a Rapid City, S.D., park Monday. Jacob holds his cousin Sara Johnston, 1, initiating her into a family Christmas tradition. Blizzard has played sled dog for Jacob since the boy was 4 years old.

(AP Photo)

Combat-ready Marines move out to set up base for extending famine-area control

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MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — A combat-ready regiment of U.S. Marines moved to Baidoa today to establish a base from which to extend the reach of Operation Restore Hope into Somalia's famished heartland.

As the Marine trucks and armored vehicles moved out from southern Mogadishu, gun-mounted "technical" vehicles belonging to the militia of interim President Ali Mahdi Mohamed were reported to have left the city's northern half for a holding area 10 miles to the northeast.

On Monday, "technical" belonging to fighters allied with Somalia's other main warlord, Mohamed Farrah Aidid, pulled out of southern Mogadishu for another holding area.

The warlords agreed on Dec. 11 to take their forces out of the capital.

Neutralizing the militias of the main factions is seen as a critical step toward restoring stability to this country ravaged by war and famine — but not the only step.

Somalia also is rife with freelance bandits who have looted food aid shipments and terrorized cities.

U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, in a report obtained Monday, reiterated his insistence that the U.S.-led multinational force in Somalia disarm the gangs and bandits. The United States says it responsibility is only to ensure the security of food aid.

The Baidoa-bound convoy of a Marine Regimental Combat Team, which numbers 1,900 fighters at full strength, was to establish a base from which military control can be extended into central Somalia.

"They're moving to Baidoa for future operations," said command spokesman Col. Fred Peck.

Aid workers said the towns of Hoddur, Bardera and Belet Huen appeared to be the next targets for the forces to secure. All three have distribution centers for private aid agencies.

Although the main militias were moving out of Mogadishu, the capital remained volatile. CARE International spokeswoman Cynthia Osterman said a military briefer told relief workers that gunmen stormed a northern Mogadishu warehouse overnight. Three attackers were reported killed by the Ali Mahdi fighters guarding the facility.

Fighting between the warlords

last year aggravated a famine caused by a serious drought, and unaffiliated bandits began appearing as the country's situation became more desperate. An estimated 350,000 people have died.

With a U.N. mandate, the international force trying to restore security in Somalia began work Dec. 9 when U.S. Marines came ashore in Mogadishu.

The United States is providing the largest contingent of the force — an eventual 28,000.

Marine Col. Michael W. Hagee of the international force's operations directorate said today that the beginning of withdrawal of militia weapons from the capital "is a big, big step."

The foreign forces have been stationed in southern Mogadishu and has done very little to get food into the northern sector.

Canadian army Col. Jim Cox, a U.N. security official, said today that international commanders "are planning a movement into that area, probably within 48 hours." He would give no specifics.

In his report to the Security Council, Boutros-Ghali said "it would be a tragedy if the premature departure, or remodeling, of the Unified Task Force were to plunge Somalia back into anarchy and star-

Shelling wounds two Palestinian deportees

MARJ AL-ZOHOUR, Lebanon (AP) — Turned away from Israel's self-proclaimed security zone by shelling that wounded four of their comrades, more than 400 Palestinian deportees trudged back to their no-man's-land camp today.

Huddling around campfires and sipping tea in the freezing dawn, the men said they would keep trying to force their way through the Israeli-controlled border strip to the occupied territories.

Israel expelled the Palestinians Thursday from the West Bank and Gaza Strip for allegedly inciting Islamic fundamentalist violence. Six Israeli soldiers and police had been killed by Muslim extremists in eight days.

Lebanon refused to accept the deportees, however, so the 415 men are trapped on a barren mountain slope between the security zone and a Lebanese army checkpoint.

The Lebanese army ordered the deportees to leave their makeshift camp on Monday morning, but the Israel-backed South Lebanon Army militia that patrols the security zone fired at them as they neared an entrance point, wounding two.

Another two were wounded Monday night in further shelling.

Abdul Aziz Rantisi, spokesman

for the deportees, said one of the four was seriously wounded and the other three were in fair or satisfactory condition.

Indicating that the aim of the deportees' move was publicity, Rantisi said: "The march yesterday made the world hear our voice ... our cause is a humanitarian one. The world is on our side. This is where our strength lies. We shall not resort to weapons at all."

The U.N. Security Council has unanimously condemned the deportations.

The Lebanese army did not try to prevent the Palestinians from returning to their Red Cross-provided tents this morning.

"We'll try again and again and again to walk through the crossing until we reunite with our families. We shall not remain idle," deportee Sheik Abdullah al-Shami said today.

The SLA on Monday mined a strip in front of the Zommaraya gateway to the security zone and erected a barbed-wire fence to block the Palestinians.

Militia members had firehoses, tear gas and clubs at their disposal, as well as firearms.

Professor Aziz Dweik, 45, a prominent deportee, said the Palestinians returned to their camp "because it was too cold and shelling around us was scary in pitch darkness."

"We anticipate that the (Lebanese) army will come back to make us head again to the gate."

Lebanon has refused to allow the Palestinians into territory controlled by its regular troops, saying it will not accept becoming an exile home for deported Palestinians.

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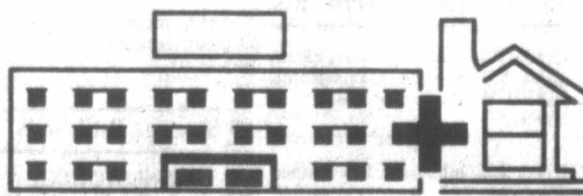
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