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Tagaloa signs

MC sophomore Tiala Tagaloa signed with Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach, Fla., to continue her softball career next season./1C

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Taliban fighters surrender weapons

■ Gesture marks final collapse of Taliban rule.

By Kathy Gannon
Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Taliban forces began handing in their weapons in the southern Afghan city of Kandahar on Friday as part of a surrender deal with opposition forces, according to a Pakistan-based news service close to the Islamic militia.

The report, by the Afghan Islamic Press, could not be independently verified immediately.

The news service quoted Taliban leaders in Kandahar as saying they had ordered their fighters to give their weapons to a commission made up of Muslim clerics, local tribal elders and some opposition commanders.

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AP Photo
Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld gestures as he answers a question during a briefing at the Pentagon Thursday in Washington, D.C. Rumsfeld said the U.S. is sticking to its goal to bring Taliban leaders to justice.

Son's Afghan duty prompts mother to seek comfort in uncle's military memories

By Johnnie Montgomery
MRT Correspondent

Having a son with the U.S. Marines in Afghanistan has prompted Lynn Webb of Midland to give more thought to her family's past military service. Two of her husband's uncles served during World War II and another of his uncles served in Korea.

Twenty-three-year-old Lance Cpl. Chris Webb, is a member of the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit, the first group to see action in Afghanistan. Please see MARINE/4A



Webb

It was 60 years ago today ...



'You didn't have time to think about patriotism. You had your battle station. You were kind of scared and you tried to do your job.'

— Walter Browder



'We were busy as bees trying to clear out the damage and get on with our regular duties after the first couple or three days had subsided.'

— Jim Cronenberg

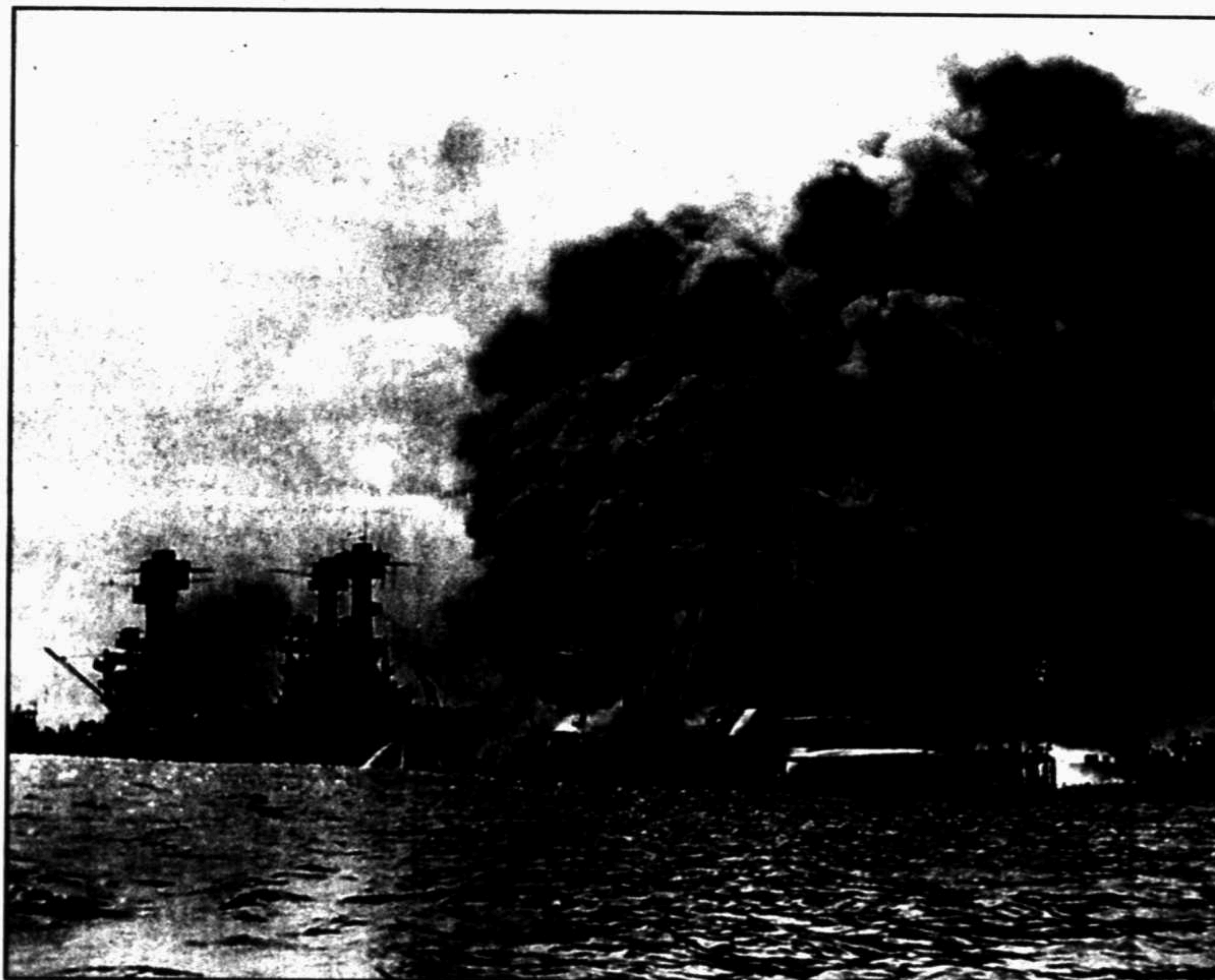


'People were just filling the air with lead. People were firing anything they could get.'

— Henry Page



Story by
Ed Todd



AP Photo
Three U.S. battleships are hit from the air during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in this Dec. 7, 1941, file photo. Japan's bombing of U.S. military bases at Pearl Harbor brought the U.S. into World War II. From left are: USS West Virginia, severely damaged; USS Tennessee, damaged; and USS Arizona, sunk.

Dec. 7: Still 'a date which will live in infamy'

Now six decades into history, the Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor that plunged America resolutely into World War II is a seminal event forever in the hearts of many Americans.

Those include three Midlanders who were there: Dr. Henry Page, Jim Cronenberg and Walter "Wally" Browder.

"I was very grateful I went there because it gave me an opportunity to be an actual witness of a world event, a history-making event," Dr. Henry Page said.

He was a 33-year-old United States Navy physician stationed at Pearl Harbor 60 years ago.

On that Dec. 7 in the post-dawn 7:55 a.m., Page and his medical staff on that Sunday were having their first hot breakfast in about three months. They had just built a mobile-base hospital at Aiea overlooking Ford Island and the U.S. Navy's "battleship row" when the first wave of carrier-borne Japanese fighters, bombers and torpedo aircraft struck the American fleet, naval aircraft and U.S. Army Air Forces airplanes at Oahu.

At first, Page and the others, save one who was immediately alarmed by "rising sun" emblems on the aircraft, thought the flight was an exercise — simulated warfare on that Sunday morning — until the bombing, explosions, fire and smoke.

A corpsman, standing next to Page, fell dead. He was among the first of more than 2,400 Americans, including about a thousand sailors entombed in the USS Arizona, to die as a result of the attack.

"He was hit by a piece of shrapnel — a friendly fire death right there," Page said of the corpsman. "People were just filling the air with lead," including machine-gun and anti-aircraft artillery fire, to shot down the attacking aircraft. "People were firing anything they could get."

Page, who had been assigned to the USS Solace, a hospital ship moored at Pearl Harbor, soon was caring for the wounded at a boxing arena that had been converted to medical base near battleship row. Ships

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Gunman slays one at factory, then kills self

By Tom Coyne
Associated Press

GOSHEN, Ind. — A man opened fire Thursday at the simulated-wood factory where he worked, killing a co-worker and wounding several others before committing suicide, authorities said.

One person was slain inside the Nu-Wood Decorative Millwork plant and a SWAT team later found the gunman with an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound. A gun was near his body.

"He was dead when they found him," Elkhart County Sheriff's Capt. Julie Dijkstra said.

The gunman had apparently just been fired or was about to be fired, she said. His name and those of his victims were not immediately released.

Six people were wounded, State Police Sgt. Brant Klemm said. He described most as "walking wounded," and one victim in critical condition was upgraded to serious condition late Thursday.

Workers told authorities an automatic weapon was used and some injuries appeared to be shotgun wounds.

Earlier, the mayor and hospital administrators said they feared 30 to 35 people had been shot. Corporate reports show that's about how many people are employed at Nu-Wood.

Tammy Funderburk of nearby New Paris said she spoke briefly by cell phone with her 18-year-old son, who worked at the factory and escaped uninjured.

"He saw the gunman coming and he had a big rifle," Funderburk said. "He saw the gunman shooting people and he ran out the back door as fast as he could."

The shooting jolted this northern Indiana community of 29,000 about 100 miles east of Chicago. An elementary school kept its pupils inside and Goshen College, a small school run by Mennonites, told students and faculty to stay indoors.

Alerted by a 911 call from another business nearby, police and SWAT teams surrounded the factory.

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Former MPD officer trial set for January

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

A former Midland Police officer will stand trial early next month on charges stemming from allegations made by a Midland teen in December 2000.

Chris Martin faces charges of "official oppression" as the result of sexual harassment allegations made by the girl.

Martin, 28, is accused of propositioning the girl after he stopped her vehicle. The girl claims Martin offered to let her and her friends go free if she performed a sexual favor for him. Although Martin is accused of requesting the act while on duty, Chief of Police John Urby declined to comment.

Martin denies the allegation, and has pleaded not guilty to the charge. He was fired from the Midland Police Department on Dec. 20, 2000 after being placed on administrative suspension Dec. 17, the day of the alleged incident.

City of Midland Public Information Officer Tina Jauz said the charge of official oppression is related to officers and other public servants.

"(The charge) applies to public servants acting under color of his (or her) office or employ ... intentionally subjecting another to sexual harass-

Please see TRIAL/4A



Martin

Six ROT members receive sentences

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

Six members of the Republic of Texas Thursday received federal sentences in connection with their violation of the National Firearms Act during the 1997 standoff with U.S. and Texas law enforcement.

Richard McLaren, Robert Otto, Robert Scheidt, Greg Paulson, Richard Keyes and Karen Paulson went before U.S. District Judge Royal Furgeson after pleading guilty to the charges in August.

The five men each received 60-month sentences to run consecutively to other sentences on state charges. Karen Paulson, wife of Greg Paulson — another defendant in the case — received a 50-month sentence.

Furgeson, who had steadfastly remained patient with Republic of Texas defendants, finally appeared to lose his patience on Thursday. At one point, he said loudly and to no one in particular, "It's very unlikely that Mr. McLaren will see the light of day. Even if (McLaren) is able to (reverse) the charges in state

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today
Partly cloudy
High 61
Low 30

Saturday
Partly cloudy
High 60
Low 30

Sunday
Partly cloudy
High 56
Low 32

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a highs in the lower 60s with northwesterly winds at 5 to 15 mph. Friday night, expect partly cloudy skies and lows near 30.

For Saturday, expect partly cloudy skies and highs from 55 to 60. Saturday night's forecast calls for clear skies and lows from 30 to 35.

Sunday and Monday ... increasing cloudiness. A slight chance of rain. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the mid-50s.

The high on Thursday reached 64, while the low dropped to 37. The record high for Dec. 6 is 78 set in 1966. The record low is 8 set in 1950.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Thursday ... 0.00 in.
Rainfall Wednesday ... 0.00 in.
Total for month60 in.
Total for year ... 9.75 in.
Normal total (year to date) ... 14.50 in.

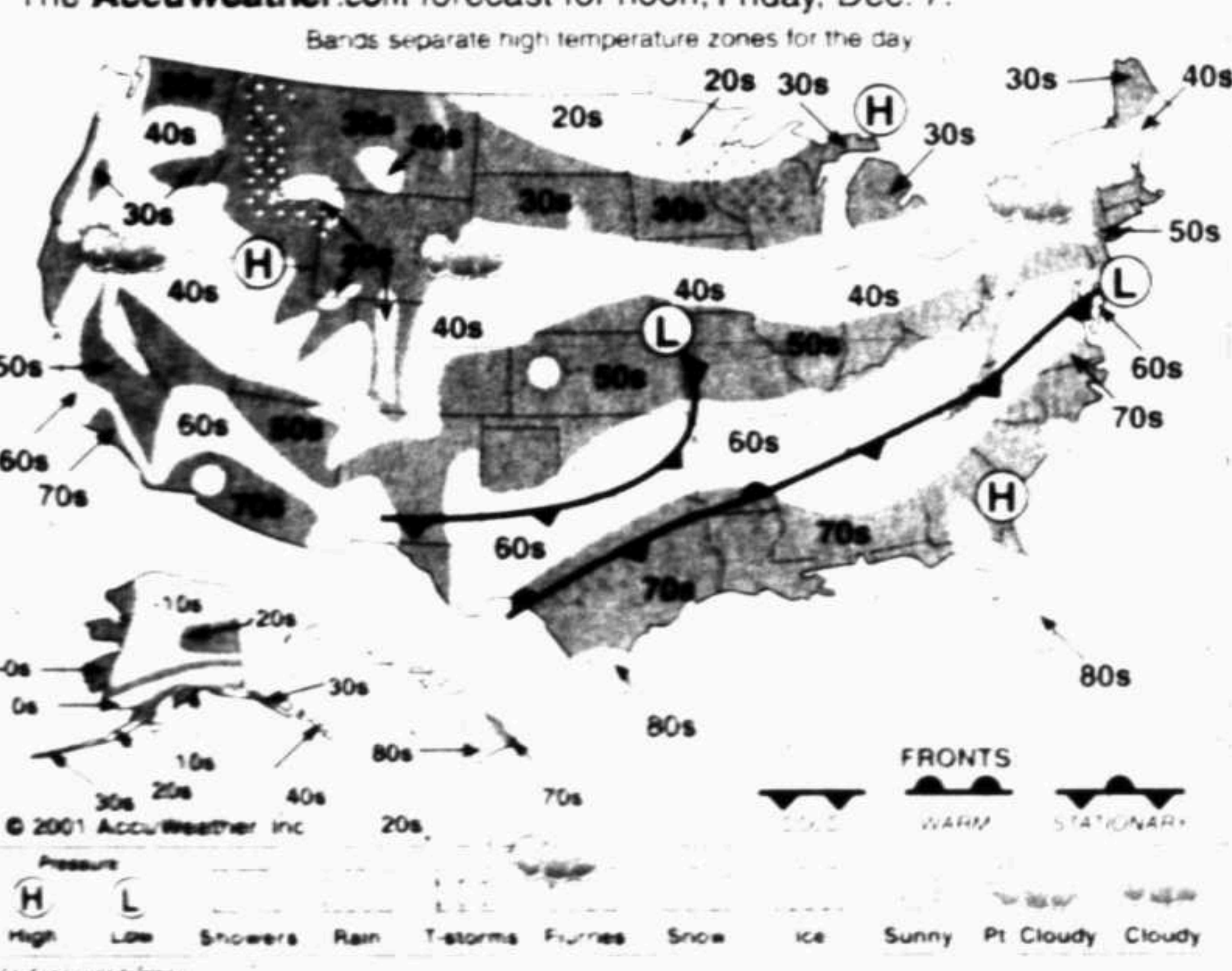
Yesterday's temperatures

High ... 64
Low ... 37
Normal high ... 60
Normal low ... 33
Sunrise ... 7:35 a.m.
Sunset ... 5:44 p.m.

National forecast

National weather

The AccuWeather.com forecast for noon, Friday, Dec. 7.



Abell student found with gun officially expelled from Abell

By Hillary S. Condon
Staff Writer

The Midland Independent School District has officially expelled an Abell Junior High School student found with a gun at school, but the teen-ager's problems aren't over. Now that MISD has finished with him, he has to face criminal charges.

MISD Police Chief Dan Walkenshaw said after the 14-year-old boy was found in possession of an unloaded .25-caliber pistol, a pellet gun and a pocket knife, he was placed in the Culver Youth Home — and then returned to the alternative education unit at Abell. Walkenshaw stressed that before his official expulsion from all MISD schools this week, the student was not in the general population.

"He was in the population of the kids that get in trouble," he said. "They're in the alternative education program, and there was always five or six students at any one time with him. He would never communicate with anyone on the unit, he was under constant supervision."

Walkenshaw also said the AEP

unit is fully supervised with a camera system and periodic checks by an MISDPD officer. The facility is also closed off — no one sees in, no one gets in. Walkenshaw said he wasn't sure if the students in AEP are allowed to ride the regular school buses with other students.

But the student won't see the inside of Abell Junior High, or any other MISD facility, for a long time. The hearing officially declared the student expelled from all MISD schools for one calendar year from the date of his arrest — Nov. 1.

The expelled student and his parents still have other options — but they are far different from the one he knew at Abell. "It's his and his family's choice, but he's offered the alternative education program inside the MISD-operated Culver Youth Home," Walkenshaw said. "He'd have to be taken there by his parents or walk, they'd strip-search him going in. He has the option to continue his education there. If he causes problems there, he's totally out. But he's not out of options at this point."

ROT: Richard McLaren compares judge to Hitler

(From 1A)

court he will be a very, very old man before he gets out."

The struggle in the courtroom began early at McLaren's trial, again, against the court's lack of jurisdiction in the case. He also started the day's trend by saying he was coerced into entering a guilty plea in the middle of the trial.

However, Ferguson, beginning positively with each defendant because he was McLaren, Otto and Scheidt, spurred his patience.

"When you plead guilty, you have said you are guilty," Ferguson told McLaren.

McLaren said, "You're persecuting me on my political status, and that's illegal. There will be political remedies."

Ferguson defended the impartiality of McLaren's trial as fair and impartial, but McLaren did not agree.

"Like Hitler did to the Jews," McLaren spat.

Ferguson responded, "(This is) almost the rantings of a crazy person."

Otto tested Ferguson's nerves once again, this time to a higher degree as Otto enforced at

every objection that he was emotionally prodded and coerced into making a plea of guilt.

Ferguson told Otto, "The games you have played, have made a mockery of this proceeding. You can come in here, and either way, you have lied. I'm limited to sentencing you to five years. You got an enormous break."

In the courtroom, as the defendants spoke out, their former kidnapping victims, Joe and Margarette Rowe, sat silently in the back rows of the courtroom. With the sentence, the Rowes said this brings little closure to the last four years of conflict.

"I don't feel finality to it, because it's not over. They're outrageous," Ms. Rowe said.

The Rowes were held captive in March 1997 by several of the defendants, prompting the stand-off with authorities.

The sentences for each defendant will resume consecutively following other sentences being served on state charges, with the exception of Scheidt, who has not received any other sentences.

MARINE: Mother compiling scrapbook for son's return

(From 1A)

Afghanistan. His sensitive military location has brought an end to communication with his family in Midland.

Ms. Webb said talking to her husband's uncle, Oris Webb, comforts her. "He tells me of his older brothers' experience in World War II, and he tells me of his experience in Korea, and I feel that a lot of what they felt must be what Chris is feeling now," she said. "I can't explain why that helps, but it does."

In addition to Oris Webb's service, Lynn Webb's husband, Paul, had two other uncles who fought in World War II:

■ Hollis Webb drove a Jeep for medics in the 3rd Army at the Battle of Belgium. He landed in Normandy six days after D-Day.

■ Raymond Webb, now deceased, served in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific, including action at Iwo Jima.

"I really didn't know my husband's uncles that well, and World War II was an important part of history, but it had no personal meaning for me."

Now she hungers for the details of their lives, to bring some meaning to what her son must be facing.

Every television station in the Webb home is tuned into CNN, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"Until our computer crashed last week, I spent eight or nine hours a day on the Internet, downloading all the information about the war that I could," she said. "We knew from keeping up on the Internet and from watching

TV that he's been in Pakistan 10 days on the ground."

It was over the Internet she discovered her son's photograph at least twice.

She has downloaded the photos and voluminous copies of reports of the fighting from news services and is compiling them into a scrapbook for the day her son returns home.

"He's in Charlie Company, the first ones on the ground, and there's Chris, second from the left," she said, pointing at her son, a 1997 graduate of Lee High School.

Ms. Webb said her son had tried to prepare her for the eventuality of fighting.

"He said, 'I'm trying to prepare you for the fact that the U.S. will probably be in conflict in the next four years,'" she said. "He said that we seem to be in a battle about every 10 years, and since we have a new president named Bush, other countries would be pushing our buttons. Then last January when he came home before shipping out, he told me again to be prepared."

She said her son had been a faithful student of history and closely monitored world politics.

She had kept in touch with him via e-mail until his deployment to Afghanistan.

"We would e-mail him every day, and we would get an e-mail from him about every two weeks, because with between 1,200 and 1,500 Marines and between 800 and 900 Navy personnel, they had to sign up to use the computers and they only had three minutes on the Internet."

"Usually he would just tell us that he was all right, and that he was training, but that he couldn't tell us what training he was doing, but

then we got three e-mails in a row, and the last one said, 'This will probably be the last e-mail you'll get from me for a while,'" she said. "It was very frightening, because as a parent you always want to protect your children."

The Webbs' older son, Todd, 30, is a firefighter in Corpus Christi and had considered joining the military, too.

"Todd wanted very much to join the Marines, but he had a hearing problem, so he couldn't," she said. "They are both very, very patriotic."

Now, Todd Webb phones his parents daily to talk about his brother. He and his parents swap news and theories about what may be happening to the youngest brother in Afghanistan.

Church and friends have also been a source of strength for the family.

"They've offered up prayers for Chris's protection, and for the protection of the other Marines," said Ms. Webb. "And of course, Paul and I think of him every moment."

"I pray for him, and ask that God send angels to surround and protect him," she said, "and I've prayed throughout this whole ordeal that this war will go down in history as the war in which there are the fewest of all soldiers killed."

"I immediately go into prayer mode every time I hear that a soldier has been shot down. I pray for the parents even before I know who they are."

Lynn Webb is hoping to form a support group for those who have loved ones serving in the U.S. Marines in Afghanistan. She may be contacted at 699-4703.

ATTACK: Page cries when national anthem played

(From 1A)

there included the Nevada, Arizona, Tennessee, West Virginia, Maryland, Oklahoma, California and Pennsylvania.

Page and other doctors were "busy as all get-out there from early in the morning to all through the day and far into the night. And the next morning, I was exhausted. Things had quieted down."

"The flames were still flickering on top of the water" as oil from the ships "burned for a long time thereafter."

And in his radio speech before the U.S. Congress the day after the attack, President Franklin D. Roosevelt pronounced Dec. 7, 1941, as "a date which will live in infamy."

The president's address was aired on the public address system at Pearl Harbor.

The band played the national anthem.

And Page cried. "I looked out and you could see the smoke coming out still from the ships," he said. "And at the top of the mast of a battleship, perhaps the USS West Virginia, Page said he could see "the American flag flying."

"And I really just started to cry," he said. "It dawned on me a great feeling: This is what the flag stands for. I had the opportunity to see that flag still flying after a horrible attack."

"It was a very emotional experience on my part. When I tell people about it even now, my eyes fill up a little bit because there is something deep inside."

In comparing the Pearl Harbor attack to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Page said "There's an awful lot in common because it came as a total surprise."

"And everyone started doing their thing" in both instances. "Everyone around Pearl Harbor I came in contact with had proceeded with purposeful activity. That's what saved the day. They went around and did it. In New York, the firemen and all did their duty. And that brought everything under control. There was no gross hysteria on either occasion."

JIM CRONENBERG

Jim Cronenberg was a 22-year-old U.S. Navy officer asleep in his BOQ (bachelor officers' quarters) on Ford Island when the attack came.

He was assigned to the Naval Air Station at Pearl Harbor, academically was rooted in mechanical engineering, and had studied aero-

nautical engineering, compliments of the U.S. Navy, at New York University.

"The attack was on at full bore before I was at my general quarters station," recalled Cronenberg, who then was "assigned the job of driving a truck to pick up the wounded — the ambulatory wounded — from the ships so we could get them to our little hospital on Ford Island."

He was stationed at Pearl Harbor for almost two years, including two months before the attack.

"Since we were somewhat isolated in Hawaii versus the mainland," Cronenberg said "we were busy as bees trying to clear out the damage and get on with our regular duties after the first couple or three days had subsided. We built gun emplacements and sand-bagged gun emplacements and that sort of thing."

The Navy established concrete revetments along the runway on Ford Island and rebuilt damaged hangars at the Naval Air Station.

The Americans at Pearl Harbor were bound to duty.

"We were not panic-stricken on the island," Cronenberg said, "although the battleship Arizona was sunk and on fire and burned for several days after the attack."

"Other battleships had turned turtle and were bottoms up." There was dredging of the harbor to get rid of "sunk (Japanese) submarines and aircraft that had been shot down by our various ships and shore-station gunners during the attack."

"But we didn't panic and run around like the 'Pearl Harbor' movie depicts us," he said. During the attack and for the war's duration, "We were just doing our regular job," said Cronenberg, a naval officer who was assigned to the Naval Air Station's Assembly and Repair department and repaired and maintained aircraft, including the PBX Catalina flying boat used by patrol squadrons.

He had volunteered for the Navy rather than get drafted in the Army and was commissioned in 1941 before the attack.

"I'm fortunate to have survived," Cronenberg said.

Before the war, Pearl Harbor was "a choice billet," he noted. "It's a beautiful place. It was very good duty."

"Back in those days, it was calm and relatively uninhabited compared to five years after the war. We liked it until the attack. After that, we were just doing our duty

a little bit more diligently and with more fervor than we had before, perhaps."

"We even had four-strippers, commanding officers, captains, out there chopping up ammunition boxes and munitions, rifles, small arms, so we could get them faster."

Of his being stationed at Pearl Harbor, "I think I was fortunate in being there." After the attack, "I was not subjected to anything like rationing or other shortages, which occurred back on the mainland. I was in a completely different world, you might say, than for people in the U.S. of A. We didn't suffer from any shortages, but this was in the service."

After the attack 60 years ago, "Patriotism was higher than I would say it is today," Cronenberg said. "Women as well as men were volunteering for the service or they had some job which was crucial to the war effort. It was united effort."

WALLY BROWDER

Walter "Wally" Browder, now 79, was a 19-year-old radioman aboard the USS Detroit, a World War I-type light cruiser, at the time of the Japanese attack.

"We were on the opposite side of Ford Island from the battleships" and were at a docking facility, Browder recalled. The USS Detroit was the flagship for Destroyer Flotilla One, Pacific Fleet, Browder said, and carried the admiral.

About the time Japanese Commander Mitsuo Fuchida cried "Tora! Tora! Tora!" in leading the first wave of Japanese aircraft attacking battleship row, Browder was settling in for his watch as the USS Detroit's radioman.

It was 7:55 a.m. on that quiet and clear Sunday morning.

"And I had just relieved the midnight watch," Browder said. "And I was sitting down to type up some messages, and I heard an explosion and, of course, I ran out on deck and saw Japanese planes flying ... over our stacks."

"The first thing I saw was this Jap torpedo plane," which passed over the USS Detroit. "He had already dropped his fish."

The USS Detroit's command sounded "general quarters, which was to go to your battle stations, and that's what we did."

Guns "starting shooting the anti-aircraft guns" at the Japanese aircraft from six escorted flat-tops — the Akagi, Kaga, Soryu, Hiryu, Shokaku and Zuikaku.

After the second wave of Japanese aircraft attacked, the U.S. Navy "put out to sea with every-

thing that could float and formed a task force to go look" for the Japanese and their fleet of aircraft carriers and their battleships and other escorts.

"It was probably about an hour or two after the actual attack started that we were able to get under way," Browder said. "That was the orders we had" — to attack the Japanese fleet.

"They (the Japanese fleet) were out 250 miles, something like that. We would have been outnumbered, for sure, had we made contact. It's real lucky we didn't find them."

"You didn't have time to think about patriotism," Browder said of the attack and ensuing battles before the war's end in 1945. "You had your battle station."

"You were kind of scared," Browder said, "and you tried to do your job."

"One reason I joined the Navy (was) I didn't want to be drafted. I joined the Navy in November 1940 right out of high school. You could see Hitler's operation over there (in Europe). And you knew that it would be a matter of time before America got into the war."

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TRIAL: Martin passes polygraph tests

(From 1A)

In the motion, Rogers writes

"that polygraphs are admissible before court on preliminary matters" as held in a previous case. Rogers also noted a U.S. Supreme Court ruling, which admitted polygraph results "at least on the issue of probable cause."

However, since polygraph tests remain inadmissible in court proceedings, on Nov. 28, Judge Marvin Moore denied the polygraph results presentation to the jury.

According to records related to the two polygraphs taken by Martin, the questions hit at the heart of Martin's honesty.

"Did you threaten or arrest (the alleged teenage victim's) friends to force her to do anything sexual with you?" the polygraph administrator asked.

Martin responded negatively, and the test's administrator, Don-

ald W. Ramsey of Behavior Measures and Forensic Services L.L.C., gave his opinion in favor of Martin's accurate and truthful testimony.

"Mr. Martin's answers to the relevant test questions noted above are considered to be truthful," Ramsey said in his official findings.

However, those polygraph results will not sustain themselves in the actual trial for Martin.

If convicted, Martin could face one year in jail and a fine up to \$4,000 on the Class A Misdemeanor charge.

Ms. Jauz said Martin was hired by the Midland Police Department on Aug. 28, 1998. Less than two years after his hiring, he was fired from the MPD.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-7-8

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The Cash Five winning numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-12-26-32-34

SHOOTING: SWAT teams surround factory, cordon off industrial park

(From 1A)

ry and cordoned off the industrial park on the edge of town. Twelve nearby plants were evacuated, and more than a dozen ambulances lined up near the complex.

"The place is smothered in cops," Chris Barouska, a parts manager at a neighboring Ingersoll-Rand factory, said as authorities scrambled to find the gunman. "Completely surrounded."

By late afternoon, people were leaving the building with their hands on their heads and rescue crews removed people on stretchers.

Nu-Wood makes a polyurethane-based product that resembles white pine and is used as decorative trimming by homebuilders and remodelers.

According to Dun & Bradstreet, the company employs 35 people and reported \$3.1 million in sales last year. Nu-Wood changed its name from GR Plastics Inc. earlier this year and leased

es 40,000 square feet at the Goshen building.

Herb Stein, a Nu-Wood manufacturer's representative who works out of his home in Akron, Ohio, said it was not a typical factory.

"It's not like an assembly line situation," he said. "Everyone knows each other, and everyone intermixes with each other."

Randy Zelman, who sells Nu-Wood products to wholesalers that supply builders and developers, said he heard about the shooting as he drove home to Columbus, Ohio.

"I'm all shook up," Zelman said in a telephone interview from a Dayton, Ohio, gas station. "I'm concerned for the people because they treat me like family."

On the Net:

Factory: <http://www.nu-wood.com>



AP Photo
Police officers gather near the scene of a shooting at Nuwood Products, a simulated-wood factory in Goshen Ind. where a man opened fire, Thursday, killing at least one co-worker and wounding several others before committing suicide, authorities said.

TALIBAN: Surrender pact makes no mention of Osama bin Laden

(From 1A)

Similar surrenders were also taking place in nearby Lashkargah, the capital of Helmand province, the agency said, as well as in several other centers in the region. The surrenders reportedly started early Friday morning.

In Washington, Haron Amin, a spokesman for the opposition northern alliance, said he was unaware of the report that a surrender was in progress. In Florida, Maj. Ralph Mills at U.S. Central Command declined to comment. The Pentagon has refrained from commenting on most reports of military action until the following day.

The reports come a day after the Taliban agreed to surrender Kandahar, their last bastion and birthplace, if their warriors were not punished and safety was guaranteed to leader Mullah Mohammed Omar, who once vowed to fight to the death.

The United States said it would not accept any deal allowing the cleric to go free.

The deal and apparent subsequent surrender marked the final collapse of the militant movement that imposed strict Islamic rule on Afghanistan for five years.

The report of the surrenders made no mention of any resistance by Taliban fighters. Instead it reported some Taliban personnel as saying that they were following the orders of Omar.

Until the surrender deal was cut on Thursday, Omar had ordered his men to defend Kandahar to the death.

However, the Taliban reversed their hardline position after top opposition tribal leader, Hamid Karzai, agreed to guarantee Omar's safety if he denounced terrorism.

Karzai, who is to head Afghanistan's new interim government, also said he would grant a general amnesty to Afghan Taliban fighters who surrender.

Washington has accused Omar of protecting Osama bin Laden and his terrorist al-Qaida group, who are blamed for the September terrorist attacks in the United States.

The United States has made it clear that it will not accept a deal that allows Omar and other top Taliban leaders to go free.

Omar has made no public statement in regards to the surrender agreement and Karzai has said that he does not know the whereabouts of Omar or bin Laden.

The murky surrender pact made no mention of bin Laden and left unclear the fate of hundreds of Arabs, Pakistanis,

Chechens and other foreign fighters in al-Qaida.

After briefing members of the Senate on the situation in Afghanistan, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld was asked whether the United States would insist on U.S. justice or would agree to let an international tribunal deal with Omar.

"We would prefer to have Omar," Rumsfeld replied. He said "There's still a good deal of confusion" surrounding the surrender.

Karzai, however, said the United States had not been consulted. "This is an Afghan question," he told the BBC.

In Washington, U.S. officials said al-Qaida fighters are believed operating from five to 10 cave complexes at Tora Bora in the White Mountains south of Jalalabad. Officials suspect bin Laden is in that area but also are on alert for his presence in the south around Kandahar.

Southwest of that city, U.S. Marines went on alert and fired mortars and flares into the desert from their base after detecting what a spokesman said "appears to be a credible threat."

A UH-1N Huey helicopter crashed near the airstrip at Camp Rhino, and Marine spokesman Capt. Stewart Upton said two servicemen received minor injuries, one of them on the ground. The

cause of the crash was under investigation, but Upton said. "We are 99 percent sure that the helicopter did not crash because of enemy fire."

Many of the unconfirmed details of the surrender agreement

came from Salam Zaeef, the former Taliban ambassador to Pakistan, who said a former guerrilla leader from the war against the Soviets, Mullah Naqib Ullah, would take control of Kandahar within days.

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OBITUARIES



Mae Ollie Lacy

Funeral services for Mae O. Lacy will be Saturday, Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. at Lighthouse Pentecostal. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Mae Ollie Lacy was born May 29, 1914 in Palestine, TX, to Will & Willie Mae Evans Lacy. She moved to Midland in 1946 where she worked in various private homes and the Spot Cafe for many years.

Ms. Lacy was a longtime, dedicated member of Lighthouse Pentecostal Church under the leadership of District Elder I.J. Stanford where she was a deaconess.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers: Willard Lacy and Autry Lacy, both of Lubbock, TX, and J.C. Lacy of Amarillo.

She departed this life on Dec. 5, 2001. She leaves to cherish her memories: her only daughter Ramona (Shaw) Ball, and her only grandson, Mychael A. Ball Sr. and his wife Mollie Nelson Ball of Midland, TX, two brothers, Earnest Lacy of Lubbock, Paul Lacy of Midland, and three sisters, Ruby Bailey of Waco, Virgie Mae Lacy of Victorville,

CA., and Modina Robinson of Lubbock. She also leaves five great-grandchildren, Mychael Jr., Mylyra & Mykelti Ball, Jasmine Jackson, and Andrienne Lide, and host of other relatives and friends.

Velma L. Myers

Velma L. Myers died in a local care facility on Wednesday, December 5, 2001.

A visitation has been set for Friday, December 7, 2001 from 6-8 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services have been scheduled for 1 p.m., Saturday, December 8, 2001 at Meadow Church of Christ in Meadow, Texas with L.V. Ellison officiating. Interment will follow in Meadow Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Velma Myers was born August 19, 1904 in Hooker County, Oklahoma to Benjamin and Alma Pearl Sanford. On January 22, 1933, she married J.A. Myers.

Velma was preceded in death by her husband, J.A. Myers; one son, Allison Woodrow Myers; 3 sisters and 2 brothers.

She is survived by her daughters, Wanda Corbin and her husband, Dorman, of Portales, New Mexico, Laveice Huddleston and her husband, Harlan, of Jal, New Mexico, and Mary Crabtree and her husband, Joe, of Midland; her 5 grandchildren, James Corbin, David Corbin, Judy Irwin, Teresa Mitchell and Randy Crabtree; her sister, Laverne Caswell of Brownfield, Texas; one brother, Bob Sanford of Ft. Worth, Texas; 12 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great-grandchildren; a loving and caring friend and caregiver, Mary Walker; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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DEATH NOTICES/7A

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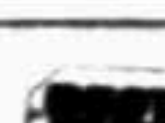
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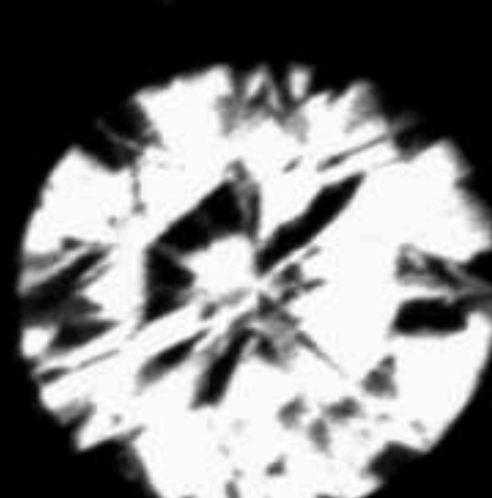
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DEATH NOTICES

Dell King

ODESSA — Dell King died Tuesday, Dec. 4. Services are at 2 p.m., today, Dec. 7 at Cuthbert Avenue Baptist Church with the Rev. Don Knight officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. King was born Nov. 14, 1924 in Oklahoma to George Edward and Lora Mae Crowder. She was reared and educated in Brownwood. On Aug. 27, 1965 Dell married Roy F. King in Midland. She was a member of Cuthbert Avenue Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Roy King, of Odessa; her sister, Gilma Morgan of Arlington; her son, Don Louis Jones; her daughter, Linda McCollum all of Odessa; step-children, Bill King of Hurst, Pat Potts of Arlington and Beverly Birch of Garland; 15

grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Willie Wardlaw

WACO — Willie Wardlaw, 99, died Wednesday, Dec. 5 at a local nursing home. A Rosary will be held at the Wilkerson-Hatch-Bailey chapel at 7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 6. A mass will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, Dec. 7 at St. Mary's Catholic Church of the Assumption.

Mrs. Wardlaw was born April 17, 1902 to Alonzo and Dora Mapes. She married Newton J. Wardlaw in Ballinger, Sept. 16, 1920. He preceded her in death in 1977.

She is survived by her daughters, Billye Warner of Waco, Ann Estes of Midland, Sitta Rowe of Del Rio; a son, Pat Wardlaw of Waco; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to

Providence Hospital, 4830 Lakewood, Waco, Texas, 76710 and St. Mary's Catholic Church of the Assumption, 1401 Washington, Waco, 76701.

Briton De Leon

Briton Ray De Leon, infant son of Rory and Lorrie De Leon died Thursday, Dec. 6 at his residence. Visitation will be held on Friday, Dec. 7 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home. Services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 8 at Calvary Assembly Church with the Rev. Randall McDonald officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home.

His grandfather, Ray De Leon preceded him in death.

He is survived by his parents, Rory and Lorrie De Leon of Midland, a brother, Matthew Awbrey of Midland; grandparents Teresa De Leon of Midland and Ron and Pat Awbrey of Midland; as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Alma Higgins

BIG SPRING — Services for Alma Higgins, 82, are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. She died Thursday, Dec. 6 at her home.

Texas man charged in LSD ring

BOSTON (AP) — A Texas man allegedly supplied two Andover teen-agers with LSD by shipping the drug to them in bottles of mouthwash, federal prosecutors said.

Gregory Lloyd Giamboi, 32, of Houston pleaded innocent Thursday in federal court. He remained in federal custody, as he has since his Nov. 8 arrest in Houston by the U.S. Marshals Service.

The teen-agers allegedly distributed the LSD to friends and high school classmates in and around Andover, authorities said. Kids ingested the LSD by taking a drop — or "hit" — on their tongue.

Among Giamboi's charges are two counts of distribution of LSD to a person under the age of 21, and two counts of use of a person under 18 years of age to distribute and to possess with intent to distribute LSD.

Authorities said the shipments occurred between December 1998 and May 2000.

Giamboi supplied 13 bottles, each containing approximately 100 hits of LSD, prosecutors said.

The teen-agers are not being charged, authorities said.

Study shows Texas Medical Center plays large role in region's economy

HOUSTON (AP) — Economists who studied the impact of the Texas Medical Center on Southeast Texas said the complex is among the economic magnets that draws new businesses to Southeast Texas while pumping billions of dollars into the economy.

"It's one of the major growth pulls of this region," Bill Gilmer, an economist with the Houston office of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, said Thursday. "It's been growing steadily for at least 20 years."

Gilmer said the model he and University of Houston-Clear Lake professor Robert Hodgins set up was based on spending by the medical complex. Hodgins said spending by the medical center translates to income for other businesses in the region.

According to their research, the Texas Medical Center spent at least \$5.8 billion last year regionally,

which is more than Emory University's Medical Center in Atlanta, where an estimated \$3.4 billion in spending took place.

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Meeting

The Midland Permian Basin Chapter, ARMA regular monthly meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at 600 N. Maricopa Street, second floor conference room 215. Members are asked to bring canned goods to be donated to The Permian Basin Food Bank and an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots. Lunch and meeting cost is \$13 for members and \$15 for non-members. Meeting only costs \$5 for members and \$7.50 for nonmembers. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Steve Gandy by either calling 688-5869, faxing

688-5408 or e-mailing steve_gandy@ironmountain.com by Tuesday. Free covered parking available.

Collection

The West Texas Rangers Riding Club (WTRRC), an equestrian family organization, on Saturday, Dec. 8, will be collecting children's play things and food goods to benefit the Toys for Tots campaign and the Midland Soup Kitchen Ministry.

The riding club is setting up four locations to take the donations from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, according to WTRRC President Bill Stone. The locations are the parking lots of the Lawrence Brothers Grocery Store off the Rankin Highway, the Pecan Grove Mobile Home Park off U.S. Highway 80, the Ranger Station in the Greenwood community, and the Midland Independent School District Bus Barn off County Road 60.

Those unable to deliver the donations to the sites may telephone Stone at 631-2724 or WTRRC Vice President Bobby Hennis at 570-9904, Stone said, and WTRRC members will pick up the donations.

POLICE REPORTS

Compiled from staff reports.

Violation of probation:

Lateresa Christian, 32, of Odessa was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 9 a.m. Wednesday on two charges of probation violation. \$2,500 bond paid.

Violation of probation:

Marcus Esquivel, 24, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the 400 block of South Main Street on a charge of probation violation. \$1,000 bond paid.

Violation of probation:

Reynaldo Hernandez Jr., 24, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at noon Wednesday at 115 W. Industrial Avenue on a charge of probation violation. \$1,000 bond paid.

Violation of probation:

Delis Pierre, 27, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies in the Lubbock County Jail on a charge of probation violation. \$10,000 bond.

Theft:

Jackie Denise Lawson, 29, of Lubbock was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at noon Wednesday at the Dawson State Jail on

two charges of theft. No bond.

Theft:

Laura Potter, 50, of Dallas was arrested by Midland Police officers at 1 a.m. Wednesday at the intersection of Lamesa and Illinois Streets on a charge of theft. \$500 bond.

Assault on a family member:

Margarita Losoya, 47, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the 1700 block of East Butternut Avenue on a charge of assault on a family member. No bond.

Violation of parole:

Pablo Mora, 42, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers at 10 p.m. Wednesday at the intersection of Weatherford and Florida Streets on a charge of parole violation. No bond.

Possession of a controlled substance:

Lawrence Wynne III, 23, of Tyler was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 7 a.m. Wednesday at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice on charges of possessing of a controlled substance and probation violation.

Killer arraigned on drug charge; confesses to 26 slayings

By Lynn Brezozky
Associated Press

BROWNSVILLE — A man convicted in four murders more than two decades ago has told an investigator he was a drug cartel hit man and never charged with 26 other killings.

Juan Martin Cantu, who was arraigned Thursday on a felony marijuana possession charge, told Cameron County constable's investigator George Gavito during a videotaped interview Wednesday he committed the additional slayings in a wide swath stretching from Vera Cruz, Mexico, to Michigan.

"He sat down with me and he told me that he started to kill people when he was 14," Gavito said. "He kind of thinks it's all behind him and wanted to get it off his chest. I was here to listen."

Cantu, 46, is the son of a poor rancher in the small Mexican state of Morelos. His first victim apparently had threatened his brother.

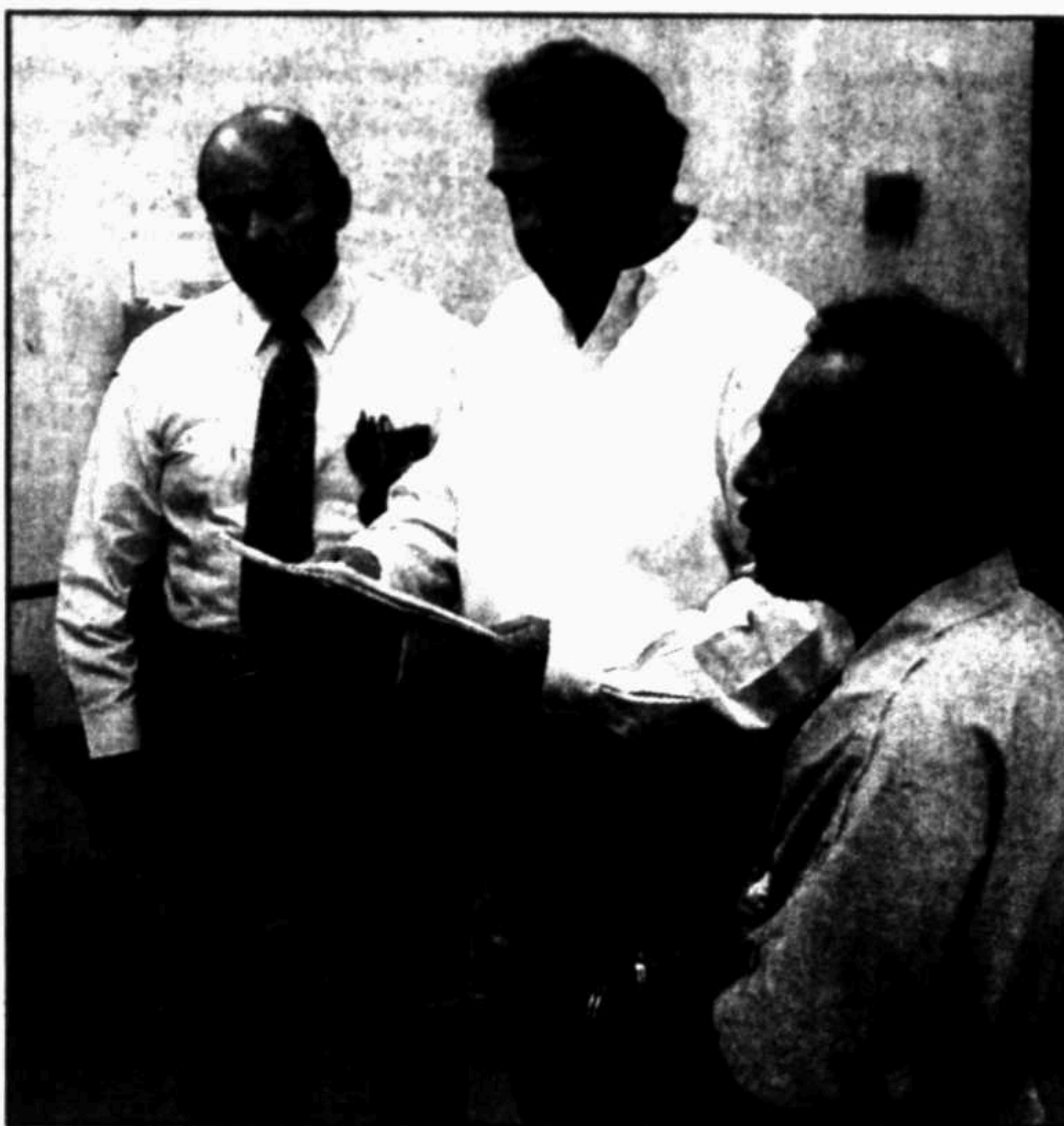
By 17, he had become a contract killer who since has used at least 10 aliases, Gavito learned during the interview.

Investigator Lt. Joe Garcia, the arresting officer, said Cantu is a known hit man who worked for Matamoros drug kingpin Cacho Espinosa, or "El Chacal," who was assassinated by rival Juan Garcia Abrego.

Cantu drew attention in 1980, when under a binational treaty signed during the Carter administration he was transferred to a Mexican prison to complete a lengthy Texas prison sentence. Mexican authorities released him four years later, Gavito said.

Gavito said he recognized Cantu from his previous convictions. "I asked him, 'Do you get off on this, get a joy from it?' And he smiles and he tells me, 'You know, it gives me a thrill,'" Gavito said.

Cantu was arraigned Thursday after being picked up on a search



AP Photo
Juan Martin Cantu, 46, right, gestures during his arraignment on marijuana charges Thursday, in Brownsville. Medrano, convicted in four murders more than two decades ago has told an investigator he was a drug cartel hit man and was never charged in 26 other killings. Deputy Lt. Constable Joe Garza, left, and Deputy Constable George Gavito look on.

warrant, Gavito said. He was being detained in Cameron County by the Immigration and Naturalization Service and may be prosecuted for illegal entry.

Gavito said Cantu placed the unsolved murders in several Mexican cities: Vera Cruz, Ciudad Juarez and Matamoros. Cantu also said he killed people in Brownsville, Houston, Dallas; Naples and Jacksonville, Fla.; and Alabama.

Cantu's criminal record in Texas dates to at least 1974, when he was convicted of burglary. After at least two more felony convictions for lesser offenses, he confessed in 1978 to six slayings, Gavito said.

The victims were killed with

currently in Cameron County, Gavito said.

Gavito said Cantu also was convicted in the Feb. 12, 1978, slaying of an Alabama man. He had no further information on that case.

Cantu also said he was responsible for the Feb. 5, 1978, slayings of Manuel Lopez and Miguel Garcia, both of Matamoros, Mexico, where they were killed. The disposition of those cases was unclear Thursday.

Cantu told investigators he had been living in Laguna Heights area outside Brownsville with his common-law wife for about 11 years.

When arrested Thursday, he had just received a large shipment of mesquite. Lt. Garcia said. He told Garcia that he grills at backyard barbecues as one of his odd jobs.

The wife and several friends were in the residence at the time of the arrest but were not charged.

"What gets me is that the wife didn't know his real name," Garcia said. "I laughed. He said, 'Would you please give this (name) to my wife and tell her to visit me.'"

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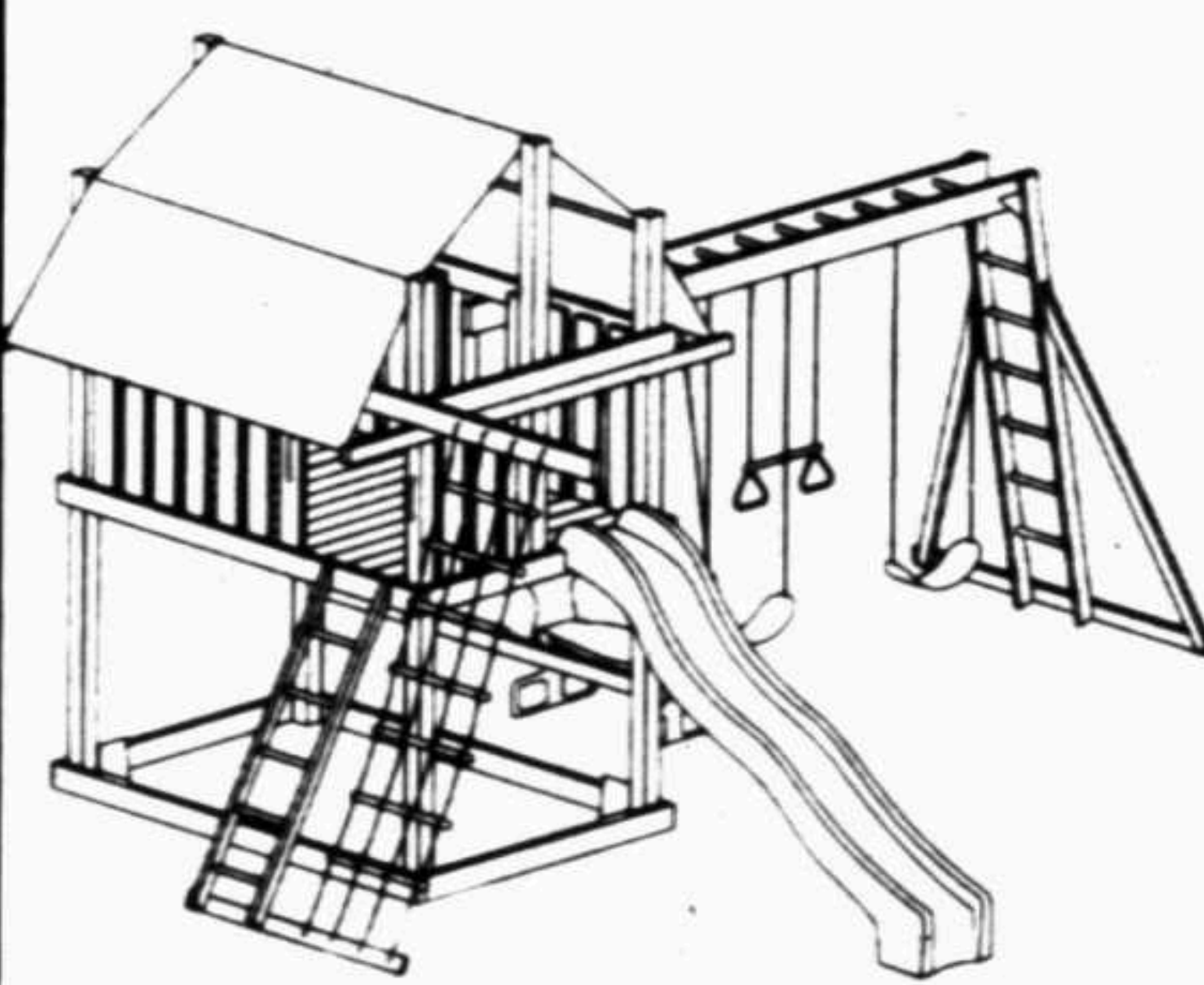
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Anniversary of Pearl Harbor time to reflect

The inevitable comparisons between Sept. 11 and Dec. 7, 1941 are likely to continue for some time and those comparisons do not diminish the magnitude of either event.

There was the incredible loss of life. There was attack without warning. There was the shock and then the lingering horror. There was anger and a desire to even the score.

Today, there are fewer and fewer Americans old enough to personally recall the events of Dec. 7, 1941. We have a great number of Americans who have learned about the attack on Pearl Harbor not from their parents or grandparents or even from history textbooks, but instead have garnered much of their "knowledge" about Dec. 7, 1941 from Hollywood movies.

There is great comfort in looking back on World War II and knowing America, the Allies and the belief in democracy prevailed over hate and imperialism. But those who are old enough to remember "the war years" will tell you the ultimate outcome of the war didn't always look so certain to them. In towns across America, there were civil defense drills and rationing of goods. Sons proudly marched off to war, but they didn't always return home to their mothers. There was fear, suspicion and sacrifice. The strong courageous voices of Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill reassured, rallied and comforted the men and women who found the strength to overcome the evil forces that had once seemed invincible.

Today, in America we enjoy an unparalleled quality of life. We enjoy tremendous freedom and prosperity.

But it hasn't always been an easy ride. From the days of the Revolutionary War to today's battle against an enemy that is elusive, unseen and without principle. Americans have had to fight to preserve the things we cherish.

Much has been said and written over the past 60 years about the attack on Pearl Harbor.

What we know for certain is the unprecedented attack galvanized our nation. It made us re-examine who we were and what we believed would be worth fighting for in the years ahead.

In the pages of history, the Dec. 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor stands as a symbol. It was a turning point. From that day forward, Americans were committed to defeating the forces of evil.

It is a lesson that won't be forgotten.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Dec. 7, the 341st day of 2001. There are 24 days left in the year.

Today is night in history.

Sixty years ago on Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese forces attacked American and British territories and possessions in the Pacific, including the home base of the U.S. Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii.

On this date in 1787, Delaware became the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1796, electors chose John Adams to be the second president of the United States.

In 1880, Martin Van Buren was elected the eighth president of the United States.

In 1842, the New York Philharmonic gave its first concert.

In 1946, the broke out at the Wineoff Hotel in Atlanta, the blaze killed 119 people, including hotel founder W. Frank Wineoff.

In 1972, America's last moon mission to date was launched as Apollo 17 blasted off from Cape Canaveral.

In 1972, Imelda Marcos, wife of Philippine President Ferdinand F. Marcos, was stabbed and seriously wounded by an assailant who was then shot dead by her bodyguards.

In 1987, retired Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart died in Hanover, N.H. at age 70.

In 1988, a major earthquake in the Soviet Union devastated northern Armenia; official estimates put the death toll at 25,000.

In 1995, a 746-pound probe from the Galileo spacecraft hurtled into Jupiter's atmosphere, sending back data to the mothership before it was presumably destroyed.

Ten years ago, fifty years after Japan's sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, a visibly moved President Bush led the nation in services commemorating the anniversary.

Five years ago, The space shuttle Columbia landed at the Kennedy Space Center, ending a nearly 18-day mission marred by a jammed hatch that prevented two planned spacewalks.

One year ago, Al Gore's lawyer, David Boies, pleaded with the Florida Supreme Court to order vote recounts and revive his presidential campaign. Republican attorneys called George W. Bush the certified, rightful victor.

CAL THOMAS

'Soaking the rich' will not help the poor

There's a little ditty from the 1961 Broadway musical "Carnival" that says something, in a different context, about the class warfare fought by Democrats against Republicans: "The rich put cream on their berries; The rich drive shiny black cars."

The rich go here, the rich go there; It's close to the truth, but far from fair."

Far less cleverly than Bob Merrill's lyrics, Democrats have decided to reprise their long-running class warfare strategy, which never changes and often succeeds with the untutored.

A recession having been declared, Democrats plan to run commercials blaming it on President Bush. Why not? It worked with the president's father, who presided over a recovery but never got credit for it because the major media ignored the economic turnaround until after the 1992 election.

Predictably, Democrats will focus on the supposedly "unfair" breaks the Bush Administration has been giving "the rich" through current and proposed tax cuts. They will ignore huge new spending brought on by the terrorist attacks and pork barrel spending by both parties.

Low-income people have a different perspective that can be instructive. They are losing money and sometimes their jobs because of what has

happened to "the rich."

In an odd twist, the pro-big government, pro-high tax and pro-big spending New York Times carried a story Nov. 29 about how limousine and taxi drivers, waiters and hotel bellmen have suffered because "the rich" are spending less than before Sept. 11. Economists estimate that 75,000 service and other blue-collar New York City workers have suffered badly in the last three months. This does not include an estimated 80,000 workers who've been laid off during the same period.

Are the layoffs and economic hardship of these people occurring because "the rich" are getting too many tax breaks? Not according to the Times. The newspaper reports that "the rich" have cut back on their spending because they have less money to spend. If this formula works one way, surely it must work in reverse. When "the rich" have more money to spend, they spend more money, thus employing and prospering more people at the lower end of the economic ladder. It then follows the more "the rich" are taxed, the less money they have to spend.

Every job I've ever had has been with a company that earned more money than I did and do. Those companies were, and are, rich, at least compared to me. I wanted the opportunity to also be rich if I had the will, and the skills, and was willing to take the necessary risks offered by a free society.

No poor person ever hired me. Neither have I been employed by anyone who earned less than me. The only people able to hire workers are those who earn and have more capital than their employees. If a company's income drops due to an eco-

nomie downturn and/or high taxes, one of its first steps is to lay off workers in order to save money. If it earns and keeps more money, it's able to hire more people who will, along with the company, pay more to the federal treasury. Employees might receive pay raises if the company prospers and the stockholders are happy.

This is basic economics. It is difficult to understand why so many people have bought into the fiction that by "soaking the rich," those with less will somehow do better. The only way I can benefit from the government's taxation of others is if government gives me some of other people's money. I will never be able to take enough from others to significantly better myself. Given the right tax and other incentives, my company and I will earn more and ultimately pay more in taxes to government. That has been the history of earning and taxation in modern America.

We used to teach these things before a sense of entitlement and guaranteed outcome replaced individual responsibility and equal opportunity.

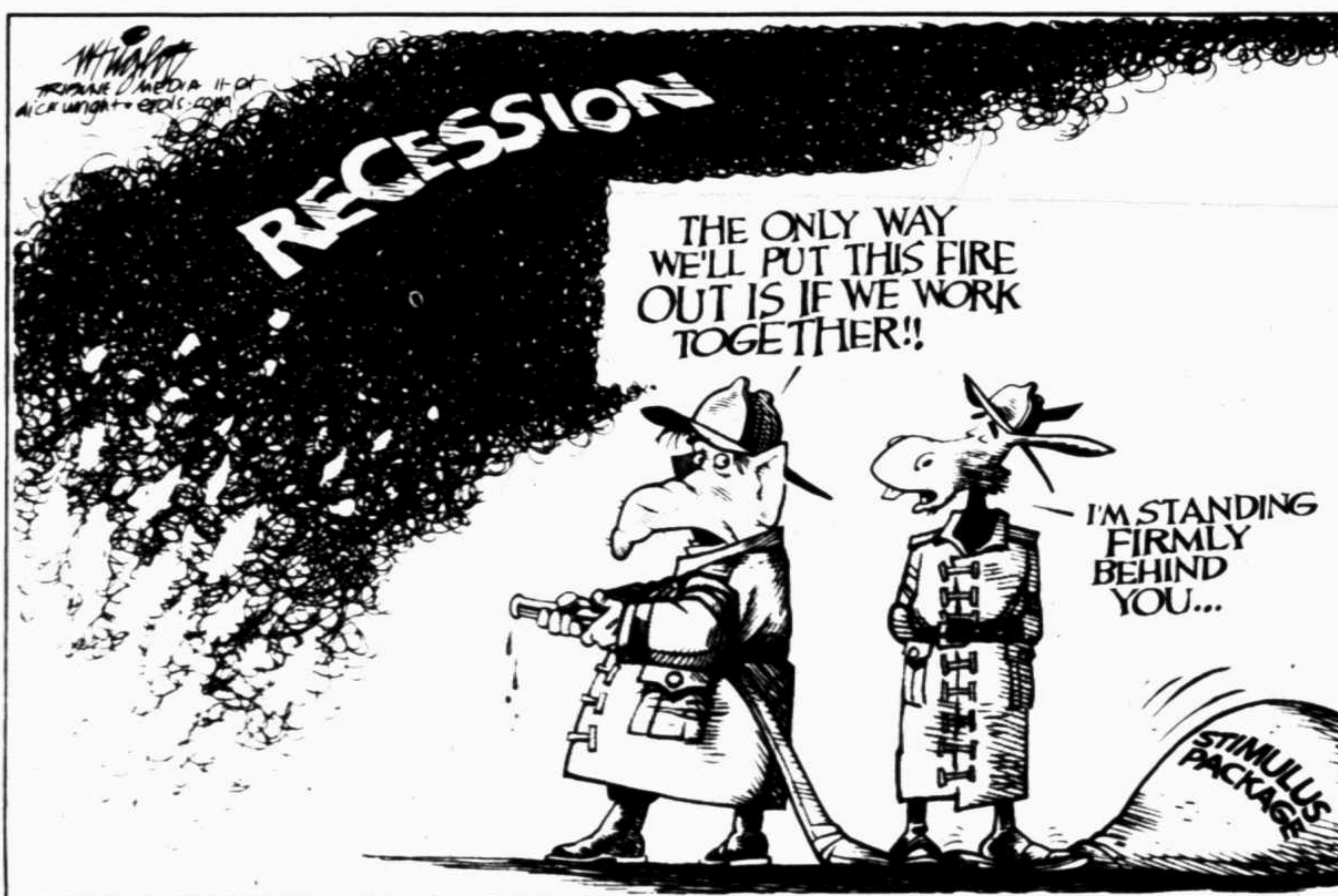
Ask those New Yorkers who are making less, or not now making anything, if they'd rather have the rich making enough to spend again.

Republicans have an opportunity to successfully counter the Democrats' misinformation campaign. That will be an early challenge for Marc Racicot, the new chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Cal Thomas' column is distributed by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.



Thomas



JACK ANDERSON & DOUGLAS COHN

Abusers of Internet undermine stock market

WASHINGTON — A new wave of white-collar crime is sweeping America, made possible by the Internet and justified by the First Amendment. It is "pseudonym crime," in which people use fictitious names to spew out all sorts of venom.

The concept of anonymous advocacy, however, is rooted in American tradition. When the Articles of Confederation failed to create a stable government, the Constitution was written, but it needed to be confirmed by at least nine states. This requirement led to the publication of the Federalist Papers, 85 articles written by constitutional advocates including future President James Madison, future Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton, and future Supreme Court Chief Justice John Jay, who used the pseudonym Publius.

The sinister form of Internet anonymity plays on that venerable example and works like this: A company or individual wants to undermine a competitor, so he goes into the Internet chat rooms to tell the public the inside scoop on the other company. But because the disseminators of this information believe their identities are hidden, the temptation to play fast and loose with the truth is significant, and many of them cross over the line.

Crossing over the line takes on various forms. It can be libel, an offense that can be redressed in civil court. But it can also be more serious, falling into the criminal arena, such as stock manipulation. The idea here is to drive the price of a stock down either because an individual is attempting to buy the stock cheaper, often because he has shorted the stock (sold borrowed stock) and needs to cover (replace the borrowed shares).

The problem has become extreme, and is now faced

by virtually every public company. The culprits are generally lumped together under the heading of "bashers," but the word is too soft, too general. These people are criminals who are stealing money by spewing lies.

It is the sort of crime that typically falls below the normal prosecutorial radar because it is generally believed civil recourse can be sought. In fact, civil litigation is expensive, time consuming and painfully slow. Meanwhile, the criminal damage continues, and that damage is immediate and significant.

A California case actually upheld the right of bashers to act, but this has subsequently been seen in its proper light by other courts. However, these are civil proceedings. In one egregious example, a market-maker (a licensed broker who trades a stock) in Florida shorted a company's stock, then went on the Internet and lied, distorting facts in a successful attempt to drive the stock down. The result? A civil suit was settled out of court and the marketmaker is still in business, doing the same thing to other companies and their stockholders. It is theft, plain and simple.

Why does the Securities and Exchange Commission allow this to go on? In a word, staffing. The SEC has not grown with the stock market. The number of people investing in the market and the number of companies being publicly traded have increased dramatically over the last decade, while the SEC budget has simply crawled along. The SEC is the investor's police force, but it is a force so depleted that it is no longer capable of providing the protection so necessary to remove the corruption and manipulation that has become rampant in the stock market.

Jack Anderson's and Douglas Cohn's column is distributed by United Feature Syndicate.



Anderson

DAVE MCNEELY

Redistricting has Democrats stepping aside

AUSTIN — Rep. Clyde Alexander seemed philosophical as he chewed a cigar Tuesday in his Capitol office. "I've had a good 13 years, and I've got a lot to do," said Alexander, 54, D-Athens. "I'm going to get on with the rest of my life, and I might as well get started."

The chairman of the House Transportation Committee says he decided to spend more time with his family. The decision was helped along by a House redistricting map imposed by three Republicans on the Legislative Redistricting Board that puts him in a Republican-leaning district with Rep. Betty Brown, R-Terrell.

Several of Democratic House Speaker Pete Laney's key team members have decided not to seek re-election since a three-judge federal court on Nov. 28 approved the LRB's plan with only slight changes.

Other chairmen quitting — so far — are Appropriations Chairman Rob Junell, D-San Angelo; Public Education Chairman Paul Sadler, D-Henderson; Civil Practices Chairman Fred Bosse, D-Houston; County Affairs Chairman Tom Ramsey, D-Mt. Vernon; Public Health Chairman Patricia Gray, D-Galveston, and Transportation Vice-Chair Judy Hawley, D-Portland.

The LRB drew all but Junell, who is in line for a federal judgeship, into districts with other incumbents. Several other Laney team members were paired with other legislators. While some, like Public Safety Chairman Bob Turner, D-Coleman, plan to seek re-election even though paired with Rep. Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, others, like Pensions and Investments Chairman Dale Tillery, D-Dallas, may retire.

The two LRB members who are legislators — Laney and Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff — voted against the LRB plans.

The Democrats are convinced the three Republican statewide officials who rammed through the plan — Attorney General John Cornyn, Land Commissioner David Dewhurst and Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander — were methodically targeting Laney and his key lieutenants.

The only one of the three federal judges who served in the Texas Legislature said as much in a stinging postscript to the court's order.

"I write separately to express my shock at the drawing of districts by the State of Texas," wrote John Hannah Jr. "The dominant political party treated all members of the opposing party as if they were 'enemies of the State' instead of respected state leaders, many with a great wealth of governmental knowledge and ability that has and could insure to the benefit of Texas."

Hannah said he voted to uphold the LRB's "distasteful" maps only because it wasn't proven federal law had been violated.

The judges had provided a stark contrast to the Cornyn-led LRB approach on the House and Senate maps in the congressional map drawn by the court, which sought to preserve incumbent congressmen as much as possible.

(The LRB handles only legislative redistricting when the Legislature fails to do so. Congressional redistricting is left to the courts if the Legislature fails to act.)

The LRB Three gave Laney just two of his current 12 counties, and 14 new ones. Laney says he'll run for re-election anyway, and an unprecedented sixth term as speaker.

Whether he and the Democrats can scale the steep slope created by Cornyn & Co. will be one of the most interesting questions in the 2002 elections.

Dave McNeely's column is distributed by the Austin American-Statesman.



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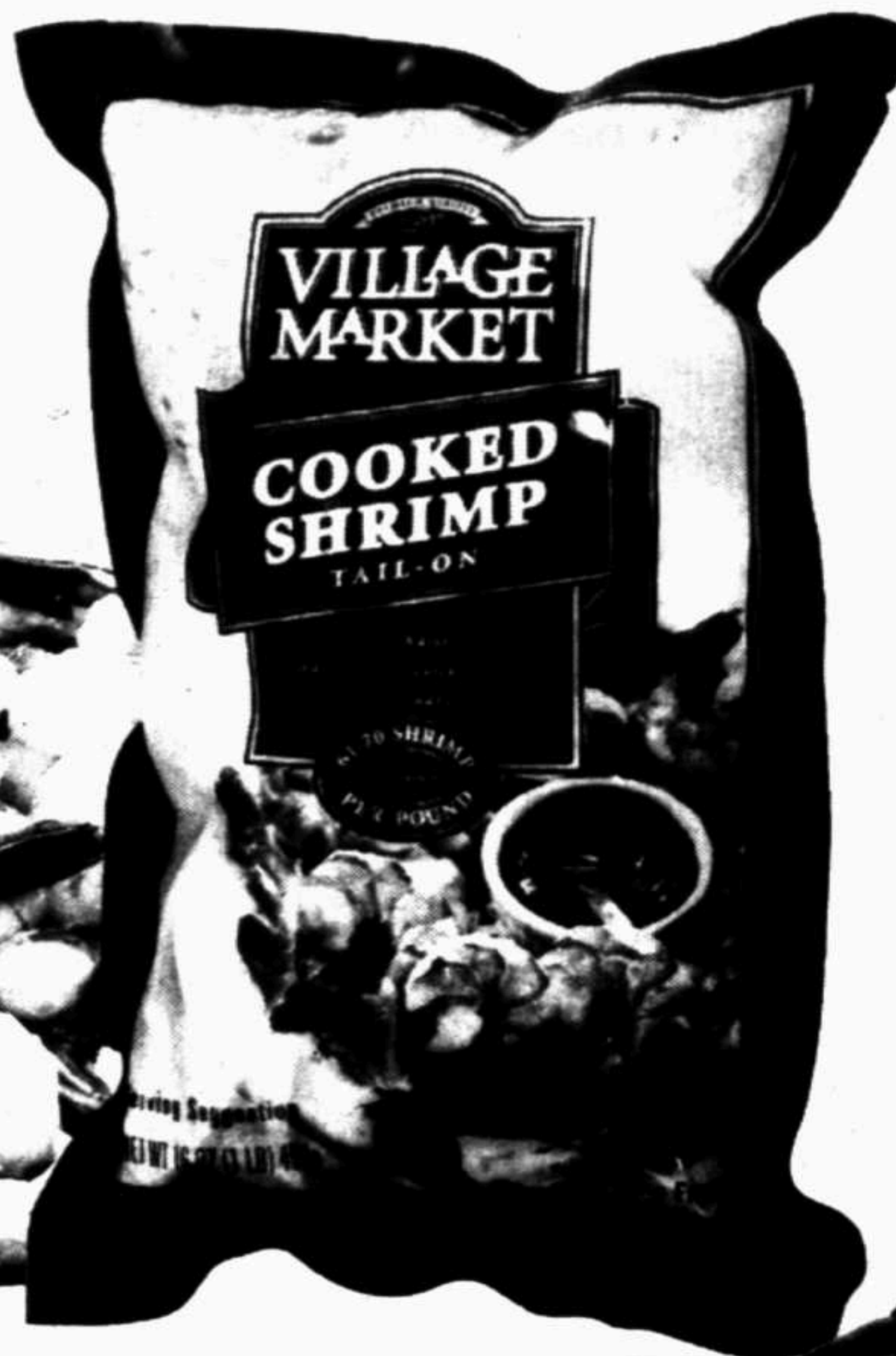


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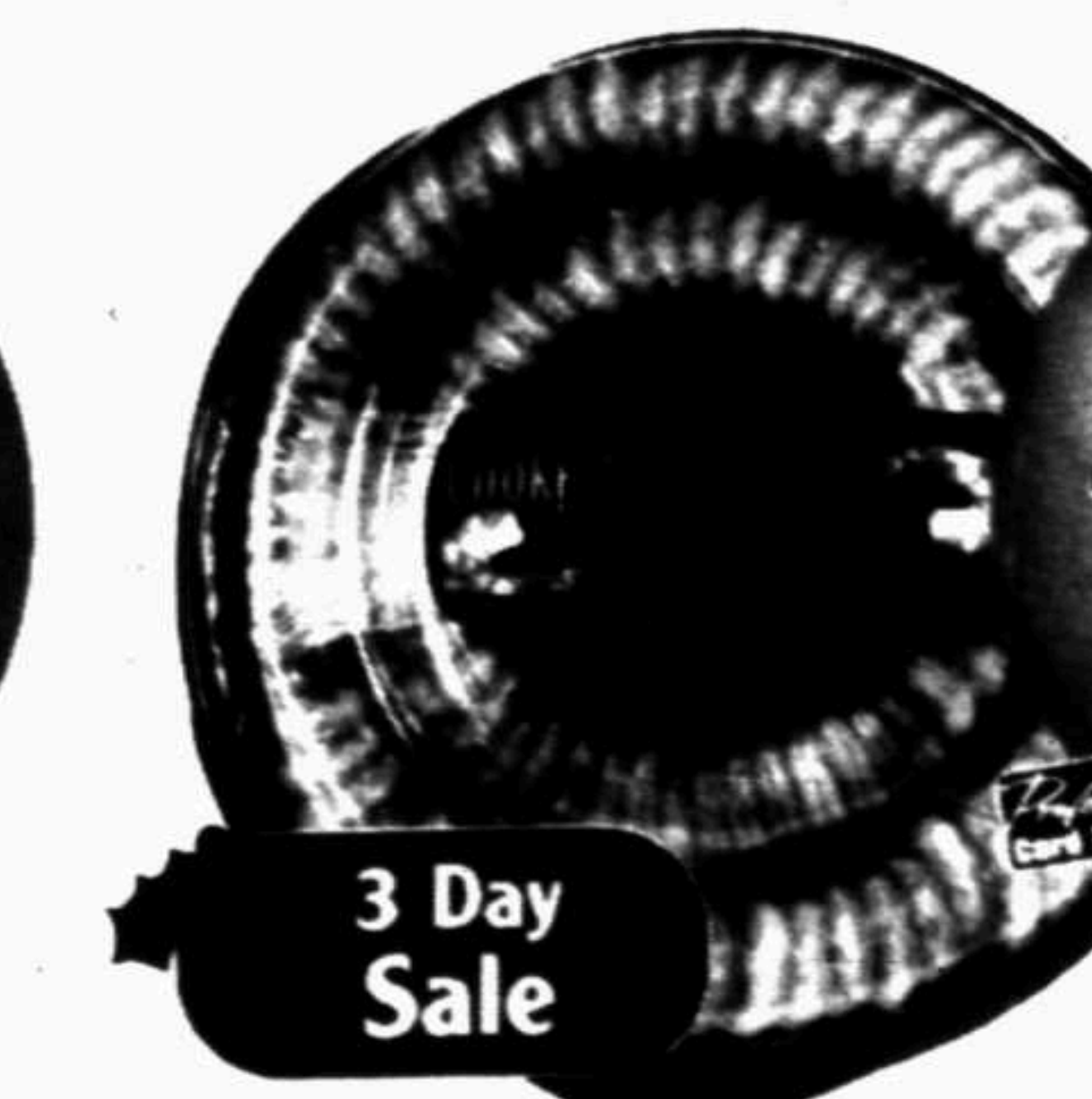


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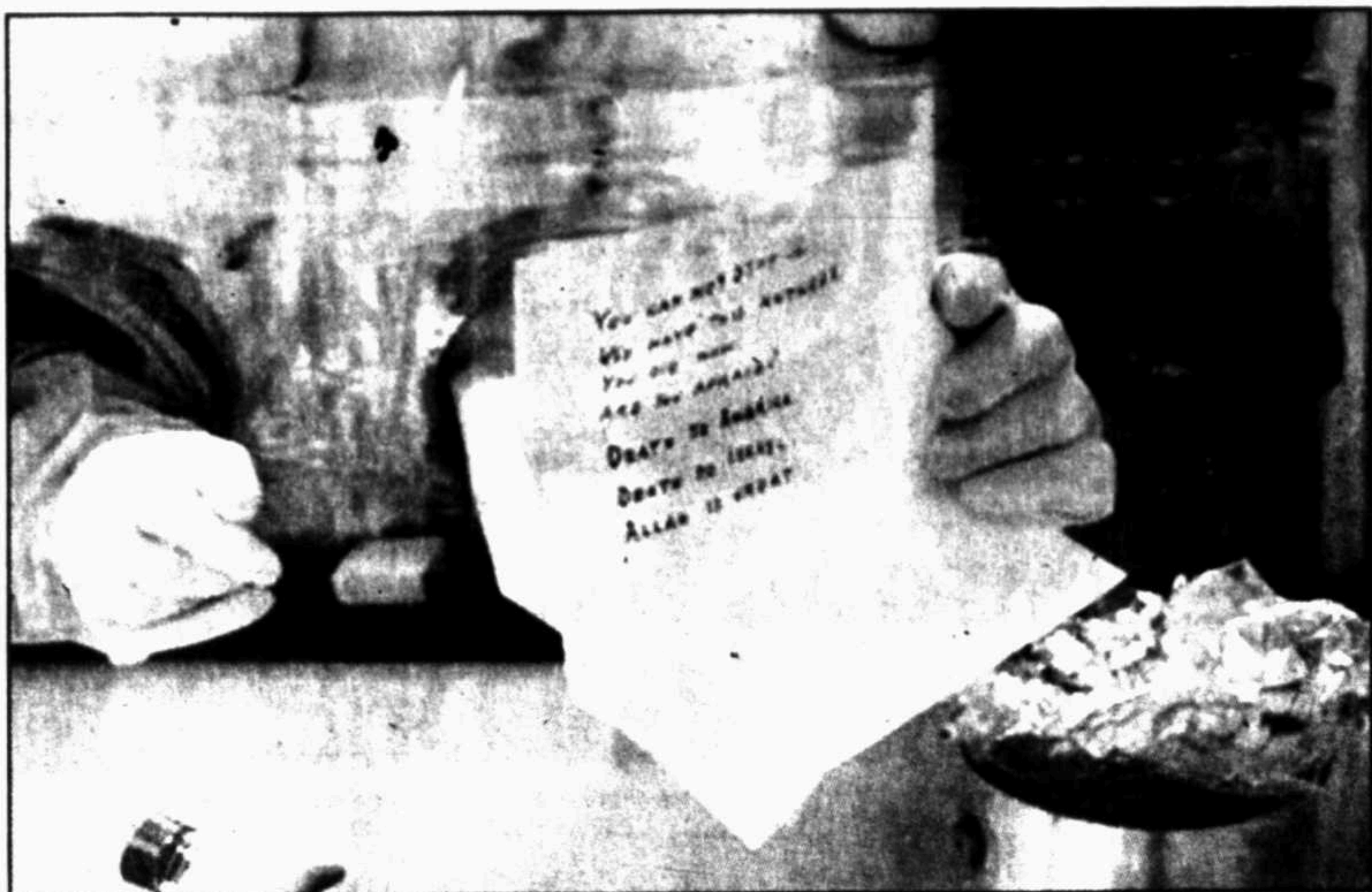
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In this undated handout photo from the FBI, a technician at the Army's Fort Detrick biomedical research laboratory in Fort Detrick, Md. opens a letter addressed to Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., found in the sequestered congressional mail on Nov. 16. The envelope contained a quantity of a substance believed to be anthrax, based on testing conducted before the envelope was opened, and appears to be consistent with that found in the letter sent to Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

Newly opened Leahy letter identical to anthrax tainted letter sent to Daschle

By Pete Yost
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A newly opened letter to Sen. Patrick Leahy contained suspected anthrax and handwriting that appear identical to an earlier letter to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, the FBI disclosed Thursday.

With the letter and the powder undergoing laboratory analysis, "We hope to learn... who did this and how they did it," said FBI official Van Harp.

The suspected anthrax in the Leahy letter "appears to be consistent with that found in the letter sent to Senator Daschle," Harp said.

The Leahy and Daschle letters state in part, "On 11-01 You can not stop us. We have this anthrax" and conclude, "Allah is great."

It will take weeks to complete all testing, because "there is a finite amount of material in that letter," to Leahy, necessitating "a very cautious analytical approach," Harp, assistant director in charge of the FBI's Washington field office, said in a statement.

Also, a batch of mail being processed at a mail-handling facility set up in a courtyard of the Federal Reserve's headquarters has tested positive for exposure to anthrax, officials said late Thursday.

It had not been determined whether any of the letters there actually contained anthrax spores or whether some of the mail had been contaminated by other letters. Fed spokeswoman Michelle Smith stressed that none of the mail had been inside the Fed's headquarters building.

The FBI posted photographs on its Web site that detailed Wednesday's opening of the Leahy letter at the Army's biodefense laboratory in Fort Detrick, Md.

The first step in dealing with the Leahy letter was to cut a small opening in the envelope and use a machine to suck out the suspected anthrax.

The photographs show a technician's gloved hands inside a laboratory device known as a "glove box," as the technician uses a pair of scissors to clip open one end of the Leahy envelope, then pulls out the letter with tweezers.

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Harp described the laboratory procedure as taking place in "a controlled, pure, sterile environment in which we controlled motion and air." Glove boxes typically are set up as negative pressure chambers to ensure that in case of an accidental leak, the material would stay inside rather than escape outward.

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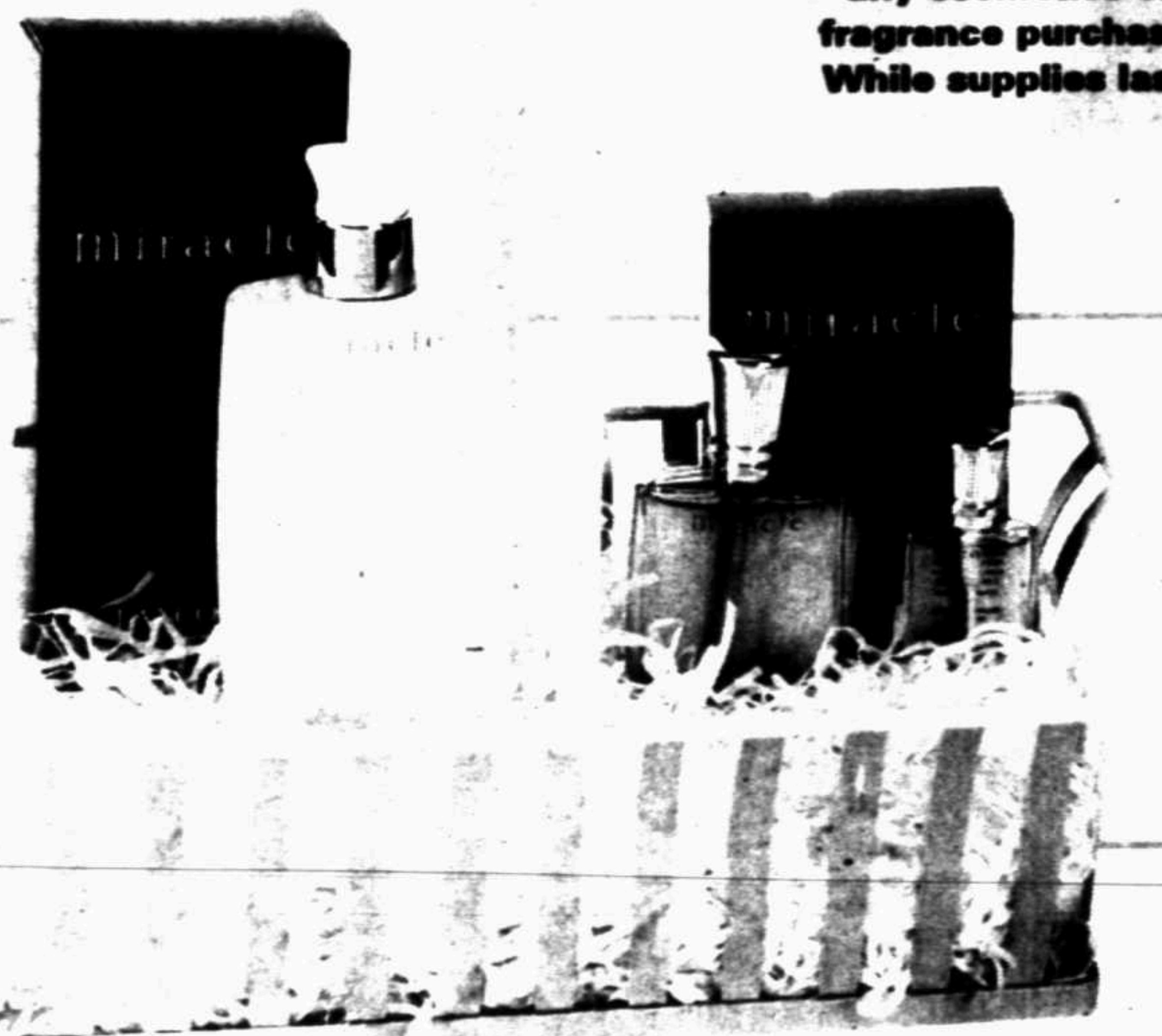
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ARABS

Are they Hollywood's villain of choice?



Critics agree many Arabs are portrayed as villains, but some say 'it's just their turn'

By Georgia Temple
Entertainment Editor

In the dawning Sunday morning hours of Dec. 7, 1941, the Empire of Japan attacked the United States at Pearl Harbor, marking that nation a "bad guy" in Americans' eyes not only in fact but in film. During the world war that followed, Germany, as it had during World War I, faced a similar fate on the American silver screen. In both world wars, the lines seemed clearly defined between friend and enemy, unlike some wars that would follow and some choices in the film industry as to who would wear the villain's cloak.

In his recently published book, "Reel Bad Arabs: How Hollywood Vilifies a People," author Jack G. Shaheen charged that Hollywood casts Arabs as heavies. Shaheen, who has watched more than 900 films that depict or refer to Arabs, has argued for years (see companion story) that by depicting Arabs solely in a bad light, Hollywood has not only misrepresented the Arab world, it has helped to create a climate for hate.

Locally, those who write film reviews for the Reporter-Telegram expressed their opinions on moviedom's selection of villains and Hollywood's "reel bad Arabs."

"I think most Middle Easterners are portrayed as either hard-line religious zealots or terrorists," said Nancy Adamson, who writes the DVDiva column. "The list of movies with bad guys who are Muslim is very long, but very old. Some of the old Tarzan movies from the '30s have Middle Eastern bad guys in them. The trend continued right on into the late '70s and early '80s when films like 'Not Without My Daughter' to 'Jewel of the Nile' to 'Iron Eagle' had villains of Middle Eastern persuasion in them, and that trend has certainly escalated recently."

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When Hollywood needs villains, Arabs are often first choice, book claims

By Michael Paulson
N.Y. Times News Service

Fleshy women in gauzy veils, belly dancing to finger cymbals and ouds in a seedy club.

Oily sheiks with too much money and too many women.

Angry Palestinians with red-checked kaffiyehs around their heads and menacing guns slung across their chests.

These are the images of Arabs Jack G. Shaheen sees when he watches the movies, and he watches a lot of movies.

But then he turns on the TV news.

Nineteen Arab Muslim terrorists, wielding box cutters as they take over four American passenger jets and smash them into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and a field in Pennsylvania.

Cheering Palestinians celebrating the death of Americans, and angry Palestinians raging on Internet against the West.

Shaheen, in either incredibly bad or incredibly good movies, is usually angry, increasingly disturbed. In one of the ways the movie industry depicts Arabs, Shaheen says in a new book, "Reel Bad Arabs: How



Please see ARABS/3B

So, there's nothing to do in Midland?

Friday, Dec. 7
American Airpower Heritage Museum/CAF: today. Special Event "10 Years in the Permian Basin" celebration, also commemorating the 60th anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, refreshments, 12-1 p.m. CAF Hangar, Midland International Airport, 563-1000. Free.
The Bar: today & Sat. Live Entertainment, (9 p.m.) 606 W. Missouri Ave. Call 685-1757.
Betty's Place: today. Texas Heat, 8-12 p.m., 103 S. A. St. 682-7092.
Blakemore Planetarium: today. Sky Show "The Story of Silent Night," 8 p.m. Sat & Sun. A variety of Christmas favorites, 2:30 & 3:30 p.m. Museum of the Southwest Complex, 1705 W. Missouri. Call 683-2882. Admission \$3 adults, children 12 & under \$2. Children 12 & under welcome with an adult.
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Cafe Central: today & Sat. Clockwork Orange, 615 W. Wall, 687-3582.
Laura's: today & Sat. Vance Lane, 106 S. A. St. 683-6944.
Midland Community Theatre: today & Sat. Musical "Oliver," 8 p.m., thru Dec. 16. Davis Theatre, 1. 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission \$14, children 12 & under 1/2 price.
Museum of the Southwest: today & Sat. Holiday Event. Fourth annual "Christmas at the Mansion" fund-raising event features holiday activities & exhibits, including carolers, open gift shop, decorated trees, & train exhibit, 6-8:30 p.m., through Jan. 2, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Free admission, charge for some activities.
The Ranch: today & Sat. Lamun Bros., 9:30 p.m. Call for Cover, 4400 N. Big Spring. Sun. Karaoke Mon. Karaoke & DJ Dance Mix. Tues. Karaoke contest. Thurs. Karaoke contest. Thurs. Haydn Viteri. Call 682-5911.
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Freddie Turner Durham Children's Museum: Sat. Christmas Party & Christmas to Remember, featuring Puppeteer Playland ages 4-8 from 10:00-12:00, ages 9-12 from 12:30-2:00, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Reservations required as space limited. Admission \$5.

Sunday, Dec. 9
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Globe Theatre: Sun. "A Christmas Carol," 2:00 p.m. Shakespeare's Playhouse, 1000 S. A. St. 683-2882. Admission \$10, children 12 & under \$5.
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VILLAIN: Hollywood's choice of bag guys has to do with America's enemy at the time

(From 1B)

"The Middle East, its people and their customs are a mystery to us, and sometimes when we don't know the answers, we become afraid, and Hollywood uses that fear to sell tickets. In selling that fear, though, I also think American movies are too pro-Israel and rarely present a fair view about what's going on between Israel and Palestine."

"One of the few movies I've seen that tried to present the Palestinian viewpoint was 'The Little Drummer Girl' that came out in the late '70s, early '80s with Diane Keaton. It made me realize the plight of a people so impassioned with their cause that they are willing to confront armored tanks armed only with sticks and rocks. The Palestinian people don't recognize Israeli claims that the land they occupy isn't theirs. ... It's a conflict that has been going on for centuries, heightened when Israel gained statehood and looks like it will go on for a long time."

Tom Laney, who writes the Parent to Parent column, traces the negative view of Arabs in films to the events happening in the news and has a differing opinion on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

"If they don't want to be depicted negatively, all they have to do is leave Israel alone and stop harassing Christian missionaries," said Laney. "The fact is that this is an age-old conflict."

"You see Arabs nowadays as villains because a certain group of Arabs has acted that way. It wasn't the Filipinos that bombed our embassy. It wasn't the French. It was Muslim terrorists. In other words, if they hadn't committed these acts, would we see them in movies committing acts like that? No."

"During World War II, you saw German and Japanese villains in our movies. So, it's just reflecting the reality of today. Some of these folks are acting as villains in real life. Hollywood's probably justified in saying, 'That's in the news. That's some-

thing that's fair game for our art to imitate.'"

For example, the "bad guys" in James Cameron's comedy/action/spy caper "True Lies," starring Arnold Schwarzenegger, were Middle Eastern terrorists (such as Salim Abu Aziz, played by Art Malik) who had stolen nuclear weapons. The film was released in 1994. The Persian Gulf War was in 1991. In 1993, Arab terrorists struck the World Trade Center.

Hollywood selects its villains from the choices available at the time, said David R. Allen, a co-writer with Tim Jebsen of The Movie Guys Black Gold Reviews.

"The first choice in villains in films has to do with whoever our enemy is at the current time," said Allen. "When Russia was the enemy, it was Russians. During the Korean War, it was the Chinese. During the Second World War, it was the Japanese and the Germans. To say that whenever Hollywood needs a villain, they turn to the Arabs is a short-sighted view. The same can be said of the American Indian. It's just the Arabs turn. In 10 years, it will be somebody else."

Jebsen agreed with Allen, saying, "Most of the time, Hollywood is looking for whoever society is casting as its villain."

"In the '80s, it seemed like all the villains were from the Soviet Union. And now that America really doesn't have a specific enemy, they have to look at individual groups, and they have picked out that group (Arab terrorists) as a villain. I think it would be unfair to say that it's Hollywood's fault. Hollywood mirrors society more than society mirrors Hollywood."

Ms. Adamson said another view of Arabs has often been portrayed in film.

"Arabs certainly have been vilified in more than their fair share of movies, but oddly enough, they also have been romanticized. Hollywood has churned out dozens of films portraying Arabs as tall, dark and mysterious ever since Rudolph Valentino donned a turban and

drew thousands of lasting females into movie theaters in the 1920s with "The Sheik" and its sequels. The story of Scheherazade is more than 150 years old, but has been made into countless movies, even as recently as two years ago in the TV mini-series "Arabian Nights."

Laney pointed to the two recent mummy films starring Brendan Fraser — "The Mummy" and "The Mummy Returns" — as examples of films that show Arabs in a positive light.

"Oded Fehr was certainly a romantic figure in those movies," Laney said. "He played Ardeth Bay, a dashing Egyptian swordsman sworn to defend the world against the return of the mummy. The 1999 film 'The Mummy' and the 2001 film 'The Mummy Returns' don't just portray the bad guys as being Arabic. They've got a whole legion of Arabic defenders against the mummy."

Often, the nationality of an actor does not match the nationality of the character he plays. For instance, the Egyptian-born, international film star Omar Sharif, who is of Lebanese and Syrian parentage, has played characters of almost every nationality in the Western world. And, in 1975, Sean Connery portrayed Mulay Achmed Mohammed el-Raisuli the Mag-nificent, a Berber in Morocco, in the film "The Wind and the Lion," a dashing romantic adventure based on a true story. Connery is a Scot.

Additionally, David Suchet, who was born in London and is known by Agatha Christie fans as the Belgian detective Hercule Poirot, has played a variety of roles including Old Testament Jews and Arabs. He was Aaron in the 1996 TV mini-series "Moses," Joab in the 1997 TV mini-series "Solomon," and Naji Hasan, the mastermind behind the hijacking of an airplane in the 1996 film "Executive Decision," starring Kurt Russell, Steven Seagal, Halle Berry, John Leguizamo and Oliver Platt.

"A lot of actors who aren't Arabs are cast as Arabs," Laney

said, citing the following examples: Fehr was born in Tel Aviv, Israel to European parents and served in Israel's navy for three years and Arnold Vosloo, who plays the Egyptian mummy, Imhotep, is from South Africa; Peter Lorre played a number of Middle Eastern Arabs, and he was born in Austria in what would now be Serbia; Rudolph Valentino, who played Sheikh Ahmed Ben Hassan in the 1921 film "The Sheik," was born in Castellana, Italy; and the 1999 film "The 13th Warrior," attributes the first great Anglo-Saxon epic poem, "Beowulf," to an Arab, Ahmed Ibn Fahdian (Ibn Al Abbas Ibn Rashid Ibn Hamad), played by the Spanish actor Antonio Banderas.

"All of this may indicate that our stereotypes of Arabs are based on generalized assumptions of their appearance and mannerisms," Laney said. "I'm sure that no Arab American ever thought that Rudolph Valentino and Antonio Banderas were from the Middle East."

The Arab that Banderas plays in "The 13th Warrior" is the narrator spinning the tale, a hero and an important emissary, who is far more refined and cultured than his 12 Norse companions. Unlike them, he is literate. On their journey together, he learns how to be a warrior, a skill he had not previously acquired. The film is based on Michael Crichton's best-selling novel, "Eaters of the Dead."

In his article about Shaheen, Michael Paulson of The Boston Globe posed the question: "Are the Jews to blame?" and said, "No discussion of the depiction of Arabs by Hollywood escapes that question, given the large number of Jews in powerful positions in Hollywood, the paucity of Arab-Americans throughout the industry, and the tension between the two groups."

Profit is the bottom line, said Allen. "Hollywood sells what the American public wants regardless of the studios' management makeup."

"Hollywood is run by Americans. The majority of Americans

happen to be Christian, but that doesn't mean there aren't Jews, there aren't Muslims, Hindus, Bahais and everything else in the industry. It seems to me that human nature is there is us and there is them, and in order for us to define ourselves there must be a them, and currently it is the Arabs' turn."

"Now that doesn't mean to say there shouldn't be positive images of Arabs on our screens. There should be, and there are some. 'Lawrence of Arabia.' We championed the Arab cause in that movie. And the Kevin Costner 'Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves' film in 1991 in which Morgan Freeman played Azeem, Robin's trusted friend and ally. This character was charming, literate, brave and civilized well beyond the likes of medieval England. He was Moorish. And the Moors were African Muslims closely related to the Arabs."

"And anybody who has an iota of sense understands the debt that Western society owes to Arab society. We wouldn't have mathematics. We wouldn't have three-dimensional paintings. We wouldn't have seven-course meals. A good chunk of our cultural heritage came from Moorish Spain, which were the Arabs."

The "true problem" with repeatedly portraying an ethnic group or a nation as "the enemy," said Allen, "is that it prevents us from listening to their grievances."

"And to think that this is simply an Arab problem is wrong. Although I haven't done a study of it, I feel sure if you go back and look at Russian films from the period of the Cold War, we are the enemy. It's the dastardly, slimy Americans. And certainly if you go back and look at German films, it's the oily, money-grubbing Jew."

"The difference is that Hollywood is democratic. What we see is based on what we pay to see. If we're getting movies that have Arabs as villains, that's because we're buying it. Stop buying it; we'll stop seeing it."

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ONE ON THE AISLE

By Pamela C. Allen

OLIVER

Midland Community Theater gave us our Christmas present a few weeks early this year. OLIVER opened last Friday and the house was FULL! I understand even their extension dates are full. If you aren't on one of the waiting lists, I feel sorry for you. Keep trying, you'll be able to see it. Sight lines are perfect, there is no bad seat.

Ignoring the few opening night things that always are there when a cast and crew have worked that hard to get to that special night, I can truly say I was entertained. I started to applaud as the curtain went up just for the set, but no one else did, so I sat quietly and enjoyed the view. Paul Fiorella's set is multi-leveled and top-to-bottom, side-to-side a winner. Eddie Taylor's lighting suited the mood of the play and enhanced the setting. Technically, the whole production is worthy of MCT's reputation. Bravo all of you.

The enormous cast features major talents from Midland and Odesa. They all are to be applauded for their use of accents in "Oliver" situation in West Texas, but they have obviously worked hard to be consistent. The character of Oliver Twist is played by two young men, Ben Clary and Joshua Sparks, the latter played the role opening night. Mr. Sparks has a sweet little voice. For a first time to appear on the MCT stage he did a nice job. There

is a lot of potential there. The same situation applies to the Artful Dodger played by both Meredith Madden and Natalie Swanner. Miss Swanner played the role Friday night and has been seen in several productions in the past.

All but stealing the limelight in the beginning of the first act are Cheri Timms as the Widow Corney and Scott Timms as Mr. Bumble. This team is frequently seen at Permian Playhouse in Odesa and fan actors to watch.

When I first saw Stan Hicks come on, I didn't expect what I witnessed! Hicks seemed really at ease as Mr. Sowerberry, moving as if he were a dancer. If I were giving a prize for biggest surprise that would be it! Nice work, Stan!

David Allen gave the role of Fagin some charming moments, an interesting light touch for such a manipulative character. I particularly enjoyed his "Reviewing the Situation."

Everyone did a good job with this show. Two people I would like to mention because I really enjoyed their performances were Jennifer Mangum as Nancy and James Miller as Bill Sikes. Mangum usually plays these quiet,

almost mousy little women, and Nancy is hardly that. She holds her own against Fagin and Bill Sikes. The quality of her voice is perfect for "As long As He Needs Me."

The first time I heard James Miller's beautiful tenor was in GUYS AND DOLLS. I almost didn't recognize that voice as he was doing Sikes. It was evil, throaty and menacing. Actually it sounded like he had a chest cold and

was going to lose the battle, but the effect, even speaking, was classic Bill Sikes.

I found the street-people chorus to be weak in places, as if the singers got lost in the dance and music combination. In the tavern they were properly rowdy and vocally strong for "Oom-Pah-Pah," a good production number to open act two.

OLIVER is admittedly a strange

choice for this time of year with its dark plot, but there is humor and a beautiful score by Lionel Bart so... Merry Christmas!

If you wish to get your name on the waiting list call the box office at 682-4111 or 570-4011. The friendly ladies will be glad to let you know about times and extension dates.

I hope you get to see this production, it is worth seeing.



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"We're at war, and serious now. We should not give our enemy," Shaheen says. "We should not give our enemy a political leader in says we are not in Islam, but is the movie industry going to show only images as fanatics? They should be movies that what happened, but the only images we see on, if we continue Muslims and all Arabs instead of making a lunatic fringe, accomplishing?"

Shaheen has been increasingly concerned about the current political depictions of Arabs in the Bush White House. Senior adviser Karl Rove's Hills Nov. 11 enlist the entertainment in the war on terrorism. Shaheen went to House to meet with and told them he thought the effort could be more responsible.

By Tom Laney

This column rates for parents and others in choosing films that values and are suitable. Films are rated in Entertainment (rated Acceptability) (rated brief comments to call for the ratings. Movies recently playing in Midland as of this writing:

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ARABS: Hollywood's treatment of Middle Easterners leads to hatred, author says

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Hollywood Vilifies a People.

This is a tough time to be arguing that it's unfair to depict Arab Muslims as terrorists in the movies, given that Arab Muslims stand accused of masterminding the worst act of terrorism in the history of the United States.

But Shaheen has been arguing for years that by depicting Arabs solely as slimy, shifty, violent creeps, Hollywood has been not only misrepresenting the Arab world, but also has been creating a climate for hate. And since Sept. 11 his fears have been realized: According to testimony submitted to the US Commission on Civil Rights by the Arab American Institute, there were 326 hate crimes in 38 states in the first month after the terrorist attacks, including seven deaths, 90 physical assaults, and 85 incidents of vandalism.

"We're at war, and this is very serious now. We cannot, and should not, give comfort to the enemy," Shaheen says. "Every political leader in this country says we are not in a war against Islam, but is the motion-picture industry going to counter this by showing only images of Muslims as fanatics? There certainly should be movies made based on what happened, but if those are the only images we see from now on, if we continue to vilify all Muslims and all Arabs as terrorists instead of making clear this is a lunatic fringe, what are we accomplishing?"

Shaheen has become increasingly concerned about the impact of the current political climate on depictions of Arabs in film since the Bush White House sent senior adviser Karl Rove to Beverly Hills Nov. 11 in an effort to enlist the entertainment industry in the war on terrorism. Days later, Shaheen went to the White House to meet with Rove's aides, and told them he is concerned that the effort could backfire.

"I would say filmmakers have more responsibility now than

ever to present images that do not escalate intolerance and do not separate us," he said.

Arab-Americans, like many groups before them, have complained for years about the way they are depicted in film: too many stereotypes, too little diversity.

"We're generally tough on enemies in the movies: sneaky Japs, sadistic Krauts in WW II, and even friends who are different, like Italian gangsters, snob by English, irresponsible, violent blacks, and drunk Irish," says the Rev. Richard A. Blake, a film studies professor at Boston College. "Any deviation from white bread Americanism is threatening."

But Shaheen, a one-time movie usher in Clairton, Penn., argues negative depictions of Arabs have been unusually persistent.

"From 1896 until today, filmmakers have collectively indicted all Arabs as Public Enemy No. 1 — brutal, heartless, uncivilized religious fanatics, and money-mad cultural 'others' bent on terrorizing civilized Westerners, especially Christians and Jews," he writes.

The stereotyping of Arabs in movies has been widely noted over the last two decades by film critics and Arab-American advocacy groups. Shortly after its founding in 1980, the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee began meeting with television and movie producers, but to no avail.

"We've done studies, we've met with network executives, we've been on countless TV programs and in public forums, and I think there's a growing awareness of a problem, but where I don't think we've had an impact is in the creative community in Hollywood," said James Zogby, president of the Arab American Institute.

Shaheen, who previously authored "The TV Arab" critiquing the portrayal of Arabs in

television, has had his own brushes with the inside, consulting on three films: "The Prince of Egypt," "The Siege," and "Three Kings."

He wound up hating "The Siege" — a movie about Palestinian terrorists that many Arab-Americans considered a disaster even though the makers included an Arab-American FBI agent — and loving "Three Kings."

But it was his experience with the animated "The Prince of Egypt," made in 1998 by DreamWorks, that he considers most illustrative.

The relation of Arab-Americans to "The Prince of Egypt" can only be understood in the wake of a previous animated movie, the Academy Award-winning "Aladdin," which was released by Disney in 1992. Arab-Americans were furious about numerous aspects of the film. The two main characters, Aladdin and Princess Jasmine, are Anglicized, while the other Arabs are caricatured. According to Shaheen, "the action and dialogue imply that Arabs are abhorrent types, that Islam is a brutal religion."

One of the top executives at Disney then, Jeffrey Katzenberg, was a top executive at DreamWorks when "The Prince of Egypt" was made. Katzenberg invited Muslim and Arab-Americans to preview the film, and Shaheen was horrified.

The two men, according to Shaheen, immediately got into a row, with Katzenberg suggesting that Shaheen might be a parent who wouldn't show his kids Holocaust films, and Shaheen saying his kids knew more about racist images than Katzenberg did. (Katzenberg declined to be interviewed for this story.)

But the two men began working together, and Shaheen says the film was better because of Katzenberg's willingness to listen.

Why does it matter? Arab-Americans say the proof is in the

hate crimes after Sept. 11.

"After you vilify a people, you can do anything to them," Shaheen says. "You can have a holocaust. You can put them in camps. You can deny them civil rights and no one will say anything. Look at all the hate crimes since the massacre. Could it be that stereotypes in part played a role?"

Shaheen, 66, is a grandson of Lebanese immigrants, who said he never felt the sting of discrimination growing up in a small steel town. An Orthodox Christian, he never met a Muslim until he was an adult.

"I never felt anything — no prejudice at all," he said. "But it must have started with our children. They would call my attention to cartoons with some really ugly Arabs. I started taking notes."

That was 30 years ago, and the subject of how Arabs are depicted in popular culture has become something of an obsession for Shaheen. He published his book on the depiction of Arabs in TV, a monograph on images of Arabs in comic books, and then decided to tackle films.

He thought the project would take a few years; instead, it took two decades, as he tracked down and then watched (or in a handful of cases researched) more than 900 films that depict or refer to Arabs. Holed up first in a family room in Illinois, where he worked as a professor, and then in a home office in South Carolina, where he retired to Hilton Head, Shaheen had the painful experience of spending 20 years and watching his people get bashed.

Shaheen said some of his co-workers told him to give it a rest — there was no need to visit every film archive he could find to watch every obscure movie with an Arab. But he insisted.

"Several colleagues said, 'Look, this is ridiculous, you can write the book and say the films you saw are representative.' But

I refused to do that, because unless this image was thoroughly documented, unless the evidence was presented, no one was going to pay attention."

The result — more a filmography than a book — simply describes the 900 films Shaheen saw.

"The women are almost always mute, carrying something on their head, clothed in black, hiding in the shadows, greedy, or fondling, like in one of the most offensive scenes in film history, in 'Sahara' (1983), in which Brooke Shields is being fondled by Arab women," he said. "The men are the souk swindlers, patterned after the greedy Jew of yesteryear, with the same Semitic features and the same Semitic actions. And then you have the terrorist. They are selectively framed to be the enemy."

Shaheen acknowledges the images were provoked by certain realities: Palestinian terrorism starting in the 1970s, the rise of the anti-American Khomeini regime in Iran, Saddam Hussein, and now Osama bin Laden and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

"Hollywood attempts to capitalize on the anxiety and the hate in whatever market they're appealing to, and the best way to do it is to capitalize on current events," said Daniel L. Bernardi, professor of media arts at the University of Arizona and the editor of "Classic Hollywood, Classic Whiteness."

"Imagine if our allies were the Palestinians. How would we represent the Israelis? Would we represent them as Hitler and the Nazis? The American media has been racist toward Arabs and Muslims."

So are Jews to blame?

No discussion of the depiction of Arabs by Hollywood escapes that question, given the large number of Jews in powerful positions in Hollywood, the paucity of Arab-Americans throughout the industry, and the tension between the two groups.

Some scholars see a link between faith and film.

"I think it is safe to say that apart from a few isolated scenes, there is almost nothing positive to come out of Hollywood in terms of representing Arabs or Islam," said S. Brent Plate, a professor of religion and visual arts at Texas Christian University. "I'm not sure all of the reasons for this except that it is no secret that the industry is a Judeo-Christian industry. Though not necessarily practicing Jews or Christians, Hollywood is run by people from this cultural background."

Many of the producers Shaheen criticizes are Jewish, and Shaheen, like many other critics, links the film industry's depiction of Arabs to American foreign policy.

Shaheen blames one former studio, Cannon, for "conscious

and deliberate" Arab-bashing — he calls them "cinematic storm troopers." One of the studio's founding executives, Yoram Globus, was previously an Israeli government official, and Shaheen credits them with "upward of 26 hate-and-terminate-the-Arab movies."

"We in the US are linked to Israel, and American filmmakers are linked to that image, so Israelis are heroes and Arabs are villains in almost every film. There's no escaping that," he says.

"But everyone in the (film) industry, whether they are Protestants, Jews or Catholics, has vilified the Arabs. I refuse to get into something that vilifies someone just because they happen to be Jewish. I have met Jewish writers and producers who hated Arabs, and some told me right to my face they used the medium and their influence to convey that image, but I've also worked with three Jewish producers who didn't care if my parents came from Iceland, and if anything, their being Jewish, and therefore, sensitive (to discrimination) brought us closer together."

In fact, Shaheen argues that Arabs are the victims of the kind of prejudice once leveled at Jews. And he repeatedly quotes Jewish critics who have objected to the depiction of Arabs in films.

Shaheen says the solution is more diverse depictions of Arabs in film.

"Why can't we be part of a comedy team, be doctors or lawyers, or talk about our faith?" he asks. "There has never been a World War II movie where an American of Arab heritage was one of the GI's, yet we all served. My wife's father was in World War I, and almost every Arab-American family has someone who was in one of those wars, and yet we've been excluded."

PARENT TO PARENT

a family guide to current movies

By Tom Laney

This column rates current movies for parents and others who want help in choosing films that reflect traditional values and are suitable for family viewing. Films are rated in two categories: Entertainment (rated 0 to +4) and Acceptability (rated -4 to +4). I'll add brief comments to clarify the reasons for the ratings. Movies listed are currently playing in Midland and/or Odessa as of this writing.

TEXAS RANGERS (PG-13; 3, 1) I'm putting this film first because its own distributor (Miramax) didn't give it the respect it deserves. The film's release has been delayed at least four times, and it was released last Friday on only 400 screens nationwide (compared to the normal 2,000 or the Harry Potter 8,000). This indicates that Miramax thinks it's a loser. Tell that to the talented cast, who put in great performances, or to those few of us who got to watch the film last weekend. Dylan McDermott (of TV's "The Practice") makes a great, though flawed, hero as the head of the Texas Rangers. "Dawson's Creek" star James Van Der Beek and "She's All That" beauty Rachael Leigh Cook add to the "teen appeal" of this shoot-em-up style historical Western. No, it's not the year's best film, but it's worth a full-price ticket. The PG-13 rating reflects typical Western-style violence and some language.

BEHIND ENEMY LINES (PG-13; 3, -1) Tom from the pages of history and then altered to make the story more interesting as a patriotic action movie, this latest Gene Hackman vehicle is relentless and riveting as it tells the tale of an ambitious American pilot (Owen Wilson) who plays fast-and-loose with his orders on a routine reconnaissance mission over Bosnia and

gets shot down by the bad guys. He's caught them in the act of burying dead civilians in mass graves, so they pursue him and his disk of spy photos across a rugged wintry countryside. Hackman is the commanding officer of his aircraft carrier, who is forced by NATO inaction to mount a rescue mission against direct orders. The result is an action-packed adventure that's just what the doctor ordered for modern Americans eager for a shot of cinematic pride. Totally unnecessary foul language mars the movie (Wilson's favorite phrase appears to be, shall we say, G-D it and the one lone f-word sticks out like a sore thumb). Add to that much violence and some disturbing images of corpses and you've got a film that's not for kids. Leave them with a sifter and support this proud-to-be-an-American adventure.

SPY GAME (R; 3 1/2, -2) Here's Robert Redford and Brad Pitt in a movie about — does it matter? Probably not to their millions of adoring fans. But it turns out to be a film that's even better than the sum of its superstars. Redford shines as he bucks the intelligence establishment on the day of his retirement from the CIA. His young protégé, Pitt, has been captured by the Chinese and Redford quickly senses the CIA is willing to sacrifice the young agent's life to political expedience. Oh, no, you don't — not with Redford around. The result here is an exciting, suspenseful 24 hours of better-than-average spy intrigue. The frequent surprises prevent it from being predictable. Scenes of violence and torture make the rating appropriate, although you may want to take your mature under-17 kids. They can't watch it without you.

BLACK KNIGHT (PG-13; 2, -2) Martin Lawrence is undeniably a funny guy. And his latest effort is undeniably a funny movie. It could have even been a good one. I expected "Black Knight" to be a turkey, but I found myself really wanting to like it. It's a movie with heart, but it crosses the boundaries of good taste and appropriateness with its totally unnecessary undercurrent of sexual humor. It'd be funny to send Lawrence back to the Middle Ages. But to have the king offer him any young woman in the kingdom (except his own daughter) for his sexual pleasure makes it a film written on a junior high locker room level and marketed at our kids in a further attempt to break down their innocence. Speaking of innocence, the king boasts of his daughter's virginity, but she sneaks into bed with Lawrence at night, and when they're caught the next morning, his less-than-chivalric response is to tell the king.

Somebody got to that flower long before I did... your daughter's a (sexual) freeeeak!" Also included is a really disgusting scene of scatological humor. Those who respect women and morality will want to avoid this otherwise entertaining film and send a needed financial message to the producers.

OUT COLD (PG-13; 1, -2) I expected this to be another low-budget, sex-and-alcohol-filled, marginally entertaining yet mindlessly immature sex-in-the-ski-chalet movie. It failed to live up to even those standards. And it's sad to see a formerly successful actor like Lee Majors reduced to being the least convincing actor in a film full of bad performances. Avoid it like a patch of yellow snow.

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Self-confessed Boston Strangler Albert DeSalvo is seen minutes after his capture in this Feb. 25, 1967 file photo. New evidence gathered from DeSalvo's remains and from the killer's last victim might bring investigators closer to determining if the man was really the strangler.

DNA evidence casts doubt on DeSalvo as Boston Strangler

By Melissa B. Robinson
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The identity of the notorious Boston Strangler was cast into doubt Thursday by new DNA evidence that fails to link the man who confessed to the string of 1960s rape-murders to the last victim.

A team of forensic scientists who exhumed the body of Mary Sullivan more than a year ago revealed that tests on her clothing and remains found DNA from two individuals other than Sullivan.

Neither finding was a match for Albert DeSalvo, whose body was exhumed six weeks ago.

"It's indicative, strongly indicative, of the fact that Albert DeSalvo was not the rape-murderer of Mary Sullivan," said James Starrs, a George Washington University professor of law and forensic science, who headed the team.

But Julian Soshnick, a former Massachusetts prosecutor who interviewed DeSalvo twice after he confessed to the killings in 1965, said the results don't prove DeSalvo's innocence in the Sullivan murder or any of the other killings.

"It doesn't prove anything except that they found another person's DNA on a part of Miss Sullivan's body," said Soshnick, who

said the strangler didn't sexually assault all of his victims.

The Boston Strangler struck between 1962 and 1964, killing 11 Boston-area women. Sullivan was killed Jan. 4, 1964, three days shy of her 20th birthday.

DeSalvo, a blue-collar worker with a wife and children, was never charged in the strangler killings. He confessed to those murders, and two others, while in pretrial detention for unrelated sex offenses, but later recanted.

Convicted of the unrelated assaults and sentenced to life, DeSalvo was stabbed to death at the maximum-security prison in Walpole, Mass., in 1973.

Those who question whether he was indeed the Boston Strangler point to a string of circumstances that raise doubts. Among them: There was never any physical evidence putting him at the crime scenes; he did not match witness descriptions of possible suspects; and he was never on investigators' lists of more than 300 suspects.

But Soshnick said he specifically asked DeSalvo about the Sullivan case and seven or eight of the other murders, and DeSalvo knew details that "only the killer would know that were not known publicly."

For instance, DeSalvo described

accurate details about what type of ligatures were used and how they were tied, he said.

"I believe that Albert was the Boston Strangler," Soshnick said.

Massachusetts Attorney General Thomas Reilly, who began reinvestigating Sullivan's murder last year at the request of the DeSalvo and Sullivan families, said in a statement that the new findings don't resolve the question of whether DeSalvo killed Sullivan.

Reilly repeated a call for the DeSalvo family to provide a DNA sample from a family member so investigators can conduct further tests. The family has refused to do so until Reilly's office turns over crime scene evidence, which Reilly has refused to do, citing an ongoing investigation.

Starrs, who said he is willing to cooperate with Massachusetts authorities, believes one of the new DNA findings is tied to Sullivan's killer.

"We cannot tell you the \$64,000 question as to whose it is," said Starrs, who has participated in other historical inquests, including examinations into the deaths of explorer James Meriwether Lewis and Jesse James.

Starrs said he could not speak to the other Boston Strangler cases. However, Sullivan's nephew,

Casey Sherman, who has maintained for years that another man killed his aunt, is convinced DeSalvo isn't the strangler.

"If he didn't kill Mary Sullivan, yet he confessed to it in glaring detail, he didn't kill any of these women," Sherman said.

He said police had a prime suspect in Sullivan's murder but dropped pursuit of the man after DeSalvo confessed. Sherman said the man is alive, and he urged police again to focus on him.

The DeSalvo and Sullivan families believe DeSalvo confessed because he hoped to make money from book and movie deals.

A statement released by DeSalvo and Sullivan family attorneys Daniel and Elaine Whitfield Sharp of Marblehead, Mass., said the work of Starrs' team proves "beyond reasonable doubt" that DeSalvo didn't kill Sullivan, and "he was not the Boston Strangler."

DeSalvo's family also wants to clear up the circumstances of DeSalvo's death.

Three inmates were tried for the killing, but a jury failed to reach a decision in one trial, and a mistrial was declared in another. Prosecutors had said they believed the men were trying to keep DeSalvo from entering the prison drug trade.

Patch promises to seal hole in children's hearts without grueling surgery

WASHINGTON (AP) — Children born with a severe hole in the heart won a breakthrough treatment Thursday: the first patches that can seal those holes without open-heart surgery.

The CardioSeal and Amplatzer patches can be threaded into the heart through tiny incisions in the groin, a far easier therapy than the grueling surgery many toddlers and young children have faced until now.

"It's pretty remarkable to see just how this works," said Dr. Stuart Portnoy of the Food and Drug Administration, which approved the patches Thursday.

Portnoy called the patches a breakthrough that could help hundreds of children a year.

"This is a big deal," agreed Dr. Dianne Atkins of the University of Iowa, who chairs the American Heart Association's council on pediatric heart disease.

"These devices are going to be very helpful" in allowing some children to avoid open-heart surgery altogether — and to cut the number of operations needed by infants with complex heart defects, she said.

Up to 17,000 children are born in the United States each year with a septal defect, a hole between heart chambers that short-circuits how the heart pumps.

The heart has four chambers. The top two are the atria; the bottom two are ventricles. The septum is a wall separating the left and right sides of those chambers. Oxygen-rich blood is kept in the left chambers, oxygen-depleted blood in the right.

A hole in the septum means oxygen-rich blood mixes with oxygen-depleted blood and gets sent to the lungs a second time — a vicious cycle that makes the heart work harder and harder.

This hole can be either between the top two chambers, an atrial septal defect, or the bottom chambers, a ventricular septal defect. Often, the holes can heal by themselves or aren't big enough to cause harm. But large holes, especially in the ventricles, can cause serious, even life-threatening, damage.

CardioSeal is a fabric patch with little wire hooks that hold it in place over ventricular holes. Amplatzer is a fabric and wire mesh patch to seal atrial holes.

Using a thin tube called a catheter, cardiologists cut a small incision into a vein in the groin and thread the patch-bearing catheter up to the heart. Once the patch is hooked over the hole, the heart begins forming scar tissue that, within six months, should hold it in place permanently, Portnoy explained.

How well do they work? Amplatzer manufacturer AGA Medical Corp. compared 331 patch patients with 154 who had open-heart surgery. The patch proved just as successful at closing holes in the atria — 98 percent. But it caused far fewer serious side effects — 7.4 percent compared with 24 percent of side effects surgery patients faced. Plus, patch recipients stayed in the hospital one day instead of three.

CardioSeal manufacturer NMT Medical Inc. studied 74 patients with ventricle holes who

were too sick for open-heart surgery. Six months later, 72 percent had significantly improved. About 17 percent suffered a serious side effect.

The biggest risk is that the patch won't stay in place until scar tissue grows around it, Portnoy said. So patients will need regular check-ups with an X-ray to ensure the patch hasn't moved.

Other risks include the possibility of blood clots or a fracture in the patch itself.

Placing the patch "is a technically demanding skill. You need to have had special training," cautioned the heart association's Atkins.

Parents seeking the patch should specifically ask if the hospital has someone trained in "interventional pediatric cardiology," she advised, a specialty that many large children's hospitals offer.

While septal defects largely are an issue of childhood, there are adults who could benefit from the patches, she added. For example, some patients who don't have small holes patched in childhood can face a risk of stroke-causing blood clots passing through the hole later in life; others may need a repeated repair despite earlier surgery.

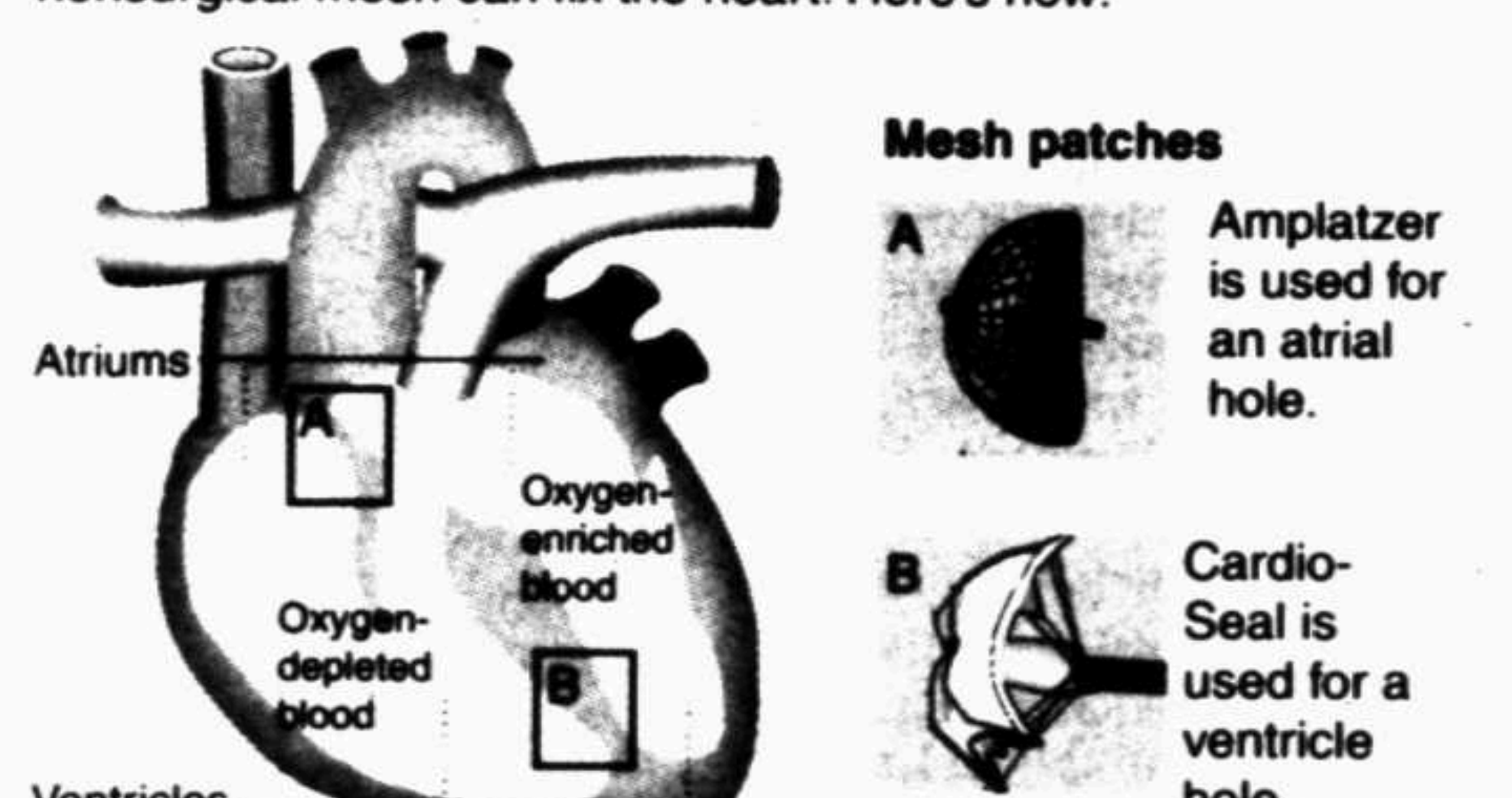
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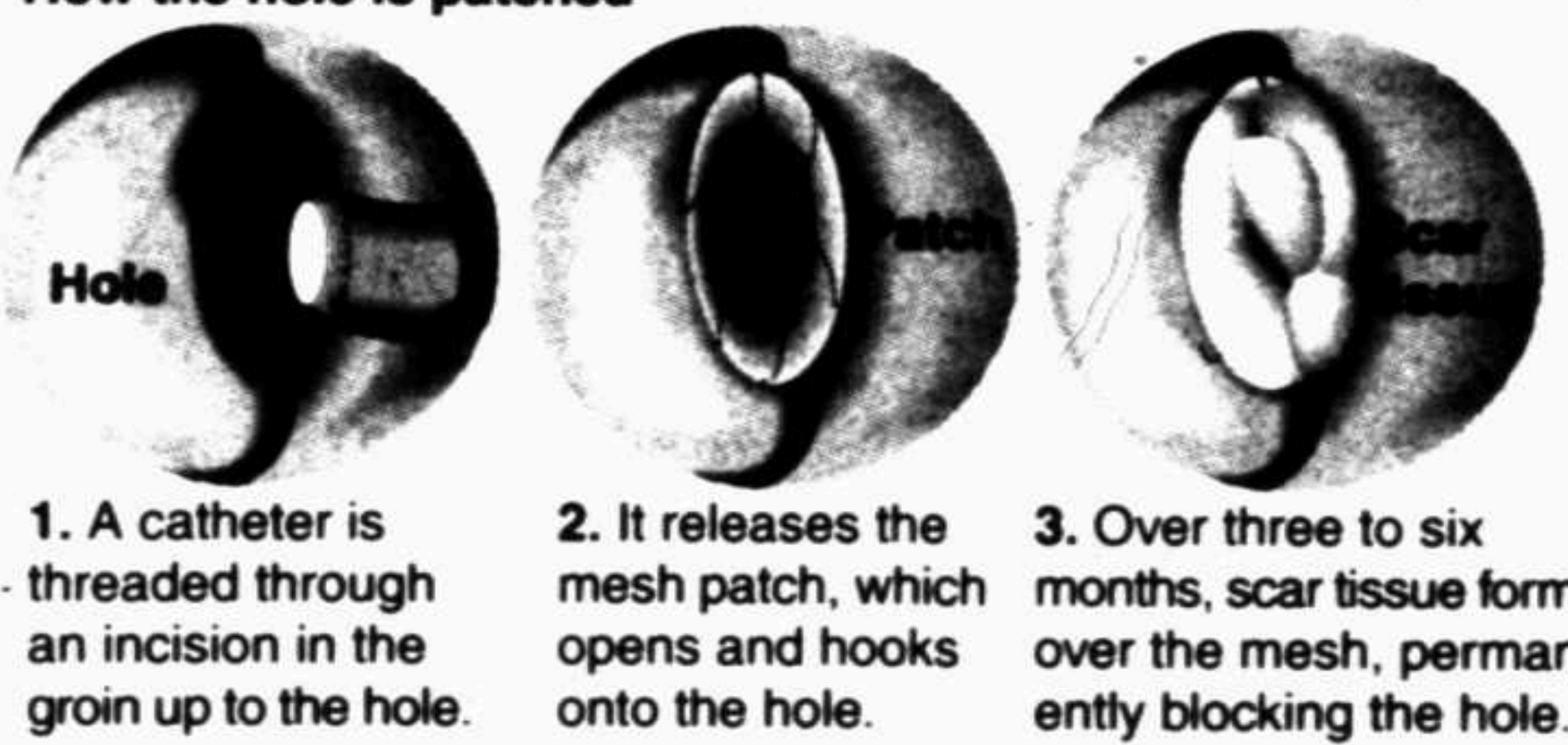
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By David Mc...
Associated Press

RAMSTEIN — The remains of a U.S. soldier killed in Afghanistan by an American missile arrived late Thursday in Germany. The remains were found in a flag-draped coffin in the aircraft carrier's hangar.

The C-141 transport plane carrying the remains arrived at the hangar at the Naval Air Station in Germany. The remains were found in a flag-draped coffin in the aircraft carrier's hangar.

Three hearses over the flooding rear of the aircraft carrier's hangar. Navy honor detail flag-draped coffin down the ramp.

Other members of the detail saluted, then held aloft the U.S. flag as the coffin was lowered into the hangar.

Sgt. 1st Class Loomis and Staff Sgt. Loomis were two of the one-ton making their last 100 yards from the hangar to the iban fighters also.

One of the 20 dent arrived early, the Landstuhl.

The soldier, who to five hours of surgery and neurosurgery at the hospital.

"The patient has unit and remains. It will be 48 to 72 on his prognosis.

Arrangements for 14 of the injured Loomis, a spokesman for the U.S. Marine Corps, said.

At least 15 wounded in the bombing accident to a U.S. Marine out of Afghanistan.

Arafat's

GAZA CITY, — Israeli war police post in Gaza apparently keeping Yasser Arafat from terrorists. The attack after 1,500 Hamas fighters killed Palestinian protesters Arafat's.

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Thursday's violence intensified round militants came as

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Remains of U.S. soldiers killed in Afghanistan precision bomb accident arrive at German base

By David McHugh
Associated Press

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany — The remains of two Special Forces soldiers killed in Afghanistan by an errant U.S. bomb arrived late Thursday at a U.S. military base in Germany. A soldier injured in the accident arrived earlier and underwent hours of surgery.

The C-141 transport plane carrying the Army Green Beret soldiers' remains, along with those of a sailor who died Tuesday after a fall on his ship, touched down at Ramstein Air Base just before 11 p.m. (5 p.m. EST).

Three hearses backed slowly over the floodlight runway to the rear of the aircraft. An Army and Navy honor detail carried the three flag-draped coffins, one at a time, down the ramp.

Other members of the 40-strong detail saluted, presented arms and held aloft the U.S. and service flags as the coffins were driven slowly away to the morgue at a nearby U.S. military hospital.

Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Pettithory, 32, of Massachusetts and Staff Sgt. Brian Cody Prosser, 28, of California were two of three soldiers killed Wednesday when the one-ton bomb, intended to hit Taliban forces making their last stand near Kandahar, landed about 100 yards from their position. Six Afghan anti-Taliban fighters also died.

One of the 20 U.S. soldiers wounded in the accident arrived earlier Thursday at the military hospital, the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center.

The soldier, who wasn't identified, underwent four to five hours of surgery by a team including orthopedic and neurosurgeons, said Maj. Mark Ervin, a surgeon at the hospital.

"The patient has been returned to the intensive care unit and remains in a guarded condition," Ervin said. "It will be 48 to 72 hours before we have a firm grasp on his prognosis."

Arrangements were being made to bring another 14 of the injured to Landstuhl today, said Lt. Col. Ed Loomis, a spokesman for U.S. European Command.

All but three of the Americans wounded in the bombing accident were evacuated from the scene, first to a U.S. Marine base south of Kandahar and then out of Afghanistan. The injuries to the 17 taken out-



A hearse waits near a plane carrying the coffins of three American soldiers after it arrived at the Ramstein Air Base in Germany on Thursday. The remains of two Special Forces soldiers killed in Afghanistan by an errant U.S. bomb arrived late Thursday at the base. The C-141 transport plane carrying the Army Green Beret soldiers' remains was also carrying the body of a sailor who died Tuesday after a fall on his ship.

side of Afghanistan "vary from moderate to severe," a statement from U.S. Central Command said.

It was unclear when the remains of those killed would be flown home and whether the remains of the third U.S. soldier killed, Master Sgt. Jefferson Donald Davis, 39, of Tennessee, would be brought to Germany.

Meanwhile, eighteen Afghan anti-Taliban fighters injured in the incident were being treated on U.S. Navy ships in the Arabian Sea, the statement said. Eight were on the USS Peleliu and 10 aboard the USS Bataan.

The sailor was identified as Fireman Apprentice Michael J. Jakes Jr., 20, of New York City. Loomis said he died Tuesday of head injuries sustained in a fall from his bunk on the carrier USS Kitty Hawk.

The Landstuhl hospital last week treated five Special Forces soldiers who were injured during a violent three-day uprising at a fortress in Mazar-e-Sharif where Taliban captives were being held. They were hurt by a U.S. bomb that missed its target after the team had called in airstrikes in support of northern alliance forces.

Landstuhl also treated four crewmen whose helicopter crash-landed in Afghanistan in early November and about 20 others for illness or non-combat injuries.



Elian Gonzalez, center, blows out the candle on his birthday cake with the help of two classmates, Thursday at his school in Cardenas, 145 kilometers east of Havana, Cuba.
AP Photo

Elian Gonzalez celebrates his eighth birthday in Cuba

By Anita Snow
Associated Press

CARDENAS, Cuba — Elian Gonzalez celebrated his eighth birthday Thursday giggling at a clown and dipping his finger in cake frosting two years after he won the hearts of two nations in an international custody battle.

This year's birthday party at Elian's school was more low key than last year, when President Fidel Castro was the honored guest at the school.

National Assembly President Ricardo Alarcon attended and said Elian's birthday was a joy for his family and a "special day" for Cuba, two years after the international custody battle.

All 780 students attended the party for Elian and two others with the same birthday at the school, about 85 miles east of Havana.

The children played games including quizzes on Cuban history, with the winners receiving simple prizes — yellow wooden pencils, squirt guns and a plastic guitar.

Elian's father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez, his stepmother, his two younger half brothers and his grandparents and favorite cousin also came to the school for the party.

Alarcon, Castro's point man on Cuba-U.S. affairs, played a key role in the communist country's efforts to have Elian repatriated after the boy's Miami relatives refused to return him to his father in Cuba.

Elian was rescued off Florida in November 1999 after his mother

and most of the other passengers traveling illegally from Cuba to the United States died when their boat capsized.

The boy was temporarily placed with relatives in Miami who, backed by other Cuban exiles, fought to keep the child in the United States.

In response, Castro organized nearly daily rallies to demand that Elian be returned and reunited with his father.

Elian returned to Cuba on June 28, 2000, after a seven-month legal battle that went to

the Supreme Court.

In Miami, about 30 people celebrated in Little Havana down the street from the house where Elian stayed with his relatives. Partygoers ate a cake decorated with a picture of Elian and one of his rescuers that read: "No one and nothing can keep us away from you and you'll always be in our hearts."

Lily Espinosa, 58, said, "Even if he's not here, we keep him in our hearts and our minds. To us he's here."

Elian's relatives are planning a larger celebration for Saturday.

Arafat's crackdown sparks Palestinian anger

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israeli warplanes bombed a police post in Gaza early today, apparently keeping pressure on Yasser Arafat to arrest suspected terrorists. The attack came hours after 1,500 Hamas supporters battled Palestinian riot police to protest Arafat's crackdown.

At least fifteen police were wounded in the bombing but medical workers said the injuries did not appear to be life-threatening.

Thursday's violent backlash to an intensified roundup of Islamic militants came as a U.S. envoy and

the Egyptian foreign minister shuttled between Israel and the Palestinian territories, trying to stop more than a year of Palestinian-Israeli clashes and bring about a truce.

Arafat faces pressure from the United States and the threat of renewed military strikes by Israel if he fails to stop militants who have carried out a wave of deadly attacks against Israelis.

Israel apparently made good on that threat early today as bombs struck two buildings in a complex that was the headquarters for the

Palestinian civil police in Gaza City. Dust and black smoke filled the sky and ambulances rushed toward the building.

Though Arafat said his forces have arrested 180 militants, Israeli officials said earlier that the leaders of violent groups remain at large.

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■ **The Permian Basin Poetry Society** will have their Christmas party from 2 to 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 8 at the Presidential Museum, 622 N. Lee in Odessa. The program will include Christmas music by Alice Greenwood and Loretta Walker, games and a visit from Mrs. Santa Claus.

■ **The local chapter of the United Ostomy Association** will hold its Christmas Party at 1 p.m. on Dec. 9 at the Kingsway Mall in Midland.

■ **The Lt. William Brewer Chapter, National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution** will hold its annual Christmas tea from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at the home of Mrs. Charles Bird, #3 Warwick Pl.

■ **The Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Aaron Estes Chapter**, will hold their Christmas Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 11 at Midland Women's Club. For reservations, contact Mrs. James Henry.

■ **The Scottish Heritage Society of the Permian Basin** will have a "Christmas Gathering" from 2 to 5 p.m. Dec. 8 at the First Christian Church of Midland Parlor. The entrance is on 1301 W. Louisiana at the corner of Louisiana Avenue and "F" Street. For more information, call 262-3339.

■ **Midland Kappa Delta Alumnae Association** will have its annual Christmas Party at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 10 at the home of Stacy and Mark Grafton, 1405 Storey Ave. To RSVP, call Stacey at 686-8807.

■ **The Midland Music Teachers' Association** will meet at 11 a.m. Dec. 11 at the Midland Christian Fellowship at West Indiana and Baldwin. The social committee will host the meeting with their annual Christmas luncheon. For more information, call Pam Holleman at 688-6865.

■ **The Midland Porcelain Art Club** will have its annual Christmas Party from 2 to 4 p.m. Dec. 9 at the home of Fran Reedy. There will be a raffle and mugs will be exchanged. For more information, call 684-4037.

■ **The Midland Palette Club** will meet at 11 a.m. Dec. 11 at the Arts Building at 907 Wadley. There will be a potluck luncheon. All members are asked to bring one dish and a painting to hang. Members and non-members are invited.

■ **Remembering Our Mothers** is a new support group for grieving daughters. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. This month's meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13 at the Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas. For more information, call 682-2855.

■ **Brownie Troop 145** will be holding a toy drive from 2 to 4 p.m. Dec. 8 at Walgreens, 215 Andrews Highway. The troop is asking for new unwrapped toys that will be sent to the Buckner Hearst Home and the Women and Children's Shelter.

■ **The Newcomers Club** will combine its December Coffee and luncheon with their annual potluck coffee/luncheon and will have a Christmas ornament gift exchange at 11 a.m. on Dec. 13. Each member should bring a table-ready main dish, casserole, side dish or salad. The ornament exchange is voluntary. For more information, call Cindy at 522-1478.

To have your event included in this column, mail the information to Around Town, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas, 79702; fax it to 570-7650; or e-mail it to dpulham@mrt.com.

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Widow rediscovers joy of woodworking hobby

By Lana Cunningham
MRT Correspondent

"Cowboy Church of the American West. God is good all the time."

These words are intricately inscribed in wood on a round table bearing the logo of the Cowboy Church. For the first time in more than a year, Lucille Balko turned on the scroll saw and cut out the logo and words to make the round table, which she then presented as a gift to the church.

She knows that God is good, but it took more than a year for her heart to wander back to a hobby she and her husband, Frank, used to share. Frank died in July 2000, and Mrs. Balko moved to Manor Park in Midland several months ago to be near her son.

"This table is the first thing I've made since he died. I just couldn't get into it," she explained. Until now, Mrs. Balko has been busy attending activities at the retirement community and making new friends.

Her home is filled with examples of the couple's woodworking: intricately carved clocks, a chest, letter openers, a wooden truck. The scroll saw — covered when not in use — stays on the patio.

The clocks are not small, some stand about 3 feet tall. The "Chimes of Normandy" took about three weeks to do," she said. The Apostle clock includes figurines of all the disciples. The Paris clock is a replica of the Eiffel Tower. The Dome clock was changed from the pattern. "It had half a dome, but we decided to make it a full dome. I was working (outside the

home) when Frank decided to put the top together," she said of the many pieces that went into the top portion. "I don't know how he did it by himself."

Mrs. Balko grew up in Sherman and married a man in the Air Force. During the time he was stationed in Germany, the couple adopted an infant boy whom they named Dannie Paglusch. But her husband died suddenly at the age of 36.

Mrs. Balko eventually moved to San Angelo with her son and began attending Angelo State University. Friends set her up on a blind date with a man by the name of Frank Balko. "I wasn't looking for anyone," she recalled with a smile. Something clicked and the two were married six months later.

They moved to Iraan where Frank had been in the body shop business for many years. In December 1998, he started dabbling in woodworking. "A friend of ours in San Angelo used to do it. Frank had been restoring toys and was running out of parts. So, he started woodworking," she said.

"We just got carried away with it." As soon as they finished one project, the couple would start on another. Some pieces they kept, others they gave away.

After 26 years of marriage, Frank died. And then Lucille decided there wasn't much to do in Iraan and decided Midland/Dannie's home base — would be a better place for her.

Mrs. Balko goes "to nearly everything they have here" at Manor Park.

Plus, she works out on the specially designed Nautilus machines at least twice



Lucille Balko makes intricate designed woodwork in her home.

AP Photo

a week.

And on Sunday, she goes to the Cowboy Church where her son plays bass guitar in the band.

The idea came to her one day to take the cover off the scroll saw and try her hand at making something by herself. And what she envisioned was the round table top with the Cowboy Church logo. "I didn't tell anyone I was doing it in case I didn't want to finish it or if it just didn't go

well," she said.

Once the electricity came on and the blade touched the wood, Mrs. Balko was hooked on the project. Now, she's planning to make Christmas ornaments to give to family and friends.

Mrs. Balko has lost two husbands, but those major life-changing events haven't stopped her from knowing the truth of what she wrote in wood for others to see: "God is good."

Woman self-conscious about her weight dreading holiday season

By Jim May

DEAR FAMILY: It's my worst time of the year again. The time when everyone else can party and eat and I shouldn't. All my life I've been told that I'm fat and I know that I am. I want to eat like everyone else, but I can't. I feel like everyone is watching me and talking about how much I eat. When I got to parties I only eat small portions of food because I am so self-conscious about my weight. Inside I want to eat the whole table (especially sweets) but I have to contain myself and act like I only want a little.

That would be bad enough, but then I usually come home and binge on sweets after everyone else has gone to bed. That makes things even worse and then I'm mad and ashamed. The next day or days I'm angry at myself so I attack my children and husband. Then I feel worse, so I eat to feel better, then on and on.

What makes all this so crazy is that I know exactly what I'm doing. I just can't stop. I've been on diets since I was in the fifth grade. My mother was constantly on me about my weight and "what a pretty face I had if I only would watch my weight." It made me want to eat even more; then I was totally ashamed of myself. To this day when we go to my parents' house over the holidays I can feel her critical eye watching everything I put in my mouth.

I don't really expect you to put this in your column but I feel better just writing it. I know that there's nothing anyone can do. I have to do it for myself. People who don't have a weight problem

will never understand how hard this is to be surrounded by food everywhere you go and know that it's bad for you to eat. They will never know what it's like to know that people talk about you and think that you're just too lazy to take care of yourself. They are so wrong, but that's life. — TOO FAT FOR HOLIDAY CHEER

DEAR TOO FAT: I disagree with you. I think that you have an important story to tell and we all need to listen. Our culture directly and indirectly tells its females that to be accepted they have to look a certain way — thin. Your mother's attempts to "help" you look that way may have been well-intentioned but they had the opposite effect. While we have no real way of knowing the full affect of familial, peer and societal pressures to look a certain way, we do have a significant body of research that speaks to its detrimental psychological and

physiological effects.

As a practical matter, weight management is a multi-billion dollar business in this country with no real "guaranteed" answer in sight. The frustrations associated with attempts and failures to lose and maintain weight loss often leads to depression. Then the depression can take the form of agitation often leading to misdirected anger.

One of the amazing things about eating disorders is that knowledge is not enough. Once a person admits she or he has an eating disorder, the difficult and often tortuous process of dealing with the disorder begins. As you know, there are numerous self-help books on being overweight, its causes and how to solve it. I do not recommend any one book in general because of the specifics of each situation. However, I do believe each person's weight goal should simply be to maintain

a medically healthy weight — not a certain "look." This is a process involving both healthy eating and exercise.

I would encourage you to talk to your physician to make certain that there are no physiological reasons for your weight gain and to establish a medically healthy weight goal for yourself. Discuss the possibility of a modest exercise program that can slowly lead to a more active program. The research does consistently note the value of exercise as a positive component of weight management. You may also want to discuss your depression and anger with your physician to determine if an anti-depressant might be

appropriate.

I do hope you will be better able to enjoy the holiday season. It sounds like a cliché but God's love is not conditional upon how we look on the outside. The holiday season is about His loving us so much that He sent His son to teach us that important lesson — among others.

Jim May, Ph.D., is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

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PRIME TIME CALENDAR

MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Midland Senior Citizens Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space No. 18. For more information call 681-7636. Activities for Dec. 10-14 include:

- Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes; 9:30 a.m. art class; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, cards, dominoes.
- Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics class; 9:30 a.m. blood pressure check; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. art class; 1 p.m. bridge, cards, dominoes.
- Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics class; 10 a.m. gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, cards, dominoes.
- Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes; 9:30 a.m. C&W dancing and Tall City Dancers; 11 a.m. eyeglass assistance; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art for fun; 1 p.m. bridge, cards, dominoes.
- Friday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, cards, dominoes.

CASA DE AMIGOS

Casa de Amigos is located at 1101 E. Garden Lane. For more information about services provided call 682-9701. Activities include:

- Monday: 9 a.m. billiards/bowling; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.
- Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. gem and mineral; 10:15 a.m. sing-a-long; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.
- Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. advisory meeting; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. table games.
- Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. adult classes; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.
- Friday: 9 a.m. billiards; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. Bible study.

MIDLAND YMCA

Midland YMCA has many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. Contact Central YMCA 682-2551. Scheduled activities are:

- Low impact aerobics: 8:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday.
- YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.
- Senior water aerobics, 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Monday through Friday.
- Water arthritis classes, 10:15 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Deep water aerobics, 6:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday.
- Hydro-fit and water aerobics, 9 a.m. Monday through Saturday.
- Hydro-fit aerobics, 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.
- Lap swim/water walking, 5:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday; 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday; 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Saturday; and 1:15 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

The Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information about services offered, call 685-7231. Activities for Dec. 10-14 include:

- Monday: 10 a.m. ceramics and billiards; 10:20 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games and painting.
- Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.
- Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. clinic; 10 a.m. clinic, ceramics and billiards; 10:20 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games and painting.
- Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.
- Friday: 9:45 a.m. choir; 10 a.m. Bible class and ceramics; 10:20 a.m. exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games and center bingo.

CITY OF MIDLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY

Hillcrest Manor, 700 W. Scharbauer 682-0011, Langtry Village, 2200 N. Pecos 682-7729 and Parker Place, 503 E. Parker 570-6694. Calendar of events for Dec. 11-13 include:

- Tuesday: Langtry Village: 9 a.m. wellness clinic; Hillcrest Manor: 2 p.m. exercise; 3 p.m. bingo.
- Wednesday: Langtry Village: 9 a.m. wellness clinic; Hillcrest Manor: 2 p.m. exercise, 3 p.m. birthday party.
- Thursday: Langtry Village: 9 a.m. wellness clinic, 2:30 p.m. bingo, Hillcrest Manor: 2 p.m. exercise.

RSVP

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is recruiting persons 55 years and older to volunteer with non-profit agencies. RSVP will match volunteers' skills and interests to community agencies' needs. The program is sponsored by Community and Senior Services, 3301 Sinclair. For more information, call 689-6693. A sample of current opportunities include:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Midland needs responsible caring volunteers to help make a change in the lives of children. The new school-based program allows volunteers from all walks of life to serve as mentors. Spend one hour a week during the school year.
- Midland Need to Read needs a volunteer to spend time with older seniors and see that their literacy skills do not deteriorate. Volunteer will lead or assist a class of 15 seniors 80s to 90s Thursdays from 10-11 a.m. Training is provided.
- Midland County Public Library is in need of a few volunteers to work the information desk. Volunteers will help provide customers needing directions to various departments and assistance with a particular book and with the computer.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul assists Midland's poor with rent, utilities, food and clothing. Volunteers are needed to work one to four hours each week in the agency's Thrift Store, 701 N. Fort Worth. Store hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Call 687-2343. Meetings are 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at St. Ann's Catholic Church parish office, Texas at M Streets. Call 688-3999 for more information.

COM AQUATICS

City of Midland Aquatics has programs of water exercise for seniors. The schedule is:

- Monday: 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. seniors shallow, 7 a.m. to 10 a.m., 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. water walking; 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., 12 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. arthritis; 10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. st deep water.
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- Saturday: 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. water walking.

HELPING HANDS OF MIDLAND

The group needs volunteers to work flexible hours. Jobs include caseworkers, stocking food pantry and thrift store, furniture pick-up and office work. Call 520-8900 for information or attend board meetings held at 12:30 p.m. each Tuesday at 1301 Brinson Lane.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

'MM' magazine full of interesting, informative articles

By Alex Rose

As an AARP member, I have been receiving my Modern Maturity magazine, now called MM, for some years. But as many people do, I often thumb through the printed pages and sometimes catch a highlight or two.

I decided to read the current issue from cover to cover and see if I learned anything or if the magazine is really as great as people say. So here are my findings and at the end, my conclusion. I found everything from soup to nuts, from serious to silly, inside the cover.

On the serious side, the stories of those who were at Pearl Harbor bring that event, especially the survivors of Bataan, to life. The painful nightmare is still very real for those who remain to tell what happened. "Bataan was sort of another Alamo," said one survivor. "We were told that help was on the way. After a while, we began to give up."

Some relive Dec. 7 every day of their lives. Former infantryman Humphrey O'Leary, one of the survivors, said that he learned to never underestimate a person. "It takes a lot to kill a man if he does not want to be killed."

The attorney of Pacific fleet, Admiral Husband Kimmel wrote, "Pearl Harbor never dies and no living person has seen the end of it."

The article on "How to be the Greatest Grandparent Ever!" got my attention, as I am a grandparent with a new grandbaby on the way. The activities suggested are not the run-of-the-mill variety. Mario Andretti tells grandparents to drive bumper cars with our grandkids. Derek Jeter, shortstop for the New York Yankees, suggests that we catch fireflies in a jar. He claims this is not much different from catching a baseball.

Jerdone Coleman-McGhee, holder of the Guinness World Record for stone skipping, tells us how to skip a stone. First, he says, you have to become a rock expert because you have to have just the right stone for skipping.



Rose

British skippers call it "ducks and drakes." They cry out "duck" the first time the stone skips, "drake" the second time and "a half-penny cake" the third. After a fourth skip they shout "and a penny to pay the baker." Sounds like fun to me.

Phyllis Diller shares her technique on how to tell jokes to kids. Make them simple, get to the point, end with a bang and have a fall-back plan if your joke falls flat. She says stealing jokes is fine and gives permission to steal this one. It's July 4 and the teacher says to the preschool students, "Everyone in the country is free." A little kid in the back of the room says, "Oh, no they aren't. I am 4." Mary McConaughy, women's world heavyweight champion, suggests that arm wrestling is a great way to spend time with your grandchild.

Most of these ideas are not what most grandparents do; perhaps we had better broaden our scope of entertainment. Even yo-yoing is exclaimed as a great thing to share with a grandchild. Tommy Sothers, musician and world-renowned yo-yoer said that about 500 years ago the yo-yo was used in the Philippines as a weapon. Made of stone, it weighed about four pounds and was attached to 20 feet of rope.

Wow! Then there is an article about Quincy Jones, who goes from bee-bop to hip-hop and who can fast-talk and smack ribs like no one else. He has done a little of everything and been associated with musicians such as Lionel Hampton, Lesley Gore, Count Basie, Frank Sinatra, Billy Eckstine, Michael Jackson, Lena Horne, Ella Fitzgerald, Ray Charles, Stevie Wonder and Nelson Mandela. He claims that Sinatra and Nat "King" Cole are the best singers who ever lived. Quincy Jones has even performed for the pope. What does the future hold for him? Well, you will have to read the article to find out.

Since it is time for grandparents to shop for Christmas, you might be interested in the items mentioned in the article, "Plays the Thing." Most of the items were not familiar to me so maybe these suggestions will help you come up with the unusual. What about a jump rope that plays hip-hop music or a

brainy crustacean to wear on your head that speaks his own language. Your little princess might like a doll whose face she can design. There is a Spud Bud that looks normal but explodes on cue. Of course, a favorite will have to be "Hear Here," an eavesdropping device that will keep sister's remarks from ever being safe again.

The article that spoke to me the most was the one about "10 Hidden Energy Drains." According to this article, I can't blame my feeling of being dragged out, pooped, bushed, etc. on my age. Healthy people in their 80s and 90s should have pretty much the same energy levels they have always had. So, what is it that I can blame? The No. 1 reason is probably my reason — dehydration. Lack of drinking enough water robs a person of energy. Drink at least eight cups of fluid a day (not counting alcohol or caffeinated beverages). Other causes of energy drains could be low blood pressure, disturbed sleep, low testosterone, thyroid problems, anemia, eye-strain, medication, late-night indulgences or simple boredom.

Another one-pager on the secret of long life suggests you can't blame everything on your genes. Seems like stress, high cholesterol and emotional scars do not affect healthy aging like smoking and alcohol. There is no doubt these two are life-shortening factors. Dr. George E. Vailant, director of research in the department of psychiatry at Harvard and affiliated with Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, simply says, "a happy, healthy old age lies in ourselves."

Perhaps the blurb that got my attention the most was the one titled "Wear Your Vitamins." A Japanese company has come up with a T-shirt made out of a fiber that turns into Vitamin C through contact with the human skin. Also on its upcoming products list are vitamin-rich underwear. On this note, I will quit.

My conclusion is that this is a superb magazine filled with interest and information. My recommendation is: read it!

Alexandria L. "Alex" Rose is district coordinator for the American Association of Retired Persons.

DEAR ABBY

Neighborhood charity project spreads joy to those in need

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for your column about appropriate gifts for seniors. Like many families, we, too, have wrestled with the "what do we get for people who have everything?" gift dilemma.

Last year, our family finally hit upon a solution. We discussed it with our grandparents. They agreed that it would be more charitable for us to give something to people who lack everyday necessities.

We adopted a battered children's shelter. Those little ones are truly refugees. They need everything from toothbrushes and hairbrushes to baby formula and diapers — not to mention toys and games.

To our delight, our neighbors got involved in our project, too. For weeks, on Thursdays, neighbors would leave donations in a sack by their mailbox, and we would pick them up. Our goal was for every child in that shelter to wake up on Christmas morning to find packages of necessities and a few playthings.

The project created so much excitement among our neighbors that we collected enough for two shelters. There were pillows, socks, underwear, bath products, cold medicines, books, towels, baby clothes, etc. Each child also got a large gift basket, including a nonbreakable tree ornament to help him or her remember this holiday.

The cost was small when spread over so many families, but the rewards couldn't have been greater. We felt our project embodied the true spirit of Christmas. It sensitized our children to the needs of others all year long.

Because it was one of the best holidays we have ever had, we're repeating the drive again this year. When people join together, everyone CAN make a difference. — SANTA'S HELPERS IN PHOENIX

DEAR SANTA'S HELPERS: They certainly can.

Witness the incredible amounts of money raised by the Red Cross and the fund for the families of the people who perished in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

With that in mind, I hope that readers will be sensitive to the needs of charities in their local communities this year. Because monies that would ordinarily have been donated to local charities were diverted to the East Coast tragedies, many charities in other parts of the country are having difficulty raising enough to meet their budgets for 2001. Remember, folks, charity begins at home — and by that I mean the communities in which you dwell.

DEAR ABBY: You should be arrested for printing that hilarious story about Bud the St. Bernard. While I was driving alone on the freeway, I remembered reading about him in your column and began to laugh hysterically. I'm sure the other drivers thought I was mad!

What a dog! The woman who was stared down by Bud didn't get the message. For some reason, Bud didn't approve of her and cleverly spooked her away. That great animal should run for office. — STILL LAUGHING, ENCINO, CALIF.

DEAR STILL LAUGHING: Whether Bud approved of her is beside the point. The woman was a guest in his owner's house. As long as the owner is home — and presumably in charge — the owner is supposed to be the one who decides who is welcome.

If Bud had been my dog and pulled that routine, he would have found himself in the doghouse in more ways than one.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, aka Abigail Van Buren, and daughter Jeanne Phillips. Their column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

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Midland College sophomore third baseman Tiala Tagaloa signed Thursday to continue her softball career at Bethune-Cookman.

Lady Chaparral signs letter of intent to play softball at Division I school

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

For Midland College softball player Tiala Tagaloa, it's been a long trip, but she's finally going to make it coast-to-coast.

Tagaloa, a sophomore, signed Thursday with NCAA Division I Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach, Fla., to continue her softball career next season.

Tagaloa still has a season left to complete her two-year stint with the Lady Chaparrals, but now, with Thursday's signing, she doesn't have to worry about next season.

"When I signed to play with Midland College after my senior season, that took a lot of pressure off of me," Tagaloa said. "But I've been stressing lately about where to play after Midland College. Now that I've signed (with Bethune-Cookman) that also takes a lot of the pressure off."

Tagaloa was called the "heart and soul" of the Lady Chaps by MC softball coach Tommy Ramos. She was first team All-WJAC

and first team All-Region V on a team that won its first WJAC and Region V titles on the way to its first berth ever in the NJCAA national tournament.

Tagaloa led the team in hitting, batting .415. She also led the team in home runs (7), and RBIs (37) while mainly holding down the third base position. She also played some at catcher and first base.

Although Tagaloa has enjoyed her stay at Midland College and is looking forward to her final season with the Lady Chaps, she's glad to be getting back near some water.

"I'm just like a fish," Tagaloa said. She hails from Brea Olinda High School in Diamond Bar, Calif., near Los Angeles. Now she will swim (and play softball) in Florida. It will be a coast-to-coast college career.

"Bethune-Cookman has recruited me since

I was a senior in high school," Tagaloa said. "I really messed up on my grades when I was a junior in high school, so I had to go the junior college route."

"But I'm really happy with the way things have turned out. I'm glad I went to MC first because it gave me a chance to break in with both school and softball. I've loved it here."

"That's one of the reasons I stayed loyal to Bethune-Cookman because it's also a small school. I've wanted a college scholarship since I was seven years old and Midland College made that come true."

The grade situation has also improved from high school. Tagaloa now carries a grade point average of 3.32.

Bethune-Cookman is a member of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference.

"They won the MEAC title the last two years and have been to the regional playoffs twice," Tagaloa said.

Tagaloa wasn't the only Lady Chap to find a future home. Sophomores Stacy Broman,

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TALL CITY OILMAN'S TOURNAMENT

'Dogs down Rebels

MHS takes early lead, wins 74-48

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

With the Midland High and Midland Lee boys basketball teams apparently on equal footing heading into Thursday night, the final results only seemed all the more jarring.

In the featured game of the first day of the Tall City Oilman's Tournament at Chaparral Center, the expected exciting and competitive game never materialized, so it could be said that the first MHS-Lee battle of the season didn't live up to the hype. But don't tell that to the Bulldogs.

Shooting the ball with uncanny accuracy from all points on the court from the start, Midland High jumped on the Rebels and never let up, cruising to a surprisingly one-sided 74-48 victory which served notice to future opponents. With the win, the Bulldogs advance to the championship bracket, where they'll play Belton today at 1:30 p.m.

While it would have been natural for those in purple to predict a Midland High win, the fact that it came so easily was something of a shock.

"I've been at Midland High for 23 years and I've been in so many games that were toss-ups and they ended up being blowouts," said MHS coach Jack Stephenson. "This is a big win for our program. We're 8-2 and beat a hell of a team."

Lee fell to 6-4, and didn't resemble the team which had cracked the 80-point barrier in each of last three games. The most obvious was in shooting the ball, which the Bulldogs did extremely well and the Rebels didn't.

Midland High actually took 20 fewer shots than Lee, but did far more with them, canning 25-of-45 from the field, including 12 3-pointers. The Rebels, by contrast, shot dismally, hitting only 17-of-65 from the floor.

"We didn't do a very good job of getting

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Brian Adams/Reporter-Telegram
Midland Lee's Cornell Hunt finds his path to the basket blocked by Midland High's John Alcalá Thursday night at the Chaparral Center. The Bulldogs defeated the Rebels, 74-48.

TCU playing for right to go to bowl game

By Ralph D. Russo
AP Sports Writer

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Houston or bust. TCU and Southern Mississippi play the second-to-last game of the Division I-A regular season Friday night with a bid to the galleryfurniture.com Bowl in Houston going to the winner.

For the loser, the offseason begins. "It's kind of like high school football in the playoffs," Southern Miss quarterback Jeff Kelly said. "You win, you keep playing. You lose you go home."

And for seniors such as Kelly, who knows when their next football game will be.

"To have the opportunity to have such a big game to end your career is great," he said.

Both teams also have streaks on the line.

Southern Miss (6-4) has been to a bowl game four straight seasons. TCU (5-5) is looking for its fourth straight winning season, something it hasn't done since the 1950s.

The Golden Eagles hoped they would have a bowl bid locked up by now. Had they beaten Alabama last week they would have received a bid to the GMAC Bowl in Mobile. Even with a loss, Southern Miss was expected to land in Houston.

But when the Golden Eagles lost, they were left empty handed.

"This is the best scenario," Southern Miss safety Chad Williams said. "If you want something real bad you have

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Knight sees glimpses of greatness in his team

By Betsy Blaney
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — After seven games, Bob Knight has little doubt about the work ethic of his Texas Tech players.

But hard work isn't the end-all for Knight. It has to translate into solid and consistent play.

Despite a 6-1 record, the team's ability to carry out Knight's style of play remains, at times, elusive.

"I think it shows in stretches that it's made great improvement," Knight said of the Red Raiders' play. "And then I think it shows in stretches that it's made no improvement. So you take your choice."

Tech has squandered leads and given up easy points in the waning minutes of first halves—a pet peeve of Knight's. In their last game, he went ballistic after a turnover in the closing seconds of the half led to a 3-pointer for TCU.

Knight, no stranger to handling chairs, flipped over his in disgust.

"Our team has got to have better judgment and it's

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Selig's pleas on poverty greeted by skepticism

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

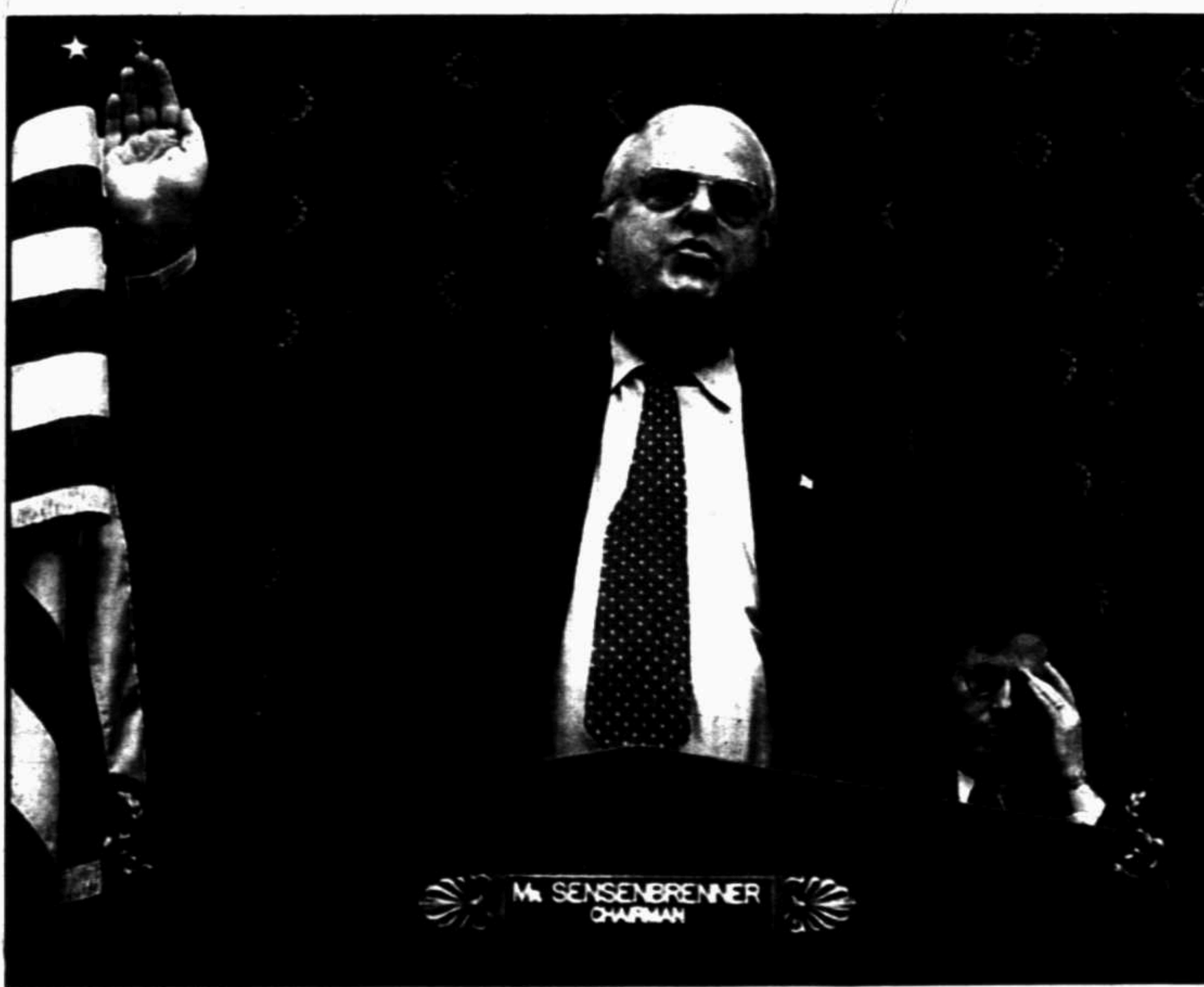
WASHINGTON — Commissioner Bud Selig's plan to eliminate two baseball teams was met with skepticism and hostile questions at a congressional hearing where he railed against high player salaries.

Selig repeatedly told the House Judiciary Committee hearing Thursday that his sport's financial problems were caused by a "system that is badly flawed."

He claimed baseball owners sustained a \$232 million operating loss this year — \$519 million with interest payments and depreciation added in — and placed the blame on salaries that have skyrocketed in the quarter-century of free agency and salary arbitration.

Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura, also testifying before the committee and seated next to Selig, doubted the claims of large losses.

"I have a hard time believing it, Mr. Selig, that they're losing that kind of money and still paying the salaries they're paying," Ventura said. "That's asinine. These people did not get the



AP Photo
House Judiciary Committee chairman Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., swears in witnesses during a Thursday hearing on antitrust exemption for Major League Baseball on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

Players' union claims baseball's numbers don't tell whole story

By Stephen Hawkins
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Players' union head Donald Fehr says no real conclusions can be drawn from claims that baseball will lose more than \$519 million this year.

As players prepare to negotiate a new labor agreement and fight off a plan to eliminate two teams before next season, Fehr said Thursday that the numbers released by commissioner Bud Selig don't tell the whole story.

"There's a lot of information we do not have. We don't have information of what the costs are in a meaningful way," Fehr said. "If you are going to try to figure out what the situation is, you need to understand the revenue and you have to

also understand the expenses."

Fehr said critical analysis is needed, but that baseball isn't providing the full information to do such.

"Simple numbers don't tell you much," Fehr said. "To examine figures on a sophisticated basis, you can't look at lump sum numbers."

In testimony Thursday before the House Judiciary Committee, which is considering legislation to repeal baseball's 79-year-old antitrust exemption, Selig said baseball owners would incur a \$232 million operating loss this year.

That figure is increased by an additional loss of \$112 million in interest costs and \$174 million in

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TALL CITY OILMAN'S TOURNAMENT

First Round

Championship Bracket

Midland High 74, Midland Lee 48

Midland Lee (8-2) Jarvis Brown 4-5 0-10

Roger King 1-4 0-3 Marvin Wright 2-2 0-0

Lucas White 7-14 6-24 Blake Huggins 6-10 1-14 Marcus Wright 1-3 0-3 John

Alcala 0-0 0-0 Cody Odham 0-0 0-0 John

Hendrix 0-0 0-0 Cedric Johnson 0-0 0-0 Josh

Brown 1-1 0-2 One Fills 1-1 0-2 Nick Cor-

rized 1-2 0-2 Tony Madrid 1-2 1-2 4 Corey

Green 0-0 4-4 Charles Johnson 0-0 0-1 0

Gesar Aguirre 0-1 0-0 Trevor Stoltz 0-0 0-0

Total: 25-48 12-17 74

Lee (8-4) Cornell Hunt 6-11 1-13 Art Gar-

da 2-12 2-6 Jason Wattington 1-3 0-0 Drew

Coffman 5-20 3-6 14 Eric Winston 1-6 2-4 4

Jacob Hartley 0-3 0-0 Edward Mayberry 1-

2-0-2 Rhett Butler 0-0 0-0 Eliah Smith 0-

4-2-2 Parker Foy 1-1 2-3 4 Tim Norman 0-

1-1 Cole Sampson 0-1 0-0 Total: 25-48

12-23 48

Midland High 19 19 11 25 -74

Lee 10 15 12 11 -48

3-point goals: MHS 12, Brown 2, King 1

Washington 1, White 4, Huggins 1, Wright 1

Madrid 1, Lee 2, Garcia 1, Coffman 1

Rebounds: MHS 32, Brown 10, Lee 26 (Winston)

Turnovers: MHS 22, Lee 13 (Total Foults: MHS 19, Lee 20 Foults Out: Hartley

Technical Fouls: None

Lubbock Coronado 50, El Paso Eastwood 26

Eastwood: Rob Leal 2-0-5 Tom Tullius 1-

0-2 Joseph Lopez 2-0-5 Pat Alvarez 0-0-1

Art Gonzalez 2-0-6 Jose Canino 2-0-6 Brad

Ramirez 1-0-2 Angel Faria 0-0-0 Brad

Jefferson 0-0-1 Jonathan Ramos 0-0-1 2

Jefferson 0-0-0 Mike Francis 0-0-0 Brad

O'Neill 0-0-0 Total: 10-25 26

Coronado: Parker Hunt 1-0-2 Ricky Huf-

man 0-0-0 Adam Puntell 4-0-8 Jared Farris

1-0-2 Ross McCutcheon 0-0-0 Adam Jen-

nings 0-0-0 Kyle Ferguson 0-0-0 Austin Feltz

0-0-0 Vince Briggs 1-0-2 Greg Prokes 1-0-

3-3 Eliot Nixon 1-2-4 Tyler Vinton 1-0-2

Brandon Diaz 2-0-4 Sean Abo 0-0-0 Dem-

ons Pease 10-5-20 Total: 28-50

Eastwood 3 7 10 6 -26

Coronado 9 12 17 12 -50

3-point goals: El Paso 1, Lopez 1, Gon-

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Second Round

Championship Bracket

San Antonio Jay 53, Abilene Cooper 52

Jay: Chris Ross 2-0-4 Pat Fields 6-3-15

Steve Golt 2-2-6 Kenneth Wilson 1-0-2 Jeff

Davis 7-0-17 Chris Jones 0-0-0 Robert

Simunovic 0-0-0 Travis Finch 0-2-2 Chris

Brins 3-1-7 Chris Bogard 0-0-2 Matt Bul-

lock 0-0-0 Total: 21-8-11 53

Cooper: Marvaree Ralston 5-0-11 Brandon

Strout 1-2-5 Devin Williams 1-0-3 Nathan

Barber 2-0-5 Jon Warren 4-1-9 James Peters

1-5-6 Tony Cunningham 1-3-9 Chris Cam-

margo 0-0-0 Zach Jones 1-2-4 Jay

10-14-52

Jay: 12 14 6 20 -53

Cooper: 12 14 6 20 -52

3-point goals: Jay 3, Davis 3, AC 4, Rai-

ston 1, Strout 1, Williams 1, Barber 1 Total

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Consolation Bracket

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Eastwood: Rob Leal 5-0-11 Tom Tullius

1-0-2 Joseph Lopez 1-0-2 Pat Alvarez 3-4-

9 David Ramirez 7-14 15 Brad Kuykendall 3-

0-6 Jeff Hoernberg 0-0-0 Mike Francis 0-0-

0-0 Brad O'Neill 0-0-0 Angel 1-0-2 Total:

National Hockey League

EASTERN CONFERENCE					Modis 8 (St. Louis, Taylor), 9:29					Shots on goal—New York 10-11								
Atlantic Division					Third Period—None					9-30 Philadelphia 14-8-11-3								
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Pittsburgh	12	11	3	0.290	68	First Period—1 New York, Messer 5 (Leitch, Fleury), 12:34 (pp).					Edmonton 0 0 0							
New Jersey	11	10	3	0.273	70	Second Period—None					6 (Eaton, Hartnell), 11:7, 2, Nashville, Delmonor 8 (Timonen, Ronnesten), 7:4 (pp).							
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Buffalo	13	13	2	0.290	72	Play Opportunities—Toronto 2 of 5, New York 1 of 4, Goalies—Toronto, Schwab 2-2-0 (26 shots-23 saves)					Penguins 4, Bruins 1							
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Colorado at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.					N.Y. Islanders 2 0 0 — 2					Philadelphia 1 1 0 — 3								
Phoenix at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.					First Period—1, New York, Czerkawski 8 (Kvasha, Yashni), 4:40					Second Period—None								
Edmonton at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.					Third Period—None					Third Period—None								
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NBA Results

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
New Jersey	11	6	64.7	0
Boston	10	6	62.5	1
New York	10	5	61.9	2
Orlando	9	5	64.3	3
Philadelphia	8	10	44.4	4
Washington	6	12	33.3	5
Miami	2	14	12.5	6
Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	12	6	66.7	0
Milwaukee	10	6	62.5	1
Toronto	11	8	57.9	2
Indiana	10	10	50.0	3
Charlotte	8	10	44.4	4
Cleveland	7	11	38.9	5
Atlanta	6	13	31.0	6
Chicago	3	14	17.9	7
Western Conference				
Midwest Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
San Antonio	13	4	76.5	0
Minnesota	12	5	70.6	1
Dallas	12	6	68.6	2
Denver	7	11	38.9	3
Utah	7	11	38.9	4
Houston	7	11	38.9	5
Memphis	4	14	22.2	6
Pacific Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	16	1	94.1	0
Sacramento	14	5	73.7	1
Phoenix	12	8	60.0	2
L.A. Clippers	9	9	50.0	3
Portland	9	9	50.0	4
Seattle	9	12	42.9	5
Golden State	8	11	42.1	6

College Basketball

Top 25 Men				
No.	Team	Record	Coach	Notes
1	Missouri	11-1	Rollie Massimino	
2	South Carolina	11-1	Franklin Meyer	
3	North Carolina	10-1	Jim Coach	
4	Georgia	10-1	Tommy Scott	
5	Arizona	9-1	Tommy Scott	
6	Florida	9-1	Tommy Scott	
7	Illinois	8-1	Tommy Scott	
8	Michigan	8-1	Tommy Scott	
9	Ohio State	8-1	Tommy Scott	
10	Wisconsin	8-1	Tommy Scott	
11	Indiana	7-1	Tommy Scott	
12	Nebraska	7-1	Tommy Scott	
13	Kentucky	7-1	Tommy Scott	
14	Texas	7-1	Tommy Scott	
15	Alabama	7-1	Tommy Scott	
16	Arkansas	7-1	Tommy Scott	
17	Mississippi State	7-1	Tommy Scott	
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SPORTS



Florida quarterback Rex Grossman fires a touchdown pass to Jabbar Gaffney against Florida State in a game earlier this year in Gainesville, Fla.

Grossman sold himself to Spurrier, assistants

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Sitting in a film room with Steve Spurrier, Rex Grossman realized how good a quarterback he could be at Florida.

The hardest part was getting Spurrier to believe it, too.

Grossman took a winding path to Florida, then to becoming Spurrier's starter, and finally to becoming a Heisman Trophy finalist in this, his sophomore year.

He's trying to become the third Heisman winner at Florida — following Spurrier, and Danny Wuerffel, who won it in 1996, his senior season.

"It's hard to compare careers," Wuerffel said. "At different times you are doing different things. But obviously at this point of his career, he's playing phenomenal. He's got more control, obviously, than I did."

A high school star in Indiana, Grossman was more of a regional phenomenon than a national one. Instead of being sought out by the Gators, who don't pay much attention to the Midwest in recruiting, Grossman had to sell himself to them.

He showed up at Spurrier's office one day in February 1998 with his game tapes in hand. Spurrier, who happened to be in the office instead of on the golf course, got the word from his assistants that the baby-faced kid with the strong arm was worth talking to.

They watched tape together. Spurrier uses the tape of Wuerffel's 19 touchdowns during 1996 as an instructional video of sorts. Grossman watched it and quickly saw what his future could be.

"All the receivers were just wide open," Grossman said. "I was thinking, that's the place I want to play."

By the time he had arrived

back home in Bloomington — with a visit to Florida State and a vacation in Colorado squeezed in — Grossman had a handwritten note from Spurrier in his mailbox, offering him a scholarship.

But there's no such thing as a sure thing at Florida.

Last season, Grossman's name was barely mentioned when Spurrier unfurled his customary list of possible starters. Jesse Palmer and incoming freshman Brock Berlin got the attention.

As the season went on, Grossman surpassed them both, thanks to his strong arm, good decision-making and a disposition that allows him to take Spurrier's criticism without letting it overwhelm him.

"I think you definitely have to adapt to a person when you're playing under him," Grossman said. "I think I've done that for the most part. I'm not going to really elaborate what I've done, but mostly you've just got to realize he's the boss and stay confident."

Of course, winning the job once doesn't guarantee anything for the future. Spurrier pitted Grossman and Berlin against each other again this preseason, and Grossman won the job easily, and held it all year.

That makes him a rarity in at least two instances. Not only did Grossman start all 11 games at Florida — the last quarterback to do that since Wuerffel — he also is one of the few players to contend for college football's highest honor, who wasn't even sure if he would start at the beginning of the season.

"I would say Rex is a combination of a very, very good passer, who has a lot of good receivers and also opportunity," Spurrier said. "It's all three of those things. Obviously, we placed it around quite a bit so he gets a chance."

Skeptics believe Gross-

man is a product of the system, and that most any talented quarterback who played a full season at Florida — which is half the trick itself — would put up his kind of numbers.

Regardless of the reason, the numbers have been impressive. He has thrown for 3,896 yards, surpassing Wuerffel's single-season record. Grossman surpassed 300 yards in 10 of 11 games. He has 34 touchdown passes and is the highest-rated passer in the country.

The stats have already earned him honors as the Southeastern Conference offensive player of the year and The Associated Press national player of the year.

One title he won't have this season is that of SEC champion.

Florida's 34-32 loss to Tennessee last week kept the Gators out of Saturday's SEC title game, meaning Grossman won't be in Atlanta, but in New York, on hand for the ceremony in which he could become the first sophomore to win the award.

Grossman took a vicious beating against Tennessee, but stood in the pocket and completed 33 of 51 passes for 362 yards. He drove the Gators to the touchdown that could have tied the game, had his 2-point conversion pass not fallen incomplete.

Overall, it was a brave effort that sure seemed worthy of the Heisman. But Grossman still discouraged about the loss this week, agrees with the conventional wisdom, that the loss may have cost him the award.

"You'd like to think the Heisman Trophy winner pulls that game out," Grossman said. "I don't think I had a bad game, but I don't think I had an unbelievable game. If you're going to give someone the Heisman, you'd think they'd be good enough to win that game, and obviously, we weren't."

Pirates kill sailing great on the Amazon River

Associated Press

SAO PAULO, Brazil — Masked pirates boarded sailing champion Peter Blake's yacht on the Amazon River, shooting and killing the two-time America's Cup winner when he tried to resist.

Blake, 53, was on a worldwide expedition to monitor global warming and pollution aboard his 119-foot yacht, said Alan Sefton, spokesman for Blake's organization, blakexpeditions.

The vessel, called Seamaster, was in the mouth of the Amazon on Wednesday night near Macapa, a city 1,600 miles north of Sao Paulo, when three or four assailants approached in a rubber dinghy "commonly used by river rats that ply the Amazon river in search of victims," said state police chief Rosilene Martins de Sena.

"Armed and hooded individuals came over the rail and had the crew at gunpoint," Sefton said Thursday in a telephone interview. "It would appear that Peter was down below and heard what was going on and came charging up" and was shot at least twice.

Two crew members were slightly

injured but have been released from the hospital.

Federal prosecutor Manoel Pastana told reporters the crew was preparing a barbecue on the yacht when the gunmen appeared, shouting "Money! Money!"

According to local media, the killers took a spare engine and several watches from the Seamaster, which had been awaiting customs clearance to leave Brazil after a two-month stay.

Blake and a crew of 10 arrived in Brazil in October. Sefton said they spent two months in the upper reaches of the Amazon and Rio Negro and had encountered nothing but "friendly, warm, hospitable people."

"And as soon as the boat gets back into so-called civilization, something tragic happens," Sefton told New Zealand's One News television station.

New Zealand Prime Minister Helen Clark described Blake as "a national hero," and flags were at half-staff across the country. Parliament paid tribute to Blake with a moment of silence and a native Maori hymn.

"I think he is to the waters what Sir Edmund Hillary (conqueror of Mount

Everest) has been to the mountains. He's just the most amazingly accomplished yachtsman," Clark said. "He was an inspiration to all New Zealanders, and we will all feel a tremendous sense of loss."

New Zealand Ambassador Denise Almao flew into Amapa, the governor's office said in a note.

Brazil's Foreign Ministry said in a statement that "government deeply regrets the tragic death of New Zealand's renowned explorer, yachtsman and scientist."

President Fernando Henrique Cardoso, the statement added, "has ordered that the criminals be promptly identified and arrested."

Seamaster had been scheduled to sail up the coast to Venezuela to meet blakexpedition's jungle team.

American skipper Dennis Conner, a three-time America's Cup winner who was beaten by Team New Zealand 5-0 in 1995, praised Blake.

"He was a hero and role model for the New Zealand people and obviously a winner that was focused and accomplished his goals, whether it was winning the round-the-world race or the America's Cup," Conner said.

Sampras hires Gullikson as coach

Associated Press

Pete Sampras is making several changes after his worst season in a decade: switching coaches, planning to play Davis Cup, and signing up as an investor and spokesman for The Tennis Channel.

The 30-year-old tennis star split with Paul Annacone, his coach since 1995, and hired Tom Gullikson — the twin brother of Tim Gullikson, Sampras' former coach who died of cancer at age 44 in 1996.

"I'm working with Tom Gullikson starting next year," Sampras said Thursday. "I ended my six-year relationship with Paul Annacone a number of weeks ago. We just ran our course professionally."

Sampras, who owns a record 13 Grand Slam singles titles, had a disappointing 2001. He finished at No. 10, his lowest ranking since 1989, when he was 81st in his second year on the ATP Tour.

This year was also the first since 1992 that Sampras didn't win at least one major championship. And the former No. 1 now has played in 19 straight tournaments without winning any title, dating to his victory at Wimbledon in 2000.

There were plenty of whispers

about whether retirement loomed for Sampras, though he dispelled much of that talk with a strong run at the U.S. Open. After beating Andre Agassi in a five-set thriller in the fourth round, Sampras eliminated Pat Rafter and Marat Safin to reach the final — the first time anyone had beaten three former champions consecutively at the tournament.

He has no plans to retire soon.

"I don't have a definite number in terms of years. As long as I'm healthy, as long as I'm in contention, I'll keep going," Sampras said. "I'm going to give it one really hard push here. Since the Open, I've been doing a lot of training to get into shape. The year came off a little bit slow at the beginning but there's no question in my mind I can compete."

He'll look to get help from Gullikson, who coached the United States to the 1995 Davis Cup title.

"Being very close to his twin brother, he's someone that's a good friend that knows my game. It's someone that I'm comfortable being around," Sampras said. "It was a good decision, and hopefully it will pay off with a good year next year, getting back on top of the game."

Sampras said Thursday he will

return to the U.S. Davis Cup team next year. He's never been a big fan of that event's format and has been with the team for just one Davis Cup match the last two years, in part because of injuries.

He figures to be busy in 2002, adding the new commitment with The Tennis Channel to his on-court schedule.

"My main focus is playing. When I have time off, I'll set aside time to help out," Sampras said.

He looks at his upcoming work with the cable network — which will launch in July — as a way of preparing for retirement.

"When I'm done playing, I look forward to being part of this and giving people in the U.S. a pretty good sense of the sport of tennis and helping grow it," Sampras said. "It's being part of a business and shedding a little light on the sport and my experiences. I look at someone like Wayne Gretzky, who has gone from an athlete to a business person."

The Tennis Channel has rights to more than 1,000 hours of tournaments, including ATP and WTA Tour events. Its programming lineup will be about 40 percent tournament play, 40 percent instructional shows and 20 percent news or features.

Gruden withdraws from consideration for Notre Dame head coach position

Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Oakland Raiders coach Jon Gruden, considered a leading candidate for Notre Dame job, confirmed Thursday that he has withdrawn from consideration.

"I'm not a candidate for the job," Gruden said. "I've got a job. I've tried to say that from the very beginning and I don't want to speculate on any other job, except the job I have."

"All I can comment on is the Oakland Raiders and that's all I know right now, unfortunately."

Gruden, whose father Jim was an assistant coach at Notre Dame in the late 1980s, played high school football in South Bend, Ind., and was an

avid fan of the Fighting Irish. That and his success coaching the Raiders this season fueled speculation he was the leading candidate to replace Bob Davie, who was fired Sunday.

But Gruden, whose contract with the Raiders runs through the 2002 season, said he was committed to his players and coaching staff and wanted to end rumors.

"I didn't want to answer any more questions, honestly," Gruden said. "Notre Dame's a great school and I'm sure they're going to have a great coach and do great things. I'll be rooting for them. I've always been a Notre Dame fan. I always will be."

Gruden also said that he had yet to

hear from the NFL regarding the possible suspension of defensive tackle Darrell Russell. Russell reportedly was in New York appealing the one-year suspension by league officials after allegedly testing positive for the drug Ecstasy. Russell already served a four-game suspension earlier this season for a second violation of the NFL's substance abuse policy.

"We've had contact with Darrell and we expect him to be here ready to practice tomorrow," Gruden said. "The league doesn't tell me anything. I don't want to speculate. I know nothing. We'll just hopefully get some information tomorrow when Darrell returns."

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LOCAL SPORTS

Buff teams start with wins

STANTON — Both host teams took victories in the first round of the Stanton Hooptown Classic on Thursday.

The Stanton boys destroyed Wink, 75-13, getting 13 points from Ruston Purdue. The Stanton girls whipped Ira, 63-30.

Greenwood, Grape Creek, Colorado City, Robert Lee and Coahoma also won first-round games in the boys' bracket. In the girls' bracket, Midland Christian, Greenwood, Robert Lee and Wink won in the first round.

11th Annual Hooptown Classic Thursday's First-round Games BOYS
Stanton 75, Wink 13 — For Stanton: Ruston Purdue, 13 points.
Greenwood 63, Ira 30 — For Greenwood: John Mark Hopper, 13 points.
Coahoma 73, Grady 43
Grape Creek 69, Reagan County 64
Colorado City 66, Rankin 54
Robert Lee 53, Sands 49
Midland Christian 45, Grady 34 — For MCHS: Paige West, 14 points.
Greenwood 45, Rankin 22 — For Greenwood: Megan Hattery, 17 points.
Stanton 63, Ira 30
Robert Lee 61, Kermit 38
Wink 44, Sands 40

MCA falls to Balmorhea

IMPERIAL — The Midland

Classical Academy boys' basketball team suffered its first loss of the season in the first round of the Buena Vista Tournament, falling 56-54 to Balmorhea.

MCA's Robbie Rigney hit a three-pointer with 10 seconds left to tie the game, but Balmorhea hit a shot at the buzzer to pull out the win.

Rigney led MCA (7-1) with 15 points. David Dunn and Lee Irons added 13 and 10 points, respectively.

Balmorhea 56, Midland Classical Academy 54
MCA (7-1): David Dunn 13, Robbie Rigney 15, Lee Irons 10, Dustin Barker 6, Matt Tower 4, John Nelson 5, Ryan Bartholomew 2.
Balmorhea: Mendoza 12, Maha 21, Rodriguez 8, Rodriguez 15.
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Balmorhea: ... 17 10 11 17 — 56
3-point goals: MCA 5 (Rigney 3, Irons 2), Balmorhea 0. Total fouls: MCA 13, Balmorhea 12. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Yonts makes honor team

ODESSA — Kylie Yonts, a Midland Lee graduate who is playing soccer for the University of Texas at the Permian Basin, was named to the first-team All-Independent squad in NAIA Region 6.

Yonts played several positions before settling in as the Falcons' starting sweeper. She scored

three goals, had three assists and made four saves.

Jingle Bell Run results

Here are results of the Junior Achievement Jingle Bell Run, which was held Saturday in Midland:

10K
Men: 1. Hawk Harris, 36:53; 2. Paul Peacock, 42:39; 3. Greg Larson, 43:45.
Women: 1. Sylvia Lee, 44:46; 2. Meta Minton, 48:32; 3. Lynda Wright, 52:56.
5K
Men: 1. Keal Rasavage, 20:07; 2. Rick Strasse, 20:12; 3. Kelly Mortenson, 20:23.
Women: 1. Kendra Albus, 21:08; 2. Emily Minor, 23:43; 3. Anna Marie Sherriff, 23:45.

Basketball

Boys
Junior Varsity
Midland Classical Academy 60, Fort Stockton 45. For MCA (7-0): Wally Dunn 18, Eric Martinez 10, Eric DeShan 10, K.C. Stallings 10.
Eighth Grade
Abell Blue 51, Alamo Gray 50. For Abell: Jarrod Cartmill 23, Terence McCoy 12, Ted Chambers 10.
Abell White 75, Alamo Maroon 45. For Abell: Leslie Ray 27, Chase Luft 16, Maha Ross 13.
Midland Christian 41, Jal, N.M. 40. For MC: Evan Froesch 16.

Seventh Grade
Abell Maroon 63, Alamo Gray 36. For Abell: Marquel Smith 22, Blake Deanda 10.
Abell White 68, Alamo Red 42. For Abell: Brandon Edgerton 31, Chad Jordan 16, Jordan Coulton 14. For Alamo: Antwan Pentle 15.
Abell Silver 41, Alamo White 20. For Abell: Eddie Frazier 12, Cody Rogers 10.
Abell Blue 54, Alamo Maroon 41. For Abell: Doran Middleton 18, Garrett Smith 14.
Goddard Black 47, San Jacinto White 33. For Goddard: Aaron Sharp 14, Travis Stovall 10.
Midland Christian 42, Jal, N.M. 24. For MC: James Lynch 13, Jay Cunningham 11.

Girls
Eighth Grade
Midland Christian 42, Jal, N.M. 30. For Midland Christian: Courtney Ryburn 18.

SELIG: Four baseball teams account for more than half the industry's losses

(From 1C)

wealth that they have by being stupid."

Ventura blamed unfettered spending on players, citing the deal free-agent Barry Bonds is likely to receive.

"Mr. Bonds is going to get over \$100 million, no doubt. Mr. Jason Giambi, they've said he'll go well over \$100 million," Ventura said. "The problem out there is they're paying their employees too much money."

Rep. John Conyers Jr., D-Mich., who introduced legislation to repeal baseball's 79-year-old antitrust exemption as it applies to franchise moves and elimination, also was skeptical of Selig's figures.

"The summary information they have turned over to us is meaningless in the absence of learning details concerning related party transactions, salaries and fees received by the owners and their families, and the impact of stadium acquisition loans by stadiums," he said. "In essence, what they have told us is, 'We lose money, but we can't trust you with the details.'"

Still, it was the most detailed release of baseball's financial information since professional leagues began in 1871. Just four teams — Toronto (\$52.9 million), Los Angeles (\$45.3 million), Montreal (\$38.5 million) and Arizona (\$32.2 million) accounted for more than half the industry's losses.

"Owners struggle," Selig said. "If they don't spend money, they're called 'El Cheapo.' If they spend more money, they have problems."

Ventura doubted the need for a new stadium for the Minnesota Twins, who along with the Montreal Expos are the leading candidates for elimination. Selig claims the Twins need a new ballpark to survive, but Minnesota lawmakers have failed to support public financing.

Some congressmen appeared dumbfounded by Selig's vague

answers.

When Rep. Robert Wexler, D-Fla., asked Selig to say whether the Florida Marlins would survive for several more years, Selig responded, "We're there now and let's hope it all works out."

Wexler didn't know what to say and was asked by committee chairman F. James Sensenbrenner if he was speechless.

"With all due respect, if fans are going to get those kinds of nebulous responses from the commissioner of baseball, there's almost a compelling reason from the whole lot of us to support the legislation so we can get some direct answers," Wexler said.

Rep. Anthony Weiner of New York City took a swipe at the Milwaukee Brewers, the team owned by the commissioner's family.

"I've been particularly impressed with your management of the Brewers, because it's always a good weekend when the Brewers come to town," Weiner said.

Sensenbrenner, a Republican from Wisconsin, drew laughs when defended the team by saying: "Those words will be stricken from the record."

The hearing was called after baseball owners voted Nov. 6 in favor of eliminating two teams, a plan stalled by Minnesota courts. The Senate said it will hold a similar hearing next year.

Selig kept his focus on the money battle between owners and players, and talks for a labor contract to replace the one that expired Nov. 7.

"The bottom line is the system needs to be fixed," he said. "Cincinnati is the prototype of why we need to change the system. If baseball is to succeed, it needs to succeed in middle America. The fight is here, to be very candid with you, for the Cincinnati of the world."

In Texas, union head Donald Fehr said baseball has not provided enough information for it to be analyzed.

"Simple numbers don't tell you

much," Fehr said after the union's executive board meeting. "To examine figures on a sophisticated basis, you can't look at lump sum numbers."

Players didn't believe Selig. "Do I think there is as doom and gloom as some on the other side would make it seem? Absolutely not," Arizona pitcher Brian Anderson said. "The numbers can't possibly even add up to support those claims."

During the three-hour hearing, Selig promised Rep. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., that the World Series champion Diamondbacks will stay in the National League next season.

Steve Fehr, the brother of the union leader, testified that "on Sept. 19, the clubs' chief negotiator indicated to us contraction was highly unlikely for 2002."

He later said those words came from Paul Beeston, baseball's chief operating officer. While many of Selig's top aides sat behind him at the hearing, Beeston was noticeably absent.

Steve Fehr also said the union and management had 24 meetings from March through June, and the union gave owners a new revenue-sharing proposal June 26. He said owners never responded and broke off the informal talks.

Some congressmen used the hearing to criticize baseball for not making enough progress in increasing minorities hired by teams.

Lawmakers from Minnesota threatened baseball with changing tax laws that enable controlling owners to deduct 50 percent of the purchase price over the first five years after they take control — a provision that "depreciates" player contracts the same way farmers depreciate tractors.

Rep. Gil Gutknecht, D-Minn., said if the Twins were eliminated, the tax laws would be re-examined.

"You can go ahead with this, but I submit there will be a very heavy price," he said.

Mariners re-sign McLemore

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Free agent Mark McLemore agreed Thursday to a two-year contract worth about \$6 million to remain with the Seattle Mariners.

McLemore, 37, played six positions this season — left field, third base, shortstop, second base, center field and right field — helping the Mariners to an AL record 116 wins.

"Mark was a key part of our success the past two seasons and

we look forward to having him here in Seattle," general manager Pat Gillick said.

McLemore said he has "unfinished business" in Seattle after the Mariners lost the ALCS to the New York Yankees in five games.

"A World Series championship," he said from his home in Southlake, Texas. "It's personal."

Of this year's World Series, he said, "It wasn't frustrating at all because I didn't watch it."

McLemore said he accepted less money to stay with the Mariners.

"It really was not a money factor for me," he said. "It really never has been. Being somewhere I'm appreciated, where I'm wanted, those are the things that are important to me."

McLemore finished the year with a .286 batting average, his highest since 1996. He also hit five home runs, drove in 57 runs and had a career-best 39 stolen bases.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Associated Press

Here are last week's results and this week's pairings in the Texas high school football playoffs.

Class 5A

DIVISION I
Quarterfinals
Region I
Keller Fossil Ridge 45, Midland Lee 35
Region II
Mesquite 25, The Woodlands 14
Region III
Pearland 17, Alief Hastings 7
Region IV
San Antonio Taft 29, Corpus Christi Carroll 21
Semifinals
Keller Fossil Ridge (11-2) vs. Mesquite (13-0), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Pearland (13-0) vs. San Antonio Taft (11-2), 4 p.m. Saturday, AstroDome, Houston

DIVISION II
Quarterfinals
Region I
Eules Trinity 35, Lubbock Monterey 14
Region II
DeSoto 56, EP Del Valle 28
Region III
Spring Westfield 40, Allen 21
Region IV
Lufkin 34, Killeen 20
Semifinals
Houston Madison 61, Galena Park North Shore 58
Fort Bend Hightower 21, Humble 7

Class 3A
DIVISION I
Quarterfinals
Region I
Perryton 21, Vernon 14
Region II
Everman 42, Texas A&M Pleasant Grove 0
Region III
Bridge City 33, Mexia 14
Region IV
Sinton 21, Bellville 13
Semifinals
Perryton (11-2) vs. Everman (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Denton
Bridge City (11-2) vs. Sinton (13-0), 1 p.m. Saturday, Kyle Field, College Station

Class 4A
DIVISION I
Quarterfinals
Region I
Burleson 19, Amarillo Palo Duro 7
Region II
Denton Ryan 16, Corsicana 10
Region III
Nederland 25, Friendswood 7
Region IV
Smithson Valley 35, San Antonio Roosevelt 14
Semifinals
Burleson (11-2) vs. Denton Ryan (13-0), 7 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Nederland (11-2) vs. Smithson Valley (13-0), 3 p.m. Saturday, Rice Stadium, Houston

Class 2A
DIVISION I
Quarterfinals
Region I
Post 28, Holiday 0
Region II
Van Alstyne 47, Jacksboro 20
Region III
Hemphill 35, Arp 18
Region IV

Highland Park 71, Dallas Samuel 20
Ennis 45, Terrell 19
Region III
Jasper 50, Houston Forest Brook 47
Bay City 36, Brenham 17
Region IV
Austin Reagan 48, San Antonio Alamo Heights 34
Bastrop 28, Beeville 14

Quarterfinals
Region I
Southlake Carroll (9-4) vs. Frenship (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls
Region II
Highland Park (12-1) vs. Ennis (13-0), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Region III
Jasper (12-1) vs. Bay City (12-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, AstroDome, Houston
Region IV
Austin Reagan (11-2) vs. Bastrop (9-4), 2 p.m. Saturday, Alamodome, San Antonio

Class 3A
DIVISION I
Quarterfinals
Region I
Perryton 21, Vernon 14
Region II
Everman 42, Texas A&M Pleasant Grove 0
Region III
Bridge City 33, Mexia 14
Region IV
Sinton 21, Bellville 13
Semifinals
Perryton (11-2) vs. Everman (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Denton
Bridge City (11-2) vs. Sinton (13-0), 1 p.m. Saturday, Kyle Field, College Station

Class 2A
DIVISION I
Quarterfinals
Region I
Post 28, Holiday 0
Region II
Van Alstyne 47, Jacksboro 20
Region III
Hemphill 35, Arp 18
Region IV

Blanco 31, Poth 6
Semifinals
Post (10-3) vs. Van Alstyne (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Cowboy Stadium, Coppell
Hemphill (12-1) vs. Blanco (13-0), 6 p.m. Saturday, Waco ISD Sports Complex

DIVISION II
Quarterfinals
Region I
Quanah 21, Coahoma 14
Sonora 28, Spearman 21
Region II
Whitewright 35, Bangs 28
Celina 35, Italy 0
Region III
Garrison 22, Kerens 6
Alto 27, Mart 22
Region IV
Refugio 29, Van Vleet 14
Ganado 48, Stockdale 6
Quarterfinals
Region I
Quanah (10-3) vs. Sonora (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Mustang Bowl, Sweetwater
Region II
Whitewright (13-0) vs. Celina (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Pennington Field, Bedford
Region III
Garrison (11-3) vs. Alto (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Homer Bryce Stadium, Nacogdoches
Region IV
Refugio (11-1) vs. Ganado (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Memorial Stadium, Victoria

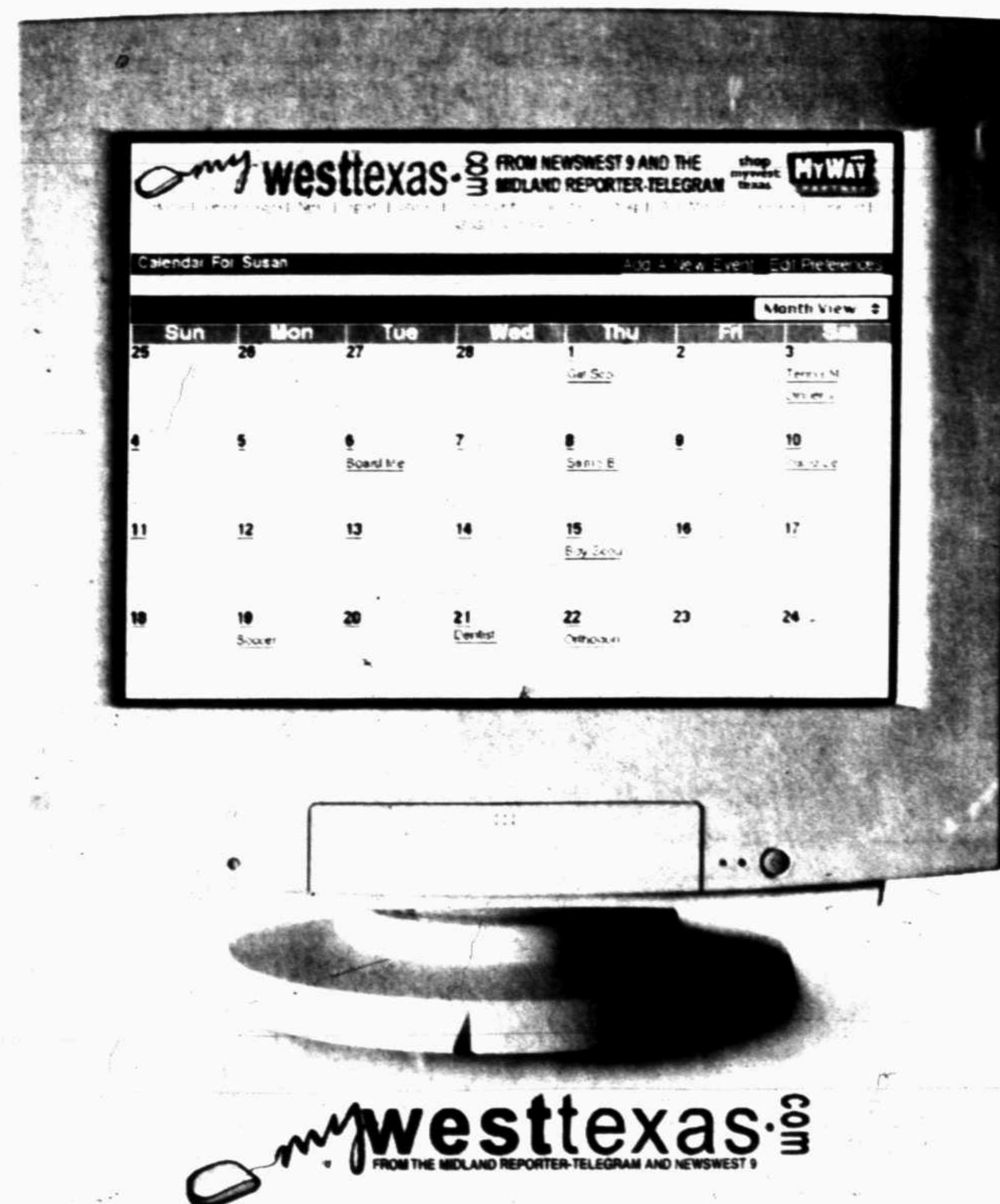
Class A
Regionals
Region I
Petersburg 42, Nazareth 12
Stratford 47, Iran 21
Region II
Celeste 33, Roscoe 13
Petrolia 33, Menard 6
Region III
Tenaha 27, Brenham 8
Chilton 50, Simms Bowie 20
Region IV
Burkeville 38, Shiner 27
West Sabine 46, Falls City 34
Quarterfinals
Region I
Petersburg (12-1) vs. Stratford (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dick Bivins Stadium, Amarillo
Region II
Celeste (12-0) vs. Petrolia (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Justin Northwest Stadium
Region III
Tenaha (9-3) vs. Chilton (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Rose Stadium, Tyler
Region IV
Burkeville (7-3) vs. West Sabine (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sisbee

Six-Man
Quarterfinals
Region VII
Whitharal 51, Achery Sands 20
Sanderson 49, Groom 35
Region VIII
Richland Springs 53, Bracket 6
Woodson 45, Calvert 27
Semifinals
Region I and II
Whitharal (13-0) vs. Sanderson (13-0), 7 p.m. Saturday, Garden City
Region III and IV
Richland Springs (12-1) vs. Woodson (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Comanche

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BUSINESS BRIEFING

OIL PRICES FUTURES

Thursday \$18.54
Previous \$19.49

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Thursday \$15.25
Previous \$16.25

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Thursday \$2.565
Previous \$2.491

Futures down

NEW YORK — The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' decision to delay an oil production cut, forecasts of softer oil demand and unseasonably warm Northeast weather combined Thursday to push crude oil prices sharply lower.

OPEC said it would hold off on lowering its production ceiling until it secures a firm commitment from other producers to join in a new round of output cuts.

January crude oil futures fell 95 cents to close at \$18.54 a barrel after rising as high as \$18.70.

January heating oil lost 2.48 cents to close at 50.66 cents a gallon, while January gasoline futures ended 2.45 cents lower at 51.75 cents per gallon. January natural gas rose 7.4 cents to \$2.565 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Brent crude from the North Sea for January fell 83 cents to \$18.39 on London's International Petroleum Exchange.

The cartel's inaction reinforced growing skepticism in the market that the producers will be able to tighten the world's oil supplies enough to lift sagging prices, analysts said.

OPEC defied market expectations that it would announce a production cut after Russia pledged Wednesday to reduce its exports by 150,000 barrels a day.

Last month, OPEC promised to lower its production quotas by 1.5 million barrels a day beginning Jan. 1 if non-OPEC producers such as Russia pledged a complementary, combined cut of 500,000 barrels a day. With Russia's latest commitment, non-OPEC producers have pledged enough supply cuts to nearly meet OPEC's condition.

Dollar mixed

LONDON — The U.S. dollar was mixed against other major currencies in European trading Thursday.

The euro was quoted at 89.01 cents in late European trading, up from 88.81 cents Wednesday. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro traded at 89.16 cents.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Wednesday, included 124.47 Japanese yen, up from 124.20; 1.6558 Swiss francs, down from 1.6604; and 1.5748 Canadian dollars, up from 1.5703.

The British pound was quoted at \$1.4233, up from \$1.4172.

In midday trading in New York, the dollar bought 124.76 yen, and the pound was worth \$1.4242.

Based on late European euro rates, the dollar was worth 2.1961 German marks, down from 2.2005; 7.3653 French francs, down from 7.3803; 2.4744 Dutch guilders, down from 2.4794; and 2.174.12 Italian lire, down from 2.178.52.

Gold up

Gold closed in London at \$274.60 bid per troy ounce, up from \$274.00 on Wednesday. In Zurich the bid price was \$274.15, down from \$274.35. Gold fell \$1.10 in Hong Kong to close at \$274.65.

Silver closed in London at \$4.22 bid per troy ounce, up from \$4.17 on Wednesday.

Stocks falter after two-day rally

By Lisa Singhania
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street took an expected break from its two-session rally Thursday, held back by disappointing retail sales reports and light selling as investors locked in their recent gains.

The major indexes ended the session almost unchanged and the Dow Jones industrials remained above 10,000 — a level that until Wednesday had not been seen since Sept. 5. Analysts were pleased with the stability, saying that investors were feeling more comfortable about staying in the market.

Upbeat projections from chipmakers Intel and Advanced Micro Devices after the market closed increased the likelihood that the good mood would continue.

The Dow closed down 15.15, or less than 0.2 percent, at 10,099.14, cutting short a 350-point runup that began Tuesday.

Broader stock indicators were mixed. The Nasdaq composite index gained 7.43, or nearly 0.4 percent, to 2,054.27 — its second straight session to close above 2,000, a level not seen since before the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 3.25, or 0.3 percent, to 1,167.10.

"We ran the one-minute mile this week; we're seeing a little bit of a breather," said Bryan Piskowski, market commentator for Prudential Securities Inc. "The market is showing some great resiliency here. That's a testament to the bullish bias that's re-emerged on Wall Street."

Investors had been expecting anemic retail sales, but the extent of the softness — it was the weakest Novem-

ber since 1990 — surprised some. Discount retailer Wal-Mart fell 95 cents to \$55.62 after reporting November sales that came in at the low end of expectations.

But Gap rose 62 cents to \$14.20 despite reporting a 25 percent drop in November sales at stores open more than a year.

Tech stocks, which have fueled much of the market's recent advance, were mixed. Cisco Systems, which issued an upbeat forecast Wednesday, rose 25 cents to \$21.79.

Intel lost 45 cents to \$34.16 but reversed that loss in the extended session after issuing a positive fourth-quarter outlook.

The chipmaker's stock has risen significantly in recent weeks on speculation its fourth-quarter and future projections will show business is improving. That optimism turned to be well founded.

After the market closed, Intel said revenue for the three months ending Dec. 29 will be between \$6.7 billion and \$6.9 billion, compared with the previous range of between \$6.2 billion and \$6.8 billion. Intel rival Advanced Micro Devices said fourth-quarter sales would be up 10 percent or more from the third quarter.

The bullish statements added to hopes the battered tech sector is turning around. In late trading, Intel rose 49 cents to \$34.65, while AMD soared \$1.55 to \$17.80, adding to a 1 cent gain during the day.

Stocks have rebounded smartly since the selloff that followed the Sept. 11 attacks. The Dow and S&P are up more than 20 percent, while the Nasdaq has advanced more than 44 percent from the 2001 lows set Sept. 21.

But while market sentiment and conditions are improving, many on Wall Street have shown hesitance to leave too much money in the market. They are con-

cerned that stock prices are rising too much, too quickly — and that business won't improve fast enough to sustain the upward momentum.

Analysts attributed some of Thursday's fluctuations to investors seeking to cash in their gains after this week's big rally.

"There's probably a little bit of profit-taking going on today," said Christopher Wolfe, equity market strategist for J.P. Morgan Private Bank. "But I think the economic news, particularly the retail sales, were messy enough that that didn't help. If that news had been better, I think we might have been looking at a third day of gains."

Also Thursday, the Labor Department reported that the number of Americans receiving unemployment benefits in late November took the biggest plunge in 18 years. And the Commerce Department reported orders to American factories in October posted the first increase since May.

But analysts say the market is more interested in monthly employment figures due out today. That report is considered a better indicator of economic health.

Declining issues narrowly led advancers on the New York Stock Exchange. Consolidated volume came to 1.88 billion shares, compared with 2.28 billion Wednesday.

The Russell 2000 index gained 2.81 to 482.23.

Overseas, Japan's Nikkei stock average rose 1.3 percent. In Europe, Germany's DAX index climbed nearly 0.2 percent, Britain's FT-SE 100 advanced 0.7 percent, and France's CAC-40 was almost unchanged.

On the Net:

New York Stock Exchange: <http://www.nyse.com>
Nasdaq Stock Market: <http://www.nasdaq.com>

Blame it on Capri



Willie Northern, of Boonville, checks his cards as he plays poker at the Isle of Capri casino in Boonville, Mo., Thursday. Northern was among the first customers at the new casino shortly after it opened for business Thursday.

Wall Street Journal to unveil newspaper redesign in April

NEW YORK (AP) — Newspaper publishers remain hopeful the economy will turn around by the middle of next year, but given the cloudy economic situation many decline to give specific earnings forecasts.

Despite the tough advertising climate, some companies making presentations to investors at the annual Credit Suisse First Boston media conference said they were pressing ahead with plans for new products.

The Wall Street Journal, one of the newspapers hardest hit by the advertising downturn, is planning to unveil a redesign next April that will include a new section,

and E.W. Scripps Co. is going ahead with the launch of another cable network in March.

The New York Times warned investors that its earnings for the fourth quarter would come in below analysts' expectations because of the poor advertising climate.

Chairman Peter Kann said the company would unveil a long-awaited redesign of The Wall Street Journal on April 9.

The new design will feature the first overhaul of the paper's front page since World War II and will incorporate the use of color. The Journal now uses some color graphics and photos in other parts of the

paper, and Dow Jones declined to specify in detail how color would be used in the new front page design.

The paper will also carry a new section called "Personal Journal" every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, featuring articles on personal investing, travel, health and family.

Dow Jones did not release a sample of the new design, but said it would be "cleaner and clearer" and would include fewer typefaces and more aids to navigating the paper. Kann said the company has shown portions of the redesign to advertisers, and the reaction was "extremely positive."

Displaced Enron workers attempt to move forward

By Kristen Hays
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Even after Enron Corp. filed one of the largest Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganizations in history, Beverly Lakes thought her 15 years as a dedicated accountant for the former energy giant could help protect her from inevitable layoffs.

But she wasn't among 500 employees who received \$55.7 million in incentives to stay while Enron works to resurrect itself under a bankruptcy judge's watch.

"They kept that totally hush-hush," Lakes, 42, said Thursday during a break from lectures on unemployment insurance, health benefits and pensions at a downtown Houston meeting to help former Enron employees re-enter the job market. A job fair will be held next week at the Houston ballpark named for the trader, Enron Field.

"When I heard about it, I was just shocked. As a 15-year employee, I thought at the very least my experience brought something to the table," she said. "It's a stressful time, a disheartening time."

The payments were doled out Nov. 30 — two days before Enron filed the bankruptcy case in New York and three days before 4,000 of 7,500 employees at its headquarters were laid off with a promise of getting a \$4,500 severance payment.

Lakes said she is still waiting for that promise to be kept.

"\$4,500 is not even one month's salary for me," Lakes said. "We were thrown out on Monday, and I've been given no information on when that money is coming."

Enron spokesman Mark Palmer said Thursday the money was needed to retain critical employees crucial to maintaining Enron's operations.

Palmer also said employees who received the payments agreed to stay with Enron at least 90 days. If they leave sooner, they will owe the company a penalty.

The energy trader sought bankruptcy protection Sunday after its would-be suitor and smaller Houston rival, Dynegy Inc., last week walked away from a \$8.4 billion buyout.

Just months ago Enron was the country's seventh biggest company in revenue. But investors and traders bailed out after the company in October revealed questionable partnerships that helped keep billions of dollars in debt off its books and Enron's acknowledgment in that it overstated profits for four years.

INVESTORS' GUIDE

It is wise to avoid dangerous mortgage balloon loans

By Eric Tyson

Q: We've had trouble qualifying for a mortgage. We've seen a house we like, and the seller is willing to finance the purchase but only through a balloon mortgage. Should we do it?



Tyson

A: Balloon loans generally start the way traditional fixed-rate mortgages start. You make level payments based on a long-term payment schedule, over the course of 15 or 30 years, for example. But at a predetermined time, usually three to 10

years from the loan's inception, the remaining loan balance becomes fully due.

Balloon loans might save you money, because they have a lower interest rate than a longer-term fixed-rate mortgage. However, balloon loans are dangerous and can literally blow up on you — financially speaking, that is. Your financial situation can change, and you might not be able to refinance when your balloon loan comes due.

What if you lose your job or your income drops? What if the value of your property drops, and the appraisal comes in too low to qualify you for a new loan? What if interest rates rise, and you can't qualify at the higher rate on a new loan?

I recommend avoiding balloon loans. You should take such a loan if, and only if, such a loan is your only financing

option, you've really done your homework to exhaust other financing options, and you're certain that you'll be able to refinance when the balloon comes due.

If you take a balloon loan, get one with as much time as possible, preferably seven to 10 years, before it becomes due. Don't get suckered into a balloon loan because you fall in love with a place and you just have to buy it. Remember: You can buy other properties at other times.

Q: The various rankings of mutual funds produce different top funds. I've noticed that at least one of the reasons for these differences is that each ranking system seems to place funds into different categories. If I'm considering investing in some funds, how can I ensure that I'm picking the best

among a given type of fund?

A: Within a given category of funds, it is important to be sure that you really are comparing similar funds. With money market funds, be sure you're comparing funds with similar taxability of dividends. For example, don't compare a fund that invests solely in large "blue chip" stocks with one that invests in a mixture of large, medium and small company stocks. Another consideration when comparing stock funds is whether the fund invests in growth- or value-oriented stocks (or both).

With foreign stock funds, compare those that invest in similar mixtures of countries. With stock funds that invest globally or worldwide, compare funds with similar ratios of international and U.S. investments.

Also look to compare similar credit-quality bond funds. Bond funds that invest in lower-quality bonds (e.g. junk bonds) pay higher yields to compensate for

the greater risk of default of the bonds.

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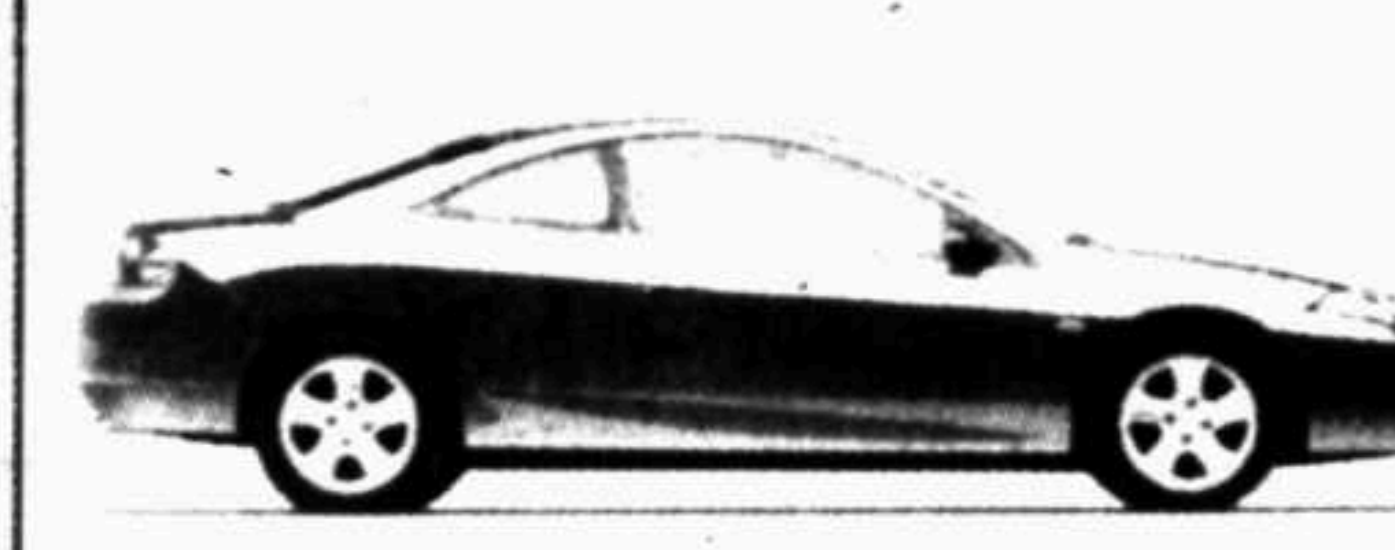
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2406 WEST GOLF COURSE ROAD- 9:00am- 6:00pm. Golf equipment, Ping, Lynx, Titleist, Callaway irons, Drivers, putters, bags, pull carts, Jr. and ladies sets, bicycles, Drexel couch, coffee and lamp tables, vacuum cleaners, and much more.

★2800 WEST KENTUCKY- Warehouse

#326 & 330 (behind Mugs softball fields). Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8:00am-4:00pm. Big Storage Sale! Tools, ceiling fans, lots of Christmas, Christmas Tree, antiques, dishes, chairs, desks, irons, electric heater, cradle, trunk, marble tops, battery charger, lots of linens, purses and much more.

2314 MAXWELL (park in front). Saturday 8am. Wicker furniture, kitchen items, small deep freeze, Noritake dishes, complete bed ensembles, large mirrors, Christmas decorations, lots of decorative items.

2407 W. STOREY. Saturday 7-? Sewing machine, computer miscellaneous, kitchen items, clothes all sizes, toys, and much more.

1005 N. MIDKIFF- BIRDS, cages supplies. Finches, parakeets, Lovebirds, hand fed Cockatiels. Crickets and mealworms. 520-8858.

1802 WEST CUTHBERT- Friday 8:00am-?. Tires, clothes, sofa set, kitchen items, Little Tikes and much more.

1701 N. "H"- Just in time for Christmas- Childrens toys infant thru 3 years. Saturday 8:00am-12:00.

2901 WEST KANSAS- Saturday, December 8, 8:00 am until 2:00 pm. Decorator items, shoes & clothes- all sizes. Baby items. Household items. Computer monitor. Too much to mention! Great Christmas items for everyone!

400 SUNSET (corner of Ohio). Christmas Yard Sale- Straight from Santa Fe NM. Southwestern photo albums journals and diaries, arts and crafts, great gifts for Christmas. Friday, Saturday & Sunday 8:00am

79703

3611 STOREY. Downsizing + too much stuff + Garage Sale. Saturday 8am until 1pm.

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4804 WEST ILLINOIS. Baby strollers, bassinet, swing, electronics, Barbie Car, kitchenware and much more. Saturday 8-1 only. No Early Birds.

3505 WEST ILLINOIS- Moving Sale! Saturday 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Day bed, king-size waterbed, refrigerator. 520-5114.

✓3812 GASTON- Family of compulsive buyers who never throw anything away are having first garage sale since 1985 from 9:00am- 4:00pm on Saturday December 8, 2001. Items include Computers, Electronics, clothes and most anything else you can buy at Wal Mart. This is a rent house and is completely full of garage sale items. After the garage sale is finished we would also sale the house.

3408 WEST GOLF COURSE. Moving Sale. Friday & Saturday 9 to 5. Sunday Noon to 3

114 S. BENTWOOD Saturday 8-2pm No early sales! Lots of clothes, toys, kids stuff!

★4105 HARLOWE. New Sears commercial sprayer, never used. Air compressor, 4-new 16" tires, lift chair, electric hospital bed, hide-a-bed sofa, table and chairs, bedspreads, space heaters, love seat, lamps, washer/ dryer, gun cabinet. Saturday 8am until 12pm.

5101 STOREY- Saturday 8:00am- 2:00pm. Christmas craft/ Garage Sale! Christmas gifts, TV's, kitchen towel sacks, toys, miscellaneous, nice merchandise, low prices.

79705

2822 METZ DRIVE- Huge Sale! 1995 Mustang, refrigerator, furniture, color TVs, VCR movies, DVDs, Playstation and N64 games, pressure washer, tools, glassware, Little Tikes toys, lots more. Friday, Saturday 8-2.

3115 HUMBLE- Friday 1:00pm- 5:00pm. Lots of baby girls clothes, custom bedding, toys, lots miscellaneous.

1901 ENGLISH DRIVE- Friday, Saturday, Sunday 8:00am. Shoes, clothes, microwave, and lots miscellaneous.

♥1906 COLEMAN Ct. Saturday only! 8 to 11am microwave, china and lots of home decor, combination TV-VCR, Oak TV stand, Little Tikes toy box, and much miscellaneous!

★1717 MORGAN WAY- Thursday, Friday, Saturday 8:00am. Green dinette with hutch and breakfast bar, living room set (maroon), Camaro hood, stair stepper, wheels and tires, car speakers with wood boxes, 10" and 15", home stereo, 1985 Honda motorcycle, motor home, lots of kids clothes, adult clothes and many extras. Don't miss it.

2405 NEELY AVE.- Saturday 8:00am-1:00pm. Multi Family Sale! Furniture, double bed, adult and childrens clothes, toys, boys bike, videos, stereo, microwave, and lots more.

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Louis Acher Estate Sale #5 Mariner Court

(off Wadley between Midkiff & Ward- South Side)

Fri. & Sat. 9 - 2; Sun. 1 - 3

FINE JEWELRY: 2 ct. Diamond Ring, 1.5 ct. diamond ring, diamond and sapphire ring, diamond tennis bracelet with matching earrings, pearls, 18 Kt. gold Lady's Corum watch, 14 kt. gold lady's pocket Elgin watch with hunter's case & more.

STERLING: 12-4 piece place settings of Sir Christopher with serving pieces.

FURNITURE: 3 Sofas (1 hide-a-bed), end tables, coffee tables, sofa tables, Duncan Phyfe style table/ chairs with buffet & china cabinet, pair of side chairs, Pine cabinet, tier table, server, chair & ottoman, Recliners, kitchen table with chairs, King bedroom furniture, Queen 4 poster nice bed, High boy, bedside tables, 5- drawer chest, 4- drawer chest, office desk, patio furniture & more.

APPLIANCES: Refrigerator, Freezer, Amana Washer & dryer with stainless tubs, microwave & counter top items, TV's, stereo & more.

MISCELLANEOUS: "Gone with the Wind" book, Uncle Remus book & more books, Silver plated serving pieces, cut glass, depression glass, Noritake "Columbine" china, crystal, Rookwood bowl, Murano, Cloisonné, Pickard, Swarovski, salt cellars, Franklin Mint Bisque Nativity, Sitzendorf Urm, Linens, lots of Christmas decorations, beautiful clothes (8 + 10), size 9 1/2- 10 N shoes, kitchen items, beautiful needlepoint & more.

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2801 WEST SHANDON- Friday and Saturday 9:00am. Christmas trees, decorations, wreaths, center pieces, lights, Miscellaneous collectibles, lunch boxes, Nut Cracker, Dairy Queen Christmas glasses, Holiday fashions, miscellaneous clothing, toys, doll house, Batman, Power Rangers, games and computer items, Hewlett legal size scanner, Dearborn gas heater, desks, tables, chest, and sofa table, king size bed spread set with matching drapes, baby bassinet, clothes, emergency tire, auto cover, chains.

2807 METZ DRIVE- Saturday 9:00am-11:00am. Kett car (like new) perfect for 3-4 year old, 1991 LTD \$1,850, Gold Leaf Chandelier, mens suits, formals (size 1).

Combined Several Estates Estate Sale

by Joseph
Furniture, lawyers stacking oak book case, Drexel dining room set, Lane cedar chest, curved glass china cabinet, antique dressers, marble topped tables, wooden trunks, iron bed, shabby chic painted furniture and wooden doors, hall tree, library table, Hoosier kitchen cabinet, over 300 dolls, stoneware, electrical scooter (wheel chair), lots of office furniture, upright freezer, 3 TV's, reloading equipment, and various assortment of ammo, 100 of Miscellaneous items!

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†2909 SOUTH COUNTY Rd.1210
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Two sewing machines, rocking horse, red wagon, lots of crochett, gift items, and lots of kids clothes.

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5111 TEAKWOOD- Two Family Sale! Great Christmas Buys! Saturday, December 8th. 8:00am-12 noon. Lots of clothing, household items, small electronics, tapes, videos, computer games, bicycle, foosball table and more. Please- no early birds.

4905 TEAKWOOD TRACE- Saturday 8:00am-1:00pm. Stereo equipment, N64 and games, kids bikes, kids skates, bed, desk, tow hitch for Expedition, and lots more.

5101 TEAKWOOD TRACE- Saturday 8:00am- 4:00pm. Furniture, much household miscellaneous, childrens clothes and toys.

3204 ELMA DRIVE (alley) 8-? Friday-Sunday. Antiques galore (furniture, knick-knacks), beds, Whirlpool stove, tools, clothes, couch, love seat, coffee table, dresser, etc. For more information call 567-4021.

3317 STEWART- Saturday 8:00. Multifamily! Baby items including: bassinet, clothes, books. Teen and adult clothes, twin bed.

3600 BOYD- Friday and Saturday 8:00am-6:00pm. Kitchen equipment, glass, toys, floor jack, much miscellaneous.

4009 ANGELINA. Saturday 8am until 1pm. Couches & chair, TV's, exercise bike, dishes, Brother word processor and lots more.

79707

†2305 WYDEWOOD Saturday only! 8 to 1pm

1pm table w/ 4 chairs, two Christmas trees, lights, and decorations, lamps, pictures, clothes hub caps (4) and lots of miscellaneous

3503 IMPERIAL SATURDAY only! 8 to 2pm. No Early sales! Camping equipment, gulf clubs, assorted headboards, Christmas items, clothes and lots more.

→5428 BASSWOOD (in Greentree) 2

Family Moving Sale. Lots of furniture- bedroom/ living/ dining. Microwave and stand, washer, bedding, lamps, bicycle, decorative items, kitchen items, N64 with games, moving boxes, toy box, shelves, And Much More!!! Friday & Saturday 8:30 until 10:30.

4309 CRESTRIDGE, FRIDAY ONLY! 8:30am boy's bike, toys, baby and children's clothes, shoes and miscellaneous

3407 BOYD (by Golf Course Church of Christ). Saturday 9am-1pm. Lots of clothes (sizes: infants to adults). Dishes, baby stuff, couch, bed, car, house and lot of etc.!

✓3419 MARK LANE, Friday & Saturday.

9:00 am- ? 2 Family sale. Baby stuff, car seats, stroller, changing table, clothes for the whole family. 1960 & 1978 Stereos. Other household items.

2901 AURORA- Friday 8 to 3pm. Sleeper sofa, computer table, household items, toys, and childrens clothes infant- 3T.

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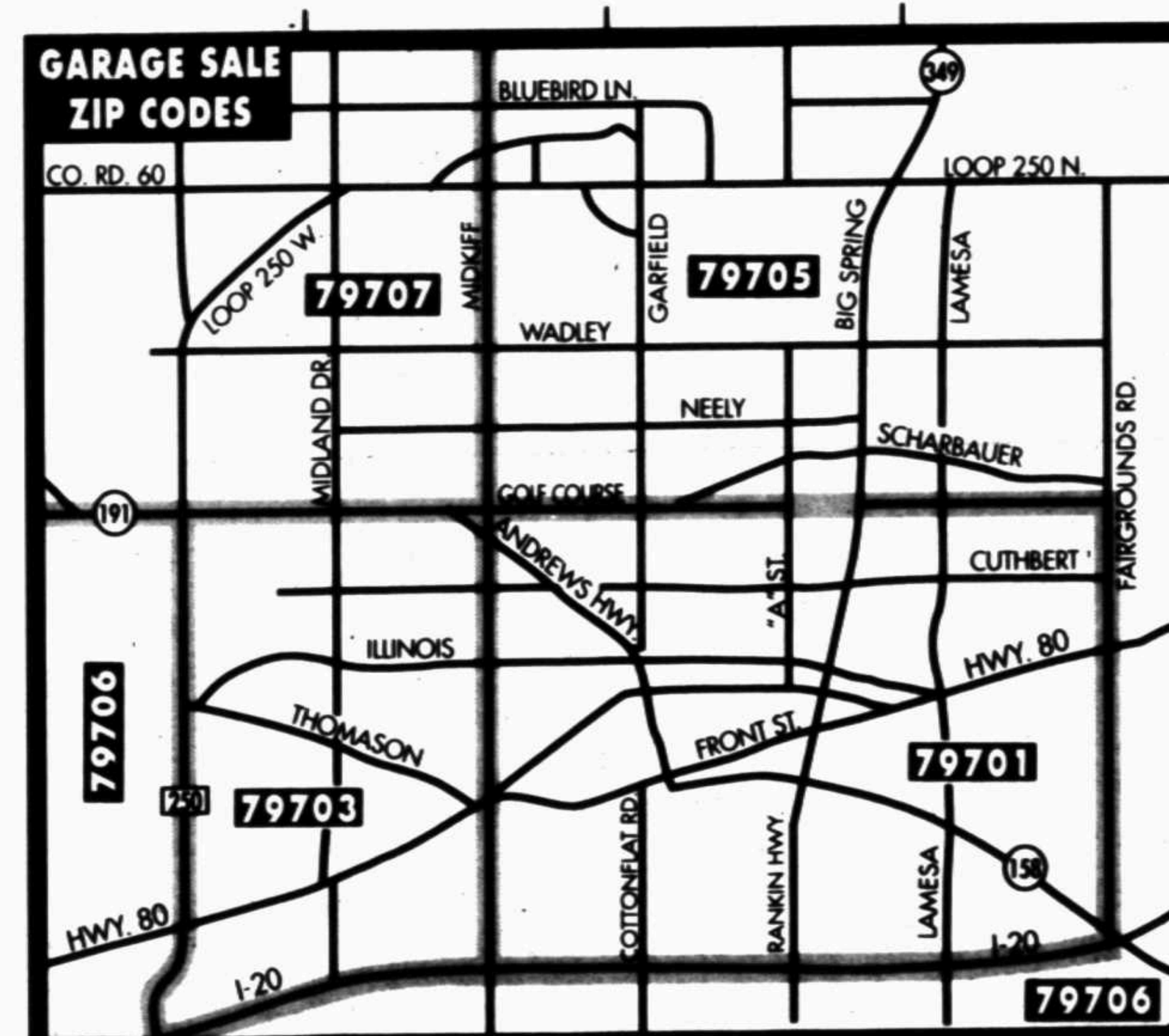
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e 900 Waverly. 3 bdr. carpet, fenced yard. \$349
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