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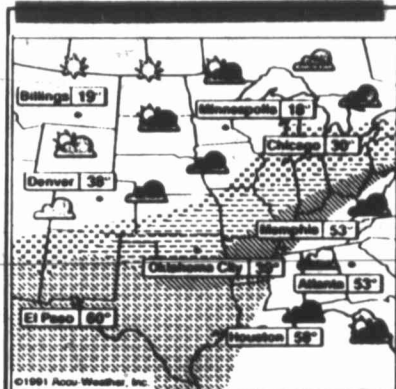
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Weather

Chance of rain or showers through Saturday. Low tonight in the 30s; high tomorrow in the mid 40s.

Thursday's high temperature	27
Thursday's low temperature	24
Average high	55
Average low	26
Record high	74 in 1922
Record low	00 in 1947
Rainfall Thursday	0.00
Month to date	0.00
Normal for Month	0.69
Year to date	00.00
Normal for year	00.04

Absentee voting begins Jan. 7

Absentee voting for the Howard County Commissioner's precinct 4 special election will begin Monday.

The election was called after a district judge ruled the race a tie between Democrat Bobby Cathey and Republican Robert Crenshaw.

Absentee voting, which does not require an excuse, takes place through Jan. 15 in the County Clerk's office at the Courthouse. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and the office will be open Saturday, Jan. 12 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All registered voters in precinct 4 are eligible to vote in the special election. Voters who did not vote in November may do so in this election.

The election will take place Jan. 19.

Development board postpones decisions

The Moore Development for Big Spring Inc. board of directors announced Thursday evening they will invite Ted St. Clair to return to Big Spring for further discussion with individual board members.

The decision was announced after the board concluded an executive session Thursday afternoon. "This was a very important meeting for the board," Chairman Owen Ivey said. "I feel we (the board) must move on with our efforts."

The meeting was called at 4:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce offices.

According to Ivey the purpose of the session was to discuss the candidates for executive director and office space proposals.

"After lengthy discussion, it was announced the board would invite Mr. Ted St. Clair, from Ft. Worth, back to Big Spring," he said.

St. Clair, one of 14 applicants for the position of executive director, had been in the city two weeks ago.

"We want him to spend a couple of days in the city and meet with each individual board member, then we (the board) will meet again to decide if he's the right man for the position," Ivey said. The next board meeting could be within the next two weeks.

The matter of securing office space for the board was tabled until the next board meeting. Ivey said the board was a little concerned about the quotations submitted.

"We need to re-evaluate each of these quotes. It is our intention to make a decision that is in the best interest of the taxpayers," he said.

Barring any conflicts, the board plans to have a Town Hall meeting either Jan. 29 or 31. "The Town Hall meeting we've been planning is tentatively scheduled for either Jan. 29 or 31, if there are no conflicts," he said.

Iraq accepts Bush offer of talks in Geneva

(AP) Iraq today accepted a U.S. offer to hold direct talks in Switzerland next week on the Persian Gulf crisis, and France offered a peace plan promising international talks on Mideast issues if Iraq pulls out of Kuwait.

The Iraqi agreement to hold the talks Wednesday in Geneva was reported by the official Iraqi News Agency and by Iraqi television. It was a response to an offer President Bush made Thursday to send Secretary of State James A. Baker III to Geneva for talks with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

Aziz said the Baghdad government had informed Washington of its acceptance of the proposal to talk.

saying Iraq would use the talks to stress its commitment to the Palestinian people's rights to a homeland. The United States has rejected any linkage of the gulf crisis and the Palestinian issue.

In Paris, French President Fran-

cois Mitterrand said today he will meet with Baker in Paris on Tuesday, a day before the scheduled talks in Geneva.

Also, the White House announced Bush will meet Saturday with U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and plans a radio address to the nation.

In another development in Washington, Congress was told today the cost of U.S. troop deployment in the Persian Gulf will be about \$30 billion this year, even if there is no fighting.

The French peace plan, presented during a European Community foreign ministers meeting in Luxembourg, calls for a European-Iraqi meeting in Luxem-

ing on condition of anonymity.

It would also guarantee Iraq it would not be attacked if it agrees to withdraw from Kuwait, the official said.

The French peace plan was

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Settles Hotel owner summoned to court

By DEBBIE LINCECUM
Staff Writer

Settles Hotel owner Gil Cuadra has been summoned to Big Spring Municipal Court Jan. 10.

The hearing, in which retiring Municipal Judge Gwen Fair will hear complaints Cuadra has not lived up to promises made the city, will begin at 10 a.m.

Assistant City Manager Tom Decell said Cuadra has failed to comply with an order of the city board of adjustments and appeals.

"According to the order, he must do certain things," Decell said. "He had agreed (in late 1989) to, among other tasks, secure the building from unauthorized entry, erect a fence... of 12 feet (in height) around the building, and abate the problem of falling rocks."

"He said he would build a pedestrian walkway in the alley to Runnels Street," Decell added. "There is a fence there, and there needs to be a covered walkway."

Decell said he has had no "direct contact" with Cuadra since the order was made, although they have spoken specific complaints about problems with the building.

City Attorney Mike Thomas, who will represent Big Spring at the hearing, said failure to obey a city ordinance, a class C misdemeanor offense, can result in fines up to \$2,000 a day per violation.

"This is a special provision the legislature gave cities in dealing with health and safety issues," he said.

Apparently, Cuadra's family-owned MPG Management, once

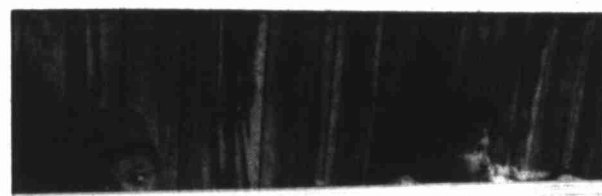


SETTLES HOTEL

located in San Antonio, no longer exists there. Repeated attempts by the Herald to contact Cuadra's business or residence in that city have been unsuccessful.

Fair confirmed that she has sent court summons to five possible addresses throughout the country in an attempt to locate the developer.

Cuadra, whose company bought the hotel in October of 1984, has at various times announced that he would renovate the dilapidated landmark. All of the projects eventually collapsed. His latest effort, a plan in February to convert the building into a prison, was met with opposition by city officials and citizens.



Scott Lee Story and Stan Wimbish, top, play a game of checkers at the Salvation Army lodge after the Grayhound bus they were on stopped Thursday night due to icy road conditions. Chon Yanez, bottom left, was one of the few to brave the early morning cold as he swept snow off the sidewalk in front of the First National Bank this morning. Stranded traveler Rodney Johnson rests on a bench at the Salvation Army as hitchhiker Steven Mitchell takes a sip of coffee at the lodge on Ayilford Street this morning.

Travelers stranded by storm

By LEA WHITEHEAD
For the Herald

When the Grayhound bus from Los Angeles rolled into the Big Spring station last night, Mother Nature had a surprise for the driver and 29 passengers.

Bus station personnel broke the news that ice and snow had blanketed the roads going east, and this was the end of the line. They called the Salvation Army lodge at 10 p.m. to put on the coffee.

In the early morning hours today passengers' plans were put on hold until they got word of the traveling conditions.

Denise Simpson was feeding her three-month-old daughter, Alexis, her bottle, while her three-year-old son, Kurent, was asleep in the next chair.

"I didn't get much sleep last night," she said. Denise slept on the bus. "I just thought it would be more comfortable for us." The

family is on its way from their California home to Mississippi to attend a wedding Saturday night.

Lucille Monro, Compton, Calif., is enroute to Jackson, Miss., to attend her brother's funeral Sunday.

"I was supposed to change buses in Dallas, but I may not make it now," she said sadly. "And there aren't any buses coming in that I could catch back home."

Kennedy Smith, Los Angeles, kept his seat on the bus. He was enroute to Mississippi on vacation, so the delay didn't bother him much.

"I'll still make it," he said with a big smile.

A&M student Paul Bouland, coming back from a vacation in Los Angeles, wasn't too worried either. "Classes don't begin til the 15th," he explained.

Inside the lodge, sipping coffee, a restless Cpl. Rodney Johnson

said he was supposed to check in with his unit in Lafayette, La., at 8:05 a. m. Saturday. He'd been back home in Oceanside, Calif. to see his wife and children for the holidays.

"I'll call my unit in a little while," he said. "They'll understand."

The delay was taken in stride by Scott Lee Story, Camden, Ark., and Stan Wimbish, San Francisco. They had been playing checkers all night and seemed to be having a pretty good time under the circumstances.

Story had been visiting family members for the holidays in Pasadena, Cal. Pulling a wallet of pictures out of his pocket, he said "See these. This is what I'd be doing if I was home now in Camden. I go hunting and fishing every day." The photos showed Story with a big fish catch and a deer on the hood of his pick-up.

• TRAVELERS page 8-A

Renovate or build? Advisory group studies schools

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

A 41-member advisory committee for the Big Spring Independent School District will begin next week studying whether the district should either renovate Runnels Junior High School and College Heights Elementary School or build new schools.

Renovating the historic junior high, built in 1916, will cost \$6.6 million compared to \$7.3 million for a new school, according to a study revealed by an architect at a committee meeting Thursday night at the Big Spring High School board room. Renovating the elementary school, built in 1938, will cost \$2.7 million compared to \$2.8 million for a new school.

Whether renovated or newly built, the schools will have a 50-year life with the capacity of the junior high increasing from 400 to 800 students and the elementary school increasing from 365 to 500. Also, the typical classroom size will increase from about 580 square feet to 784-square feet.

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Bill McQueary

A new junior high would be located north of the YMCA on Seventh Street and the elementary school south of Goliad Junior High School on Goliad Street.

A bond issue to finance the project may be decided on by voters this spring.

Architect Tommie J. Huckabee, of Huckabee and Donham, Stephenville, and Superintendent Bill McQueary said it may be better to build new schools.

"If a building costs 50-60 percent of new construction, it's probably not feasible to renovate it," Huckabee told about 30 committee members and other interested citizens at the meeting Thursday. Cost estimates for both renovations are more than 60 percent of new building cost estimates.

"The main priority is to build new buildings that will replace these buildings that were built in 1930," McQueary said. "Runnels, it's a different animal. Everybody graduated from Runnels. Everybody's parents graduated from Runnels."

At another point, he told the committee, "I have a real problem spending (\$6.6) million to renovate a building that was built in (1916)."

But Huckabee told the group that his firm remodels more buildings than they do building new ones. He said the committee should consider existing facilities and analyze the life-cycles of buildings they have when studying the feasibility of the proposals.

Renovation costs, which account for bringing buildings up to current

requirements for fire codes and handicapped accessibility, do not include costs for asbestos removal. Also, the study says, it is more difficult the estimate remodeling costs because of concealed conditions. The estimates for renovations and new buildings include a 3 percent multiplier for contingency costs.

McQueary said assistant superintendents heading the three subcommittees to study current facilities, proposed facilities and grade and school boundary alignments will contact committee members next week to begin meeting in separate groups. They may meet again as one committee within 30 days, he said.

"We ask you to help us look at all the facts that are involved in a

building program," McQueary told the group, which was formed in November. "Because you are not going to stand a chance of passing a bond issue without the community support."

McQueary said the timing is good to begin looking at school improvements because in 1993, when all house payments will be finished, they will lose a 6-cent interest and sinking tax rate. Other schools he mentioned that may need upgrading include the Bauer, Moss and Marcy elementary schools.

He also said that enrollments have been increasing, from a low of about 4,600 in the mid 1980s to about 4,800 now. Enrollments were up around 9,000 in the 1970s when Webb Air Force Base was still open.

Runnels Junior High, which now has about 350 eighth-graders, would expand to include seventh-graders under the project, McQueary said. College Heights now has 367 students in grades one through five.

Sidelines

Mosbacher wants limited terms

AUSTIN (AP) — A campaign to limit officeholders' terms is being touted by Rob Mosbacher Jr., who lost the 1990 race for lieutenant governor to longtime comptroller Bob Bullock.

"We're convinced that this is the best tool to return control of government to the people," Mosbacher said Thursday.

Mosbacher, a Republican, said the Texans for Term Limitation campaign hopes to raise \$250,000 and gather half a million signatures in the effort.

"We're simply asking lawmakers to allow the public to vote on the issue," he said.

Mosbacher said he couldn't tie longevity in office to ethics questions raised about the Legislature. But he said term limits could attract more people to office who are interested in public service as opposed to a political career.

Grand jury to probe slayings

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — The Cleveland County prosecutor has declined to comment on why he requested a grand jury, but investigators say evidence will be presented concerning the 20-year-old slayings of a University of Oklahoma student from Texas and his date.

"It would not be proper for me to discuss that," District Attorney Tully McCoy said of the case Thursday. "And it's just not my policy to discuss evidence in any case."

District Judge Preston Trimble called the grand jury to meet Feb. 4 at the request of McCoy.

Investigators said before Christmas that prosecutors probably would seek an indictment against their chief suspect by presenting evidence in the case to a grand jury.

The bodies of David Sloan, 21, of Amarillo, and Sheryl Benham, 19, of Oklahoma City, were found in the trunk of Sloan's car May 10, 1970, on a rural lover's lane in northwest Norman. The two had disappeared from a fraternity party the day before.

Lewis denies doing favors

AUSTIN (AP) — House Speaker Gib Lewis says he didn't do any favors for an influential San Antonio law firm that took him on a Mexican resort vacation.

"We have entered into a dangerous game of character assassination," Lewis, D-Fort Worth, told *The Dallas Morning News* in today's editions.

In a copyright story published Thursday, the *Morning News* reported that a lawyer with the firm of Heard Goggan Blair & Williams boasted that the 1987 trip to the Mexican resort helped kill legislation harmful to the firm's business.

The speaker dismissed as "a bunch of garbage" suggestions that the vacation influenced the outcome of the legislation.

"It's false and it should be considered false," he said. "There's a lot of reports from a lot of people running around with gasoline and looking for a match."

Slaying suspect faces new charges

FORT WORTH (AP) — A man charged in the Nov. 27 abduction-slaying of an optical store employee has been charged in the May kidnapping and rape of a 14-year-old girl who survived 17 stab wounds.

Servando Pachecano Jr. of Fort Worth was charged Tuesday with attempted capital murder of the girl, who was stabbed and raped after her mother fought off repeated sexual advances from three men who had given them a ride.

Pachecano and David Hernandez were arrested earlier in Arkansas and charged with capital murder in the slaying of Cruz Torrez, 41, a sales clerk who was abducted along with a female co-worker.

Sharp sworn in; announces plans to streamline agency

AUSTIN (AP) — On the same day he was sworn in to office, Comptroller John Sharp said he had devised a new, streamlined structure for the agency.

Sharp said Thursday he would abolish 18 of 19 top management slots and replace them with four new positions. He also promised to conduct a management audit of the agency aimed at cutting costs.

"Texas is facing a number of tough fiscal decisions in the next year, and I want to begin today doing my part to help make our state government more efficient and service-oriented," he said.

Sharp, 40, was sworn in by his predecessor, Lt. Gov.-elect Bob Bullock, who held the post for 16 years.

Bullock was joined by Gov.-elect Ann Richards and former U.S. Sen. Ralph Yarborough at a Capitol rotunda podium framed by Texas flags and bunches of blue and white balloons.

"Our goal will be to clear away the bureaucratic clutter so that our most creative, innovative people can rise to the top and do their jobs," said Sharp, of Victoria.

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Also on Thursday, former U.S. Rep. Bob Krueger took the oath of office as Texas Railroad Commissioner, replacing former Republican gubernatorial candidate Kent Hance.

Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Morris Overstreet administered the oath to Krueger, a Democrat from New Braunfels, who was elected to the Railroad Commission in November. The commission regulates the state's oil, gas and transportation industries.

During the ceremony in the

Senate chamber, Krueger read from a 1973 speech in which he announced his candidacy for Congress. Part of that speech dealt with the energy crisis.

"Today we face as tough an energy problem as we did in 1973," Krueger said. "In some ways even tougher, because we face the possibility of losing not only dollars but losing blood because of our energy posture."

Krueger said that as commissioner, he intends to enforce oil and gas industry regulations while encouraging productivity and competition with other states and nations. He also pledged to champion environmental issues.

"I'm very, very concerned that our underground aquifers be protected. We have to look to that next generation," Krueger said. "We have to be sure that the air we breathe is pure — as pure as we can make it."

As a congressman, Krueger served on the Energy and Power Subcommittee of the Interstate Foreign Commerce Committee. He also has been a dean of Duke University.



AUSTIN — Comptroller John Sharp holds his three-year-old daughter Victoria during his swearing in ceremony Thursday. Sharp was sworn in by outgoing comptroller and Lt. Governor-elect Bob Bullock.

Texans question Bush administration's gulf policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas congressmen are back in Washington for the 102nd Congress, wrestling with the threat of war in the Persian Gulf and the effects of recession at home.

Rep. Bill Sarpalis, D-Amarillo, says he goes to bed every night thinking about the Persian Gulf and hoping that he'll never have to vote to go to war.

Sarpalus says he returned home to Amarillo recently from the Middle East with promises to call 200 girlfriends, parents, brothers and friends of troops in Saudi Arabia.

"I heard the soldiers say they're ready to get it over with, they want to come home," Sarpalus said Thursday, on the first day of the new Congress. But when he calls the troops' friends and relations, they tell him "they don't want to see us go to war."

"It's something I go to bed every night thinking about. I feel very strongly that we can't jump the gun, when you've got American lives on the line," he said.

"What is the price of this in blood and in money?" asked Democratic Rep. John Bryant, echoing the fears of the people in his Dallas district. "When you're running a \$300 billion a year deficit, where is this dough going to come from?"

In Houston, "there is genuine support and appreciation for what the president has done so far, but I



WASHINGTON — Texas Representative Chet Edwards is sworn in by House Speaker Tom Foley, left, during a re-enactment in the Speaker's office Thursday. Edwards' mother Shirley looks on.

don't sense anyone is prepared to endorse an all-out attack on the country of Iraq without some further provocation," said Rep. Michael Andrews, D-Houston.

But in the High Plains around Lubbock, said Republican Rep.

Larry Combest, "a pretty hawkish area," people believe the country must back up its talk, "and anybody who undercuts, undermines the president, I think it grates against them."

Rep. Jack Fields, R-Humble,

said that while the American people want everything done to avoid a conflict, they also feel "we have taken a very strong stand and that we really don't have many alternatives at this point."

People across Texas, said the

state's congressmen and senators, are also questioning how the country can afford the U.S. military buildup in and around Saudi Arabia, and why Japan and Europe aren't committing more troops and resources.

"They ought to ante up and pay the troops in there. They ought to be sharing the risk to their own troops and the risk to their own pocketbooks," Bryant said.

Some of the state's congressmen said sanctions and diplomacy should be given a chance, beyond the Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq's Saddam Hussein to withdraw from Kuwait, before military force is used.

Others, like Combest, R-Lubbock, say the threat of war is necessary to make the sanctions work, while Rep. Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi, is torn.

"I talked to the guys who are going to do battle and they tell me we need to go and get it over with; that he (Saddam) is just buying time to build a more potent weapon. Then I come back home and talk to the mothers and fathers of these same kids, and they say we shouldn't go in there, see if sanctions work," said Ortiz, who visited troops in Saudi Arabia late last year.

Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco, said there are mixed emotions in his Central Texas district.

Cisneros candidate for FRB director

AUSTIN (AP) — Former San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros is considered a leading candidate for appointment to the board of directors of the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas, a spokesman for the Federal Reserve District says.

Cisneros could not be reached for comment Thursday, but the spokesman told the Austin American-Statesman that Cisneros is being considered.

The district serves all of Texas and northern Louisiana and southern New Mexico.

Cisneros, 53, would be appointed by the Federal Reserve Bank's board of governors in Washington, D.C., and would serve as one of three directors who are selected specifically to represent the public.

He would not be allowed to be an officer, director or employee of any bank or own stock in any bank.

The former mayor, a Democrat, would replace Bob Inman of Austin, who decided to leave the bank when his term expired at the end of 1990.

Responsibilities of the non-salaried directors range from supervision of the Reserve Bank to making recommendations on monetary policy. Cisneros would represent the public service interests of agriculture, commerce, industry, services, labor and consumers.

Cisneros would join Hugh Robertson, a black from Dallas, as the second minority member of the Dallas Reserve Bank's board.

Robertson is board chairman.

The Reserve Bank's guidelines for directors to avoid participation in partisan political activities.

Cisneros is chairman of Cisneros Asset Management Co., a San Antonio-based investment management firm operating nationally. He also is host of a radio commentary heard daily on 40 radio stations across the country.

He was elected mayor of San Antonio in 1981 and served four terms.

As a member of the bank board in Dallas, Cisneros would provide advice to the bank's president for meetings of the Federal Open Market Committee, the top monetary policy-making unit of the Federal Reserve System.

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Commission to rule on postal rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — Higher postage rates are moving closer to reality today as the independent Postal Rate Commission issues its opinion on how much it should cost to mail a letter.

A nickel increase, to 30 cents, and a whole raft of other hikes, were requested by the U.S. Postal Service last March.

If the process follows its normal course, the current 25-cent letter rate could be replaced by early February, after a lifetime of 2 years and 10 months.

When he asked for the increase, Postmaster General Anthony Frank said he expected the agency to lose \$1.6 billion that year. But staff cuts and increased use

of automation kept the loss well below that: the post office ended the last fiscal year \$874 million in the red.

Rate increases have been in a three-year cycle in recent years. The Postal Service operates at a surplus in the year after a rate hike, breaks even the following year and posts a loss the third year, when it asks for higher rates.

When the Postal Service asks the independent rate commission for an increase, commission staffers spend the next few months listening to testimony, reading legal and accounting reports and preparing its opinion, typically a document that runs 1,000 pages.

HIV carriers may be allowed entry

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan has endorsed a proposal to drop infection with the AIDS virus from the list of diseases that may keep travelers and immigrants out of the United States.

But no final decision has been made on the matter because Sullivan's agency still must get comments from the State and Justice departments, said the official who disclosed the action Thursday night.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

Sullivan's action was made

possible by last fall's immigration bill, which reversed 1987 legislation making infection with the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS, automatic grounds for exclusion from the United States.

The immigration bill left to the secretary the decision of whether to drop HIV infection from the list of more than 30 diseases that bar entry to the country. The list includes syphilis, tuberculosis and Hansen's disease or leprosy.

Everybody with AIDS is by definition infected with HIV, but many people infected with HIV do not have AIDS.

Flooding causes death and injuries



ON THE OHIO

Rain-swollen rivers in Indiana and Kentucky kept rising today, threatening more flooding in states where high water caused at



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and inflicted millions of dollars in damage.

Indiana Gov. Evan Bayh asked President Bush to issue a disaster declaration for 40 of his state's 92 counties, while in northern Kentucky the Red Cross opened a shelter for people driven from their homes by the deluge.

Shipping was disrupted along the Ohio River near Cincinnati, but the water there was beginning to recede after cresting Thursday morning at 57 feet — 5 feet above flood level.



SAN FRANCISCO, El Salvador — A Salvadoran soldier examines the wreckage of a U.S. Army UH-1H Huey transport helicopter Thursday, the day after it was shot down by rebels' small arms fire in El Salvador. Three U.S. servicemen died, but confusion still remains over how they were killed.

U.S. suspects rebels executed servicemen

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department suspects leftist rebels executed three American servicemen in El Salvador but is awaiting the outcome of an investigation by a U.S. forensic team before making a final judgment.

The incident Wednesday could have an impact on future U.S. aid levels to the Salvadoran military. President Bush is expected to decide next week whether to release \$42.5 million in such aid set aside by Congress last fall.

The three Army aviators were flying on a routine mission from San Salvador to Honduras when their helicopter was struck by gunfire, State Department deputy spokesman Richard Boucher said Thursday. There are differing versions as to what happened next.

"The helicopter landed in a controlled fashion. Nevertheless, all three U.S. servicemen had apparent gunshot wounds to the head and two of them had no other apparent wounds," Boucher said.

Privately, a U.S. military source said there was no doubt that the three Americans were victims of

an execution. But this account was contradicted by the FMLN rebels, who said they found the bodies of the Americans inside the aircraft after it hit the ground.

An eyewitness said two of the Americans were alive when the helicopter landed and that the rebels showed no sign of wanting to harm the crewmen. The eyewitness, however, was not present when the Americans died.

Associated Press photographer Mike Stravato, who visited the crash site, said the bodies were clearly marked, and did not land safely.

"It (sheared) off a tree and it looks like it bounced at least once," he said.

The bodies were recovered by the Salvadoran armed forces and taken to San Salvador, the Pentagon said.

A U.S. military forensic team arrived in El Salvador on Thursday to investigate the deaths and would perform autopsies today, said U.S. Embassy spokeswoman Pamela Cory-Archer. The bodies will be flown to Andrews Air Force Base, Md., near Washington on Saturday.

World

Westerners seeking escape routes

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Scores of Americans trapped in Somalia sought escape routes or safe haven today after rebel troops rejected a cease-fire plea and claimed thousands of fresh fighters arrived in the capital.

A rebel communique predicted the capture President Mohamed Siad Barre was "only a matter of time."

Fighting around the embattled coastal capital of Mogadishu escalated Thursday as guerrilla forces battled Siad Barre loyalists. About 500 people, mostly civilians, have died since the rebel offensive began last week in the Horn of Africa nation.

The rebels of the United Somali

Congress earlier Thursday rejected Siad Barre's call for a cease-fire and dashed the hopes of the United States and other Western nations seeking a quick evacuation of their citizens.

The estimated 500 foreigners still in the former Italian colony include about 85 U.S. diplomats and private citizens, 350 Italians and 38 Swiss members of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The State Department used the Voice of America to urge Americans in Somalia to get to the U.S. Embassy in Mogadishu if they can do so safely.

Killings of Palestinians deplored

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States today joined the rest of the U.N. Security Council in deploring the killings of at least six Palestinian civilians over the weekend by Israeli security forces.

Israel attacked the council statement approved early today, saying it is biased because it ignores violence and provocation by Palestinians.

The U.N. action, however, was nonbinding and carries less weight than recent council resolutions against the treatment of Palestinians in the Israeli-

occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The council statement, read aloud by the council president and endorsed by all 15 members including the United States, called upon Israel, "the occupying power," to comply fully with the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949.

The international law provides for protection of civilians in occupied lands.

The council statement referred to "all the Palestinian territories occupied by Israel since 1967, including Jerusalem."

Soviet Jews arrived every hour



SOVIET IMMIGRANT FINDS WORK

JERUSALEM (AP) — With 100 Soviet Jews arriving every hour and Ben-Gurion Airport looking like a spectacular conclusion as the year's 200,000th immigrant arrived on Dec. 31.

But the last-minute rush should have been no surprise. It was propelled by fear of instability in the Soviet Union, as well as the Israeli government's plans to reduce benefits.

Those Soviets who had exit visas and might ordinarily have packed up at a more leisurely pace speeded up their plans, rushing to East European cities where Israeli authorities had planes waiting for them.

Non-Greek refugees forgotten

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Lice-ridden, hungry and alone, Albanians who are not of Greek stock are the forgotten refugees in the exodus to Greece.

Unlike the thousands of ethnic Greek Albanians who have crossed the border in the past week, hundreds of ethnic Albanians who are part of the refugee wave have been ignored.

"I'm hungry, I don't know what to do or where to go. This is not what I was expecting," Freddie Macie, 20, said Thursday in a makeshift shelter in downtown Athens.

Macie, an Albanian border guard, defected with a fellow soldier on Dec. 29. Now he begs for food on a sidewalk already crowded by other Albanians like him.

"I thought they'd give me money, a roof, a new life," he said through an interpreter.



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Doctors share the discontent

Aging doctors are a discontented lot, if you believe a random telephone survey of 150 age 58 or older in all 50 states. The survey was conducted by Merrit, Hawkins and Associates, physician search consultants, of Irvine, Calif.

Sixty-eight percent feel the practice of medicine has become less satisfying in the last five years.

Forty-one percent would choose a field other than medicine if they could choose again.

Fifty-eight percent would not encourage a son or daughter to enter the medical profession.

Sixty-four percent identify government intervention as the greatest cause of their frustration.

Well, that's a heavy message. It would seem that the doctors are as discontented with the national health-care system as most people are. The share of the gross national product devoted to health care has risen sharply. But the money doesn't seem to be buying much satisfaction at either end of the doctor-patient relationship.

This telephone survey is no more reliable than any aging doctor is likely to be when interrogated by a stranger on the telephone about his pet peeves.

Despite that, the survey is disturbing. Cantankerous though they may be, these doctors deserve a hearing. They are telling us that something serious is wrong with our national health system.

Time has arrived for Congress: the Sequel

By STEVEN KOMAROW
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Whether you were pleased or peeved by the performance of America's legislature last year, get ready for Congress-The Sequel.

The cast being sworn in this week for the 102nd Congress is much as it was in the 101st. But the unaddressed problems have grown to the point where those in starring roles must put in much bigger performances.

Thomas S. Foley, D-Wash., returns as speaker of the House; George Mitchell, D-Maine, as Senate majority leader; and Robert H. Michel, R-Ill., and Bob Dole, R-Kan., as minority leaders of the House and Senate, respectively.

Their back-ups, stand-ins and bit players remain the same, too, as another two-year period of governing begins Thursday. The football Redskins, a more popular Washington institution, make more roster changes than the voters make with Congress.

The plot for the coming session picks up where things left off last fall. But now it's clear there's much more riding on every twist.

Shooting has not broken out in the Persian Gulf, but the level of tension has risen dramatically.

Congress immediately faces the prospect of the Jan. 15 deadline by which Iraq's Saddam Hussein is supposed to withdraw from Kuwait.

In the event that President Bush carries through with his threat to attack, Congress must decide whether to insist that he obtain a declaration of war or some other endorsement of the action.

The Democrats in Congress have so far been walking a fine line, balancing their prerogatives under the Constitution with the need to voice support for the president's policy.

They also are keenly aware that in the aftermath of Vietnam you can oppose a war, but you'd better not be seen as less than fully supporting American fighting men and women.

If Bush fights a war and quickly wins, Democrats don't want to be seen as losers. But if the gulf situation drags on in war or peace and becomes politically unpopular, the Democrats want to be able to sever their ties with him.

That will be a major theme at least for the first weeks of Congress' return.

"I think it's make-or-break time for George Bush," Dole said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Capitol report

But the Senate GOP leader wasn't referring just to the Persian Gulf.

"We've got twin problems... I think he could do very well in the gulf and still go downhill on the economy," Dole said. "That may be more difficult to deal with in the final analysis than the gulf crisis."

Like the gulf, the issue of the economy was around when Congress adjourned last October. But it has become much more sharply defined since then, as statistics show the recession looking deeper and perhaps lasting longer than believed a few months ago.

Both Congress and the White House will come under increasing pressure to address the nation's economic problems. But the huge federal deficit, going up despite last fall's approval of tax hikes and spending restraints, might close the doors on many options.

The Senate Ethics Committee this week resumes hearings on the Keating Five, the senators who allegedly did improper favors for Charles Keating, the top executive of a failed savings and loan institution.

Will the five be punished by their peers? And how many tens of billions of dollars of taxpayers' money will be needed to continue the S&L bailout? Stay tuned.

Related unfinished plot lines from the last Congress include campaign reform and the congressional salary structure. The 102nd Congress begins with senators getting paid \$101,900 and House members \$125,100. Will the Senate follow the House and take a pay raise in exchange for limits on members' outside earnings?

Other issues returning from the last Congress include bills to expand civil rights and to guarantee unpaid leave to workers after childbirth or for other family emergencies. Bush vetoed those measures.

Congress also may attempt to address problems with health care insurance, education and the nation's trade imbalance.

It's impossible to predict where events will carry the new Congress. But undoubtedly the players soon will be looking ahead to the ending — the 1992 presidential and congressional elections.



The writer's art Ruining a goof or two

The year's end traditionally marks a splendid time for penance. We look back at our errors; we make resolutions for the future. In that mood, your erring

goof life and begs forgiveness. Back in February, I wrote a column about Florida's Everglades. Protection of our remaining wetlands, I said, is vital "to the national ecology." Readers pounced upon me.

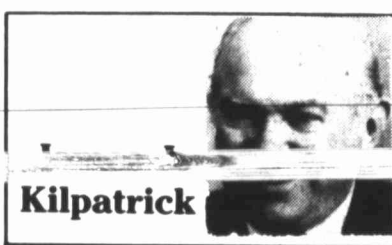
Their point, expressed in the most vigorous language, is that "ecology" does not mean "environment." Ecology is the study of environment and the interrelationship of organisms. It is a branch of biological science. OK. Preservation of remaining wetlands is vital to the national environment.

Back in April, when the Court of Appeals, Peewees and Crotchets was in session, the court ruled upon the distinction between religions and denominations. Then the court sought to provide a helpful example: "Within Judaism, the religion, one finds separate denominations — Orthodox Jews, Reformed Jews and Conservative Jews."

I messed up. A gentleman in Seattle asked about those reformed Jews: "Are they graduates of reform schools? Have they been reformed after parole from a penitentiary?" The correct terminology is "Reform Jews." Accept my apology, rabbi, I knew no better.

During the summer assizes, the court summarily dismissed a reader's assertion that the spotted owl is not a "species" but is rather a "specie." No, indeed, said the court, specie is coined money; species is a taxonomic category. And the court added, in its lofty and magisterial way, "The owl is a species; hawks and falcons are species."

Ah, well, no. The owl, I am told,



Kilpatrick

is a genus. The spotted owl is a species. The broadest classification is a phylum, followed by class, order, family, genus and species in that order. The know-it-all columnist is among the lower species.

Grammarians jumped me for a sentence in July. I was heaping scorn upon the turbid prose of many professors. Then I thought to lower my voice. The cited authors are scholars, I said, "and scholars do not write like ordinary people write." It is amazing, I am bound to say, how many readers object to the use of "like" as a conjunction. They thought I should have said that scholars do not write "as" ordinary people write.

Was this a goof demanding a good act of contrition? I dunno. I don't feel contrite. My thought was to make a direct comparison between the writing style of academics and non-academics. The one style is not like the other style. Besides, the conjunctive "like" has been employed by respected writers since the time of Shakespeare. In our own time one could cite William Faulkner, Flannery O'Connor, Garrison Keillor and T.S. Eliot. Because so many readers feel passionately that I erred, let me make half an apology. It wasn't a boo-boo, but rather a boo.

Stylists got after me in July for a column about the civil rights bill then pending in the Senate. They weren't concerned about the bill.

They were irked about a sentence in which I referred to "the constitutional clause which says that 'for any speech or debate in either house, members shall not be ques-

complaint was that I used a "which" where I should have used a "that."

On this count the defendant pleads not guilty. Sure, as a general proposition, a restrictive clause demands a "that." But the ear cringes at the crash of two "that's" colliding. Would the sentence have been improved by recasting it to refer to "the constitutional clause that says that . . ."? I think not. There are times when strict construction must yield to euphony. I don't like "which" clauses, but in this instance "which" was better than "that."

I committed a horrible goof in September. The offense cannot be pardoned; it feebly can be explained: I quoted the advertisement of a lovelorn single woman who was interested in "quiet coffee clutches." Then I speculated that the young lady was thinking of a coffee klatch or klatch "out of the Greek word for gossip." Greek word? Aaargh! German word! Your negligent mentor saw a "G" in the etymological note and leaped in a bound to Parnassus.

On another occasion I said that "bouquet of flowers" is a redundancy, only to be reminded that one may have bouquets of ferns, herbs and spices. Yet again, I said there is no such word as "tremblor." Well, there is such a word; it is a variant spelling of "temblor."

For these and other lapses, in dismay and chagrin I retreat at year's end to a sinner's last redoubt: Don't do as I do. Do as I say.

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Lewis Grizzard

Let them hear the crickets

Now here's my little hometown of Moreland, 40 miles south and 50 years from Atlanta. It is still a village of maybe 400, and it still doesn't have a traffic light and it doesn't want one.

Oh, there's been a little progress since I left dear Moreland nearly 30 years ago.

There's a new brick post office, for instance, that succeeds the old wooden one.

Somebody even built a couple of tennis courts in Moreland, and there actually is a Moreland exit sign on Interstate 85 that missed my hometown by three miles to the north.

Still, after all these years, Moreland has remained a quiet little blip on the map, a haven for those who have no use for city lights.

So you can judge just how shocked I was after reading a letter I received from Alan E.

Alan E. Thomas wrote to tell me that he and his wife have spent the last three years constructing a new farm home in Moreland.

"Like so many others," he wrote, "we're leaving city life and beginning to experience the wonders of the country."

"At night, we can step out on the deck and actually see stars again, and hear the crickets, frogs, and whippoorwills and spot herds of deer crossing from one tree cluster to another."

Ah, such splendor. Such peace. But Alan E. Thomas and his wife and other Moreland citizens suddenly are faced with a problem I never thought could happen there.

Jet noise. I can recall the noise of freight trains rumbling through Moreland nights during my childhood, and once a local turkey farmer got upset because he said the Baptist church's chimes made his turkeys nervous, but jet noise?

Alan E. Thomas writes that the Coweta County Airport Authority wants to expand its little facility, which sits just on the outskirts of Moreland, so it can accommodate corporate jets. Corporate jets?

I doubt any corporate jets would land there to do any business in Moreland. There is the expanding county seat of Newnan nearby, but any corporate jets with business in Newnan simply could land at Hartsfield. It's only 25 miles away.

Alan E. Thomas wants to be able to continue hearing the rural night sounds and not have them drowned out by the menacing roar of a jet engine.

He and others have suggested a new airport be built somewhere else. But the Airport Authority has explained the Federal Aviation Administration will grant funds for a runway extension, but not for a completely new airport. Governmental red tape and bureaucratic bumbuzzie strikes again.

Mr. Thomas has suggested I become an ally in the fight against jet noise in Moreland, and I assure him he now can count me on his side.

Moreland and Newnan need a place for jets to take off and land like they need a disco, and rural nights should still belong to the crickets, frogs and whippoorwills.

Fight like hell, my fellow Morelanders, and save the sacred quiet.

Once that's lost, God forbid, a traffic light is sure to follow.

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Yugoslavia-bred guard dogs are ideal shepherds

AMHERST, Mass. (AP) — In a sunlit New England meadow, Kolya stretches out among his sheep for a snooze.

Even in dozy repose, he investigates anyone approaching the flock.

And when eyes meet, there is little doubt who's in charge — it's the Shar Planinetz, a huge, lion-like dog with majestic blue mane bred to protect the flocks in the mountains of Yugoslavia from wolves.

Kolya is one of the first of the breed to be used successfully against coyotes by a pair of Hampshire College biologists.

Nearly 15 years after Ray and Lorna Coppinger began experimenting with rare breeds from remote corners of Europe, thousands of the big dogs are watching over flocks in the American West.

And like good shepherds, the Coppingers are keeping an eye on the big, deceptively placid breeds.

"They are still the best non-lethal method we've got to protect sheep against coyotes and other predators on the open range," Coppinger said.

"We thought we'd place out and follow 100 dogs and that would be the end of the research, but we're up to 1,221 now and still at it," Mrs. Coppinger said. "The sheep producers wouldn't let us stop."

She estimates that with offspring of dogs and the work of other groups, there are 4,000 to 5,000 guard dogs protecting flocks.

"They are an answer to all of us," said Sandy Petersen, a rancher in Sidney, Mont., who leaves her two guard dogs alone with her flock of 350 purebred sheep. "They eat a lot, but it's nothing compared to the cost of losing the lambs to coyotes and you don't have to get involved in a lawsuit."

Initially skeptical, the U.S. Department of Agriculture is now

"They are an answer to all of us. They eat a lot, but it's nothing compared to the cost of losing the lambs to coyotes and you don't have to get involved in a lawsuit. They keep us in business."

**Sandy Petersen
Montana rancher**

promoting sheep-guarding dogs with pamphlets and videos.

In some areas of the West, the dogs have significantly changed the way ranchers manage flocks, said Tom MacDonald of the American Sheep Producers Association. They are particularly effective on desert range, where a pair of dogs can protect 1,000 ewes, he said.

Some Colorado ranchers have told the association their losses have been cut from 450 sheep a year to a dozen or so.

And not just from coyotes. At the Coppingers' farm recently a student was training a pair of beguiling, white Maremma pups headed for the area around Yellowstone Park, where ranchers are nervous about plans to reintroduce wolves.

In a test in Minnesota, a single dog kept a small wolf pack from a bait station for 30 nights, until the wolves finally combined forces to drive off the dog, Coppinger said.

"We put him back the next night with a second dog and it went back to a standoff," he said. Despite nightly confrontations, the two dogs deterred the wolves until the experiment was ended 30 nights later.

Typically, the dogs chase away, rather than kill.

One of the primary aims of the predator is to keep itself healthy, because it can't hunt for food when it's hurt. So they will back off in the

face of the threat of likely harm," Mrs. Coppinger said.

Supported by a newly created association of guard dog users, Mrs. Coppinger is compiling a computerized registry of dogs on American farms and ranches, their working characteristics and blood lines.

Although some crossbreeds have been successful, and the Tibetan mastiff also is used, most of the sheep-guarding dogs in the United States are European breeds.

Some, such as the Great Pyrenees from the mountains along the French-Spanish border, and the Komondor and Kuvasz from Hungary, had also become popular as pets. But others — the Anatolian shepherd, the Akbash, dog from Turkey, the Maremma from Italy, the Shar Planinetz of Yugoslavia and the Polish Tatra — were little known outside the sheep-raising areas of the Old World.

The only American entry is a smaller strain, developed by the Navahos in Arizona to defend flocks against coyotes, Mrs. Coppinger said.

Little research had been done linking dogs' personality traits to genetics when the Coppingers first began their studies in the 1970s.

They found that through years of breeding, the guard dogs' psychological development had been arrested in the beguiling stage of puppyhood when little



Associated Press photo

MONTAGUE, Mass. — A six-month old Maremma pup is seen at its station guarding a flock of sheep in Montague, Mass., at a training farm run

by Steve Arneson. The dogs guard livestock mostly by instinct, but the trick was getting them used to a leash and working with people.

animals affectionately lick and touch their litter mates. They stay close to the nest and are suspicious of anything new, reacting to an intrusion with a panicked bark or snap.

The dogs also lack good species recognition patterns and when raised with sheep or other animals are "unclear about who or what is a dog," Mrs. Coppinger said. They may think of sheep as dogs, or llamas as dogs or people as dogs.

So a Shar Planinetz will lie down

peacefully with its lambs but will stand menacingly between its flock and danger.

"They seem to be able to set up limits and lines that are not to be crossed," Mrs. Coppinger said. "And once they have bonded with the sheep, that's really the only training they need to guard."

Roger Woodruff, a researcher at

Irey Green of the University of Idaho also began importing guard dogs in the 1970s in a separate program. Woodruff, now with the

USDA, said their basic behavioral findings were similar.

"We were more oriented to immediate application and let it go after placing 60 dogs," he said. "The Coppingers have done a lot of real in-depth behavioral and basic scientific research."

The dogs only watch and protect; they won't herd sheep.

"They don't see sheep as prey as a border collie does, but as another dog," Coppinger said. "You can't even get them to chase a ball. It's just not in their makeup."

Cruzan case made Americans aware of options

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most Americans have not planned for critical medical decisions they some day may have no control over, but Nancy Cruzan's "right-to-die" struggle made them more aware of their options, experts say.

The publicity surrounding Ms. Cruzan's case, said Doron Weber, a spokesman for the Society for the Right to Die, "generated a 500 percent increase in the requests we receive."

Weber said his New York-based organization has filled 800,000 requests for sample living wills and similar documents since the Supreme Court's decision in the Cruzan case last June.

"The volume from all over the country, which we tracked directly from the Cruzan case, was incredible. We had to start a night shift," he said.

John Pickering, a Washington

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**John Pickering
Washington lawyer**

lawyer who heads the American Bar Association's Commission on Legal Problems of the Elderly, said Ms. Cruzan's case "increased tremendously the public's knowledge of the existence of such documents as a living will and a durable power of attorney for health care."

"I think this increased awareness will help prevent the tragic kind of situation Nancy Cruzan and her parents found themselves in," he said.

Ms. Cruzan, 33, died Wednesday, 12 days after a feeding tube that

had kept her alive in a vegetative state for eight years was removed at her parents' request. The decision was controversial.

David O'Steen of the anti-abortion National Right to Life Committee said her death "diminishes hope for thousands of medically dependent people nationwide."

Ed Grant of Americans United for Life expressed sympathy for what Ms. Cruzan's family "has suffered through the past eight years."

He said, however, that his

organization is troubled by "a move toward passive euthanasia."

The Cruzan family's effort to end the life-sustaining treatment was the focus of a three-year legal battle that led to a landmark Supreme Court decision June 25.

The court recognized a constitutional right of competent adults to refuse all medical treatment. But it ruled against Ms. Cruzan's parents because they had not offered "clear and convincing" evidence she would have wanted to die.

The case returned to Missouri courts, and a state judge allowed removal of the feeding tube after hearing new evidence that Ms. Cruzan had said she would never want to live "like a vegetable."

Pickering said the Cruzan case also was instrumental in passage of a new federal law, originally called the Patient Self-Determination Act.

Service plans border express lanes

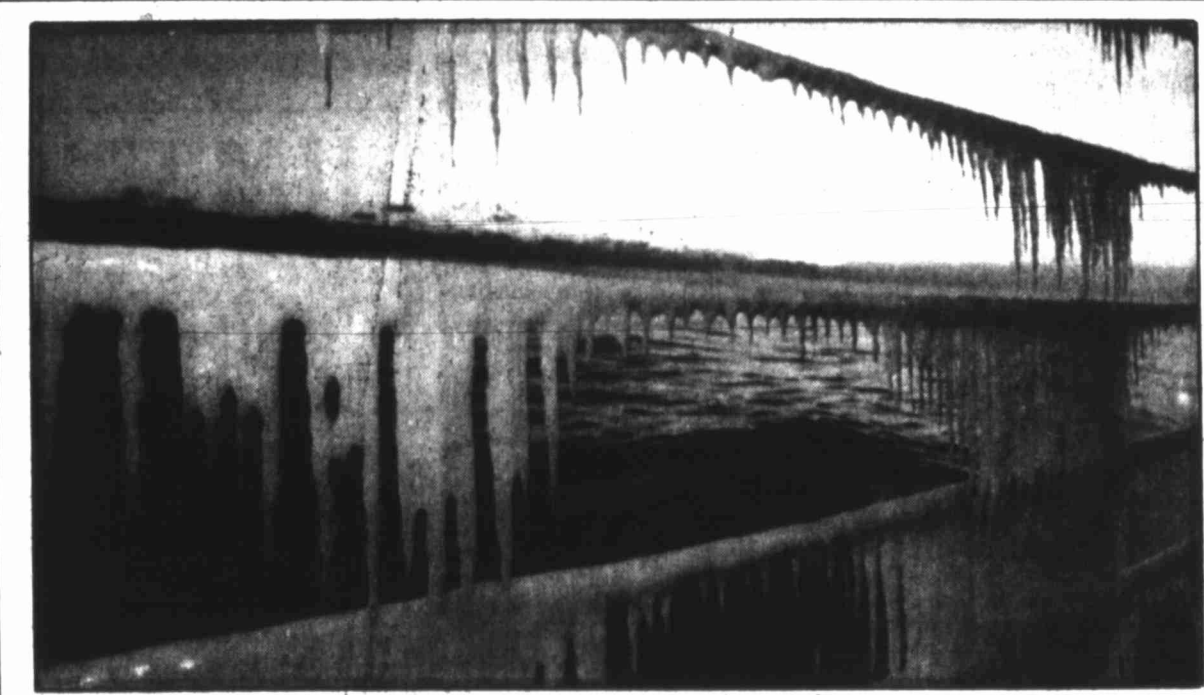
SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Immigration and Naturalization Service says it plans to charge a fee to motorists who use new express lanes along the Canadian and Mexican borders.

A pilot program is scheduled to be established next spring by the INS at a few locations along both borders. The participating border crossings and how much travelers will be charged for using the optional express lanes have not been determined yet, INS spokesman Duke Austin said.

The lanes would be staffed with extra inspectors to speed border crossings.

A fee plan was ordered by Congress in the 1991 Appropriations Act, which passed in October, to offset the recent traffic increase at border crossings. Money generated by the tolls would be used to hire more inspectors and expand inspection stations, Austin said.

"We are stressing that use of the fee lanes is voluntary," Austin said Saturday. "There will still be non-fee lanes for those who choose not to pay."



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Winter waters

CHICAGO — An ice-encrusted fence frames a sunrise over Lake Michigan in Chicago late last year. Temperatures plunged to below zero in the area the preceding night.

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Military

Operations Specialist Kenneth D. Awtry, son of Mrs. Norma L. Awtry of Big Spring, received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Navy on Dec. 25, 1990.

His first tour of duty was on the ammo supply ship U.S.S. Haleakala AE-25, with home port at Guam. He was stationed on the U.S.S. Kinkaid DD-965, a Spruance Class destroyer out of the Naval Station in San Diego, Calif., during his last tour of duty.

In his enlistment he achieved the rank of Operations Specialist Second Class and operated various types of radar equipment while deployed to the Persian Gulf.

His awards include the Navy Good Conduct Medal; the Navy Achievement Medal; and the Navy Marine Corps Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

He is married to Amy Monsey Awtry, formerly of Hobbs, N.M., and the couple has one son, Kendall, age 3 months.

The couple plan to reside in Las Cruces, N.M. Awtry has four years of active reserve duty to complete.

Army Reserve Pvt. Christina S. Borders has completed the motor transport operator course at Fort Dix, Trenton, N.J.

Training included operation of light and heavy military vehicles in both on- and off-road and vehicle conditions. Other topics were accident prevention and reporting, operator maintenance, and motor marches.

Borders is the daughter of Joseph C. Mosley, Abilene, and granddaughter of Lola M. Thomason, 106 Lincoln Ave.

Navy Seaman Kelly L. Sampson, daughter of Janis Edwards, 2502 Scheyene, has been selected as Blue Jacket of the Quarter for the Enlisted Personnel Management Center, New Orleans.

Sampson was chosen from among all the sailors assigned to the command, and was cited for her outstanding performance of duty, proficiency, leadership, initiative, and military bearing.

A 1988 graduate of Lubbock Christian High School, Lubbock, she joined the Navy in January 1989.

Navy Seaman Recruit Tommy L. Pietzsch, son of Ronnie W. and Wanda R. Pietzsch, RR 3, Colorado City, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During Pietzsch's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

His studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1990 graduate of Colorado High School, he joined the Navy in June 1989.

Forsan

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An alarm shatters the stillness. Instantly alert, firefighters throw off their covers, jump into pants and boots in one movement, don yellow and black protective jackets, put on helmets, and slide down the pole to the awaiting fire engine all in less than four seconds.

Tiger Cubs from Elbow watched the practice drill with rounded eyes: Never fear! Our firefighters are still on the job!

Den mother Kara Nichols escorted cubs Brodie Wash, Bryan Ramarez, Jeffrey Martin, Joshua Bedwell and Niel Doring to the central Fire Station where firefighters Kerry Horton and Scott Emerson displayed fire equipment, carefully

explaining each piece. They talked to the children about fire safety, stressing the "stop, drop, and roll" method in case they should find themselves on fire, and taught the cubs that firemen are their friends.

The Tiger Cubs toured the station, learning what the firefighters did at the station while they are on duty, 24 hours on, 48 hours off. Kyle Nichols, said she learned "Not to play with matches or lighters," and "Not to be afraid, firemen are our friends."

Elbow Tiger Cubs rode a make believe wind-up truck in the Christmas parade. Allen Nichols drove while the youngsters sang



Elbow Tiger Cubs entered a windup toy design pickup in the Christmas parade. Allen Nichols is driving; Kara Nichols waves at the crowd; and Bernice Velasquez perches on the tool box. Cubs riding include Bryan Ramirez, Brodie Wash, Kyle Nichols and Jeffrey Martin.

carols and threw candy from the back of the pickup. "The weather was pretty, and the kids enjoyed the parade," reports den mother Kara Nichols.

Rapt faces glowed in the candlelight as worshippers sang "Silent Night, Holy Night." Forsan

Baptist Church celebrated Christmas with a candlelight service Sunday night before Christmas. Each person, including tiny Aaron Cregar, Blake Little, and Victoria McDowell, held a lit candle for the last half of the service, which combined scripture reading and Christmas hymns.

It's not for fences anymore

WICHITA FALLS (AP) —

Garage sale fever has probably left you in one of two situations. Either you've purchased a great piece of old furniture at a bargain price, or in cleaning out your own attic, have rediscovered a long forgotten acquisition.

Your find isn't quite an antique, but it's certainly an interesting, well-made piece of furniture. It needs some sort of face lift, but the value and age simply don't warrant refinishing.

How about a good whitewashing? Now we're not talking about Tom Sawyer-style whitewashing, but a

popular with decorators and homeowners with an eye for style. "Although we don't do this type of work for the public, we've shown several clients how to whitewash furniture themselves," said Steven King, co-owner of King-Albers Studio. He and partner Michael Albers specialize in antiques, accent pieces and custom upholstery work.

"It's so simple, even someone who's never refinished furniture can pick it up quickly with good results," he said.

What kind of furniture is a candidate for whitewashing? According to Albers, any piece of

furniture with an intact finish and some detail work will do nicely.

"Flat surfaces don't make for a very interesting whitewash," he explained. "Something with carving, moldings or turned pieces will look much better. It should have a fairly good finish — you never want to whitewash raw wood because it will absorb the color of the wash."

"And this way, if you want to strip and refinish, it will be easy."

The two demonstrated with a mahogany-stained mantelpiece. After making sure the wood was clean, Albers applied a latex section with a light coat of beige tone latex paint that had been thinned with water. He then quickly wiped away the excess with a soft cotton cloth. The sheer white effect remained on the wood, with traces of paint remaining to highlight the turned posts.

"Whitewashing doesn't necessarily mean using white paint," said Albers. "For the wash you should choose a color which complements the wood you're about to treat. Mahogany has a red tone, so the paint should have a slightly pink background." Washes can be applied in shades

other than white. King used a vivid turquoise wash to dress up an old kitchen cabinet, and the result is eye-catching.

"This is really a display piece, but the turquoise wash over the white painted cabinet looks great," he said. "It wouldn't work for everyone, on any piece of furniture, anywhere, but if you've got a good sense of color, it's something to consider."

Other treatments which bring interest to older furniture are "marbleizing" and "granitizing." King chose the latter for the smooth mantel shelf.

To make the surface look like granite, he first sponged on a smooth coat of rose-colored latex. After drying for 24 hours, off-white and deep rose paints were swirled on a plate and picked up on a sponge. King then heavily daubed the paint on the shelf.

"You see, the colors are separated, but when you really apply a thick coat, it gives the rough look of stone," Albers said. "Marbleizing is done with less paint, and a feather is used to create the veins and imperfections. On tabletops, metal accent pieces and in other saturations, this gives a whole new look to furniture you may be tired of looking at."

A bang-up football season

BANG-UP SEASON. By Mark Steadman. Longstreet Press. 162 Pages. \$14.95.

The football team at Boniface College — a Catholic boys' prep school in Savannah, Ga. — calls itself the "Fighting Irish."

But it's neither.

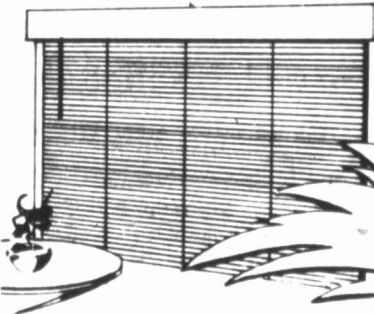
The quarterback, for example, is called Bomber and he is not a bomber. Unfortunately, Bomber is so afraid of being tackled that he "would absolutely run out of the stadium and climb a light tower before he would let a tackler lay a finger on him." So much for Bomber. As for the rest of the team, with nicknames such as Frog, Quit, Dimmy, Feeb, and Bo — who cried whenever he saw the Gipper die in the Knute Rockne movie — it's no better.

But better days are coming, and Mark Steadman tells about them in "Bang-Up Season," a very funny novel set in the more innocent days of 1947.

The salvation of the team comes in the person of Jack Lynch, who joins the squad in his last high school year. Lynch is 17, but stands an imposing 6 feet 3 inches, weighs 225 pounds and plays a mean game of football. As soon as he joins up, he realizes it's going to be up to him to get the team whipped into shape and primed to win its games.

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Hard at work

Author James Michener, center, goes over illustrations for a book with Charles Shaw, left, and John Kings. At age 83, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author is still turning out lengthy novels.

Sleepy Husband's habit threatens family's health

DEAR ABBY: I have a very serious problem that could be a matter of life or death. My husband falls asleep while he's smoking cigarettes. I just found another 2-inch-long burn on my sofa. There are 15 burn holes in the carpet in front of the sofa, 10 burn holes on the coffee table — not to mention the burn holes in my sheets and in the carpet beside our bed.

Twice I have been awakened by our fire alarm — and found smoke rolling through the house because he fell asleep while cooking breakfast. The first time, he was cooking bacon, and it burned a two-foot area on the kitchen floor. The second time, he fell asleep while boiling eggs.

This is a constant source of fear and fights in our house. I have begged, pleaded, threatened and have even thrown his clothes on the porch over this, but it keeps happening. Sometimes I catch him, but most of the time, I find another burn hole. A few years ago, he was told he had a disorder called "sleep apnea" — he stops breathing while he's asleep. Could this be related to his problem?

How can I convince him that this is serious, and possibly life-threatening to our entire family? — AFRAID OF FIRE IN LAKE CITY, ARK.

DEAR AFRAID: Please get your husband to a physician before the sun sets on another day! He needs a total evaluation of his physical and mental condition. In the meantime, he should not smoke in the house unless he's supervised. His life, and the lives of everyone in your family, depend upon it.

DEAR ABBY: I have a 5-year-old daughter who is blind. She is constantly confronted with pity — a

Dear Abby



reaction she does not understand. Strangers come up to her saying, "Oh, bless your heart. You poor little thing!"

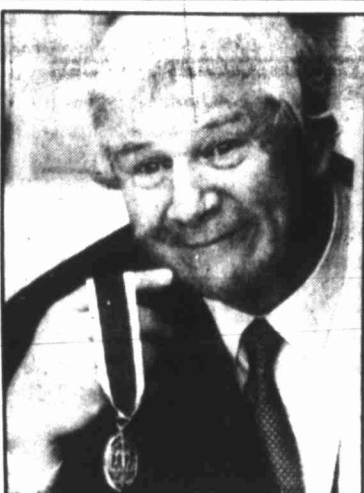
Abby, my daughter is NOT a "poor little thing." She is a beautiful, happy, healthy child who cannot figure out why people she has never met before are touching her and feeling sorry for her.

It seems that ignorance still runs rampant in the 1990s, and blind people are still considered helpless. Please, let sighted people know that — like them — blind people will ask for help if and when it is needed, and they do not appreciate being patronized. Contrary to popular belief, blind people can hear, think, speak and feel, and they are not to be pitied. — SANTA ANA PARENT

DEAR PARENT: I have had many letters from sightless people asking me to remind sighted people of the important message in your letter. A major complaint: When a blind person is accompanied by a sighted person while traveling, the sighted person will be asked, "And what will your friend have?"

CONFIDENTIAL TO HURTING IN LAWRENCE, KAN.: It takes a friend and an enemy to really hurt you: the enemy to say something rotten about you, and the "friend" to tell you about it.

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Sir Peter

LONDON — Actor, author and ambassador of good will, Peter Ustinov holds up the insignia of Knights Bachelor, after investiture by Queen Elizabeth. Ustinov is best known for his movie role as Agatha Christie's Detective Hercule Poirot.

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A. Yes, according to the Texas Employment Commission, a job must be kept available for as long as four years after the emergency duty was initiated.

Calendar

SATURDAY

• The Humane Society is sponsoring a rummage sale from 1 to 4 p.m. at Fourth and Galveston.

MONDAY

• West Texas Legal Services will provide attorneys for civil matters (disability, divorces, adoptions, etc.) for those unable to afford their own attorney, at the Northside Community Center. Please pick up and fill out applications and have ready in advance. For more information call (1) 686-0647.

TUESDAY

• The Big Spring Bass Club will meet in the B.S.H.S. Ag. Dept. room V-19.

• Coahoma Senior Citizen Project will host its 2nd Pot Luck Luncheon beginning at noon at the Coahoma community center. Topic: Changes in requirements for drivers licenses.

Sunday paper price to \$1 at racks, dealers

The price of the Sunday edition of the *Big Spring Herald* will be one dollar at dealers and rack locations, effective this weekend, Publisher Robert Wernsman announced this week.

The increase has no effect on the price of the newspaper delivered to homes by carrier.

The change is the first increase in the Sunday price in more than five years, Wernsman said. The price had been 75 cents per copy purchased at newsstands and racks; the average price when delivered at home as part of a monthly subscription is 25 cents per copy.

"Typically, such increases are announced amid declarations of increased costs," Wernsman said. "And, although we face increased expenses, the fact is we have a product that is worth more than it has been in the past. We are working to improve both the quality and quantity of the local news reporting, as well as superior selection of state, national and world news; the result of those efforts is evident by the work being produced by the *Herald*."

The 35-cent price of the daily edition of the *Herald* will remain the same.

Lions club solicits fundraising support

The Big Spring Evening Lions Club is planning a telephone solicitation to seek support from businesses and professional groups for two performances of the Carson & Barnes Circus in April.

"We want the public to know this is a legitimate telephone promotion," said Bob Noyes, with the Lions club.

The promotion, which will begin Monday, Jan. 7, will offer blocks of tickets to be used as promotional tools or donations. Donated tickets will be used by the VA Medical Center and the State Hospital.

Proceeds from the April 9 show will be used by the club for community projects, especially sight conservation.

Police beat

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

• A \$125 microwave was stolen from a habitation sometime Wednesday or Thursday.

• A \$139.95 radio-cassette player was stolen from a vehicle on Thursday.

• There were five vehicle accidents in the city overnight. No serious injuries were reported.

Oil/markets

February crude oil \$24.10, up 42; cash hog today was 50 cents higher at 49.75; slaughter steers 50 cents higher at 81.50 even; February live hog futures 46.97, up 42; February live cattle futures 77.95, up 50 at 10:30 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

Most quotes were not available today.

U.S. incarceration rate is highest in world

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States has the world's highest imprisonment rate on record, with more than 1 million people in prison or jail, a private group that favors alternative punishments reported today.

"Despite all the claims, the same policies that have helped make us a world leader in incarceration have clearly failed to make us a safer nation," said Marc Mauer, assistant director of The Sentencing Project, who wrote the report.

For every 100,000 U.S. residents, 426 are behind bars awaiting trial or serving time for crimes committed, the report said. That is the highest incarceration rate in the world, it said, ahead of South Africa's rate of 333 people im-

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Assistant director of The Sentencing Project

prisoned per 100,000 residents and the Soviet Union's rate of 268 per 100,000.

Incarceration rates in Europe generally range from 35 to 120 per 100,000 residents, and for Asian countries the rates range from 21 to 140 per 100,000, the report said.

For black American males, the rate is 3,109 per 100,000, compared

to South Africa's 729 per 100,000.

The U.S. incarceration rate has more than doubled over the past decade, the report said.

A higher crime rate is one reason for the U.S. lead in imprisonment, it said. The nation's murder rate is at least seven times higher than in most European countries. There were six times as many robberies

and three times as many rapes in the United States as in West Germany prior to unification with East Germany.

But the report also blamed "harsher criminal justice policies" during the 1980s, when more states adopted mandatory minimum sentences, tightened parole eligibility criteria, and otherwise

relied more on imprisonment than alternatives.

Forty-six states have laws requiring imprisonment for some offenses. The U.S. Sentencing Commission says new sentencing guidelines and tougher penalties for drug law violations may result in a 119 percent increase in the federal prison population between 1987 and 1997, the report said.

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., chairman of the House Government Operations Committee, said the report "illustrates the long-term effect of the draconian criminal justice policies the United States has been implementing over the past decade, and is indicative of policies that have failed our people."

Mideast

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unveiled as a top adviser to Mitterrand, Michel Vauzelle, was in Baghdad, but it was not immediately known whether the Iraqis had been informed of the French plan in advance.

There was no immediate action on the plan by the ministers, meeting in closed-door session. A German source said German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher endorsed the idea of European-Iraqi talks, but there was no word on other nations' reaction to the rest of the plan.

Meanwhile, an Iraqi diplomat being expelled from Britain today warned that Arabs living in Western countries will mount widespread sabotage attacks if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf.

"If Iraq is going to be attacked, all Western countries will have targets to be hit — and Britain has allied itself with the Americans in this warfare," press counselor Naiel Abdul-Jabbar Hassan told reporters at London's Heathrow Airport.

Britain on Thursday ordered the

expulsion of eight Iraqi Embassy staff members and 67 other Iraqis, citing past Iraqi threats to attack Western targets if war breaks out.

In Baghdad, diplomatic sources said today that Iraq has told embassies to prepare to move out of the capital to temporary facilities in a city 65 miles to the west. Most embassies only have skeleton staffs remaining in Baghdad.

The *New York Times*, also citing diplomatic sources, said in today's editions that Iraq planned to move all its government functions out of the Iraqi capital prior to Jan. 15, the United Nations deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or face the threat of war.

But the official Iraqi News Agency denied that government offices would be relocated outside the capital.

"These reports are fabricated and ridiculous... Baghdad is the capital of steadfastness and victory and will remain so, protected by its men under the leadership of President Saddam Hussein," the news agency said.



Herald photo by Perry Hall

Coming down

The building that formerly housed Newsom's Grocery is in the process of being torn down. Building owner Coy Talbot said the building was inadequate for their purposes. He said the building had been on the market for the past

three and a half years with no prospects for lease. Talbot said he had been looking for a grocery store, it is hard to find any business but a grocery to take the building. Talbot said it was time for the building to come down.

More Soviets are seeking asylum

WASHINGTON (AP) — A record number of Soviets are seeking protection in the United States from worsening conditions in their homeland, and the administration expects the number of asylum applicants to grow.

In 1990, the number of Soviet asylum seekers more than quadrupled — to 1,043 from 243 the year before, according to the Immigration and Naturalization Service. The INS approved 239 requests, denied 51 and has yet to rule on the rest.

The increase in asylum requests is due in part to the growing ease with which Soviet citizens can travel abroad as a result of President Mikhail Gorbachev's liberalized policies.

To be eligible for asylum, a person must arrive in the United States and be able to prove "a well-founded fear" of political or religious persecution if forced to return home.

The tide of asylum seekers reflects the growing chaos created by the liberalization moves — rising crime, economic deterioration and rebellion by republics seeking independence from Moscow.

"We're seeing more Soviet defectors than ever before because of the deterioration there," said

Leigh S. Lamora, a spokeswoman for the Jamestown Foundation, which helps resettle political refugees.

But the defectors are no longer as special.

During three decades of Cold War, any Soviet who managed to escape was valued as a propaganda asset with which to needle Moscow, and mined for intelligence about the secretive government.

The type of people seeking asylum now, compared with the rare few who were able to do so in the past, is different.

"It's less the stars, those with special privileges who were once the only people allowed to travel," Verne Jervis, an INS spokesman, said Thursday. "It's more ordinary types of people."

One of the more prominent Soviets to receive political asylum in recent months is Maxim Kniazkov, a senior official of the government-run Tass news agency who defected two months ago while participating in a one-week exchange program in Kansas.

"I think the prospects for democracy are gone for now," Kniazkov said in an interview. "I could foresee a crackdown coming against liberals, against

nationalists."

Kniazkov's job was to oversee the flow of foreign news to the state-run television and radio stations and to the Tass world wire. Despite the talk about growing press freedom, he said, "Tass is still an organ of the (Communist) Party."

Many items on the Tass wire come directly from the KGB or foreign ministry in sealed envelopes, he said.

"I was in government service," Kniazkov said. "I would have had to support what could be a very bloody thing, to write propaganda about it."

"You know a crime is going to be committed by the government you work for, and hundreds could perish. You have to take sides," he said.

Kniazkov left behind a son he hopes to bring to the United States one day.

Despite improved ties with the United States and the relaxation of government controls on state institutions, he said, "once you decide to leave a senior government position, you're considered an enemy of the Soviet Union." The Soviet Communist Party has been particularly sensitive about its increasing loss of control over the media.

Mother Nature grants school holiday

By BILL AYRES
City Editor

Only two days after returning to school, Big Spring students got an unexpected day off today thanks to Mother Nature. Students at Forsan and Coahoma did attend classes, but after a two-hour delay.

"It's simply too cold and too treacherous," said Murray Murphy, Big Spring School District assistant superintendent. Murphy said it was decided early this morning road conditions were too treacherous for the buses, so the decision to delay school for two hours was announced.

"By 8:30 it was obvious the road conditions were not improving, so the decision to cancel school was made," he said. "This decision was made with the safety and best interests of parents and students in mind."

The reason for the concern was an ice storm that hit the area during the night. By morning all area roads were covered with a glaze of ice that was hidden by light snow.

Sheriff's Deputy Junior Trevino said there was only one reported traffic accident this morning. He added that I-20 was "iced over and traffic was moving slow." Travel to the north was being discouraged this morning, he said.

City road crews began early this morning putting sand and gravel at high impact areas, said Tom Decell, assistant City Manager. "The road conditions this morning are horrible," he said. "We're putting sand and gravel on all the major thoroughfares, hills and curves."

Decell said his crews were restricted to road work today and unless the weather warmed up, the city would not pick up trash until

Saturday.

"Our major concern is to keep the roads clear," he said.

The change in the weather pattern was the result of a warm, moist air mass colliding with the cold air over the area. The National Weather Service in Midland reported the cold air was caught under the warm air, which caused the freezing rain last night.

The cold front is expected to continue moving west, which will cause a change in the weather patterns over the area this afternoon. There is a slight chance for rain this afternoon and all through the weekend. The temperatures are expected to warm up gradually, beginning this afternoon. The high today should be about 38 degrees and 50 degrees should be the high by the end of the weekend. The next cold front shouldn't hit the area until the middle or end of next week.

Stenholm to meet with constituents

Congressman Charles Stenholm, D-Stamford, will be in Big Spring Monday and Tuesday to meet with various groups and organizations.

At 6 p.m. Monday, he will address the Evening Lions Club at their meeting place at 1607 E. Third. He will discuss upcoming issues in the 102nd Congress, according to a press release. A question and answer session will follow.

On Tuesday he will meet with farmers and county extension

agents from Glasscock, Martin, Howard and Mitchell counties in a 7 a.m. Dutch-treat buffet at the Days Inn.

At 9:35 a.m., he will meet with Big Spring Chamber of Commerce officials and Economic Development Board officers at Chamber offices.

At 10:45 a.m., he will meet with officials from area credit unions to discuss upcoming legislation affecting the credit union industry.

At 11:50 a.m., he will meet with

the Stanton Lions Club at the Stanton Community Center.

The afternoon will be spent meeting with officials of the Big Spring Federal Prison Correctional Institution, the Veterans Administration Hospital in Big Spring and American Petrofina Refinery in Big Spring.

A 6 p.m. coordinators dinner will be held at the Days Inn.

On Wednesday Stenholm will travel to Garden City and Sterling City.

Deaths

Kevin Dawdy

Kevin Scott Dawdy, 27, Big Spring, died Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1991.

Services will be 4 p.m. Friday at Union Church in Grand Falls with burial in Grand Falls Cemetery. Local arrangements were by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He was born June 7, 1963, in Evenston, Wyo. He had worked as a roughneck and was a member of the New Life Center.

Survivors include his parents?

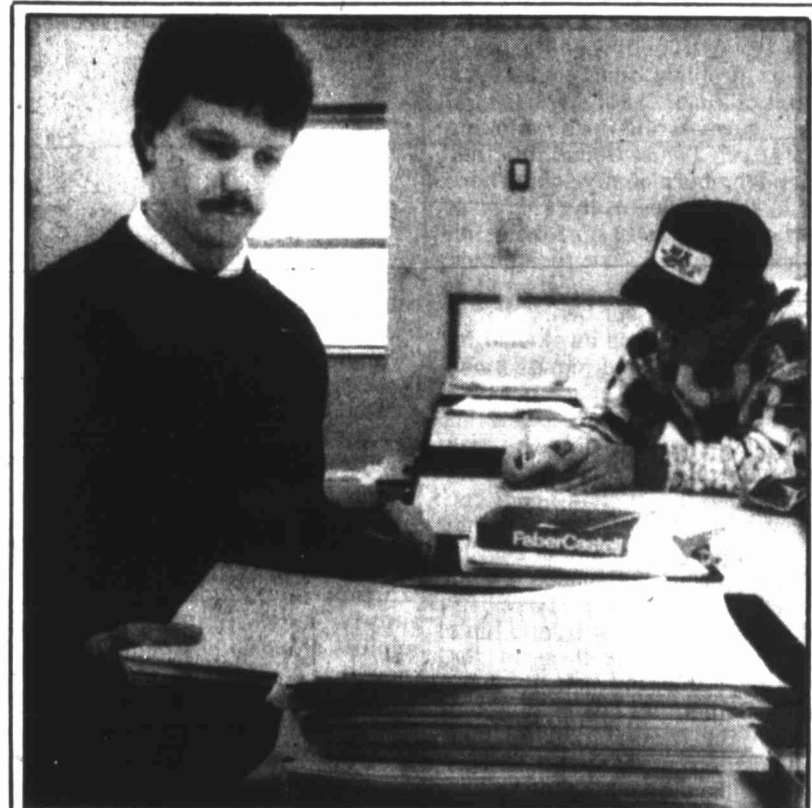
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Registration

Mike Evans, registrar at Howard College, sets forms on the counter as the college prepares for registration beginning Monday morning. Registration will be Jan. 7 to 11 and Jan. 15, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and late registration will take place Jan. 16 to 24 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.



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H.B. and Betty Dawdy, Grand Falls; three brothers: Jeff Dawdy, Hao, Ariz.; Howard Dawdy, Denison; and Zeke Dawdy, Phoenix, Ariz.; three sisters: Judy Broad, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Tammy Ross, Lajara, Colo.; and Audrey Dawdy, Grand Falls; and his grandparents.

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Elks hoop shoot set for Saturday

The Big Spring Elks Club #1386 will be hosting the annual hoop shoot, a free throw shooting contest, Saturday at Steer Gym at 9 a.m. The contest is open to boys and girls ages 8-13. Divisions will be 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13. Awards will be given to the first three finishers in each division. The winners qualify to the district competition in Pecos next week.

For more information call Rocky Vieira at 267-7773.

Pistol shoot set for Sunday

The Western Sportsman Club will have a .22 pistol centerfire shoot Sunday at 1:30 p.m. The public is invited to watch of participate. The club is located about nine miles west on Highway 176 (Andrews highway).

Sanders says he was harassed

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Deion Sanders said he was harassed by a Florida Highway Patrol auxiliary trooper south of Fort Myers because he and two other black men were driving an expensive car.

Sanders, a defensive back and kick returner with the Atlanta Falcons and a free-agent baseball player who spent time with the New York Yankees last season, said the trooper had no reason to stop him Thursday.

"I'm riding along with two friends, there was a traffic jam caused by a wreck, so we couldn't have been speeding, and we got pulled over," Sanders said from his Fort Myers home after the incident. "When I tried to find out why we'd been stopped, I got no answer. And when I got out of the car, this trooper rushes me and throws me up against my car," he said.

Troopers acknowledged that the auxiliary trooper rushed Sanders as he got out of the car. But FHP officials did not explain why the trooper did so.

Highway patrol spokesman Lt. Malcolm Rhodes said the trooper made the stop because the man driving Sanders' car, Richard Fain, was speeding. But Fain, a Fort Myers native and former defensive back at the University of Florida, was not charged with speeding.

After talking to everyone involved in the incident, Rhodes said, the FHP decided it had no grounds for filing charges and allowed Fain to drive away in Sanders' Mercedes convertible.

Hall of Famer dead at 83

CUMMING, Ga. (AP) — Luke Appling, the Hall of Fame shortstop who was one of baseball's beloved players, died suddenly Thursday. He was 83.

Appling, who played his entire 20-year career with the Chicago White Sox, hit over .300 16 times, won two American League batting titles, set major league records for longevity at shortstop and retired with a .310 lifetime average.

He was admitted to Lakeside Community Hospital on Wednesday night with an aneurysm of the aorta. Appling died during surgery hours later.

Lucius Benjamin Appling Jr. had his finest season in 1936, leading the AL with a .388 batting average — highest ever for a shortstop — and driving in 128 runs.

He won a second batting title in 1943, hitting .328, and narrowly missed another when he hit .348 in 1940, four points behind Joe DiMaggio.

But Appling, who never played on a championship club, got perhaps his most famous hit in 1982, when at the age of 75 he slammed a home run off Warren Spahn in an old-timers game at Washington's RFK Stadium.

Born in High Point, N.C., Appling grew up in Atlanta.

Appling is survived by his wife, Fay Dodd Appling, a son, two daughters, a brother, three sisters and six grandchildren.

Mustangs drop Lady Steers

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

The Sweetwater Lady Mustangs had too much inside muscle for Big Spring to overcome Thursday night, and powered their way to a 55-38 win in District 3-4A action at Steer Gym.

The Lady Mustangs, 3-0 in district play and 12-8 overall, were led by forward Nikki Heath's 21 points. Post player Amie Parsons scored 15 points and Adrienne Armstrong added 10 for Sweetwater.

The Lady Steers, 2-14 overall and 1-1 in the district standings, were led by sophomore guard Leslie Fryar, who scored eight points.

Sweetwater, after spotting Big Spring a quick 5-2 lead, went on a 17-1 run to take command, 19-6, after one quarter, and the Lady Mustangs were never threatened after that.

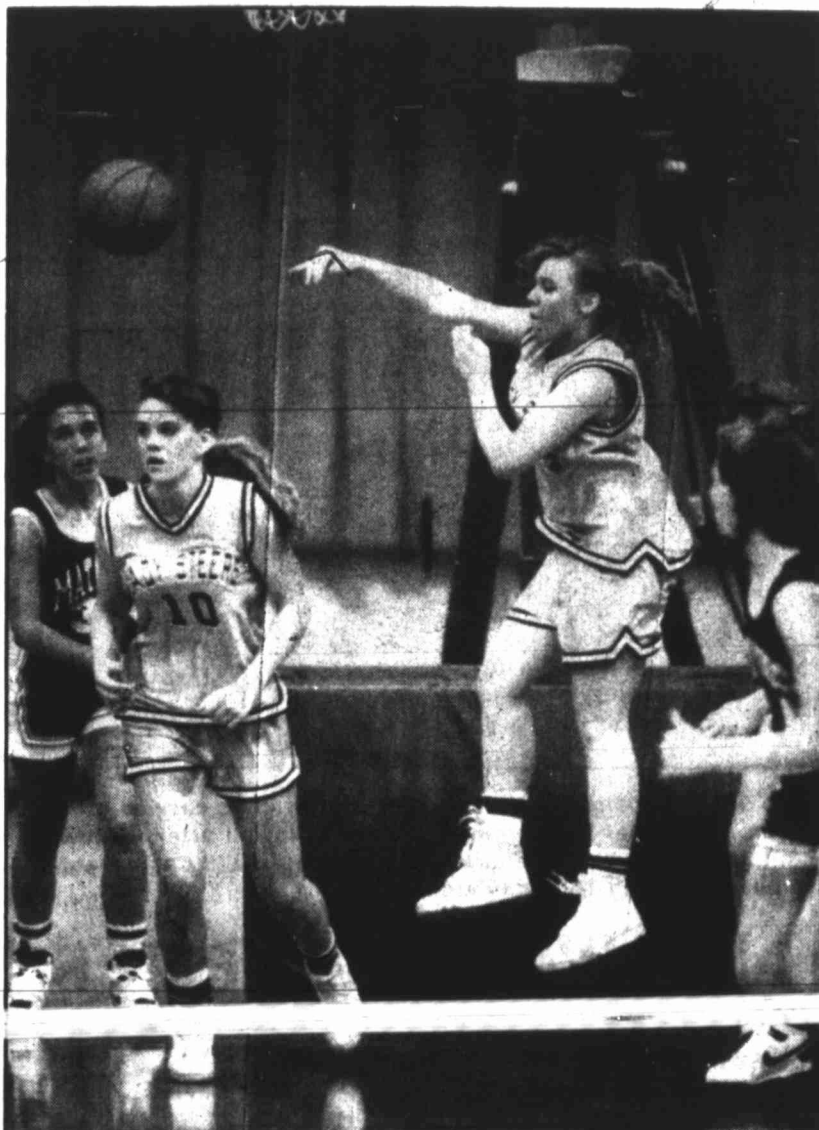
Heath, a two-time all-district selection, made her presence felt in the decisive first quarter, scoring six points in the first 3:48 of the game.

Another critical factor that kept the Lady Steers at bay was Sweetwater's inside passing, of which Parsons was a constant beneficiary. The 5-foot-9 post player scored eight points in the first half, the last two giving Sweetwater a 26-10 lead with 5:11 left in the first half.

"We dug ourselves a hole that we couldn't get out of," BSHS coach George Martin said of the first quarter. "We let them have too many second and third shots. We let them get the ball inside to (Parsons) too many times."

"I thought we had a well-rounded performance," Sweetwater coach Terry Crocker said. "We shot the ball really well in the first quarter... but I thought Big Spring's kids played hard."

The second half was mainly a matter of the teams trading



In this file photo Big Spring Lady Steers' sophomore forward Amber Fannin makes an outlet pass to a teammate while Amber Grisham (10) goes downcourt. In Thursday's game against Sweetwater, Fannin scored five points and Grisham scored four.

baskets. The closest the Lady Steers got was when Fryar canned a three-pointer with 5:49 left in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 31-19.

Heath stole the ball a minute

later, however, and sank a lay-in to start a 7-1 run that saw the Lady Mustangs regain full command of the game.

Martin said the Lady Steers, off to their worst start in five years,

DISTRICT STANDINGS	
Sweetwater	3-0
Pecos	2-0
Big Spring	1-1
Lake View	1-1
Fort Stockton	1-2
Monahans	1-2
Andrews	0-3

Thursday
Sweetwater 55, Big Spring 38; Pecos 53, Andrews 34; Monahans 54, Fort Stockton 51.

Saturday
Big Spring at Monahans; Fort Stockton at San Angelo Lake View Pecos at Sweetwater.

are still searching for the right combination.

"The kids just do not have a 'basketball' background," Martin said. "They are doing things seventh and eighth graders do... When you get to this level, you have to do what Levelland and Eula does. (Those teams) know what's going on. Hopefully, every ballgame we'll learn something."

The Lady Steers will be back in action Saturday when they travel to Monahans to take on the Lobos. Game times are 6 p.m. for the junior varsity and 7:30 for the varsity.

JV downs Sweetwater
In junior varsity action, the Lady Steers were more successful, downing Sweetwater, 37-25. Wanda Peterson scored 16 points and Syreeta Shellman 10 to pace Big Spring.

SWEETWATER (55) — Jamela Owens 1 0-0 2; Nikki Heath 7 7-8 21; Adrienne Armstrong 3 2-4 10; Patricia Sadder 1 3-4 5; Jennifer Pate 0 0-0 0; Darla Little 0 2-3 2; Amie Parsons 7 1-1 15; Hope Jennings 1 0-0 2; totals 19 15-20 55.
BIG SPRING (38) — Amber Grisham 2 0-0 4; Leslie Fryar 2 2-2 8; Vernice Ross 1 0-0 3; Kerry Burdette 1 0-1 2; Shawn Settles 0 2-5 2; Jamie Haas 0 0-0 0; Bernadette Valles 1 1-2 5; Tessa Olague 1 0-0 2; Amber Fannin 2 1-4 5; Cassie Underwood 1 4-5 4; totals 12 11-21 38.

SCORE BY QUARTERS:
Sweetwater 19 10 11 15—55
Big Spring 6 10 9 13—38
THREE-POINT GOALS — Armstrong 2, Fryar 2, Ross; TOTAL FOULS — Sweetwater 17, Big Spring 16; FOULED OUT — None.

Steers lose league opener

SWEETWATER — The Big Spring Steers began the District 3-4A season on a losing note, dropping a 60-49 decision to the Sweetwater Mustangs here Thursday night.

The Steers had a miserable time finding their shooting touch, shooting 25 percent from the floor. Even worse was Big Spring's inability to make their three-point attempts. The Steers only sunk one three-pointer in 19 tries.

Even with that Big Spring still led 33-31 midway through the third quarter. "We were pressing them and we stole the ball a couple of times; we really got after it," said Steers coach Tommy Washington. "Then we settled back into a slow pace. Sweetwater wanted to play a slower pace. They just sat back in their zone."

"We got a little intimidated by their big kid (Charles Smith). He blocked about seven shots. We took the ball inside and got him into foul trouble. We didn't have anybody that would body him up. He got all but about four of his points on offensive rebounds, he finally fouled out late in the game. We work on three-pointers in practice, how to do it, when to shoot them. But when we get into a game we try to put on a three-point clinic, how it's not supposed to be done."

Senior forward Mike Williams paced Big Spring with 16 points. Senior post player Louis Soldan followed with 13.

Gregg Ruffin led Sweetwater with 16, Smith followed with 13. Big Spring falls to 5-14 overall and Sweetwater goes to 10-7.

STEERS JV FALLS
In the junior varsity game Sweetwater came out on top

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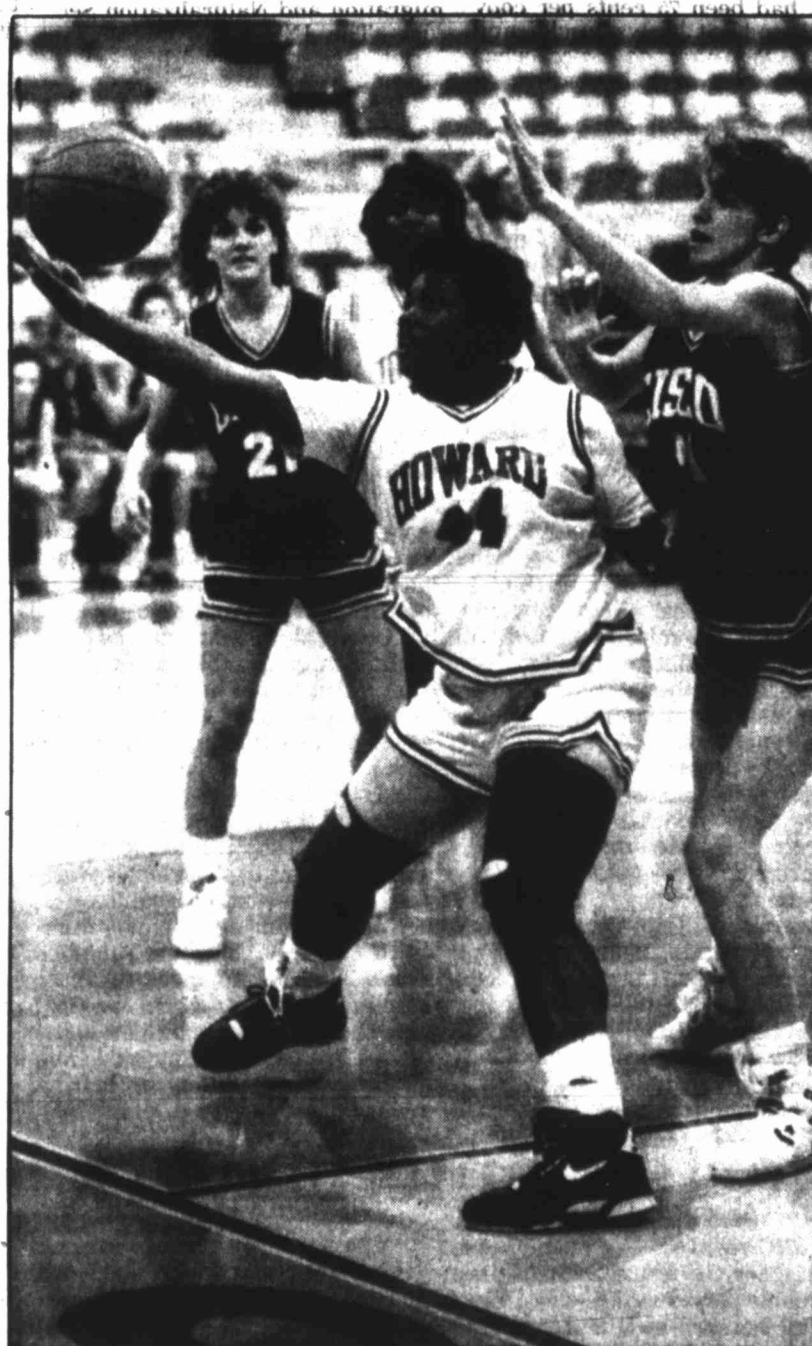
Lady Hawks lose first game

BRENNHAM — The Howard College Lady Hawks winning streak is over. Thursday night in the opening round of the Blinn basketball tournament, the Olympic Hopefuls defeated Howard 72-66.

Howard played without starting forward Lisa Moore, who didn't return after the Christmas break. The 6-foot sophomore from Homer, La. was Howard's second leading scorer and rebounder. Lady Hawks coach Royce Chadwick said Moore wasn't returning to school because of personal problems.

It was the nation's No. 4 ranked team, first loss in 15 games. The

"In the second half we played halfcourt defense, sagging and helping. They still got some good shots, but they didn't hit them. We got more into a halfcourt game, which is a little more our style. They didn't pull off of us, they had to play their tails off to keep themselves in the game," — Howard coach Royce Chadwick.



In this file photo Howard College Lady Hawks' sophomore forward Lisa Moore (44) takes a lob pass. Moore, Howard's second leading scorer and rebounder, is not coming back because of personal reasons.

With 35 seconds remaining, Howard had cut the lead to 68-66.

The Olympic Hopefuls made two foul shots, giving them a four-point lead. Howard came down and missed, the Olympic Hopefuls rebounded and Howard had to fouled. The opposing player sunk the shots, putting the final score at 72-66.

Foul shooting was a major part of the contest. The Olympic Hopefuls made 18 of 21 free throws while Howard sunk 11 of 24.

Chadwick was pleased with his team's second half performance.

"They whipped us, they've got a better team than we have. They're pretty dang good," said Chadwick.

"They've beaten teams like Texas A&M and Texas Southern. But I felt we played as good as a team in

the second half as we have all year."

Sophomore guard Cindy Williams paced Howard with 23 points. Freshman forward Yolanda Williams added 18.

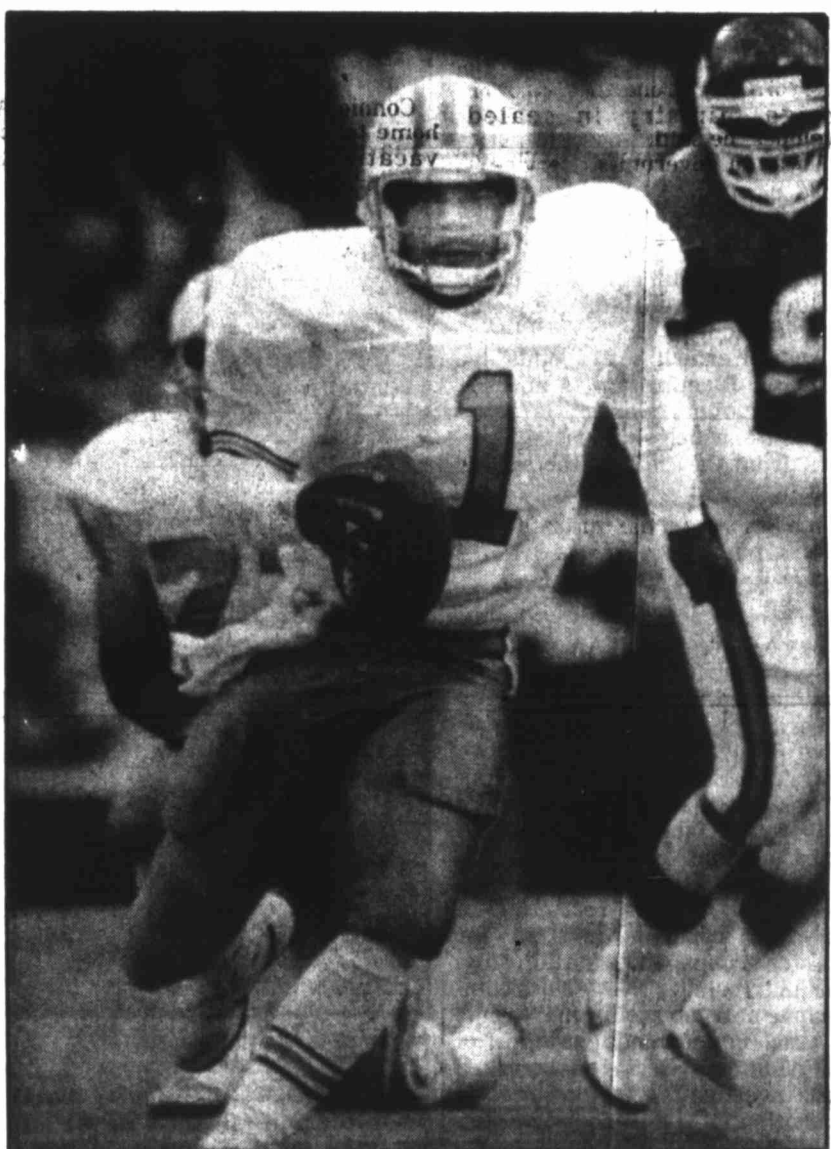
Ernesta Grace paced the winners with 18 points. Tammi Mayo followed with 17.

Howard will play Blinn tonight at 6 p.m.

HOWARD (44) — Julie Lempea 1 0-2; Kim Robinson 3 3-13; Desiree Wallace 1 1-3; LeAnn Heinrich 1 0-2; Yolanda Wells 6 4-18; Cindy Williams 10 0-23; Mulu Tosi 2 1-5; totals 26 11-24 66.

OLYMPIC HOPEFULS (72) — Duanna Carter 4 2-11; Trina Williams 3 4-16; Tammi Mayo 6 0-17; Phyllis Dallas 2 2-4; Ernesta Grace 4 9-18; Cynthia Freeman 4 2-10; totals 25 18-21 72.

HALFTIME — Olympic Hopefuls 47, Howard 21.



Houston Oilers quarterback Warren Moon (1) was a second team All-Pro selection behind San Francisco's Joe Montana. Moon led the NFL by passing for 4,698 yards and 33 touchdowns.

49ers dominate All-Pro squad

NEW YORK (AP) — Why are the San Francisco 49ers in line for an unprecedented third straight Super Bowl? Just look at the 1990 All-Pro Team.

Four 49ers made the squad, announced Thursday — Jerry Rice at receiver, Joe Montana at quarterback, Charles Haley at outside linebacker and Ronnie Lott at safety. No other team had that many All-Pro selections in a panel of 80 sports writers and broadcasters.

"We have not been a dominant team the way we were at times last year," 49ers coach George Seifert said. "We have gotten excellent performances at the important times from key people."

Rice, Montana, Haley and Lott are among the most key people for the Niners, whose 14-2 record this season was the league's best.

Rice, the fourth player in league

history to catch at least 100 passes in a season when he got 100 for 1,502 yards and 13 touchdowns, led all players with 78 votes. Like Rice, Montana is a repeater from last year's team and completed 61.7 percent of his passes, tops in the NFC. He threw for 26 touchdowns and 3,944 yards, although he played sparingly in the final two games.

Haley paced the NFC with 16 tackles and was the big-play star of San Francisco's underrated defense. Lott, another repeater, remains the glue of a strong secondary and his best work comes in the biggest game, such as the 49ers' 7-3 victory over the New York Giants on Monday Night Football.

Buffalo, Kansas City and Philadelphia had three players apiece on the All-Pro squad, while

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Lakers win fourth straight; beat Blazers

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

By winning five NBA titles in the 80s, the Los Angeles Lakers proved they were the best.

Now, three seasons removed from his last champagne victory celebration, Magic Johnson says the Lakers are simply trying to prove they belong among the league's elite.

"We needed this game to prove to everybody and to ourselves that we can still play with the best," Johnson said after the Lakers beat Portland 108-104 Thursday night. "We're still here. We're not going anywhere."

But where they are — third in the Pacific Division, 6½ games behind the Trail Blazers — tells most of the story. The loss marked the first time the new king of the West had been beaten consecutively in rolling to a 27-5 start.

Byron Scott scored seven points in the final 1:43, including three of four free throws in the last 18.1 seconds, as the Lakers won their fourth straight game.

The Lakers, who got 30 points from James Worthy, wrapped it up by outscoring the Trail Blazers 10-6 in the final two minutes. The loss was only the second for Portland in 17 home games.

After Drexler — who scored 14 of his 20 points in the final 14 minutes — tied the game at 98 on a 20-footer with 4:08 to play, the Blazers missed their next six shots. The Lakers also missed three in a row before Scott gave them the lead for good, 100-98, with 1:43 remaining. Johnson finished with 13 points

and 17 assists. Sam Perkins hit seven of eight shots and scored 19 points before fouling out in the final minute.

Portland's Kevin Duckworth matched his season high with 27 points.

Rockets 114, Bulls 92
With Akeem Olajuwon out after being knocked unconscious in the third period, Houston cooled off Chicago behind a 23-point, 11-rebound effort by Otis Thorpe.

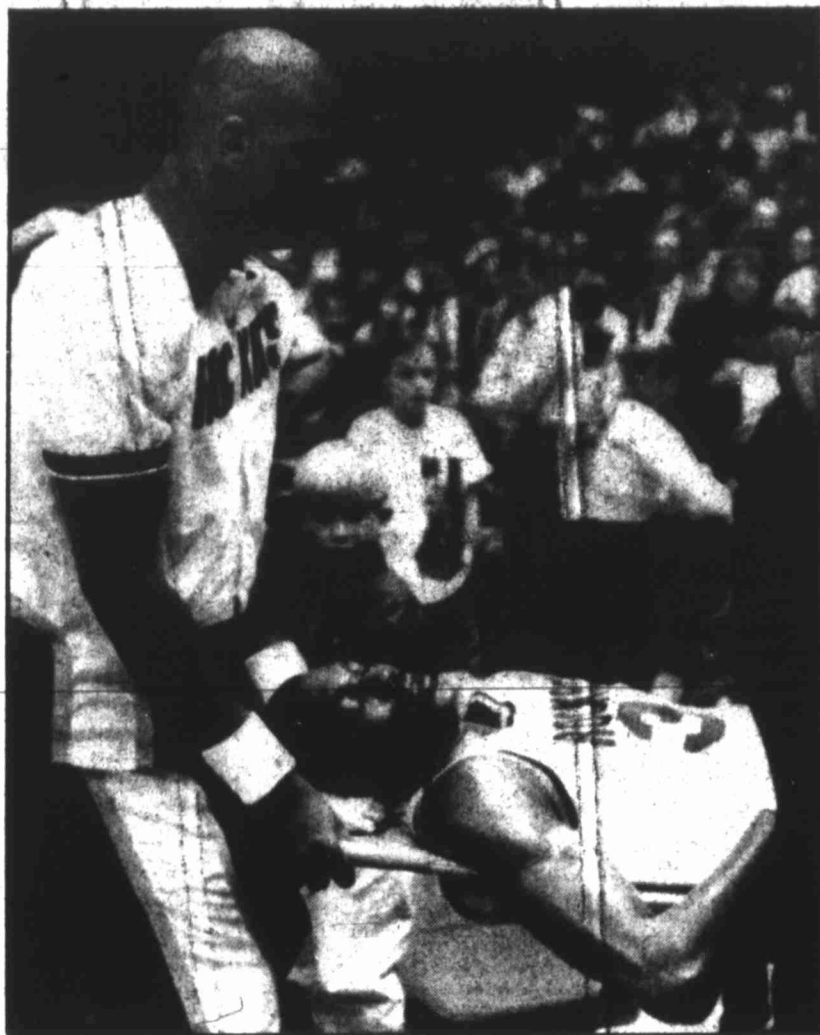
Olajuwon had 20 points and 10 rebounds when he collided under the Houston basket with Bulls center Bill Cartwright with 3:32 remaining in the third quarter. Olajuwon was carried to the locker room on a stretcher.

Olajuwon, hit in the side of the face by an inadvertent elbow, received X-rays, which proved negative, and was sent to a Houston hospital for observation.

Kenny Smith had 18 points and 13 assists for Houston. Michael Jordan led the Bulls with 32 points, including 12 in the third quarter when Chicago scored only 18. The 22-point loss was its biggest of the season for Chicago, which had won five straight games.

Bucks 97, Mavericks 87
Ricky Pierce scored 15 of his 28 points in the fourth quarter as streaking Milwaukee held off a late charge to beat floundering Dallas and remain unbeaten at home.

Jay Humphries added 24 points as the Bucks improved their homecourt record to 16-0 with their season-best sixth straight victory. Dallas, a loser in seven of its last 10



HOUSTON — Houston Rockets Akeem Olajuwon is carried off the court on a stretcher by teammate Adrian Caldwell after Olajuwon was hit in the face with an elbow by Chicago Bulls Bill Cartwright in third quarter action Thursday night.

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games, got 21 points from Derek Harper and 18 from Rolando Blackman.

A seven-point run gave Milwaukee a 77-70 lead with 8:24 left, but seven points from Harper and a jumper from Blackman pulled the Mavs to 83-81 with 4:31 to go.

A free throw by Humphries and Jack Sikma's first basket of the game with 2:09 to go gave the Bucks a 90-85 lead. After Dallas lost the ball in the lane, Pierce hit a jumper with 1:12 left.

Bullets 118, Hornets 108
Bernard King scored 46 points and keyed a 10-2 fourth-quarter spurt as Washington handed Charlotte its 13th loss in 14 games.

King and Harvey Grant scored four points apiece in a surge that gave Washington a 107-98 lead with 4:29 left. King, who scored 52 points against Denver on Saturday, made 17 of 24 shots and was 12-for-15 at the foul line to up his scoring average to an NBA-best 31.1.

Grant scored 27 points and Peris Ellison had 12 rebounds and 11 points for the Bullets, who have won five of seven. Rex Chapman led Charlotte with 22 points and Johnny Newman had 16. Armon Gilliam scored nine points, ending a streak of 19 straight games in which he reached double figures.

Knicks 135, Nuggets 108
Gerald Wilkins matched his season high with 25 points and New

York defeated Denver despite taking 26 fewer shots.

New York, which snapped a three-game losing streak and won for only the fourth time in its last 11 home games, made 56 percent of its 93 shots compared to 38 percent of 119 shots by Denver.

Michael Adams led Denver with 22 points, but only eight came in the first half when he was 3-for-16 from the field. Chris Jackson scored 21 points for the Nuggets, whose season-low total is 101 points.

Magic 110, Clippers 108
Scott Skiles scored 10 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter and Otis Smith 10 of his 15 as Orlando rallied to send the Los Angeles Clippers to their 10th loss in 11 games.

Orlando, which has won three of its last four games, trailed by 13 points with 46 seconds left in the third period. But the Magic made a comeback by playing four reserves — Smith, Jerry Reynolds, Jeff Turner and Michael Ansley — the entire fourth period.

Jeff Martin and Ken Norman scored 21 points apiece for the Clippers.

Kings 131, Warriors 113
Antoine Carr matched his career best of 32 points as Sacramento snapped a six-game losing streak.

Lionel Simmons scored 26 points and Duane Causwell 20, both career highs for the rookies. The Kings, whose six consecutive losses were all double-figure defeats, had a season-high in points, surpassing their total in a 136-128 loss to Denver on Nov. 29.

No. 6 Buckeyes top No. 22 Hawkeyes

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

You don't figure a team to remain unbeaten when it scores 36 points below its average and shoots 10 points under its usual mark from the field.

Sixth-ranked Ohio State still moved to 11-0 on Thursday night with a 63-59 victory over No. 22 Iowa despite coming in at those exact numbers.

Jamaal Brown and Jimmy Jackson each made two free throws in the final 30 seconds as the Buckeyes ended the Hawkeyes' 10-game winning streak.

After Brown made his free throw with 30 seconds left, Mark Baker, who sat out seven minutes of the second half with four fouls, forced Iowa's Troy Skinner into a turnover and Ohio State got the ball on the alternate possession rule.

Skinner drove to the basket with 15 seconds left, but his pass was deflected by Baker. Skinner ended up on the floor with the ball, but Jackson tied him up before Skinner could call a timeout. Jackson was fouled on the inbound pass and hit both free throws to close the scoring as Iowa missed at the buzzer.

Ohio State joins top-ranked UNLV (7-0) and No. 3 Syracuse (13-0) as the only unbeaten Divi-

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sion I teams. Ironically, it was UNLV which handed Ohio State its last loss on the Runnin' Rebels' march to the national championship last season.

Jackson led Ohio State with 20 points, while Treg Lee had 12 and Brown 11.

Iowa (11-2) was led by Acie Earl and James Moses with 16 points each.

Washington 70, No. 4 Arizona 56
The Huskies beat Arizona for the first time in 10 games over five years and also improved to 9-1. The Wildcats (10-2) shot just 34 percent from the field and were 3-for-22 from 3-point range.

Dion Brown led Washington with 21 points and the Huskies didn't falter down the stretch, making 12 of 14 free throws in the final 2:15.

Arizona's only other loss was also on the road — at Louisiana State.

"I didn't take Washington for granted," said Matt Muehlebach, who led Arizona with 13 points. "But I think as a team we didn't

prepare ourselves."

No. 7 North Carolina 108, Cornell 64
King Rice had six points and six assists in 22 minutes in his homecoming of sorts. The Tar Heels (10-1), who won their eighth straight, play near the hometown of each of the seniors every year and this game was Rice's chance to return about 30 miles from his hometown of Binghamton, N.Y. North Carolina had little trouble with the Big Red (6-3) as all 14 Tar Heels who played scored. Rick Fox led the Tar Heels with 19 points, while George Lynch added 15. Rich Medina's 16 points led the Big Red, whose three losses this year have been to Top 25 teams.

No. 25 Michigan State 85, Michigan 70
Steve Smith and Matt Steingenga each scored more than 20 points for the third straight game as the Spartans (8-3) opened defense of their Big Ten title in the conference opener for both. Michigan State dominated on the boards, 42-28, and that translated into 20 second-chance points and 42 points in the paint. Smith finished with 24, while Steingenga had 20 in Jud Heathcote's 250th win at Michigan State against 173 losses. Demetrius Calip led visiting Michigan (7-4)

with 19 points.

Other Games

Rob Robbins made 15 of 17 free throws and he and Luc Longley each had 17 points as New Mexico (11-2) rallied for a 54-46 victory over visiting Colorado State.

Melvin Cheatum had 19 points and Alabama (7-3) beat Auburn for the seventh consecutive time, 68-56.

Jimmy Oliver scored a career-high 23 points to lead Purdue (9-2) to a 73-70 win at Northwestern.

Kevin Bradshaw reached the 40-point mark for the fourth time this season, but they weren't enough as Northwestern Louisiana beat U.S. International 91-82, the Gulls' 11th straight loss as they fell to 1-15.

Neil Derrick's 25 points led Washington State (8-2) to a 95-86 homecourt victory over Arizona State (9-2).

Duquesne snapped a six-game losing streak with a 78-62 victory at Rutgers as James Hargrove scored 22 points to lead the Dukes (2-6).

Andy Kennedy's 27 points led Alabama-Birmingham to an 87-70 victory over North Carolina Charlotte, which shot just 20.5 percent from the field in the second half.

Minnesota will plead case to NCAA

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Although the University of Minnesota plans to admit to 18 of 21 rules violations alleged by the NCAA last month, the school will also argue that it shouldn't be penalized for the infractions.

"I feel that most of these allegations occurred years ago. We already, at least to some degree, have been punished for these allegations," Rick Bay, Minnesota men's athletic director, said Thursday.

Among the allegations that the university will not contest include all three naming Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz. Holtz, accused of giving \$950 to athletes, coached at Minnesota in 1984 and 1985.

However, Minnesota will likely dispute three other allegations — one each involving basketball

coach Clem Haskins and football coach John Gutekunst. Haskins' and Gutekunst's programs each are accused of three violations.

"Obviously, if you could have no violations, you'd take none," Bay said. "But if you have 21 and can reduce it to 18, you'd like to have 18. But I'm not happy with any of them."

Bay made his comments after releasing the university's 300-page draft of its response to the allegations against its basketball, football and wrestling programs.

The university's Assembly Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics was scheduled to meet today to discuss the draft report. The final report is expected to be sent to the NCAA by Jan. 14, Bay said, and probably won't differ much from the draft.

Minnesota officials expect to answer the allegations to the NCAA's Committee on Infractions during its Feb. 1-3 meeting. Bay said he expects the committee to make a decision by March.

"I can't speculate on what the penalties might be or how harsh they may be," Bay said. "Obviously, I'm hoping for the best. I'm optimistic by nature."

The university hopes that will be the end of the inquiry, which has lasted more than two years and has cost the school about \$460,000 in legal fees.

NCAA officials have said the school is not a candidate for the so-called "death penalty," under which one or more athletic programs can be shut down for a year or more if major sanctions are leveled twice in five years.

Bay believes the NCAA should go easy on the Gophers because he has cleaned up the men's athletic department since taking it over from Paul Giel more than two years ago. Since then, the university has established an atmosphere of thorough compliance with NCAA rules, he said. New programs include educational sessions, a system to monitor recruiting, a financial reporting system for booster groups, and a staff evaluation that includes NCAA rules compliance as a job requirement.

Also, Bay contends that most of the violations occurred before a 1988 investigation that resulted in probation for the Gophers' basketball team and a reprimand for the football team. Bay said the violations are an extension of the earlier ones, not new infractions.

Norte Dame player's mom dies after game

CHICAGO (AP) — The mother of Chris Zorich, Notre Dame's most valuable player in the school's loss in the Orange Bowl, died of natural causes sometime after watching the New Year's Day game on television, police said.

Zorich had to smash open the door when he arrived Wednesday at his mother Zora Zorich's apartment on Chicago's southeast side.

Ms. Zorich, 59, was dead on the floor.

All-Pro

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Minnesota, Detroit and the Giants had two each.

For the AFC East champion Bills, defensive end Bruce Smith, center Kent Hull and running back Thurman Thomas were named. Smith was second in the overall voting with 77 votes.

The Chiefs had linebacker Derrick Thomas, the NFL sack leader with 20, cornerback Albert Lewis and placekicker Nick Lowery, who led the league with 139 points.

Philadelphia's All-Pros were defensive end Reggie White. DT

Jerome Brown and tight end Keith Jackson.

The Lions placed Barry Sanders, the NFL's leading rusher with 1,304 yards and a league-high 16 TDs, in the backfield, and also had kick returner Mel Gray make the team. Minnesota's All-Pros were: safety Joey Browner and guard Randall McDaniel. The Giants had outside linebacker Pepper Johnson and punter Sean Landeta.

Joining Rice at wide receiver was Andre Rison of Atlanta. The rest of the offense had tackles Jim

Lachey of Washington and Anthony Munoz of Cincinnati and guard Bruce Matthews of Houston.

The defensive team also had nose tackle Michael Dean Perry of Cleveland, inside linebacker John Offerdahl of Miami and cornerback Rod Woodson of Pittsburgh.

There were 12 repeaters from last season's team — Rice, Montana, Jackson, Munoz, Lachey, Matthews, Sanders, White, Perry, Lewis, Lott and Landeta. First-time All-Pros were Rison, McDaniel, Hull, Thurman Thomas

and Gray on offense. On defense, first-timers were Brown, Derrick Thomas, Johnson and Offerdahl.

Notably missing from the team were Warren Moon, Mike Singletary and Lawrence Taylor, all of whom made the second team. Moon led the NFL in passing yardage with 4,689 and had a league-high 33 touchdown passes operating Houston's run-and-shoot. Singletary was on six previous first teams and Taylor had made it eight times.



Steering

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Lanny Wadkins raises his putter as he watches his birdie putt fall short on the 17th hole during first round action of the Inifiti Tournament of Champions at the La Costa Resort. Wadkins finished the first-round leader at seven-under-par.

Steers

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41-36, outscoring Big Spring 12-5 in the final period. Big Spring led 31-29 going into the quarter after outscoring Sweetwater 14-4 in the third quarter.

Jason LeGrand led the Steers with nine points.

Big Spring will host Monahans in district action Saturday at Steer Gym at 7:30.

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Local churches help poor through established agencies

By BETTY JOHANSEN
Staff Writer

The fact that it is more blessed to give than to receive is a foundation truth for Christian churches. However, the logistics of giving can be complicated. People with great needs may never be reached, while others may make the rounds of charitable organizations because they want cigarette money, when what they need to do is "prioritize" their expenditures, as a local pastor expressed it.

Some churches have found their funds can be used most efficiently when channeled through a few organizations that deal specifically with people in need. In Big Spring the organizations most able to help with such needs as food, housing, and clothing are the Salvation Army and the Northside Community Center.

Lt. Bill Owens of the Salvation Army said five churches contribute to that organization every month, giving according to the amounts the various church boards designate. Marianne Brown-Esquillon of the Northside Community Center said ten churches send monthly checks, then when someone comes to one of the churches asking for help, the individual is referred to the N.C.C. where he fills out an application. The application is kept on file and duplication of efforts by individual agencies is avoided.

Several churches were contacted and asked about church policy concerning community needs.

Steve Comstock, pastor of First Christian Church, said his church has given to the Salvation Army and N.C.C. through the general

budget every month for 2 to 2½ years. Before that time the church was trying to help families in its own neighborhood. However, it was decided that Brown and Owens would be in a better position to know who the least fortunate families were, and who wasn't abusing the system, Comstock said. Besides, the church wanted to help more than 10-12 families in the immediate neighborhood. For those reasons, the church began making monthly contributions to the two agencies.

Other projects First Christian uses to help others are their "Fourth Sunday Feed My Sheep" program and Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to collect food for the Northside Center, Comstock said.

He added that some of the women's organizations in the church participate in the Northside Community Center's layette project to provide newborn needs for women about to deliver a baby.

One of the women involved in the layette project, who wanted to remain anonymous, listed the items prepared for expectant mothers. Some of the items included are sleepers or gowns, receiving blankets, socks, shoes, bathing needs, diapers, powder and nursing bottles. She said the church women may give money or do sewing for the project. They try to recycle articles, such as altering old blankets into receiving blankets, but nothing is given which is soiled or worn.

Gary Smith, pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, said his church contributes by board action to both the Salvation Army and the



Joann Calixto, who is holding 2½ week old Albert, was given a layette through the Northside Community Center's "Hello Sunshine" program. Some of the items she received were oil, powder,

vaseline, diapers, milk, bibs, jumpers, under shirts, blankets, soap, wipes, bottles and booties. She said she was very pleased with the gifts and found them most helpful.

N.C.C. monthly, whenever finances allow. Prior to a year ago, the church had given to both agencies, but not as frequently. However, the church board decided to increase its effort to give to the agencies since they "fulfill the

same end we want to fulfill," said Smith. "to meet the needs of others."

He added that the Salvation Army and the N.C.C. help people who will never come to a church for help. "I really appreciate those

agencies doing what they're doing," he said. "They've helped out when no one else could."

David Robertson, pastor of First United Methodist Church, said his church is involved in local giving through several projects. The

church's annual "March to the Manger" raises a sizable gift for the Salvation Army. Also, Sunday classes give to the Salvation Army and the youth are involved in food drives to provide help for the needy. The church has a sack lunch program through which non-perishables are available at noon.

Robertson stressed that every case has to be dealt with individually, but said the church tries "to work through established agencies and then support them."

Mike Couch, business administrator at First Baptist Church, reported that First Baptist has contributed monthly to the Salvation Army for about six years and to the Northside Community Center for about three years. Also, the church has a Trust Account from which a portion of the interest is donated each year's end to local agencies.

He recalled that one time a woman had made the rounds of various charitable organizations. When she got to the N.C.C., Mrs. Brown sat her down and insisted that she list all the help she'd gotten already. It turned out she had collected \$800 and she only needed \$200 to get on her feet.

If the agencies had been organized, \$600 might have gone to someone who needed it more. Working through the Salvation Army and N.C.C. "... keeps us from duplicating somebody else's efforts," said Couch.

He encouraged churches to contribute money on a regular basis so that the local agencies could count on it. It would give them a good, stable base to work from, he said.



OASIS OF FIRAN, Egypt — German archaeologist Peter Grossmann, right, supervises a dig in the hillside above Firan. The diggers are extracting a toppled column from a church in the Firan Oasis in the Sinai.

Remote Sinai oasis unravels puzzles about early Christians

OASIS OF FIRAN, Egypt (AP) — Egypt was an ancient, religious land under the stranglehold of Nero's Rome when the first strains of Christianity came quietly and swiftly across the Sinai Desert from Judea.

How did the new religion arrive, who were the first Christians, what were the early teachings and how did the message spread and change? Legends and stories are far more plentiful than facts.

German archaeologist Peter Grossmann, who specializes in early Christian sites of the Near East, is trying to unlock the mysteries. His expeditions often take him into the Sinai and to the Oasis of Firan.

For five seasons, Grossmann has dug in the ruin-rich hillsides above Firan, where pagans who drifted there, 1,700 years ago became Christian converts.

Most archaeologists prefer to bypass Christian relics in Egypt for more lucrative digs for relics of the Pharaohs.

British archaeologist Michael Jones, who is based in Cairo, says Grossmann's work is important because "everything we believe as Western Christians, everything we know about early Christianity, began in places like this. And yet we know so little."

Old Testament scholars know the oasis as Paran, where Hagar and her son Ishmael found refuge after they were banished by Abraham, and as the Vale of Elim, a welcome stopover for the children of Israel during the

Exodus.

At Firan, a haven of date palms and wells in the stark Sinai, a crumbling mud-brick cathedral dominates the ruins of an ancient settlement.

Grossmann, supervising diggers who extracted a toppled column, took a break to climb toward the crumbling walls of the ancient basilica. The mountains overlooking the oasis contain yet more ruins, including hermitages and monasteries.

Although the pagans-turned-Christians left evidence of their years at Firan, much of it was destroyed by Bedouin raiders or washed away by frequent flash floods.

Egyptian Christians date their church to the first century, when Mark the apostle brought the new religion to Alexandria. Few records exist because many of the earliest converts were poor, with little more than their faith to pass down.

Third century Roman emperors persecuted Egypt's Christians. Church records were destroyed, but the religion was kept alive from wilderness caves by hermits and monks preaching the virtues of sacrifice to flocks of believers.

Early hermits who sought to communicate with God in Egypt's deserts by practicing a life of self-denial, called the Desert Fathers, lived on Mount Serbal, which rises above the oasis, and on Mount Sinai, a few miles away.

Both mountains were reputed to be the site where God gave

Moses the Ten Commandments, but by the fourth century, most Christians believed Mount Sinai was the one.

Grossmann's history of Firan begins in the first century, when pagans wandered into the oasis, and ends with Islam's conquest of Christian Egypt seven centuries later.

Firan's first converts to Christianity were the Nabateans, mysterious Bedouin traders and shepherds who roamed the desert with their flocks.

The Nabateans left more than 1,000 archaeological sites. Some were masterpieces, like the Nabatean capital Petra in southern Jordan, where part of the movie "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" was filmed. Some were simple, like remains left by Sinai Nabateans, who barely eked out an existence.

Grossmann thinks the Nabateans originally came to the inhospitable Sinai seeking work in the turquoise mines and were attracted to Firan by its water and food.

They built a pagan temple and, on surrounding rocky hillsides, hundreds and hundreds of tombs.

When a burial was prepared, "it would take three days or so for everybody to get together," Grossmann said. "The oasis was a nice place. The family might remain a week or two."

Drawings the restless Nabateans scribbled on boulders and elsewhere while awaiting funerals produced a record of their transition from paganism to Christianity.

Church saved from wrecking ball

CHICAGO (AP) — An historic church has been saved from destruction thanks to money from across the nation that arrived like pennies from heaven to stave off creditors.

The deliverance ranged from pennies wrapped in aluminum foil to pledges in the thousands for restoration work to Holy Family Roman Catholic Church.

The gothic Victorian structure, which survived the Great Chicago Fire a century ago, was closed six years ago because of water damage to the roof and interior plaster. Services have been held since in a nearby chapel.

The church's plight received national attention last week after parish officials said they had until midnight Tuesday to come up with \$1 million of a \$3 million repair bill, or the building might be razed.

On Tuesday, church bells rang, a fire engine sounded its horns and about 40 parishioners, some crying in joy, stood on the steps in front of the church's huge oak doors as the Rev. George Lane announced the reprieve.

"I want to tell you this morning we not only made our \$1 million cash goal — we surpassed it," Lane said above a chorus of cheers. "We

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have \$1,011,000 cash and another \$990,000 in good pledges."

With the success of the fund-raising drive and no deadline to raise the rest of the money, parishioners are optimistic they will reach their goal.

Church officials were \$65,000 short of their goal Sunday. Talk show host Oprah Winfrey and donors asking to remain anonymous had offered to provide the shortfall, Lane said.

A crippled man sent pennies wrapped in aluminum foil, said the Rev. John Moorman, the church's

pastor. Lane said restoration work could take up to five years to complete. He renewed his plea for donations to raise the remaining money to finish the job.

When Holy Family was completed in 1860, it was the nation's third-largest church, with vaulted ceilings and unique carvings. Its 226-foot bell tower was the tallest structure in Chicago.

The church is one of five public buildings that survived the big Chicago fire on Oct. 8, 1871, even though the church was only five blocks away from the blaze's source.

During the fire, the parish's founder, the Rev. Arnold Dahlen, vowed that if the church was saved the congregation would always burn seven lights at the church's shrine to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

The seven lights, now electrified, still burn at the shrine, and church officials credited part of their new success to the faith embodied in them.

"We promised to keep those seven lights burning, and they're still burning," said the Rev. Jack Lane. "Our Lady was in our prayers in 1871 and was in them again."

Court allows historic church to remodel

BOSTON (AP) — A landmark commission's attempt to regulate changes inside a Jesuit church in the city's historic South End violated the free exercise of religion, the state's highest court ruled Monday.

"The government interest in historic preservation, though worthy, is not sufficiently compelling to justify restraints on the free exercise of religion, a right of primary importance," the state Supreme Judicial Court said in a unanimous opinion.

The dispute revolved around the designation of the interior of the Church of the Immaculate Conception as a landmark. "There are fewer finer examples of classic mid-19th century church design," the court said in its opinion.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation, the American Jewish Congress and the Council on Religious Freedom were among groups that filed friend of the court briefs in the case.

In 1986, the Jesuits developed a plan to renovate the aging church and build an office, counseling and residential space.

When the renovation work began, 10 registered city voters promptly petitioned the Boston

Landmarks Commission to designate the interior of the 127-year-old church as a landmark.

The granite church is located near Boston City Hospital, and once served Boston College students before the school moved out of the city, said Father Paul Kenney, a spokesman for the Society of Jesus of New England.

"It's overall impression is one of light," Kenney said of the structure's interior.

In 1987, the commission approved the landmark designation for portions of the church. The designation made any permanent alteration of the nave, vestibule, chancel and organ loft on the main floor, as well as other architectural details, subject to the commission's approval.

Under the designation, the Jesuits were only allowed to install non-permanent furnishings and to conduct routine maintenance inside the church.

The commission eventually allowed the Jesuits to make some renovations to the interior. But in the meantime, the Jesuits filed a lawsuit contending the landmark designation was unconstitutional.

In a unanimous ruling, the Supreme Judicial Court agreed.

But the court framed the decision narrowly, referring only to a section of the Massachusetts constitution.

The decision did not refer to federal guarantees of religious freedom. The court also made no ruling on the preservation of church exteriors, noting the case dealt only with a church interior.

"Under our hierarchy of constitutional values we must accept the possible loss of historically significant elements of the interior of this church as the price of safeguarding the right of religious freedom," the court said.

Edward Hanify, an attorney who represented the Jesuits, said the case represents a key decision for all denominations.

"I'm delighted that we have what I would say is a historic and compelling decision about religious freedom," Hanify said.

John Kenneth Felter, the attorney for the landmark commission, said he could not comment on the case until he discussed the outcome with his clients.

Andrea Ferster, an attorney for the National Trust for Historic Preservation, said the ruling is narrow enough so that its impact nationally is muted.

Controversial editor of scrolls dismissed

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's Antiquities Authority on Monday dismissed a Harvard scholar as chief editor of the Dead Sea Scrolls, citing health problems. The professor recently created an uproar by making anti-Jewish statements.

The editor, British-born divinity professor John Strugnell, was replaced by an Israeli professor.

Strugnell also had been criticized for the slow pace of publication of the leather scrolls, discovered by a Bedouin shepherd in 1946 in a cave near the Dead Sea.

The ancient manuscripts are among the most significant archaeological finds of the century

because they include the oldest known texts of the Old Testament and shed light on the origins of Christianity and the history of Judaism.

In his announcement Monday, Amir Drori, the director of the Israel Antiquities Authority, said Strugnell was being relieved at the suggestion of the agency's three-man Scrolls Advisory Committee.

Strugnell, 60 and in ill health, remains hospitalized in the United States, associates said.

He created a storm in Israel following an interview published on Nov. 9 in the Haaretz newspaper. Strugnell, who is Roman Catholic,

described Judaism as "a racist religion ... just like Hinduism" in India.

He was severely criticized for the comments. The weekly Jerusalem Report magazine headlined its article "The Jew-Hater who Controls the Scrolls," and several editorials questioned whether a man with his opinions should continue as editor.

It was Strugnell's remarks that prompted a national editing team, including professors Frank Cross of Harvard and Eugene Ulrich of the University of Notre Dame, to recommend earlier in December that Strugnell be replaced.

Briefs

Jews call for special prayers

NEW YORK (AP) — Orthodox Judaism added a modern dimension to the observance of a fast day on Dec. 27, commemorating the siege of Jerusalem by the Babylonian overlord Nebuchadnezzar about 2,600 years ago.

For the observance, the Rabbinical Council of America included special Psalms and prayers to "help Israel at this time of crisis when Jerusalem is once again being besieged."

Rabbi Marc D. Angel, president of the council, said that the "United Nations, known for its blatant anti-Israel and anti-Semitic pronouncements, has virtually laid political siege to Jerusalem, the eternal capital of the people of Israel."

"The United States' complicity in the hypocritical, pernicious

resolutions of the U.N. against Israel is cause for consternation and alarm," he said.

More than 1,000 Orthodox rabbis of congregations across the country called for special prayers seeking God's assistance.

Christians losing war of morality

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A New Testament professor says evangelicals may be "gaining political and numerical victories" but they are "losing the war of morality."

The Rev. Robert L. Thomas of The Master's Seminary in Sun Valley, Calif., said about 40 million Americans call themselves evangelical Protestants and polls show commitment to Christ has risen from 60 percent of Americans in 1978 to 74 percent in 1990.

The figures should mean "higher ethical standards" but instead the trend is the opposite, he said at a meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society. "We see legal abortion claim-

ing the lives of one million fetuses a year; a pornographic industry that annually brings in \$8 billion to \$10 billion and is still on the increase; 18 million people addicted to alcohol and 28 million to drugs; homosexuality, a thoroughly disapproved lifestyle 30 years ago, is now accepted, is legal and is increasingly respectable," he said.

Council OKs grants to fight racism

GENEVA (AP) — The World Council of Churches' fund to combat racism has approved grants \$549,000 to 69 groups for 1991.

About \$235,000 of the amount goes to two South African groups opposing apartheid in South Africa, the African National Congress and the Pan Africanist Congress in Tanzania.

The rest of the money goes to groups in 21 countries.

Catholics designate week for transients

WASHINGTON (AP) —

"Aliens and Strangers No Longer," a quotation from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians, is the theme for the Roman Catholic observance of National Migration Week Jan. 7-12.

American bishops designated the week to celebrate the church's "multicultural dimension," recognizing that immigrants, migrants, refugees and others on the move are a vital part of the church.

Epiphany begins Jan. 6

The season of Epiphany begins on Sunday January 6th. According to the First Christian Church, Epiphany is a time of anticipation and hope, a time in which Christians await the coming of Christ. It is a story not just for three kings alone, but for all who seek to find the Christ and the coming of God's kingdom. The Epiphany season extends from Jan. 6 through Feb. 10.

Church planner says 'megachurches' are more effective today

(AP) Small "mom and pop" grocery stores have the charm of first-name familiarity, and you can get credit if needed, but despite the personal touches, most people patronize supermarkets.

The contrast, says church planner Lyle E. Schaller, is a key pointer to the effectiveness of today's Christian congregations and a hallmark of their future.

"The emergence of the 'megachurch' is the most important development of modern Christian history," he said.

"In today's world, big churches are more attractive to younger adults," he added. "People nowadays want a church that offers a broad range of choices in teaching, scheduling and programming."

Schaller, a widely respected expert on strategies for strengthening churches and adjusting to the needs of a changing world, said evidence is mounting that large, multifaceted congregations now work best.

"The record is pretty clear that small churches are not attracting people as they did before," he said in an interview.

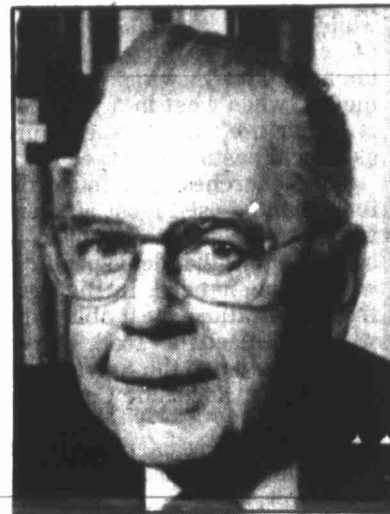
"You can be sentimental about the small congregation, like the small corner grocery store or small drugstore, but they simply can't meet the expectations that people carry with them today."

Schaller, 67, a United Methodist clergyman and consultant to the discipline-stressing Yokefellow Institute in Richmond, Va., is a former city planner who became a specialist in church planning. He has been charting effective church strategies for more than 30 years and advises parishes of various denominations and church conferences across the country.

"Adults born in the '50s and '60s don't carry the institutional loyalty of older generations," he said. "People today expect to make choices about things — about a new TV, an automobile, what they eat, their housing."

He said the same approach applies increasingly in choosing a church, which is done mainly on the basis of large, varied, well-run programs, with little regard for denomination.

"It's part of the consumer orientation," he said. "Parents and grandparents stayed with their denomination, but people from age 40 down to 25 don't have that



LYLE E. SCHALLER

denominational loyalty. They shop around.

"Whether it's right or not is not terribly important. It's where we are. The churches have to live where the world is."

He said a reason for membership declines in the old, mainline Protestant bodies has been their fostering of small and moderate size congregations instead of the increasingly popular big, versatile churches.

The proportion of large congregations in mainline denominations such as United Methodist, Presbyterian, United Church and Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has declined, along with membership, he said.

"Like the mom and pop grocery store, they can't compete with the supermarket churches," he said.

He said huge congregations with manifold ministries, educational classes and other programs, both weekends and through the week, have multiplied in growing evangelical and non-denominational sectors.

"Numerical growth is a product of the increase in big churches," he said.

He said the widespread fading of particular denominational distinctions among people, surpassing official ecumenical relationships, also characterizes the mood of worshippers.

"The future is here," he said. "Denominations don't count much anymore. We see that clearly in the new congregations that don't carry any denominational affiliations, while the old-line denominations get a smaller and smaller slice of the pie."

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for information on placing your ad
Open: Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon

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This newspaper will not knowingly accept or publish illegal material of any kind. Advertising which expresses preference based on legally protected personal characteristics is not acceptable.

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All found ads are free. 15 words or less for 3 days only.

Howard County Advertiser

All word ads published in Tuesday's Herald will be picked up in the Howard County Advertiser for an additional 75¢. This will place your ad in the hands of non-subscribers.

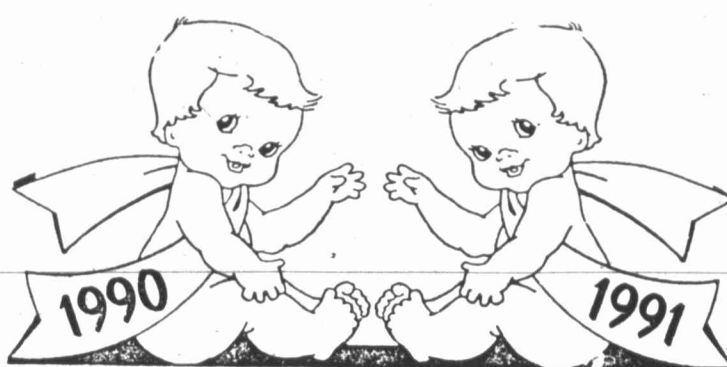
The Big 3 Rate!

3 Days 3 lines \$3.00. Private parties only. No commercial, garage sales, rentals, help wanted. Must be one item under \$100 for sale!

Happy New Year!!

From

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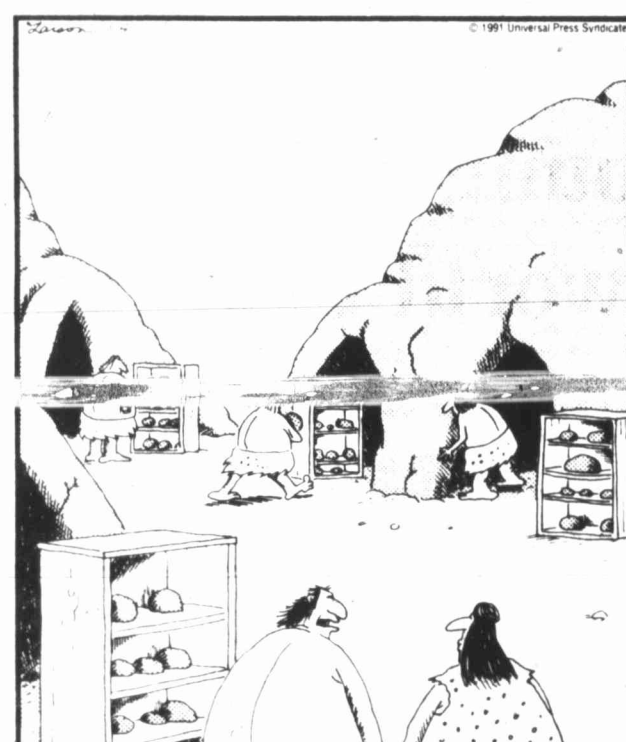


"The classified ad really worked for me. I got my house rented."
Stan F.

CALL NOW

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"You know, I used to like this hobby ... But shoot! Seems like everybody's got a rock collection."

Pickups

1990 CHEVROLET, extended cab. Only 6,500 miles with extras. Call 267-7582.

1979 CHEVROLET HEAVY half-sleeper. Late model engine transmission. Excellent mechanical condition. \$2,500. 263-7734, 267-5044 (Tony).

Vans

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Recreational Veh

ATTENTION RV OWNERS
Now renting New Sizes

ing for: Motorhomes, Boats, RV Vehicles, Commercial.

AAA Mini Storage
263-0732

Travel Trailers

FOR SALE 1977 25' Silver Streak travel trailer. Good condition, \$2,800. Call 263-4088.

Campers

LEER MACHO Fiberglass camper shell for long wide bed pickup. Will sell or trade for horse or stock trailer. Call 263-0484 after 5:30.

Motorcycles

1978 HONDA GL 1000. Call 267-7066.

Business Opp.

FOR SALE: retirement or investment, trailer and RV park. Approximately 8 acres. \$300,000. Monthly income. Nice living house and office. Terms. 263-7982.

ESTABLISHED MIDLAND Odessa company needs aggressive salesman to cover Big Spring and surrounding area. Proven sales method, high commissions. Call for interview, 1-800-299-5629.

Instruction

PRIVATE PIANO and voice lessons. 2607 Rebecca, call 263-3367.

Help Wanted

HOME TYPISTS, PC users needed. \$35,000 potential. Details. (1)805-687-6000 Ext B 8423.

RECEPTIONIST/CLERICAL 9.5, week days. Good typing skills, computer knowledge helpful but could train. Send resume to: Receptionist, P.O. Box 1889, Big Spring, TX 79720.

NEED FARM worker. Tractor driving and irrigation. Jerome F. Hoelscher, St. Lawrence, 915-397-2226.

Help Wanted

IF YOU'RE determined, enthusiastic and enjoy sales, WE WANT YOU! Come join a professional sales staff which gives you the opportunity to meet the public and earn a good living. Salary (based on prior experience), incentives, mileage, health benefit package. Send resumes and references to The Big Spring Herald, Advertising Sales Manager, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79721. No phone calls, please.

REHABILITATION COORDINATOR. Physical Therapist to oversee multi-facility rehabilitation program. Excellent pay and benefits. Some travel involved. Excellent career opportunity. Duties include supervision of other PT's, PTA's and Rehab Techs as well as coordination of OT and Speech program. Forward resume to Billie Holmes, 9304 Forest Lane, Suite 268

CHANNEL 9 SEEKS an Account Executive to service businesses in Big Spring. He or she should have the following qualifications: sales experience, outgoing personality, neat appearance, must have reliable transportation. Contact Stan Kaye, 563-4210 for interview. EOE.

ASSISTANT MANAGER needed for fertilizer company in Stanton, TX. Agriculture background and commercial drivers license preferred. Salary DOE. Apply at Hughes Fertilizer, 100 South St. Peter, Stanton, TX. 915-756-2888.

REWARD

This is a reward ad for the current verifiable addresses for the following persons.

JOHNNY BIGGS
2600 Fairchild

Call 263-0234
Ask for Stan

Cars For Sale

DRUGLORD CARS! \$100 84 VW \$50. 87 BMW \$200. U.S. seized. FREE 24 hr recording. 801-379-2930 ext. KYLC.

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE hard to get because of tickets or accidents? Do you need an SR 22 filing? Contact A.J. Pirkle Insurance, 267-5053.

Cars For Sale

1977 PLYMOUTH ARROW, good shape. 1984 Renault, needs work. \$600 each. 263-3562 after 1:00 p.m.

1987 MUSTANG LX, excellent condition. Must see to appreciate. 263-1768, 267-9505 after 8 p.m.

WESTEX AUTO PARTS

Sells Late Model Guaranteed Recondition Cars & Pickups

'89 Toyota Corolla.....\$5,995

'88 Firebird.....\$4,995

'87 Chrysler 5th Ave.....\$5,995

'87 Gran Marquis L.S.....\$5,995

'84 Gazelle.....\$2,795

'83 Gold Wing.....\$2,495

'83 Buick Electra.....\$1,895

All Prices Reduced!

Snyder Hwy 263-5000

Jeeps

1988 JEEP WRANGLER Laredo. White and gray, 24,000 miles. 267-4806.

THE Daily Crossword by I. Miller

ACROSS

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JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Save!! Save!! Over 40 Units To Choose From

1991 MERCURY TRACER 4-DR. — Red with cloth, automatic, air, AM/FM stereo, 13,600 miles. \$9,995

1991 FORD ESCORT LX 4-DR. — Silver metallic with cloth, automatic, air, loaded, 11,300 miles. \$9,995

1990 FORD ESCORT LX 2-DR. — Red, automatic, air, 37,000 miles, clean. \$6,995

1990 FORD PROBE LX — Champagne with cloth, loaded, V-6, automatic, AM/FM cassette, 10,500 miles. \$11,995

1990 FORD TEMPO GL — Red with cloth, air, automatic, AM/FM cassette, 18,000 miles, loaded. \$8,995

1989 FORD THUNDERBIRD — White with blue cloth, V-6, fully loaded, 35,000 miles. \$9,995

1988 LINCOLN TOWN CAR CARTIER EDITION — Tutone silver and charcoal gray, cloth with leather inserts, computer dash, fully loaded, 44,000 miles. \$13,995

1988 MERCURY SABLE STATION WAGON LS — Charcoal gray, leather, computer dash, fully loaded, local one owner. \$7,995

1988 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS L.S. — Red with cloth, fully loaded one owner, 44,000 miles. \$10,495

1987 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS SUPREME BROUGHAM 2-DR. — Brown with cloth, locally owned with only 33,000 miles. \$7,995

1987 OLDSMOBILE DELTA 88 ROYALE BROUGHAM 4-DR. — White with cloth, local one owner with 39,000 miles. \$9,495

1986 OLDSMOBILE DELTA 88 ROYALE BROUGHAM 4-DR. — Brown with matching interior, fully loaded local one owner with 36,000 miles. \$7,495

1985 BUICK RIVIERA — Champagne/Brown tutone, leather, moon roof, fully loaded with 30,000 miles. \$7,995

1985 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS L.S. — Gray metallic, leather, extra clean 60,000 miles. \$6,995

1984 NISSAN SENTRA 4-DR. — Red, extra clean, locally owned, 41,000 miles. \$3,995

1984 NISSAN 200 SX — Blue, extra clean. \$4,995

1983 BUICK PARK AVENUE — Champagne, velour, local one owner with 51,000 miles. \$5,495

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POLLARD'S WHOLESALE!

YEAR-END CLOSE-OUT

THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES

OFFERED AT

WHOLESALE* PRICES

1989 SUZUKI 4X4 HARD TOP — AM/FM tape, rear windows, locks, tilt, cruise. Only 10,900 miles.

Stk. #248 \$9,550

1988 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN TRAVEL QUEST 4X4 — Completely loaded, local one owner. Extremely nice!

Stk. #295 \$14,500

1987 CHEVROLET CELEBRITY — AM/FM tape, cruise, tilt. Great gas mileage.

Stk. #273 \$3,950

1987 FORD BRONCO II EDDIE BAUER 4X4 — Completely equipped. Super nice.

Stk. #370 \$7,300

1987 CHEVROLET CAPRICE — AM/FM, power windows, power locks, great family car.

Stk. #332 \$4,875

1989 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN — Completely loaded, plus dual air & special paint. Local one owner. A super buy!

Stk. #262-A \$14,200

1985 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN — Fully loaded plus dual air, tutone paint.

Stk. #232-B \$6,400

1986 PONTIAC PARISIENNE — AM/FM tape, tilt, cruise, power windows, locks, seats. A real cream puff! Low miles.

Stk. #377 \$8,200

1987 BUICK LESABRE — AM/FM, cruise, tilt, power windows, locks, another great family car.

Stk. #266A \$8,950

1986 OLDS CUTLASS 2-DR. — Fully loaded and extremely clean. A really value buy.

Stk. #297 \$5,350

1988 JEEP WRANGLER — Hard top, automatic transmission, new 6 cylinder engine.

Stk. #329B \$9,150

1983 BUICK PARK AVENUE — Completely equipped with all Buick options. Only 54,500 miles. Very, very clean. A great buy!

Stk. #265A \$4,000

1988 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE —

Help Wanted

270

WANTED: NIGHT Cook: experience necessary. Apply at Northside Dairy Queen.

GOOD PART: time job for those who need a little extra cash. Car and good driving record a must. Domino's Pizza, 2202 S. Gregg.

Jobs Wanted

299

CLEAN YARDS and alleys, haul trash, trim trees, clean storage sheds, odd jobs. Call 263-4672.

COLLEGE STUDENT wants odd jobs to support education. 267-7066.

WILL CLEAN house or apartments. Reasonable rates. Call 267-6943.

Child Care

375

WOULD LIKE to do babysitting in my home. Midway area. 263-0762.

**MIDWAY
DAY CARE CENTER**
\$8 daily per child
18 months - 12 years
CALL
263-8700

CHILD CARE after 5:00 p.m. and on weekends. Call 263-3367 after 4:30.

Grain Hay Feed

430

ROUND BALES of hay grazer for sale. Delivery available. \$25. Steve Fryar, 398 5238 or Neil Fryar, 398 5544.

Auctions

505

SPRING CITY AUCTION: Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS 079-007759. Call 263 1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

Taxidermy

511

SAND SPRINGS Taxidermy. Deer mounts, pheasants, quail in glass domes. Exotics, tanning. 6 miles east Big Spring. 393-5259.

Dogs, Pets, Etc

513

5 WEEK OLD Blue Heeler Cows. 398-5438, after 5:30.

CHOW PUPPIES for sale. \$75. Call 267-2296.

SAND SPRINGS KENNEL. AKC Rat Terriers, Chihuahuas, Toy Poodles and Pomeranians. Lay away available and USDA Licensed. 393-5259

Pet Grooming

515

IRIS' POODLE Parlor. Grooming, indoor kennels heated and air, supplies, coats, etc. 393-5259

Lost - Pets

516

REWARD: MINIATURE Schnauzers. Fairview/Gin area. Male, 20 pounds, female, 10 pounds. Salt & pepper to silver black. 399-4658.

LOST LARGE black dog. Answers to "Stubby". Wearing tags. Cornell vicinity. 263-5257 after 5:00 p.m.

LOST VERY nice female Doberman. Family dog. If found call 263-8815.

FOUND, PET male cat, vicinity of Coronado Hills Apartments. Please call to identify. 267-6943.

Household Goods

531

Refrigerator, range, freezer, sofa, coffee table, Dearborne heater, table, chairs, washer/dryer, TV, microwave, Secretary. 267-6558.

Garage Sale

535

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ESTATE SALE, January 4 until 7:00 p.m. Parkway, 4 bedroom house, antiques, oriental rugs, glassware, inlaid Rosewood dining set, 1950 Ford, bar stools, waterbed, and more. 267-7547.

ESTATE SALE Friday, Saturday, Sunday. No sale before 9 a.m. Friday! Housewares, dishes, crystal, linens, clothes, furniture, appliances. New Invercare 2000 wheelchair & other medical equipment. 1306 Birdwell.

MOVING SALE furniture, dishes, linens, clothes, small appliances, lots of miscellaneous. Silver Heels, White Road; turn off American Legion watch for signs. Saturday Sunday.

**Insect & Termite
Control**
SAFE & EFFICIENT

**SOUTHWESTERN AIR
PEST CONTROL**

2008 Birdwell 263-6514

**REEDER
REALTORS**
506 E. 4th MLS
267-8266

Misc. For Sale

537

BUY LIVE rattlesnakes. We pay top prices. 915-737-2403.

10% to 50% OFF ALL furniture. Branham Furniture, 2004 West 4th, 263-1469.

CUSTOM MADE draperies: fabric, drapery, hardware. Alterations or new linings where practical. Phone 263-2522.

ANTIQUE SALE: glassware, furniture, 700 Ayford. Hours 10 to 5, through January 5th.

FOR SALE: two commercial refrigerators, 1 2 door, like new \$750. 1 4 door, like brand new, \$1,250. Call 267-2061.

HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE gone up? Have you received a notice that the company you have now is pulling out? Contact A.J. Pirkle Insurance, 267-5053.

HAVE SOMETHING to sell for less than \$100? Put a "BIG 3 AD" in the Big Spring Herald Classified!! Requirements: One item per ad, 15 words or less, 3 days for \$3,001 NO GARAGE SALES. EMPLOYMENT OR COMMERCIAL. Come by and see Debby!!

1948 MERCEDES, 3 door refrigerator, chest freezer, office desk and 3 chairs, bed, TV. 264-0029.

NEW WHEELCHAIR, Invercare 2000. Potty chair, quad cane, walker & tub seat. 1306 Birdwell, 267-6010.

LIKE NEW 19 cubic foot side by side Frost free refrigerator. Asking \$225. 263-2727.

BLACKSHEAR RENTAL has a New Year's Special, winterize your home, buy our Sellulose insulation and rent the insulation blower at a cheaper rate per day. Come by and see us or call 263-4095.

HILLMAN MADE child's saddle. Also, 243 with scope & case. 399-4515.

Lost & Found Misc.

539

FOUND EYEGLASSES in Brass Nail parking lot, Saturday night/ Sunday morning. Call 264-6300.

PEARL TIE tack, lost New Year's Eve. If found please call 267-5901 before 6:00 p.m. or 267-6766 after 6:00 p.m.

Telephone Service

549

TELEPHONES, JACKS, install, \$22.50. Business and Residential sales and services. J. Dean Communications, 267-5478.

COM SHOP HOLIDAY SPECIAL: Buy novelty phone, regular price, jack in stalled 1/2 price. 267-2423.

Houses For Sale

601

LARGE LOVELY family home on 20 acres south of Stanton, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, formal living room plus den with fireplace, extra large garage. 756-2143.

Manufactured Housing For Sale

611

FUQUA INFORMATION Center: For Home Sales Information and Factory Visits. 1-800-899-3744 Midway.

THERE'S NO Home Like It: before selecting your new home. Visit the Fuqua Factory. It's worth it! 1-800-899-3744 Midway.

Mobile Home Spaces

613

2 LOTS FOR SALE. All mobile home hook ups. In Forsan district. Call 263-5467.

Misc. Real Estate

626

RENTAL PROPERTY in Big Spring, capable of \$700 per month, trade for lake resort property. 1-684-7129 office; 1-682-4901 after 5:00.

Furnished Apartments

651

599 MOVE IN. No deposit. Electric water paid. Nice 1, 2, 3 bedrooms. Some furnished. HUD approved. 263-7811.

NICE, CLEAN apartments. Right price. 3304 W. Hwy 80 or 267-6561.

SANDRA GALE Apartments. Nice clean apartments. The price is still the best in town. Call 263-0906.

BEAUTIFUL GARDEN COURTYARD

Swimming Pool - Private Patios - Carpools - Built-in Appliances - Most Utilities Paid. Senior Citizen Disc.

24 hr. on premises Manager 1 & 2 Bedrooms

Furnished or Unfurnished Under New Management

PARK HILL TERRACE APARTMENTS 800 Marcy Drive

263-5555 263-5000

Patty Schwertner.....267-6819

Jean Moore.....263-4900

Carla Bennett.....264-7713

Loyce Phillips.....263-1738

Marva Dean Willis.....267-8747

Lila Estes, Broker, GRI.....267-6657

Ellen Phillips, Broker, GRI.....263-8507

Connie Helms.....267-7029

Katie Grimes, Broker, GRI.....267-3129

Julie Bailey.....267-6805

Patricia Horton, Broker, GRI, CRS.....263-2742

Janell Davis, Broker, GRI, CRS.....267-2654

Janell Britton, Broker, GRI, CRS.....263-6892

DOLL HOUSE COMPLETELY - Remodel

ed, large 2 Bedroom, \$25,950

3 BR - new carpet, paint, \$13,000

3 BR - 1 bath as is only \$10,000

Furnished Apartments

651

LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX

Carpools - Swimming Pool - Most utilities paid - Furnished or Unfurnished - Discount to Senior Citizens.

1-2 Bdrs & 1 or 2 Bths Newly Remodeled

24 hour on premises Manager

Kentwood Apartments 1904 East 25th

267-5444 263-5000

NICE ONE bedroom apartment, \$245 \$150 deposit. Also one, two bedroom mobile homes, \$195 \$225. No children or pets preferred. 263-6944/263-2341.

Unfurnished Apartments

655

1,2/3 or 4 bedrooms with 1,2/3 or 4 bath. Attached carport, washer/ dryer connections, private patios, beautiful courtyard with pool. Heated by gas and gas is paid. Furnished or unfurnished. Lease or daily /monthly rentals.

REMEMBER

"You Deserve The Best" Coronado Hills Apartments

801 Marcy Dr. 267-6500

ONE, TWO and three bedroom apartment, washer /dryer connections, ceiling fans, mini blinds. Rent starts at \$260 month. Quail Run Apartments, 2609 Was son Road, 263-1781.

ALL BILLS PAID Two Bedroom - \$279

Rent based on income

Stove, Refrigerator, Ref. Air

Carpets, Laundry Facility

Adjacent To School

Park Village Apartments

1905 Wasson 267-4421

EHO.

BILLS PAID Low Rent. Two/ three bedroom, furnished/unfurnished, drapes, fenced yard. HUD approved. 267-5546, 263-0746.

NICE, TWO bedroom with appliances. \$275 deposit. No children or pets preferred. 263-6944 or 263-2341.

BILLS PAID Low Rent. Two/ three bedroom, furnished/unfurnished, drapes, fenced yard. HUD approved. 267-5546, 263-0746.

ONE BEDROOM, nice and clean. Tub/shower, carpet and drapes. No children or pets. \$150 a month, \$50 deposit. Inquire at 802 Andre.

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SUNDANCE: ENJOY your own yard, patio, spacious home and carport with all the conveniences of apartment living. Two and three bedrooms from \$275. Call 263-2703.

NICE 2 BEDROOM, 1 bath with carport and storage. HUD approved. Call 267-7650.

NEAR COLLEGE, nice clean two bedroom. Garage, no dogs. 267-5740.

Four bedroom one and a half bath at 4221 Hamilton, \$320 a month. From 8.5 call 263-0522 or 263-6062 or 267-3841 or 263-7536.

BY OWNER, 3 bedroom 2 bedroom. Make call. 267-3905.

Business Buildings

678

FOR RENT: car lot 810 E. 4th, \$150 month, \$100 deposit. Call 263-5000.

WAREHOUSE with offices on 5 acres fenced land on Snyder Hwy. \$500 month plus deposit. Call 263-5000.

FOR LEASE: Office and showroom, 1307 S. Gregg. Excellent location for retail business. Call Westex Auto Parts, 263-5000.

Office Space

680

1510 1512 SCURRY, ONE large office, large office with computer room available. Utilities paid Suite B. One professional suite C. Four private offices, large reception area, all offices have phone systems, coffee bar, refrigerator, off street parking. 263-2318.

12 ROOM OFFICE building with large shop & fenced acre on US 87 South. Call 267-7900.

Manufactured Housing

682

FOR RENT: lease option purchase, 14x80, 3 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home in country, on one acre, \$300 month plus deposit. 1-691-9601, leave message.

NO BODY ASKS FOR IT

Help STOP Sexual Assaults call 263-3312

Rape Crisis Services/Big Spring

Lodges

686

STATED MEETING, Big Spring Lodge #7340, AF & A.M. 1st and 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., 2102 Lancaster, Chris Christopher, W.M., Richard Knous, Sec.

STATED MEETING Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 every 2nd and 4th Thursday 7:30 p.m. 219 Main, Howard Stewart W.M., T.R. Morris, Sec.

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SCOREBOARD

NBA Standings

All Times EST				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	24	5	.828	—
Philadelphia	19	11	.633	5½
New York	12	17	.414	12
Washington	10	18	.357	13½
New Jersey	8	22	.267	16½
Miami	2	28	.071	23
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	23	8	.742	—
Chicago	20	10	.667	2½
Detroit	20	11	.645	3
Atlanta	16	13	.552	4
Indiana	12	18	.400	10½
Cleveland	11	19	.367	11½
Charlotte	9	20	.310	13
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	19	7	.731	—
Utah	20	10	.667	1
Houston	17	13	.564	4
Dallas	10	18	.357	10
Minnesota	9	19	.321	11
Orlando	8	23	.258	13½
Denver	6	25	.194	15½
Pacific Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	27	5	.844	—
Phoenix	19	9	.679	6
LA Lakers	18	9	.667	6½
Golden State	15	14	.517	10½
Seattle	13	15	.464	12
LA Clippers	11	20	.355	15½
Sacramento	7	21	.250	18

Thursday's Games

New York 135, Denver 108

Orlando 110, LA Clippers 108

Washington 118, Charlotte 108

Houston 114, Chicago 92

Milwaukee 97, Dallas 87

LA Lakers 108, Portland 104

Sacramento 131, Golden State 113

Friday's Games

Indiana at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

Detroit at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.

Washington at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

San Antonio at New Jersey, 8 p.m.

Philadelphia at Utah, 9:30 p.m.

Miami at Seattle, 10 p.m.

LA Lakers at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Minnesota at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

LA Clippers at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.

New Jersey at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

San Antonio at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.

Cleveland at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Indiana at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.

Philadelphia at Denver, 9:30 p.m.

Miami at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

Utah at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Atlanta at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

LA Clippers at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Seattle at Portland, 10 p.m.

Golden State at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

NHL Standings

All Times EST				
WALE CONFERENCE				
Patrick Division				
	W	L	T	Pts
NY Rangers	23	13	7	53
Philadelphia	21	18	5	47
New Jersey	19	15	9	47
Pittsburgh	21	19	3	47
Washington	19	22	1	39
NY Islanders	14	21	5	33
Adams Division				
	W	L	T	Pts
Boston	21	12	8	50
Montreal	20	17	5	45
Buffalo	15	16	9	39
Hartford	17	20	4	38
Quebec	9	26	7	25
CAMPBELL CONFERENCE				
Norris Division				
	W	L	T	Pts
Chicago	28	13	3	59
St. Louis	23	18	4	50
Detroit	20	17	4	44
Minnesota	11	24	8	30
Toronto	12	26	3	27
Smythe Division				
	W	L	T	Pts
Calgary	22	14	5	49
Los Angeles	20	14	5	45
Edmonton	18	18	2	38
Vancouver	17	23	3	37
Winnipeg	13	22	8	34

Thursday's Games

Boston 6, Vancouver 3

Los Angeles 6, N.Y. Islanders 3

N.Y. Rangers 7, Pittsburgh 5

Chicago 5, New Jersey 3

Toronto 3, Minnesota 3, tie

St. Louis 8, Quebec 7

Friday's Games

Winnipeg at Buffalo, 7:35 p.m.

Philadelphia at Washington, 8:05 p.m.

Detroit at Edmonton, 9:35 p.m.

Saturday's Games

New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.

Washington at Boston, 7:05 p.m.

Winnipeg at Hartford, 7:35 p.m.

Philadelphia at N.Y. Islanders, 7:35 p.m.

Detroit at Calgary, 8:05 p.m.

Quebec at Montreal, 8:05 p.m.

Los Angeles at Toronto, 8:05 p.m.

Vancouver at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.

N.Y. Rangers at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh at Montreal, 7:05 p.m.

Los Angeles at Chicago, 8:35 p.m.

Atlanta at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

LA Clippers at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Seattle at Portland, 10 p.m.

Golden State at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 5
Washington at Philadelphia, 12:30 p.m. (ABC)
Kansas City at Miami, 4 p.m. (ABC)
Sunday, Jan. 6
Houston at Cincinnati, 12:30 p.m. (NBC)
New Orleans at Chicago, 4 p.m. (CBS)

Second Round

Saturday, Jan. 12

Houston, Kansas City or Miami at Buffalo, 12:30 p.m.

New Orleans, Washington or Philadelphia at San Francisco, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 13

Chicago, Philadelphia or Washington at New York Giants, 12:30 p.m.

Cincinnati, Miami or Kansas City at Los Angeles Raiders, 4 p.m.

Conference Championships

Sunday, Jan. 20

TBA

Super Bowl

Sunday, Jan. 27

At Tampa, Fla.

AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 6:10 p.m. EST

Women's Hoops

East

Caldwell 79, John Jay 21

Duquesne 70, Robert Morris 66

Holy Cross 79, N.C. Wilmington 64

Lafayette 71, Delaware 52

La Salle 82, Loyola, Md. 52

Penn St. 73, Virginia 71

Rutgers 81, Massachusetts 31

S. Carolina St. 65, Coppin St. 61

Siena 77, St. Peter's 50

St. Joseph's 69, St. Bonaventure 58

W. Maryland 74, Albright 65

West Virginia 76, Fairleigh Dickinson 69

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	INDIAN	ODessa	Odessa	Dallas	Odessa	Dallas	Odessa	Atlanta	Spanish	Premium	Nashville	Premium	Lifetime	Nashville	Premium	New York	Premium	New York	Discovery	Atlanta	Sports	Sports
5	PM	ABC News	Highway to Heaven	Sesame Street	Rin Tin Tin	Jeopardy!	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News
6	PM	News	Who's Boss	Animals	Brother Jr	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
7	PM	News	Who's Boss	Animals	Brother Jr	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
8	PM	News	Who's Boss	Animals	Brother Jr	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
9	PM	News	Who's Boss	Animals	Brother Jr	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
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11	PM	News	Who's Boss	Animals	Brother Jr	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
12	AM	News	Who's Boss	Animals	Brother Jr	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News

Names in the news

Champ to sell trophy

LYON, France (AP) — World chess champion Garry Kasparov promised to sell his \$1 million, diamond-studded trophy and give the money to poor Soviet Armenians.

At World Chess Championship closing ceremonies Wednesday, Kasparov, 27, received the trophy studded with 1,018 diamonds and a check for \$1.7 million.

Challenger Anatoly Karpov, 39, received \$1.3 million for his losing effort.

"I won the world championship in the final minutes of the year," Kasparov said, adding that he had not forgotten "that the year started

with a tragedy."

He referred to the thousands of minority Armenians who fled Baku, his birthplace on the Caspian Sea, during violent ethnic clashes with Azerbaijanis.

"The money gathered will be distributed to those who today have no work and who no one takes care of," said Kasparov, whose mother is Armenian.

NBC exec hurt in crash

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Brandon Tartikoff, who made NBC a winner, was recuperating today after a car crash that also injured his 8-year-old

daughter.

Tartikoff, 41, was upgraded Wednesday from serious to satisfactory condition with a broken rib and pelvis, a hospital spokeswoman said. His daughter, Calla Lianne, was listed in serious condition with a head injury.

Tartikoff's vehicle collided with another near his vacation home on Lake Tahoe, the Highway Patrol said.

Tartikoff became at age 31 the youngest entertainment president in the network's history. He pushed the bottom-rated network into first place five years later with programs such as "Cheers" and "The Cosby Show."

Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE:

The changes and challenges you so enjoy will be plentiful! The emphasis is on finding practical applications for your original ideas. Business profits should soar by March. Avoid all types of gambling throughout the summer.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Pleasure and popularity are yours today. Spend a relaxing afternoon or evening with friends. Romance enjoys highly favorable influences tonight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Pay attention to details and you will be able to give valuable advice to a friend. Spend the afternoon or evening with your family. Romance heats up. Know your own heart.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Be patient with those who are less demanding than you and you will accomplish a lot. A broken promise

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1991 leaves you in a real pickle. See things through by yourself. Victory beckons!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You reach an important decision. Gentle persuasion will convince others that you are right. A decorating project gets off the ground when you find accessories that pull everything together.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your children may be feeling neglected. Spend time with them today and you will strengthen the bond between you. A youngster will confide in you tonight. Be a good listener. Romance looks terrific!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Stop worrying about things you cannot change and do something about those you can. Others praise you for finding an inventive solution to a recurring problem. Romance deepens.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A discussion with a friend stirs up emotions you would rather let lie. Do not be afraid to tell this person so. A romance that is launched this evening could become permanent!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You get the cooperation you need to complete household tasks quickly.

Listen to your intuition where financial matters are concerned. A daily exercise program reduces nervous tension.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Now is an ideal time to donate your time and talent to a service organization. Dealings with members of the opposite sex go smoothly today. A candid chat brings you and mate closer together.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Do not get discouraged if your hard work does not produce immediate results. Your perseverance will pay off handsomely in the near future. Catch up on your letter writing this evening.

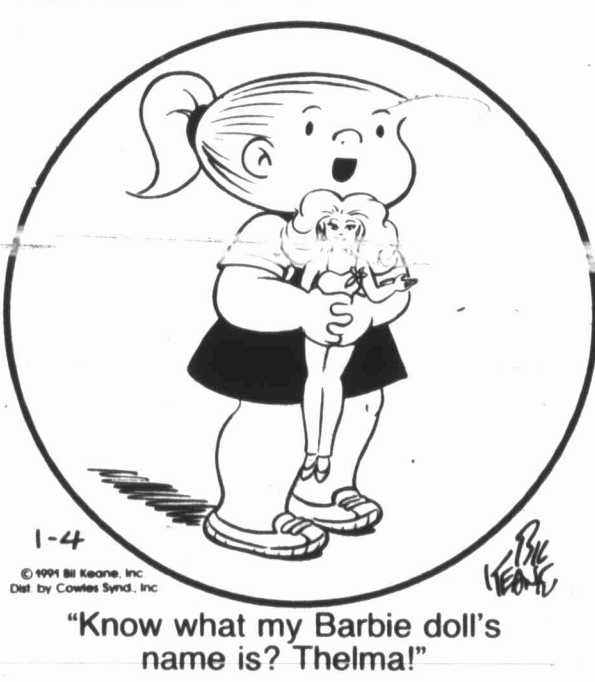
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Powerful emotions could lead you to do something extravagant today. Do not feel guilty; you deserve a treat now and then. Several personal matters need attending to. Set your own priorities.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Control your temper today or you could say something that will permanently damage a cherished friendship. Act on financial advice given to you by experts. You will receive exciting news.

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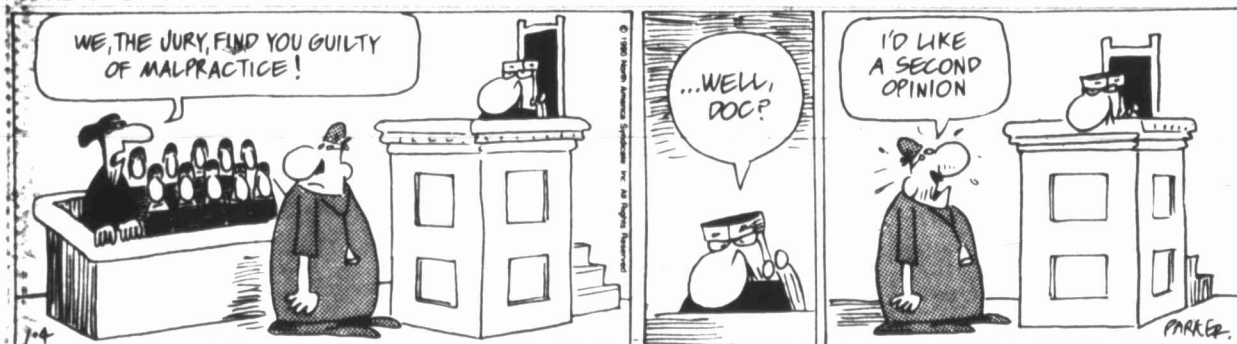
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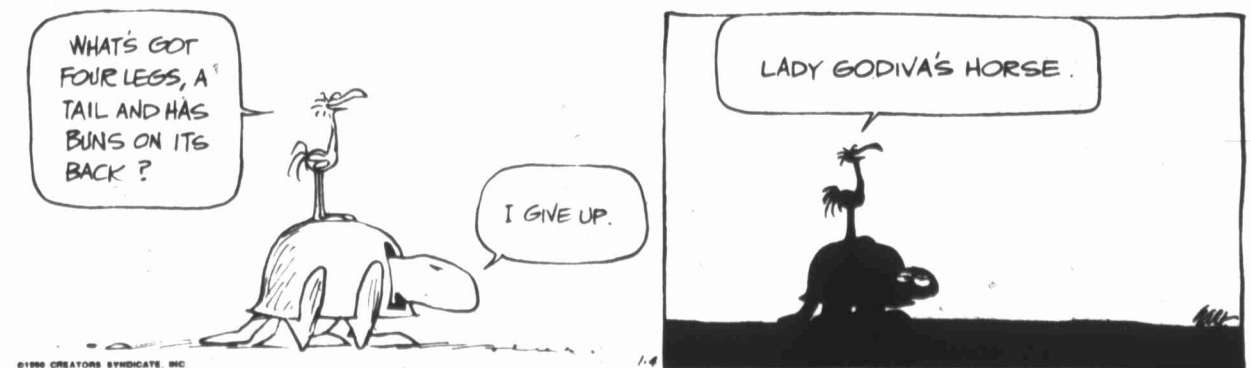
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Martin County's year in review

Editor's note: This is the fourth and final article reviewing the events of 1990 in Martin County.

Part IV

By MARCELLINO CHAVEZ
Staff Writer

McMorries, Sanchez crowned at pageant

In mid-August, the community was entertained with the crowning of Miss Martin County and Junior Miss Martin County queens.

Sherrie McMorries, daughter of Don and Brenda McMorries, was crowned Miss Martin County, while Mona Sanchez, daughter of Ruben and Cindy Sanchez, received the title of Junior Miss Martin County.

Landfill topic of joint session

Martin County Commissioners and Stanton City Council met in a joint session Aug. 14 to discuss the lingering problem of the county landfill. Questions were raised on the possibility of heavy rains causing problems for farmers in the area of the landfill.

Both agencies proposed to expand existing trenches about two feet to help drain the water buildup and start seeding with rye in case

of heavy rainfall.

Martin County has slight increase in decade

Figures for Martin County showed that this area posted a 5.59 percent increase in population during the decade, according to preliminary figures from the Census Bureau.

County's first bale a winner
Area businesses raised almost \$3000 as a reward for the county's

first cotton bale of the year. With more than 113,000 cotton acres planted in the county, the commodity is considered "the most important crop in this area," according to Extension Service Agent Greg Jones.

SHS student count down
As Stanton students began the 1990-91 school year, the school district suffered a drop of at least

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Weather

Chance of rain or showers through Saturday. Low tonight in the 30s; high tomorrow in the mid 40s.

Thursday's high temperature.....	27
Thursday's low temperature.....	24
Average high.....	35
Average low.....	26
Record high.....	74 in 1922
Record low.....	00 in 1947
Rainfall Thursday.....	0.00
Month to date.....	0.00
Normal for Month.....	0.49
Year to date.....	00.00
Normal for year.....	00.04

Gilmores enjoy holiday visitors

The Inez Gilmore house was full this past holiday as friends and family from as far away as California came to visit.

The get-together is an annual event, according to Mrs. Gilmore.

The visitors included: Fred and Ona Hughes, Bronte, Ronald and Sandy Hughes, Pleasanton, J.L. Baugh, Big Spring, Kenneth and Libby Gilmore, Kerry and Greg Gilmore, Lubbock, Lynn Gilmore, Temple, and Ruby Payne, Stanton.

Also, Doyleene Baugh, Stanton, Jerry and Joyce Baugh, Steven and Chris Baugh, Midland, Ronny and Becky Dickenson, Cassy and Amber Dickenson, Midland, Mike and Celia Payne, Lance and Rory Payne, Stanton, Steve and Carey Payne, Allen, Ed, Stacy, and Danielle DeArmond, Lancaster Calif.

Stenholm to face Lions

U.S. Representative Charles W. Stenholm of Stamford will meet with the Stanton Noon and Evening Lions Tuesday at noon at the Martin County Community Center.

Stenholm will discuss the new farm bill and ways that it will help the community.

"Congressman Stenholm likes to get back with the people that elected him and let them know what's going on in Congress," according to Stenholm's spokesman Bill Longley.

Stenholm will be in Big Spring for a dutch breakfast at the Days Inn starting at 7 a.m.

OC registration Tuesday, Thursday

ODESSA — Odessa College has scheduled separate registration days for new and returning students for the 1991 spring semester. Registration day for new students is Tuesday, and Thursday for returning students.

Students may register on those days in the registrar's office on the second floor of the Student Union Building from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Classes for the spring semester begin Monday, Jan. 14.

For more information contact the OC counseling center at 335-6433.

HC, farm bureau offer master course

BIG SPRING — Howard College's Continuing Education Department, along with Texas Farm Bureau, will offer a market Master Course.

This course is a series of workshops designed to assist farm families in developing and improving their financial management and commodity marketing ability.

Cold relief coming

(AP) Ice-coated bridges and overpasses created hazardous

driving conditions across a vast area of Texas in the wake of a cold front that claimed three lives and caused a jetliner to slip off a runway at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

But forecasters say some relief appears to be in sight with the end of the wintry weather expected tonight and Saturday. It was the third cold front to cause icing problems across the state since the weekend before Christmas.

"The temperature is expected to climb above freezing tomorrow afternoon," Mark Brundrett, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Fort Worth, said late Thursday.

"The freezing precipitation should become rain tomorrow during the afternoon and that trend is expected to continue through Saturday and possibly Sunday."

The rain and above-freezing temperatures will replace frigid conditions that surprised commuters Thursday morning and made for treacherous travel after the evening rush hour in central North Texas, Brundrett said.

At least three motorists died on treacherous roads Thursday. A Farmers Branch woman, Abilene man and Odessa man died in separate accidents Thursday.

Officials said a Delta Airlines MD-80 jet with 17 passengers and a crew of six was preparing to leave the Dallas-Fort Worth area for Memphis when the nose wheel slid into some mud. No one was injured.

The icing caused numerous schools, including those at Fort Worth, to close. Some major companies, including Frito-Lay, shut down operations in the Dallas area today.

Dense fog, freezing drizzle and light snow combined to create treacherous driving conditions across all of West Texas east of the mountains and freezing drizzle coated bridges and overpasses over a vast area of

• COLD page 8-A

Iraq accepts proposal for meeting

(AP) Iraq today accepted a U.S. offer to hold direct talks in Switzerland on Wednesday on the Persian Gulf crisis, and France today offered a peace plan promising international talks on Mideast issues if Iraq pulls out of Kuwait.

The Iraqi acceptance came a day after President Bush offered to send Secretary of State James A. Baker III to Geneva for talks with

Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz said the Baghdad government had informed Washington of its acceptance of the proposal to talk, the official Iraqi News Agency said. The foreign minister said Iraq would use the talks to stress its commitment to the Palestinian people's rights to a homeland.

The French peace plan, presented during a European Community foreign ministers meeting in Luxembourg, calls for a European-Iraqi meeting in Luxembourg, said a French official speaking on condition of anonymity.

It would also guarantee Iraq it would not be attacked if it agrees to withdraw from Kuwait, the official said.

There was no immediate action on the plan by the ministers, meeting in closed-door session. A German source said German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich



SAUDI ARABIA — U.S. Army M1A1 tanks and commando carriers line up at a dock in Saudi Arabia Friday. Some of the tanks, assigned to the

1st Armored Division, wear desert tan paint while some still wear the green camouflage used at their base in southern Germany.

Genscher endorsed the idea of European-Iraqi talks, but there was no word on other nations' reac-

tion to the rest of the plan. In Washington, Congress today was resuming debate on the gulf

crisis, with some lawmakers favoring taking up a resolution stating

• IRAQ page 8-A



Winter tans

MILWAUKEE — Shielded from chilling winds by a wall of homemade sun reflectors, tanning enthusiasts Dick Bacon, left, and Mike White

sunbathe Thursday on Milwaukee's lakefront. The high temperature Thursday was 15 degrees.

Associated Press photo

Ethics reform tops list

AUSTIN (AP) — Tough new ethics legislation must be passed quickly after the Legislature convenes next week, Gov.-elect Ann Richards says.

"My general thinking is that the No. 1 thing I want to do is get ethics legislation out of this session, and I want to get it out very early," Richards said Thursday.

Ethics reform was a key issue in Richards' successful campaign against Republican candidate Clayton Williams, and the subject has made headlines across the state in recent weeks.

House Speaker Gib Lewis, D-Fort Worth, was indicted by a Travis County grand jury on two misdemeanor counts of ethics law violations. Lewis said he is innocent of any wrongdoing.

District Attorney Ronnie Earle

• REFORM page 8-A

Former SHS student honored at reception

LUBBOCK — Brent Swink, a 1990 graduate of Stanton High School, was recently honored at a reception at Texas Tech University honoring high school valedictorians and salutatorians.

Swink is the son of Bill and Nancy Swink, 500 Carroll.

The Texas Tech Ex-Students Association annually awards one-year academic scholarships to Texas Tech freshmen who have graduated from high school as valedictorians and salutatorians.

The scholarships are open to graduates of high schools in Texas and around the nation, according to Steve Kauffman, Texas Tech media advisory spokesman.

The reception honored more than 80 scholars and members of the Texas Tech chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, a junior college honor society. University deans and administrators attended the afternoon gathering.

Swink graduated at the top of his

class at SHS with a 3.8636 grade point average. He was active in organizations including the SHS band and participated in the State Solo and Ensemble Contest in 1989. He was also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, class officer his sophomore year and class president as a junior.

Brent served on the student council and was elected president his senior year. Swink also participated in UIL literary events including Editorial Writing, One-Act Play, Science, Typing and Accounting.

He advanced to regional competition his senior year in Accounting and Editorial Writing.

Among the awards the Tech freshman received during his high school days were: Member of Who's Who among American High School students for three years and member of The Society of Distinguished American High School Students for two years.



LUBBOCK — Bill Dean, left, the executive director of the Texas Tech Ex-Students' Association, presents a scholarship check to 1990 Stanton High

School Valedictorian Brent Swink at a recent reception at the university.

Spring board

How's that?

Q. If a reservist decides he or she likes active duty and 'stays on', is the employer still required to provide reemployment upon their return?

A. Yes, according to the Texas Employment Commission, the employer must keep the job available for as long as four years after the emergency duty was initiated.

Calendar Party

TODAY

- Stanton H.S. vs Wall; home; beginning at 5 p.m.. All teams will play.
- Grady — Ira Tournament continues.
- Stanton Jr. Hi. 8th grade — Ira tournament continues.
- Grady Jr. Hi. tournament at home beginning at 9 a.m.

Tops on TV

- America's Most Wanted. A prisoner serving a life sentence for murder escapes prison in a box; a man is wanted on four counts of aggravated assault. 7 p.m. Channel 3.
- Dallas. 8 p.m. Channel 7.
- Sons and Daughters. 9 p.m. Channel 7.

Cold

North Texas early today.

A winter weather advisory was in effect through tonight for the Panhandle and South Plains.

The freezing rain extended from the Panhandle and South Plains eastward into northwestern portions of North Texas and southeastward into the College Station area and southward into the Hill Country.

Fort Worth police said that more than 500 accidents occurred on Thursday. Meanwhile, police in Dallas reported 335 accidents Thursday, 110 of which caused injuries, as motorists tried to negotiate icy overpasses, bridges and elevated roadways.

Ice and accidents caused the temporary closure of the intersection of interstates 20 and 35E in Dallas on Thursday morning and a section of Loop 12 at Interstate 45 later in the day.

"The people aren't reacting to the slicker streets, it's getting slick real quick," Dallas police officer David Myers said Thursday night.

Winter weather advisories were expected to end at midday today for most of North Texas, all of West Texas and the Hill Country in South Texas.

Snow was not expected to accumulate from flurries that were predicted to continue in the Panhandle through Sunday night, Brundrett said.

Light rain, drizzle and fog that pervaded South Texas Thursday were expected to continue into the weekend.

Early morning temperatures were mostly in the 20s across West Texas and North Texas and in the 30s and 40s elsewhere. Extremes ranged from 19 at Dalhart to 47 at Galveston.

Lows tonight will be in the upper 20s in the Panhandle and in the 30s elsewhere across West Texas, in the 30s across North Texas and in the 30s over northern portions of South Texas and in the 40s in extreme South Texas.

Highs Saturday will be in the 30s in the Panhandle and in the 40s and 50s elsewhere.

"Right now I don't see anything (another cold front) in the near term, at least until the middle of next week," Brundrett said. "I don't see any cold Arctic air coming into the area before then."

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioners Court of Martin County, Stanton, Texas, will receive bids until 5:00 p.m. on January 11, 1991, for purchase of two (2) motor graders for the Road and Bridge Department. Bids will be opened on January 14, 1991, at 9:00 a.m.

DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS AND BIDDING FORMS will be available at the office of the County Treasurer. Bids will be on County bid form.

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive all technicalities.

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Parasite may bring plant virus under control

WASHINGTON (AP) — The cucumber mosaic virus, a disease that kills thousands of plants and costs farmers millions of dollars, may be brought under control by a parasite discovered by Agriculture Department chemists.

"Cucumber mosaic virus is the flu bug of the plant world," said Jacobus M. Kaper of the Agricultural Research Service. "It's known to attack at least 775 plant species worldwide and is the No. 1, 2 or 3 worst virus in 16 countries."

Kaper said the virus attacks not just cucumbers, but also tomatoes, peppers, spinach, celery and cowpeas.

U.S. researchers have found a parasitic natural molecule that literally causes the virus to starve to death.

The parasite, a small molecule of nucleic acid called a viral satellite, is called S-CARNA 5. It cripples the cucumber mosaic virus by taking over the enzymes that the virus must have to reproduce.

Farm scene

A typical virus will take over a plant cell and force that cell to make enzymes needed for the virus to reproduce.

Kaper said S-CARNA 5 "mimics the plant of the special enzymes... so the virus can't multiply enough to cause symptoms."

"In China, scientists already have made S-CARNA 5 a major technology for protecting 25,000 acres of tomatoes and other crops," Kaper said.

In explaining how a viral satellite works, Kaper quoted a rhyme:

"Great fleas have little fleas upon their backs to bite 'em,"

"And little fleas have lesser fleas, and so ad infinitum."

S-CARNA 5, he said, "is a perfect example of one of those 'lesser fleas.' Since the cucumber mosaic virus itself is a parasite, that

makes S-CARNA 5 a parasite of a parasite."

Egypt gets lion's share

WASHINGTON (AP) — Egypt, one of America's chief allies in the Persian Gulf crisis, will receive the largest share of allocations under the Food for Peace and Food for Progress program, the Agriculture Department says.

The agency said Egypt will receive food shipments valued at \$150 million in the current fiscal year. The total value of the food now allocated under the program is \$568 million and there's an additional \$216 million in unallocated reserve.

The department has allocated food to 20 countries where the per capita gross national income is less than \$1,135 and five countries where the per capita income is higher.

Food being allocated includes wheat flour, rice, feed grains,

vegetable oil and, for some countries, tallow and wood.

Troughs from tires

WASHINGTON (AP) — Those worn-out tires taken off heavy duty equipment can have a life after death, and be ecologically useful, too. They can give new meaning to the term watering hole as troughs for livestock, at one-fifth the cost of the ones built of concrete.

The tires, typically from earth-moving machinery, are about six to eight feet in diameter and weigh 1,000-1,500 pounds. Most importantly: They measure two to three feet deep when laid on their side.

To use the rubber trough, farmers run inlet and outlet pipes through the wheel opening in the bottom sidewall and they cut one side away so livestock can get to the water.

Water from a nearby spring or pond flows through the inlet pipe as long as the source is higher than

the tire. Excess water runs out the outlet pipe.

The pipes are laid in an 18-inch-deep trench and covered with compacted clay so they won't freeze. The tire then is rested on top of the clay, sealing the bottom of the trough, and the bottom hole of the tire is filled with concrete.

In West Virginia, such trough-tires are eligible for the Agricultural Conservation Program. The Agriculture Department says the trough can be installed for less than \$100, including materials and labor. A precast trough made of concrete costs about \$500.

Price stays stable

WASHINGTON (AP) — The support price for milk with a milkfat content of 3.67 percent will remain at \$10.10 per hundredweight this year, the Agriculture Department says. The support price for 3.5 milkfat content is \$9.90 per hundredweight.

Reform

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said that investigation is continuing and has expanded to include other legislators and lobbyists.

Richards said a key to the tough ethics legislation she wants is the creation of a state Ethics Commission that would have subpoena power to help enforce ethics laws. The current state ethics panel that is on the books has no such power and hasn't even been funded by the Legislature in recent years.

"The No. 1 thing is to attempt to put together a package that will be strong ethics legislation. Now where I think that the strength lies is in a commission that has subpoena powers," Richards said.

"That's going to be the No. 1

carry the day on it. But I don't have a crystal ball. I'm going to work hard for that."

She also said a proposal to limit

how much lawmakers could receive in gifts — such as a \$100 limit — is under consideration and is "fine with me."

In 1989, some 800 registered lobbyists reported spending more than \$2.2 million on entertainment and gifts to members of the Legislature. That largess included vacations, hunting and fishing trips, golf outings and more.

As did Richards, Lt. Gov.-elect Bob Bullock's campaign featured a call for tough ethics reform measures. Their staffs, along with aides to the House speaker, have been discussing proposed legislation.

Lewis hasn't responded to a request for comment. The Associated Press, but he told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram this week that an ethics bill would get consideration.

Year

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30 students from the previous year's enrollment, according to SIDS Superintendent Wayne Mitchell. The first-week enrollment at the district was 1,821.

Another fatality south of Stanton An accident at the intersection of State Highway 137 and Farm Market 307 Sept. 10 claimed the life of Midland woman and sent two others to Midland Memorial Hospital.

Cecilia Galindo Rocha, 54 a passenger in a S-10 Chevrolet pickup, was involved in an accident with a Chevrolet van driven by Bernadine Robinson, 49, San Angelo. Robinson suffered a broken leg while the driver of the pickup, Dionisia Madrid, Odessa, was taken to MMH with internal injuries and a compound fracture of her right leg.

SIDS trustee resigns to pursue business

Stanton Independent School District Board member Terry Franklin resigned after 14½ years of service to devote more time with his family business.

Cook gathers area's 1st bale It was announced that Martin County farmer Eddie Cook striped and ginned the county's first bale and received the prize money for his efforts.

Architect unearths find at Convent

San Antonio-based architect Killis Almond unearthed a one-of-a-kind structure at the convent in Stanton. Almond removed a claboard from an arch and found a loggia. The find revealed that the arch is believed to have opened on to a prayer garden or meditation area, thought to be the only one of its kind in Texas.

New physician joins hospital

Martin County Hospital District acquired a new physician in late September. Kevin L. Campbell opened his practice in internal medicine and pediatrics at the Family Practice Clinic. He received his medical degree from Texas A&M University and completed his four-year residency at Youngstown Ohio.

Teegarden appointed Postmaster

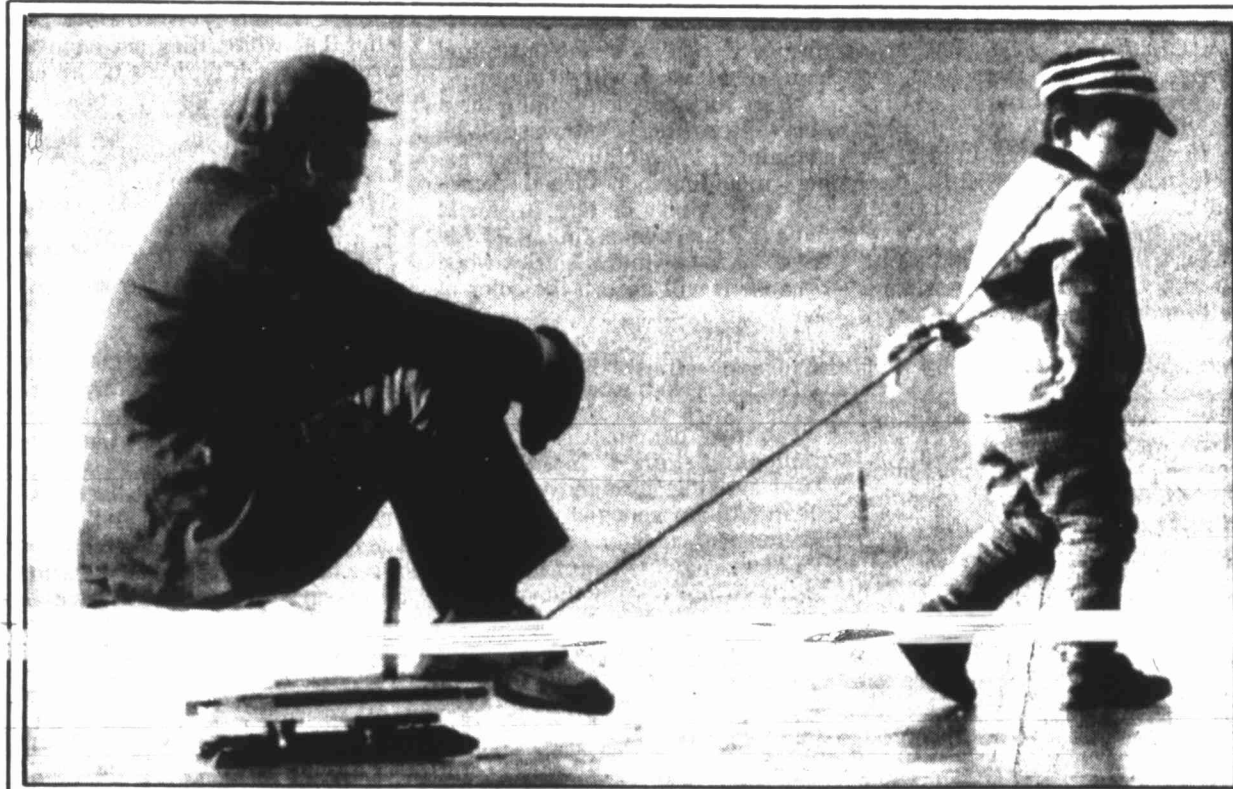
Stanton received a new postmaster, Gail Teegarden. She has more than 11 years of experience that has taken her from Midkiff to Big Bend National Park.

Hospital institutes new bill payment program

In October, the Martin County Hospital District announced that a new link with Sterling Credit System of Dallas would be implemented because of rising health care costs.

Operation Merry Christmas begins

Operation Merry Texas Christmas, the brainchild of former serviceman R. H. Houston, offered Stanton-area residents and organizations an opportunity to do something for the troops in Saudia Arabia. A camouflage stocking could be filled with toiletries and other articles that men and women could use.



Associated Press photo

One kidpower

BEIJING — An elderly man makes his way across a frozen lake in Beihai Park on a sled pulled by a young boy Friday in Beijing.

Iraq

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that congressional approval is needed for any military action against Iraq. Others urge delaying a vote until the Bush administration ends its latest diplomatic efforts.

Congress will remain in session throughout January, canceling a planned three-week recess.

Meanwhile, an Iraqi diplomat being expelled from Britain today warned that Arabs living in Western countries will mount widespread sabotage attacks if war breaks out in the Persian Gulf.

"If Iraq is going to be attacked, all Western countries will have targets to be hit — and Britain has allied herself with the Americans in this warfare," press counselor Naiel Abdul-Jabbar Hassan told reporters at London's Heathrow Airport.

Britain on Thursday ordered the expulsion of eight Iraqi Embassy staff members and 67 other Iraqis, citing past Iraqi threats to attack Western targets if war breaks out. In Baghdad, diplomatic sources

said today that Iraq has told embassies to prepare to move out of the capital to temporary facilities in a city 65 miles to the west. Most embassies only have skeleton staffs remaining in Baghdad.

The New York Times, also citing diplomatic sources, said in today's editions that Iraq planned to move all its government functions out of the Iraqi capital prior to Jan. 15, the United Nations deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait or face the threat of war.

But the official Iraqi News Agency denied that government offices would be relocated outside the capital.

"These reports are fabricated and ridiculous... Baghdad is the capital of steadfastness and victory and will remain so, protected by its men under the leadership of President Saddam Hussein," the news agency said.

In unveiling the French proposal, Foreign Minister Roland Dumas told his EC colleagues that in view of the stalemate in the Persian Gulf, "Europe could not remain with its arms folded," said the

French source.

The official quoted Dumas as saying European-Iraqi talks would constitute "no contradiction, nor interference" with the U.S. position, including Bush's offer to hold direct talks with Iraq.

Under the French plan, the EC-Iraq talks would be held between Aziz and Luxembourg Foreign Minister Jacques Poos, whose country holds the EC's rotating presidency, or between Aziz and the foreign ministers of Italy, Luxembourg and the Netherlands.

The reported French peace plan called for Iraq to leave Kuwait in accordance with U.N. Security Council resolutions. If Iraq agreed to leave Kuwait, the multinational force would pledge not to attack it, under the plan.

With Iraq out of Kuwait, all Middle East regional issues — including the Israeli-Palestinian conflict — would be open to discussion in one or more international conferences, the source said.

Saddam has repeatedly tried to link talks on the gulf crisis and talks on the Palestinian problems.

Cheap gas gift to community

DICKINSON (AP) — Even with gas prices dropping across the country, motorists here may need a second look to believe a sign at the B&C Quick Stop that advertises gasoline at \$1.02 a gallon.

Store owner Syed Bukhari dispelled theories that the sign is in error by saying he's selling the gasoline for 1 cent over his cost to help the Southeast Texas community during the Middle East crisis.

"I'm not making any money, but I'm not losing either," said Bukhari, who pays \$1.01 for a gallon of unleaded gas pumped straight from the Phillips pipeline in Pasadena. "I'm helping my community. Everybody should in a crisis."

The American Automobile Association reported Thursday that gas prices hit their lowest level since late August, the month Iraq invaded Kuwait.

The average nationwide price for a gallon of self-serve unleaded regular gasoline was \$1.267, according to the AAA's weekly survey. The price was the lowest recorded by AAA since Aug. 20, when a gallon of self-serve unleaded averaged \$1.237.

The price remained 19.2 cents a

gallon higher than the price on Aug. 1, the day before the Iraqi invasion.

Meanwhile, Bukhari's competition in Dickinson was advertising gas Thursday for \$1.16 to \$1.27 a gallon and apparently some resent his generosity.

Earlier this week Bukhari began receiving threatening phone calls because of his low prices.

"They ask me why I'm doing this and that what I'm doing is going to cost me," he said. "I tell them it's my station and I can sell for any price I want. But they're angry and accuse me of trying to start a price war."

"The community deserves what I'm doing. If other people can't do it, then they don't deserve the business."

Dickinson resident John Burdette said Bukhari's is a noble gesture.

"I think what Syed is doing is great," Burdette said. "I think the oil companies are selfish. They've got enough money to be doing this, too. Syed is a pretty good guy to be doing this."

Bukhari is a Pakistani native who lived in Saudi Arabia for 13 years before moving to Clear Lake eight years ago. He said his reduced price also is a comment on the

Persian Gulf crisis. Several members of his family live in Kuwait.

"I wish this crisis was all over," he said. "The U.S. economy is hurting bad, and I worry about my family over there."

Bukhari received a 9,000-gallon shipment of gas Wednesday. Fuel trucks were standing by just in case the supply ran out, as motorists from as far away as Pasadena, Texas City and Hitchcock found their way to Bukhari's out-of-the-way store.

After seven hours of business, Bukhari had recorded 627 individual gas purchases.

Pasadena resident Eddie James said it was worth the drive to Dickinson because he saved more than \$6.

"He's doing something that you won't find too many, if any, others doing," James said. "There may be lines for this gas, but it's worth the wait for the good deal."

Bukhari said he wants to give something back to the community.

"I'm going to give these people their gas at the lowest possible price. There are people in this town who don't have enough money to pay the other prices just to get to work every day," he said.

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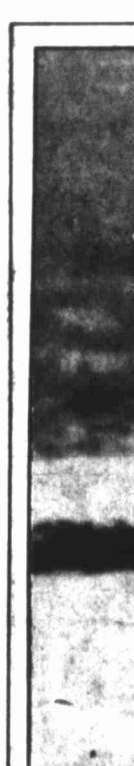
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