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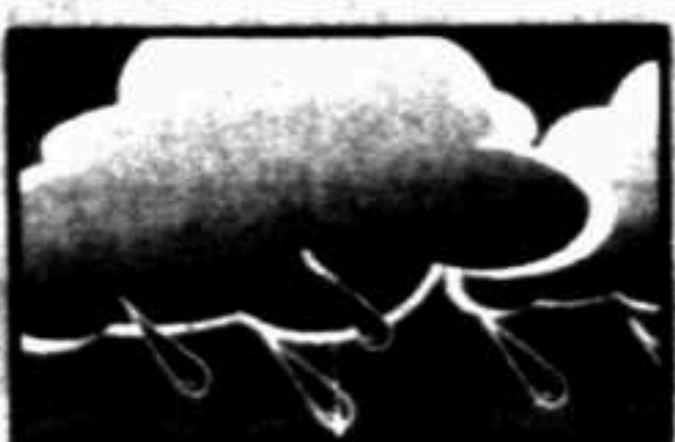
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Unabomber jury

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Twelve people with mixed feelings about the death penalty were picked Monday to decide if professor-turned-hermit Theodore Kaczynski is the Unabomber.

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Utility mergers

NEW YORK — The nation's third-largest utility is paying \$6.44 billion to create a giant power company serving 11 states, announcing the merger Monday as two other big utility deals were falling apart. The failures, however, will not slow the wave of electric and gas company mergers as more states move to loosen regulations and let customers choose their own power providers.

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Clinton lectures Bosnian presidents

U.S. President Clinton and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton are greeted by U.S. troops following their arrival to Eagle Base Monday, near Tuzla, 50 miles north of Sarajevo. Clinton visited troops' living quarters and had dinner with them during his visit.

AP Photo



By Sandra Sobleraj
Associated Press

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — On a holiday mission to thank American troops and encourage Bosnia's fragile peace, President Clinton lectured the nation's three presidents Monday to set aside differences and rebuild their government. "You owe it to your country," he said on a trip marked by high emotion and tight security.

Clinton's message was one of gratitude to U.S. peacekeepers — "I'd like to say a simple thank you and God bless you" — and of firmness to the leaders charged with creating a peaceful nation.

On the grueling 36-hour trip to the war-scarred Balkan nation, Clinton told the snip-

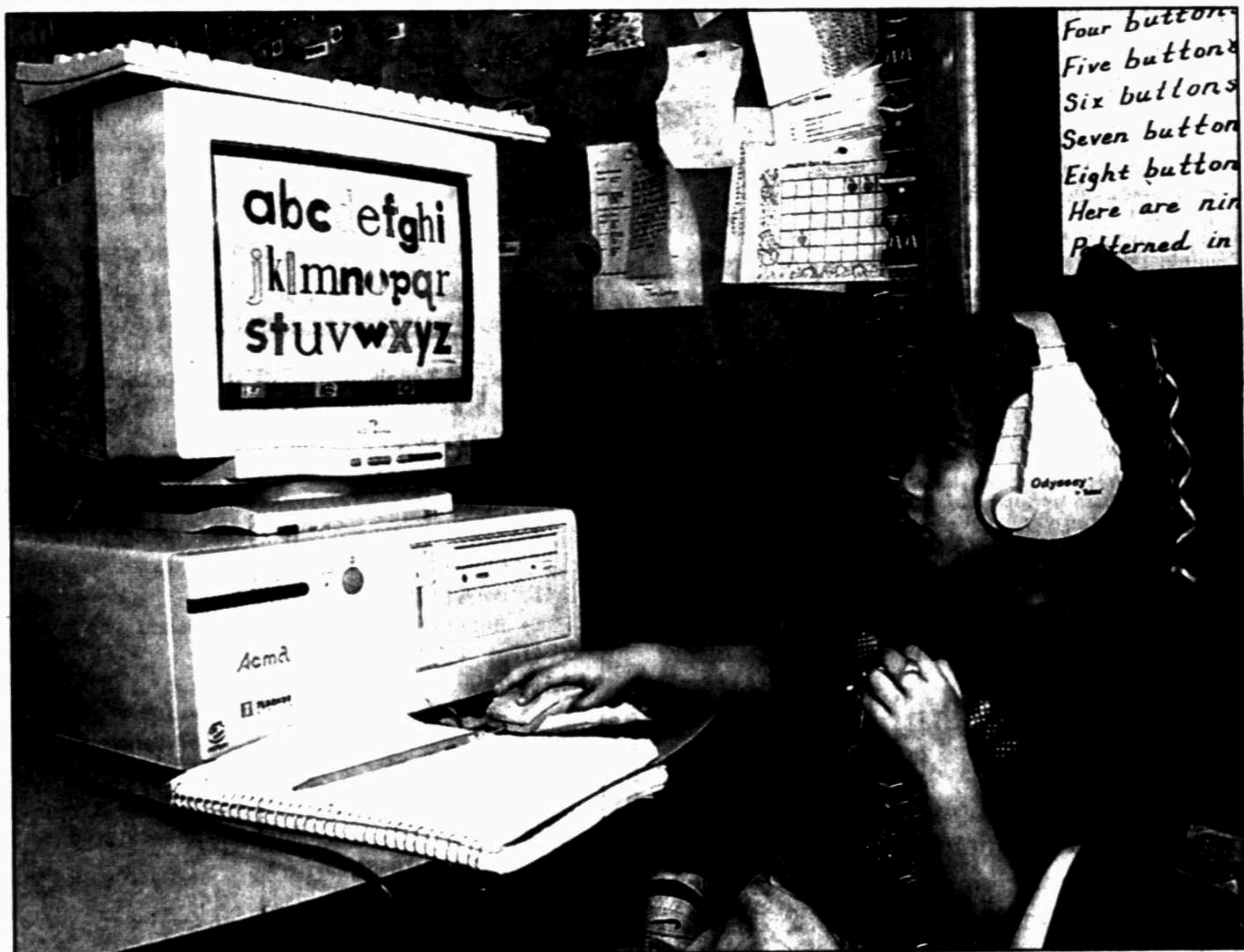
ing leaders in a private meeting in Sarajevo that U.S. peacekeeping help is not infinite and the world "rightfully expects that you do your part."

To the Bosnian people, he said, "The future is up to you, not to the Americans, not to the Europeans, not to anyone else."

Everywhere along his route in Sarajevo were raw reminders of the scars of war. Cheering children lined up in front of bombed but still occupied apartments to greet him as his motorcade cut through recovering "sniper alleys." Extra police patrols guarded street corners beside NATO tanks, but the president was determined to showcase a Bosnia at peace.

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PROGRAMMED for



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Bonham Elementary School kindergartener Hollie Byrd uses the Waterford Early Reading Interactive computer program.

Computers help kindergarteners enjoy reading

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

There is nothing like a little computer wizardry to make reading fascinating for children.

Ninety kindergarten children at Bonham Elementary School are caught up in a Midland Independent School District pilot reading program.

The Waterford Early Reading Program blends flashy computer-animated nursery rhymes and songs with colorful take-home booklets and home-instructional video tapes.

Crockett Elementary also recently adopted the program for a smaller group of its students. The product is made by California-based Addison Wesley.

Robbie King, Bonham principal, said the computer multimedia software plays a crucial role in reading. Bonham received two stations of three computers each.

The Waterford software uses music and rhyme to help children learn the alphabet, phonics and other reading basics.

"It's a strong program for kids," Ms. King said. "They use all the reading cues. This program is heavy in phonetics, but it has other cues as well."

There's also a take-home component for parents that

includes four video lessons and 52 small colorful books for each child. The computer program also lets children use multiple choice menus to print out their own books on a laser printer.

Lisa Dickson, one of several Bonham kindergarten teachers who use the program, said her classroom's three computers allow the children to learn at their own pace.

The software can help children struggling with reading or assist advanced readers, she said.

"The project has been phenomenal," Ms. Dickson said. "Right now I would say all but four or five of the (21) kids know the alphabet."

A majority of her class in the fall last year did not know the alphabet.

The children use the program about 20 minutes daily on most school days and the software can print out reports on a child's progress.

Ms. King said the program is particularly helpful for children who may be having problems with a few concepts.

"Our children who have difficulty, they will review and they do that skill again before they master it," Ms. King said. "I can check in on who's practiced or what they had

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Farmers in high cotton after rains

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

As the 1997 cotton harvest winds down, Midland County cotton farmers are enjoying an above-average year following an extended drought. But they are decrying depressed cotton prices.

"It will take two or three good years to get them (the farmers) out of the train wreck that we are in," said Mike Denny, a former farmer who manages the Midland Farmers Cooperative Cotton Gin. "This will help."

And despite better-than-average rainfall of 16.75 inches, the drought is not yet officially broken.

The rain was timely, said Herb Sorley, the county executive director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency for Midland County. "It's not the fact that we had so much more (rain) than what we've been having. But they have been timely rains."

Sorley, who tracts agricultural acreage, figured that Midland County farmers are averaging about a bale to the acre on the 30,000 to 40,000 acres of dryland and irrigated farmland.

The problem with a good crop, Sorley said, is that the buyers in the marketplace are not offering much for it — 55 to 58 cents a bale.

A standard bale of lint weighs in at 480 pounds, which means that a bale of 55-cent cotton would fetch \$264, and 58-cent cotton would bring in \$278.40.

Two weeks ago, cotton was trading in the 64-cent range, Denny said. That would put a bale at just over \$300.

"I guess you could stay alive with it," Denny said, "but it sure won't bail you out of any bad year."

So far this year, the Midland Farmers Co-op has ginned about 13,400 bales. The gin's average production is between 10,000 and 12,000 bales.

Midland County cotton not ginned at the Midland co-op is processed at gins in Stanton and Midkiff.

Denny said that Midland dryland cotton is probably averaging around three-quarters of a bale to the acre and that irrigated cotton is producing about a bale and quarter to a bale and a half.

There are exceptions. Some of Vernon Chandler's drip-irrigation cotton in the Warfield community southwest of Midland was yielding three bales to the acre — a rarity.

Overall, the 1997 crop is "probably the best crop we've had since 1993" when the drought started making inroads into cotton production, Denny noted.

In 1992, the Midland gin processed

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Teens arrested after low-speed car chase

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Three 16-year-olds — a white female, a black male and a Hispanic male — were taken to Culver Youth Home and a 17-year-old was booked into Midland County Detention Center after a confrontation with the Midessa Auto Theft Task Force Monday.

Shots were fired by two officers after the female allegedly tried to hit them with a Chevy Suburban. The Midland Police Department is investigating the incident. Officials say the investigation could take up to a week.

The four teens have been charged with aggravated assault and criminal mischief.

Midland Police Chief John Urby said that a car stolen in a burglary over the weekend had been recovered just west of Ranchland Hills Country Club and

was being staked out by the two members of the Midessa Auto Theft Task Force.

The four drove up in a Suburban, Urby said, and began kicking the vehicle as if to vandalize or steal it. At that point, the two officers — a Midland police officer and a Midland County sheriff's deputy — approached the four and identified themselves, Urby said.

The 16-year-old female got back into the Suburban and allegedly tried to strike the two officers, Urby said, at which point shots were fired at the tires of the Suburban in an attempt to stop the vehicle.

The three males then got into the Suburban, he said, and a short pursuit took place, ending at the intersection of Fairgrounds and Magnolia when the Suburban stopped after a police car pulled alongside.

"She must have been in shock," Urby said. "She was only driving 30 miles an hour."



Kes Gilhorne/Reporter-Telegram

A Midland police officer and a Midland County deputy handcuff a juvenile suspect on Magnolia Avenue after a car chase Monday night.

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Prosecution calls for life sentence for 'Carlos the Jackal'

PARIS (AP) — The state prosecutor in the trial of "Carlos the Jackal" urged jurors Monday to sentence the alleged terrorist to life in prison, saying two French investigators were unarmed when he killed them in 1975 along with another man.

"The nature of the punishment must be equal to the crime," Prosecutor Gino Necchi said in final arguments on the seventh day of the trial, expected to end Tuesday.

The Venezuelan-born Ilich Ramirez Sanchez mimicked silent hand-clapping at the end of Necchi's more than 90-minute address to the jury, composed of nine citizens and three judges. He then kissed the hand of his lawyer Isabelle Countant-Peyre.

The 48-year-old Ramirez previously faced a maximum of 30 years in prison if convicted of killing inspectors Raymond Dous and Jean Donatini and Michel Moukharbal, a Lebanese colleague of Ramirez.

The three were shot at close range with a Soviet or Czech-made automatic pistol.

Necchi, along with legal advocates for the families of the vic-

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tims, denounced what they suggested was Ramirez's cowardliness — for allegedly killing unarmed men in a panic then failing to own up to it at the trial.

Francis Szpiner, a lawyer for SOS-Attentat, a group which defends terrorism victims, told the court he was "surprised" at the man who has proclaimed himself an "international revolutionary."

"You have defended yourself like a chicken thief and not like a revolutionary," Szpiner said, adding that the so-called "Carlos myth" that has developed over the years "is being whittled away" at the trial.

Ramirez himself had said early on in the trial that he was "not a chicken thief."

Ramirez, once considered one of the world's most wanted terrorists, was captured in Khar-

toum, Sudan, on Aug. 14, 1994, and spirited to Paris by French agents.

He is widely accused of carrying out the 1975 seizure of OPEC oil ministers and was involved in the 1976 Palestinian hijacking of a French jetliner to Entebbe, Uganda, which ended with an Israeli commando raid.

Presiding Judge Yves Corneloup on Monday rejected a new defense request for time to locate witnesses. Since the start of the trial, the defense has sought the presence of three people who witnessed the shootings in a small Latin Quarter apartment rented by a friend of Ramirez.

The prosecution has contended that they were unable to find the people in question — all Latin American students studying in Paris at the time.

Instead, depositions taken from

them within 24 hours of the killings were read to the court, as was testimony from former friends and lovers of Ramirez.

The defense also has sought to have SOS-Attentats removed from the court, claiming, among other things, that an association which defends terrorism victims has no business at a murder trial.

Another lawyer for SOS-Attentats, Jean-Paul Levy, denounced the "low blows, insults and disdain" that he claimed characterized the defense during the trial, and denounced Ramirez for "trying to transform this court into a theater of the grotesque."

It was a reference to the trial's multiple interruptions, due to the ballet of defense lawyers who

have come and gone and the series of demands for new information by the defense.

Szpiner, in his final arguments, claimed that Ramirez shot Moukharbal, a colleague of Ramirez in the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, because he erroneously considered him an informer and "traitor" to the cause.

Milosevic's ally wins 'flawed' election

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — An ally of Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic was proclaimed the winner Monday of the presidential election for the republic of Serbia — a vote foreign monitors described as "fundamentally flawed."

The losing candidate, a hard-line nationalist, called Sunday's vote fraudulent and said he might challenge the results.

The official Serbian Electoral Commission said with 96 percent of the vote counted, neo-communist Milan Milutinovic had 58 percent support to Vojislav Seselj's 38 percent.

The commission said turnout was nearly 51 percent, enough to make the elections valid. But Seselj's spokesman, Dragan Todorovic, asserted that turnout was 49 percent, below the minimum.

It was the fourth time in three months that Serbs voted to elect a successor to Milosevic, who moved to head the Yugoslav federation in July after being constitutionally barred from a new term as Serbian president. The federation is composed of Serbia and the much smaller republic of Montenegro.

Officials belonging to a neo-communist coalition of Milosevic and his wife Mirjana Markovic celebrated Milutinovic's victory at a cocktail party in a Belgrade con-

gress hall Monday. Milosevic declared that the "elections were successful in the interest of Serbia."

He said Serbians should turn to "economic recovery and better and more humane life in Serbia."

Seselj charged that Milosevic's supporters rigged the elections by stuffing ballot boxes with false ethnic Albanian votes in the troubled province of Kosovo. Officials of Kosovo's main ethnic Albanian party said there was a near-total boycott of the election.

"If ... Milutinovic won the elections only due to the results in Kosovo, we will invalidate the elections," Seselj said, without elaborating.

In one Kosovo town, for example, Todorovic said the Socialists claimed to have gotten 522 votes and Seselj 337 even though there were only 20 Serbs eligible to vote and the Albanians boycotted. Dozens of Seselj's observers had been arrested in Kosovo, he said.

International observers belonging to the Organization for Securi-

ty and Cooperation in Europe issued a report saying the vote was "fundamentally flawed." They indicated possible rigging of the results in Kosovo and criticized strong state-run TV bias toward Milutinovic.

The two candidates were the top vote-getters in a Dec. 7 vote, but neither had the 50 percent support required to win. First-round voting in September also failed to produce a winner, and an October runoff was invalidated because of low turnout.

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Santa pays Japanese children an early visit

Joseph Coleman
Associated Press

TOKYO — Teachers at my 2-year-old daughter's day care center were giddy with their good luck. They had managed to get their hands on a real American Santa Claus: Me.

Waiting to take the stage in my bright red suit, flowing white beard strapped on and mustache glued to my upper lip — visions of the No. 1 rule on playing the jolly elf danced in my head.

"Don't say anything in Japanese," one teacher had warned. "The children might think you're speaking 'Santa-language,' but it has to be something they don't understand."

The request struck the heart of what makes mostly Buddhist Japanese go nuts over Christmas — and what qualifies just about any Westerner to play Santa Claus in Japan: the foreign touch.

Christianity has never been much of a success here. When European missionaries made inroads in 16th and 17th centuries, the military government stamped them out by martyring 3,000 believers — some of them burned alive.

Christianity has made a slight comeback since Japan opened up to the West in the late 19th century, but Christians still only account for less than 1 percent of the population. Nearly all Japanese practice both Buddhism and the indigenous Shinto religion.

But Christmas — or "Kurisumasu" — is another story.

Japan is mad about the Noel. Festive lights flash from tree-lined avenues all over the country, and city buildings are decorated with huge wreaths or other ornaments. Carols pour from stores in commercial districts jam-packed with holiday shoppers.

Many families set up Christmas trees and exchange gifts. For young singles, Christ's birthday means romance. On the 24th, Japan's 20-something couples crowd expensive restaurants, gazing into each other's eyes over candlelit, \$100 French dinners.

Yuletide gift-giving fits in well with Japan's traditional year-end exchange of presents. But the hol-



Reporter Joseph Coleman in a full Santa outfit, left, gives out Christmas gifts to Japanese pre-school children at Kachidoki Nishi Day Care Center in Tokyo Friday. Coleman gets an opportunity to find out what makes the most Buddhist Japanese go nuts over Christmas and what qualifies just about any Westerner to play Santa Claus in Japan, the foreign touch.

iday, like the religion behind it, is still a Western product — and all the more alluring.

The teachers at Kachidoki Nishi Day Care were thrilled to have a genuine American Santa. Located far from Tokyo's foreigner-dominated neighborhoods, the center in past years had filled its Santa suit with either a local government worker — who allegedly showed little enthusiasm — or a tight-scheduled father who appeared only briefly before dashing off to work.

This year, they hit the jackpot. Not only was Santa a full-blooded foreigner, but he worked at night and could stick around all morning.

But playing Saint Nick in Japan is more complicated than just handing out candy canes to preschoolers. The Japanese don't like to leave much to chance.

Christmas trees are sold — at up to \$200 — with a package of all the "right" ornaments. Magazines tell young people all the "in" things to do, eat and wear on their big Christmas Eve on the town.

Playing "Santa-san" is the same. In two mini-conferences at the center and two rehearsals in the two weeks before the show, teachers told me when to enter the assembly room, what to say, how to gesture and when to leave.

At the center of the party was something like a "Santa press conference." The oldest kids — 5

year olds — would stand up and fire off toughies like, "Why does Santa-san ride a sleigh?" and "Why does Santa make toys?"

Like any well-organized interviewee in Japan, I had the questions in advance — and the answers. Before the show, I got a "Santa information packet" with a script and detailed description of the proceedings.

Then there was the language issue. Striving to make the "Santa experience" as authentic as possible, I was told not to breathe a word of Japanese. The children would ask questions in Japanese. I would answer in English, and a teacher — who knew the answers already — would translate.

The minutes before the show were tense, with teachers running in and out of the dressing room, adjusting my snowy beard and constantly asking me, "Are you nervous?"

The show itself was a cinch. In a center-provided Santa suit and oversized black boots, I apparently was pretty convincing. When I handed a sock full of candy to my daughter Ema, she looked straight into my eyes — and swiped the sock. Nary a flash of recognition on her face.

There were even a few believers among the crowd.

"I looked out the window," one 4-year-old girl told a teacher after the show, "and I saw the trail of Santa's sleigh in the sky."

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Rebels attack outpost; heavy casualties feared

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — In a pre-Christmas offensive, hundreds of leftist guerrillas stormed a remote mountain military outpost, apparently overwhelming its 32 defenders. Rebels also killed at least eight people in other attacks throughout Colombia.

Thick clouds hindered efforts Monday to reach the military communications base — at 12,500 feet on the Cerro de Patascoy — as did the possibility that rebels mined the single path up the mountain, normally an eight-hour climb.

The number of soldiers killed and wounded in Sunday's assault on the post, a concrete building with minimal defenses, was unclear.

The situation is serious, very critical, it's likely we've got dead, it's likely there are wounded," Gen. Mario Hugo Galan, the army's commander, told

reporters. Contact with the alpine post was lost shortly after the attack and a helicopter that tried to reach it Sunday was hit by rebel gunfire, military officials said.

Gen. Julio Charry, the regional army commander, told The Associated Press that reinforcements were expected to reach the site by foot late Monday.

He said the base, near the border with Ecuador 320 miles southwest of Bogota, was normally guarded at night by six soldiers, but acknowledged that security may not have been adequate.

About 400 members of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, the largest and oldest of several rebel groups fighting the state since the 1960s, appeared to be involved in the assault, said Col. Victor Burgos, the battalion commander.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today
Rain
High 38
Low 26



Wednesday
Partly cloudy
High 52
Low 25



Thursday
Partly cloudy
High 49
Low 28

Rain is likely today, according to the National Weather Service, possibly mixed with sleet or snow early in the day. Otherwise skies will be cloudy with the high temperature near 40 degrees. Winds will be north to northwest at 15 to 25 mph and gusty and the chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

Tonight is expected to bring decreasing cloudiness and low temperatures in the mid-20s.

Wednesday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a high around 50 degrees.

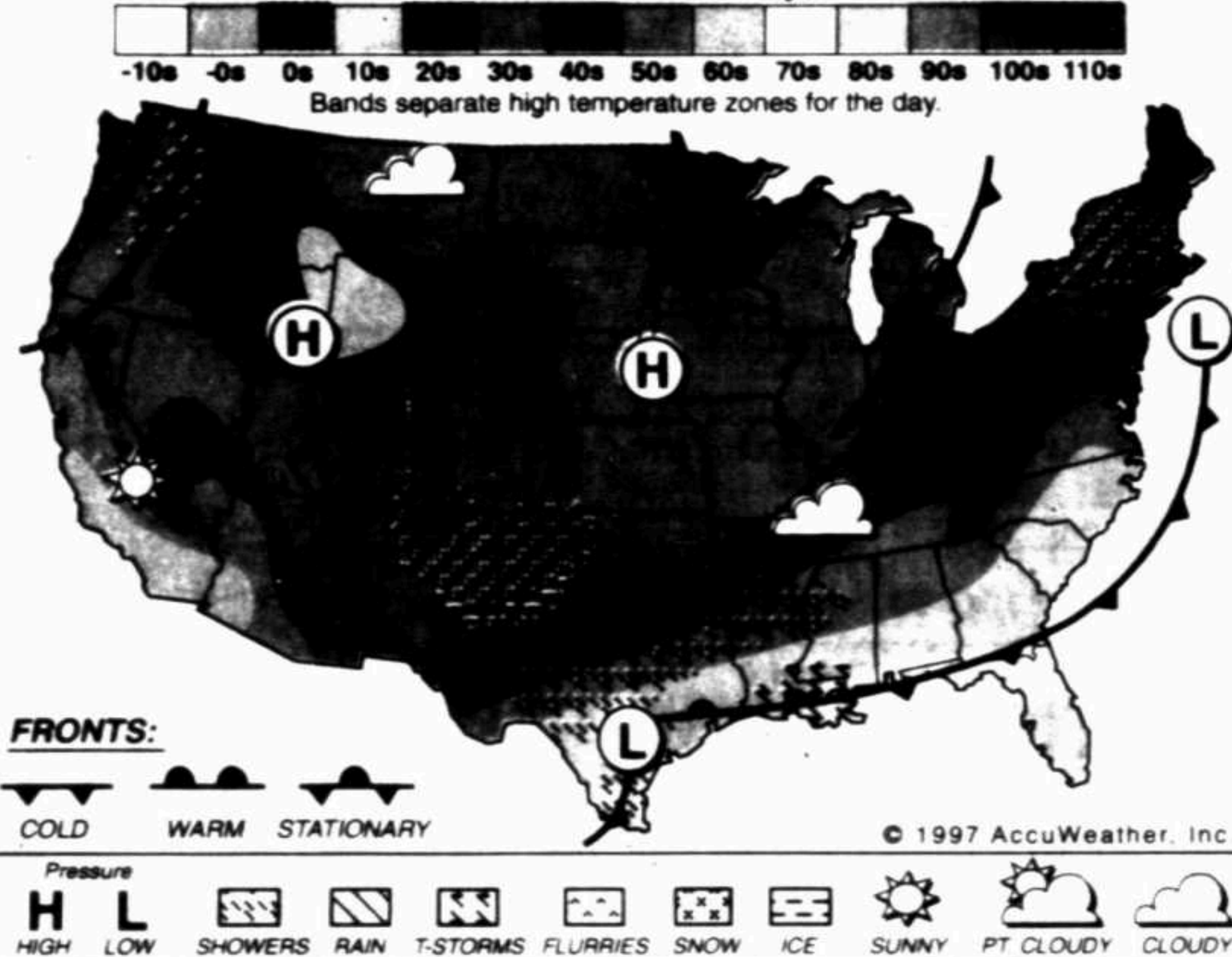
Monday's high was 49, compared with the record high of 79 set in 1933. The low was 31 degrees, with the record low of 4 degrees set in 1989.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Monday	0.00 in.	High	49
Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.	Low	31
Total for month	0.98 in.	Normal high	57
Total for year	16.75 in.	Normal low	30

Sunrise 7:46 a.m. Sunset 5:50 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Dec. 23.

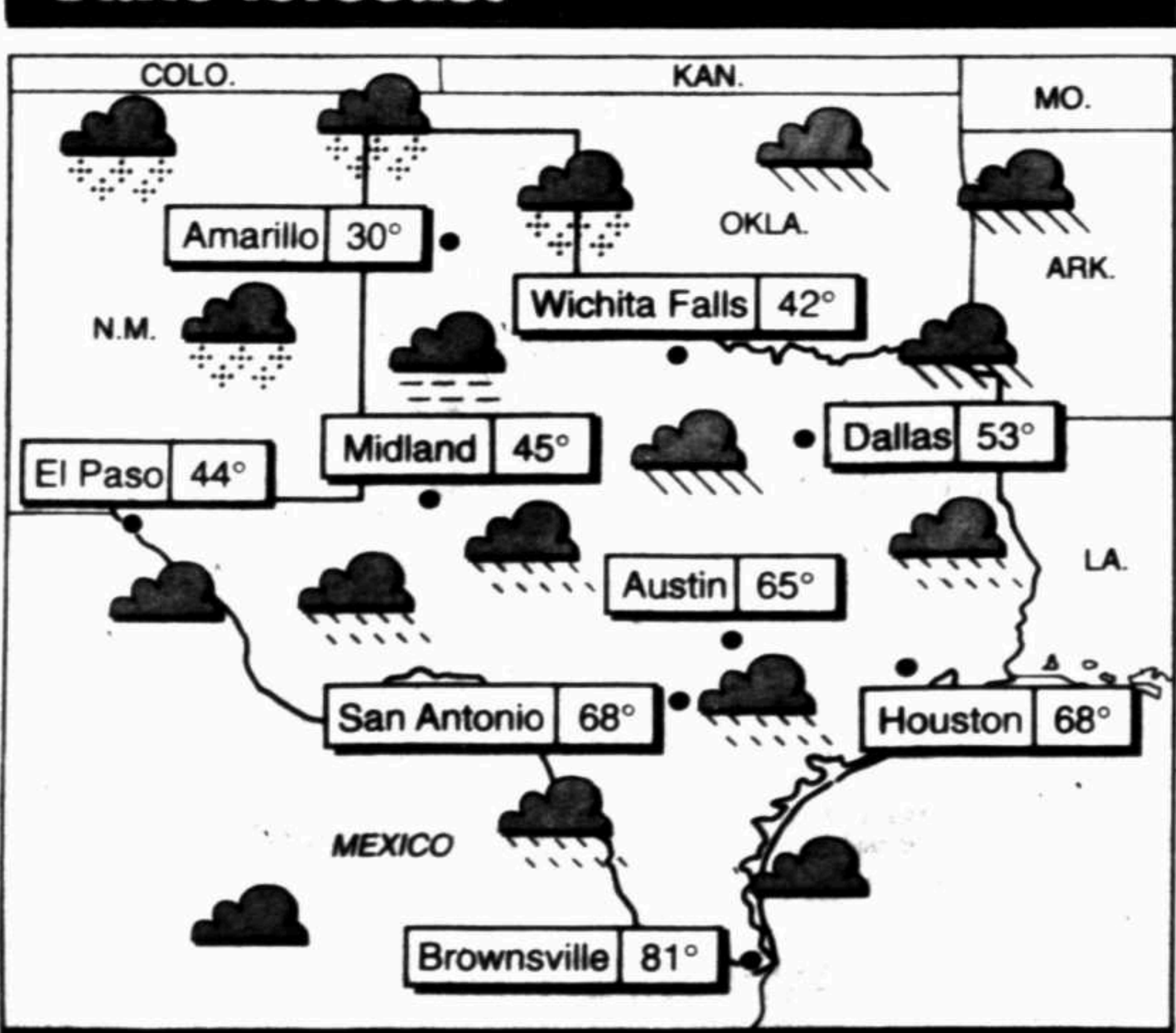


United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:32 p.m. EST.

City	High	Low	Precip.	Wind	Clouds
Albany, N.Y.	26	11	0	0	0
Albuquerque	37	29	0	0	0
Anchorage	34	29	0	0	0
Asheville	42	38	0	0	0
Atlanta	46	44	0	0	0
Atlanta City	41	20	0	0	0
Baltimore	26	26	0	0	0
Bilings	33	25	0	0	0
Birmingham	65	53	0	0	0
Bismarck	35	20	0	0	0
Boston	31	18	0	0	0
Brownsville	79	52	0	0	0
Buffalo	33	20	0	0	0
Burlington, Vt.	27	8	0	0	0
Casper	27	8	0	0	0
Charleston, S.C.	68	53	0	0	0
Charleston, W. Va.	55	41	0	0	0
Charlotte, N.C.	41	40	0	0	0
Cheyenne	29	21	0	0	0
Chicago	37	32	0	0	0
Cincinnati	36	24	0	0	0
Cleveland	41	28	0	0	0
Columbia, S.C.	47	45	0	0	0
Columbus, Ohio	50	33	0	0	0
Concord, N.H.	29	8	0	0	0
Dayton	49	32	0	0	0
Denver	32	19	0	0	0
Des Moines	37	30	0	0	0
Detroit	37	30	0	0	0
Duluth	26	20	0	0	0
Evansville	50	41	0	0	0
Fairbanks	24	24	0	0	0
Flagstaff	32	28	0	0	0
Grand Rapids	32	28	0	0	0
Great Falls	32	17	0	0	0
Greensboro, N.C.	38	36	0	0	0
Hartford, Conn.	29	12	0	0	0
Helena	33	9	0	0	0
Honolulu	83	67	0	0	0
Indianapolis	45	35	0	0	0
Jackson, Miss.	66	41	0	0	0
Jacksonville	78	57	0	0	0
Juniata	38	33	0	0	0
Kansas City	55	42	0	0	0
Las Vegas	51	40	0	0	0
Little Rock	66	51	0	0	0
Los Angeles	54	42	0	0	0
Louisville	48	41	0	0	0
Memphis	81	72	0	0	0
Miami Beach	33	31	0	0	0
Milwaukee	33	24	0	0	0
Minneapolis	33	24	0	0	0
Mobile, Ala.	32	20	0	0	0
Nashville	32	20	0	0	0
New Orleans	70	45	0	0	0
New York City	36	26	0	0	0
Norfolk, Va.	53	40	0	0	0
North Platte	43	22	0	0	0
Oklahoma City	40	35	0	0	0
Omaha	33	31	0	0	0
Orlando	83	66	0	0	0
Philadelphia	36	25	0	0	0
Phoenix	53	47	0	0	0
Pittsburgh	41	30	0	0	0
Portland, Me.	32	11	0	0	0
Portland, Ore.	41	30	0	0	0
Providence	33	18	0	0	0
Raleigh-Durham	42	38	0	0	0
Rapid City	39	27	0	0	0
Reno	33	17	0	0	0
Richmond	42	34	0	0	0
Sacramento	55	39	0	0	0
St. Louis	40	37	0	0	0
Salt Lake City	34	25	0	0	0
San Diego	61	43	0	0	0
San Francisco	56	48	0	0	0
San Juan, P.R.	87	74	0	0	0
Seattle	41	31	0	0	0
St. Paul	37	21	0	0	0
St. Pete Beach	31	25	0	0	0
St. Thomas	41	31	0	0	0
Shreveport	61	36	0	0	0
Sioux Falls	31	25	0	0	0
Spokane	27	11	0	0	0
Syracuse	30	01	0	0	0
Tampa-St. Petersburg	79	68	0	0	0
Tokyo	37	33	0	0	0
Tucson	50	40	0	0	0
Tulsa	41	37	0	0	0
Washington, D.C.	38	34	0	0	0
Wichita	38	32	0	0	0
Wilmington	29	15	0	0	0

State forecast



Shows T-storms Rain Flurries Snow Ice Sunny Pt. Cloudy Cloudy

Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. CDT.

City	High	Low	Precip.
Abilene	49	29	0
Alamo	75	45	0
Amarillo	34	30	0.05
Arlington	52	34	0
Austin Mueller	60	42	0
Beaumont	70	44	0
Brownsville	79	52	0
Burnet	57	38	0
Childress	42	31	0.01
College Station	56	38	0
Comstock	59	38	0
Corpus Christi	74	44	0
Costilla	58	37	0
Cotulla	73	46	0
Del Rio	36	31	0
Dallas	52	34	0
Del Rio	67	44	0
Denton	46	30	0
DW Airport	49	34	0
El Paso	54	38	0.34
Fort Worth	49	33	0
Galveston	67	51	0
Harrison	78	50	0
Houston	67	40	0
Houston Hobby	71	46	0
Houston Intercontinental	71	39	0
Huntsville	67	39	0
Junction	66	40	0
Killebrew	77	43	0
Laredo	78	46	0
Lubbock	37	28	0
Lufkin	66	38	0
Marfa	63	28	0
McAllen	80	50	0
Mineral Wells	55	30	0
Navy Corps	73	58	0
New Braunfels	66	42	0
Palacios	72	47	0
Paris	48	36	0
Rockwall	69	38	0
San Antonio	58	31	0
San Antonio	67	41	0
Terrell	53	38	0
Temple	52	37	0
Waco	52	37	0

CLINTON: Bosnian presidents get lecture

(From 1A)

Accompanied by his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, and their daughter, Chelsea, the president strolled sidewalks one block from the Markla open-air market, scene of some of the bloodiest shelling, and pressed into crowds for hugs and kisses from men and women trembling with emotion.

Clinton pledged that Americans would do "our dead-level best" to enforce the 1995 Dayton peace accords, which ended 3 1/2 years of ethnic warfare in the former Yugoslavia.

Afterward, Bosnian Serb President Biljana Plavsic — successor of Radovan Karadzic who is accused of war crimes — said she asked Clinton for patience. "Slowly, one can expect results, but certain things cannot be implemented quickly," she said.

Karadzic aide Momcilo Krajisnik, who represents the Serbs in the Bosnia government, said Serbs were "willing to work toward full implementation of the peace accord." But he also called for Bosnian Serb independence — something not foreseen in the Dayton accords, which call for a unified Bosnia.

Later, in Tuzla, Clinton told U.S. troops their efforts are still vital to end now.

"Without you there would still be mortars and cannons firing," Clinton told some of the 2,000 American troops stationed here at Eagle Base. He and his family shared just a bite of their pre-Christmas meal with troops before descending fog hurried his departure.

The next stop was the U.S. air base at Aviano, Italy, but fog was closing in there, too, even as he landed. So Clinton canceled plans to speak to the troops and headed back to Washington.

"When you go to bed tonight, thank God that you were given the chance to do something like this ... to give something as profound as the gift you have given the children of Bosnia," Clinton said in Tuzla.

The Clintons brought toys for Bosnian children and gifts for the troops, too — cases of Coca-Cola and an hour of free phone calls to the United States, arranged by the Defense Department and AT&T.

"I also want to say to you that in



U.S. President Clinton greets former Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole and his wife, Elizabeth, president of the American Red Cross, on stage during an address to U.S. troops in Bosnia Monday. Clinton came to Bosnia to help celebrate Christmas with the U.S. soldiers.

spite of all you have done, I think it is imperative that we not stop until the peace here has a life of its own, until it can endure without us," Clinton said. "We have worked too hard to let this go."

Bringing along 11 members of Congress and retired Sen. Bob Dole, Clinton made the trip with an eye toward building support back home for an indefinitely extended deployment of U.S. troops. They are part of the NATO-led peace-keeping mission that was to have been withdrawn by next June.

Last week, Clinton said a smaller contingent of the 8,500-strong American force would remain until "certain benchmarks" — a free press, civilian police — guarantee a self-sustaining peace.

Ensign Michael Barnes, 21, of Orlando, Fla., joined those waiting in the mud to greet Clinton outside the base gym. "I think it's a good idea that we're staying," he said. Dole, defeated by Clinton in the 1996 presidential race, told the

troops that he backed the president's Bosnia policy. "I believe it is worthwhile, and I hope you believe the effort in Bosnia is worthwhile," he said.

At the same time, he said he hoped that "one of these days very soon" the troops could go home.

Clinton wore a leather jacket with the yellow and red triangle insignia of the Army's 1st Armored Division, which is a major part of the U.S. force in Bosnia.

In Sarajevo, he exulted that the city had "begun to thaw and grow anew in the sunlight of peace."

The Sarajevo Symphony performed a prelude to Clinton's address with an empty chair for its principal violinist, one of seven orchestra members killed in the war.

Chelsea Clinton appeared moved by the day's experiences. Children presented the Clintons with hand-drawn Christmas cards and sang in Serbo-Croatian. "If you're happy and you know it

clap your hands." Chelsea's eyes welled with tears and she lowered her head to wipe them away.

Indeed, there were strong emotions all around.

"I thank him for the fact that my daughter can go to school like a normal human being and can play," said Adaleta Zivojevic, who wept after embracing Clinton.

The U.S. force in Bosnia has shrunk from its peak of 27,000 in 1996, and Clinton has suggested the new deployment would be even smaller. But Army Gen. Wesley Clark, NATO's supreme commander, told members of Congress traveling with Clinton that he wanted the troop authorization to remain at 8,500.

While Congress is unlikely to cut off money for American soldiers, Clinton does face opposition to an open-ended military commitment. Even some members of Congress who accompanied Clinton and agreed on extending the mission have questions about America's involvement.

CROP: Production varied across Midland County

(From 1A)

17,500 bales.

Last year in the throes of the drought, the yield was 4,700 bales. In another dry year, 1983's drought-laden crop was at the nadir at 2,700 bales.

But the co-op in 1979 processed 22,600 bales when the weather was near the optimum for cotton and at a time almost 20 years ago when more farmland was in production and when suburban and rural housing developments had not encroached so much on agricultural land.

"We don't have as many acres of cotton now as we did in 1979, either, because of CRP (the federal

Conservation Reserve Program, which converts cotton land to grassland) and because of development," Sorley said. "That (CRP) has taken out roughly 17,000 acres" out of production in Midland County in the late 1990s.

In Midland County in 1997, the best good cotton production was "maybe eight miles south of Midland back north," Sorley said.

In northwest Midland County, production was virtually nil. But south of Midland International Airport in the Warfield community, production was better. "Vern Chandler and them down there ... made some cotton."

"Down in the Midkiff area, they made a fairly good crop, but it's

not near what they normally make," Sorley noted. That, too, was the case in the neighboring Saint Lawrence area.

"Right in and around Stanton and up around Lenora (in Martin County), they have made some really, really good crops," Sorley said. "There's dryland that's making a bale to a bale and a half an acre." Martin County's 1997 production is to be far more than 100,000 bales.

But with cotton prices in the mid-to-high 50-cent range, farmers "probably are not going to pay out, possibly. That's the kicker right now," Sorley said. "The price of cotton is down low. You can make a good crop and still be hurting. And if you don't make a good crop,

you know where you are then."

But at profitable prices well into the 60-cent range and higher, farmers "can make ... money," more or less.

And of the drought, Sorley observed that "the land is not overly wet, no. It's not as dry as it was a year ago at this time. But I wouldn't say that we were out of a possible drought. A lot of times, we got a lot of our moisture for the next year in September and October. And we didn't get that much this year."

"We're better off now than we were a year ago," Sorley said. "But I don't know that it is anything that will get us out of a drought situation. When it comes to a drought, who knows?"

Balding men win once-a-day pill to regrow hair

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of balding men are about to realize their dream of a pill to regrow hair: Once-a-day tablets will hit pharmacy shelves next month, but it may take lots of patience — and money — before men see results.

The Food and Drug Administration announced Monday that it approved Propecia, the first pill for male pattern baldness, a potential way for men both to grow new hair and to stop existing strands from falling out.

"It's really an impressive drug," said Dr. Ken Washenik of New York University, who tested the pill on his patients and wound up taking experimental doses for his own baldness. "People grew the kind of hair that relatives would notice. If you were home for the holidays, they'd say, 'What did you do to your hair?'"

The FDA warned that women should never use Propecia because it can cause birth defects. Even for postmenopausal women, studies of safety and effectiveness are not complete.

For men, Propecia is not a miracle pill. About half who use it show varying amounts of hair, and men may have to use it for six months to a year before they learn whether they're among the half that benefits, Washenik said.

Manufacturer Merck & Co. estimated each month's supply will cost \$45 to \$49.

But Washenik pointed to studies that show even if men don't regrow lots of hair, they may like Propecia: Only 17 percent of balding men who took Propecia for two years were still losing their hair vs. 72 percent of men who took a placebo.

Propecia, which the FDA approved Friday night, works by suppressing a hormone that shrinks hair follicles, thus causing hair loss.

It's a lower dose of a widely used drug called Proscar, known chemically as finasteride, that millions of men have taken to ease enlarged prostates. But because young men are expected to pop the new pill for many years, FDA scientists looked closely at side

effects.

The main problems were decreased libido and impotence, in just 2 percent of men. The problems disappeared when they quit the drug. Although Propecia can cause a certain birth defect in pregnant women — and doctors say they should not even touch the pills — Merck said it does not affect sperm.

To be safe, the FDA told Merck to continue studying Propecia patients who so far have tested the drug for two years, to see if problems emerge with longer use.

The nation's 40 million balding men until now had only one option: slathering nonprescription Rogaine on their scalps. Thousands of them — and balding women, too — spend \$15 to \$30 a month hoping for help.

Prescription-only Propecia and Rogaine work differently, so doctors expect desperate men may try both medicines together. But there are no studies yet on the combination's effectiveness.

No one grew back all they lost. But when Merck actually counted

hairs, Propecia patients who are balding on top averaged a net of 106 more new hairs within a one-inch circle of scalp than placebo patients. For receding hairlines, the improvement was a more modest 60 hairs.

The effects seemed to grow: After two years of use, 66 percent of Propecia patients had regrown hair.

Taking more than one Propecia pill a day will not grow more hair, Merck cautioned. And if men stop taking Propecia, they lose all the hair they regrew within a year.

Merck also warned that men prescribed a blood test for prostate cancer called PSA should remind their doctors they're taking Propecia because the baldness pill may disguise the test results.

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House probe faces another hurdle, 70 uncooperative witnesses

WASHINGTON (AP) — Preparing for hearings on foreign money's influence on U.S. political campaigns, a House committee acknowledged Monday it will have a difficult task because at least 70 potential witnesses have refused to cooperate.

A tally by the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight said 46 possible witnesses have asserted their Fifth Amendment rights against self-incrimination, a dozen have left the country and 12 foreigners have refused interviews.

"Hiding out in China or behind the Fifth Amendment has become an attractive option for many individuals who were previously close friends or appointees of the president's," said committee Chairman Dan Burton, R-Ind.

Democrats have accused Burton of pursuing a partisan investigation and of duplicating the work of a Senate probe led by Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn.

Burton needs Democratic votes to obtain a two-thirds committee majority to force witness testimony by granting limited immunity from prosecution. The committee has 24 Republicans, 19 Democrats and an independent who normally votes with the Democrats.

In addition, the Justice Department is wary of granting immunity because it is conducting its own investigation of campaign fundraising abuses.

Committee investigators are especially interested in immunity for Nora and Gene Lum, operators

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of an Oklahoma natural gas pipeline company. They were each sentenced to 10 months in prison and fined \$30,000 in September for using fake donors to conceal their \$50,000 in illegal contributions.

Burton has revealed the Lums were prepared to testify — in exchange for immunity — that the Clinton campaign wrote a letter endorsing the candidacy of the

leader of an Asian country in 1992 in exchange for a \$50,000 contribution — possibly foreign money — to a Democrat-affiliated group the Lums had formed. The country was not named.

The Lums will also disclose financial help offered by the Riady family of Indonesia, Burton said.

Committee investigators, speaking only on condition of anonymity,

said that without an immunity grant, they've been unable to take advantage of the Lums' offer.

The panel is especially interested, the investigators said, in an organization they established in 1992 — the Asian Pacific Advisory Council.

The investigators found that much of the money raised for the organization, mostly from small donors, went to a company owned by the Lums.

According to the investigators, the council's documents refer to the organization as being affiliated with the Democratic National Committee. No record could be found that donations to the group were publicly reported, as required for contributions to political parties and their affiliate organizations.

Others who refused cooperation,

according to the committee: ■ Former Democratic Party fund-raiser Yuh Lin "Charlie" Trie — who fled to China — and ex-Commerce Department official John Huang, also a party financial official.

■ Mark Middleton, a former White House aide, who became an international business consultant in 1995. His connections to Chinese businessmen and the Indonesian Lippo conglomerate are under investigation by the committee.

■ Maria Hsia, a Democratic fund-raiser who worked with Huang and who, according to Senate testimony, may have lauded contributions through nuns at a Buddhist temple in California. Vice President Al Gore attended a fund-raising event at the temple.

ny Chung, a Democratic fund-raiser who frequently visited the White House and had links to Chinese businessmen.

■ Thai business consultant Pauline Kanchanalak and Indonesian entrepreneur Ted Sioeng, both linked to possible foreign contributions.

Officials of the Arapaho/Cheyenne Indian tribe of Oklahoma, which contributed \$107,000 to Democrats in hopes of recovering disputed land.

■ Michael Brown, the son of the late Commerce Secretary Ron Brown, who pleaded guilty in August to a misdemeanor election-law violation. He admitted giving \$4,000 to friends to donate to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's 1994 re-election campaign in Massachusetts.

Endangered bird loses to flood control

MIAMI (AP) — Efforts to control flooding blamed on El Nino have come down to a decision between an endangered bird and isolated private property — and the bird is losing.

The Army Corps of Engineers and the South Florida Water Management District say they have two possible areas to divert water that has flooded areas around Lake Okeechobee.

One area has about 350 scattered homes in the western fringes of Dade County. The second is a part of Everglades National Park that is a critical habitat of the Cape Sable seaside sparrow.

However, the agencies said, federal rules forbid them from flooding private property. They planned a meeting Monday to decide when to open the flood gates.

"If we lose this (breeding population), the extinction of the sparrow is almost a certainty," said Craig Johnson, supervisor of the Fish and Wildlife Services' south Florida office.

The Cape Sable is a cousin of the Dusky seaside sparrow, a species that went extinct in 1987 when the last known example died in a cage at Disney World.

Much of Florida has been saturated this month by rainfall blamed on this year's major El Nino, the periodic Pacific warming phenomena that influences weather around the world. For the year, the area has gotten 69.4 inches of rain, 14 inches more than normal.

"Right now, it's wet everywhere and there are no best options for where that water can go. There are only least bad options," said Lewis Horning, executive director of the Southern Everglades Restoration Alliance, a group of government agencies that includes the water district and the Army Corps.

Scientists at the national park say this is the third wet winter in four years, so the district had plenty of warnings about the impact of high water on the sparrow.

"The sparrow is just not a priority for them," said Robert Johnson, the park's research director.

There are only three populations of the Cape Sable. A southern group is hanging on, but a second nesting area is too dry and being overgrown by brush and trees.

The excess water will be diverted to the third area, which already was wetter than the birds like.

If that population is prevented from reproducing, the Fish and Wildlife Service believes the species could be extinct within 20 years, Johnson said.

Since the early 1980s, the sparrow population has plunged from more than 8,000 birds to about 3,000. The subpopulation in the area being used for the flood diversion has declined by more than 90 percent in 15 years, to about 270.

Proposals to save the sparrow include buying 107,000 acres of privately owned marsh, or buying up the area with the 350 homes, but the target date for these plans is 2004.

"For now," Horning said, "the big question is, will we lose the sparrow before we can finish building the solution to save it?"



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Safety of utmost importance during holidays

Although the need for extra care when traveling at this time of the year is paramount, the Christmas season can also be dangerous in other ways. In fact, Christmas ranks as one of the most dangerous times of the year for household accidents that kill or injure.

Part of that is the direct result of all the gift giving at Christmas. New tools, new appliances, new toys and other items guarantee that all those enjoying Christmas will be trying out their new presents — and suffering cuts, scrapes, falls, bruises and worse.

The Christmas and New Year's holidays also give people time to engage in work around their homes and injuries typically result. A fall from a ladder, electrical shock or injury involving a power tool can be serious or even fatal in some circumstances.

Other accidents can occur, too, with children out of school for the Christmas holidays, including fires, shooting accidents or accidents on motorized vehicles such as motorcycles and three-wheelers.

The point is that the Christmas season offers abundant opportunities for accidents that can injure or kill people — thus, there is a need for extra caution at this holiday season.

Certainly Midlanders traveling throughout the state or nation this Christmas season should use extra care to ensure their safety. But automobile accidents constitute only one of the dangers Midlanders will face this Christmas season. Take extra care even if staying at home — and stay safe!

The point is that the Christmas season offers abundant opportunities for accidents that can injure or kill people — thus, there is a need for extra caution at this holiday season.

ANOTHER VIEW

Medicare 'bomb' also needed long fuse

If you're going to set off a bomb, common sense says to use as long a fuse as possible to be sure you're a long way away when it goes off. The 1983 Congress offers an example. It raised the Social Security retirement age, but attached a fuse that would burn for 20 years before anybody felt the impact.

Congress should have lit a similar fuse to Medicare. "Saving" Medicare means a sacrifice from providers, taxpayers, and/or recipients. We can pay doctors, pharmaceutical manufacturers and medical-device makers less. We can raise Medicare taxes paid by those now working. We can raise co-payments charged to the elderly, or at least the wealthy elderly; we can quit providing the most expensive services. Or we can delay the eligibility age, as we have for Social Security.

Of all the unhappy possibilities, the last step should be the first taken. It is clearly the most sensible. Social Security's intent is to provide a financial safety net for the retirement years; Medicare's intent is to provide a health safety net for the same years, and should by logic kick in at the same age.

— The Des Moines Register
Des Moines, Iowa

CAL THOMAS

Searching for wise men — and women — in D.C.

And it came to pass in those days in Washington that a decree went out from the Pentagon. Eleven supposedly wise men and women were chosen to study the question of whether putting young men and women together in close quarters during basic military training might lead to sexual activity. At a cost to taxpayers probably surpassing the value of gold, frankincense and myrrh, the panel not only concluded that sex happens among recruits, but that the sexes should be separated during the initial phases of military training. They also found (surprise!) that boot camp has gone soft.

These are hardly tidings of great joy. In fact, they are as predictable as the prophecy that combustible materials in a hot place are likely to ignite. But those who believed the military could be used as a social laboratory to achieve ends prescribed by politicians who never served have been rebuked.

The panel, headed by former Sen. Nancy Kassebaum Baker, remains committed to "gender integration," but not until after a few weeks of segregation. "By separating men and women in their own barracks, you would have fewer disciplinary



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problems and a better sense of unit cohesion and team building," the panel concluded. They don't go as far as the Marines, who train men and women in entirely separate companies (maybe that's why the Marines are the best), and post-basic training would remain integrated.

Military training softened when standards were lowered to accommodate female recruits. What the panel didn't address is how training will be toughened if women again fail to meet higher standards. The objective of the gender feminists has been total equality between male and female service personnel. So what will happen when the irresistible force of politics comes up against the immovable object of military strength? Something's gotta give.

The Clinton administration has been the primary impetus behind gender-integrated basic training. The results have been obvious for some time to those not blinded by politics. After touring U.S. military facilities last summer, Rep. Stephen Buyer (R-Ind.), chairman of the subcommittee on military personnel, told the Navy Times: "Wherever we were, whether it was on the USS John Kennedy with the Navy or at Army training centers, there was a general complaint about the product coming out of basic training. We were left with the impression they are soft, and basic training is not enough. They've weakened the standards, and we're concerned about it."

How weak are they? At the Great Lakes Naval

Training Center recruits are shown a video telling them that "physically, anybody can make it through boot camp," a statement that devalues the prestige associated with conquering boot camp and the toughness recruits need to develop. According to Time magazine, recruits at Great Lakes no longer drill with rifles, because the Navy (which used rifles in training until 1996) now regards them as anachronistic. And, my personal favorite, recruits are issued a "blue card" that they are encouraged to hand to their trainer whenever they feel discouraged or stressed.

The Army could call its training "sneaker camp," because recruits no longer run with combat boots. The Army has substituted jogging apparel. Drill instructors have been warned not to verbally berate their recruits. And basic combat skills are receiving less emphasis. According to a 1997 report by the Army Inspector General, "There is no clearly articulated or enforced standard for soldierization skills to graduate from Initial Entry Training."

Are we willing to pay the price of a weakened military so that politicians and the gender feminists can have their way in the emasculating of our armed services? Tragically, they will have failed to equip a fighting force to prevail in the next war when they are needed to defend their country and themselves.

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CHARLEY REESE

The evil of political doublespeak is that it poisons trust

I don't have all the answers, but I am lot more open and eager to embrace change in this dynamic environment and to redouble my efforts to make progress.

That sentence is a collection of doublespeak gleaned from a casual, five-minute reading of the news wires.

The essence of doublespeak, of course, is that it is meaningless noise. It is rather pointless for some politician to say he doesn't have all the answers. One may assume that. But the phrase implies that there are answers, and that is not always the case. And it avoids the point that answers depend on the questions and how they are framed.

I suppose when someone says he is more open one may infer that he is less closed than he used to be, but open to what? Nonsense? Fantasy? Delusions?

And what is a dynamic environment? A blender? And whether one wishes to embrace change ought, if one is rational, depend on the change. To go from health to disease is a change, but why would anyone wish to embrace that? To go from being free to being a slave is a change but not a very embraceable one, though.

As others have pointed out, communication is about morality. Honesty is the author of clear communication, and dishonesty is the mother of doublespeak. I know a politician who was a master of doublespeak in his heyday.

If you asked him, for example, how he was going to vote on a welfare reform bill, he would start out by outlining the problems of the present system, slide into a history of welfare, move on to an oration about his compassion for the downtrodden, then talk about the difficulties of crafting reform and end up by saying that surely something must be done to make everyone's life better.

This could take as long as 30 minutes (he had a great pair of lungs), and often the questioners would either have fallen asleep or would be so fearful of having to endure another speech that they would refrain from asking a follow-up question.

But if you were stubborn, like I am, and said, "Yes, but how are you going to vote?" he would say that he was still considering it or that he hadn't read the bill in its final version. I've never known a more skilled evader. He was big-league caliber.

I could endure such people in my green years, but after about four decades of listening to doublespeak, lies, evasions and empty rhetoric from politicians, I can no longer abide them. Maybe that's the meaning of grumpy old men. You get grumpy after you have waded through the same barnyard goo one time too many times.

The empty suits have ruined the country. They have made a mockery of self-government because it's impossible for people to make an intelligent choice when all the candidates are lying to them. That's the evil of doublespeak. It poisons trust. It renders elections meaningless.

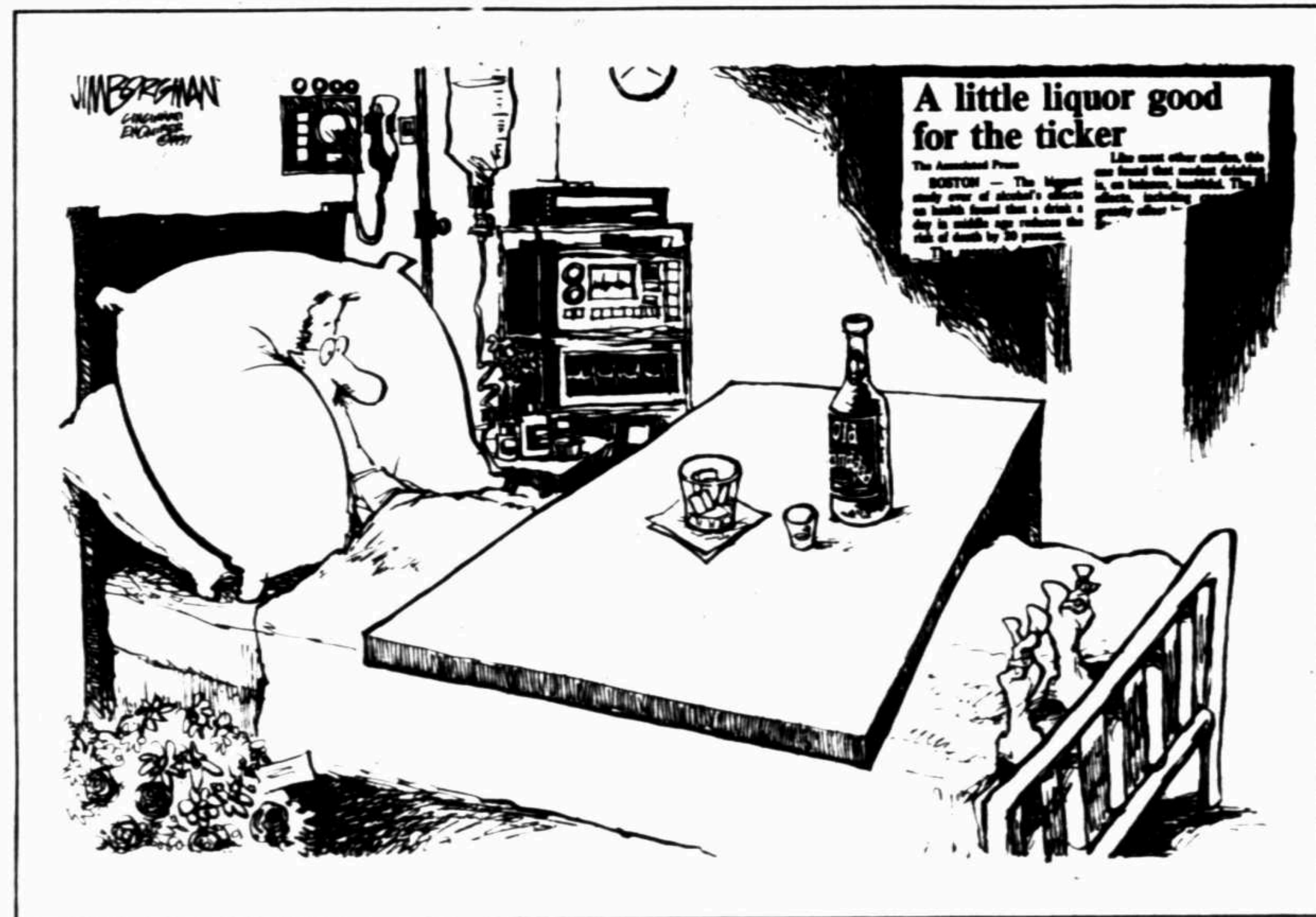
Whether one agreed with him or not, you always knew exactly what Harry Truman believed, what he thought about an issue and what he intended to do about it. That's why the famous "Give 'em hell, Harry" anecdote is so revealing. During one of his speeches, someone in the crowd shouted out that famous phrase, and Truman paused and said, "I don't have to. I just tell the truth and the Republicans think it's hell."

A truth-telling politician would certainly be a novelty in the 1990s, and there is at least one, Rep. Jim Traficant Jr., of Youngstown, Ohio. I love that guy. Occasionally, you can see him on C-SPAN. It is like a drink of cool water on a hot August day to see a man tell the unvarnished truth about some issue.

Naturally, Traficant is not popular in Washington. He wisecracked one day that he was the only politician in Congress who lost money at his Washington fund-raisers. Fortunately, the people in Youngstown know what a great guy he is and keep re-electing him. Maybe there is hope yet.

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RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

Blue Heron Press sustains Cajun culture

THIBODAUX, La. — In a suburban house on a drive called Thoroughbred, a mother of three who once was class valedictorian does what she can to keep alive Cajun culture.

I know it's the right neighborhood when I see a statue of a quarter horse. The stock-still stallion marks Thoroughbred Drive, site of a horse farm belonging to a local college. And it's also the address of Blue Heron Press, a decade old now, small and regional, sometimes struggling, but important.

Blue Heron founder Carolyn Porter Gorman grew up in Chauvin, La., one of nine children. Her father was the first of his family to go to college — Loyola University on the G.I. bill.

"My parents spent 31 years putting children through college," Carolyn says proudly. The nine siblings cooked up a stew of degrees, including three Ph.D.s.

Carolyn, 43, studied journalism and English literature at Loyola before marrying Robert Gorman. At the time he was studying to be a priest. His interests took them to the Appalachian Mountains, where Carolyn started a monthly farm newspaper that covered seven counties in North Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee.

"I was 25," she grins, "and I had a truck. I hit the road. I learned about feeder pigs and sorghum. I learned that country backwards and forwards."

She also missed Louisiana desperately. "I kept looking for the horizon."

They came home when her husband got a job with the Catholic Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. Today he is a social worker with a passion for environmental causes. And Carolyn has found her niche as contract editor and publisher of small books with big ideas. From her home office, sometimes with 1-year-old son Robert on her lap, Carolyn reads,



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and personally bankrolls books about history, the environment and Louisiana legends.

One of Carolyn's three supportive sisters mailed me "Petite Rouge: A Cajun Twist to an Old Tale." The author, Sheila Hebert Collins, presents Little Red Riding Hood as you've never imagined her. There is no Big Bad Wolf. Instead there's the Gator Taille-Taille (a monster).

"Once upon a time there was a family named Mouton. They lived on Bayou Tigre near the town of Delcambre in South Louisiana. Clotilde was the only daughter of Clodis and Odelia. Papa Clodis was a shrimp-trawler who worked hard in the bayous near Delcambre while Mama Odelia stayed home mending trawls, cooking and sewing...." The beautiful book ends with a recipe for Alligator Sauce Piquante.

That book and Collins' "Jolie Blonde" did so well that Carolyn ordered several printings. But then she got pregnant and worried about borrowing more money right away for additional press runs. So she generously released rights to her most popular titles to the author, who recently sold "Petite Rouge" to big-time publisher Pelican.

But the Blue Heron list is still healthy — and so, by the way, is Robert. There's "Tah-Tye, the Last Possum in the Pouch" and "T-Nonc, The Cajun Environmentalist." There's also "A Sweet Surprise" that tells how cane becomes sugar, and "Bonfire Christmas," explaining the Cajun tradition of burning bonfires on the Mississippi River levee at Christmas.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 23, the 357th day of 1997. There are eight days left in the year. The Jewish Festival of Lights, Hanukkah, begins at sunset.

Today's Highlight in History:
 On Dec. 23, 1823, the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement C. Moore ("Twas the night before Christmas...") was published in the Troy (N.Y.) Sentinel.

On this date:
 In 1783, George Washington resigned as commander-in-chief of the Army and retired to his home at Mount Vernon.

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 In 1788, Maryland voted to cede a 100-square-mile area for the seat of the national government; about two-thirds of the area became the District of Columbia.

In 1893, the Engelbert Humperdinck opera "Hansel und Gretel" was first performed, in Weimar, Germany.

In 1941, during World War II, American forces on Wake Island surrendered to the Japanese.

In 1947, scientists at Bell Laboratories in New Jersey achieved a major break-

through with an invention called a point-contact transistor, which paved the way to a new era of miniaturized electronics.

In 1968, 82 crew members of the U.S. intelligence ship Pueblo were released by North Korea, 11 months after they had been captured.

In 1980, a state funeral was held in Moscow for former Premier Alexei N. Kosygin, who had died Dec. 18 at age 76.

In 1986, the experimental airplane Voyager, piloted by Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager, completed the first non-

stop, round-the-world flight without refueling as it landed safely at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1995, a fire in Dabwali, India, killed 540 people, including 170 children, during a year-end party being held near the children's school.

Ten years ago: Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme, serving a life sentence for the attempted assassination of President Ford in 1975, escaped from the Alderson Federal Prison for Women in West Virginia. (She was recaptured two days later.)

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Parkinson's treatment cuts tremors for teen

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A device designed to tame the tremors of Parkinson's patients has been implanted for the first time in the brain of a cerebral palsy patient, giving a teen-ager the ability to feed himself and write.

An electrode that stimulates the brain to block tremors was implanted last week in 17-year-old Jerrod Ongley at Children's Hospital.

Before the implant, "he would end up with mashed potatoes in his eyebrows," said his mother, Jacelyn Ongley. "When you're 17, it's very socially unacceptable."

Surgeons played a videotape showing Jerrod struggling unsuccessfully to keep from spilling water out of a cup placed in his hand. After the implant was activated, the Pittsburgh boy was able to grasp the cup and drink.

"It's going to change his life," said Mrs. Ongley. "We're excited about what it can do for other kids, too."

The Activa implant made by Medtronic Corp. was approved for use in Parkinson's patients in August by the Food and Drug Administration. Doctors said that also allows them to use the device on patients with similar neurologi-

cal problems.

There was no immediate indication how many Parkinson's patients have gotten Activa implants; Medtronic representatives did not return messages Monday.

Doctors declined to predict whether the procedure will become an accepted treatment for cerebral palsy patients. They estimate 100 people must be treated before doctors will know whether it's dependable.

Dr. Murray Goldstein, medical director of the United Cerebral Palsy Research and Education Foundation in Washington, said he knows of no other cerebral palsy patients anywhere who have been treated with the implant.

"I look forward to hearing more about it," Goldstein said. "It's an approach that certainly demands looking into."

However, he cautioned that the procedure is so new that the long-term effects are unclear.

"Going into the human brain with electrodes is not in itself an innocuous procedure," Goldstein said. "When you start doing it to children and young adults, it's an effect that is going to last a lifetime."

Dr. Leland Albright, chief of pediatric neurosurgery at Children's, said the hospital plans to use the implant to treat up to 10 cerebral palsy patients next year.

Parkinson's, a degenerative disease that generally affects older adults, is caused by irregularities in chemicals, especially dopamine, that regulate the thalamus, a walnut-size region in the center of the brain. Researchers do not know why some people contract the disease.

Cerebral palsy is the term for a variety of brain damage caused before or at birth by an insufficient supply of blood and oxygen to the brain.

Only about 15 percent of the 500,000 Americans with cerebral palsy suffer from tremors caused by damage to the thalamus, doctors said.

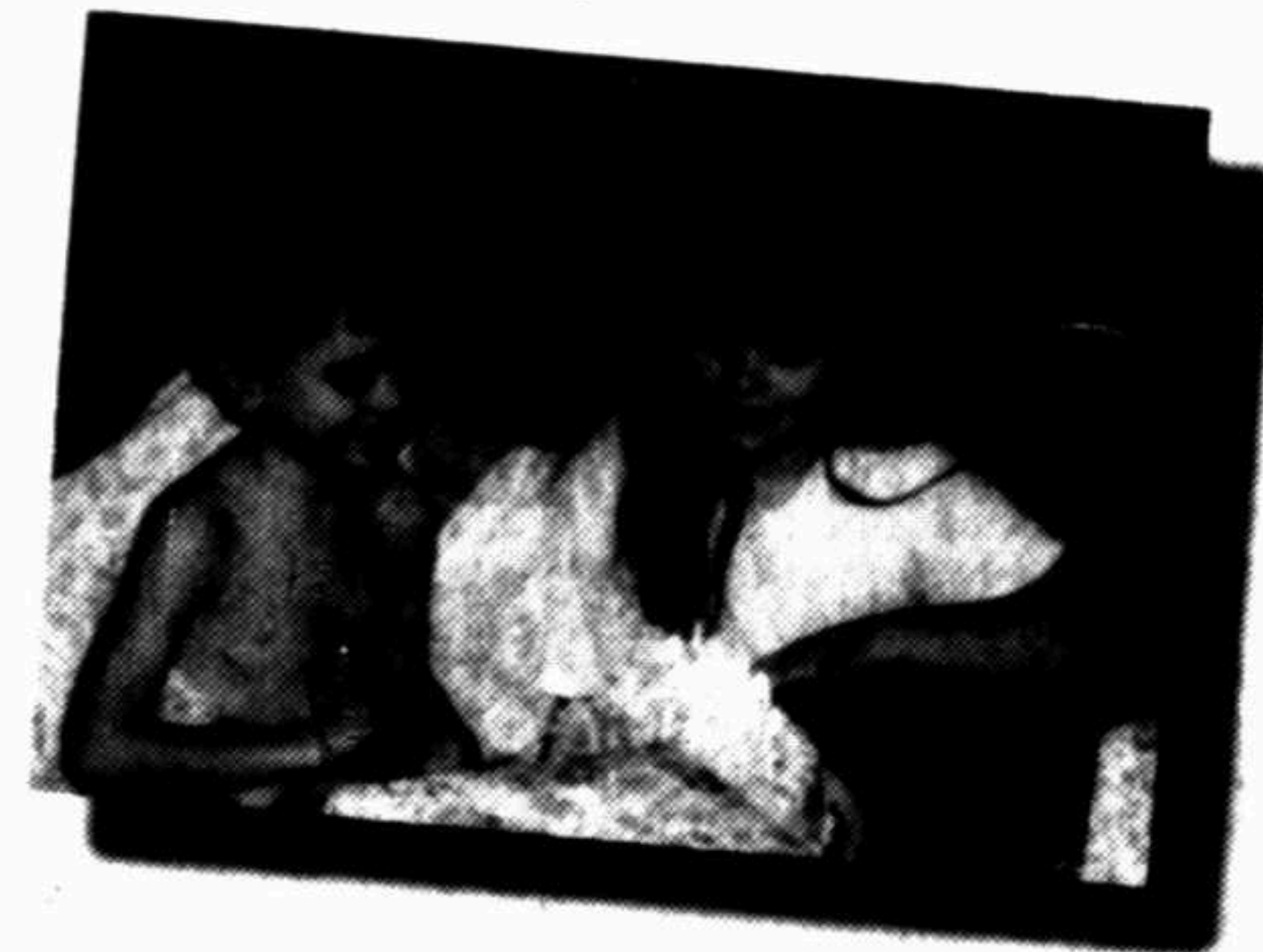
In the procedure, which costs about \$25,000, doctors implant an electrode into the thalamus. A wire runs under the scalp from the top of the head to the collarbone, where a battery-powered "pulse generator" the size of a cigarette lighter is implanted. The generator sends 180 electrical shocks to the thalamus each second.



AP Photo
Dr. Douglas Kondziolka, right, points to the type of device during a news conference in Pittsburgh on Monday, he and Dr. A. Leland Albright, left, surgically implanted into a juvenile cerebral palsy patient. The surgery that implants an electrode into the brain that is connected to a signalling device was used in an effort to subdue uncontrollable tremors in the patient's arm.



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Construction companies agree to guilty pleas in bid-rigging case

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three international marine construction companies agreed Monday to plead guilty to criminal bid-rigging charges and pay a total of \$65 million in fines — the second largest criminal antitrust settlement in U.S. history, the Justice Department said.

Court papers filed in the cases charged that the Dutch, Belgian and Texas marine companies conspired with competitors on prices to be bid for contracts to build heavy-lift derrick barges and equipment to haul oil-drilling rigs.

Three current or former executives of the companies also agreed to plead guilty and pay fines and cooperate with the continuing investigation of bid-rigging in the industry that had more than \$200 million in revenues worldwide last year, the Justice Department said.

They were scheduled to enter the guilty pleas in federal court in Chicago later in the day, the Justice Department said.

"Customers for these vital marine services should not be denied the benefits of competitive bidding," Attorney General Janet Reno said in a statement.

All three companies "have already provided and will continue to provide valuable cooperation that will help advance these two international investigations against their co-conspirators," said deputy

assistant attorney general Gary R. Spratling.

HeereMac, a Dutch company, and its commercial director, Jan Meek, were accused of participating in an international conspiracy to rig bids on the construction of

floating cranes, which are used to build offshore oil and gas drilling platforms.

The company agreed to pay a \$49 million fine, the Justice Department said. Meek agreed to pay a \$100,000 fine for his guilty plea.

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Unabomber jury selection ends on secretive note

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Twelve people with mixed feelings about the death penalty were picked Monday to decide if professor-turned-hermit Theodore Kaczynski is the Unabomber.

"Do we have our jury at this moment?" asked U.S. District Judge Garland Burrell Jr., after lawyers conducted a silent and secretive final selection process.

The two sides took 1 1/2-hours taking turns excusing prospective jurors, capping five weeks of jury selection in which some 170 people were questioned exhaustively about their attitudes toward the defendant, the death penalty and mental illness.

Jurors' identities were kept secret and they were referred to only by numbers. Burrell has ruled that they will serve anonymously, an order that has been challenged by the news media.

The 12 jurors — nine women and three men — and six alternates included several people who cited religion as a factor in their decision-making and a few who have friends and relatives in law enforcement.

"Only God can decide that," one woman said when questioned about the death penalty. "That's how I was raised."

Another said life imprisonment is a worse punishment, that she doesn't believe capital punishment "stops other murders."

A third juror said she believes serial killers should be executed "just so they don't do it again." And a male juror said, "I believe the death penalty can be justified."

Monday's climatic jury selection session was marked by se-

crecy. Using what is known as "the Arizona system" for the peremptory challenges, defense lawyers and prosecutors did not speak and were not even in the same room. The challenges, which allow lawyers to excuse a juror without saying why, were made on papers carried between the two sides by the judge's clerk.

Four defense lawyers and their jury consultant conferred in a nearby jury room while three prosecutors and two FBI agents made their choices at a table at the far end of the courtroom.

Those chosen were not present in court and were to be notified by phone to report for opening statements on Jan. 5, one week later than originally scheduled.

The postponement came after prosecutors noted that Burrell had yet to rule on crucial issues, including whether Kaczynski will be allowed to present a mental defect defense.

The judge said he would hold a number of hearings before opening statements. Still to be resolved is whether prosecutors can mention that Kaczynski is suspected in all 16 Unabomber attacks, which left three people dead and 29 others injured.

The 55-year-old defendant is charged with killing two men and maiming two others during an 18-year bombing siege. He was brought to the courthouse in the early morning for a closed-door hearing with his lawyers and the judge on an issue Burrell said involved "attorney-client matters."

It was the third such closed hearing since last Thursday and Kaczynski's public defender,

Quin Denvir, asked that transcripts of the sessions remain confidential.

Prosecutors and The Sacra-

mento Bee have requested access to the transcripts, and the judge has asked for legal briefs on the issue.

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Immense balloon proposed to lift instruments to space

WASHINGTON (AP) — A balloon taller than a 30-story building and wider than a football field will be built by NASA to carry astronomy instruments to near the edge of space.

The balloon will carry more weight higher and fly longer than any other scientific balloon ever, said Jack Tueller, a Goddard Space Flight Center astrophysicist and chief project scientist for the Ultra Long Duration Balloon Project.

The balloon would lift about 3,000 pounds more than 22 miles high and would stay aloft for 100 days, long enough to circle the globe about five times if the winds are right.

And the balloon will conduct astronomy experiments for about a million dollars, much less than the cheapest of NASA's rocket launches, the Pegasus, which costs \$15 million to \$18 million, Tueller said.

He said the scientific capabilities of the superballoon and the Pegasus are "roughly comparable."

"The Pegasus can launch a payload that will stay up for a couple of years, but it is only 500 pounds," he said. "The balloon would carry about 3,000 pounds, but it will stay up only about 100 days."

Another advantage for the balloon, said Tueller, is that instruments can be recovered and flown again, time after time. Instruments on rocket-launched satellites are rarely recovered.

"If you fly a payload (on a balloon) and it doesn't work, then you just recover the payload, fix it and fly it again," he said. This is impractical on a satellite.

The planned balloon would be made of a combination of a high tech fabric and an aluminized polymer material, such as Mylar.

"They have flown flights with small Mylar balloons that lasted for more than 100 days, so we know the material is good for that," he said.

Tueller said the balloon would be partially inflated with helium on the ground, pumping in just enough of the light gas to ascend. As the balloon rises, the air pressure declines and the helium would expand until the balloon becomes a spherical shape some 328 feet in diameter. Altitude would be controlled by a combination of gas venting and heating from the sun.

A test flight planned for next summer will determine how much pressure the balloon can withstand. A test balloon, carrying a dummy payload, will be sent aloft and then inflated to the point of failure, said Tueller, "so we will know at what pressure it popped." This flight will be from Fort Sumner, N.M.

Six payloads, proposed by various universities, are being considered, including instruments that would study gamma rays, cosmic rays or cosmic microwaves are being considered. Tueller said the instruments would gather data that is not now being collected by NASA's fleet of scientific satellites.

Data collected by the balloon instruments would be radioed to a NASA satellite and then relayed to the ground. The researchers also are considering the use of cellular phone technology, using commercial communications satellites to allow, in effect, the balloon to call home from any place during its flight.

Tueller said the superballoon would be launched from Australia or New Zealand. This would keep the balloon in the southern hemisphere where it would spend most of its time over ocean waters.

"If you go north of the equator,

you might fly over places like Libya, Iraq and Iran and that would not be good," said Tueller. Those countries have a history of denying scientific overflights.

The balloon mission is expected to be ready by 2000, with launch during January or June, when the high altitude winds are at their peak over Australia and New Zealand.

Tueller said there is little control over where the balloon goes, although it is expected to stay at about the same latitude of its launch.

When it is time to end the mission, NASA scientists would send a signal that would release the instrument package for a parachute drop to the Earth. The same signal would collapse the balloon and it would fall separately.

Tueller said the plan calls for the balloon to be brought down either over Australia or South America. He said there are international agreements in place that would permit both the launch and landing of the balloon.

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BASIN BRIEFING

Tank battery fire

Two tank batteries were destroyed in a Sunday evening fire caused when a natural gas pipeline broke.

The Midland County Sheriff's Department received a call about the fire at approximately 10:50 p.m. at the intersection of County Road 120 and County Road 1080 in Greenwood.

Midland County Fire Marshal Dale Little said a six-inch pipeline belonging to GPM Gas broke and when it broke a small explosion set the vent lines to the two tanks on fire. The tank batteries belonged to Pioneer Natural Resources.

Between 20 and 30 feet of pipeline were replaced by Monday morning. Little said that the Midland and Greenwood Fire Departments spent about two hours at the site but much of that time was spent waiting for the gas to the pipeline to be shut off. Once the gas was shut off and drained, he said, most of the fire went out and firefighters took only a few minutes to extinguish the rest of the blaze.

Fire donations

A special account has been established at Norwest Bank Texas, N.A. (Midland office) for the Roger Henderson family, who lost their home to a fire — for the second time this year — on Wednesday, Dec. 17. The account number is 4230834446 and is in the name of Roger Henderson Fund. Deposits can be mailed to Norwest Bank Texas, N.A., attention: Donna Shaw, P.O. Box 2097, Midland, Texas, 79701, or deposited at any Midland branch.

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For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 560-2400, Category 7100.

Sick Lunch/Parent Education Mtg. for answers and information, Alamo Library, 12-1 p.m.

Midland Chess Club, 7 p.m.

Memorial Rehabilitation Hospital.

Battered Anonymous Support Group, 6:30-8 p.m., 689-8428.

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Tx TOPS Morning Chapter, 8:30 a.m., Grace Presbyterian Church.

Morning Lions Club, 8:45 a.m., Carrows Restaurant, 2201 W. Wall St.

Pop-Up Toasters, 8:30 a.m., Kay Sutton Realtors, 702 Andrews Highway, 694-4271 or 694-3716.

Midland West Rotary Club, noon, Furr's Cafeteria.

Midland Chapter No. 253, OES, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary, 8 p.m., at the Aerie Home, behind Rogers Ford, 697-3131.

Licensed Vocational Nurses Assoc., 7:30 a.m., Trinity Towers.

Ranchland Hills Ladies Association, 7 p.m., Couples Bridge, RHCC.

Toastmistress Club 7:30 p.m., Memorial Christian Church.

55-Plus Dance Club, 7:30 p.m., Downtown Lions building, 694-3422.

Golden Park Independent Retirement Community, 3100 W. Kansas Ave., 699-0914; Senior Citizens Branch, 10:30 a.m.

Midland County Young Democrats, 5:30-6:30 p.m., 3802 Avondale Dr., 684-5548 or 694-4152.

Knight of Columbus, Our Lady of Guadalupe, #9215, 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall, Cherry Lane & Tyler St.

Midland County Child Welfare Board meeting, 4:30 p.m., Department of Human Services, 2301 N. Big Spring St., 693-5411.

AOOA non-smoking, 8 p.m., Holy Trinity Episcopal Parish Hall.

Alpha Omega Group, 8 a.m., 4400 N. Big Spring St., Suite C-41.

Bellydancing classes 7-8 p.m., Hawaiian/Tahitian classes 8-9 p.m., 520-4852 or 694-2250.

Study Club, 7:30 p.m., Unity Church of West Texas, 210 E. 12th St., Odessa, 332-5890.

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Housing program seeks applicants

■ Over \$600,000 in rehabilitation funding available to qualified single-family applicants.

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

A number of projects are coming to fruition for those Midland families finding it difficult to afford their own homes or repair the homes they have.

Midland Neighborhood Housing Services is finishing several home-rehabilitation projects, which were funded through Community Development Block Grant funds in the 1996-97 fiscal year. "They are finishing up their funding cycle," explained Rick Menchaca, assistant city manager.

NHS projects include six homes at 1502 S. Colorado St., 1004 S. Weatherford St., 1501 S. Fort Worth, 306 E. Nobles, 1213 E. Pennsylvania and 1102 E. Parker Ave.

Three of those homes were rehabilitation projects, where extensive repairs and remodeling were done to

bring the homes up to city code standards.

Two of the homes were total reconstructions, where the old homes were demolished and new homes built on the same site, explained Tina Sanders-Jauz, public information officer for the city of Midland.

One of the homes was an affordable housing project where a new home was constructed on an empty lot, according to Ms. Sanders-Jauz.

As of Oct. 1, the city of Midland assumed the administration of CDBG funds, which are directed toward those kinds of housing activities.

During the summer, city officials decided that the funds could be more cost-effectively disbursed through the city, where administration personnel are already in place.

NHS is continuing to work toward similar goals, acquiring funding from sources other than the CDBG grants.

City officials are actively seeking applicants for the single-family rehabilitation program for this fiscal year. An estimated 24 families will be helped with the

expenditure of some \$600,000 in CDBG funds.

Applicants for the Single Family Rehabilitation Program must be an owner/occupant for at least two years and meet HUD (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development) household annual income guidelines, have homeowners insurance and property taxes paid. They must have clean property and in a CDBG eligible area and have good credit. HUD also provides some funding to the local programs.

HUD guidelines mandate that applicants make no more than 80 percent of the city's median income. For a family of four, that means the combined income of the entire household must not be more than \$30,000, Menchaca said.

Generally, eligible repairs include heating, plumbing, electrical systems, painting, roof repairs, windows, doors, flooring, and bathroom and kitchen repairs.

Funding for the repairs will be provided through a combination of a loan, which requires monthly payments of 3 percent, and a deferred payment loan, which

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Deck the malls



Top: Paige Pipkin tries to attract her son Phillip's attention during a photo session with Santa at the Sear's court in Midland Park Mall. Middle: Buck Welch of Odessa looks at jewelry in the window of James Avery Jewelers while shopping for "Last minute stuff for my wife" Monday at Midland Park Mall. Above: Signs and candy cane stickers showed customers where to line up at the cash register at Kay Bee Toys in Midland Park Mall. "It (business) has been on the slow side, it was much busier last year," said sales associate Joe Rodriguez.

Ameliorated TAAS scores nets reward

■ Marked improvement on overall TAAS scores result in cash awards for six Midland schools.

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

Six Midland Independent School District campuses will receive a combined \$5,000 in cash rewards from the state because students made marked improvement on their 1996-97 state TAAS test scores.

MISD Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr. said the state has begun rewarding school districts for improved or outstanding performance on the standardized tests.

The new incentive program is called the Texas Successful Schools Awards System (TSSAS).

"It's sort of a carrot system, so there's some incentive to be better than just 'acceptable,'" he said. "Our campuses are rated acceptable and are rated in the top 25 percent in their unique improvement group. It's related to TAAS improve-

ment, in reading and math."

The campuses are Lee Freshman High School, Crockett Elementary, Milam Elementary, South Elementary, Travis Elementary and Scharbauer Elementary.

Dr. Baressi said the schools can use the money for any educational purpose in their budgets, whether it be to buy materials or provide more teacher training.

"It's basically designed to improve the instructional program," Baressi said.

For 'most improved' rankings, the Texas Education Agency takes each

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More utility mergers are expected

By Eric R. Quinones
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The nation's third-largest utility is paying \$6.45 billion to create a giant power company serving 11 states, announcing the merger Monday as two other big utility deals were falling apart.

The failures, however, will not slow the wave of electric and gas company mergers as more states move to loosen regulations and let customers choose their own power providers.

"Ultimately, they're all going to come along. It will be a cascading effect — as one does it another will follow," said Daniel Scotto, an analyst with Bear Stearns.

In the deal announced Monday, American Electric Power Co. of Columbus, Ohio, will spread into four new states with its planned purchase of Dallas-based Central & South West Corp., whose four electric utilities serve 1.7 million customers in Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana.

"Our industry is undergoing massive change and restructuring. There's no indication that things will be easing up any time soon," said E.R. Brooks.

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Fund-raising goal achieved by symphony

From Staff Reports

Officials with the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorus announced on Monday it had reached its goal of raising \$25,000 by the Dec. 31 deadline set by the Abell-Hanger Foundation in order to receive a \$25,000 challenge grant.

The foundation had issued the challenge to help the MOSC raise additional funds needed for capital improvements of percussion and computer equipment. MOSC launched a "Dollars for Drums and Cash for Computers" campaign in order to raise the money by the deadline.

Donations were \$6,000 from the Odessa Symphony Guild, \$5,000 from the Midland Symphony Guild, \$5,000 from the Beal Foundation, \$2,000 from symphony and chorus members, with the balance coming from individuals in the communities.

"These donations will allow us to purchase new percussion equipment that we have needed for quite some time," said Tim Young, MOSC executive director. "The biggest purchase will be a new set of timpani. We also will be purchasing a vibraphone, a new xylophone and an

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GARY OTT

Excitement of glory days relived with drive to Stanton

I drove over to Stanton the other day. And it wasn't by accident, either. I wanted to see if I could soak up some of the festive atmosphere left over from Saturday night's state championship game.

OK, the game itself was played 300 miles to the east, but the tiny town of Stanton produced the kids that won the game. So as I drove up and down the streets, I tried to remember what the excitement was like when a high school team — be it football, basketball or baseball — gets on a hot winning streak.

I played on my high school's basketball team, and while we never won a state championship, we did win almost 30 games my senior year and at one point we were ranked in the Top 20 in the state. So for about six magical weeks back in

the winter of 1970, the players on our team were the toast of the school.

When we walked the halls between classes, our fellow students would rush up to us, pat us on the back and say things like, "Great game last night. Go 'Dogs!" Girls, who in the past wouldn't give us the time of day, were now among our biggest fans. Even the teachers would cut us some slack if our traveling plans interfered too much with our class work.

All of this adulation, of course, simply made us — the players — stand that much taller. And hold our heads even higher. There was no problem with self-esteem on this team.

We were heroes. And we knew it. Yes, there is something very heady about being 17 years old and having your classmates place you on a pedestal. And that is exactly what happens when you are a member of a successful high school team.

It is especially true in towns that have only one high school. There is no divided loyalty. Everyone in town is following your team, and your team only.

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That was another reason I wanted to drive up and down the streets of Stanton. I wanted to read the various signs that would no doubt be plastered about. I wanted to hear kids honking their horns as they drove around town. I wanted to sense the excitement that invariably envelopes a small town when its high school team is winning, and winning a lot.

I wasn't disappointed. There was a definite feeling of pride that seemed to overflow from the town itself, as if to say, "We're state champions and that is something that can never be taken away from us."

And for a few fleeting minutes I was a 17-year-old high school senior again. My team, the Battling Bulldogs, had won yet another game the night before. The gymnasium had been packed. I had put together a solid game, scoring 13 points and handing out 7 assists. After the

game, I had a date with one of the school's best-looking girls. The next morning, while getting my hair cut, all of the old men in the barber shop wanted to talk about the game. So I did. From atop my pedestal.

Ahh, the memories. Then, a few weeks later, something strange happened. The basketball season ended. Then, during the third week of May, the school year concluded.

Suddenly, no one was talking about our team. They weren't seeking my opinion of the quality of next week's opponent. They weren't asking about the team's long-term prospects.

They had moved on to other points of interest.

So, to the players of Stanton, I say the following: "Congratulations. And enjoy the heck out of it, because this too shall pass. But the good thing is, the memories will remain with you forever."

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

REWARD: 2,300 schools statewide received recognition

(From 1B)

school in the state and compares them to the 50 schools closest in demographics and dropout rates, if applicable. It ranks the school in the group by academic performance.

The superintendent said the rewards are fitting, given all the hard work put in by district teachers.

"I'm personally proud that this shows the tremendous effort that our teachers are making to improve our student achievement," he said. "This is not based on just a few students, this is based on the total

school populations taking the TAAS test."

The MISD campuses were among 2,300 schools across the state receiving awards either for 'recognized' or 'exemplary' status and 368 that received rewards for comparable improvement.

The district obtained an overall 'academically acceptable' ranking for its 1996-97 TAAS results from March 1997.

MISD schools and schools statewide will take the 1997-98 TAAS in March. All Midland public

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FUNDS: Loans also available to buy houses

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is a forgivable, no monthly payment loan, Ms. Sanders-Jauz said.

The city is also assisting in the Legends Affordable Housing Project, which has built several new homes for those families who otherwise might not be able to afford one of the three-bedroom, brick homes created in the project. Funds will still be available for that project for the next month or six weeks, Menchaca said.

The Legend homes cost about \$65,000, but funds are in place within the project to reduce the principle paid by the qualified buyer.

This can be as much as \$20,000 off the cost of the home for those buyers, Menchaca said.

Those interested in applying for the assistance programs should contact Flor Galindo, housing case manager for the city, at 685-7472.

GOAL: Money will be used to buy percussion equipment

(From 1B)

acrylic drum cage that will be placed around the drum set at Pops concerts to isolate and muffle the sound so it doesn't overpower the string section.

"Also the office's antiquated computers will be replaced, which will allow us to better serve our patrons, and by next season be accessible on the internet," Young added. "MOSC was not able to purchase this essential equipment with funds from its annual operations, so we are very excited and grateful for these additional contributions."

MERGERS: 14 states plan to deregulate

(From 1B)

chairman and chief executive of CSW.

Currently, 14 states have firm plans to deregulate their utility industries and others will soon follow, particularly in the Middle Atlantic and Northeast regions, Scotto said.

AEP, through its seven subsidiaries, provides energy to approximately 2.9 million customers in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia and Tennessee.

The companies, which also serve 4 million combined customers in England, now begin the lengthy process of convincing regulators they will not harm competition and increase rates — a stumbling block for some big utility marriages.

Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. and Potomac Electric Power Co. on Monday abandoned their \$3 billion combination, saying regulators in Maryland and Washington, D.C., wanted to impose conditions that would have offset any financial benefits from the merger.

In May, federal regulators rejected a proposed \$6 billion merger of the two largest electric utilities in Minnesota and Wisconsin, maintaining the new company would wield too much control over the electricity market.

The AEP announcement also came after Western Resources Inc. on Friday scrapped the terms of its \$2 billion purchase of Kansas City Power & Light, saying it would try to negotiate a better price. The value of Western's shares has jumped since the stock swap was announced in February.

These failed deals, however, represent only a small portion of the utility industry's merger boom over the past few years. Since 1994, \$91.9 billion worth of utility deals have been announced, according to Securities Data Co. of Newark, N.J.

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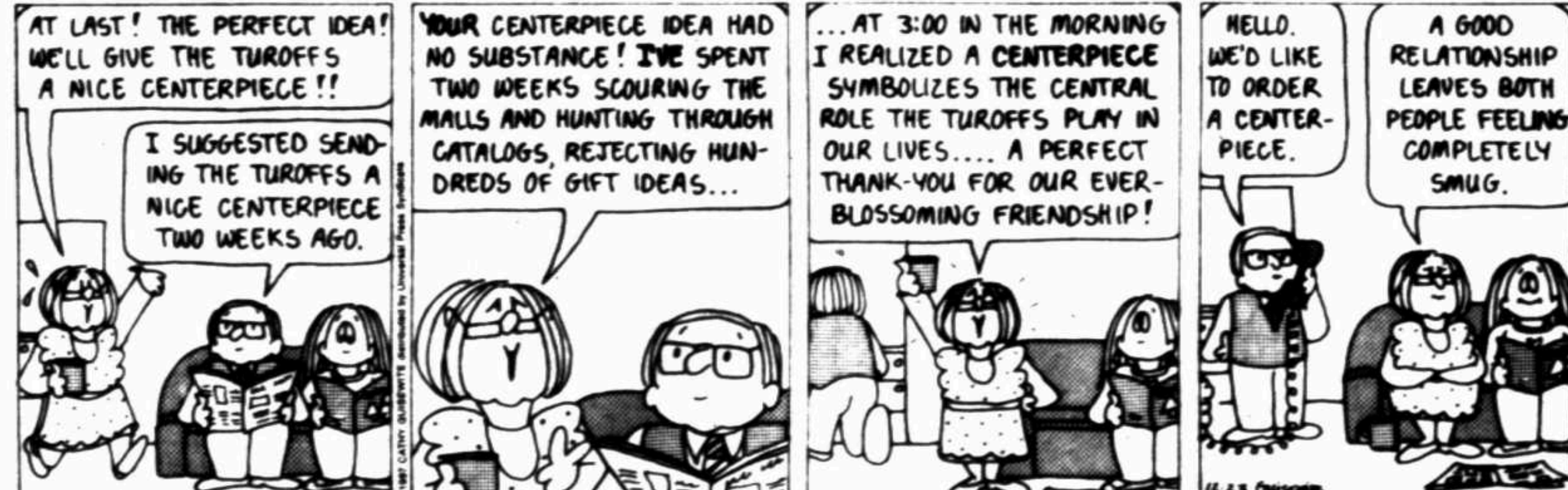
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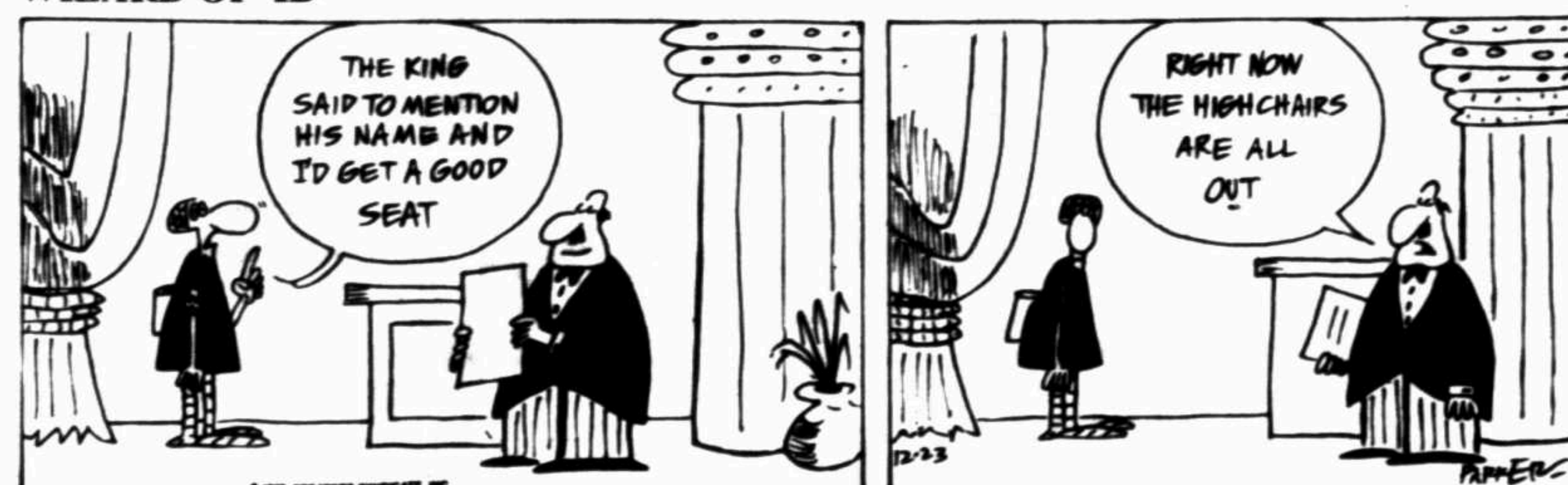
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TUESDAY, DEC. 23, 1997

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1997
Expectations are key to creating more of what you want. You'll achieve greater financial and professional success, very important to a CAPRICORN. You are more enthusiastic, vigorous and optimistic than in the past. Take time for yourself, to think through decisions and evaluate money matters. If you are single, you will be noticed; many will want to be yours. Ultimately, it is your call. You enjoy relating more in 1998. If attached, communications flourish in 1998. You discover the importance of keeping this person connected to your professional life. **LIBRA** pushes your career.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
***** You feel more jovial and together than you have in a while. As should be, you are focused on parties, celebrations and abundance. You enjoy yourself no matter where, and with who. Excellent communications lead to a special sense of empathy. Tonight: Grinning like a Cheshire cat. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)
***** You might be very busy, but beaming as the goodness of the season touches you. Make time for co-workers and perhaps sharing some cheer. Last-minute details seem to get done by magic. You might get a very happy surprise from someone you put on a pedestal. Tonight: Finish it up! **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)
***** Your upbeat side seems to come out no matter who, where or

what. Others cannot seem to get enough of you. Your ability to communicate, flirt and share adds to everyone's day, and your own. Little did you know you were so valued. Tonight: The party goes on. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22)
***** Last-minute preparations at home are important, and allow a different point of view. A partner lets you know how much you are cared for. Be considerate to a co-worker, who might not be able to join family this year. That thought will mean a lot. Tonight: Last-minute baking. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)
***** Aim for what you want; no one wants to say "no" to you. Naughty and nice punctuates your behavior and wicked sense of fun. Difficult relationships turn the corner, at least for right now. Start the festivities and reach out for friends and family. Tonight: Sharing and loving. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** How could organized you have last-minute things to do? It seems you are laying out funds where you least expected to. This will change. Your thoughtful actions mean a lot to others. A family member becomes more verbal than they have been. Tonight: Out and about. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
***** You are personality-plus; others want to talk and share with you. You might be overwhelmed by the calls, friends and well-wishers. The pace is hectic, yet very gratifying. The flirt in you comes out. Let your natural gentleness and exuberance mark your actions. Tonight: Bring in what you want. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Much going on is hush-hush.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

Friends want some time to chat. Use instincts with money. In some cases, others appreciate a gift of cash as much as anything else. Don't stand on ceremony; give what others want. Glee surrounds you. Tonight: Happy at home. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
***** You speak your mind clearly and directly. Others are happy to hear your news, opinions and tales. Enjoy the attention, festivities and happiness. You might be keeping a very hectic pace — but you can do it! This is a time to make the most of the moment. Tonight: Where your friends are. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** As always, you are the one with last-minute details to clear up. Though you tend to keep thoughts to yourself, it might be wise to open up some. Others are more receptive than you think. Finances benefit from discussions. Tonight: Handling it all, as usual. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** You naturally beam in what you want. Let your popularity speak. Reach out for those at a distance. Consider what you want your real message to be. Express what is on your mind in an effective matter. A friend has lots of good news. Tonight: Enjoy the holidays, and life. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** One-to-one closeness touches you on a deep level. A discussion about what you want others to think is important. There is much going on between you. Let caring flow. Honor what is happening. Instincts are right-on. On some level, you feel like you need to nurture others. Tonight: Togetherness.

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♥ K 4		♥ 7 6 2	
♦ J 10 6 3		♦ Q 7	
♣ K 9 5 4		♣ Q 6 2	
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♥ J 10 8 5 3		♥ A Q 9	
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♣ J 7		♣ A 10 8 3	

The bidding:			
SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass
Pass	Pass	2♣	Pass
Pass	2♥	Pass	Pass
2NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Nine of ♠

To make a contract, you sometimes need a specific lie of the cards. Such was the case on this hand from a rubber bridge game at New York's Regency Whist Club.

South indicated a minimum opening bid by passing East's one-spade overcall. When West later competed in hearts and East didn't rebid spades, South decided that

North was likely to have a spade stopper, and so competed with two no trump.
West led the nine of spades, and declarer could play as if the cards were made of glass. Since South could not afford to lose four spade tricks and a trick in each minor, declarer had to assume East did not have a fast entry; hence the ace of diamonds had to be with West. Also, since clubs had to be developed for three tricks, East would have to hold no more than one club honor. Once this mental picture of

the distribution was created, the rest was easy.
Declarer ducked the first spade and won the second. Since East had to be kept off lead, declarer immediately led a low club and finessed the eight, losing to the jack. West shifted to a heart, taken in dummy, and the jack of diamonds was run to West's ace. Declarer won the heart continuation, cashed out the clubs, and ended up with a fortuitous overtrick when the queen of diamonds fell under the king, setting up the ten.

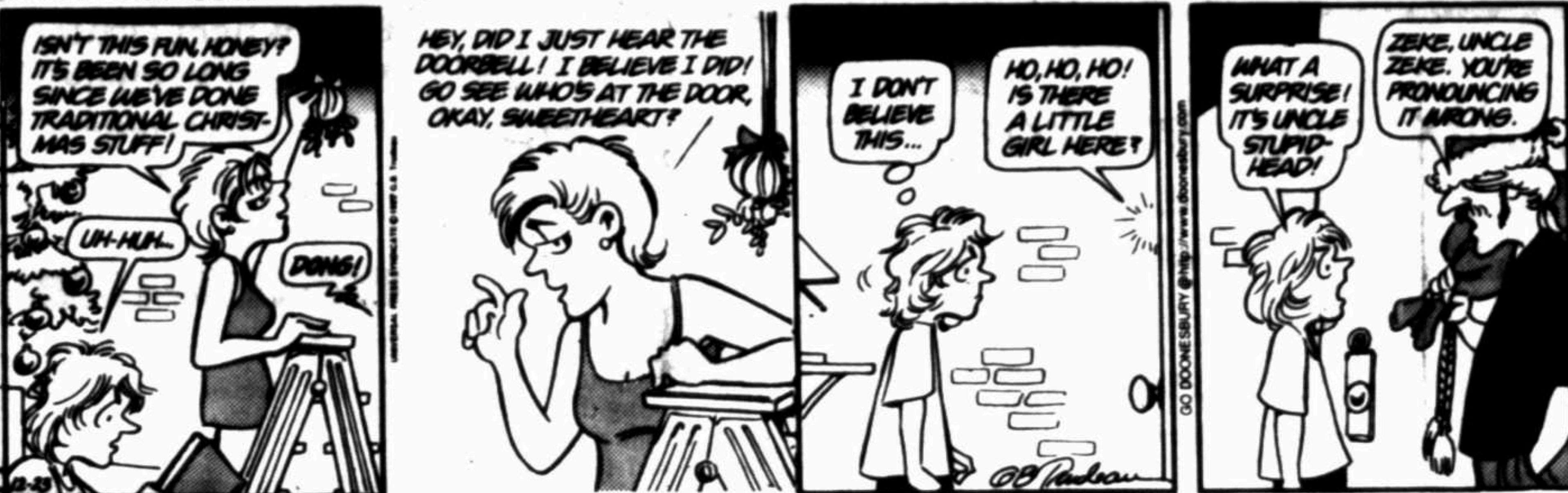
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PEOPLE

'Entertainment Tonight' host lists Albright among fascinating women

LOS ANGELES — Mary Hart, who is hosting next week's broadcast of "Ladies' Home Journal's Most Fascinating Women," has her own list of favorites.

"Secretary of State Madeleine Albright," Miss Hart, the "Entertainment Tonight" anchor, said Monday by telephone from her Montana retreat. "If it were up to me picking them, she would be right at the top."

The magazine's list of this year's unforgettable women includes Albright, Camille Cosby, Celine Dion, Linda McCartney, Della Reese, Princess Diana, Mother Teresa, Julia Roberts, Roseanne and plus-size model Emme.

The women profiled also include the not-so-famous, such as Pat Owens, the mayor of flood-ravaged Grand Forks, N.D. The one-hour CBS show is scheduled to air Dec. 29.



Hart to host 'Ladies' Home Journal Most Fascinating Women.'

think AIDS is an attractive subject?" she said.

Miss Allyson says her mother, Clara, who suffered in silence with incontinence prior to her death in 1995, urged her to take the job promoting Depends for Kimberly-Clark Corp.

"She said, 'The world and people have been wonderful to you, and I think it's time that you gave back a little something,'" Miss Allyson said.

An estimated 15 million to 19 million Americans suffer loss of bladder control. Miss Allyson also raises money for education and research through the June Allyson Foundation, which is funded by the American Urogynecological Society and Kimberly-Clark.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Ryan Holladay is only 5 years old, but he's already accomplished a dream of thousands of performers.

The boy from Camden, Tenn., sang on the Grand Old Opry country music show Saturday night as the winner of a contest sponsored by the Deering Banjo Co. Ryan is believed to be one of the youngest children ever to perform on the 72-year-old show.

He played a banjo and sang "I'm on My Way Back to the Old Home" and joined his father in singing "Two Coats."

DALLAS — Services were held Sunday in North Carolina for Andrea Carolyn Camp, the co-producer of the popular Benji movies, who died unexpectedly last week after an illness of several years.

Ms. Camp died Thursday at her Chapel Hill home. She was 58.

Until 1989, the Camps lived in Dallas and ran Mulberry Square Productions, the company that produced the "Benji" television and film series. Though Joe Camp, her husband, is officially listed as the writer and producer of the works, he said none of it would have been possible without Ms. Camp.

"She was always doing the dirty work," he said.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to either the Ronald McDonald House, Happy Hill Academy in Granbury, Texas, or to Piney Woods Life School in Piney Woods, Miss.

LOS ANGELES — June Allyson reminds many people of incontinence. She doesn't mind.

"Kids on the street say, 'Hey, Mom, there goes the Depends lady.' At first it embarrassed me, but I'm so proud to be part of something that helps so many people," Miss Allyson said in a recent interview.

Miss Allyson, 80, the 1940s and '50s movie star, has appeared in television ads for the Depends adult diaper for years.

"It's not an attractive subject, but do you

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The family of Chris Farley asked fans to stay away from Tuesday's funeral to give friends and relatives some privacy.

"Later on, the public will be able to visit Chris' (grave) site if they want to get close to him," said the comic's brother, John Farley.

Farley, 33, was found dead Thursday in his Chicago apartment. An autopsy was completed Friday, but results were withheld pending toxicology tests.

Farley's physical, self-deprecating humor brought him from regional theater in Chicago to national stardom on "Saturday Night Live" and several movies, including "Tommy Boy."

He had been seen drinking with his brother John at an upscale bar early Wednesday after struggling for years with his excessive lifestyle.

Another brother, Tom Farley, said Monday the family was pulling together.

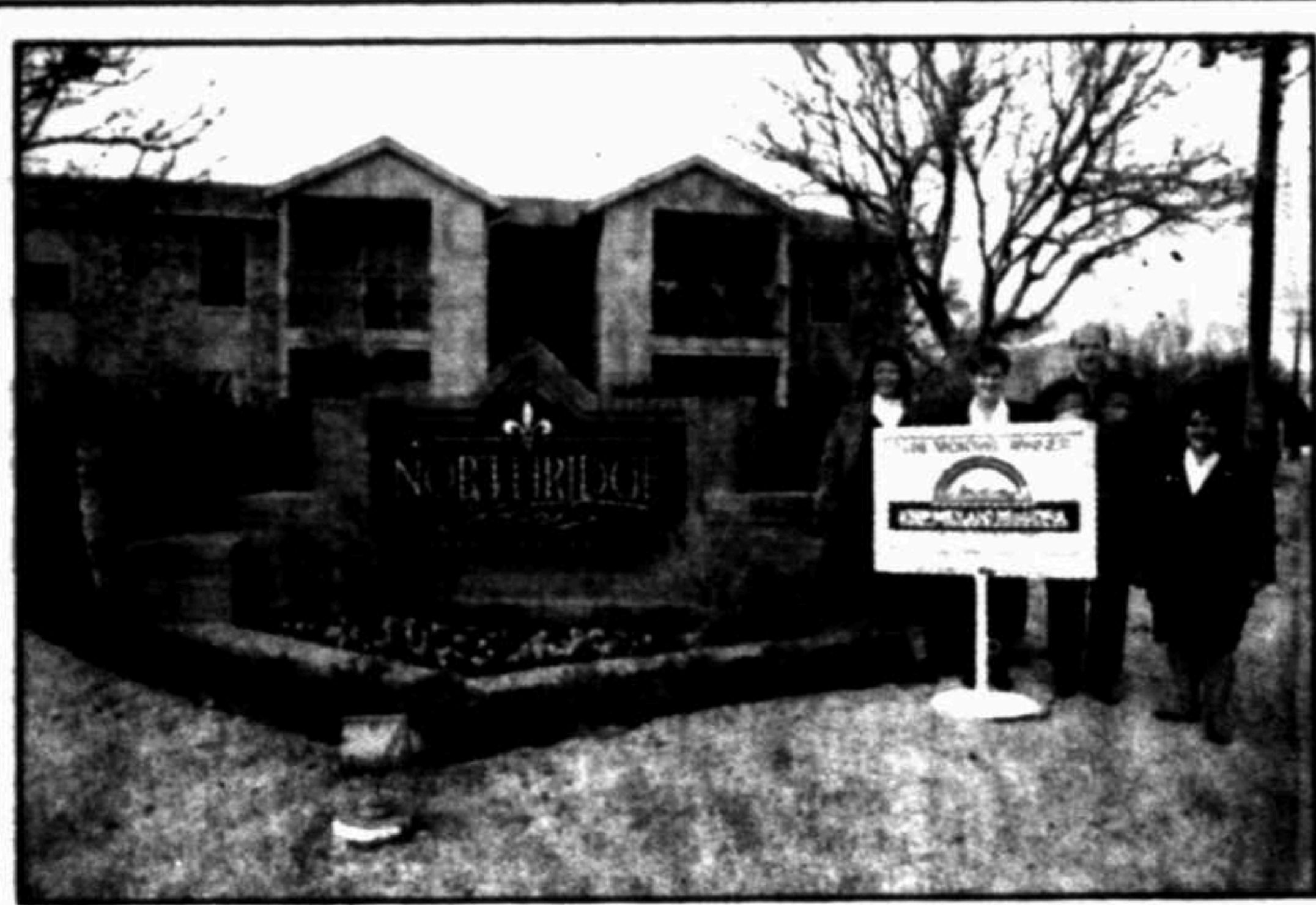
"We're dealing with this in typical Irish fashion. A lot of tears, a lot of laughter," he said. "It's wonderful to see the outpouring of support and sympathy from well beyond the boundaries of Madison. It's a fine tribute to Christopher."

In addition to Tuesday's private funeral in Madison, memorials are being planned in Chicago, New York and Los Angeles.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

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Keep Midland Beautiful winner

The most recent Keep Midland Beautiful winner is Northridge Court Apartments, 3417 N. Midland Drive. On hand for the presentation were, from left, Kathy Keller of Grass Hopper Enterprises, which does land scaping; Cindy Inman of the Weidner Company, which owns the apartments; Peter Lellis of KMB; and Robin Mahan, who works at the complex.

Texans denied health insurance may soon have another option

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans without health insurance soon will have a new place to turn for coverage.

The Health Insurance Risk Pool, created by state lawmakers this year, will open for business next year. To be eligible for coverage, Texans would have to meet one of the following criteria:

- They were denied health insurance by at least two private companies.

- They have access to insurance, but it won't cover pre-existing conditions or charges more than the state program.

- They have been without employer-sponsored coverage for less than 63 days after having such coverage for at least 18 months.

In addition to those limits, people with a host of diseases — including metastatic cancer, Lou Gehrig's disease, AIDS, leukemia and diabetes — automatically will be accepted for coverage.

"This is a milestone for Texans who have gone without health insurance because poor health made them uninsurable," Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer said Monday.

The risk pool will offer two plans.

Plan 1 will have a \$500 deductible and an annual limit on out-of-pocket expenses of \$2,500 if clients use only preferred doctors. If clients used non-preferred doctors, their limit on out-of-pocket expenses would be \$4,500.

The second plan will carry a \$1,000 deductible and out-of-pocket limits of \$4,000 for using preferred doctors and \$7,000 for using non-preferred doctors.

Taiwanese group waiting for God in Dallas suburb

DALLAS (AP) — Leaders of a Taiwanese religious group are in a Dallas suburb waiting for God to appear, a cultural officer says.

Members who call their group "God Saves the Earth Flying Saucer Foundation" plan to address the public Tuesday. They believe God will arrive at a house in Garland, northeast of Dallas, on March 31.

"If they do not see God on March 31, what they will do is they will return to Taiwan," said Yu-Chung Lo, deputy director general of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Houston, who spoke with the group's leaders last weekend. "Most have purchased round-trip tickets."

Garland police Officer J.D. Bettes said the group of about 200 people is not under investigation. About a dozen Taiwanese families have bought homes in the suburb in recent months.

Day care center involved in seige reopens

PLANO (AP) — Children were greeted with hugs Monday as they returned to the day care center where a man was locked in a 30-hour standoff with authorities last week.

The siege at the Rigsbee Child Development Center ended with aggravated kidnapping and aggravated assault charges against suspected gunman James Monroe Lipscomb Jr. The 33-year-old man remained in custody on \$2.5 million bond.

The siege began last Wednesday as an apparent domestic dispute between Lipscomb and his estranged wife, Kris. Their spat moved from a bank to the school, which he took over when police responded to a 911 call.

Lipscomb gradually released 80 children and five adults and finally surrendered Thursday night. His son and stepson were released shortly before Lipscomb gave up.

DEAR ABBY

Finding valve now will keep you dry later

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: This is good advice any time of the year, but especially now that the weather is cold. Please tell your readers to locate the main water shut-off valve in the house and make sure it's in good working order now, before they have an internal water leak.

I work as a dispatcher, and you would be surprised at the number of people who call and don't know where the water meter and shut-off valves are located. They become frantic when a pipe breaks and causes damage, and demand that a water company representative respond immediately to turn off the water.

Most water companies are not responsible for internal leaks, but that's hard to explain to a panicked customer.

While they are at it, they should also locate and inspect the shut-offs for sinks, toilets, washing machines, etc. — WATER COMPANY DISPATCHER

DEAR DISPATCHER: Good advice. People should also make sure the wrench they may need is handy and that they know how to use it.

DEAR ABBY: I'll get straight to the point. I lie too much. Sometimes I lie about little things, but other times I lie about big things.

Last week, I woke up and realized

that my habit of lying was wrong, and one day I'll have to pay for it.

I've tried to stop, but over and over I catch myself doing it again. I want to talk to my mom about this, but when I get ready to ask her for help, I feel embarrassed and scared. — NEEDS ADVICE IN VIRGINIA

DEAR NEEDS ADVICE: You're right — someday you will have to pay for your lies if you continue.

When you find yourself lying, confess immediately that you stretched the truth or embroidered it — then apologize. Most people will be for-

giving when you immediately admit a wrong.

Not only will you feel better about yourself, you won't have to keep track of all the lies so you can cover for them.

Don't hesitate to ask your mother to assist you in breaking this habit. She loves you and wants the best for you, so go ahead and talk to her about it while you have the desire to quit.

Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.



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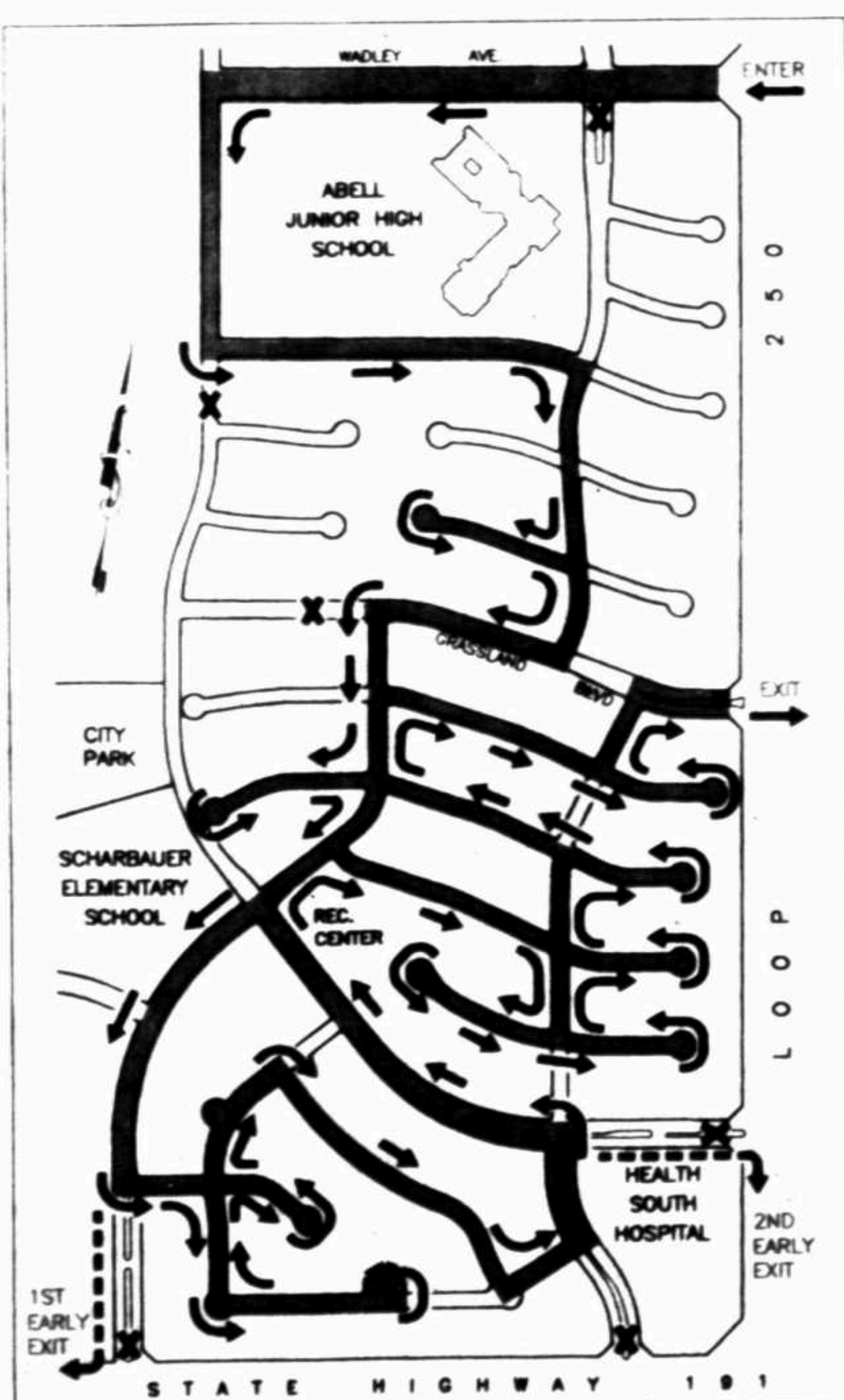
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL —
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ESPN.
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ESPN.
Kansas at Southern Cal, 9:30
p.m., FSS.
NBA — Dallas Mavericks at
Cleveland Cavaliers, 8:30 p.m.,
FSS.
Charlotte Hornets at Boston
Celtics, 7 p.m., TNT.
HORSE RACING — Quarterhorse
racing, Champion of Champions and
Los Alamitos Million, 11:30 p.m.,
ESPN.

Texas Scores

NBA — New York Knicks 79, Dal-
las Mavericks 67.
Los Angeles Lakers 94, Houston
Rockets 83.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL —
Men, Oklahoma 95, North Texas 72.
Women, Baylor 72, Tulsa 67.

Sports Today

WPHL — San Angelo Outlaws at
Odessa Jackalopes, 7 p.m. RADIO:
KOIP (96.9 FM).

Top 25 Hoops

The top 25 teams in The Associ-
ated Press' men's basketball poll, with
first-place votes in parentheses,
records through Dec. 21, total points
based on 25 points for a first-place
vote through one point for a 25th-
place vote, and previous ranking:

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1.	N. Carolina	(70)12-0	1,750	1
2.	Kansas	13-1	1,635	2
3.	Duke	10-1	1,610	3
4.	Kentucky	9-1	1,536	4
5.	Arizona	7-2	1,464	5
6.	Utah	10-0	1,325	7
7.	Purdue	9-2	1,278	8
8.	Stanford	7-0	1,224	9
9.	UCLA	6-1	1,127	11
10.	S. Carolina	6-1	1,084	6
11.	Connecticut	9-1	1,017	12
12.	Arkansas	8-0	997	13
13.	Xavier	6-2	843	10
14.	New Mexico	7-1	838	14
15.	Iowa	8-1	756	15
16.	Mississippi	7-1	665	18
17.	Florida St.	8-2	617	17
18.	Princeton	6-1	588	19
19.	Syracuse	9-0	453	25
20.	Maryland	5-3	227	22
21.	Clemson	7-3	194	—
22.	Rhode Island	5-1	147	—
23.	West Virginia	9-1	139	—
24.	Temple	6-3	132	16
25.	Texas Chr.	9-1	126	24

Others receiving votes: Michigan
114, Saint Louis 110, Georgia Tech
94, Marquette 89, Tennessee 86,
Georgia 80, Miami 80, Hawaii 75,
Oklahoma St. 57, George Washing-
ton 42, Illinois 35, Ball St. 25, Mis-
sissippi St. 21, Wake Forest 13,
Massachusetts 12, Colorado St. 10,
Kansas St. 9, Washington 9, N.
Iowa 5, Arizona St. 3, Murray St. 3,
Gonzaga 2, Ill.-Chicago 1, Miami
Ohio 1, Rutgers 1, Vanderbilt 1.

Oliva killed in wreck

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican
Republic — Jose Oliva, the star
Dominican third baseman who
played briefly in the major leagues
before accepting a Triple-A contract
with the Seattle Mariners, died early
Monday in a car accident outside
the Dominican capital. He was 26.

Oliva was driving with a female
companion from Santo Domingo to
San Cristobal, 30 miles to the south,
when he apparently hit something in
the road and was flung from his con-
vertible, according to news reports.

The woman, who wasn't identified,
was not injured. She told doctors at
Centro Medico Hospital in San
Cristobal that she walked by the side
of the highway for an hour before
she was able to get help. Oliva, who
suffered severe wounds to the head,
throat and lungs, died shortly after
reaching the hospital, doctors said.

He was buried Monday afternoon
in his home town of San Pedro de
Macoris, also home to major lea-
guers Pedro Martinez and Raul
Mondesti.

Oliva led the Dominican winter
league, batting .287 with eight
homers and 40 RBIs this season.
He helped the Eastern Stars to a 9-5
victory over the Cibaeas Eagles
Sunday in his home town stadium.

Oliva agreed verbally Friday to the
terms of a Triple-A contract with the
Mariners, and was expected to sign
Monday, according to the team.

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New 'Boys in town?

■ Switzer, several others
most likely won't be
returning for Dallas in 1998.

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Barry Switzer's days
at Valley Ranch appear numbered,
with owner Jerry Jones the only one
who can say when that number is up.

While the end
of the four-year
Switzer era
appears near,
other changes

will sweep through the Dallas Cow-
boys after their most disappointing
season since 1989, when Jimmy
Johnson was a rookie NFL coach in
a 1-15 campaign. Offensive coordi-
nator Ernie Zampese expects to be
fired and several veteran players
probably have played their final
games as Cowboys.

Dallas dozed through a 20-7 loss
to the NFC East champion New

York Giants on Sunday to end the
season at 6-10. Dallas will have the
No. 8 spot in the draft, the highest
since 1991.

Switzer is 45-26 with the Cowboys,
but his teams have been 17-17,
including playoff games, since they
beat Pittsburgh in the 1996 Super
Bowl.

The Cowboys' vast complex was
shut down Monday for the holidays.
Owner Jerry Jones has said nothing
would be done regarding coaching
or personnel changes until late Janu-
ary or February.

It is the first time the Cowboys
haven't been in the playoffs since
1990. Jones knows changes have to
be made, even though it may include
the painful dismissal or reassignment
of his close friend Switzer.

"I'm not looking at this thing
through rose-colored glasses,"
Jones said. "We have a lot of work
to be done."

Switzer himself said his days as
coach are probably over.

"I'm not sure I want to come
back," Switzer said. "I'll sit down
with Jerry and talk about it and

then we'll let you know what we
decide. There will be a lot of
changes."

Switzer said he and Jones have
talked about a possible consultant
role, but Jones corrected his coach
by saying they have never talked.
Jones considers Switzer a good
evaluator of talent and, besides,
Switzer has several years to go on
his \$1 million per year contract.

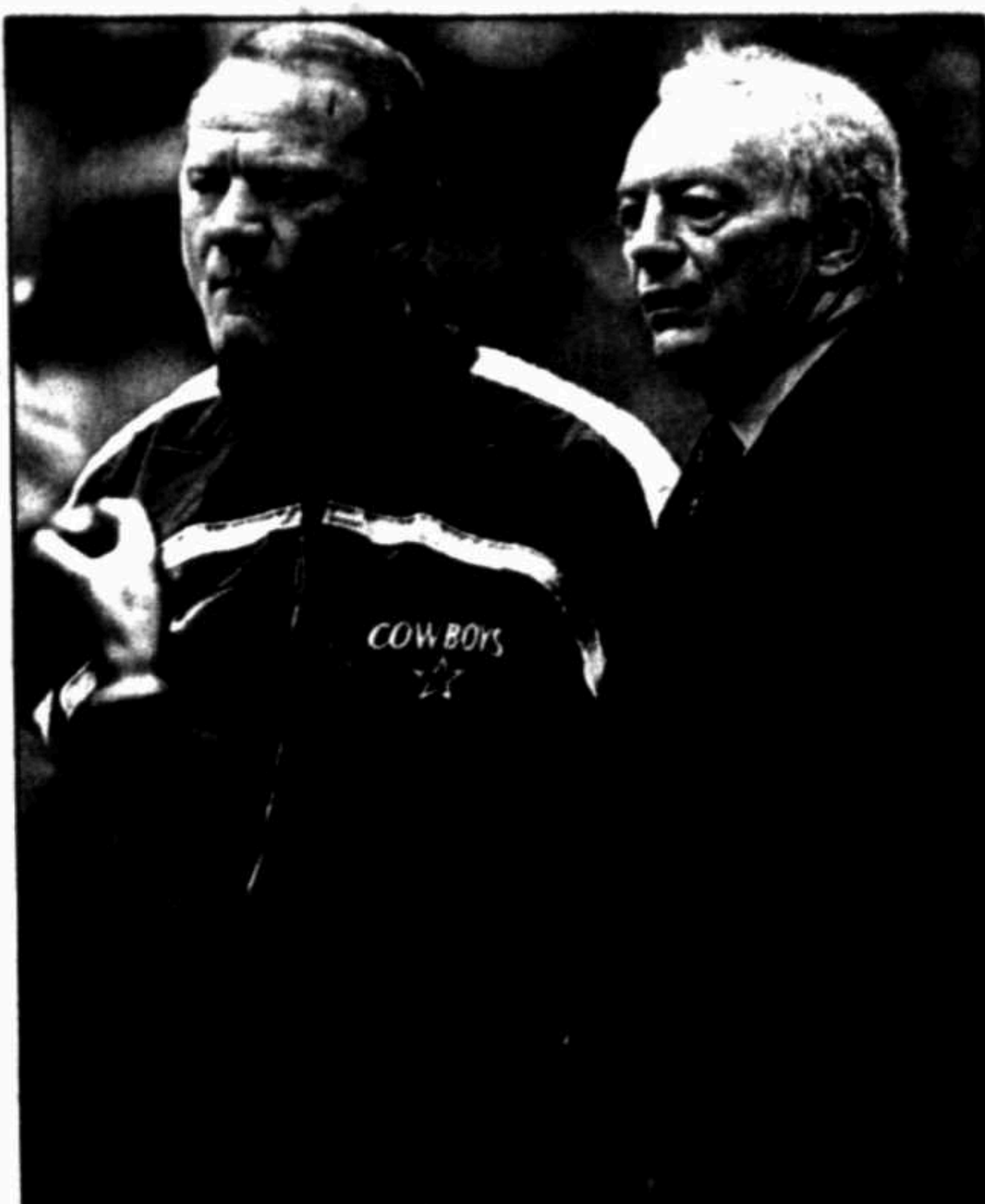
Jones is already talking like he
and Switzer have had a good run.

"I feel very rewarded that Barry
and our team have a Super Bowl
ring," Jones said. "This would be
very hard to take if that didn't hap-
pen."

While Switzer went Christmas
shopping, Jones had his own shop-
ping list for players.

Dallas' dynamic trio of quar-
terback Troy Aikman, wide receiver
Michael Irvin and Emmitt Smith
will return although they all had
subpar seasons. Aikman had 19
touchdown passes, but served up 12
interceptions.

Please see COWBOYS/2C



Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, right, talks with coach Barry Switzer prior to the team's game against the New York Giants Sunday. Switzer's days appear numbered, with Jones the only one who can say when that number is up.

Detroit's Sanders honored

By Barry Wilner
AP Football Writer

NEW YORK — Barry Sanders, the third
NFL player to rush for 2,000 yards in a sea-
son, and center Dermoniti Dawson and
defensive end Dana Stubblefield, were
unanimous selections
for The Associated
Press All-Pro Team
released Monday.

Sanders, the Detroit
Lions' star running
back, made the squad
for the sixth time, earn-
ing votes from all 48
members of a nation-

wide panel of sports writers and broadcast-
ers. Pittsburgh's Dawson, the leading vote-
getter last season, was the only center
named on any ballot.

San Francisco tackle Stubblefield was the
leader among defensive players and the only
member of the team with one of the league's
best records — along with Green Bay and
Kansas City — to make All-Pro.

"A lot of nice things have happened this
year," said Sanders, whose 2,053 yards were
the second most in NFL history.

"It's a huge honor," Dawson said. "Unan-
imous means special, means everybody. It
doesn't get any better than that."

Dawson was one of three Steelers on the
team, joined by safety Carnell Lake and
inside linebacker Levon Kirkland. Denver
and Dallas also had three each.

Buffalo defensive end Bruce Smith was
chosen for the eighth time and, like Dawson
and defensive tackle John Randle of Min-
nesota, made it for the fifth consecutive sea-
son. The other defensive lineman was
Michael Strahan of the New York Giants.

Two players who drew attention for not
making the Pro Bowl in voting conducted by
fans, players and coaches were chosen for the
All-Pro team: Kansas City guard Dave Zott
and Denver linebacker John Mobley.

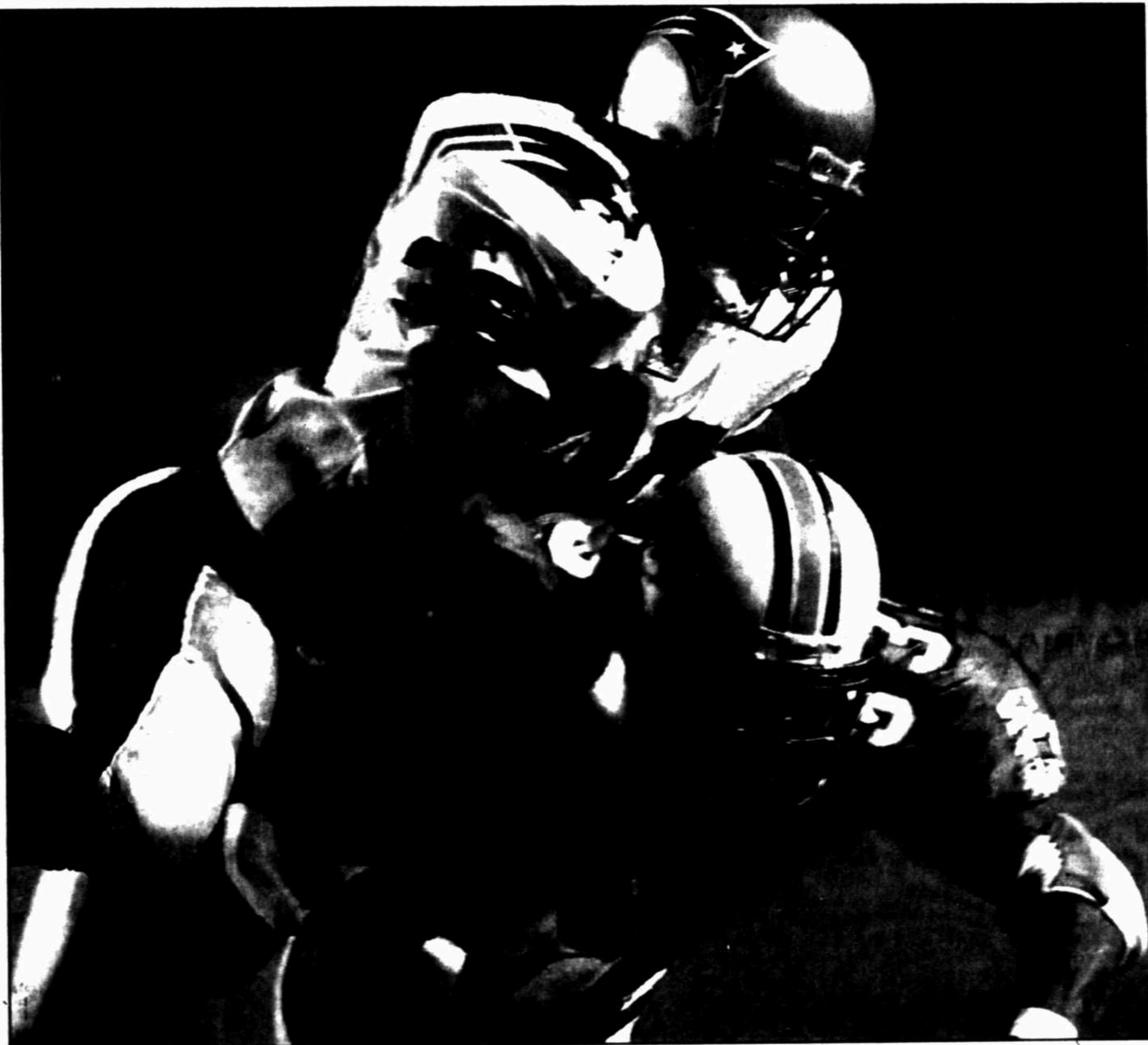
Szot's wife, Andrea, was upset when he
didn't make the Pro Bowl, but "she won't cry
tonight."

"She was not crying for herself, she was
crying for me," said Szot, who was joined by
Dallas' Larry Allen at guard. "For the peo-
ple who don't get a lot of recognition, it's a
big deal for the wives and the parents and
the brothers as it is for us. This is exciting."

Along with Allen, the other Cowboys were
cornerback Deion Sanders, making it for the
fifth time (once as a kick returner), and first-
year kicker Richie Cunningham. In addition
to Mobley, the Broncos on the squad were

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New England Patriots' Lawyer Milloy takes down Miami Dolphins' Karim Abdul-Jabbar during first half action Monday at Pro Player Stadium in Miami. The Patriots beat the Dolphins 14-12 to clinch the AFC East.

Dolphins fall, must hit road

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI — A close finish and disputed
officiating left Jimmy Johnson
eager for a rematch against the New
England Patriots.

He'll get it Sunday — but not in Mia-
mi.

New England overcame a slow start
and a late Miami comeback Monday
night to beat the Dolphins 14-12. The
game gave the Patriots the AFC East
championship and home-field advan-
tage when the teams meet again in the
first round of the playoffs.

"Fortunately it's not over with,"
Johnson said. "Fortunately we get
another shot."

Miami closed within two points on

Dan Marino's 8-yard touchdown pass to
Lamar Thomas with 3:46 left. But
Karim Abdul-Jabbar's two-point con-
version run was negated by a holding
penalty on seven-time Pro Bowl tack-
le Richmond Webb, and on the second
conversion attempt, Marino's pass fell
incomplete.

New England (10-6) bounced back
from a potentially devastating loss to
Pittsburgh a weekend ago.

"It was great to see these guys play
in championship form," coach Pete
Carroll said. "I thought the heart was
so clear and so obvious. They weren't
going to let it get away."

"I don't feel relief. I'm just jacked
that we're champions, because that's
what we set out to do."

The defending AFC champs must

now try to beat Miami (9-7) twice in one
week, but the Dolphins face an even
stiffer challenge. They've lost seven
consecutive postseason road games
since winning the Super Bowl in Janu-
ary 1974.

The Dolphins were beaten at New
England 27-24 on Nov. 23.

"We're still the champions until
somebody takes it," Patriots fullback
Keith Byars said. "And we're not going
to let that happen."

On Monday, New England managed
just two first downs in the first half
and fell behind 6-0 on two Olindo Mare
field goals. But in the second half, they
mounted touchdown drives of 70 and 55
yards and forced the Dolphins into

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Brown stable, but career looks over

By Harry Atkins
AP Sports Writer

PONTIAC, Mich. — Reggie Brown's
chances of recovery are good but his
football career appears over.

The Detroit linebacker had spinal
neck surgery Monday after he was
injured during a victory over the New
York Jets that sent the Lions into the
playoffs. He will wear a neck brace
known as a halo the next three months.

"The surgery to stabilize Reggie
Brown's vertebrae has been completed
and the surgery went well," team
physician Dr. David Collon said in a
release issued by the Lions late in the
afternoon. "His condition remains sta-
ble. At this point, we begin the process
of observation to see how his condition
progresses."

Brown's face turned blue after a col-
lision on a tackle, and a doctor gave him
mouth-to-mouth resuscitation on the
field.

"At this point, it is hard to say how
serious and how permanent his injury

is," Collon said earlier Monday at a
news conference. "The first 72 hours
after such an injury are important. The
next two weeks also will tell us a lot."

When asked if the 23-year-old player's
career was over, Collon said: "I guess
you could make that supposition."

Brown, who was carried off the Sil-
verdome field in an ambulance Sunday,
regained consciousness at a Pontiac
hospital. After about 45 minutes, Brown
was taken to Henry Ford Hospital in
Detroit where the surgery was per-
formed.

During surgery, the first and second
vertebra of the neck were fused. He will
remain in the hospital for about two
weeks.

"He was unconscious until just
before we got to the hospital," said Dr.
Terry Lock, another team physician.
"Then, he was very lucid. He was espe-
cially worried about his girlfriend."

Collon said Brown had a clear under-
standing of his situation and was han-
dling it well. Lions coach Bobby Ross

visited Brown on Monday.

"Reggie was very happy that we won
the game," Ross said of the 13-10 vic-
tory. "It wasn't a long conversation."

The raucous crowd turned almost
silent in the fourth quarter with Brown
stretched on the ground. Play was
delayed play 17 minutes as medical per-
sonnel worked to revive him. Lock and
trainer Kent Falb were among the
first to reach Brown.

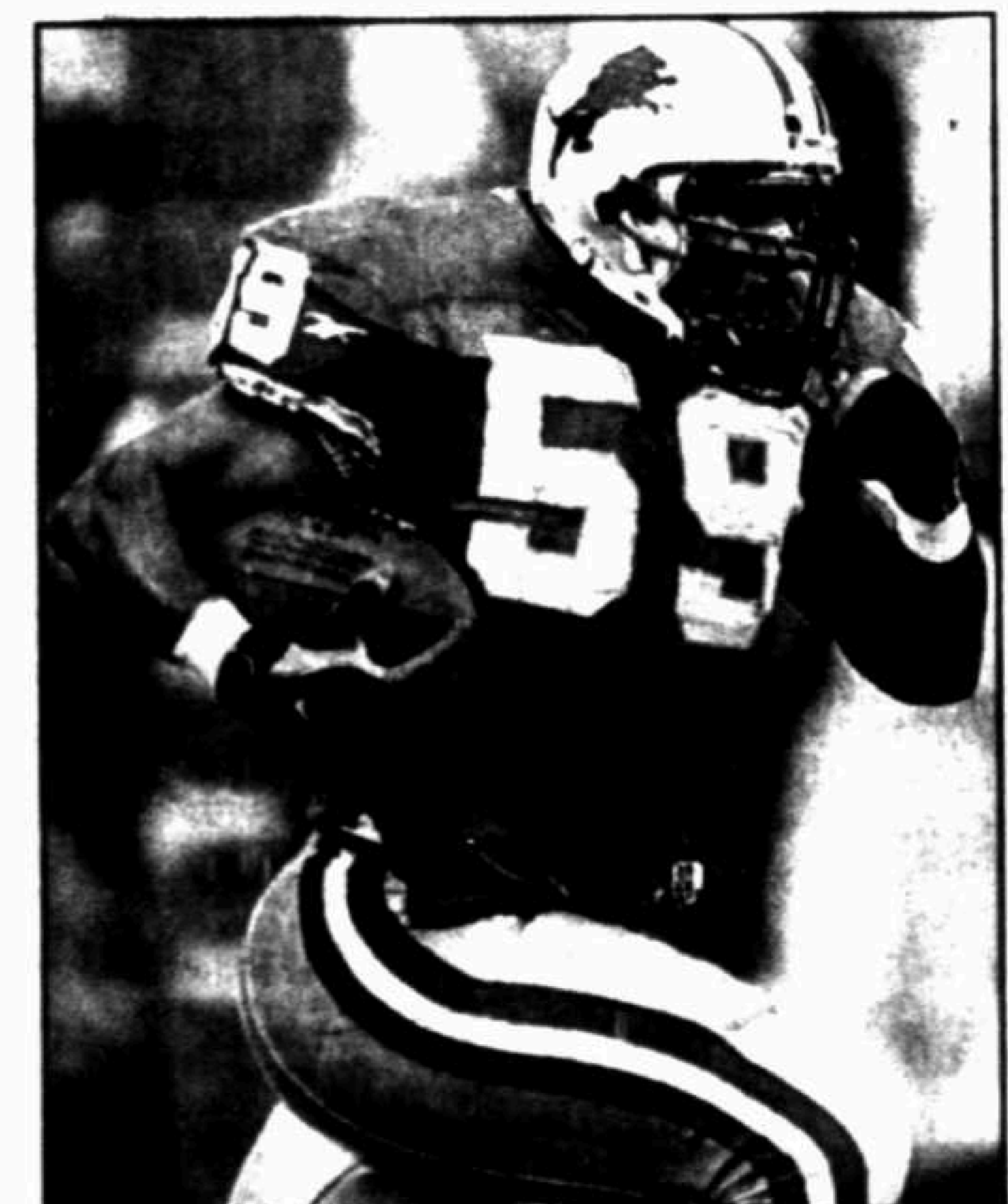
"Initially, he was having trouble
breathing," Lock said. "We wondered
if he had swallowed his mouthpiece. But
he doesn't wear a mouthpiece. So we
began mouth-to-mouth."

Collon said the handling by the staff
on the field was excellent.

Players on both teams prayed as
Brown was treated, and as he was about
to be driven off the field in an ambu-
lance each team huddled in prayer.
Some players had tears in their eyes.

"I think they did a remarkable job of
keeping their focus," Ross said. "But

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Lions linebacker Reggie Brown returns an interception for a touchdown against Green Bay earlier in the year. Brown was taken off the field in an ambulance after he was injured Sunday. He likely won't play football again.

Colts clean house with two firings

By Hank Lowenkron
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — The housecleaning came quickly for the Indianapolis Colts.

Owner Jim Irsay reacted to the team's league-worst 3-13 record by firing Andy Tobin as coach and Bill Tobin as vice president and director of football operations Monday. The firings and hiring of Carolina general manager Bill Polian to a six-year contract as president came less than 24 hours after the team finished its season.

Irsay said he acted quickly because Polian was under contract to Carolina, and Panthers owner Jerry Richardson gave him a Monday deadline to close the deal. The Colts will send their third-round pick in the April draft to Carolina in exchange for the signing.

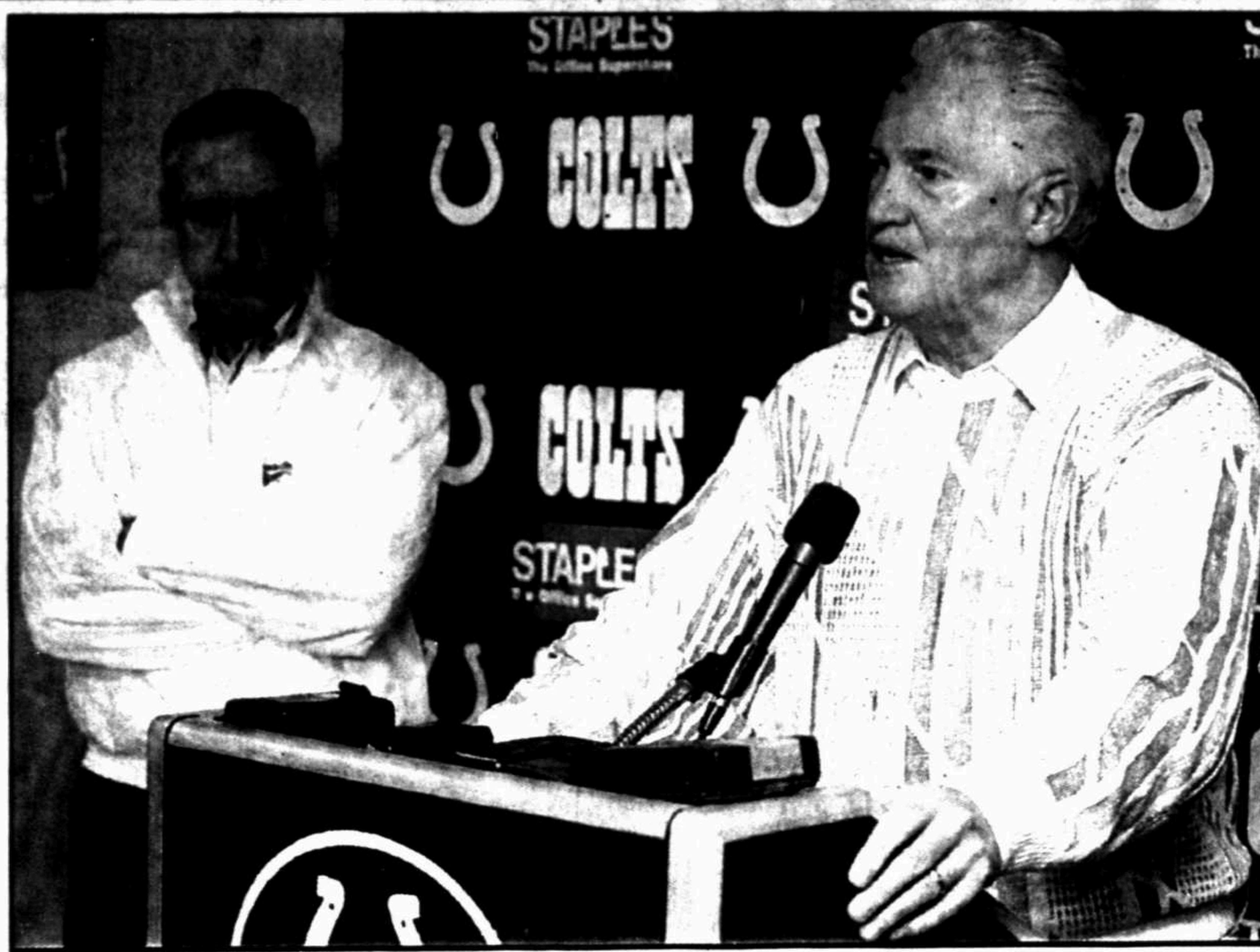
"You don't replace people unless you think you can do better," Irsay said. "I believe in continuity. I wish I didn't have to make a change. This year has been very hectic. The bottom line is we're 3-13 and 8-21 over our last 29 games, and the football program has been in the hands of Bill Tobin."

Infante, 12-20 in two seasons as coach, 3-13 this season, said he was glad it happened as fast as it did.

"It's good that it's over, it's good that it's done. The biggest fear in life is fear of the unknown. If you know something, you can deal with it," he said.

The Colts started the season with 10 straight losses and appeared to be headed for the first 0-16 finish in NFL history before a victory over defending Super Bowl champion Green Bay. The only other wins were over the New York Jets and Miami Dolphins. Seven of their 13 losses were by a combined total of 23 points.

Polian, 55, will oversee all football operations and will work with Irsay to select Infante's replacement. He said he had no timetable or names on a list for



Lindy Infante, left, listens as Bill Tobin answers questions about them both being fired by the Indianapolis Colts Monday at the Colts' complex in Indianapolis. Infante was fired as coach a day after the team finished 3-13. Tobin, vice-president and director of football operations also was dismissed.

the selection. Polian said he'll seek "someone who has leadership qualities, has proven that he can lead at this (NFL) level." He said proven experience as a head coach would not be a necessity and that he would also consider a college coach.

He'll also meet with Infante's assistants, who are under contract for 1998, to evaluate if they should be retained.

Polian and Irsay came to know each other well in 1987 when the Colts, Buffalo Bills and Los Angeles Rams worked out a three-team trade that brought Eric Dickerson here and sent Cornelius Bennett to the Bills. They also worked together when the league's current collective bargaining agreement was being developed.

Polian has been general manager of the Panthers since Jan. 12, 1994 and joined the league as a pro scout for Kansas City in 1978. As pro personnel director and general manager for the Bills, he helped rebuild a franchise that was 8-40 from 1984-86 to one that won four

straight AFC championships.

Polian worked in the NFL office during the 1993 season and joined the Panthers as the franchise prepared to debut in the NFL in 1995, helping it to reach the NFC championship game in its second season. Both Tobin and Infante accepted their firings as a part of the business at a news conference.

"It's a sad day for me, but this happens in this profession," Tobin said. "We gave it a good run. I think we did an adequate to excellent job for three years. This year wasn't meant to be."

Infante said he had no immediate plans besides relaxing and spending more time with his family. "If the spirit moves me to keep coaching, fine. But to do this you have to be totally dedicated, and right now I'm a little burned. So we'll see," he said.

The Colts were 9-7 two years ago, when Infante was offensive coordinator under Ted Marchibroda. But Marchibroda refused Tobin's offer of a one-year contract — at the same salary — after guiding

the team to the AFC championship game, and Infante was elevated to head coach when Marchibroda left to become the coach at Baltimore.

The Colts also were 9-7 last year and lost to Pittsburgh in an AFC wild card game.

"I feel good about myself. I feel good about the effort of the coaching staff. I feel good about the effort of the players. I feel good about the effort from Bill's office," Infante said. "Everybody worked as hard as they could."

Infante compiled a 24-41 record as head coach of the Green Bay Packers from 1988-91.

Robert Irsay, the owner's late father, hired Tobin to rebuild the team after it finished 4-12 in 1993. Tobin brought in nearly all of the coaching staff and drafted or signed most of the 53 players on the roster.

The Colts compiled a 31-37 record in Tobin's four years with the team, including the franchise's first two playoff victories since 1971.

there, and we won."

The Patriots had just 77 yards before driving 70 yards on their first possession of the second half to take a 7-6 lead. Dave Meggett's 20-yard reception on third down set up Marrio Grier's 2-yard touchdown run, his first of the season.

Meggett's 5-yard score made it 14-6 with 12:07 to go.

Mare kicked a 50-yard field goal, his longest this season, and then a 41-yarder to give Miami an early lead.

with Sanders, Butler and Lake in the secondary was Arizona's Aeneas Williams.

The punter was Jacksonville's Bryan Barker.

Fifteen players from the NFC made the team and 12 from the AFC. First-time All-Pro were Rob Moore, Ogden, Boselli, Scott, Alstott, Cunningham, Strahan, Stubblefield, Armstead, Mobley, Kirkland, Lake and Barker.

Byrd was temporarily paralyzed in a game against Kansas City after a collision with a teammate.

"The important thing is that Reggie is going to be fine," Lions linebacker Stephen Boyd said. "He's getting the best care in the world and you know this is a great organization. He will be taken care of."

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Stars want NHL to review several hits

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Stars have asked the National Hockey League to review a series of hits by Edmonton Oilers defenseman Bryan Marchmont, one of which knocked out Stars left wing Greg Adams for six weeks.

The Oilers countered by asking for their own review of a hit by Dallas captain Derian Hatcher during the Stars' 2-1 overtime win Saturday night in Edmonton, Alberta.

In addition to the hit that tore ligaments in Adams' knee, Stars general manager Bob Gainey also wants the NHL to review a Marchmont tripping penalty that led to the Stars' winning power-play goal.

Marchmont stuck out his right leg, tripping the Stars' Shawn Chambers in a play similar to a

Marchmont move early this month that put Stars center Mike Modano out for six weeks with a knee injury. Marchmont received a three-game suspension for that blow.

"Even though the Adams play is the one where the player got injured, the one on Chambers is really a good indicator of how (Marchmont) uses his body to cause injuries," Gainey told The Dallas Morning News in Monday's editions.

The Oilers also are submitting videotapes for league review of a hit on Marchmont that led to a 10-minute misconduct penalty on Hatcher.

"It's likely a lot more vicious than anything (Marchmont) did to Modano. In fact, it's gross," said Oilers coach Ron Low.

LOCAL SPORTS

Lemons named among best

Midland High's 6-5 post Kirby Lemons, who is averaging over 25 points per game this season, has been named as one of the top 30 players in the state of Texas in a recent story in USA Today.

The Top 30 Texas list also included Lamesa's 6-9 Andy Ellis and 6-6 Chris Ogden of Seminole.

Also on the list was 6-10 Joe White of San Antonio TAFE, a player on the only team that has a win over MHS this season.

Lamesa romps past Bobcats

SAN ANGELO — Lamesa's 6-10 post Andy Ellis, who has already signed with Texas Tech, poured in 30 points here Monday as the Golden Tornadoes ripped the Class 5A San Angelo Central Bobcats 60-49 in a non-conference basketball game.

Ellis was the only player to score in double figures for the Class 4A Tors. The Bobcats were led by Terence Fields with 19 points and Jason Brumm with 14. With the win, Lamesa is now a perfect 13-0 for the season while San Angelo falls to 12-3.

Lamesa 60, San Angelo 49
Lamesa (13-0): Kyle Weicher 20-6, Chris Roberts 3-5-9, Steven Roberts 1-0-3, Chance Park 2-0-0, 4, Cam Wade 3-1-3, Jamar Duval 0-0-0, Andy Ellis 15-0-30. Totals: 26-48-60.
San Angelo (12-3): Jason Brumm 4-4-14, Terence Fields 9-1-19, Ronald Rodgers 2-2-6, Mike Patrak 2-1-2, Jeremy Boucher 1-0-2, Doug Chadwick 1-1-2-3. Totals: 19-14-49.
Lamesa: 17 18 12 13-60
San Angelo: 8 16 17 8-49
Three-Point Goals: Lamesa 4 (Weicher 2, Wade 1, Roberts 1), SA 2 (Burrum 2). Total Fouls: Lamesa 14, SA 11. Fouled Out: None.

Rangers stomp over Badgers

GREENWOOD — The Greenwood boys basketball team simply overwhelmed McCamey Monday on the way to an easy 75-38 win.

The Rangers (9-4) handily outscored the Badgers in each of the first three quarters and were particularly dominant in the

third quarter, outscoring McCamey 27-8.

Scott Reed led Greenwood with 15 points while Larry Johansen and Jason Brooks scored 10 apiece.

Greenwood 75, McCamey 38
McCamey: Navarrete 7-1-15, Gebauer 1-0-0, 12, Fortney 2-7, Stapp 1-0-0, Lewis 1-0-0, 0-1-2, Gomez 2-0-4. Totals: 16-5-38.
Greenwood (9-4): Josh Gilliam 0-2-4, Andrew Wootan 2-2-8, Castel Morales 4-1-9, Larry Johansen 4-2-10, Gabriel Patterson 4-0-8, Jason Young 1-0-0, 2, Jason Brooks 5-0-11, Scott Reed 5-5-15, Chris Harris 0-1-2, Ruben Ochoa 1-0-0, 2, Andrew Blake 3-0-1. Totals: 29-19-75.
McCamey: 5 7 8 18-38
Greenwood: 17 15 27 75
Three-Point Goals: MC 1 (Morales 1), G 4 (Wootan 2, Blake 2). Total Fouls: MC 15, G 12. Fouled Out: None.

Rangerettes rip McCamey by 39

GREENWOOD — The Greenwood Rangerettes pounded the McCamey Lady Badgers 62-23 here Monday in a non-conference basketball outing.

Kristi Brown and Valerie Wootan each canned 16 points for the Rangerettes while Carol Watzl added 15 points in the win.

The Rangerettes next play in the Reagan County tournament on Dec. 29-31.

Greenwood 62, McCamey 23
McCamey: Munoz 3-2-8, Cornelius 0-1-3, Vaughn 4-0-0, Diaz 0-2-2, Pruitt 1-0-0. Team Totals: 8-5-23.
Greenwood: Chelsea Spies 1-2-4, Sally Smith 1-2-4, Kristi Brown 4-8-15, Courtney Dickerson 0-1-2, Valerie Wootan 7-7-16, Karen Gasch 3-0-6, Carol Watzl 7-1-15. Team Totals: 23-15-62.
McCamey: 7 3 9-23
Greenwood: 11 14 20-62
Three-Point Goals: MC 2 (Vaughn 2, G 1 (Wootan). Total Fouls: MC 18, G 17. Fouled Out: Dickerson, Watzl (Greenwood).

Trinity wins in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Midland Trinity defeated Las Vegas Mountain View 61-43 here Monday in a swing through the land of lights.

Ronnie Brewster led the Chargers with 19 points and 11 rebounds while Mike Landry had 14 and Lane Rouse 11 points. Evan McLaughlin added 10 rebounds.

The Chargers play against another opponent here today on their trip to Las Vegas.

EAST: Patriots survive late Dolphins TD

(From 1C)

repeated negative-yardage plays with frequent blitzing.

A harried Marino completed 28 of 44 passes for 278 yards but was sacked four times.

"They blitzed us and blitzed us, and half the time we didn't make the adjustments," Marino said. "There were some missed. It created a problem, and it's something we're going to have to work on."

Marino connected on four third-down passes in a 76-yard drive that culminated with Thomas' score.

On the two-point try, Webb was called for holding Willie McGinest.

"The official called one of the eight or nine penalties he called against us," Johnson said. "I think they had one penalty. So we didn't make it."

Johnson was also unhappy that an apparent Miami touchdown on a fumble recovery in the first half was negated when the officials ruled the play had been blown dead before Jerry Wilson's 36-yard return.

The Patriots — criticized a week ago for a late third-down inter-

ception that cost them a lead against Pittsburgh — missed a chance to run out the clock in the final minutes when they decided to throw on third-and-1. Drew Bledsoe's pass fell incomplete.

Tom Tupa then shanked a punt 18 yards, and Miami started at the New England 47 with 1:58 left. But Lawyer Milloy intercepted Marino's desperation pass on fourth-and-15 at the Miami 48.

"Marino has won a thousand games like that," New England linebacker Chris Slade said. "But we hung in there and hung in

ALL-PRO: Favre selected at quarterback

(From 1C)

tight end Shannon Sharpe and running back Terrell Davis.

Green Bay's Brett Favre, the league's most valuable player the past two years — the MVP will be announced Saturday, and nobody has won it three times — was an easy winner at quarterback. The other member of the defending champion Packers to make All-Pro was safety LeRoy Butler.

"It means just as much as the MVP the last two years, because it's MVP of the quarterbacks," Favre said. "Any player who wins this should say, 'Well I'm the best player at this position this year.' What other honor can you give besides MVP that is that special, because there are some great quarterbacks in this league?"

A pair of Moores, Detroit's Herman and Arizona's Rob, were cho-

sen at receiver. Also making the offensive team were tackles Jon Ogden of Baltimore and Tony Boselli of Jacksonville, fullback Mike Alstott of Tampa Bay, and kick returner Eric Metcalf of San Diego.

Joining Mobley at outside linebacker was Jessie Armstead of the Giants, while the other inside linebacker with Kirkland was Hardy Nickerson of Tampa Bay. Along

BROWN: Injury latest of Detroit bad luck

(From 1C)

I think it was hard on both teams. It bothered the Jets, too. You could see that in their faces."

Brown was hurt assisting on a tackle of running back Adrian Murrell. Jets lineman Lamont Burns fell backward and hit Brown in the head.

Brown is the third Detroit play-

er this season whose career has been cut short. Linebacker Tom Beer, after a number of concussions, was urged to retire early in training camp. Safety Harry Colon was injured Oct. 19, resulting in a narrowing of his spinal canal and forcing retirement.

It was the second time this year that an important victory for a

Detroit team was marred by injury. Three members of the Detroit Red Wings were hurt in a limousine accident June 13, six days after the team had won its first Stanley Cup in 42 years.

Brown's injury recalled the 1991 game when Lions offensive guard Mike Utey was paralyzed. A year later, Jets defensive tackle Dennis

COWBOYS: Bad season to bring change

(From 1C)

"I'm disappointed with my performance and the team's and I look forward to doing what it takes to get this team back to where it was," Aikman said. "In fact, if we can get things together I'd like to play another six years."

Irvin caught 75 passes for 1,180 yards, but had only nine TD receptions. He spent most of the season being double-covered.

Smith, despite injuries, still managed 1,074 yards behind a banged-up offensive line. Both Irvin and Smith will return because it would cost too much against the salary cap for Jones to trade them.

Dallas desperately needs a pass-rushing end. Broderick Thomas, Shante Carver and Kavika Pittman were busts this year.

Wide receiver Anthony Miller is a free agent, but Jones has indicated the Cowboys want to re-sign him.

"I want to come back to the Cowboys and finish what we started," Miller said.

Fullback and kick returner Herschel Walker also may have played his last game for the Cowboys.

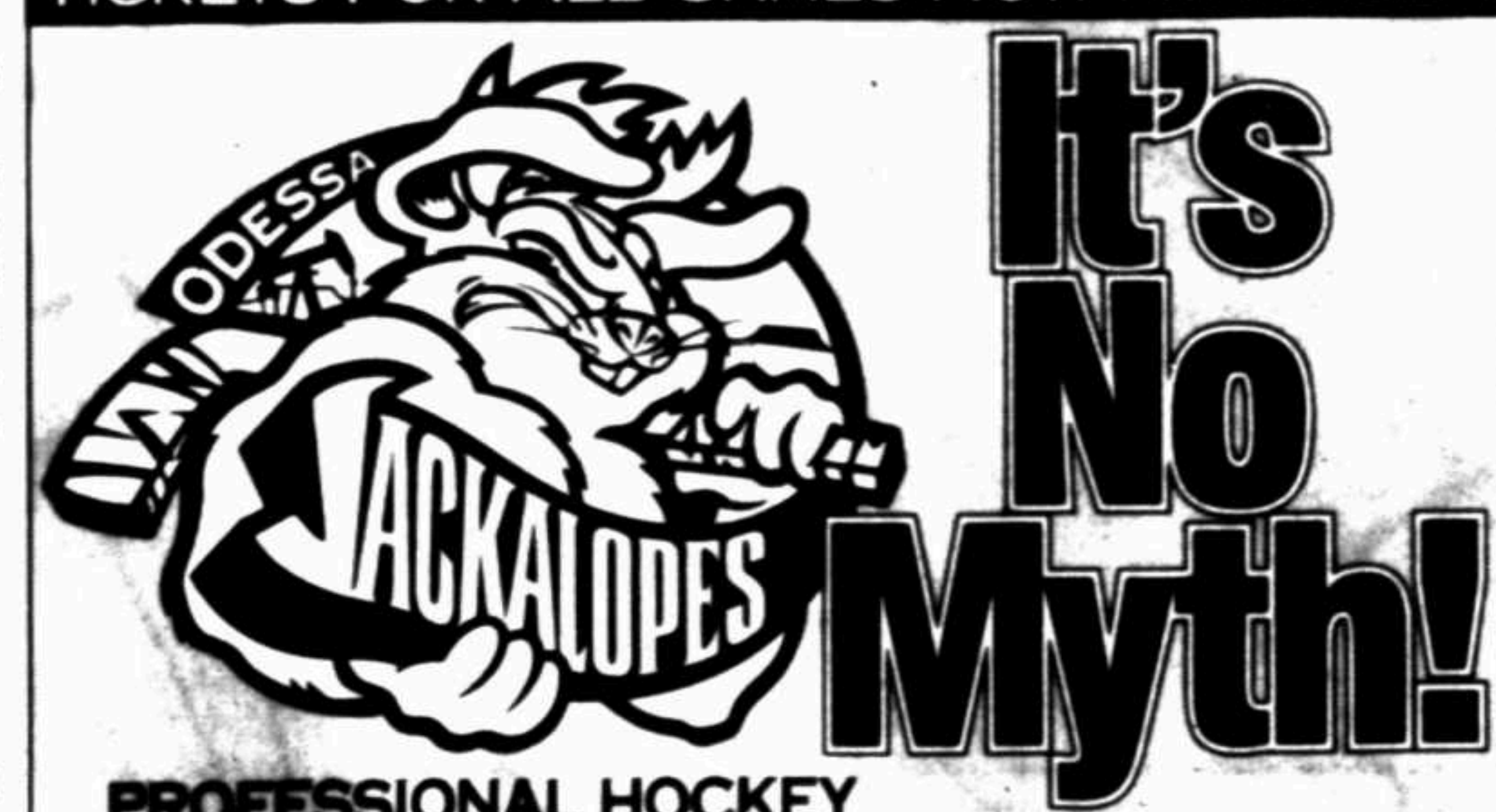
Defensively, 15-year veteran Bill Bates could also be a victim of the salary cap. Bates wants to break the Dallas career record of seasons played, but the Cowboys probably could save \$150,000 by going to a younger player.

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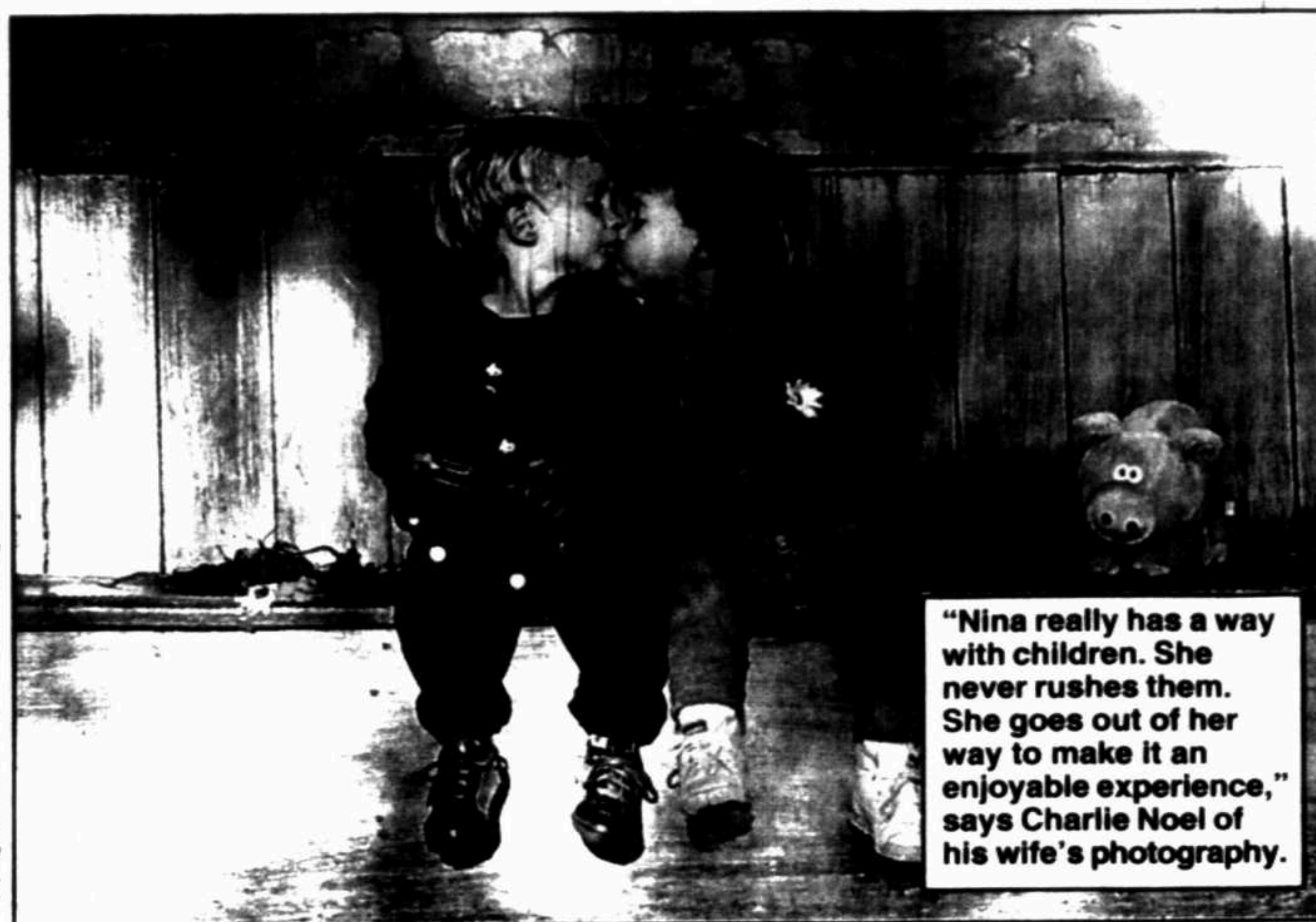
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PETER WALPER ON THE COMMODITIES MARKET

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More trading systems have been developed for the original S&P 500 Index contract than almost any other futures contract. This is important because much of this research can be applied to the Mini contract, which has no historical trade data. Here is a simplified example of this basic trade system.

You may associate seasonal moves with agriculture markets, but there is a time to sow and reap the S&P 500 Index. Some of the better short-term seasonal trades are shown in the following chart.



Peter Walper

Best Seasonal Trades; 1-Day Hold Strategy (based on S&P 500 Index data from 1982-1997; enter on trading day—not date—exit one day later)

Month	Trade Day	Wins/Trade	Net Profit
January	9	9 of 13	\$10,710
February	4	9 of 12	\$ 7,910
March	18	12 of 13	\$12,170
April	2	10 of 13	\$11,165
May	15	9 of 11	\$ 9,075
June	14	11 of 13	\$ 4,135
July	17	11 of 13	\$11,585
August	18	11 of 13	\$ 9,260
September	20	12 of 13	\$13,545
October	11	11 of 14	\$12,725
November	6	13 of 15	\$14,040
December	12	10 of 14	\$11,805

Although you shouldn't expect every month to trade like this in the future, these clips of history can provide you with some background and perhaps a good road map for making future trading decisions with the Mini S&P 500 Index contracts.

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Purdue knocks out Florida A&M

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WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Jaraan Cornell scored 23 points and Brad Miller added 18 Monday night to lead No. 7 Purdue to a 118-77 trouncing of Florida A&M.

Chad Austin had 17 points and Gary McQuay 14 for the Boilermakers (10-2). Jerome James paced Florida A&M (3-6) with 20 points.

The Boilermakers, who set a Mackey Arena record with 14 3-pointers, scored 12 consecutive points during a three-minute stretch of the first half to take control.

No. 15 Iowa 82, Southern Mississippi 58
SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Ricky Davis scored 16 points to lead the Hawkeyes (9-1) into the championship game of the Christmas San Juan Shootout.

Leading 24-22, Iowa went on a 20-6 run over the final 6:12 of the first half to take a 44-28 lead at halftime. Kelly McCarty scored 14 points to lead Southern Mississippi (7-2).

Iowa will play St. Bonaventure in the final Tuesday night.

No. 16 Mississippi 74,

Top 25 Men

Louisville 70
LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Keith Carter scored eight of his 18 points during a 10-0 run at the start of the second half as the Rebels (8-1) won the first meeting between the schools.

Carter ignited the decisive spurt, hitting a 3-pointer from the corner, to give Mississippi a 38-32 lead.

No. 20 Maryland 110, N.C.-Asheville 52

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Sarunas Jasikevicius scored six of his 17 points when the Terrapins scored 21 straight in the first half.

Maryland (6-3) extended its non-conference home winning streak to 57 games and posted the fifth-highest margin of victory in school history.

No. 21 Clemson 65, Charleston Southern 42
CLEMSON, S.C. — The Tigers, who returned to the national rankings earlier in the day, routed Charleston Southern behind Greg Buckner's 16 points.

Harold Jamison scored 14 points for Clemson (8-3), which won its third straight game without star and floor leader Terrell McIntyre.

No. 22 Rhode Island 85, Ohio 72
PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Senior guard Tyson Wheeler found his shooting touch in the second half, scoring 25 of his game-high 29 points for the Rams (6-1).

Wheeler scored 10 of Rhode Island's first 12 points in the second half and made all seven of his 3-point attempts.

No. 23 West Virginia 55, Virginia Tech 52

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Damian Owens blocked Eddie Lucas' 3-point try with three seconds remaining to lead the Mountaineers (10-1).

West Virginia managed to win despite shooting 39 percent from the field, 47 percent from the line and turning the ball over 14 times. The Hokies (5-3) were unable to capitalize on the miscues, shooting a woeful 32 percent from the floor.

No. 8 Stanford 95, Santa Barbara 62

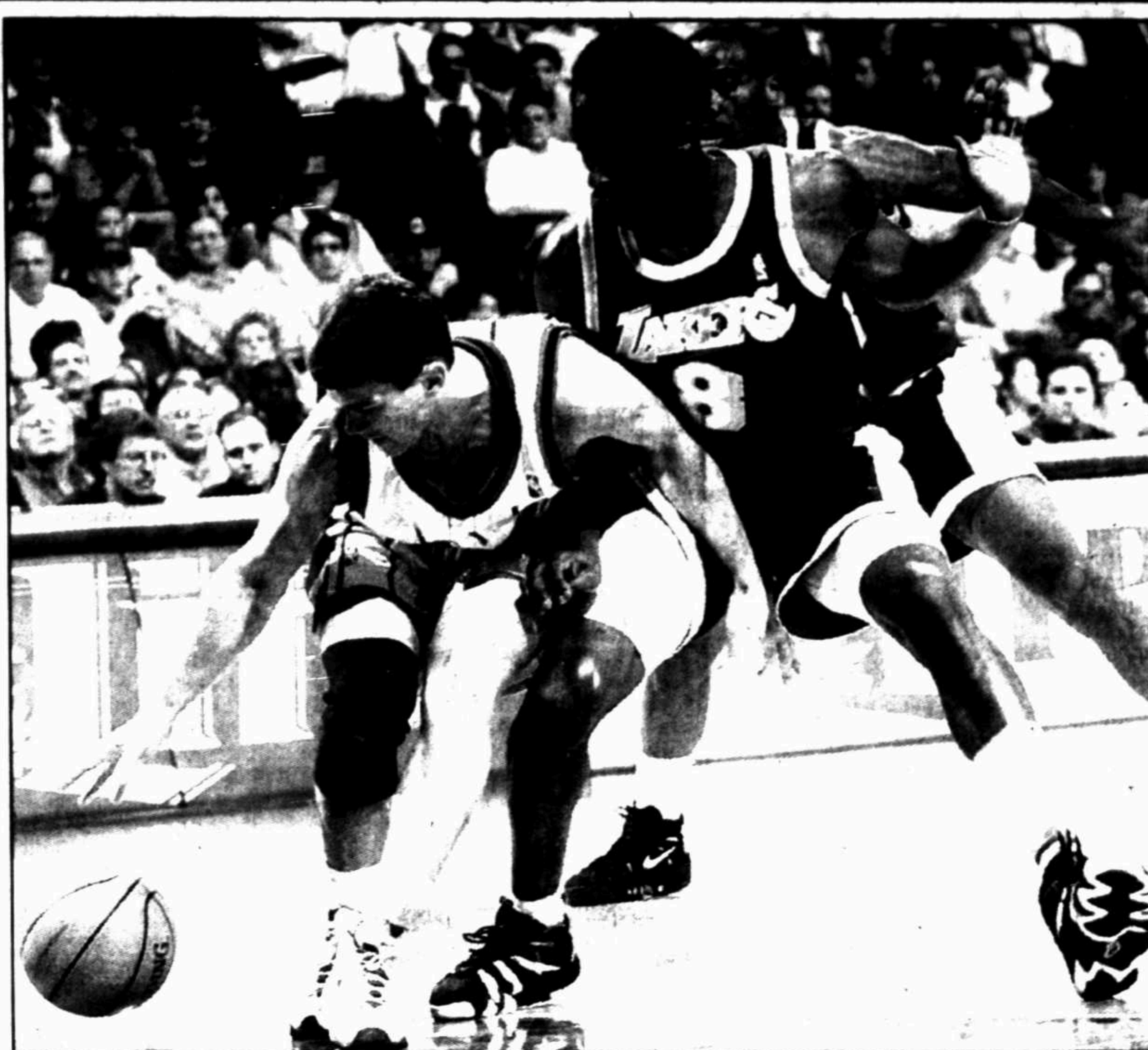
STANFORD, Calif. — David Moseley scored a career-high 20 points and Ryan Mendez 18 for the Cardinal (8-0).

Moseley made six of Stanford's 10 3-pointers.

B.J. Bunton paced Santa Barbara (2-6) with a career-high 20 points and Kealon Wallace added 11.

No. 9 UCLA 81, Boise St. 75
LOS ANGELES — Kris Johnson and J.R. Henderson scored 22 points each and Toby Bailey added 21 as the Bruins won their seventh straight.

UCLA (7-1) trailed by five points midway through the second half and only led by three with 55 seconds remaining.



Los Angeles Lakers' Kobe Bryant (8) pressures Houston Rockets' Brent Price during the second quarter of their game Monday in Houston. The Lakers beat the Rockets 94-83.

Knicks don't have Ewing but still defeat hapless Mavericks

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The post-Patrick Ewing era began with the New York Knicks looking like they didn't even miss the big guy.

Playing their first game since Ewing's season-ending injury, the Knicks came out with hustle, aggression and a surprisingly strong inside game as they defeated the Dallas Mavericks 79-67 Monday night.

"I really was encouraged. I didn't know how we'd react offensively without Pat in the lineup, but we really moved the ball well instead of dumping it into the low post," Buck Williams said.

It was kind of interesting basketball, kind of exciting — getting back to the basics of passing and cutting and doing other things to open the floor up.

Larry Johnson had 18 points and eight rebounds, making six of his eight baskets from in close. Allan Houston had a team-high 19 points, John Starks had 13 and Williams came off the bench to score 12. The Knicks, despite the absence of their 11-time All-Star, were dominant in the paint as they outscored the Mavericks 44-16 from inside.

It didn't hurt the Knicks' collective psyche that they were playing one of the worst teams in the league, a cold-shooting Dallas squad that played an excruciating slow-down offense as it lost its ninth straight and 21st in its last 23 games.

"I thought they would want to prove they're still a high scoring team, and I wanted to prevent that," Mavericks coach Don Nelson said.

The Mavericks scored only 12 points in the first quarter and 25 in the first half, looking nothing like the animated bunch that beat the Knicks by 14 points on Dec. 4 — the day Nelson took over for the fired Jim Clemons. There was only a smattering of boos when Nelson, who was fired by the Knicks in March 1996, was introduced before the game.

The Knicks had little to say to him or about him, except for John Starks — one of Nelson's least-favorite players — shooting him a look after making an uncontested layup midway through the fourth quarter as New York was having no problem maintaining a comfortable, double-digit lead.

"It wasn't a true test for them because we didn't play a big lineup or put pressure on the post," Dallas forward A.C. Green said. "I was a little surprised by it, but we tried to put in a little wrinkle I suppose."

NBA Roundup

About the only thing Dallas won was the opening tip, when Green barely outleaped Houston. The Knicks had to use their shooting guard for the jump ball because Ewing underwent surgery Sunday to repair a dislocated bone and torn cartilage in his right wrist.

One possibility, which general manager Ernie Grunfeld wouldn't dispute, would be a trade for Sacramento's Olden Polynice, a New York native who demanded a trade when his lost his starting job last week to rookie Michael Stewart. A straight up trade of Polynice for Chris Mills would work under salary cap rules, and Mills was one of the only Knicks to play poorly Monday night as he shot 2-for-15.

Mills did have 10 rebounds to help New York gain a 44-36 edge in that category. Starting center Charles Oakley had eight rebounds and Williams had seven. The Knicks committed only seven turnovers in winning their 10th straight home game.

Dennis Scott led Dallas with 18 points and Michael Finley, who missed his first nine shots and finished 5-for-21 from the field, added 13.

Lakers 94, Rockets 83
HOUSTON — It took awhile, but the young run-and-gun Lakers finally caught and passed the Rockets.

Kobe Bryant scored 19 points and Eddie Jones had nine of his 17 points in an early third-quarter charge that helped the Lakers beat the Rockets. All of Los Angeles' starters scored in double figures along with sixth-man Bryant, the NBA's top non-starting scorer.

The Lakers beat the Rockets for the third straight time this season. The Lakers won in double overtime 126-115 on Nov. 12 and snapped Houston's nine-game winning streak with a 119-102 victory on Dec. 12.

The Rockets built a 31-20 lead early in the second quarter on three consecutive 3-point baskets, two by Brent Price and one by Matt Bullard. Houston was still ahead by nine in the third quarter before Jones sparked a 14-3 run that gave the Lakers a 58-56 lead on a 3-pointer by former Rockets forward Robert Horry.

After the Lakers took the lead, Houston tied it at 58 and 60 before the Lakers pulled ahead to stay. Bryant hit 3-pointers to end the third quarter and start the fourth, and Campbell scored 13 of his 18

points in the second half for the Lakers. Campbell also had 14 rebounds.

Clyde Drexler led the Rockets with 17 points. Charles Barkley had 21 rebounds and 14 points for Houston, which shot only 38.5 percent from the field.

The Rockets couldn't run with the Lakers, who got 16 fast-break points to six for the Rockets.

Hornets 81, Raptors 79
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Glen Rice made up for a sub-par performance with a tip-in at the buzzer that lifted the Hornets over the Raptors.

Rice, who came in as the NBA's fifth-leading scorer with a 22.4 average, missed 11 of his 17 field-goal attempts before tipping in a miss by Dell Curry.

Nets 99, Magic 88
ORLANDO, Fla. — Sam Cassell had 28 points, six assists and five steals to lead the Nets over the Magic.

Cassell and rookie Keith Van Horn sparked a decisive 13-0 run that started at the end of the third quarter. Kendall Gill scored 18 points for New Jersey while Van Horn added 16.

Pistons 96, 76ers 92
PHILADELPHIA — Grant Hill had 22 points, 10 rebounds, eight assists and three blocks, and the Pistons overcame a 21-point, second-half deficit to beat the 76ers.

Jerry Stackhouse, traded from Philadelphia to Detroit last week, scored 17 points and made a key block against Tim Thomas with 6.4 seconds left.

Jazz 101, Hawks 99
ATLANTA — Karl Malone scored 27 points, including a clinching jumper with 32.6 seconds remaining, and the Jazz handed the Hawks their third straight loss.

Malone, leading the Jazz in scoring for the 25th consecutive game, had 11 points in the fourth quarter as Utah held off Atlanta.

Wizards 110, Bucks 79
MILWAUKEE — Juwan Howard scored 25 points and Chris Webber added 23 as the Wizards extended their season-high winning streak to five games.

Rod Strickland added 19 points and 10 assists for Washington. Glenn Robinson paced the Bucks with 22 points.

Suns 91, Warriors 76
PHOENIX — Cedric Ceballos scored 11 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter as the Suns beat the Warriors.

Antonio McDyess also scored 17 points for the Suns, who won their third straight, and fifth in a row, over the Warriors.

Rodman's newest act: Nice guy

DEERFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Dennis Rodman has a "smiley" face painted on the back of his head, has only three technical fouls this season and hasn't been late for a Chicago Bulls game in a month.

Beneath all those tattoos and body piercings — could the Worm really be a nice guy?

"Dennis is staying out of trouble," Michael Jordan said. "We probably expected him to be a pain in the butt this year but he hasn't been. He's just gone out and rebounded and done his job. You have to respect that."

Only a few weeks after saying he was bored with basketball, Rodman is calm, content and committed. He wants to win a seventh consecutive NBA rebounding title and to help the Bulls capture their sixth championship of the 1990s.

"I'm just enjoying this year. I'm having a lot of fun," said Rodman, the flamboyant forward from Dallas who is averaging 14 rebounds and is coming off a season-high 24-board effort against New Jersey. "I'm not trying to make a statement or trying to be the flamboyant kid on the block."

One look at his head shows he hasn't totally given up his flamboyance. It might be the most imagin-

ative dye-job yet for Rodman, who has been coloring his short-cropped hair for several years.

The base coat is yellow. On the back are two black dots and a black smile, arranged to form the famous symbol from the '70s. His hairline is trimmed with red and green for the holiday season.

"It's all for the kids who turn on the NBA. Have a nice day," Rodman said, throwing in a profanity to demonstrate that he isn't totally reformed.

"I love having the most famous hair in the world. People wonder what's going to happen next. It was (trainer) Chip Schaefer's doing. Chip told me, 'Be a happy face, shock everybody.' Well, here it is."

Much more shocking has been the on-court demeanor of a guy who was assessed 25 technical fouls in 1996-97 — followed by at least one in each of last season's first 13 playoff games.

This year? No tirades, no head-butts, few skirmishes with opponents and little referee-baiting.

"The Bulls put (behavior clauses) in the contract," coach Phil Jackson said. "Rather than being a rebel, he's chosen to do the things that are appropriate. He's having a lot more fun. And he's right back at the top of the league in rebounding."

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end of the week we should know.

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A fight against Tyson would happen very soon after he comes back, possibly around September or October," Eliades said. "With three belts on the line, it would be colossal."

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Stock Footnotes: **o** - PE greater than 99; **dd** - Loss in last 12 mos; **d** - New 52-wk low during trading day; **q** - Dividend in Canadian \$; **Stock price in U.S. \$** - New issue in past 52 weeks; **q** - Closed-end mutual fund; **no PE** - Not calculated; **s** - Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 52 weeks; **Dividend begins with date of split or stock dividend** - New 52-wk high during trading day; **u** - Trading halted on primary market. Underlined, dividend rates are annual dividends based on latest declaration; **pl** - Preferred; **ho** - Holder owns installment(s) of purchase price; **rr** - Rights; **un** - Units; **wh** - When distributed; **wh** - When issued; **wh** - When warrants; **wh** - Without warrants.
Dividend Footnote: **a** - Also extra or extra; **b** - Annual rate paid stock dividend; **Dividend Footnote:** **a** - Initial dividend, annual rate unknown; **r** - Declared or paid in preceding 12 months plus stock dividend; **l** - Paid in stock in last 12 mos; **est** - Estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date; **x** - Ex-dividend or ex-rights; **y** - Ex-dividend and sales in full; **z** - Sales in full; **y** - In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.

Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on move)

Name	Vol	Last	Chg
Stratop	81,293	19 1/4	+1 1/4
Compaq	78,938	54 1/4	+1 1/4
Encl	54,931	25 1/4	+1 1/4
AT&T	54,931	63 1/4	+2 1/4
Unisys	49,331	12 1/4	+1 1/4

GAINERS (\$2 on move)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Dynatech	28 1/4	+10 1/4	+27.7
Ilukens	46 1/4	+4 1/4	+10.0
Whitaker	3 1/4	+1 1/4	+33.3
Whitaker	9 1/4	+1 1/4	+15.0
Crimpton	3 1/4	+1 1/4	+11.5

LOSERS (\$2 on move)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Mossmo	3 1/4	-1 1/4	-18.8
GnData	4 1/4	-1 1/4	-15.8
Knights	2 1/4	-1 1/4	-14.3
Kubota	53 1/4	-8 1/4	-13.4
PhyRes	4 1/4	-1 1/4	-12.3

DIARY

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Advanced	1,685	+100	+6.0
Declined	1,313	-100	-7.6
Unchanged	480	0	0.0
Total issues	3,478		
New Highs	196		
New Lows	84		
Volume	625,313,490		

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on move)

Name	Vol	Last	Chg
SPDR	51,368	95 1/4	+1 1/4
SPDR	10,411	5 1/4	+1 1/4
Nabors	9,844	28 1/4	+1 1/4
Fuair	8,167	7 1/4	+1 1/4
RoyalCo	7,374	1 1/4	+1 1/4

GAINERS (\$2 on move)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
OmniTrp	2 1/4	+1 1/4	+14.7
OmniTrp	2 1/4	+1 1/4	+13.6
OmniTrp	2 1/4	+1 1/4	+13.0
OmniTrp	2 1/4	+1 1/4	+13.0
OmniTrp	2 1/4	+1 1/4	+12.3

LOSERS (\$2 on move)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
OmniTrp	2 1/4	-1 1/4	-37.3
OmniTrp	2 1/4	-1 1/4	-14.9
OmniTrp	2 1/4	-1 1/4	-14.2
OmniTrp	2 1/4	-1 1/4	-11.1
OmniTrp	2 1/4	-1 1/4	-9.7

DIARY

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Advanced	273	+100	+36.3
Declined	340	-100	-29.3
Unchanged	150	0	0.0
Total issues	771		
New Highs	105		
New Lows	18		
Volume	36,872,860		

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on move)

Name	Vol	Last	Chg
Intel	18,993	21 1/4	+1 1/4
Oracle	16,403	54 1/4	+1 1/4
Oracle	9,728	21 1/4	+1 1/4
Oracle	8,737	81 1/4	+1 1/4
XionDocu	7,445	3 1/4	+1 1/4

GAINERS (\$2 on move)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ChemTrn	20 1/4	+8 1/4	+40.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	+4 1/4	+21.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	+4 1/4	+21.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	+4 1/4	+21.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	+4 1/4	+21.4

LOSERS (\$2 on move)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ChemTrn	20 1/4	-8 1/4	-40.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	-4 1/4	-21.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	-4 1/4	-21.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	-4 1/4	-21.4
ChemTrn	20 1/4	-4 1/4	-21.4

DIARY

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Advanced	1,982	+100	+5.1
Declined	2,266	-100	-4.5
Unchanged	1,502	0	0.0
Total issues	5,750		
New Highs	107		
New Lows	190		
Volume	627,101,997		

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Div	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	Div	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	Div	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
1.40	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	56	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	50	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	57	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	51	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	58	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	52	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	59	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	53	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	60	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	54	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	61	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	55	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	62	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	56	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	63	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	57	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	64	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	58	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	65	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	59	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	66	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	60	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	67	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	61	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	68	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	62	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	69	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	63	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	70	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	64	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	71	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	65	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	72	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	66	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	73	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	67	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	74	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	68	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	75	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	69	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	76	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	70	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	77	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	71	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	78	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	72	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	79	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	73	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	80	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	74	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	81	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	75	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	82	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	76	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	83	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	77	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	84	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	78	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	85	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	79	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	86	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	80	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	87	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	81	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	88	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	82	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	89	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	83	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	90	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	84	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	91	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	85	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	92	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	86	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	93	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	87	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	94	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	88	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	95	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	89	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	96	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	90	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	97	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	91	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	98	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	92	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	99	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	93	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	100	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	94	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Div	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	Div	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	Div	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	Div	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
1.40	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	56	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	50	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	134	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	57	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	51	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	141	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	58	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	52	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	142	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	59	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	53	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	143	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	60	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	54	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	144	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	61	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	55	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	145	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	62	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	56	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	146	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	63	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	57	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	147	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	64	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	58	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	148	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	65	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	59	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	149	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	66	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	60	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	150	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	67	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	61	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	151	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	68	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	62	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	152	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	69	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	63	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	153	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	70	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	64	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	154	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	71	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	65	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	155	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	72	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	66	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	156	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	73	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	67	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	157	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	74	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	68	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	158	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	75	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	69	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	159	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	76	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	70	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	160	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	77	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	71	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	161	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	78	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	72	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	162	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	79	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	73	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	163	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	80	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	74	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	164	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	81	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	75	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	165	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	82	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	76	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	166	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	83	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	77	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	167	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	84	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	78	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	168	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	85	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	79	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	169	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	86	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	80	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	170	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	87	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	81	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	171	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	88	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	82	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	172	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	89	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	83	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	173	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	90	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	84	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	174	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	91	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	85	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	175	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	92	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	86	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	176	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	93	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	87	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	177	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	94	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	88	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	178	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	95	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	89	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	179	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	96	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	90	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	180	UNITV	22 1/4		
1.80	Amgen	20 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	97	GPI	22 1/4	+1 1/4	+6.3	91	Granes	42 1/4	+1 1/4	+3.0	181	UNITV	22 1/4		
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NATURAL GAS PRICES

Monday \$2.367

Prices retreat

NEW YORK — Crude, heating oil and unleaded gasoline retreated on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday after Iraq signed off on an aid distribution plan, which could allow it to resume shipping oil within weeks.

The United Nations on Dec. 5 approved a new round that allows Iraq to ship \$2.1 billion in oil every three months to buy food and medicine for its people.

But Iraq has refused to export oil under the program amid criticism that the distribution network took too long to approve contracts and ship food. That problem appeared to have been ironed out over the weekend, and it is expected to be presented soon to U.N. Security-General Kofi Annan for approval.

Natural gas futures tumbled on forecasts for continued above-normal temperatures later in the week in the country's largest heating regions, the Midwest and Northeast.

February crude fell 22 cents to \$18.32 a barrel.
January natural gas fell 10.4 cents to \$2.367 for each 1,000 cubic feet.

Dollar rises

NEW YORK — The dollar rose against other major currencies Monday after Japanese stocks plunged to a nearly 2 1/2-year low and a major Wall Street rating agency downgraded the credit ratings of four Southeast Asian countries.

The continuing turmoil in Asia's financial markets pushed the dollar higher against the Japanese yen and German mark, but the gains were held back by fears that Tokyo's central bank would intervene in the market to sell dollars for yen.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 130.13 yen, up from 128.93 late Friday, in quiet trading ahead of the Christmas holiday. The U.S. currency also was changing hands at 1.7810 marks, up from 1.7753.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Friday: 1.4398 Swiss francs, up from 1.4253; 5.9570 French francs, up from 5.9400; 1,745.75 Italian lire, up from 1,741.25; and 1.4325 Canadian dollars, up from 1.4314.

The British pound was quoted at \$1.6633, down from \$1.6681.

Market climbs

NEW YORK — Stocks rebounded from last week's heavy losses and ended slightly higher Monday, but investors hoping for a break from Friday's wild ride were hit with another day of volatility.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 63.02 points to close at 7,819.31.

Stocks opened higher across the board Monday, with blue chips and technology shares leading the way.

Analysts said investors were trying to rebuild from Friday, when the Dow Jones industrial average fell 269 points before recovering two-thirds of its losses and closing down 90 points.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a 5-to-4 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume was brisk at 534.56 million shares.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list rose 6.92 to 953.70, and the NYSE composite index rose 3.09 to 500.48.

The Nasdaq composite index gained 7.32 to 1,532.06, and the American Stock Exchange composite index rose 2.39 to 663.07.

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Florida suing Sears for \$3.5 billion

■ Florida's pension fund sues Sears management over controversial handling of bankrupt debtors.

N.Y. Times News Service

HOFFMAN ESTATES, Ill. — Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s management was sued for \$3.5 billion by Florida's pension fund, which said the retailer's executives failed to stop the company's controversial handling of bankrupt debtors.

The suit names Chairman and Chief Executive Arthur Martinez, other top Sears executives and the company's board. Florida wants them to pay \$320 million in compensatory damages, equal to a charge the company took in the second quarter, plus 10 times that amount in punitive damages.

The complaint, filed last week in Cook

County Court in Illinois, represents another example of increased legal action among public pension funds to protect their investments. The Florida fund, which owns 2.86 million Sears shares, wants Sears's management and board to pay for decisions that resulted in the charge, which covers the cost of a \$273 million settlement with bankrupt debtors.

"The people that are home-free are the directors and the CEO, who caused Sears that loss," said Horace Schow II, the Florida fund's general counsel. "They ought to cough up something."

The \$80 billion Florida State Board of Administration, the nation's fourth-largest public pension fund, alleges that Sears's top management should have known about the mistreatment of the debtors, according to the complaint. Management breached its fiduciary duty to shareholders by failing to prevent the

situation, according to the document. The resulting \$273 million settlement is said by plaintiffs' lawyers to be the largest agreement of its kind.

Sears itself was also named as a defendant in the so-called derivative lawsuit. Yet it is executives and their insurance carriers that tend to pay whatever judgment may be reached in such cases, attorneys said.

Sears spokeswoman Jan Drummond declined to comment.

Florida doesn't have a clear shot just yet at Sears management. Sears has proposed an \$8.25 million settlement of other so-called "derivative lawsuits," in which individual investors sued management in New York on behalf of the company itself. A judge there issued an order on Nov. 25 barring other potential lawsuits that make similar to the ones covered by the settlement, pending his review of the proposal.

Yet New York State Supreme Court Judge Ira Gammernan did allow in his order for Sears shareholders to seek modification of, or exception from, the proposed settlement. I. Walton Bader, a lawyer for the Florida fund, said he will file an appeal of that order tomorrow.

As a shareholder, Florida wants the managers and directors to dip into their own pockets to compensate Sears investors. Shares of Sears have fallen 11 percent since the company admitted in April that it used "flawed legal judgment" in its pursuit of bankrupt debtors.

Sears persuaded some customers to continue paying bills that were eligible to be discharged in bankruptcy court. Sears achieved this by getting debtors to sign so-called reaffirmation agreements, which the company failed to file in court. While the agreements are legal, failure to file them is a violation of federal law.

Judge rejects U.S. attempt to avoid S&L loss liability

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A claims-court judge Monday angrily rejected the government's latest attempt to avoid liability for paying tens of billions of dollars to savings and loans for a 1989 change in reserve requirements that plunged many thrifts into financial trouble.

The chief judge of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims said the government raised "legal and factual arguments that have little or no basis in law, fact or logic" in the wake of a 1996 Supreme Court ruling that established potential liability for losses sustained by more than 120 S&Ls.

Judge Loren A. Smith chastised the government for simply repeating arguments it used unsuccessfully before the high court, saying: "This does no credit to the United States."

"While the court can appreciate the concerns of the government's attorneys to protect the public treasury, and they are honorable people, it must severely criticize the tactics and approach of the government in these motions," the judge wrote.

In four cases before him, the judge found that S&L regulators breached their contracts. He also ordered the government to show cause why he shouldn't make the same ruling in favor of the other S&Ls that sued regulators for breach of contract.

The former president of one plaintiff in the case, Jerry Barton, said the S&L claims could total \$50 billion to \$100 billion. "The honest answer is nobody knows," he said. After the Supreme Court ruling, industry analysts estimated the claims totaled between \$10 billion and \$20 billion.

The cases arise from a 1989 law passed by Congress to deal with the S&L crisis of the 1980s, which led to the failure of hundreds of thrifts and criminal prosecutions of scores of officers and directors for insider dealings and approval of shaky loans.

The law changed the way S&Ls can count their assets. Thrifts that had taken over less healthy institutions with the encouragement of government regulators contended that the law violated their contracts with the government by barring them from carrying certain assets on their books.

"The institution was broke the minute (the law) was passed because what we capitalized with didn't count," said Barton, former president of Landmark Land Co. Inc., which put up \$300 million in real estate to take over a failing Louisiana thrift. Regulators said the thrift could no longer count the real estate as an asset, he said.

The Supreme Court ruled last year that the government could be sued for breach of contract, opening the floodgates for litigation by more than 120 S&Ls and other companies, like Barton's, that took over troubled thrifts. Two thrifts have since won judgments holding the government liable for their losses and are pressing their claims for monetary damages.



Caesar's Palace expansion

The Roman gods must be smiling as Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas completes its opulent new 29-story Palace Tower. The new tower is part of a \$625 million expansion/renovation that

features palatial guest rooms and includes increased ballroom, swimming, shopping, restaurant, spa and casino facilities.

Expedited Microsoft appeal opposed

■ Antitrust regulators move to block Microsoft's request for quick action on its appeal.

N.Y. Times News Service

Antitrust regulators moved Monday to block Microsoft Corp.'s request for quick action on its appeal of a court order that it offer computer makers a version of Windows 95 that doesn't include its Internet browser.

The U.S. Justice Department said Microsoft hadn't backed up its request with compelling evidence that it would suffer hardship if the request weren't granted. In fact, it said, Microsoft didn't even ask that the judge's order be stayed, as it would have if it truly faced significant hardship or irreparable harm.

Furthermore, the government said, Microsoft could comply with the judge's order by making "trivial" changes to the software that wouldn't impair Windows 95, the operating system installed on most new personal computers sold today.

Microsoft will file its official response

today. But a spokesman said Monday the company is "very disappointed that the Justice Department is attempting to delay resolution of this case."

"We think it's important to resolve these issues as soon as possible," spokesman Mark Murray said. "We're confident that when the appeals court reviews the facts, it will agree that Microsoft is doing the right thing for consumers and complying fully with the 1995 consent decree."

And while the government now says it would take only "trivial" software changes to comply with the order, what it actually demanded — and what the judge ordered — was far more sweeping: complete removal of the browser, Murray said.

"The judge was very specific," he said. "We felt we had no choice but to comply with the judge's exact order."

The government's memo Monday was the latest action in a case that began Oct. 20 when Attorney General Janet Reno accused Microsoft of violating the consent decree by forcing computer makers who want Windows 95 to also accept its

Internet Explorer browser software for navigating the Internet.

Since the computer makers have no real alternative to Microsoft's operating system, Reno said, the company is illegally using its monopoly in that field to establish dominance in the browser market — to the detriment of consumers and competitors, chiefly Netscape Communications Corp., which holds a large but shrinking share of the browser market.

Microsoft fought back hard, saying the browser isn't a separate product but an "integrated" feature of Windows 95, as allowed by the consent decree, and Windows 95 might not even work properly if it were removed.

Government intervention will only stifle innovation in the software industry, and in any case isn't needed because the industry is highly competitive, the company said — notwithstanding its dominance in desktop operating systems, which control the computer's basic functions. Microsoft operating systems — MS-DOS, Windows 3.x and Windows 95 — are installed on roughly 85 percent of the world's desktop computers.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Despite turmoil, international investing helps portfolio

By Eric Tyson

Q: With all the recent turmoil overseas, what's the point of investing internationally? Wouldn't it be better to simply stay close to home when investing in stocks?

A: No. Stock markets outside the United States account for approximately 60 percent of the world's stock market capitalization. I encourage investors to diversify their stock holdings into the international arena to take advantage of the opportunities that exist there.

International investing is one way to diversify your portfolio further and reduce your risk.

When the American stock market crashed in 1987, for example, most international stock markets dropped far less than ours.



Tyson

Major international stock exchanges outside the United States include the London Stock Exchange, the Frankfurt Stock Exchange, the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

There are separate stock indices that track international markets, including Morgan Stanley's EAFE and Emerging Markets indexes.

Q: I keep hearing terms such as "small cap" and "big cap." What do these mean?

A: Market capitalization is the value of all the outstanding stock of a company. It is the quoted price of a single share multiplied by the number of shares outstanding.

For example, if Computer Wizard Corp. has 10 million shares of stock outstanding and the quoted price for one share is \$30, then the company has a market capitalization of \$300 million.

Computer Wizard is an example of a small-capitalization company, one whose total market capitalization is less than \$1 billion. A medium-capital-

ization company has total outstanding stock valued between \$1 billion and \$5 billion, while a large-capitalization company has stock valued at more than \$5 billion.

Small-cap companies tend to experience the greatest growth; large-cap companies tend to pay larger dividends and are typically the most stable.

Medium-cap companies, not surprisingly, tend to fall somewhere between those two.

Q: I read in one of your columns that the top federal income tax rate for individuals is 39.6 percent. However, I feel that my mother is in an even higher incremental tax bracket.

She not only pays 28 percent tax on her last dollar of income but then she also must pay tax on half her Social Security benefits.

Am I correct in my thinking about how high her marginal tax rate really is?

A: Yes, you are. While it's true that the highest "official" federal income tax rate is 39.6

percent, people's actual rates can go higher if they lose certain deductions or pay tax on certain other income because of their relatively high income.

In fact, if you take federal income taxes, state income taxes and Social Security and then add in the phaseouts of certain deductions at higher income levels, effective marginal tax rates above 50 percent are possible.

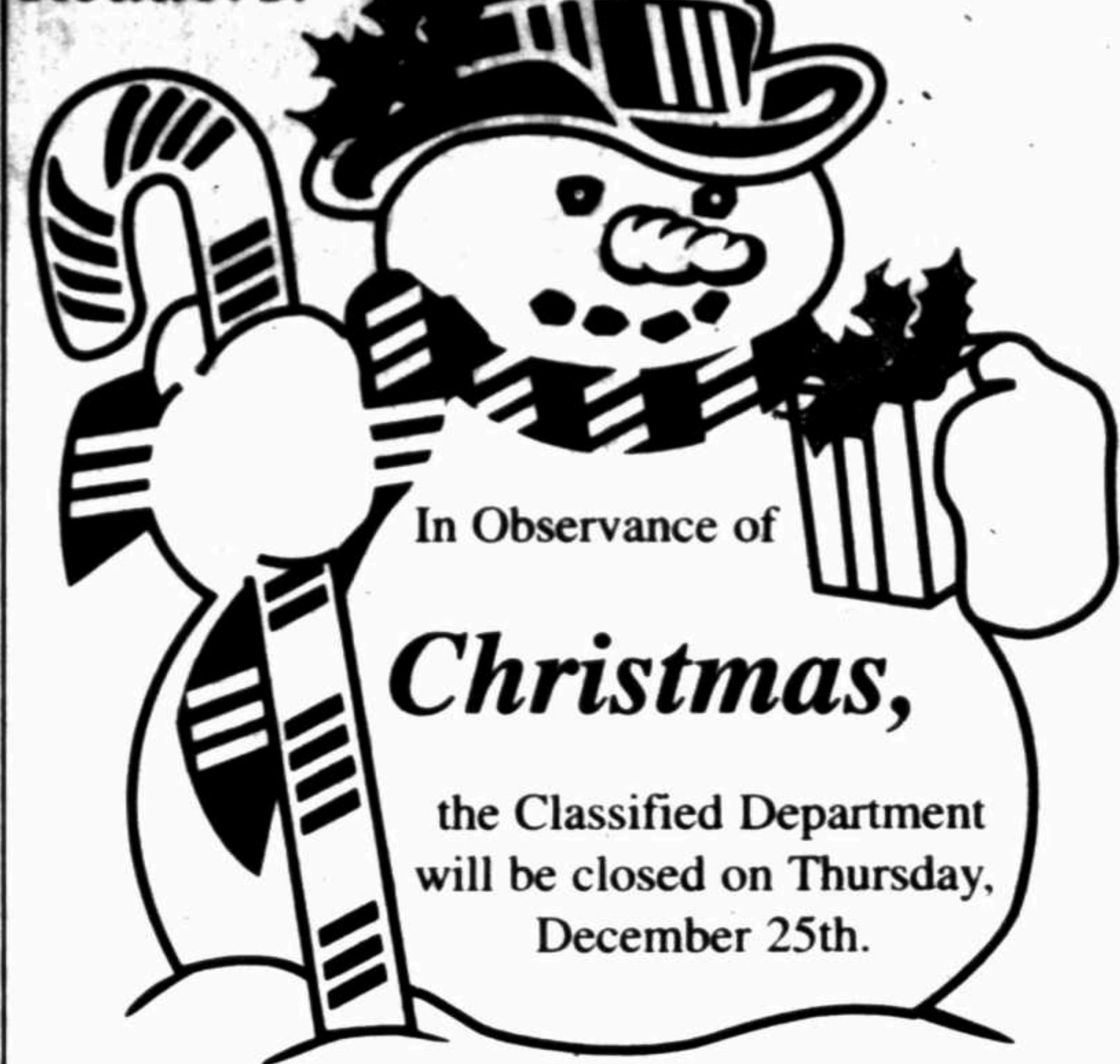
Q: Does the income tax paid on Social Security benefits go back into the Social Security Administration "trust fund"?

A: No, because it's considered regular federal income tax.

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DELIVERY DRIVERS needed for local delivery. Own transportation. Start today! Cash paid weekly! 684-6399.

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DRIVERS Our top drivers are making \$900 per week. Truck Purchase Option Plan. OTR. Regional. Flatbed. Great Benefits. Health & Dental Insurance. Guarantees. Call (800) 749-1190.

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Qualifications:
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We Offer:
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Duties include waxing, buffing & stripping floors. Preference given to applicant that can install tile and baseboards. Must have at least 2 years experience in floor care. Salary based on experience. Apply in person, Rockwood Manor, 2000 N Main.

TECHNICAL Career Opportunity Areas foremost alarm company is seeking a self motivated electronics technician to work in the Midland/Odessa area. Experience is a plus or we will train the right individual for a career in our exciting and growing industry. No smoking environment, a clean criminal history is a must. If you feel you qualify, Apply between 10 am and 2 pm at 10111 W. Washington, Midland, Texas.

PRIVATE HEALTH CLUB seeks part time telemarketing manager and full time sales counselors. Great income & bonuses. Call Jenn, 682-0813.

HAIRDRESSER & NAIL Tech station for lease. Clientele preferred. Heads First. 694-8869.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

RECEPTIONIST/INSURANCE CLERK

Needed immediately for medical office in Midland. Medical Manager experience required. Medical experience in radiology preferred. Excellent salary and benefits. Please send resume to: P.O. Box 14303, Odessa, Texas 79768-4303.

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY: Doctors office, fast paced with long hours. Medical experience preferred. Send resume to: Box PJ-3005, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

ACCOUNTING CE: Mobile Equipment Group is looking for Controller - minimum of 3 to 5 years experience. Heavy computer required. Experience with Great Plains software helpful. Benefits include 401K, insurance, vacation, holiday pay. Position to be filled immediately. Please send resume to: CE Mobile Equipment/FKA Gregory Rig Service, P.O. Box 69208, Odessa, Texas 79769-0208.

DIVISION ORDER ANALYST: Seeking a Division Order Analyst with 5 years experience in title analysis and computation and division order preparation. Questa software preferred. Excellent benefits. Please send resumes to: P.O. Box 10369, Midland, Texas 79702.

DRAFTER: Experience in layout and vessel design required. Must be proficient in AutoCad 14. Every project is different for variety. Attention to detail from start to finish must be willing to work overtime as needed. Pay based on experience. Excellent benefit package. Please send resume or apply in person at: 2408 Mercury Ave. Odessa, Texas 79763.

WIRELINE Field Service Technician needed. Must have electrical or electronics knowledge and good mechanical skills. Salary commensurate with educational experience. Please send resume to: P.O. Box 60507, Midland, Texas 79711-0507.

YOUTH TEACHER: 15 hours per week/3 hours per day. Bilingual preferred. Apply in person, at 4500 W. Illinois, Suite 112 EOE.

POSITION AVAILABLE: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT SEMINOLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. The Seminole Chamber of Commerce is seeking an Executive Vice-President. The person in this position will be responsible for directing tourism, commercial and community development programs.

Candidate must have strong communication skills as well as experience in staff management and planning and operating under a budget. Must have the personality to work with volunteers.

Salary \$12,000 - \$15,000 per year. Send resume before December 31, 1997 to:

Search Committee
c/o Randy Bailey
P.O. Box 790
Seminole, TX 79360

*Communications Specialist Needed: The Midland Convention and Visitor Bureau is seeking a Communications Specialist. Responsibilities include promotion of Midland's visitor industry on a local, state and national level; researching advertising opportunities and tracking of inquiries from such; and preparation of departmental reports. Excellent organizational, public relations, communication skills, both written and oral, required. Must be a self-starter, highly motivated, goal oriented individual. Computer proficiency on Microsoft Word, Excel, Access, Power Point, desktop publishing and Windows 95 required. Two year degree from college or tech school with PR communications or advertising emphasis and two years experience working with media and communications responsibility, or equivalent combination. Competitive salary and benefits package. Submit resumes to: Shura Lindgren, Director, Midland CVB, P.O. Box 1890, Midland, Texas, 79702.

CERTIFIED NURSE AIDES: needed for all shifts. Apply in person: 3203 Sage Court, Courtyard Care Center.

CERTIFIED NURSES: Aids for all shifts. Weekend L/VN's. Apply in person: Terrace Gardens Nursing Home, 2901 W. Ohio.

CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANT: Experience preferred, call Brandy at 684-5683.

CNA's: Manor Park, Inc. is accepting applications for CNA's starting at \$5.50 an hour for the following shifts: 2-10 pm and 4-9 pm in the nursing home unit; 6 am-2 pm and 2-10 pm in the Alzheimer's unit. The right candidate(s) must be dedicated to and enjoy caring for the elderly. Excellent benefits. Applications can be completed at 2208 N. Loop 250 West, Midland, Texas 79702 and returned to the attention of Donna Parker, EOE M/F.

RECEPTIONIST/FILE CLERK: Administrative assistant, with opportunity to advance to engineering tech position within small independent operating company. Position requires computer skills, preferably Office 97. Oil & Gas background preferred. Salary DOE. Please send resume to: Box PJ-3003, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

REPRESENTATIVES: Needed - sell Avon part time/full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, independent Rep.

RESTAURANT: Gil's Restaurant is now accepting applications: Drive Through and Delivery personnel. Apply at 4411 W. Illinois.

RESTAURANT: Cattle Baron is now hiring Cooks, Servers, Bussers. Benefits available. Apply in person only, Cattle Baron, 418 W. Wadley, Midland.

SUBSTITUTE TEAM MEMBER: Permian Basin Center for Battered Women and Their Children has an opening for a Substitute Receptionist/Shelter Assistant, all shifts available. Must be at least 23 and have a valid drivers license & good driving record. Call 570-1465 for an application.

MAINTENANCE PERSON: needed, full time position. Apply in person: Super 8 Motel, 1000 W. I-20. No phone calls.

MAINTENANCE: Apartment community is seeking full-time maintenance team members. Excellent benefits. Apply in person 5101 North "A" Street. No phone calls please.

MECHANIC: CX Transportation needs Mechanic. Requirements: Must have 4 years experience repairing tractor & trailer, 2 years verifiable brake experience, own hand tools required. Must pass DOT physical, drug screen. Benefits: Weekly pay, life, health, dental, vision insurance, paid vacation, paid holidays, 401(K) available, home most nights. 381-1210, EOE, M/F.

NOW LEASING: two hair stations, call for more information. 697-1924.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

JOBS AVAILABLE

OFFICE ASSISTANT: full time. Must be computer literate, have 10-key typing and filing skills. This is a non-smoking office. Apply in person only, Snowflake Laundry, 303 S. Terrell, Midland.

OFFICE MANAGER: needed immediately, full time. Must be dependable, honest and capable. Non-smoking environment. (915)689-6893, EOE.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES: Clerical and Industrial jobs available. Never a fee. Benefits (915) 686-9722.

318 Management Help Wanted

MANAGER TRAINEE: National firm seeking Manager Trainee for production plant. Benefits, good pay and advancement opportunities. Candidates should be motivated, self-starters, mechanically inclined and have supervisory abilities. Send resume to: Box PJ-3002, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

RESTAURANT: Jumburto, Inc. seeks a high energy area manager with a proven record in fast food preferably Mexican cuisine. Total operations experience a must. Send resume to: Jose Cuevas, 2601 W. Kansas, Midland, TX 79701.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

PUMP HANDS: Needed! Excellent benefits include health insurance, retirement plan, etc. Please send your resumes to: Don-H Pump and Supply, Attn: Pump Shop Manager, P.O. Box 11367, Midland, TX 79702.

320 Skilled Trades

*Experienced Gas Compressor Mechanic: Local manufacturing company needs experienced gas compressor mechanic. Stable, full time employment with full benefits. Apply in person, or mail work history to: Hy-Bon Engineering Co., Inc., 2404 Commerce, Midland, TX 79703.

*Experienced Welder/Fabricator: Hy-Bon Engineering Company, Inc. needs experienced welder/fabricator. Stable full time employment with full benefits. Apply in person, or mail work history to: Hy-Bon Engineering Co., Inc., 2404 Commerce, Midland, TX 79703.

*Assistant to the Finance Manager: Duties include general office help, handling of health insurance, WordPerfect, Lotus required. Please send your resume, salary requirements and references to: Jim Royce, P.O. Box 2237, Midland, TX 79702.

*EXPERIENCE COUNTS: Word Processing, Oil & Gas, Temporary Resources, 684-0527.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: Must have previous experience in collections, reliable transportation. Duties include Account collections, field visits, bank deposits, filing. Benefits included. Apply in person at: 7900 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX 79706. No phone calls. Service experts is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

BOOKKEEPER: Looking for full time Bookkeeper, previous experience required. Duties include: Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Payroll, Data Entry, Filing. Benefits included. Apply in person at: 7900 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX 79706. No phone calls. Service experts is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

BOOKKEEPER: Seeking individual with 4+ years computerized bookkeeping. All phases, heavy data input. Up to \$24,000. Send resume to: P.O. Box 2969, Odessa, TX 79760.

BOOKKEEPER: Wanted by COM. Accountants, part time. Peachtree Accounting software. 3003 North "A" Street.

CLERICAL OPENINGS: at least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today, 689-6607.

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NEWBORN Baby Care: needed in our home, Monday through Friday 8am - 5pm. Call 522-7876.

RESPONSIBLE 12 Year old seeking babysitting job. Reasonable rates. Loves children, needs extra money. Call 697-6728.

WELL ESTABLISHED 24 hour Answering Service. Partial owner financing. 697-9445, leave name and phone number. Serious inquiries only.

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CIGARETTE MACHINE: for sale. National brand, 22 columns, good condition, \$300. Call 694-4477.

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STEELCASE: Secretarial desk, light colored, woodgrained top and beige in color. \$150. 697-8090.

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BEANIE BABIES!! Some retired, large variety, mint condition, reasonable prices. Call 694-4767, please leave message.

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NOTICE

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On the 16th day of December, 1997, the Midland City Council adopted Ordinance No. 7678 which determined that each of the improvements, buildings and structures described in Section Two, and below, is dilapidated, substandard, or unfit for human habitation and a hazard to the public health, safety and welfare, and fails to comply with the building standards of the City of Midland as set forth in Title IV, Chapter 9 of the Midland City Code.

The owner, lienholder or mortgagee of each dangerous structure described below is ordered to remove the same from the premises within thirty (30) days from the date of this ordinance:

Street Address	Legal Description	Owner, Lienholder or Mortgagee
706 S. Lincoln	Lot 4, Blk. 35 Greenwood Add.	Midland County Trustee P.O. box 712 Midland, TX 79702-0712
1404 E. Pennsylvania	Lot 10, Blk. 58 Park Avenue Heights Add.	Sagie Ray P.O. Box 23544 San Jose, CA 95133-3544
1409E Pennsylvania	Lot 15, Blk. 57 Park Avenue Heights Add.	Mrs. L.S. Jackson 610 S. Stonewall Midland, TX 79701-8309
402 S. Stonewall	Lot 2, Blk. 11 Greenwood Add.	Neal Ineare Dolite Smith 1384 Sunset Ave. Pasadena, CA 91103-2145
301 S. Tilden	Lot 12, Blk. 37 Greenwood Add.	Sammie Taylor 401 S. Tilden Midland, TX 79701-7659
211 S. Tyler	Lot 7, Blk. 37 Moody Add.	Sandra S. Wallace and Carolyn S. Schultz 1911 Garden Crest Ln. Dallas, TX 75232-3713
306 S. Tyler	Lot 4, Blk. 43 Moody Add.	Odessa W. Jones Est. c/o Margaret Williams 6707 Duquesne Ln. Austin, TX 78723-2226
407 S. Tyler	Lot 9, Blk. 47 Moody Add.	Norris Mooring & Weldon James Mooring 3293 Pinkerton Dr. San Jose, CA 95148-2752
502 S. Tyler	Lot 2, Blk. 54 Moody Add.	Albert Daniels c/o Susie Jimmy David-Clay 22633 64th Ave. Oakland, CA 94605-0490
505 S. Webster	Lot 10, Blk. 25 Greenwood Add.	Samuel Howard 710 S. Webster St. Midland, TX 79701-1211
3118 Franklin	Lot 5, Blk. 9 Crestview Heights Add.	Second Baptist Church P.O. Box 4761 Midland, TX 79704-4761
1715 Harrison St.	Lot 15, Blk. 36 South Park Add.	Ayda Jabray Eddie A. Jebr P.O. Box 576641 Modesto, CA 95367-6641
1117 E. Pine	Lot 21, Blk. 2 Sun Garden Village Add.	Ruby Jewel Delce 1117 E. Pine Ave. Midland, TX 79705-5706
1607 Magnolia	Lot 22, Blk. 5 Ranchland Hills Add.	Robt. Roseberry, Sr. Est. Charles E. Roseberry 1607 Magnolia Ave. Midland, TX 79705-6907
1108 E. Dornard	Lot 8, Blk. 1 Sun Garden Village Add.	Penolia Pardue 7901 Bengal Ln. New Port Richey, FL 34654-6301
S. Carver	S/31' of N/200' of W/2 Blk. 3, Moody Add.	O.C. Smith DBA B&H Investments P.O. Box 422 Midland, TX 79702-0422
100 S. Mineola	Lots 1 & 2, Blk. 72 Original Town Add.	John Stiggles P.O. Box 3442 Midland, TX 79702-3442
S. Baird	Lot 18, Blk. 11 South Park Add.	Brannon E. Reid c/o Edward C. Brannon 4501 Cardinal Midland, TX 79707-2203

Failure to comply with the order of the Council will result in the preparation of plans and specifications by the Director of Engineering and Development for removal of the structures, and the City Manager is authorized, pursuant to Title III, Section 26(C) of the Midland City Charter, to approve the specifications and advertise for bids for the removal of the dangerous structures. Any contract or contracts for the work shall be executed only by order of the Council.

A complete copy of Ordinance No. 7678 may be obtained in the City Secretary's office, Room 340, City Hall, 300 N. Lorraine, Midland, Texas.

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by Rick Gordon, L.P.T. The business located at 4610 N. Garland, Suite B-5, Midland, Midland County, Texas 79705 will be acquired by a Texas Corporation on or before December 30, 1997, whose name will be T-STAR, P.C. Payment of debts owing the business and presentation of demands for payments of debts due by the business should be mailed to the corporation at the above address, November 21, 1997. Rick Gordon (Owner)

500 Legal Notices

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR THE COUNTY OF MIDLAND PROPOSED ON-SITE SEWERAGE FACILITY ORDER

The County Commissioners of Midland County, will conduct a public hearing under the authority of Chapter 366, Texas Health & Safety Code to consider the regulation of on-site sewerage facilities (including septic tanks) in Midland, Texas, to prevent possible pollution or injury to public health. A copy of the proposed order is available for review at the Midland County Judge's Office, 200 West Wall, Suite 006. The public hearing will be held at:

Midland County Courthouse
Commissioners Courtroom
200 West Wall, Suite 005
December 29, 1997 at 9:00 am

All interested persons are encouraged to participate in the public hearing.

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for 3.269 km of grade, flexible base, one course undrained, hot-mix structures, etc. on FM 1882 from South frontage road of IH 20 to 3.269 km South, on IH 20 covered by CSR 2005-2, 11 in Ector County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 P.M., January 7, 1998, and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Tom R. Mangrum, Area Engineer, Alpine, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be submitted in sealed envelopes, marked "Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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24-D-2496 24-76-0358-03-033
Etc.

ORDINANCE NO. 7669

An Ordinance changing the zoning use classification of certain property described in section one hereof, which is presently zoned L.R., local retail district, by permitting said property to be used under a specific use permit with term for the sale of alcoholic beverages in a restaurant for on-premise consumption, making said permit subject to certain conditions and restrictions contained herein, providing for a maximum penalty of fine of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), and ordering publication.

City of Midland
Kayla J. McCord
City Secretary

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for 12.347 km of grading, structure, base, 2 course surface treatment on IH 20 from FM 866 to FM 1936 covered by STP 98/35(JM) in Ector County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 P.M., January 7, 1998, and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

This contract is subject to all appropriate Federal Laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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06-D-2407 06-76-2005-02-011

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF WITHDRAWAL OF TWO-DAWACO, AS GENERAL PARTNER OF AMERICAN FRACMASTER, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to provisions of the Texas Revised Limited Partnership Act, that effective December 5, 1997, Two-Dawaco, Inc. has withdrawn as a general partner of American Fracmaster, Ltd. The remaining general partners will continue to conduct the business of American Fracmaster, Ltd. in the future and will pay and discharge all liabilities of American Fracmaster, Ltd. and receive all funds payable to American Fracmaster, Ltd.

FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN that Two-Dawaco, Inc. will not be responsible for any obligation incurred by American Fracmaster, Ltd. subsequent to the 5th day of December, 1997.

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4402 Palmer	3/2	\$675
2205 Sinclair	2/2	\$700
3302-A Haynes	3/2	\$750
2600 Spartan	3/2	\$750
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Bm Bath
Kit Kitchen
Dbl Double
A/C Air conditioning
Mstr Bdrm Master Bedroom
Gar Garage
Bldg Building
Cond Condition
N-QA Non-Qualifying Assumable
QA Qualifying Assumable
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