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DECEMBER TORNADOES

Tornadoes in Illinois, Arkansas and Oklahoma on Friday killed one.

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NINTH STRAIGHT WIN

Deshaun Watson threw a touchdown pass and the Houston Texans intercepted rookie Baker Mayfield three times, returning one for a score, to extend their franchise-record winning streak to nine games.

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George H.W. Bush led through character and compassion

GUEST VIEW

Dallas Morning News

Upon hearing that George H.W. Bush passed away, our first thought turned not to his time in the Oval Office but to his daughter Robin. The second child and the eldest daughter of George and Barbara Bush, Pauline Robinson Bush died of leukemia before her fourth birthday in 1953. George Bush would later wonder if, when he met her again in heaven, she would be a child or an adult.

If that was part of the mystery that has now been revealed to him, we can know with certainty that it was a reunion filled with a deep and abiding joy.

Referred to as "the quiet man" in a recent book of that title by his one-time chief of

staff, John H. Sununu, George H.W. Bush was a leader the country turned to again and again in crisis. He led the Republican National Committee during the collapse of Richard Nixon's presidency. He took the helm of the Central Intelligence Agency when it was at a low ebb. And he took up the reins as vice president in the Reagan administration at a time when the United States was in retreat abroad and retrenching economically at home.

As president, he saw in the collapse of the Soviet Union a rare opportunity to enable the spread of human liberty on a mass scale. When others might have wished him to go on a world victory tour celebrating the collapse of the evil empire, President Bush refused to gloat.

Instead, through diplomacy, by mentoring officials washing out of power in the former Soviet bloc, and through American foreign policy, he shepherded in a new world. In

what was a stunning transition away from tyranny, much of Eastern Europe left communism on the ash heap of history, East and West Germany were peacefully reunited, and even Russia gained the opportunity to turn toward democracy.

None of that was foreordained. And all of it continues to rebound to the benefit of the United States in the grand struggle of liberty vs. tyranny. Consider that a decade after George H.W. Bush left office, Russia had yet to fully turn back toward the darkest impulses of its past and was therefore willing to actively help the United States enter

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THE MIDLAND DAYS

Bush wanted to make his own way

Editor's note: The following story ran in "A Midland Scrapbook," which was published in the Reporter-Telegram around the time of George H.W. Bush's inauguration in January 1989.

By John Paul Pitts
Business/Oil Editor

"But money alone wasn't why I'd come to Texas. The full reason had to do with where I came from, where I'd been, and where I hoped to go in life — from Greenwich, Connecticut, to the Bonin Islands, to Yale, and finally to what Odessa represented to me and my wife Barbara in that summer of 1947."

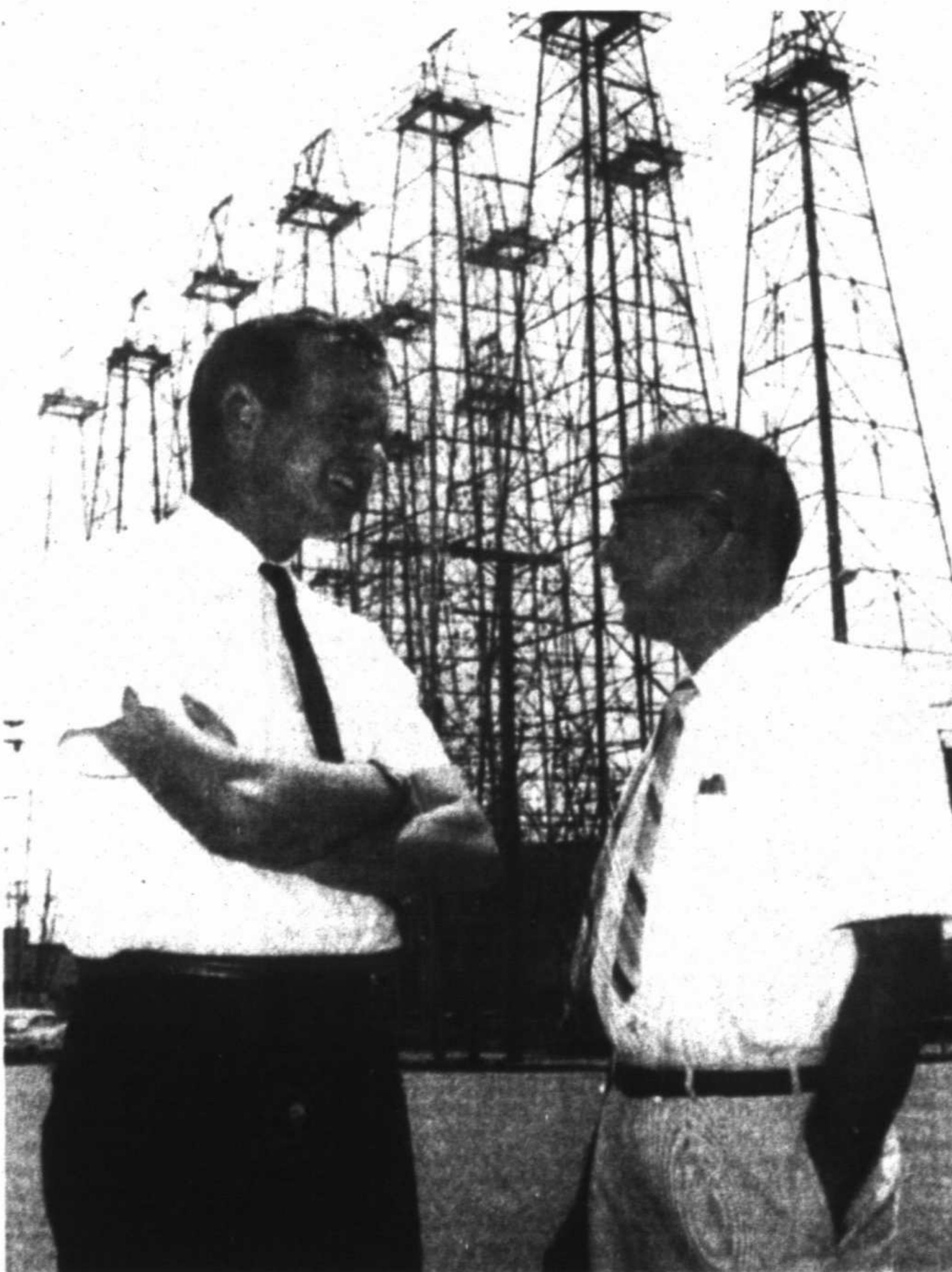
George H.W. Bush in his autobiography

If George Bush has sat down in 1947 to deliberately pick a training ground for the man who would someday become president of the United States, he could not have found a more unlikely place than Odessa, Texas. But then again, he probably would not have found a more appropriate classroom.

If young George Bush had had presidential ambitions at the time, he likely would have stayed in New England, a politically fertile area that has grown more than its share of presidents. Rich in political tradition, with an abundance of wealthy and influential families and Ivy League schools, it could have easily given roots to the political ambitions of George Bush.

But neither fame, money, power nor status were the immediate goals for the 24-year-old, recently graduated New Englander when he set out for Odessa and a tour as an oilfield equipment salesman. Doing it his way, on his own terms, was

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ABOVE: George H.W. Bush talks with an unidentified associate in Midland in this undated photo. LEFT: Bush, Hugh Liedtke and Harry Dean are shown on a Zapata oil rig.

Photos courtesy George Bush Presidential Library and Museum

COMMENTARY

'41' was genuinely nice man

■ George H.W. Bush was gracious host, characterized by loyalty

By Carl P. Leubsdorf
Dallas Morning News

I first met George Bush on a fall day in 1970, as he toured Texas, campaigning for the U.S. Senate in his chartered DC-3. The lanky, youthful-looking Houston congressman struck me as open and friendly, moderate in manner and approach.

But when he spoke, I was struck by the contrast between his manner and his sharply conservative comments.

That contrast always seemed present as the man who grew up among the liberal Republicans of his New England youth rose to political power in the far more conservative GOP of his adopted Texas home.

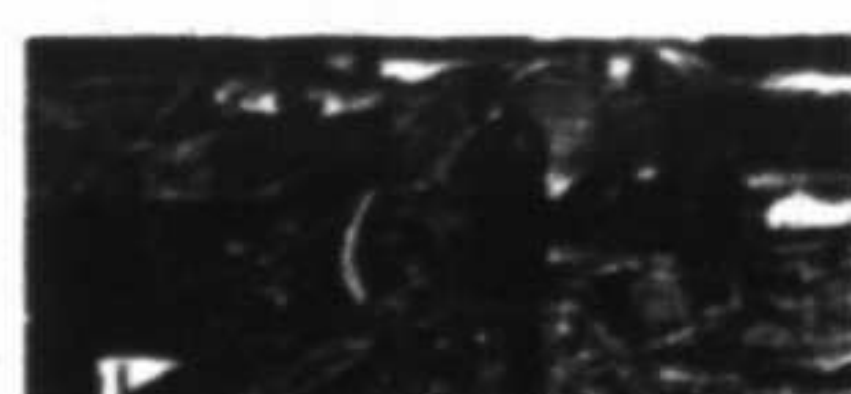
He eagerly embraced the latter's ideology, as a youthful critic of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, in his sometimes harsh 1988 presidential campaign and in picking abortion rights foes for the federal bench. But he always seemed vaguely uncomfortable doing what he felt he had to do to succeed politically. It may explain why he always seemed more at ease dealing with foreign policy.

One thing never changed: his inherent decency and graciousness, whether dealing with fellow Republicans who undercut his efforts to curb the budget deficit or a press that sometimes treated him unfairly by calling this genuine World War II hero a "wimp" or taking advantage of his good manners to suggest he was out of touch with technological advance.

As Americans mourn the 41st president, I'd rather recall this genuinely nice man's personal attributes, rather than his occasional political missteps.

I remember the gracious host who made visitors feel welcome at his seaside Maine home, in the vice president's hillside mansion and in the White House, who welcomed dozens of journalists and their families to his Kennebunkport estate each summer and to the same holiday parties with officials, lawmakers and family friends, instead of segregating them like other presidents and vice

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Did you know?

Some evacuees from the California wildfires are being allowed to return to their homes. Page 5A

The big number

"Ralph Breaks the Internet" earned \$25.8 million at the box office, making it the top film for two weeks. Page 4A

Word of the Day:

screech
Do you know what it means? Find out the definition on Page 3A

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Afghanistan so that our armed forces could topple the Taliban and hunt down al-Qaida's leaders. Consider too that as we now must confront Russian aggression abroad, we have a host of new Eastern European allies within NATO and within the European Union.

The example of leadership that George H.W. Bush left is a mix of personal character, compassion and measured strength.

The future president — after becoming the American ambassador to China — had a famous exchange with Henry Kissinger, who was then at the height of his power and influence. Kissinger told Bush that personal diplomacy was inconsequential. "It doesn't matter if they like you or not," he said. Bush rejected the notion that nations only made decisions based on realpolitik calculations, and he made building personal relationships a hallmark of his tenure as ambassador and a mark of his leadership.

We can see that throughout his life Bush used personal diplomacy to reshape the arc of history. Internationally, historians will record the role the 41st president personally played in reshaping Europe. Historians will also record the influence he commanded in assembling an overwhelming coalition to eject Saddam Hussein from Kuwait.

At home, his influence extended to stabilizing federal finances and reviving a flagging economy that dipped into recession after a long boom in the 1980s. He pushed for and signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act, legislation that helped reshape a cultural attitude toward the disabled. And he recognized the important role that private compassion plays in a free society, where private charitable endeavors can often marshal more resources more quickly and be more effective than public efforts.

What he called "A Thousand Points of Light" were, in fact, the private armies of compassion that have a long history in America, but decades into the federal War on Poverty were at risk of being discounted. His

work helped steer corporate and private philanthropic efforts toward a wide range of social ills. And his sense of service extended past his time in the White House — including in recent decades raising aid for Haiti and other nations after natural disasters — and extended to inculcating an ethos of service in his family. He would see two of his sons, George W. Bush and Jeb Bush, to be elected governors of major states and one of his sons to win two terms as president of the United States.

What George H.W. Bush left us was an example that in leadership character and compassion can move the world. He understood the power of unlocking human creativity and the importance of improving the lives of others.

He also knew how to live life to its fullest. Late in life, he took to celebrating his birthday by going parachuting. Throughout much of his life he loved to take his speedboat off the coast of Maine near his home in Kennebunkport. More than one of his guests were a little unnerved at the speed at which he would roar along the coast.

Both are small examples of one of the bigger themes of his life not fully explored by historians. Bush was always willing to jump off and try something new.

Whether it was leaving New England behind to make his way in West Texas or whether it was running for political office, embracing new policy ideas or believing that meaningful change was possible, George H.W. Bush was a catalyst.

Our parting thought about the 41st president comes to us from historian Jon Meacham. Once when he was approaching 90 years old, George H.W. Bush was at his home in Kennebunkport when a massive storm rolled in. His chief of staff found him sitting outside watching the ocean as a full gale force wind swirled around him. Why was he out in the mix? The former president simply said, "I don't want to miss anything."

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presidents. When I was working on a major profile of him, he invited me and my wife Susan Page to dinner and theater, making sure we met an old friend starring in the show, "Chuck" Heston.

Like many others, I got one of those little notes he wrote to everyone from journalists to county chairmen to heads of state. It chided me for a tongue-in-cheek column in which I predicted his various off-spring would emulate his son George and run Texas sports teams.

In the process, I omitted Mrs. Bush. "What about the silver fox?" he asked.

I got another after a 2014 column citing his receipt of the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award and praising his good manners in going out of the way to welcome President Barack Obama to Houston at a time many fellow Republicans were showing him little respect. After saying the JFK Award "means a great deal to me," he added, "Your nice comments were icing on the cake."

Bush had a great, sometimes childish, sense of humor. In her memoirs, the former first lady recalled how she discovered some grandchildren had downloaded porno pictures using her computer. Several weeks later, she got a letter summoning her to a regional Federal Trade Commission office to discuss the matter.

She asked the former president to read the letter aloud but, when she noticed lots of smiles, "it came to me that my husband had composed this letter. I fell hook, line and sinker — again!"

Voters saw his somewhat goofy side when he denounced Al Gore as "ozone man... far out" in the 1992 campaign and, bemoaning his troubles, inexplicably exclaimed, "Don't Cry for Me

Argentina."

But the term that best characterized him was loyalty. Members of the Bush family often said they believed "loyalty is not a character flaw," and they remembered those who stood by him — and those who did not.

They were especially grateful to those who remained by his side in 1992, even when it became evident he would probably lose.

Similarly, the man friends affectionately called "41" remained totally loyal to his presidential son, known as "43," even when it was widely believed he disapproved of the latter's decision to attack Iraq; after all, in his 1998 book with National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft, Bush described the problems he would have faced had he tried to overthrow Saddam Hussein after the Persian Gulf War.

They closely resembled what transpired under his son.

The ultimate irony was that 43's efforts to make up for 41's perceived failures, both politically and in Iraq, only made the first President Bush look better.

History won't likely rate him as a great president, though his management of the end of the Cold War and the Gulf War look even better today than when he left office. But no more decent, honorable and genuinely nice man ever occupied the presidency.

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West Texas timeline of George H.W. Bush

1948: After graduation from Yale, Bush moves his family to Odessa, where he takes a job at \$375 a month as an equipment clerk for the International Derrick & Equipment Co. (Ideco), a subsidiary of Dresser Industries. His duties include sweeping and painting, and the family lived on a dirt street in a duplex.

1949: Bush is transferred to California as a drill bit salesman and travels between several cities, sometimes rolling up 1,000 miles a week on the company car. In Compton, a daughter, Robin, is born.

1950: The family returns to West Texas, this time settling in Midland in a light blue house on East Maple Avenue, which is known at the time as "Easter Egg Row" because of the bright-colored residences. The town's population is about 25,000.

1951: Bush-Overbey Oil Development Co. is founded in Midland. Two years later, the company is absorbed into Zapata Petroleum Corp. — named after the movie "Viva Zapata!" — and in 1954 Bush co-founds Zapata Off-Shore Co.

1952: For the first time, Bush dabbles in politics while in Midland, raising campaign funds for the Eisenhower-Nixon ticket. "But it was strictly a side thing," he recalled later. "I had to work. I hadn't thought of running."

1953: On Feb. 11, John Ellis Bush, Bush nicknamed "Jeb," is born in Midland. The Bush couple's second child, daughter Robin, is stricken with leukemia at the family's second Midland home on Ohio Avenue. She dies Oct. 11, 1953, at the age of 3 years, 10 months.

1954: Bush is named one of the Five Outstanding Men of Texas by the Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce. He serves as Midland County Chairman for the second Eisenhower-Nixon ticket.

1955: A third son, Neil Mallon Bush, is born in Midland.

1957: A fourth son, Marvin Pierce Bush, is born in Midland.

1958: Seized by the opportunity of off-shore drilling, Bush moves to Houston to run Zapata's offshore operations. He becomes involved in Houston Republican Party politics, and is asked to run for chairman of the Harris County Republican Party. "I remember wondering about it, and I decided to do it," he said of the move. "And that was the quantum leap forward that led to elective politics."

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his main objective. As he studied his options, the idea of self-sufficiency appealed to him and his young bride Barbara, and for a while they thought about becoming farmers. But he didn't have the money to finance a farm operation and knew his family would never invest in a career on the farm.

An honor student with a major in economics, he could have accepted an invitation to become a Rhodes Scholar and remain in the cerebral academic world a bit longer.

He also could have pursued the comfortable, secure route and accepted a position in the family investment company.

But he did neither. Instead he was lured to Odessa by a job offer from family friend Neil Mallon, chairman of Dresser Industries. Mallon told him that if he wanted something different in life he needed to go to the Texas oil fields. "That's the place for ambitious young people today," Mallon told him.

Said Bush in "Looking Forward," his autobiography: "It wasn't so much that I knew what I wanted as I knew what I didn't want. I didn't want anything pat and predictable. I had come of age in war, seen different people and cultures, known danger and suffered the loss of close friends. The world I had known before the war didn't interest me. I was looking for a different kind of life, something challenging outside the established mold. I couldn't see myself being happy commuting in to work, then back home, five days a week."

If challenge outside the established mold was what the future president was looking for, that was exactly what he found in Odessa. It was as far from the niceties and cultural amenities of New England as the west of Texas is from the Northeast.

As a neophyte oilfield salesman for Ideco (actually he was an equipment clerk), he started at the bottom of a hard, competitive business with a salary of \$375 a month.

His home was a one-bedroom shotgun shack on East Seventh Street in Odessa. Built without insulation, it was cold in the winter and hot in the summer. A frail, thin partition separated the Bush family and a mother and daughter who lived in the other half of the shack. Both families used a common bathroom.

Neighbors and friends for the Yale graduate were uneducated oilfield hands — roughnecks, drillers and roustabouts. Bush recalls that Jack and Valta Ree Casselman from Oklahoma lived one house down and Otis Miller across the street.

Services for George H.W. Bush

New York Times

Former President George H.W. Bush, who died at home in Houston, will soon be taken to Washington. President Donald Trump, speaking Saturday from the G-20 summit meeting in Buenos Aires, Argentina, said the plane known as Air Force One when the president is aboard will transport Bush's coffin. Trump said it was "a special tribute that he deserves very much."

Republican and Democratic leaders of the Senate and the House of Representatives announced that a bicameral arrival ceremony for Bush will be held at 5 p.m. Monday at the U.S. Capitol in Washington.

Bush will lie in state in the Rotunda with his coffin on display for public viewing until Wednesday morning. He will be the 11th president to lie in state there; others include Gerald R. Ford in 2006 and 2007 and Ronald Reagan in 2004. The most recent official to lie in state was Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., on Aug. 31.

Bush will also be honored with a state funeral at the National Cathedral in Washington. The White House confirmed that Trump will attend.

On Thursday, Bush will be laid to rest on the grounds of his presidential library and museum at Texas A&M University. He will be buried in a family plot behind the library alongside his wife, Barbara, who died in April after 73 years of marriage, and a daughter, Robin, who died at age 3 in 1953, according to a statement from the university.

The young Bushes would call him Otis until informed that in Texas it was pronounced "Ahtis."

A squeaking, evaporative window unit provided the only relief from the searing West Texas sun.

But the president-to-be had one claim to luxury. He and Barbara were the only ones on the unpaved, dirt street with a refrigerator. He may not have known it then, but those humble beginnings in Odessa were putting a common touch to George Bush that would remain with him for a lifetime and mold him for a destiny he had not yet envisioned.

The new Texan was to find out quickly enough that Neil Mallon, for whom Bush would later name his son Neil, was right. The oil fields were, indeed, a good place for an ambitious young man to be.

The oil patch, and particularly Odessa, was humming. The Permian Basin was not exactly booming, but there was stability and growth year after year. The end of war rationing had released a pent-up demand for hydrocarbons as the nation got on the move again, and that put the drilling industry into an upward trend that would last a decade.

When George Bush arrived in his 1947 Studebaker in the hot summer of 1948, both vertical exploration (looking for oil in discovered fields) and horizontal exploration (looking for new fields) were in full swing.

Over 2,850 wells were drilled that year, up 28 percent from 1946, resulting in the discovery of 61 new pools. Vertical exploration had just opened Ellenburger & Devonian production in the Fullerton, Block 31 and TXL fields, and Silurian & Devonian production was opened in the Keystone and Wheeler fields of Winkler County. The search for new oil also had extended as far north as Hale County and the Matador Uplift, and as

far west as Hudspeth County in Texas and Chaves County in New Mexico.

This growth would be capped off by two spectacular booms in the Spraberry of the Midland Basin and the Canyon Reed of Scurry County, making it a very good time for a young equipment salesman to be selling Ideco rigs for Dresser Industries.

Bush remained at Ideco in Odessa for two years, but few at Dresser recall the young George Bush, even though his father was a member of the board of directors at Dresser. "I just knew he was out there and working hard, but I never heard any reports or stories about him. I can't recall a single story about his tour in Odessa," said Gordon Wilbur, a retired Dresser executive.

Herb Ryan, director of investor relations for Dresser, came on board about the time Bush arrived in Odessa. "Dresser had a dozen or so companies then, and it is unlikely an equipment salesman would interface much with corporate headquarters," Ryan said. "Salesmen didn't hang around corporate offices much, because if you're hunting rabbits, you have to be out there where the rabbits are."

For George Bush, the young salesman, he recalls

that his job took him from Muleshoe to Wink. He also recalls that it was sometimes physically hard. "I know what it's like to climb upon a pumpjack with a bucket of paint when the temperature is 103 degrees, and have to straddle that pumpjack," Bush told a Midland gathering in 1988.

But despite the "silver spoon" breeding for which he was ribbed and ridiculed by foes at the Democratic National Convention, George Bush had no problem adjusting to hard oilpatch work or the ways of Odessa. He was quickly converted to "Friday night football," which he equated with a quasi-religious experience, and became an immediate fan of Tex-Mex food.

While on the campaign trail, he was often seen snacking on chicharrones (pig skins), soaked in Tabasco sauce and washed down with soft drinks, and his love for barbecue is no secret.

Bush tells the story about how he got hooked on Texas food. It was on his initial trip from Ohio to Odessa. He estimates that it was around Abilene that he stopped by a roadside diner and decided to sample one of those strange beers he had seen advertised. Jax, Lone Star, Pearl, Dixie. There he noticed a strange item on the menu called a "chicken fried steak," and decided to take the whole cultural plunge. "To this day I claim chicken fried steak is one of my favorite meals," he said.

What did the brief sojourn in Odessa mean to George Bush? Obviously much.

Said Bush in "George Bush, a Biography" by Nicolas King: "I think I learned most about the people. The oil field doesn't get credit for the fiber of its people. In those days most of the oil field workers didn't have much education, and they came from an entirely different background than I. But the way they devoted their lives to their work, their fierce loyalty, competitiveness and spirit were an inspiration. It made a lasting impression on me."

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[skreech]

verb

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Ballots by mail: 2

What is MISD District 5?
District 5 is located in central and north Midland and includes Early College High School, Goddard Junior High, San Jacinto Junior High, Emerson Elementary and Santa Rita Elementary. Some prominent areas/developments include Midland College, Racquet Club, the heavy growth area east and west of State Highway 191, north of Loop 250 and Saddle Club and the Midland Polo Fields.

Things to do

■ A Legacy of Leadership: Winston Churchill! 10 a.m.-7 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

■ Toys for Cops is accepting donations at Midland Police Department, 601 N. Lorraine St.

■ West Texas North Pole Village will feature Santa's House, reindeer barn, Santa's workshop, the North Pole Post Office, hayrides, live music and more at Ector County Coliseum, 4201 Andrews Highway, Odessa. \$20. wtnorthpolevillage.com

■ Starbright Village and Community Tree Lighting: View one of the largest displays in the area with more than 300,000 lights and holiday displays, 6-11 p.m. at McKinney Park, 625 W. Pool Road, Odessa. Free. odessatx.org

■ Mingle at the Way! Enjoy refreshments, snacks and dancing at this event hosted by 100 Women Who Rock the Permian Basin, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at The Ballroom Dance Studio, 4400 N. Big Spring St.

■ UTPB Music Department Recital: 5:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788, Free.

■ Parks Legends Christmas Tree: 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1306 E. Taylor Ave. Children welcome.

■ Bridge game play: 6:45 p.m. at Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. \$6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ Monday Mayhem features unlimited bowling for \$14.09 with free shoe rentals after 8 p.m. Bowlers, 5320 W. Loop 250 N. bowlers.com

■ Open Shop Nights are hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects. 6:30-9 p.m.

TODAY IN MIDLAND

ROOTIN' FOR THE RANGERS



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Greenwood High School fans cheer on their team Friday night in the Class 4A Division II regional playoff game against Iowa Park at Lowrey Field in Lubbock. Iowa Park won 35-14.

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Meeting today

Planning and Zoning
3:30 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall
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Today in history

Today is Monday, Dec. 3, the 337th day of 2018. There are 28 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:
On Dec. 3, 1964, thousands of people died after a cloud of methyl isocyanate gas escaped from a pesticide plant operated by a Union Carbide subsidiary in Bhopal, India.

On this date:
■ In 1818, Illinois was admitted as the 21st state.
■ In 1828, Andrew Jackson was elected president of the United States by the Electoral College.

■ In 1833, Oberlin College in Ohio — the first truly coeducational school of higher learning in the United States — began holding classes.

■ In 1926, English mystery writer Agatha Christie, 36, disappeared after driving away from her home in Sunningdale, Berkshire. (Christie turned up 11 days later at a hotel in Harrogate, Yorkshire.)

■ In 1947, the Tennessee Williams play "A Streetcar Named Desire" opened on Broadway.

■ In 1964, police arrested some 800 students at the University of California at Berkeley, one day after the students stormed the administration building and staged a massive sit-in.

■ In 1967, a surgical team in Cape Town, South Africa, led by Dr. Christian Barnard performed the first human heart transplant on Louis Washkansky, who lived 18 days with the donor organ, which came from Denise Darvall, a 25-year-old bank clerk who had died in a traffic

accident.
■ In 1979, 11 people were killed in a crush of fans at Cincinnati's Riverfront Coliseum, where the British rock group The Who was performing.

■ In 1980, Bernadine Doherty, a former leader of the radical Weather Underground, surrendered to authorities in Chicago after more than a decade as a fugitive.

■ In 1991, radicals in Lebanon released American hostage Alann Steen, who'd been held captive nearly five years.

■ In 1992, the first telephone text message was sent by British engineer Neil Papworth, who transmitted the greeting "Merry Christmas" from his work computer in Newbury, Berkshire, to Vodafone executive Richard Jarvis' mobile phone. The Greek tanker Aegean Sea spilled more than 21 million gallons of crude oil when it ran aground off northwestern Spain.

■ In 1999, Toni Murden of the United States became the first woman to row across the Atlantic Ocean

alone as she arrived at the French Caribbean island of Guadeloupe, 81 days after leaving the Canary Islands near the coast of Africa.

■ Ten years ago, President-elect Barack Obama selected New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson as his commerce secretary. (However, Richardson withdrew a month later when it appeared his confirmation hearings would be complicated by a grand jury investigation over how state contracts were issued to political donors, Gary Locke ended up being appointed.)

Theological conservatives upset by liberal views of U.S. Episcopalians and Canadian Anglicans formed a rival North American province.

Today's birthdays: Rock singer Ozzy Osbourne is 70. Actress Daryl Hannah is 58. Actress Julianne Moore is 58. Olympic gold medal figure skater Katarina Witt is 53. Actor Brendan Fraser is 50. Actress/comedian Tiffany Haddish is 39. Actress Anna Chlumsky is 38. Actress Amanda Seyfried is 33.

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Weather

Sunday's temperatures

High.....68
Low.....36
Normal high.....61
Normal low.....33

Dec. 2 records

High.....83, set in 2005
Low.....17, set in 1985

Precipitation

Sunday.....0.00
Saturday.....0.00
Month total.....0.00
Year total.....16.67 inches
Normal total (year to date) 14.04 inches

Winds

Wind speed.....21 mph
Gust speed.....24 mph

Today's forecast

High: 53
Low: 30

Conditions: Sunny today/

mostly clear tonight

Winds: Northwest 5-10

mph today/east 5 mph

tonight

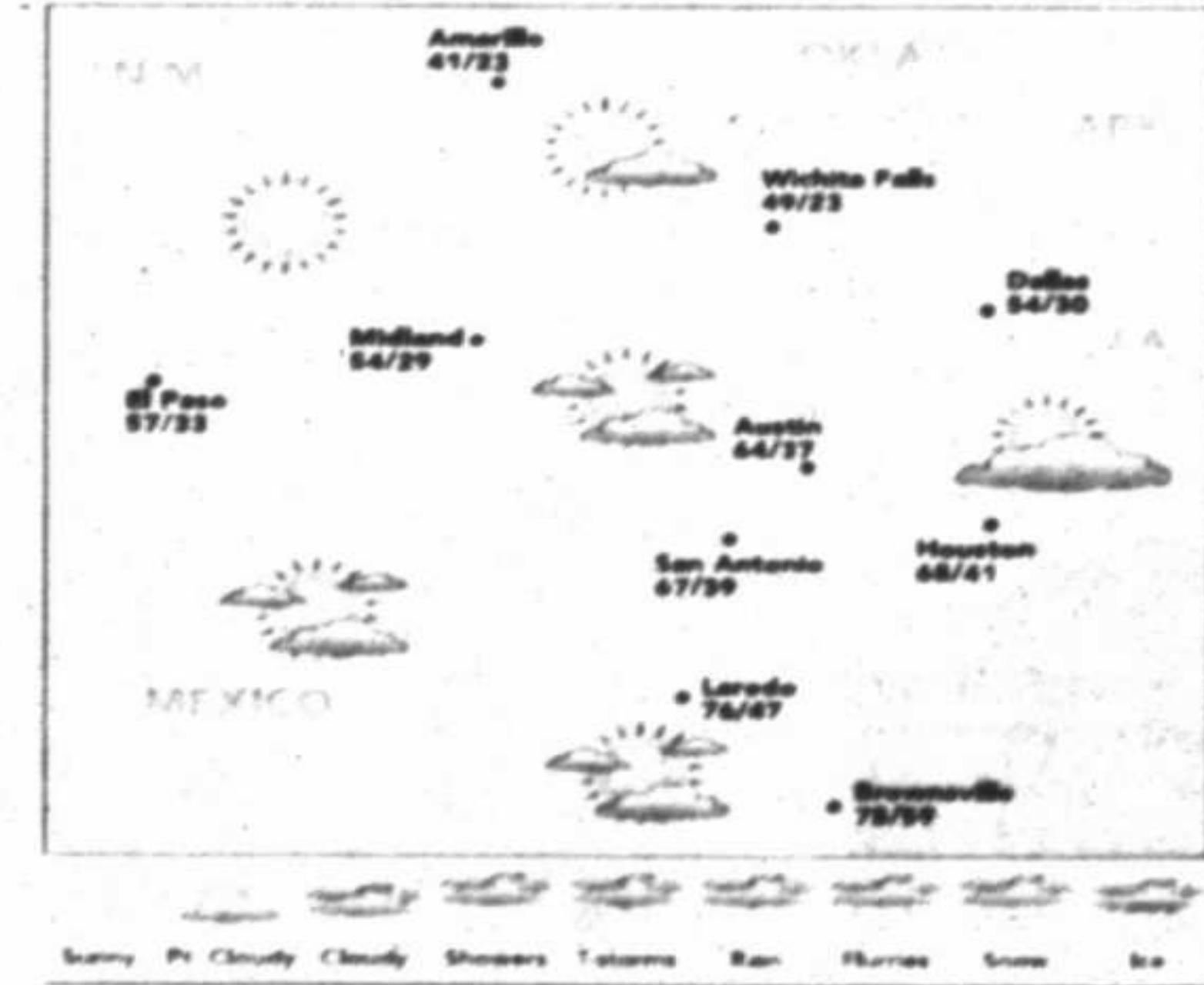
Chance of rain: none

Sunrise: 7:33 a.m.

Sunset: 5:44 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

Forecast for Monday, December 3, 2018



JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic, 4-positive, 3-average, 2-so-so, 1-difficult

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Sagittarius and a Moon in Libra if born before 1:55 p.m. Afterward, the Moon will be in Scorpio.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Dec. 3, 2018: This year, the unexpected becomes part of your day-to-day life. You learn to be flexible and to let go of what does not work. In some way, you will simplify your life. As a result, you will have more time to spend as you like. If you are single, you do not need to worry about meeting someone. You will run into Mr. or Ms. Right naturally. If you are attached, you and your partner achieve a long-desired goal with ease. You both feel renewed as a result. LIBRA plays an interesting role in your year.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★ ★ ★ The unexpected occurs with increased frequency. Putting a situation back together after strong crosscurrents have shaken up the status quo will take talent as well as a lot of sensitivity on your part. Know that the outcome will be well worth it. Tonight: Have an important talk.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★ ★ ★ You will not take much for granted, especially after today. You see many tremors stemming from a certain issue. You likely will want to continue down the same path, but at what cost? Push yourself and do some serious thinking. Tonight: Go along with someone else's suggestion.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★ ★ ★ You cannot deny your joyous spirit. If you give yourself permission, you might be able to let go and have a great time. It would be a good idea to take today off or at least take a half-day. If you let go, you will be much more expressive and content. Tonight: Off to the gym.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★ ★ ★ Remain more sensitive to the possibilities that surround you. If you kick back, you could find that you are a lot happier than you thought possible. Do some fast thinking. Understand what is motivating a child or loved one. Tonight: So what if you have to work tomorrow?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★ ★ ★ Recent events around your community or work could be shaking you up. Note why you are becoming upset. On some level, you might need to look at the matter differently and accept it. At that point, the situation could become smoother. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★ ★ ★ Be aware of the present cost of saying "yes." You could be overwhelmed by certain possibilities and not know the best way to proceed. If that's the case, wait to take action. Communication that you desire will not happen until later. Tonight: Hang out with a friend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★ ★ ★ Others might be stressed out, however, you also could be dealing with a problem. Note the different styles of handling the issues involved. Put yourself on the back for taking the serene, calm approach; for the most part, it works better. Tonight: Do some shopping on

the way home

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★ ★ ★ You could feel out of sorts during most of the day. A loved one's unpredictability could be getting the best of you. Open up to new possibilities. At the same time, recognize that you cannot change anyone. People are who they are, and that's that. Tonight: All smiles — finally!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★ ★ ★ Use the daylight hours to the max. Keep smiling, and stay centered on your objectives. When you're on a roll, you shouldn't stop. Clear out as much as possible. Later in the day, your energy could dwindle. Note

when this happens and head home. Tonight: Not to be found

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★ ★ ★ Take your bows while you can. It's not every day that others let you know how much they value you. Understand what it takes to open up a conversation with someone; however, allow the other party to think that he or she is in charge. Go with the flow. Tonight: Join friends while you can.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★ ★ ★ You have the ability to detach from a difficult situation and come through with a great solution, if it is needed. Your perspective opens up much

freer exchanges and more understanding. Maintain a distance from someone who is erratic. Tonight: Among the crowds.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★ ★ ★ One-on-one relating makes whatever you're doing flow more easily. Information that someone shares could surprise you. Say little and listen more. In order to accomplish what you desire, you might need to detach from a volatile person or situation. Tonight: Choose a new type of experience.

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Cousins Cecily Smith-Kuzmich, left, and Adalyn Kuzmich talk to Santa during a mother-daughter brunch featuring a performance by Midland Festival Ballet on Saturday at the Christmas at the Mansion event.



Mother Joy Luke, left, daughter Macy Luke, and grandmother Leatrice Adams, go through the buffet during the brunch.

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Secondhand pot smoke found in kids' lungs

By Lyden Odukwu, MD

Sometimes people say, "What I do doesn't matter as long as it doesn't hurt anyone else." There may be times that this is true, but new research shows that smoking marijuana around children is not one of them.

With recreational pot use now legal in 10 states, including its most famous state, Colorado, this issue is becoming more important. To learn about the effects of marijuana smoking on children, researchers at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai in New York City collected urine samples from children of marijuana users in Colorado, where smoking marijuana is legal.

They found detectable levels of marijuana metabolite, COOH-THC, in 46 percent of the samples and THC, the primary psychoactive ingredient, in 11 percent. THC is an indicator of recent and active exposure to marijuana. Even in homes where parents step outside to smoke, almost one third of children tested positive for COOH-THC—meaning that third-hand smoke, or that which is trapped in hair and clothing, is also a problem for children.

Researcher Dr. Karen Wilson said, "Our findings suggest that smoking in the home, even in a different room, results in exposure to children. The more we understand secondhand and thirdhand smoke exposure, the better we can protect children in the home in states where marijuana is legal."

In Texas, of course, smoking marijuana anywhere is illegal, but that doesn't mean it never happens. If you or someone you know smokes marijuana near children, please understand that this practice is now known to be a risk for them. What exactly the health risks are, we don't yet know—but there is plenty of evidence of its issues with adults, so its presence in children is certainly a concern.

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Tree lighting

The city of Midland's annual tree lighting event was held Saturday at the Wadley Barron duck pond.

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Reporter-Telegram

Rare December tornadoes reported in central US

Associated Press

TAYLORVILLE, Ill. — Residents in central Illinois on Sunday assessed damage after rare December tornadoes that ripped roofs off homes, downed power lines and injured at least 20 people the day before.

The severe weather in Illinois was part of a line of thunderstorms that raked areas of the central U.S. late Friday and into Saturday, killing one person in Missouri. Tornadoes were also reported in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

The National Weather Service sent crews Sunday to survey the hardest-hit areas in Illinois, which included

Taylorville, 25 miles southeast of Springfield, Springfield's State Journal-Register reported.

Photographs and video from Taylorville showed houses flattened, with residents wading into debris to salvage what they could. Some homes remained standing but with gaping holes in the roofs or with no roofs at all.

Assistant Fire Chief Andy Goodall spoke to reporters Saturday night shortly after the storms pounded the city of 11,000, saying at least 100 homes had major damage, including his own.

A Taylorville Memorial Hospital spokesman said 21 people, from age 9

to 97, arrived for treatment Saturday. Most were discharged within hours.

The National Weather Service has confirmed tornadoes in Oklahoma, Missouri and Illinois and was working to verify reports of tornadoes in Arkansas.

The National Weather Service says peak months for tornadoes in much of the Midwest are April and June.

It wasn't only twisters that were a concern. So were heavy rain and strong winds. A 75 mph wind gust at Springfield's Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport on Saturday evening set a December wind speed record for the Illinois' capital, the State Journal-Register reported.

Ken Berry, star of sitcom 'F Troop,' has died

Associated Press

BURBANK, Calif. — Ken Berry, an actor and dancer who played the affable and clumsy Capt. Wilton Parmenter in the 1960s sitcom "F Troop," has died. He was 85.

Berry died Saturday at Providence St. Joseph Medical Center in Burbank, California, hospital spokeswoman Patricia Aiden confirmed. The cause of death was not provided by Berry's family.

"F Troop" was only on from 1965 to 1967 but the show lived on in syndication and the accident-prone Capt. Parmenter became one of Berry's most well-known roles. After "F Troop," Berry went to on to star in "Mayberry R.F.D.," a spin-off of "The Andy Griffith Show," where Berry appeared during the show's final year.

Berry's last television series was "Mama's Family," which aired for six seasons beginning in 1983. But "F Troop" was the show that remained closest to Berry's heart.

'Ralph' repeats as No. 1, 'Crazy Rich Asians' flops in China

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press

NEW YORK — On a typically sleepy post-Thanksgiving weekend in movie theaters, leftovers led the box office and Disney's "Ralph Breaks the Internet" repeated as No. 1 with \$25.8 million in ticket sales, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The "Wreck-It Ralph" sequel dropped steeply (54 percent) after nearly setting a Thanksgiving record last weekend. But with only one new film in wide release, nothing came close to "Ralph Breaks the Internet," which sends John C. Reilly and Sarah Silverman's video-game characters into cyberspace. In 11 days of release, the \$175 million film has cleared \$207 million worldwide.

Still going strong in its fourth week of release, Universal's "The Grinch" came in second with \$17.7 million in ticket sales. "The Grinch," the Illumination animated production with Benedict Cumberbatch as the Christmas curmudgeon, surpassed \$200 million domestically and edged in front of last week's No. 2 film, the "Rocky" sequel "Creed II."

Like "Ralph Breaks the Internet," MGM's boxing drama also slid sizably after a big holiday opening, declining 53 percent. "Creed II," with Michael B. Jordan as Adonis Creed, took in \$16.8 million in its second weekend. It has thus

far grossed \$81.2 million on a \$50 million budget.

The week's lone new wide release, the Sony Screen Gems horror film "The Possession of Hannah Grace," opened modestly with \$6.5 million. Orion Picture's "Anna and the Apocalypse," a well-reviewed indie mash-up — your standard zombie-comedy-musical — debuted in five theaters, with about \$50,000 in ticket sales.

"Crazy Rich Asians," Warner Bros.' breakout summer hit, was a dud in China. Warner Bros. said the acclaimed romantic comedy, which earned \$173 million domestically, debuted in China with just \$1.2 million. John M. Chu's Singapore-set film, which opened Aug. 14 in the U.S., took months to secure a release date in China, a delay some have attributed to the film's depiction of extremely wealthy Chinese Singaporeans.

"Crazy Rich Asians" was a hit at the Singapore box office, but, like most comedies, it hasn't been as much a sensation abroad as it was in the U.S.; it's earned \$64 million overseas. The film's performance in China, though, is potentially worrisome for Warner Bros. Its planned sequel, "China Rich Girlfriend," aims to better capitalize on the world's second largest film market.

One film that didn't dip much on the weekend was Universal's "Green Book," which grossed \$3.9 million on 1,065 screens, dropping 29 percent.

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Former FBI director James Comey speaks during a Senate Intelligence Committee hearing June 8, 2017, on Capitol Hill, in Washington. Comey has reached a deal to testify privately to the House Judiciary Committee, backing off his legal fight for an open hearing. Comey said in a tweet Sunday that it was "hard to protect my rights without being in contempt" but he's been told he's free to discuss his testimony afterward.

Comey makes deal over House subpoena, backs off legal fight

By Eric Tucker and Michael Balsamo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Former FBI Director James Comey has reached a deal to testify privately to the House Judiciary Committee, backing off his legal fight for an open hearing, his attorney said Sunday.

Comey, whose lawyers went to court to challenge a congressional subpoena, said in a tweet that it was "hard to protect my rights without being in contempt."

As part of a deal with legislators, Comey has been told that he is free to speak about the questioning afterward and that a transcript would be released 24 hours after he testifies, his attorney, David Kelley, said.

Comey's lawyers told a federal judge on Friday that the interview should be done in a public setting because they fear that statements from a closed-door interview would be selectively leaked. A lawyer for Congress, however, argued that committees can conduct investigations however they please and Comey had no right to refuse a subpoena or demand a public hearing.

Comey is expected to be questioned about deci-

sions made by the FBI in 2016, including a call not to recommend criminal charges against Democrat Hillary Clinton for her use of a private email server and the FBI's investigation into potential coordination between Russia and Republican Donald Trump's campaign. Trump fired Comey in May 2017.

The interview is scheduled for Friday and Comey will be "free to make any or all of that transcript public as he is free to share with the public any of the questions asked and testimony given during the interview," Kelley said.

Because of the deal, Comey has agreed to withdraw his challenge to the subpoena. A judge had been set to rule on the matter on Monday.

The Republican chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, Rep. Bob Goodlatte, decried Comey's use of "baseless litigation" and called it an "attempt to run out the clock on this Congress," a reference to the few weeks left before Democrats take control.

A transcript of the interview will be released "as soon as possible after the interview, in the name of our combined desire for transparency," Goodlatte said.

Synagogue will hold Hannukah ceremony at mass shooting site

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — A public Menorah lighting will be held outside a Pittsburgh synagogue where 11 people were killed during a mass shooting in October.

The ceremony at the Tree of Life synagogue is scheduled to start at 6 p.m. Sunday. Coming five weeks after the Oct. 27 massacre, synagogue officials say it will provide the community with an opportunity to honor the dead and mark Hanukkah's theme of survival.

Authorities say suspected shooter Robert Bowers raged against Jews during and after the shooting, which was the deadliest attack on the Jewish community in the U.S. Bowers remains jailed without bail and has pleaded not guilty to numerous murder and hate crime charges.

'El Chapo' trial gives inside look at his rise to power

By Tom Hays
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The U.S. trial of Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman has offered a screenplay-worthy picture of the lawlessness and excesses during his rise to power as Mexico's most infamous drug lord.

Since the trial got underway on Nov. 13, witnesses have described how Guzman used tunnels dug under the border and fake jalapeno cans to smuggle tons of cocaine into the United States during the 1990s and early 2000s.

The Sinaloa cartel, sometimes referred to by insiders as "The Federation," made hundreds of millions of dollars, most of it in U.S. currency collected in such volume it had to be stashed in safe houses while the gang figured out what to do with it. Guzman spent some of it on a private zoo, a diamond-encrusted pistol and paying off police and politicians.

That's all according to a cast of characters who have taken the witness stand ranging from former cartel members to a Colombian drug kingpin with a freakish face that he chose to alter with plastic surgery in a failed attempt to stay under the radar.

Here's a look at some testimony highlights from the trial, which is expected to last until early next year.

Smuggling by the ton

The Sinaloa cartel had many crafty ways to smuggle drugs across the border, but perhaps none were craftier than La Comadre brand pepper cans.

Former cartel member Miguel Angel Martinez testified in federal court in Brooklyn he helped supervise a warehouse in Mexico City where workers hid cocaine in the cans so it could be trucked over the border.

The trucks carried 3,000 cans at a time to Los Angeles, he said. He estimated about 25 to 30 tons of cocaine worth \$400 to \$500 million got across the border each year.

Behind the scenes, the workers packing the coke into the cans "got intoxicated because whenever you would press the kilos, it would release cocaine into the air."

Proceeds ended up in Tijuana, where Guzman would send his three private jets every month to pick it up, Martinez said. On average, each plane would carry up to \$10 million home.

The cash, he said, helped pay for luxuries

like an Acapulco beach house featuring a private zoo and a trip to Switzerland for Guzman to get an exotic "anti-aging" treatment.

Bribery as usual

A turncoat cartel member named Jesus Zambada took the stand to describe how he kept watch over tons of cocaine stashed in a Mexico City warehouse. But a more important job for him was buying off authorities at a cost of about \$300,000 a month — a price that earned Guzman a police escort after one of his notorious escapes from prison.

He testified that Guzman looked troubled at the sight of the Mexico City police approaching the car. "Don't worry about it," Zambada told Guzman. "These are our people. No one is going to touch us from here on out."

Testimony suggested the prisons were on the take, too. Martinez claimed when he and Guzman visited a drug boss behind bars, other inmates had put together a lavish meal. "There was a music group and they had everything, whatever you would want to eat. Whiskey, cognac," Martinez said. "You could choose between lobster and sirloin and pheasant."

The mask

The latest star witness for the government has been more notable for his appearance than his testimony.

Former Colombian drug lord Juan Carlos Ramirez Abadia is perhaps best known for his plastic surgery. He told the jury last week that he has had at least three surgeries to change his appearance.

The work altered "my jawbone, my cheekbones, my eyes, my mouth, my ears, my nose," he said.

His testimony made a case for ranking him at the top of the narco-pathos with Guzman: He said he smuggled 881,840 pounds, ordered 150 killings and amassed a fortune so large that he forfeited \$1 billion after his arrest in Brazil in 2007.

Ramirez Abadia said he had a cartel business model that included a division entirely devoted to using drug money to bribe authorities to "not do their jobs" to enforce drug laws. He testified that it was clear Guzman had similar arrangements when he flew planes loaded with Colombian cocaine to Mexico, where they were greeted by police officers who helped unload the goods.

Ramirez Abadia resumes testifying today.

Evacuation orders lifted for some California wildfire area

Associated Press

PARADISE, Calif. — Authorities are lifting evacuation orders for some Northern California communities ravaged by the state's deadliest wildfire but said no traffic will be allowed into the town of Paradise, which was the most devastated community in last month's blaze.

The Butte County Sheriff's office on Sunday said residents of neighborhoods in nearby Magalia can return to the area at noon Sunday and public access would resume today.

But the communities may have very limited services, and authorities urged residents to ensure they have food, water and fuel for their vehicles before returning. They also advised residents not to use electric generators because of potential back feeding of current and that fire and utility crews were still working in the area.

The office said late Saturday that the number of people listed missing since the wildfire has dropped to 25. That's about half the people reported missing a day earlier and a fraction of the 1,300 unaccounted for about two weeks ago.

Authorities have been working to account for survivors since thousands of people were forced to flee the devastating Nov. 8 fire that killed 88 people. The blaze all but leveled the town of Paradise and charred nearby communities.

Thousands were forced to flee, and many survivors later scattered to other towns or cities and did not think to tell authorities or relatives that they were safe. Anyone who can't be reached by a friend or relative is put on the county's list until they are tracked down by authorities.

Schiff suggests Stone may have lied

By Michael Balsamo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The top Democrat on the House intelligence committee said Sunday that the testimony of former Trump campaign adviser Roger Stone should be provided to special counsel Robert Mueller "for consideration of whether perjury charges are warranted."

The comments from Rep. Adam Schiff come days after President Donald Trump's former lawyer pleaded guilty to lying to Congress, raising questions about whether the special counsel would pursue similar charges against others eyed in the Russia probe.

Schiff said on ABC's "This Week" that emails between Stone and an associate, Jerome Corsi, are "inconsistent" with the testimony that Stone gave to the committee last year.

Schiff, who is set to chair the intelligence committee when Democrats take control of the House

next year, suggested that others may also potentially be in legal jeopardy for providing false testimony to the congressional committee.

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OPINION

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The swamp is draining under President Trump

Impeachment is a political act, and the endgame of the Robert Mueller investigation may not deliver the stark evidence that would remove Donald Trump from office. But (last) week's activity on the Mueller beat — the guilty plea from Michael Cohen, the pardon-angling from Paul Manafort, the ongoing Austin Powers antics of Jerome Corsi and Roger Stone — is further confirmation that Trump is one of the most impeachable presidents we've ever had.

It isn't just that he's already implicated in actions (for instance, paying off a porn-star mistress in possible violation of campaign-finance laws) that a hostile Congress might reasonably cite as a reason for impeachment. It's that the whole Trump operation, now lying exposed on Mueller's table — the shady business empire, the constant practice of deceit, the dim-bulb hangers-on — screams corruption in a way that few politicians' circles do. With Trump there is no pretense of respectability or rectitude. There is only the open, shrugging grift.

This shrug makes it hard for his critics to fathom how the Trump campaign ever persuaded anyone that its candidate would actually "drain the swamp." Some of the liberal fixation with fake news reflects an attempt to explain Trump's anti-corruption pitch as just a fraud that voters swallowed (or were force-fed by the Russians). And

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indeed, a portion of Trump's supporters choose to live the fantasy worlds of Pizzagate and QAnon, where the most impeachable of presidents is as a white knight taking on a fictive ring of pedophiles.

But the more common reason a Trump supporter accepted his anti-corruption pitch was less conspiratorial and more cynical. He's bad but they're all like that. The whole elite class is rotten, so why not send a grifter to catch a bunch of grifters?

That hasn't worked out, it turns out that when you send a businessman-grifter into the world of political grifters he hires some of the worst of them to help him with the fleeing.

But there is one odd way in which Trump's supporters have gotten what they wanted. Trump isn't draining the swamp himself, but the shock of his ascent has created swamp-draining conditions in which other corruptions have suddenly been exposed, and there have been many deserved falls from grace.

This exposure has vindicated some of the public cynicism that made Trump's rise possible — because in many cases the newly-exposed scandals were open secrets, known to those in the know, and in some cases they were as baroque grotesque as any Reddit fantasy. (Like, what if Harvey Weinstein's whole movie empire was just a procurement agency, and what if he hired ex-Mossad agents to stalk one of the stars of "Charmed"?)

The story of rich-guy pedophile Jeffrey Epstein, just written up in exhaustive detail by The Miami Herald, is a perfect example — a pedophilia scandal hidden in plain sight, in which a wealthy abuser got off with a slap on the wrist because he had a bipartisan group of allies and there was an incentive not to embarrass the powerful people who might have frequented his parties or taken rides on his plane. A crucial player, the prosecutor who let Epstein slide, is now the Trump administration's labor secretary — but instead of being a seedy Trumpworld figure, Alexander Acosta is an eminently respectable, big-law figure. Not a grifter, just an exemplar of the American elite.

As, of course, is Epstein's pal Bill Clinton, who hasn't been exposed in the Trump era so much as finally acknowledged, by a growing number of liberals, as a sexual predator who survived impeachment because the establishment went into a panic

about the specter of puritanism and either smeared or ignored the women credibly accusing him. Not a grifter, the ex-president, just a pillar of the establishment who happened to have a plausible rape accusation lying there in plain sight all the time.

Some of these scandals might have come out under any president, and Clinton was overdue for a feminist reassessment. But Trump has clearly been a catalyst. The sense of moral crisis created by his ascent, the sense of moral outrage felt by women, especially, and the finger-pointing within a divided, freaked-out establishment has made it easier to acknowledge rot in meritocracy, and to purge the grossest examples from our entitled class.

The danger is that once the sense of crisis is past the elite will go back to protecting their own (the insider anger at Kirsten Gillibrand for participating in Al Franken's defenestration is an example of how that impulse still endures), while the memory of all these revelations confirms the populist belief that Trump's gang of cronies is just normal for D.C.

In fact our elite is rotten and deserves judgment, yet Trump's mix of kleptocracy and kakistocracy is worse. So the question of how you replace a bad elite with a better one, not just with something more corrupt, is what both left and right should be pondering while this particular purgation runs its course.

GUEST VIEW

Border clash proves bipartisan solution is needed

The ugly clash (last) week on the southern border across from Tijuana is not something any reasonable American would want to see repeated. Unless Congress can break through the long stalemate over immigration reform, however, that scene could be replayed over the holiday season.

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn of Texas explained what is needed when he said, "the best solution would be a bipartisan fix of what's broken in our immigration system." He's right of course, though he followed that reasonable statement with an unnecessary dig at the other party, saying that option has "been rejected out of hand by our Democratic colleagues."

Actually, it hasn't, not that either party has stood out on this issue. Democrats and Republicans keep talking past each other on immigration, even though members of both parties have signaled they could support legalization for the "Dreamers" coupled with better border security, even if that isn't President Donald's Trump's notorious border wall.

The skirmish (last) week with migrants from Central America was almost something that could have been predicted. The migrants have been camped out in Mexico trying to get hearings for asylum in this country, and that process has understandably frustrated many of them. Yet that certainly doesn't justify them or anyone trying to rush the border or throwing rocks at U.S. Border Patrol employees.

In turn, their action caused the Border Patrol to do something it has rarely done — shoot tear gas across the border to disperse the migrants, affecting women and children who weren't expecting that tactic.

The longer the migrants wait on the Mexican side, the greater the chance of another unpleasant confrontation. Some migrants are giving up and boarding buses back to Central America, others are determined to grimly hang on and hope for a chance at asylum.

The standoff should reinforce the need for an orderly immigration process, one that blends compassion for people fleeing terrible conditions, while differentiating them from people who want better jobs in this country. Not all of the "economic migrants" can be accepted, even though immigrants have long filled many jobs that American citizens have refused to consider.

Most voters would prefer some kind of compromise in Washington on immigration, and it's up to members of Congress like Cornyn to work for it even if hardliners in both parties drag their feet. It won't be easy, and it may not be possible.

But the only way to find out is for both sides to reach out and tried to get a bill to President Trump. The American people deserve to see that effort with the new Congress in 2019.

— Beaumont Enterprise

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It's hard to pick Democrat for 2020

Until now, there were, by my count, 44 Democrats who have either expressed interest in a 2020 presidential run, traveled to Iowa or New Hampshire, or otherwise managed to get themselves mentioned.

But we can now stop the bidding. Because a 45th candidate has just emerged, and he is about to clear the field. Yes, the man Democrats have been waiting for, Sen. Robert Casey of Pennsylvania, says he has "an obligation to consider" running for president — and tacks on a Trumpian tease: "We'll see what happens."

Casey is the total package — assuming the Democrats' idea of a total package is mild, earnest and quite possibly the most boring person in politics. This is why they should instead go with New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker unless Democrats are concerned about their standard-bearer being a showboat who declares, with straight face, "I am Spartacus."

In this case, I say: Go with everyman Joe Biden as long as they won't mind putting a 77-year-old former vice president up against a 74-year-old incumbent.

Otherwise, the best choice would be youthful California Rep. Eric Swalwell though the 38-year-old's main qualification is cable news overexposure. Hence, the need for a candidate of substance Minnesota's Sen. Amy Klobuchar, as long as her perceived lack of toughness isn't a problem.

If it is, combative Sen. Kamala Harris, California, is the best option. But she's not the person you'd want to have a beer with. No, that person is Gov. John Hickenlooper of Colorado, who once ran a brewery. Except his name makes everybody giggle.

Better, then, to go with another white guy from Colorado, Sen. Michael Bennet — assuming the electorate is as excited as he is by filibuster reform. If not, the fiery populist Sen. Elizabeth Warren, Massachusetts, is top choice — unless Democrats think her DNA-test adventure means President Trump has her number with "Pocahontas."

If genuineness is the essential quality, Rep. Beto O'Rourke of Texas is the man, though he is a failed Senate candidate, which also probably knocks out West Virginia's Richard Ojeda, a failed House candidate.

Therefore, may I suggest Sen. Sherrod Brown or Rep. Tim Ryan, who win among Ohio steelworkers? Except there aren't that many workers left.

The Latino population, by contrast, is large and growing, making former Housing and Urban Development secretary Julian Castro ideal. If only Latinos turned out to vote.

This is why I would suggest an outsider, such as billionaire Howard Schultz (except he's not ready to mix it up with Trump), or Mark Cuban (ex-

cept he's another reality TV guy), or Tom Steyer (except he, like Washington Gov. Jay Inslee, is a one-trick pony on climate change).

Sens. Bernie Sanders, I-Vermont, or Tim Kaine, D-Virginia, or former Maryland governor Martin O'Malley would be perfect — if they weren't 2016 retreats.

Hillary Clinton herself would be ideal — if she weren't a 2016 and a 2008 retreat. John Kerry would be the logical pick — if he weren't a 2004 retreat.

California Gov. Jerry Brown would be the man if he weren't a 1976, 1980 and 1992 retreat.

I therefore nominate former attorney general Eric Holder — though he's an Obama administration retreat. My fallbacks, then, are former governors Deval Patrick, Massachusetts, and Terry McAuliffe, Virginia — though they're both Clinton retreats.

May I propose, then, that Democrats go with a storied name, such as Rep. Joe Kennedy, Massachusetts, or Gov. Andrew Cuomo, New York? Although, the Clintons may have killed dynastic politics.

Hence, my first choice: Montana Gov. Steve Bullock. Except he's unlikely to turn out the 99 percent of Democrats who don't live on farms.

This leads us to former New Orleans mayor Mitch Landrieu, or Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti — except Democrats need to appeal to people who live beyond city lines.

The ultimate pick, therefore, is Mayor Pete Buttigieg of South Bend, Indiana, a gay Democrat in a conservative area. Or, he would be the ultimate pick if he weren't utterly unknown.

No one is better known than Oprah Winfrey, who would be terrific — if only she'd run. Otherwise, Democrats can have Oprah's friend, spiritual guru Marianne Williamson, who just announced that she's running.

Democrats, however, are not feeling their inner peace and harmony at the moment, so probably they should skip Williamson and go with a street brawler, Michael Avenatti — assuming he isn't himself among the prison population on Election Day.

Which is why the Democrats need somebody sober, predictable and even boring — such as Bob Casey.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



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Texans get 9th straight win, 29-13, over Browns

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Deshaun Watson threw a touchdown pass and the Houston Texans intercepted rookie Baker Mayfield three times, returning one for a score, to extend their franchise-record winning streak to nine games with a 29-13 victory over the Cleveland Browns on Sunday.

The Texans (9-3), who opened the season 0-3, haven't lost since Sept. 23 to take a commanding lead atop the AFC South.

Houston raced out to a 23-0 half-time lead and added two second-half field goals by Ka'imi Fairbairn to give him five on Sunday.

Mayfield, the top overall pick in this year's draft, had his worst game of the season, throwing three interceptions for the first time since he was a freshman at Texas

Tech in 2013. He entered the game having thrown nine touchdown passes with just one interception in the past three games as the Browns (4-7-1) won consecutive games for the first time since 2014.

He finished with 397 yards passing and had a touchdown pass in the fourth quarter after throwing a career-best four in a win over the Bengals last week. Houston's fearsome pass rush, led by J.J. Watt and Jadeveon Clowney didn't sack Mayfield, but they hurried and harassed him for much of the day.

Houston was up 3-0 after an early field goal when Watson, who finished with 224 yards, connected with rookie Jordan Thomas on an 11-yard touchdown pass. DeAndre Hopkins set up that score when he made a 24-yard reception after T.J. Carrie grabbed his dreadlocks in an attempt to slow him down two plays earlier.

Zach Cunningham made it 17-0

when he grabbed his first career interception and ran 38 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter. Officials first ruled him down at the 1, but the play was reviewed and changed to a touchdown.

Kareem Jackson was called for a 47-yard pass interference penalty on Cleveland's next drive to put the Browns at their 20. But Mayfield threw another interception two plays later and it was returned 18 yards by Johnathan Joseph.

Houston added another field goal to make it 20-0 with about three minutes left in the second quarter.

Mayfield's third interception came late in the second quarter when Andre Hal grabbed the ball in the end zone.

Lamar Miller had 103 yards rushing for his second straight 100-yard game and fourth of the

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Sam Craft/AP

Houston Texans tight end Jordan Thomas (83) makes an 11-yard touchdown catch in front of Cleveland Browns free safety Jabrill Peppers (22) Sunday during the first half in Houston.

Oklahoma advances



TOP: Oklahoma head coach Lincoln Riley hoists the Big 12 Conference championship trophy after beating Texas 39-27 in the Big 12 Conference championship game Saturday in Arlington.

BOTTOM: An Oklahoma Rufek celebrates a touchdown against Texas during the second half.

Photos by Jeffrey McWhorter/AP



Sooners snag 4th spot in playoff semifinals

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

Faced with a tricky choice, the College Football Playoff selection committee fell back on some simple criteria: One loss is better than two. Winning a conference championship is better than not. Go with the team that didn't get blown out.

Oklahoma is in the playoff, moving into the fourth and final spot Sunday after avenging its only loss by winning the Big 12 championship against Texas.

"I feel like we have a team worthy of it, a team that can go make a run," Sooners

coach Lincoln Riley said on ESPN.

The Sooners (12-1) will face No. 1 Alabama (13-0) in the Orange Bowl on Dec. 29 in a matchup of Heisman Trophy front-runner quarterbacks — Tyler Murray of Oklahoma and the Tide's Tua Tagovailoa, who sprained his ankle in the Southeastern Conference championship game Saturday and is expected to miss at least two weeks.

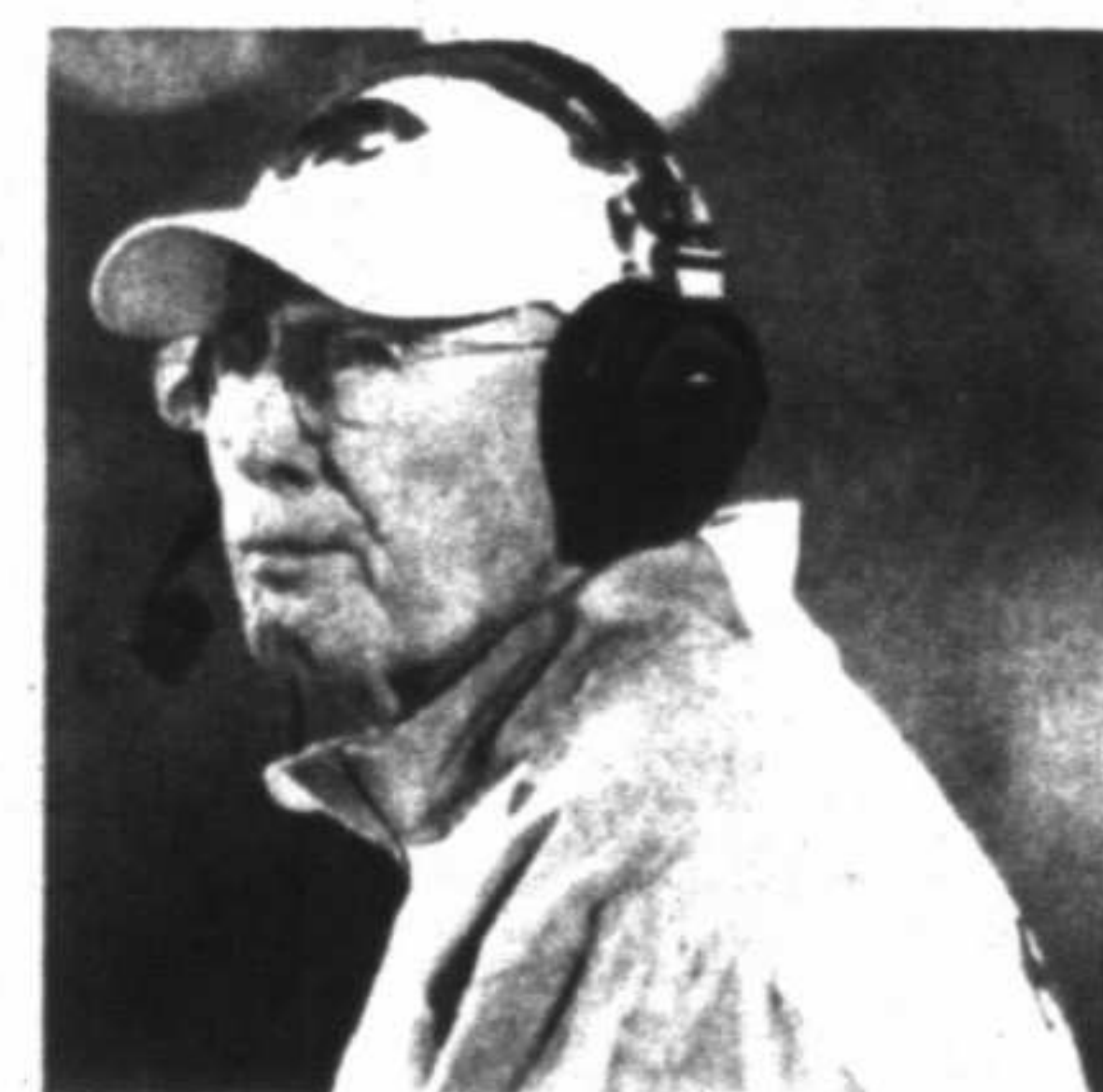
No. 2 Clemson (13-0) plays No. 3 Notre Dame (12-0) in the Cotton Bowl on the same day. The winners meet in the championship game on Jan. 7 in Santa Clara, California.

Georgia (11-2) dropped a spot to fifth and Ohio State (12-1) remained sixth in

the selection committee's final top 25 released Sunday. The Bulldogs lost to Alabama in the Southeastern Conference championship game Saturday while the Buckeyes won the Big Ten championship against Northwestern.

"In the end, one-loss conference champion with their only loss being on a neutral field to a ranked team, which they avenged in their conference championship," selection committee chairman Rob Mullens said on ESPN. "Every combination was vetted, looking at their full body of work, their resumes side-by-side. In the

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Charlie Neibergall/AP

Kansas State head coach Bill Snyder watches from the sideline during the second half against Iowa State on Nov. 24 in Ames, Iowa.

K-State coach Snyder retiring after 27 seasons

By Dave Skretta
Associated Press

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Bill Snyder already was considered the architect of the greatest turnaround in college football history before he decided to return from a three-year retirement to resurrect Kansas State again. Now, the 79-year-old coach is heading back into retirement.

Snyder decided to step away Sunday after 27 seasons on the sideline, a person familiar with his decision told The Associated Press, ending a Hall of Fame tenure in Manhattan that began with the Big Eight and weathered seismic shifts in college football.

The person spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because an announcement was expected later Sunday.

The Wildcats fell apart during a season-ending loss to Iowa State, leaving them 5-7 and at home for the bowl season.

Snyder finishes with a resume featuring a record 215-117-1, trips to 19 bowl games, two Big 12 championships and a legacy that will endure long into the future.

The highway leading into town already has been renamed in his honor, leading fans from Interstate 70 to the stadium that bears the name of his family. A large bronze statue of Snyder stands outside.

Athletic director Gene Taylor is expected to begin search for a new coach immediately, and a clause in Snyder's contract indicates he will have input in the decision. The contract also states that Snyder will have the opportunity to become a special ambassador to the university at a yearly salary of \$250,000 for "as long as he is physically and mentally able."

Snyder arrived at Kansas State in the fall of 1988, a nondescript offensive coordinator from Iowa who once coached high school swimming before learning under legendary Hawkeyes coach Hayden Fry.

The Wildcats had just four winning seasons the previous 44 years, and they were in the midst of a 27-game winless streak. Dozens of confidants implored Snyder not to take over what "Sports Illustrated" famously called "Futility U," certain that it was a coaching dead end.

Snyder was still mulling his decision when he walked the campus one cold morning. He was smitten by the friendliness of the people, their earnestness and work ethic, and he accepted the job.

"I think the opportunity for the greatest turnaround in college football exists here today," he would say at his introductory news conference, "and it's not one to be taken lightly."

That news conference occurred 30 years ago Friday, beginning a turnaround of not only the long-languishing football program but a university in need of a boost.

Hunt admits he misled Chiefs about hotel assault

By Dave Skretta
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Running back Kareem Hunt acknowledged that he misled the Kansas City Chiefs about his role in a February assault in a Cleveland hotel that ultimately led to his release this week.

During a live interview with ESPN on Sunday, the NFL's reigning rushing champion also said that league officials never spoke to him about the incident while conducting their own investigation, and that he never saw the security camera video until TMZ Sports posted it Friday.

In the course of a few hours, Hunt

went from preparing for Sunday's game in Oakland to being sent home from the practice facility. He was then placed on the NFL's Commissioner Exemption List, summoned back to the team facility and told that he was being released.

"They believed that I lied to them. I lied to them," Hunt said. "They pretty much said we love you, everybody cares about you, and just we have to let you go. It was a tough conversation. And the Chiefs did what was right. I made a poor decision and I'm

willing to take full responsibility."

In the grainy, graphic video, Hunt is seen getting into an argument with a woman and several men step in to hold him back. He later pushes one of the men, knocking down a woman that Hunt admitted he did not know, and eventually kicks her while she lays on the ground.

"The Chiefs are right. I didn't tell them everything," Hunt said. "My actions caused this and I really wish I could apologize to them and let them know there's no hard feelings."

The video brought immediate comparisons to the footage of former Ravens



Hunt

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TV LISTINGS
College Basketball
 Iowa at Michigan State, 5:30 p.m., FS1
 Liberty at Georgetown, 5:30 p.m., FS2
 Northwestern State at Texas A&M, 7 p.m., SEC
 Rutgers at Wisconsin, 7 p.m., BTN
 Troy at Florida State, 7 p.m., FSSW
 Florida A&M at DePaul, 7:30 p.m., FS1
Men's Soccer
 Bundesliga: FC Nurnberg vs. Bayer 04 Leverkusen, 1:20 p.m., FSSW

p.m., FS2, FXDEP
 Liga NOS: Rio Ave vs. Sporting, 2 p.m., GoTV
National Basketball Association
 Oklahoma City at Detroit, 6 p.m., NBA TV
 Houston at Minnesota, 7 p.m., ATTSW
National Football League
 Washington at Philadelphia, 7:15 p.m., ESPN, ESPN2
National Hockey League
 Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 6 p.m., NHL
 Edmonton at Dallas, 7:30 p.m., FSSW

HS BASKETBALL

Late Saturday Box
SA WARREN 70
MIDLAND 61

SAN ANTONIO — Brett Canis scored 21 points, while Nathaniel Rodriguez added 19, but foul trouble hurt Midland High against San Antonio Warren at the San South tournament, Saturday.
 The Bulldogs were called for 27 fouls and had three players foul out.

Rahkiem Petterson added

11 for MHS (3-5).

SAN ANTONIO WARREN 70, MIDLAND HIGH 61
 Midland (3-5): Brett Canis 21, Nathaniel Rodriguez 19, Rahkiem Petterson 11, Gage Warren 7, Adrian Lozano 2, Sean Khong 1, Nathan (11), Vanya 21, Thompson 15, Vann 9, Elmore 7, Stevenson 7, Owen 6, Miller 2, Campos 2, Vargas 1
 Midland: 12 17 17 19-41
 Warren: 18 22 11 18-49
 3-point goals: Midland 2 (Rodriguez 2), Warren 3 (Vann 3, Vann 2, Owens 2, Elmore, Stevenson), Free Throws: Midland 9-13, Warren 21-37, Total fouls: Midland 27, Warren 18, Fouled out: Lozano, Rodriguez, Canis
 Next: Midland at Snyder, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday

TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL
NBA G League
 SOUTH BAY LAKERS — Traded G Demetrius Haskins to Alaska College for 2013 first-round draft pick

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
 LOS ANGELES KINGS — Claimed RW Nikita Scherbakoff from Montreal.
 NEW YORK RANGERS — Assigned F Tim Gahring to Hartford (AHL). Recalled F Matt Beleskey from Hartford.
 TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Reassigned G

Connor Ingram to Syracuse (AHL). Recalled G Eddie Pasquale from Syracuse.
American Hockey League
 AHL — Suspended San Diego F Sam Corke three games and San Antonio F Chris Thorburn one game.

SOCCER
 U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION — Named Gregg Berhalter U.S. men's national team coach.
Major League Soccer
 NEW YORK RED BULLS — Traded M Tyler Adams to Leipzig (Bundesliga Germany).

AP TOP 25 COLLEGE FOOTBALL POLL

The Top 25 teams in the Associated Press college football poll with first-place votes in parentheses. Records through Dec. 1. Total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking.

Rank	Team	Record	Points	First-Place Votes
1	Alabama (61)	13-0	1,525	1
2	Clemson	13-0	1,460	2
3	Notre Dame	12-0	1,452	3
4	Oklahoma	12-1	1,327	5
5	Ohio St.	12-1	1,254	6
6	Georgia	11-2	1,247	4
7	UCF	12-0	1,158	7
8	Michigan	10-2	1,076	8
9	Washington	10-3	992	10
10	Florida	9-3	864	11
11	LSU	9-3	847	12

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE					WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Team	W	L	Pct	GB	Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	17	8	.680	—	Portland	13	10	.565	2 1/2
Boston	13	10	.565	6 1/2	Minnesota	11	12	.478	4 1/2
Brooklyn	8	16	.333	12	Utah	11	12	.478	5
New York	8	16	.333	12	Pacific Division				
					L.A. Clippers	15	7	.682	—
					Golden State	15	9	.625	1 1/2
					L.A. Lakers	14	9	.609	2 1/2
					Sacramento	11	11	.500	4
					Phoenix	4	19	.174	11 1/2
					Southeast Division				
					Charlotte	11	12	.478	—
					Orlando	11	12	.478	—
					Miami	9	13	.409	1 1/2
					Washington	9	14	.391	2
					Atlanta	5	18	.217	6
					Central Division				
					Memphis	15	7	.682	—
					Detroit	13	7	.650	1
					Indiana	13	10	.565	2 1/2
					Chicago	5	19	.208	11
					Cleveland	4	18	.182	11 1/2
					WESTERN CONFERENCE				
					Southeast Division				
					Memphis	13	9	.591	—
					Dallas	11	10	.524	1 1/2
					New Orleans	12	12	.500	2
					Houston	11	11	.500	2
					San Antonio	11	12	.478	2 1/2
					Northwest Division				
					Denver	15	7	.682	—
					Oklahoma City	14	7	.667	1/2

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE					WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division					Pacific Division				
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Tampa Bay	27	19	7	1	39	103	79	8	88
Toronto	27	19	8	0	38	79	8	88	88
Buffalo	27	17	7	3	37	85	8	88	88
Boston	26	14	8	4	32	71	64		
Montreal	26	12	9	5	29	82	85		
Detroit	26	12	11	3	27	78	85		
Ottawa	27	12	12	3	27	78	85		
Florida	25	10	10	5	25	82	91		
NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two best overall cards per conference advance to playoffs.									
Metropolitan Division					Saturday's Scores				
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Washington	26	15	8	3	33	85	83		
Columbus	26	15	10	2	32	80			
N.Y. Islanders	25	13	9	3	29	76	82		
N.Y. Rangers	26	13	12	3	29	80			
Carolina	25	12	9	4	28	69			
Pittsburgh	25	10	10	5	25	83	84		
Philadelphia	25	11	11	2	24	78			
New Jersey	25	9	11	5	23	74	86		
CENTRAL DIVISION									
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Nashville	27	18	8	1	37	88	86		
Colorado	26	15	8	5	35	97	83		
Winnipeg	26	16	8	2	34	91	77		
Dallas	27	14	10	3	31	74	71		
Minnesota	26	14	10	2	30	74			
Chicago	27	9	13	5	23	75	101		
St. Louis	25	9	13	3	21	74	85		
Pacific Division									
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Anheim	26	14	10	5	33	83	86		
Calgary	26	15	9	2	32	86	74		

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Dec. 6
 At Madison Square Garden Theater, New York (ESPN). Vitor Belfort vs. Jesse James, 12, for the WBO super middleweight title.
 At the American Bank Center, Corpus Christi, Texas. Gilberto Ramirez vs. Jesse Hart, 12, for Ramirez's WBO super middleweight title.
Dec. 15
 At Madison Square Garden, New York. Rocky Fielding vs. Carlos Arreola, 12, for Fielding's WBA regular super middleweight title; David Lemus vs. Tamaris Johnson, 12, middleweight; Tim Lott vs. Francisco Fortuna, 12, for Lott's IBF junior lightweight title; Sadam Ali vs. Mauricio Herrera, 10, welterweight.
Dec. 22
 At Manchester Evening News, Josh Warrington vs. Carl Frampton, 12, for Warrington's IBF featherweight title; Liam Williams vs. Mark Hall, 12, middleweight; Nathan Aspinall vs. Alex Leeves, 10, heavyweight.
Dec. 29
 At O2 Arena, London. Dillian Whyte vs. Derek Chisora, 12, heavyweight; Cristian Rossini vs. Charles Edwards, 12, for Rossini's WBC flyweight title.
Jan. 5
 At the Manchester Evening News, Los Angeles (PST). Jose Lizarazu vs. Caleb Plant, 12, for Lizarazu's IBF super middleweight title.
Jan. 19
 At MGM Grand, Las Vegas (PST). Manny Pacquiao vs. Adrien Broner, 12, for Pacquiao's WBA welterweight title.
Jan. 26
 At Barclays Center, New York (PST). Keith Thurman vs. Juan Lopez, 12, for Thurman's WBA Super Welterweight title; Adam Khan vs. David Williams, 10, heavyweight.

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 DALLAS — Harrison Barnes scored 30 points, and Dorian Finney-Smith tipped in a rebound with 35 seconds remaining to give Dallas the lead for good in the Mavericks' 114-110 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers on Sunday night.
 Mavericks center DeAndre Jordan had 16 points and 23 rebounds in his first game against his former team.
 Lou Williams gave the Clippers just their second lead of the second half at 110-109 with a 3-pointer with 46.9 left, before Barnes drove the lane and missed — but

Finney-Smith was there for a tip-in. Jordan then stole the ball from Williams and made one of two free throws for a 112-110 lead with 27.3 seconds to play. Dennis Smith Jr. blocked Tobias Harris' shot and made the clinching free throws with 9.2 seconds left.
 The game featured two loose-ball scraps between the Mavs' Dennis Smith Jr. and the Clippers' Patrick Beverley — the first resulting in Smith losing part of a tooth, and the second in Beverley's ejection after a technical foul.

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SAN ANTONIO — DeMar DeRozan had a season-high 36 points and San Antonio overcame a big game by Damian Lillard, rebounding from a pair of lopsided losses to beat Portland.
 The Spurs held a practice Saturday morning following consecutive losses of 39 points and 31 points and the team responded with its highest point total in two weeks.
 LaMarcus Aldridge added 29 points and Rudy Gay had 18 as the Spurs snapped a two-game skid. Lillard scored 37 points for Portland, and C.J. McCollum had 24.

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MEN		WOMEN	
Sunday's Scores		Sunday's Scores	
EAST		EAST	
Arizona 76, UConn 72	Cent. Michigan 67, Quinnipiac 52	Arizona 76, UConn 72	Cent. Michigan 67, Quinnipiac 52
Duke 87, Columbia 86, 2OT	Cogate 71, Fairleigh Dickinson 52	Duke 87, Columbia 86, 2OT	Cogate 71, Fairleigh Dickinson 52
Sacred Heart 64, Lafayette 62	East Coast 83, Mount St. Mary's 64	Sacred Heart 64, Lafayette 62	East Coast 83, Mount St. Mary's 64
Westminster 89, UIC 72, Ohio 69	Massion 58, West Virginia 51	Westminster 89, UIC 72, Ohio 69	Massion 58, West Virginia 51
	Maryland 80, Rutgers 63		Maryland 80, Rutgers 63
Cogate 74, Florida Gulf Coast 56	New York 82, Georgetown 51	Cogate 74, Florida Gulf Coast 56	New York 82, Georgetown 51
East Carolina 79, Mar. Eastern Shore 47	Northwestern 53, Illinois 52	East Carolina 79, Mar. Eastern Shore 47	Northwestern 53, Illinois 52
Southern Illinois 106, Iona 88	Penn. St. 80, Jacksonville 51	Southern Illinois 106, Iona 88	Penn. St. 80, Jacksonville 51
Tennessee 79, Texas A&M C. 51	Perrin 85, Davidson 57	Tennessee 79, Texas A&M C. 51	Perrin 85, Davidson 57
	Purdue 72, 72, Bryant 64		Purdue 72, 72, Bryant 64
	Robert Island 72, Brown 47		Robert Island 72, Brown 47
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	Syracuse 88, Trenton 55		Syracuse 88, Trenton 55
WEST		WEST	
Massion 64, UCF 62, OT	UConn 77, NJIT 63	Massion 64, UCF 62, OT	UConn 77, NJIT 63
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	Florida 77, Texas Tech 67		Florida 77, Texas Tech 67
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	Georgia Tech 78, Georgia 51		Georgia Tech 78, Georgia 51
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	Louisiana-Monroe 83, Northwestern St. 55		Louisiana-Monroe 83, Northwestern St. 55
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KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	CBS 7 News	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Magnum P.I.	The Good Doctor	Quarantine	News	News	News	News	News
KWWT CW	5	14	5	14	5	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Gomer Pyle	WKRP	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	P. Mason	The Case of the Watery Witness	Twilight Zone
KPEI FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The Resident	The Resident	S-1-1	Shuck	For 24 News at 9	For 24 News at 9	TMZ	Mom	Modern Family	Funny As
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ABC	27	58	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28
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Parents cancel holiday dinners when kids won't bury hatchet

DEAR ABBY: The holiday season is here, with the traditional family dinner get-togethers. Our problem is, our two children (ages 27 and 29) don't like each other and rarely have contact during the year. This creates such stressful holiday meals that my wife and I would prefer to simply not have them.

What words should we use to explain to both of them that we will no longer host holiday family dinners in the future? The conundrum arises if one of them says, "Well, I can come for Thanksgiving, so 'Jesse' can come for Christmas," which divides us in a way that is unacceptable. Although we have asked them to work out their issues, they have made no progress. Your advice? — **DAD STRESSED BY THE HOLIDAYS**

DEAR DAD: Your "children" are adults and should be able to bury their differences two nights out of the year for your sake. If one makes that suggestion, your response should be: "No. It would only remind us that half our family is missing, which would sadden us on what's supposed to be a happy occasion. That's why your mother and I have decided to make other plans instead."

DEAR ABBY: I was visit-

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ing a neighbor whose son and daughter-in-law were also visiting. They have two daughters, ages 9 and 7. While I was there, her son took the girls into the bathroom and gave them baths. I was shocked. The mom said, "That's his job!"

Abby, I could understand if they were toddlers, but by that age, they should be able to bathe themselves. When I asked her why, she said, "They play too much." Is this unusual? The grandmother — my neighbor — confided later that it made her uncomfortable, too, and said she has hinted to them both that the girls need privacy. What should we do or say, or is it none of our business? — **CONFUSED IN ALABAMA**

DEAR CONFUSED: By the ages of 7 and 9, the girls should not only be capable of bathing themselves, but also be able to comprehend when either parent says, "You're splashing around too much. Cut out the funny business!" The parents should act only as monitors. While I

don't think it's your place to say anything, I do think the grandmother should.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 64-year-old man who has decided to donate my body to science after I pass. Would it be helpful to write/have a bio that includes some of my medical history? I have broken my left arm twice and my little finger, which required surgery. Also, I broke my right wrist, which required surgery, including five temporary metal pins.

I am a Type 2 diabetic and have scars on my face from injuries from when I was a kid to adulthood. I'm not interested in writing a book but thought it might be helpful after I die for the medical institution. What do you think? — **CURIOUS IN FORT WORTH**

DEAR CURIOUS: You are very thoughtful. However, it might be more fun for the medical students to discover these "surprises" for themselves.

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♠ 9 3 ♠ J ♠ K J 10 9 7 6 3 2 ♠ J 4
- As dealer, what call would you make?
A — Should 5D still be available when it gets to be your turn, then that's your bid. Not just as dealer, but on any auction to you, bid 5D.
- Q2 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Q 10 4 ♠ A 10 6 5 ♠ 9 5 2
♠ K J 10
- NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST**
10 10 Dbl* 20
- Pass Pass ?
- *Negative
- What call would you make?
A — You are too good to pass. Choose between double and 2NT. We like 2C.
- Q3 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ J 3 ♠ A 8 5 3 ♠ K J ♠ J 10 6 4 2
- Right-hand opponent opens 2S, weak. What call would you make?
A — If you could trade your low spade for a low diamond, you could consider a takeout double. This hand should pass.
- Q4 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A 10 6 4 2 ♠ 5 3 ♠ 2 ♠ K Q J 6 2
- WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH**
10 Pass 10 ?
- What call would you make?
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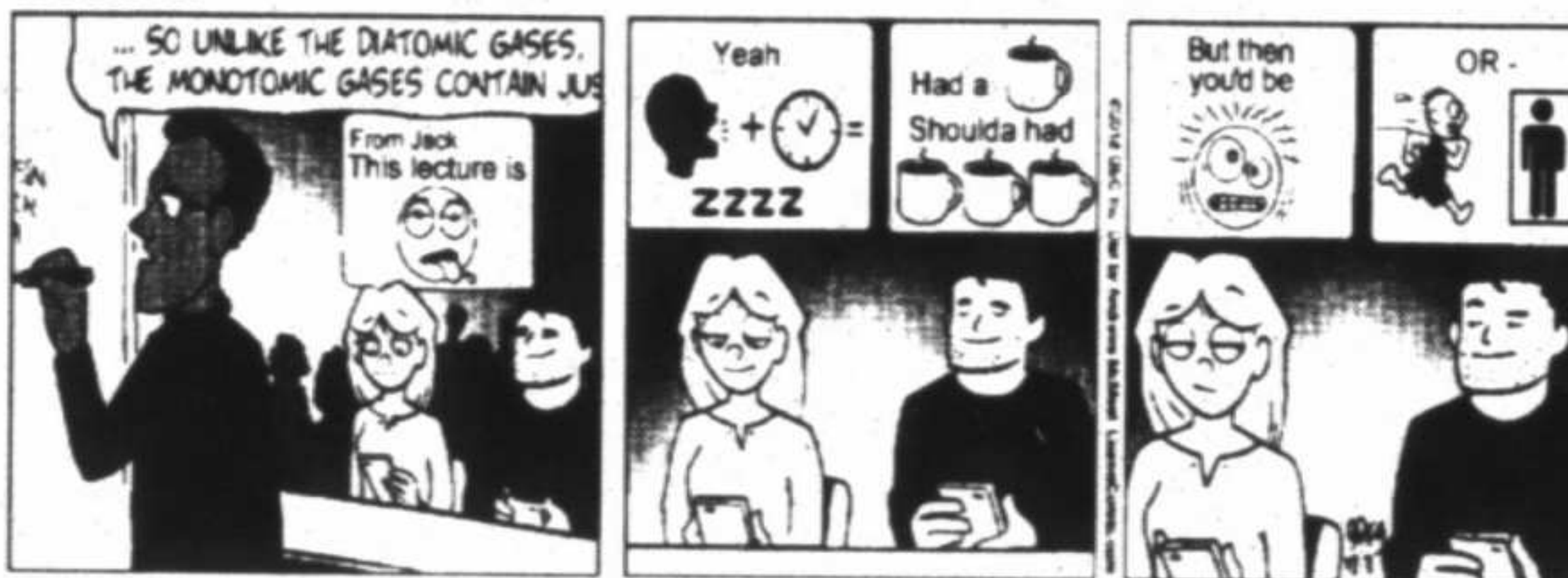
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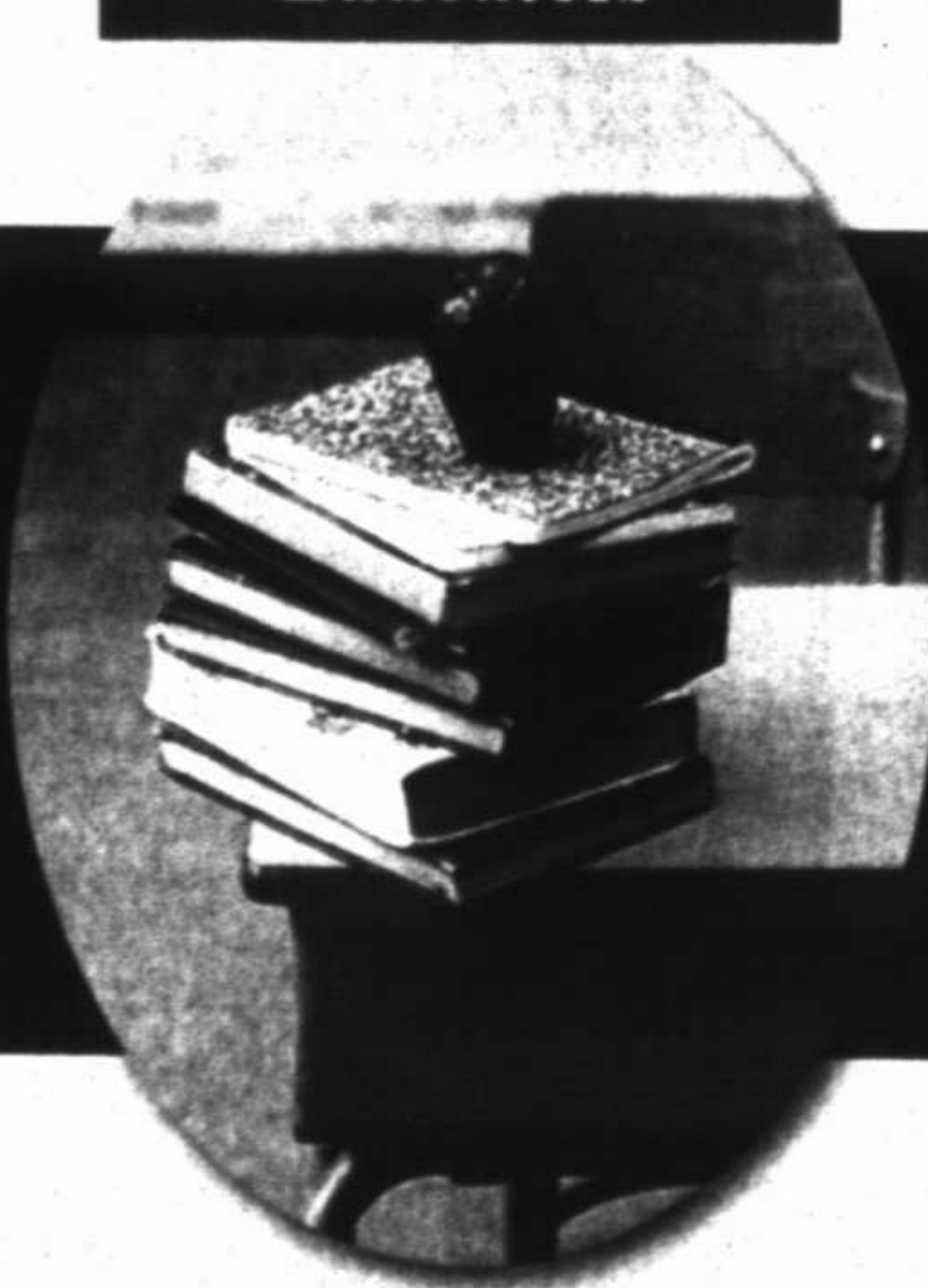
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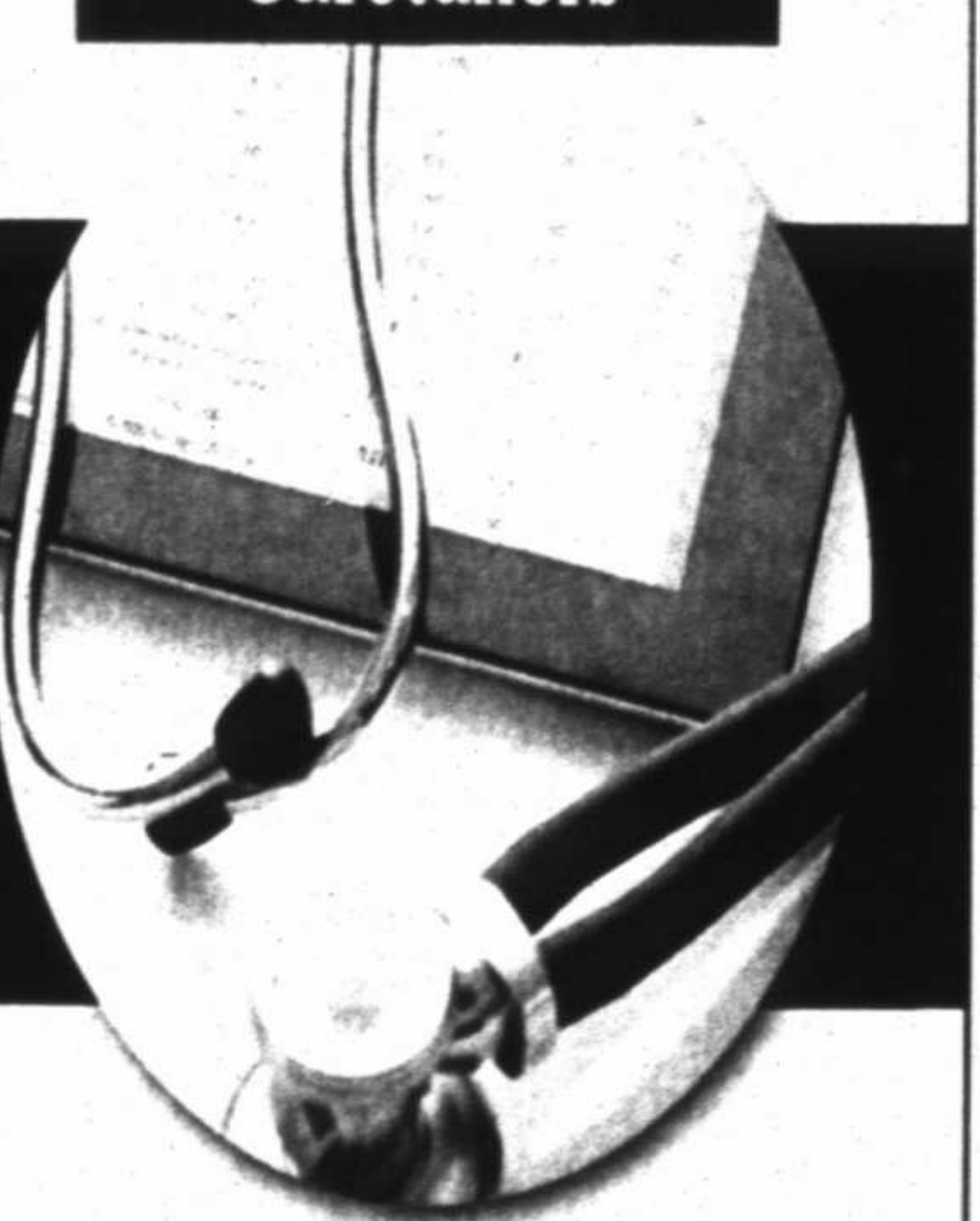
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