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Country yule tunes

The rule is simple: If someone can sell a million records, they can sell at least half a million in Christmas music./**12C**



SPORTS

Emmitt's errors

Fumble funk has hit the NFL's leading rusher, Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith. He has fumbled five times in five games./**1C**

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NEWS WATCH



Bill Gates, chairman of Microsoft

NBC and Microsoft are joining forces to start a 24-hour all-news-cable channel plus an on-line service that will enable computer users to watch news on PCs./**5C**

Cheer fund

The Midland Cheer Fund, a citywide project to provide gifts to many of the city's less-fortunate children during the holidays, is conducting its annual drive, sponsored by the *Reporter-Telegram*. Donations will benefit "The Giving Tree," where people can give Christmas gifts to area children who may not otherwise receive anything. "The Giving Tree" is sponsored by Children's Protective Services and the Creative Foster Care Coalition.

Those wishing to participate should make checks payable to Midland Cheer Fund, c/o the *Reporter-Telegram*, P.O. Box 1650, Midland 79702.

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Shackled

Judge's order chains woman to her rebellious 15-year-old

Associated Press

SUMMERVILLE, S.C. — All day, every day, for the next month, Deborah Harter will lead her teenage daughter around on a 2-foot chain — to school, to the store, to bed.

A judge ordered the security measure for Tonya Kline, a rebellious 15-year-old who kept getting in trouble with the law.

"I lead her around like a puppy dog," Harter said.

The 38-year-old homemaker doesn't particularly like it. But on Thursday, sitting next to her

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AP Laserphoto

Tony Kline is chained to mother Deborah Harter.

Panel rejects Clinton offer on Whitewater documents

WASHINGTON (AP) — Inching closer to a court battle with President Clinton, the Senate Whitewater Committee rejected a last-minute White House compromise and set a deadline today for a former presidential aide to turn over disputed notes.

Planning to move the escalating subpoena fight before the full Senate by next week, committee chairman Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., said Thursday the Clinton administration's offer had too many conditions attached.

The GOP-led committee then voted 10-8, along partisan lines, to order former White House lawyer William Kennedy to hand over by 8 a.m. CST today his notes from a Nov. 5, 1993, Whitewater meeting between four presidential aides and three of Clinton's private lawyers.

If he refuses, the panel will vote to enforce the subpoena, essentially asking the Senate to challenge the Clinton adminis-

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Joe D. Williams/Reporter-Telegram

Living Nativity

Brenda Parker and Mark Withrow portray Mary and Joseph at First Baptist Church's Living Nativity.

Balkan sides officially end Bosnia's war

Associated Press

PARIS — After 3 1/2 years of shooting and shouting, Balkan leaders officially ended Bosnia's war in total silence Thursday.

Their troops guided by hatreds and conflicts far older than their nations, the presidents of Bosnia, Serbia and Croatia chose the path of peace reluctantly, and only after U.S. intervention.

They did not smile, and that was understandable; there was little to celebrate. Bosnia's Alija Izetbegovic, Serbia's Slobodan Milosevic and Croatia's Franjo Tudjman said nothing to one another before, during or after the silent signing of a treaty drawn up to end the war.

The treaty, signed in Paris after intensive negotiations in the United States, was endorsed as the best hope for peace in a situation of few options. The pact, brokered after uncounted attempts at peace bore no fruit, allows the deployment of 60,000 NATO peacekeeping troops — including 20,000 Americans — into the Balkans.

They will enforce the end of a war stoked by traditional hatreds that has left 200,000 people dead or missing and nearly 2.5 million men, women and children displaced both inside and outside Bosnia as part of what has been dubbed "ethnic cleansing."



AP Laserphoto

World leaders, standing from left, Spanish Premier Felipe Gonzales, President Clinton, French President Jacques Chirac and British Premier John Major applaud the signing of the Balkans peace treaty.

■ BOSNIA UPDATE: Call 560-2400, enter 6201

Tens of thousands have been driven from their homes; women have been raped en masse. Snipers perch in Sarajevo's buildings and much of the prized capital, site of the 1984 Winter Olympics, lies in ruins.

The U.S.-sponsored accord was drafted and initialed in Dayton, Ohio, on Nov. 21. It was carried across the Atlantic to be signed in Paris by Bosnia's warring factions, its neighbors and all major Western powers — a demonstration of the broad, multinational resolve to ending

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We're scared: Poll shows Texans worry about becoming victims of violent crime

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Texans are worried more than other people around the nation that they or members of their families will become a victim of a violent crime, a survey by the Criminal Justice Center at Sam Houston State University says.

Other findings of the survey show Texans believe the so-called war on drugs is a failure, that the military should be brought in to tackle illegal drug imports and that the courts are unfair and inefficient.

"I don't think Texans' attitudes have changed so much as is the rest of the country has become more Texas-like," Timothy Flanagan, dean of the Criminal Justice Center said Thursday. "Attitudes about crime have changed dramatically around the nation — less tolerant, more punitive, and higher levels of dissatisfaction, particularly with the courts."

Fifty-two percent of the 501 Texas residents interviewed by telephone in June said they worry about themselves or their family members being sexually assaulted. Nationally, 39 percent of 1,005 people surveyed at the same time expressed the same fear.

Thirty-four percent of the Texans said they feared being beaten, knifed or shot, compared to 25 percent nationally. And 38 percent in

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Baboon marrow

Jeff Getty, right, sits with his partner, Kenneth Klueh in Oakland, Calif., recently. Doctors injected Getty with cells from a baboon Thursday in a radical and controversial experiment to treat AIDS./11A

AP Laserphoto



Attending the Realtors installment luncheon Thursday were, from left, Brian Cooper, outgoing president of the association; Rhonda Cooper and keynote speaker Ted Jones, chief economist at the Texas Real Estate Research Center.

Staff Photo

Economist: Employment keys basin growth

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

While economic indicators in Midland exhibit positive and negative aspects, creating quality jobs — an area Midland could improve in — remains the most significant key to economic growth.

That was among the conclusions of an economic analysis and forecast presented by Ted Jones, chief economist at Texas A&M University's Real Estate Research Center, at the Midland Association of Realtors' annual installation luncheon Thursday.

Jones — referred to by some as "tell-it-like-it-is Ted" — reviewed population and employment growth, airport activity, retail sales, residential and nonresidential construction and housing sales for Midland-Odessa.

One good economic sign, Jones said, has been a population growth since 1991 after a decrease in population in the middle to late 1980s. "But it's only growing about half as fast as the rest of Texas is. That's the bad news," he said.

That surge in population ensures business for builders, Jones said. The amount

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Paris subway partially reopens; hopes rise for end to transportation strike

PARIS (AP) — Subways rumbling under the French capital for the first time in three weeks raised hopes Thursday that a paralyzing public transportation strike may soon come to an end.

In an apparent breakthrough in France's worst labor deadlock in a decade, the Paris regional transit authority said some city subway and bus drivers returned to work after their union negotiated a settlement.

The transit authority agreed to pay drivers belonging to one large union for some of the time they were on strike. The agreement comes on top of other government concessions in recent days.

Three of Paris' 13 subway lines were running intermittently, and the transit authority said it was making safety checks on trains that have sat idle since Nov. 24.

"The Metro strike has hit a turning point," said the Paris subway director, Jacques Rapoport. "But it's a beginning and a beginning only. We're in a very delicate period."

Indeed, the strike was still on for two other powerful unions that represent Paris commuter and inter-city train workers.

Workers' Force and the Communist-led General Confederation of Labor voted to continue striking at least until today, when their walkout enters its fourth week. French radio said union activists were even lying on the rails to block the subway trains.

The two unions also called on public and private sector workers to join in nationwide demonstrations Saturday to keep pressure on the government.

"France is deadlocked," declared Marc Blondel, militant leader of the powerful Workers' Force.

Public service employees have been protesting the government's plan to freeze wages and cut benefits, part of its efforts to overhaul social security and slash a $65 billion deficit.

The strike has halted public transportation, closed schools, slowed the mail and snarled traffic around the capital, where commuters have been spending up to four hours each way driving, cycling, jogging, walking, hitchhiking or roller skating to work.

While some of the city subways began running, commuter trains that shuttle hundreds of thousands of people daily into Paris stood idle again Thursday.

And in what may have been their final indignant swipe at the government, strikers created havoc Thursday for President Jacques Chirac, who had to hire a fleet of helicopters to shuttle President Clinton and dozens of other officials over traffic jams to the Bosnia peace treaty signing.

Some rail workers defied their striking unions Thursday and went back to work, saying they were satisfied with the government's concessions. In the past week, Prime Minister Alain Juppe agreed to spare national railway workers from his austerity plan and renegotiate their five-year contract.

Train engineers fired up locomotives and checked tracks and switches in the northern city Reims, according to French TV reports.

Japanese court seizes doomsday cult's property, forces disbanding

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's government moved Thursday to disband the doomsday cult accused in the subway nerve gas attack in Tokyo and seize its assets to pay compensation to its alleged victims.

The Justice Ministry decided to apply a never-enforced 1952 anti-subversion law against the group, which will outlaw the Aum Shinri Kyo, or Supreme Truth, cult and force it to disband.

Aum can appeal the decision but will remain disbanded during the expected legal battle. The law has not used before because of fears of possible abuse by the government.

Also Thursday, the Tokyo District Court seized Aum's property holdings nationwide after petitions for compensation poured in from victims. The cult has previously estimated the value of its property and other assets at $1 billion.

The main Aum office in Tokyo refused to comment.

Members of the self-styled Buddhist sect, founded seven years ago, are accused of carrying out the March 20 nerve-gas attack on Tokyo subways that killed 12 people and injured 5,500.

The cult's founder, Shoko Asahara, 40, and nearly 160 of Aum's 10,000 followers in Japan have been arrested and charged in a series of crimes, including murder, kidnapping and fraud.

Police say the crime spree was linked to a cult plan to prepare for a world war that Asahara believed was coming soon.

Since June, the state, victims of alleged Aum crimes and families of victims have submitted petitions to have Aum property frozen.

Among them are relatives of anti-cult lawyer Tsutsumi Sakamoto, who was killed with his wife and baby son in November 1989. They are seeking more than $50 million in damages and compensation from the cult.

Aum members are also accused in the kidnapping and killing of Tokyo notary clerk Kiyoshi Kariya in February. Cult members are also suspected in a June 1994 sarin gas attack that killed seven people in Matsumoto in central Japan.

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Israelis prepare special isolation cell for confessed Rabin assassin

JERUSALEM (AP) — A specially built, heavily guarded isolation cell is being prepared for Yitzhak Rabin's confessed assassin to make sure he is not harmed by other prison inmates, officials said Thursday.

Yigal Amir, 25, is expected to arrive next week at the Ohale Kedar Prison outside Beersheba in the southern Negev Desert, said Prison Authority spokesman Moshe Malul. If convicted, he will serve his term in the maximum security facility.

Amir's trial begins Tuesday. An ultranationalist opposed to Rabin's peacemaking with Palestinians, he faces a life sentence for shooting the prime minister after a Nov. 4 peace rally in Tel Aviv.

The Prison Authority has asked officials at Ohale Kedar to install monitoring devices, additional gates and video cameras around an isolated cell for Amir, Malul said.

"He'll be kept in isolation," Malul said. "It's reasonable to assume he may be attacked if he is not kept alone."

In cellblock No. 1, Amir will be watched at all times by a guard through closed-circuit TV, Malul said. He will have his own dining room that can be used for meetings with lawyers, his own shower and toilet and small private yard for daily exercise.

Amir is currently being held by the Shin Bet security service, but Malul said he did not know where.

In related news Thursday, a right-wing leader told an official commission of inquiry into Rabin's death that Amir was close friends with an alleged Shin Bet informant, Avishai Raviv.

Amir and Raviv met at Bar Ilan University, where Amir studied law, Rabbi Benny Elon said. They became close friends and organized activities in support of Jewish settlements, the rabbi told the panel.

Raviv has denied he is a government informer. He testified before the commission later Thursday, but the session was closed to the public.

Also Thursday, Israel Radio reported that another suspect in the case sought guidance from a rabbi on whether Jewish law justified action against the prime minister.

Margalit Har-Shefi, who is suspected of complicity in the assassination, said she asked a rabbi if the prime minister should be treated like a "persecutor" and was told "not like a persecutor, like a 'moser' (one who hands over Jews to their enemies)." She refused to identify the rabbi, the report said.

Under Jewish law, those who turn over Jews to their enemies can be killed. Since Rabin's assassination, the government has tried to find out whether Amir received a rabbi's blessing for killing Rabin.

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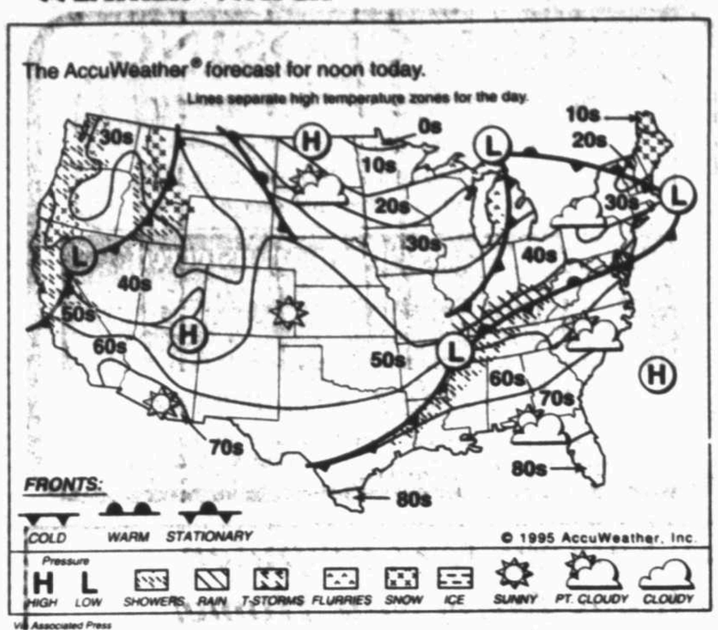
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WEATHER WATCH



Via Associated Press

Cooler weather moves into basin

Staff Report

Three straight days have brought record-setting highs with the temperatures rising up to the 80s. Thursday's high reached 82, beating the former record high of 77 that was set in 1933, according to forecasters at the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport.

Today's temperatures should be a little lower and with a high near 60 under sunny skies with north winds 15-25 mph and gusty decreasing to 10-20 mph by afternoon.

Tonight should be mostly clear with a low in the lower 30s.

The cooling trend should continue Saturday with partly cloudy skies and a high 55-60.

Thursday's low was 47, compared to the record low of 14 set in 1985.

STATE

Record high temperatures were tied or broken Thursday, as Texas continued to experience unseasonably warm December weather.

Warm moist Gulf air continued Thursday to spread northward through North Texas into the midwest. In addition, a dry line stretched from Wichita Falls into the Big Bend, while a cool front worked its way through the Panhandle.

This combination provided near-record temperatures in North Texas. Thursday, the temperature at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport was 79 degrees, tying the record of 79 set in 1933. The Waco airport reported a high of 80, tying the 1933 record. Temperatures ranged from 75 to 83.

Mid and high level clouds continued to move across West Texas Thursday afternoon as an upper level storm system over Arizona tracked toward West Texas and the Panhandle. Temperatures ranged from 61 to 81.

West Texas and Panhandle forecast calls for mostly sunny skies on today. Fair most areas with increasing cloudiness Saturday. Lows tonight will be in the 20s to 40s. Highs today in the 50s north to 70s in the south.

NATION

Arctic air retreated toward Canada on Thursday, though snow persisted in several states and changed to freezing rain in other areas.

As a warm front moved through the Midwest and Ohio Valley pushing the arctic air northward, snow continued across northern Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan, with some locally heavy amounts in northern Michigan.

As much as 15 inches of snow fell near Lake Gogebic, Mich., with 10 inches at Iron River and 6 to 8 inches in other areas.

Snow changed to freezing rain across the lower Great Lakes region, the upper Ohio Valley and central Appalachians, and across Pennsylvania and New York to the coast. Travel was hazardous because of the icy conditions.

Midland statistics

FORECAST

Today: sunny, high near 60, north winds15-25 mph and gusty, decreasing to 10-20 mph by afternoon
Tonight: mostly clear, low in lower 30s
Saturday: partly cloudy, high 55-60

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS:
Yesterday's High 82 degrees
Overnight Low 47 degrees
Sunset today 5:46 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:42 a.m.
Precipitation:
Last 24 hours zero inches
This month to date zero inches
Year to date 10.46 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

6 p.m.	70	6 a.m.	50		
7 p.m.	637	a.m.	49		
8 p.m.	66		8 a.m.	47	
9 p.m.	59	9 a.m.	56		
10 p.m.	58		10 a.m.	64	
11 p.m.	63	11 a.m.	73		
midnight	55		noon	78	
1 a.m.	51		1 p.m.	79	
2 a.m.	54		2 p.m.	81	
3 a.m.	54		3 p.m.	81	
4 a.m.	53		4 p.m.	82	
5 a.m.	53		5 p.m.	79	
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Area forecast

West Texas: Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Today, sunny. Highs from the mid-50s northern permian basin to the mid-60s southern trans pecos. Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the lower to mid-30s. Saturday, partly cloudy. High 55-60. Saturday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows from the mid-30s to lower 40s. Extended forecast, Sunday, a good chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 50s to lower 60s. Monday, a slight chance of rain early, then decreasing cloudiness. Lows 30-35. Highs 50-55. Tuesday, fair. Lows in the mid- to upper 20s. Highs in the mid- to upper 50s. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Today, sunny. Highs from near 60 to the mid-60s. Tonight, clear. Lows from the mid-30s to near 40. Saturday, partly cloudy. High 55-60. Saturday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows 45-50. Extended forecast, Sunday, a good chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 50s to mid-60s. Monday, a chance of showers early, otherwise mostly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 50s. Tuesday, fair. Lows 30-35. Highs 55-60. Far West Texas — Today, mostly sunny. High around 60. Tonight, fair. Low 30-35. Saturday, mostly cloudy. High 55-60. Saturday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows in the mid- to upper 30s. Extended forecast, Sunday..Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers. Highs in the lower to mid-50s. Monday, fair. Lows in the upper 20s to lower 30s. Highs 50-55. Tuesday, fair. Lows in the upper 20s to lower 30s. Highs 55-60. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Today, sunny. Highs from the mid 50s Guadalupe Mountains to the lower 70s Presideo Valley. Tonight, fair. Lows in the 30s, except mid-20s Marfa Plateau. Saturday, partly cloudy.

Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	80	52	
Amarillo	68	37	
Austin	81	66	
Beaumont-Port Arthur	78	62	
Bryan-College Station	77	66	
Corpus Christi	79	62	
Dallas	80	59	
El Paso	71	41	
Fort Worth	80	55	
Galveston	74	65	
Houston	83	63	
Laredo	83	61	
Lubbock	73	40	
Marfa	76	32	
San Angelo	78	43	
San Antonio	82	65	
Victoria	81	63	
Waco	80	59	
Wink	82	38	

Weather elsewhere

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 6:30 p.m. CST.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albuquerque	62	38	clr	
Atlanta	68	44	cdy	
Baltimore	39	27	.12	cdy
Boston	34	19	.59	cdy
Charlotte,N.C.	62	40	cdy	
Chicago	40	35	.03	cdy
Cincinnati	66	48	cdy	
Cleveland	53	34	.37	cdy
Denver	52	26	clr	
Detroit	45	26	.33	cdy
Flagstaff	44	35	.03	cdy
Indianapolis	63	46	m	
Kansas City	50	30	cdy	
Las Vegas	65	51	.01	cdy
Little Rock	74	62	m	
Los Angeles	71	51	.12	cdy
Milwaukee	36	31	.14	cdy
Nashville	67	59	.m	
New Orleans	79	56	cdy	
New York City	38	24	.42	cdy
Oklahoma City	60	36	cdy	
Philadelphia	37	24	.24	cdy
Phoenix	67	56	clr	
Pittsburgh	57	32	.28	cdy
Reno	52	25	m	
Sacramento	57	44	.18	m
St Louis	52	46	cdy	
Salt Lake City	51	27	cdy	
San Diego	66	57	cdy	
San Francisco	60	43	m	
Seattle	47	44	.41	m
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	78	62	cdy	
Tucson	62	40	clr	
Washington,D.C.	39	28	.03	cdy

GROWTH: Economist presents analysis, forecast

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of new construction in the next 35 years will equal that of the last 150 years, he added.

Population is generally affected by employment availability while construction follows, Jones said. "Build it and they will come does not work," Jones said.

Like the population situation, Midland-Odessa's job growth offers mixed findings. "The good news right now is you have job growth," Jones said, "but the bad news in not all jobs are created equal."

A employment comparison between September of this year with the same month in 1994 reveals that manufacturing jobs have decreased 1.5 percent, mining jobs are down 1.6 percent and transportation, communications and utilities-related work is down 2.4 percent, Jones said. And those areas of employment are critical in economic prosperity, he said.

Meanwhile, construction employment rocketed 11.4 percent, which although good is also viewed as temporary due to the surge in retail store construction, Jones said. "Is that sustainable? We don't think so," he said.

Another employment plus has been a 4.5 percent increase in trade-related employment, Jones said. The bad news is that those jobs are not upper management jobs but retail-store created work, he said.

Jones again emphasized, "The good news is you've got employment growth. The bad news it's not in the areas you want it."

Another economic indicator is business at the airport. On a positive note, Jones said, enplanements/deplanements at Midland International Airport have increased in the last four years. The bad news is that airport activity isn't up to the traffic recorded in the early to mid-1980s, he said.

Jones added that an airport is an asset for attracting corporations — and subsequently jobs — to the area.

The economist didn't overlook retail development in Midland. As a result of that development, retail sales here are more than 10 percent above the last yearly quarter compared to an average of only 4 percent elsewhere, he said. "Indeed you have become a major retail center," he said.

While Midland experiences new retail growth, something needs to be done to accommodate old retail space as well as a surplus in office space, Jones said.

In the area of housing, Jones said, he found sales have dropped across Texas — due to higher interest rates — in the last three months but more so in Midland-Odessa.

The good news is that the local inventory of residential structures is adequate for roughly eight months, he said. An inventory greater than 10 months is generally considered a buyers' market while an inventory less than six months is viewed as a sellers' market, Jones said.

But there is some more bad news: 11.2 percent of housing in the Permian Basin consists of mobile homes and trailers, Jones said. Such housing is not a durable investment and reflects a particular quality of life, he explained.

Despite those findings, residential sales are expected to improve 2 percent to 6 percent in the near future, Jones said.

While sales are expected to pick up, the real estate market in Texas is severely being drained because of the school systems' almost exclusive dependence on property taxes, Jones said. Even worse locally is that Midland's property taxes are higher than the state average, he said.

In light of the bad news reported by Jones, some who attended the luncheon questioned the accuracy of statistics used, how the numbers were determined and the combining of Midland and Odessa for analysis.

SHACKLED: Judge chains mother to 15-year-old

(From 1A)

daughter beside the Christmas tree in their suburban Charleston house, she said it beats sending her daughter back to a detention center.

Tonya wears a belt normally used for shackling prisoners. Since Dec. 7, her mother has been required to hold on to a chain attached to the belt.

Tonya can shower and go to the bathroom alone at home, where the bathrooms have no windows. Her mother has to sleep next to her on a couch in her bedroom. Everywhere else, they are linked by the chain.

In class, her mother sits next to her or behind her.

"It's not as bad as it seems," Tonya said. "I think about the positives, not the negatives."

The girl has to behave and go to school every day, though she said a migraine kept her home on Thursday. And she can't sneak out at night.

If her daughter leaves, Harter faces 30 days in jail. Tonya said she isn't planning an escape.

"It's taught me a lesson," she said. "I'm already straightened out."

Tonya spent two months in juvenile detention awaiting sentencing on charges of truancy, shoplifting and breaking into a house with her 16-year-old brother.

At a Dec. 7 hearing before Family Court Judge Wayne Creech, the judge set sentencing for Jan. 27. When it looked like Tonya would be sent back to juvenile detention until then, her mother offered to do whatever it takes to keep her daughter home. But the judge worried that she'd run away again.

Harter was expecting the judge to order electronic monitoring.

"When he told the fellas to go get the shackles, I was kind of shocked," she said. "I never thought of this."

The judge told WCIV-TV in Charleston on Wednesday that he did some checking before he imposed the punishment and found no law against it. He recently ordered the same measure for a 10th-grade boy.

Other judges barely raised an eyebrow.

"It's obviously unusual," said state Supreme Court Justice Ernest A. Finney Jr. "The times in which we live are different."

"If it works, let's look at it," said state Attorney General Charlie Condon.

Family Court Judge A.E. Morehead III, a former president of the South Carolina Conference of Family Court Judges, said judges sometimes need unusual solutions.

Once he ordered parents of truants to go to school with their children. "It had a dramatic effect," he said.

The executive director of the state chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, Steven Bates, said the agency objects to shackling prisoners but won't fight this case because neither mother nor daughter wants to.

"Our concern is that it not become a routine incident," he said.

As for Harter, she said that she and her husband, Richard, Tonya's stepfather, never get any time alone anymore. She misses going out with him and spending time with friends.

"I feel like I've got a sentence here as well," Harter said. As for her daughter, she said: "I just hope it works for her."

SCARED: Texans worry more than rest of nation

(From 1A)

Texas said they worried about being attacked while in their cars. Nationally, the sentiment was expressed by 30 percent of those interviewed.

"Certainly our crime rates are among the highest in the United States and have been consistently higher than the national average," Flanagan said. "Objectively, there is some reason for concern."

Flanagan, however, said media exposure, particularly from television, may be contributing to the sense of paranoia.

"All you have to do is live in the Houston market and know that crime is the predominant feature on the evening news," he said. "All of the lead-ins to the 10 o'clock news feature crime and that kind of thing.

"There's a lot of evidence in psychological research that greater exposure to crime stories and crime information is associated with higher levels of concern and worry about crime. And goodness knows we get the exposure in Texas."

One area of agreement — 73 percent in Texas and 72 percent nationwide — was that the government war on drugs has been a flop and that U.S. military intervention is needed on the nation's borders.

"The public is to some extent way out ahead of the politicians on the drug issue," Flanagan said. "The public realizes that a balanced approach is necessary, that the military can't solve it on their own, the criminal justice system can't solve it alone and education alone in the schools and treatment programs aren't going to solve it alone.

"We've got almost 20 years of uninspiring results in our traditional approaches. There's very little reason to think simply doing more of what we've been doing in the past is going to be more effective. It's clearly time to think about some mixture of approaches."

The poll found 53 percent of Texans and 42 percent of those surveyed nationally believe courts in their local communities do not treat minorities as well as whites.

"One of the defining features we saw was real strong reservations Americans have about fairness, operation and efficiency of the courts," Flanagan said, noting that the O.J. Simpson trial was still going on at the time the survey was taken and could have influenced sentiment.

"The Simpson trial underscored for people the three elements of their thinking about courts: it takes too long, it costs too much and in the public mind often time cases don't come out as people watching them feel they should," he said.

Other findings in the survey were that 48 percent of Texans believed youth gangs are a problem, 56 percent said they owned a handgun (compared to 43 percent nationally), that protection was the main reason for owning a handgun (33 percent in the state vs. 20 percent nationally), and that 16 percent of Texans — and 9 percent national — favored less stringent gun control laws.

Also, 72 percent of Texans and poll respondents nationally favored the death penalty for people convicted of murder.

REJECTS: Whitewater panel sets 8 a.m. deadline

(From 1A)

tration in court. A vote by the full Senate could come as early as Tuesday.

President and Mrs. Clinton have argued they have the right to keep the notes confidential on grounds that the meeting was protected by attorney-client privilege.

The White House said it would turn over Kennedy's notes and even allow senators to question the four aides if the committee agreed to five conditions.

The key ones were that the Clintons' private attorneys could not be questioned, the committee would have to agree the meeting was privileged and senators would have to get other investigative bodies, including Whitewater prosecutors, to agree to the terms.

The offer got a chilly response from Republicans.

The committee has a right to information about the meeting "with no strings attached," D'Amato asserted. He called the offer "an attempt to fool the public. They are stalling for time."

But Sen. Paul Sarbanes of Maryland, the panel's ranking Democrat, called the Republican rejection a "purely political exercise" designed to "provoke a confrontation" with a White House willing to compromise. His chief counsel, Richard Ben Veniste, deplored "this rush to get the matter into court."

Across the Capitol, a separate dispute over Clinton administration documents subsided.

The House Government Oversight and Reform Committee dropped plans to issue a subpoena to Hollywood producer Harry Thomason after the first family's close friend belatedly began producing documents detailing his role in the White House travel office affair.

Committee chairman William Clinger said Thomason would be given to the end of month to turn over the remaining notes, calendars, phone logs and records of his contacts with the White House in May 1993.

The committee is investigating what role Thomason may have played in the White House's decision to fire seven longtime White House travel office employees and place a distant cousin of the president in charge of the operation.

As the Whitewater battle escalated, the Justice Department disclosed it is weighing whether to hire an outside lawyer to represent the executive branch in case the dispute heads to court.

Ordinarily, the Justice Department would represent the executive branch while Clinton's lawyers would represent his private interests.

But Attorney General Janet Reno said she is concerned that if she were to state a legal opinion, she might appear to be pressuring Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr, whom she has the power to restrain or even fire.

Starr's office is monitoring the Senate-White House subpoena battle with an eye to gaining access to presidential aides for grand jury appearances.

Senators want access to Kennedy's notes to determine whether confidential information presidential aides gathered in late 1993 and 1994 about two Whitewater investigations was misused to hinder the probes. The White House denies any wrongdoing.

Republicans sought to draw parallels between Clinton's current claim that the notes are protected by attorney-client privilege and President Nixon's attempts to withhold documents during Watergate.

"We all know that claim was bogus and they were hiding something then, as perhaps they are now," Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., told his colleagues.

Democrats scoffed at the comparison.

BOSNIA: Balkan leaders sign peace accord in somber silence

(From 1A)

the conflict.

The Dayton pact calls for the division of Bosnia roughly in half between Serbs and the Muslim-Croat government with small remnants of central rule, free elections within nine months and the prosecution of war criminals. The agreement also gives refugees the right to return home, though lingering hatred makes it unlikely many will.

Chief American mediator Richard Holbrooke called the treaty "the best chance for peace." And President Clinton underscored its cost.

"In this chorus for peace today we also hear the hallowed voices of the victims — the children whose playgrounds were shelled in the killing, the young girls brutalized by rape, the men shot down in mass graves ... those who died in battle," Clinton said.

"Even from beyond the graves there are victims singing the songs of peace today. May their voices be in our minds and hearts forever."

Presidents Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia, Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and Franjo Tudjman of Croatia reluctantly accepted the accord because it ends the war without a definite winner or a loser.

"My government is taking part in this agreement without any enthusiasm but as someone taking a bitter yet useful potion or medication," Izetbegovic said. He added, though, "that the signing of this agreement is being done with full sincerity on our part, and the agreement will be duly respected."

Tudjman called the signing "a major stride forward which should make it possible to end one of the most serious political and military crises of our day."

Milosevic had encouraged the war for years with his dreams of a Greater Serbia. He became a reluctant peacemaker after a U.N. embargo battered his country and NATO airstrikes hit Bosnian Serb positions this summer.

"Of course, it does not solve all problems between people who have been at war for years," Milosevic said. "But I am convinced that the common language will be found so that people may be able to live in peace."

Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic and his top military chief, Gen. Ratko Mladic, were absent from the signing. Both have been indicted by an international war crimes tribunal, and France vowed to arrest them if they tried to show up. Milosevic negotiated on their behalf in Dayton.

Bosnian Serbs, who rebelled against Izetbegovic's government in April 1992 in order to join Serbia proper, are unhappy they will have to hand over large sections of Sarajevo they now hold to the Muslim-Croat federation. They have besieged and shelled the Bosnian capital from the start of the war, hoping some of it would remain theirs.

"Sarajevo is an almost unbridgeable problem," Bosnian Serb leader Momcilo Krajisnik said in the Serb stronghold of Pale, just east of Sarajevo.

The Balkan leaders and Clinton joined French President Jacques Chirac and other European leaders in signing the plan at the 18th-century Elysee Palace.

"This rampage of horror will leave a deep wound in the heart of Europe," Chirac said. "We must prove ourselves to be worthy of their memory, worthy of their suffering."

The three leaders said nothing to each other before or after the signing, which took place in total silence. The three reluctantly shook hands afterward as watching dignitaries applauded.

Then, with the stroke of a pen, Clinton committed some 20,000 U.S. troops to Bosnia as a part of a 60,000 NATO force which is to implement the agreement.

The White House also announced a total of $117.6 million in emergency aid to Bosnia. Clinton also plans to ask Congress for an additional $600 million to help Bosnia rebuild over the next several years.

The allies long struggled over whether to commit troops to the tinderbox region. But with ethnic conflicts brewing elsewhere in Europe and the Serb shelling of Sarajevo stirring world outrage, they decided it was time to make a stand.

Clinton was committing the first American troops to Bosnia to join the NATO-led peacekeeping force after winning grudging acceptance from Congress this week. France and Britain will each commit about 10,000 troops and Russia 1,500. Other European nations will contribute most of the rest.

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Russia's 'nouveau riche' appear to ignore possibility of change in upcoming election

MOSCOW (AP) — Don't expect a line of limousines at the polls on Sunday. Many of the people flourishing in the "new" Russia probably won't bother to vote.

Predictions that anti-reform parties — like the Communists — who court the angry, the elderly and the impoverished will do well in the parliamentary elections don't seem to faze the new rich.

If Rome is about to burn, these people are reaching for their fiddles.

Maxim's, the posh French restaurant, is already half-booked for a $450-a-plate New Year's Eve feast of oysters, caviar and duck.

"People are calling every day," said headwaiter Andre Ozol, who recommends a nice bottle of 1971 Chateau Petrus Pomerol for just $4,500 to go with it.

Business is also brisk at the Maserati dealership, where salesman Vadim Zityatdinov reports that a client recently paid cash — more than $200,000 — for one of the sleek Italian sports cars.

And at a chic shopping arcade, elegance, not elections was on the mind of 24-year-old Lena Rigini as she whiled away the afternoon in her thick, pale fur coat.

"I'm not voting," she said firmly. "If I were Yeltsin, I'd cancel all elections and kick out parliament. There's no need for it. I mean, there's a queen in England and she decides everything. Right?"

Millions of poor Russians are struggling to live as the country goes through the wrenching shift from communism to a free-market economy. Bewildered by sweeping changes and endemic corruption, these Russians blame reform for their suffering.

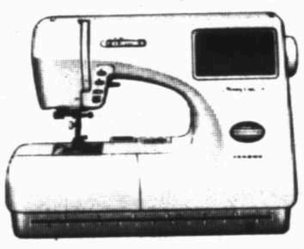
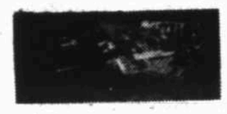
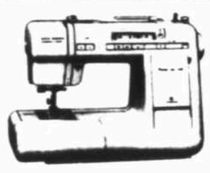
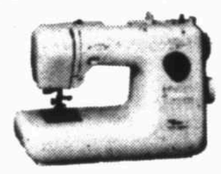
Polls say that many voters regard Sunday as a chance to express their anger at how things are going. Russia's new rich may be many things, but they're not angry.

"Even the presidential election won't be too important to them," said political analyst Sergei Markov of the more important election set for next June. "They don't think things will change that dramatically. They think reform is irreversible."

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New birth control pills may increase risk of blood clots, research shows

GENEVA (AP) — New research by the World Health Organization provides more evidence that some newer birth control pills may double the risk of blood clots compared with older types.

But the two WHO studies, to appear in the British medical journal The Lancet on Saturday, agreed with earlier studies that the risk is very low for the millions of women worldwide who take the pills.

An estimated three or four cases of blood clots in deep veins can be expected each year among 100,000 women of reproductive age who do not use oral contraceptives. The recent findings indicate this would rise to 10 cases a year for women taking the old types of pill and 20 cases a year among those using the new types of pill.

Blood clots forming in veins, usually in the legs, can cause major health problems if they break away and travel into the vessels of the lungs. In rare cases they can lead to death.

The new types of pills, sometimes called "combined" or "low dose" pills, combine the hormone estrogen with one of two types of the hormone progesten, desogestrel or gestodene.

The British government issued a warning about them in October after early, unpublished research showed a correlation between the pills and an increased risk of clots in deep veins.

It advised doctors not to prescribe them to women who are overweight, have varicose veins or have a history of blood clots. The warning was widely criticized at the time as premature.

Olav Meirik, from WHO's special program of research in human reproduction, said Thursday he hoped the latest studies confirming the risk would not lead to a widespread pill scare.

"In general the modern low dose pills are safe contraceptives and have less adverse effects than the pills used in the '60s and '70s," he said. "We cannot say these new pills should be banned."

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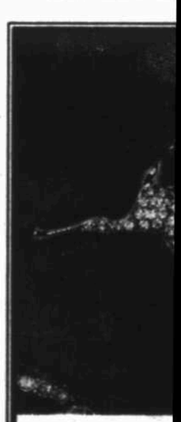
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Clinton: Seize this chance and make peace work

PARIS (AP) — It was an awkward moment for President Clinton. The Serbian president blamed for inciting the Bosnian war reached out his hand and Clinton shook it, explaining later, "You don't make peace with your friends."

After a dawn-to-dusk Paris trip to witness the signing of the historic peace accord, Clinton said his handshake with Slobodan Milosevic "was difficult" but showed once-warring parties that the time for peace had come.

"This is a moment of hope," he said in an address at the signing ceremony. Making a point to shake hands with the Bosnian and Croatian leaders, too, Clinton told the Balkan trio, "You have seen what war has wrought. You know what peace can bring. Seize this chance and make it work."

He was not so forgiving of Bosnian Serb political leader Radovan Karadzic and his military chief, Gen. Ratko Mladic.

"They have been indicted by the war crimes tribunal," Clinton told CNN, and "cannot be part of the political life of the country."

Clinton told NBC that he would "not push for our forces or for any other forces to set out on a mission to arrest" Karadzic and Mladic. But "if they literally sort of fall into our laps ... we'll have an obligation to turn them over."

In an ornate hall at Elysee Palace, Clinton watched intently — and then led the applause — as the Balkan presidents signed an agreement to end nearly four years of terror.

"Today, Mr. Presidents, you have bound yourselves to peace," Clinton told them. "But tomorrow you must turn the pages of this agreement into a real-life future of hope for those who have survived this horrible war."

Skeptics believe that the Balkan people "cannot escape their bloody past, that Balkan hearts are too hard for peace," Clinton said. However, the president declared, "All of you have brought us to this bright new day when Bosnia turns from the horror of war to the promise of peace."

Even as Clinton flew to Paris, Congress gave reluctant approval to sending troops to Bosnia. The president read that as significant progress compared with even stronger congressional opposition a month ago.

"The time for debate is over. The time for decision is at hand," he told reporters.

Clinton said he owed "quite a lot" to Senate Republican leader Bob Dole, a presidential rival, for backing the key Senate measure. And he said the U.S. mission will be limited to peacekeeping. "We don't want to become an occupying army."

Asked by CBS why he opposed Dole's idea of using U.S. forces to train and equip Bosnian government forces, Clinton said, "The United States military has to maintain ... its image of being evenhanded and fair." He said all parties to the conflict know that the United States will ensure the Bosnian army can defend itself after NATO forces leave, but "they want us to find some third party to do it."

Clinton raised the prospect of a trip to Europe to visit Bosnia-bound soldiers, whom he called "our precious resource." The visit could come as early as Christmas, aides say, but probably not until February.

The president pledged that U.S. troops won't "cut and run" as long as the treaty is being enforced. And he warned again that casualties must be expected. "When and if they come," Clinton told ABC, "I will say that I am deeply sorry but this is one of the places where America needed to make a stand."

The president stood directly over the shoulder of Milosevic as the man widely accused of stirring up Serbian nationalism signed the U.S.-brokered peace treaty. Clinton sat next to Milosevic during nearly two hours of speeches that followed the signing.

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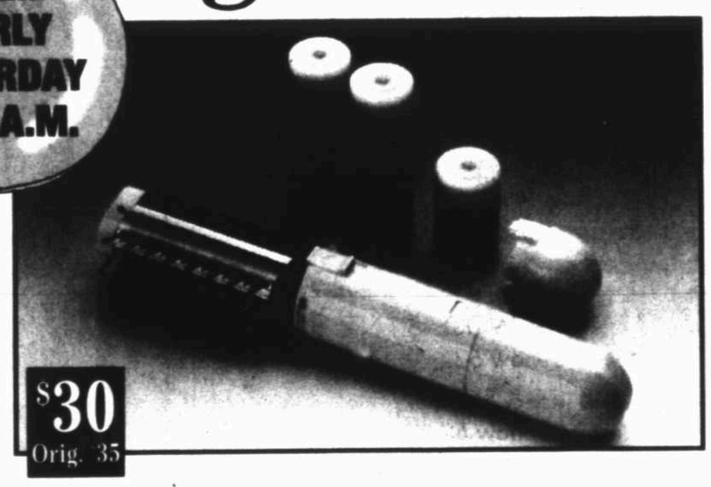
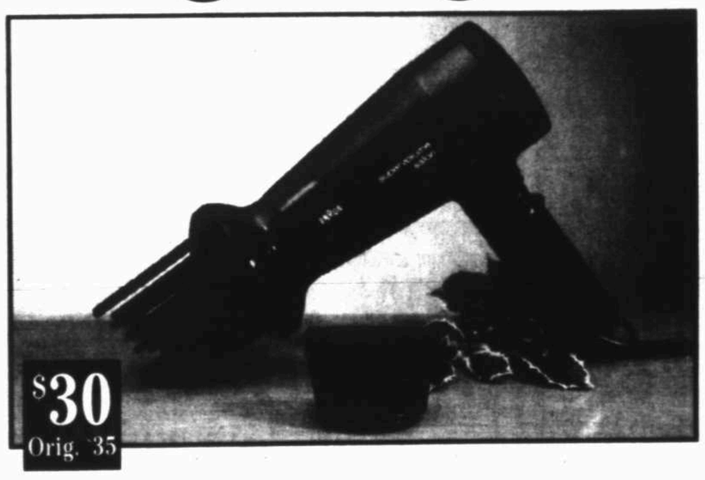
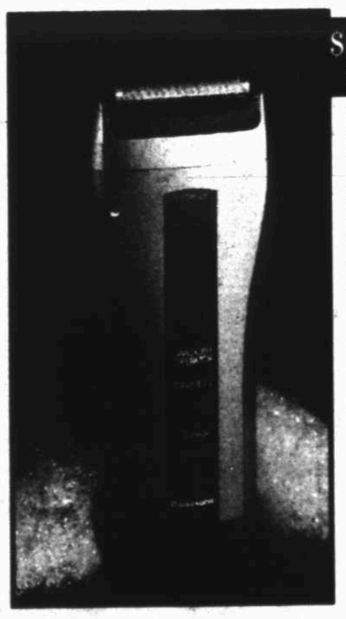
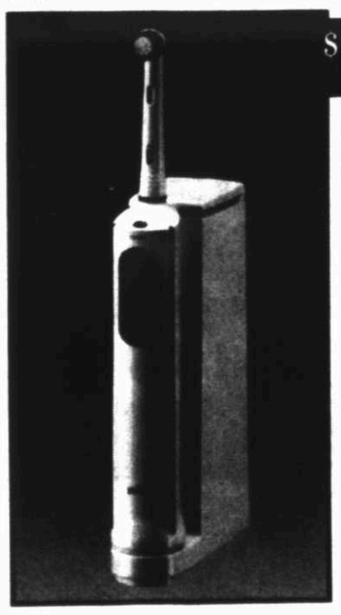
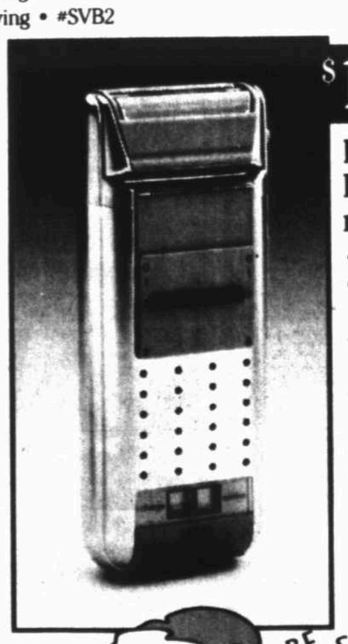
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Chechnyan rebels fight Russian troops on first day of elections

GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Rebels seized key buildings in Chechnya's second-largest city Thursday and fought advancing Russian armored troops on the first day of elections to replace the republic's secessionist government.

As many as 600 rebels were engaged in a fierce gun battle with federal troops in and around Gudermes, 20 miles east of the Chechen capital, Grozny, Russian officials said.

Helicopter gunships and artillery strafed rebel positions on the outskirts of Gudermes in some of the worst fighting in Chechnya in months. Thick columns of black smoke rose high into the crisp winter air as Russian armored vehicles closed in on the city.

Polls opened in Chechnya on Thursday for an election the Kremlin called to choose a new leader for the southern republic and new deputies to Russia's parliament.

The rebels have demanded that Russian soldiers withdraw before elections and are widely expected to disrupt the balloting.

The rest of Russia is voting for parliamentary lawmakers on Sunday. But Chechnya's Moscow-installed government decided to start early to give voters more time to vote and to raise the chances of securing the minimum required turnout of 25 percent.

Doku Zavgayev, head of the Moscow-installed Cabinet, is the main candidate in the leadership race. Former president Dzhokhar Dudayev, who declared independence after he was elected in 1991, has taken refuge in the mountains where he commands a band of rebels.

In Gudermes on Thursday, the command of Interior Ministry troops reported 12 Russian soldiers killed, more than 20 wounded and several dozen missing; some news reports put the number of Russians wounded at 50. At least 10 rebels also were reported killed.

But the number of casualties could be much higher. Russia's NTV network said just one commander of a small unit lost 14 men and three armored vehicles.

Clashes were also reported in Shatoi, in the mountains south of Grozny; in Achkhoi-Martan in the southwest; and outside Grozny.

The fighting in Gudermes began with a predawn raid by dozens of rebels who seized a hospital overlooking the city. NTV said many residents had been warned of the attack and left the city.

Russian military columns rushing to Gudermes were met by small-arms, grenade and mortar fire. The rebels also tried to capture the railroad station and a military commandant's office.

Although those attacks were repelled, the separatists partially controlled the city, the Russian military command said. Skirmishes and sniper fire continued into the evening. Communications with the city were broken.

The attack was reminiscent of a June raid in which Chechen rebels seized a hospital in the southern town of Budyonnovsk, killing more than 100 people and capturing hundreds of hostages before negotiating an end to the standoff. Unlike Budyonnovsk, Gudermes is inside Chechnya.

In other new reports of violence, seven members of a neutral village self-defense unit and four civilians were killed Wednesday in Novye Atagi, 15 miles south of Grozny, NTV reported.

The report said men wearing Russian army uniforms approached a village roadblock in trucks and opened fire. Angry residents were seen burying bodies, wrapped in green Islamic cloth, and pointing to bullet marks on walls and cars.

On Thursday, Novye Atagi came under tank fire. Villagers suspected they were attacked because they refused to vote, NTV said.

Anti-election attacks and demonstrations were reported Thursday in Grozny and Urus-Martan. There were no reports of injuries.

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Woman finds twin newborns in duffel bag left in restroom

PANAMA CITY, Fla. (AP) — Debby Brewer thought the cries she heard were coming from kittens in a duffel bag left in the restroom of an isolated park.

Instead, the cries were from abandoned newborn twins.

The boy and girl — now called "Joseph Noel" and "Mary Noelle" by nurses — were in good condition Thursday at the Bay Medical Center. They were believed to be about 36-hours-old when Ms. Brewer found them Tuesday night.

"It really is a miracle considering where the babies were left," Ms. Brewer said Thursday from the motel office she manages in Panama City Beach. "It's very remote."

Ms. Brewer, 35, and her boyfriend, Scott Price, 29, were out for an evening drive when they stopped to use the restroom at the Lake Powell Recreation Area, about 20 miles west of Panama City.

"I walked in there and flipped the light on," she said. "I saw the duffle bag sitting right in the middle of the floor. I kept hearing sounds from it and I thought it was kittens.

"I got down on my knees and unzipped it real slowly, not knowing what was going to come out and (saw) a baby. I jumped up, ran outside and screamed at Scott 'There's a baby in here.'"

Price came in, then went to look for someone else in the park, which was deserted.

Ms. Brewer unzipped the bag farther and saw the second baby.

She grabbed the bag and the couple drove off. Ms. Brewer dialed 911 on her cellular phone, and an ambulance met them about halfway to the hospital.

"When we first got in the car they got real quiet and real still, I guess because they got warm," said Ms. Brewer, the mother of two children ages, 20 and 17. "I kept praying 'God, don't let these babies die.' So I started blowing in their faces to keep them awake until we could get to the ambulance. It was a scary experience."

The babies probably would have died if left overnight in the 50-degree temperatures.

Authorities have received hundreds of calls from people offering to adopt the babies and dozens of tips on who may have abandoned them. The parents may face child abandonment and other charges if found.

The babies will be placed in a foster home and then put up for adoption unless legitimate relatives can be found.

Direct-mail cards lead to girl taken two years ago

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — When Robert Bondello checked his mail last week, he glanced at a card labeled, "Have you seen us?" and saw a mugshot of himself and his daughter Krystle. He panicked.

Bondello drove 288 miles to his mother's home in Riverside, Calif., dropped off 7-year-old Krystle and disappeared. Meanwhile, a neighbor who knew the Bondellos also saw the photos on the direct-mail coupons and called the toll-free number listed.

Eight days after the cards were mailed to 57 million homes — and two years after Krystle was kidnapped — the little girl and her mother, Toni Bondello, were reunited.

Mother and daughter hugged at the Ontario, Calif., airport, ready to return to Krystle's hometown, Bensalem Township, just outside Philadelphia.

"It was wonderful. I just grabbed this child and held on for dear life. I didn't let go of her the whole entire night," Mrs. Bondello said Thursday.

The FBI was still looking for Bondello. If caught, he will face kidnapping charges in Bensalem Township.

The FBI and missing-children advocates say the 3-by-6-inch cards that have featured a different child each week for 10 years represent one of the most effective ways of finding missing youngsters. The cards are mailed along with a package of coupons for various services and products.

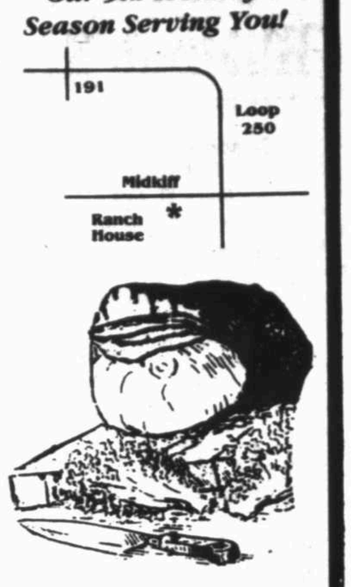
Krystle is the 75th child found because of the mailings, said Mona Davis, a spokeswoman for ADVO Inc. of Windsor, Conn., the direct-mail company that runs the program. The FBI says 194 new child-abduction cases were reported last year.

A decade ago, company employees suggested printing pictures of the missing child on one side of a card in the packet.

"In many cases we have children who are the ones who see the card," Davis said. "They bring in the mail for their parents, and they recognize somebody they go to school with or they're on the bus with."

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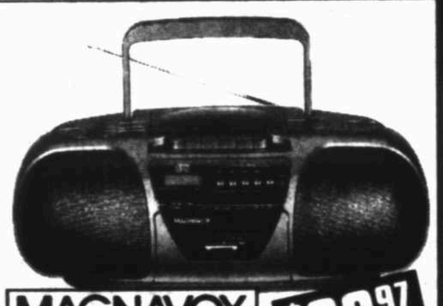


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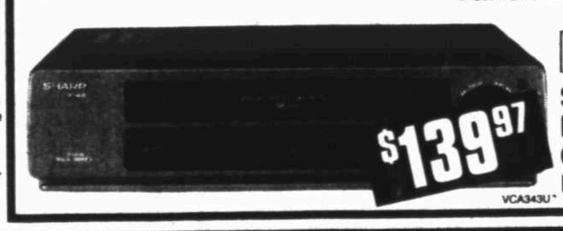
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'Holiday blues' can be overcome

The Christmas season is a glorious, exciting, inspiring time of the year, but for some people Christmas can be an aggravating, frightening, depressing time.

For those individuals the joy and gaiety of the season are only additional evidence that the world is an alien place to them, and all too frequently they choose to escape from their misery. Regrettably, the escape route many people with the "holiday blues" follow offers no real help for their misery. It's called suicide and it has been appropriately labeled a permanent solution to a temporary problem.

Of course, suicide is not the only way that holiday depression makes itself known. Violence can erupt at family gatherings as tensions climb. Even in elderly households, despondent individuals may seek a way out of what they view as a hopeless situation. And for single individuals the pressures of the holiday season with all its emphasis on family and home can become too much to bear.

While individuals suffering from bouts of depression this Christmas season may see their lives only as bleak, there are groups and agencies available that truly want to help them. One is Permian Basin Centers for Mental Health & Mental Retardation which offers a crisis intervention service, and other crisis response services are available. Community & Senior Services, while not offering direct crisis intervention services, does provide a referral service that can put individuals in touch with those who provide crisis services. And, of course, local churches offer a sanctuary and assistance for those suffering from holiday depression.

Friends and acquaintances of those who suffer from holiday depression also can play a significant part in successfully overcoming a crisis by encouraging those who are suffering from the holiday blues to seek professional help. Their encouragement can help to save a life.

The holiday blues are no laughing matter, especially with the most joyous of Christian holidays just around the corner.

ANOTHER VIEW

Peacemaker role tied to lasting Irish peace

British Prime Minister John Major couldn't have been more honest about what broke open the deadlocked Irish peace initiative. He admitted that it was the impending visit of President Clinton that focused his attention. Barely two hours before Clinton left Washington for London, Major and Irish Prime Minister John Bruton announced that they had agreed to renew stalled talks on the steps that must be taken to convert a temporary truce into a permanent peace. ...

It is indeed very clear that the announcement that Dublin and London will renew their efforts to overcome obstacles in the way of all-party talks on the future of Northern Ireland fudges the issue that caused the breakdown of negotiations that Britain has not changed its position on the disarmament of the IRA. Major still insists that Sinn Fein, the political front for the IRA, will not be asked to the negotiating table unless it begins decommissioning its arms. Bruton, for his part, still does not believe that the IRA will accept such a condition. ...

On this occasion, if the breakthrough comes it will again come from American involvement. ...

Clinton will have earned his laurels as a peacemaker if the Irish peace process resumes its momentum and comes to a successful conclusion. His role in persuading the IRA to agree was crucial. We can only hope that the president will have as much influence over that ethnic conflict in Bosnia where the United States has a far greater and much riskier role to play.

— The Post and Courier
Charleston, S.C.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Dec. 15, the 349th day of 1995. There are 16 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 15, 1791, the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution — the Bill of Rights — went into effect following ratification by Virginia.

On this date:

In 1890, Sioux Indian Chief Sitting Bull and eleven other tribe members were killed in Grand River, S.D., during a fracas with Indian police working for the U.S. government.

In 1916, the French defeated the Germans in the World War I Battle of Verdun.

In 1938, groundbreaking ceremonies for the Jefferson Memorial took place in Washington D.C.

In 1939, the motion picture "Gone With the Wind," starring Vivien Leigh and Clark Gable, had its world premiere in Atlanta.

In 1944, a single-engine plane carrying bandleader and U.S. Army Major Glenn Miller disappeared in thick fog over the English Channel while en route to Paris.

In 1944, American forces invaded Mindoro Island in the Philippines.

In 1961, former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann was sentenced to death in Jerusalem.

In 1964, Canada's House of Commons approved dropping the Canadian "Red Ensign" flag in favor of a new design.

In 1965, two U.S. manned spacecraft, Gemini VI and Gemini VII, maneuvered within 10 feet of each other while in orbit.

In 1966, movie producer Walt Disney died in Los Angeles.

In 1978, President Carter announced he would grant diplomatic recognition to Communist China on New Year's Day and sever official relations with Taiwan.

JACK ANDERSON

Scandal, sickness: Greece barely has government

WASHINGTON — The birthplace of democracy has become the laughingstock of Europe at a time when it should be playing a pivotal role in bringing peace to Bosnia.

Greece is the only southeast European nation that is a member of both NATO and the European Community. Yet at a time when 60,000 NATO troops are headed to nearby Bosnia, Athens has been preoccupied by the health of ailing Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou and nude photos of his wife that have been splashed across the front pages of newspapers across Europe.


Anderson

"We could play a decisive, positive role in Bosnia," one source with close ties to the Papandreou government told us dejectedly. "But instead, Greece is caught up in a chaotic, defensive situation."

For weeks now, Papandreou has been clinging to his life on a respirator. Our diplomatic sources in Athens and Washington say that even if the 76-year-old Socialist survives, his long political career is finished.

A banking scandal that we broke open in 1987 stirred international controversy and forced Papandreou from office. But he has been the dominant figure in Greek politics for two decades.

When Papandreou made a stirring political comeback in 1993, respected Greek journalist Elias Demetracopoulos predicted that Papandreou's health would become a major problem. Demetracopoulos suggested that Papandreou thank the voters for re-electing him and then immediately groom a successor to ensure a smooth transfer of power.

Papandreou ignored Demetracopoulos' advice, and Greece has paid dearly. The prime minister's health has steadily eroded, and he has been known to work barely three hours a day, rarely showing his face at the office.

Without an anointed successor, Papandreou's cabinet ministers have been maneuvering behind the scenes and backstabbing one another to improve their political stock. The result has been a massive leadership vacuum, which couldn't have come at a worse time. Greece is at the bottom of the EC in all major economic indicators, and has been crippled by soaring unemployment.

"Greece has wasted two years," one Greek political analyst told us. "It has nominally had a government, but no prime minister. And with everybody in Papandreou's party fighting to position themselves as his successor, there has been no governing at all."

Papandreou made matters worse by naming his curvaceous young wife, Dimitra Liani-Papandreou, chief of staff. She has become her husband's gatekeeper, carefully controlling access to the boss, which has added to the sharp divisions that have crippled the ruling Pasok party.

While there has been rampant speculation that Papandreou's wife is actually the one running the country, the Greek public was recently treated to photos of the empress with no clothes — literally.

A Greek publication revealed 20-year-old photos of Mrs. Papandreou sunbathing in the nude and cavorting intimately with another woman. Dimitra is Papandreou's third wife — a woman he met while she was working as a stewardess on his presidential jet.

"It was a very negative development on top of a terrible economic and political situation concerning Greece's credibility in Europe and around the world," said one source. "Greece has become a laughingstock. All of the European newspapers are running naked photos of the prime minister's wife."

A fierce succession battle is likely once Papandreou dies. While some insiders have predicted that Mrs. Papandreou will succeed her husband, our sources say that Papandreou's political rivals will make sure that doesn't happen.

"If he dies, all the long knives will come out for her," predicted one Greek analyst.

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CHARLEY REESE

Dole doesn't have what it takes to run country

Even the most dense Republican partisan should now realize that Sen. Bob Dole is a sorry excuse for a leader. He is to leadership what antimatter is to matter.


Reese

If any Republican thinks Dole can beat Bill Clinton in 1996, please contact me right away. I'll let you be one of the first investors in my subdivision and shopping mall on Mars.

Clinton's disastrously bad decision to commit U.S. troops to the killing ground of the Balkans ought to be a defining issue between Clinton and the Republican nominee in 1996.

But look at Dole's pathetic progression of policy statements: First, he said the president hasn't made the case for sending troops. Second, he says if the president can convince the American public, he (Dole) will support it. Third, despite Clinton's failure to convince the public, Dole announces his support. Fourth, he wrings his hands and says that since Clinton is going to do it anyway, what can Congress do about it?

What an upchuck, disgusting performance by a man who claims he ought to lead the United States. He should retire before he embarrasses himself even more.

Where's the leadership? Why would anyone wish to exchange an energetic opportunist devoid of vision for an elderly opportunist devoid of vision? If Clinton has the bad judgment to send troops to the Balkans, and Dole has the bad judgment to support him, what's the difference? Oh, gosh, I forgot. Dole doesn't like the new Wesley Snipes movie, "Money Train." Yeah, that's a heck of a difference.

Joking aside, there is no difference. Those internationalist, Rockefeller Republicans such as Dole and Newt Gingrich are no different at all from those internationalist, Rockefeller Democrats. That's why, no matter how many times Americans vote for change, they end up with a new face but the same old policy.

At the rate Dole is going, he will have endorsed all of Clinton's policies before the New Hampshire primary. He supported NAFTA, GATT, the Mexican bailout, the Haiti farce, the Somalia tragedy and now the Balkans blunder. He's failed miserably to get the House Republican programs through the Senate. What's next? He can be a co-author with Al Gore on his next environmental book.

Instead of running for president, Dole ought to ask Clinton to appoint him to some job in the administration. He certainly acts as if he would be perfectly at home there. Maybe he could be ambassador to Outer Mongolia. I understand it looks somewhat like Kansas.

There really needs to be a political realignment in this country. We need to get all the Rockefeller internationalists in one party and all the Americans in another. That way, the American people would have an honest choice at the polls.

As it is now, the internationalists infect both parties, and like termites, they cause them both to die of dry rot. People keep being presented with a choice between a Democrat who will kiss Wall Street's bottom or a Republican who will kiss Wall Street's bottom; a Democrat who will be an interventionist or a Republican who will be an interventionist; a Democrat who will advocate poisonous trade policies or a Republican who will advocate poisonous trade policies.

That, of course, is precisely the way the Wall Street internationalists want it. Real democracy is far too risky a game for the big-money boys to take a chance on. Better to stack the deck. Better to own both horses in the same race. Better to be the money source and the advisor source for both candidates.

If Dole gets the Republican nomination, then we'll know that Republican primary voters are as befuddled as he is.

I'm seriously thinking about unregistering to vote.

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WILLIAM MURCHISON

You never know where Clinton is until he jogs past you

The talk is: Bill Clinton's back. Tough, determined and resolute, he's a friend of the people and a strong bet for re-election.

And more news yet: Newt Gingrich is the top candidate for Queen of the May at Wellesley College.


Murchison

I mean, let us all take a deep breath and possibly, depending on our theological orientations, have a stiff drink. In our rapture at discovering a fight to referee in Washington, D.C., we in the media are devising election scenarios that lack grounding in reality.

The nature of politics is ebb and flow, meaning that some days you're up and others you're down. Every politician is subject to this iron law. Clinton is subject to it. Bob Dole is subject to it. What you hope is that on Election Day, your tide is flowing.

Clinton's flows now — for the moment. Consider why:

1. A man on the bottom, where Clinton has reposed for more than a year, has no place to go but up. More specifically, Clinton sank there in large part because of a widely shared view that this president doesn't stand for anything.

Challenged by the Republicans, at last he started standing for things — or seeming to. Clinton aims to pass himself off as the Supreme Protector of Medicare and Medicaid (never mind that his Medicare budget and the Republicans' differ by only $30 billion).

2. At some point, Clinton's mother apparently took him for a shame-ectomy, during which his sense of shame and remorse was removed. The president will say absolutely anything concerning himself or his opponents.

Thus, Clinton depicts the Republicans as heartless foes of poor people and himself as their best friend. He portrays Republican-proposed tax cuts as helpful to the rich and hurtful to the poor.

The only problem here is the marginal accuracy of both charges. The Republicans are trying to clean up a welfare culture that debases and enslaves the poor; Clinton, in truth, is fighting with them more over details than essentials. He already has accepted their basic premise: The Great Society, in its present form and cost, is unsustainable.

As for taxes, the Heritage Foundation points out that lower-income and middle-income taxpayers would get most of the benefit if capital gains taxes were cut. The $500-per-child tax credit, which is at the heart of the tax-cut plan, would allow the typical family, Heritage says, to buy a month's food plus pay the mortgage. See what bad guys these Republicans are — trying to help people pay their mortgages!

How does all this fly with the sovereign voters? OK for the moment – but chiefly because said sovereign voters, with other things on their mind, such as Christmas, have not focused on what they're being told. Pressures for candor will be far stronger next year.

Meanwhile, clouds no bigger than a man's hand loom on Clinton's horizon. One is Bosnia, where few Americans strongly desire their soldiers to get their heads shot off while keeping people who hate each other away from each other. The problem is compounded many times by the fact that Clinton sent the troops — Clinton, whose moral stature appropriately suffers from his own draft-avoiding activities in 1969. If things go badly in Bosnia, contempt for him will reach new heights.

Then, there is Whitewater. The special prosecutor heads toward the finish line, and in the meantime, Clinton faces a standoff with Congress over a subpoena directed at documents which may — or, again, may not — indicate a White House cover-up. Either way, the pot boils, its aroma filling our nostrils.

Clinton, our craftiest politician since Lyndon Johnson, shouldn't be counted out until he stops breathing — and maybe not then. Nor, as I say, should he be overestimated. Election predictions, the year before the election, avail nothing.

Besides which, there is one more possibility — that Clinton will switch parties and run as a Republican who wants taxes cut and the troops out of Bosnia. Don't laugh. You never know where this president is until he jogs past you, smiling and feeling your pain.

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AIDS patient risks baboon bone-marrow transplant

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A man dying of AIDS went past the point of no return Thursday and began receiving a baboon bone-marrow transplant that might save his life.

Jeff Getty, 38, who had battled red-tape for two-years to undergo the procedure, began receiving a marrow injection at 8:37 p.m., San Francisco General Hospital said in a recorded message. The message said he was "doing well" and the infusion was expected to take about a half-hour.

Earlier in the day, Getty underwent a final round of radiation treatment that knocked out what was left of his immune system.

"It's about time," Getty said. "I'm lucky to still be alive."

Getty, an AIDS activist and former policy analyst at the University of California at Berkeley, had labored to win permission for the highly experimental surgery, which has never been tried before.

In August, the Food and Drug Administration approved the surgery despite warnings from the agency's scientific advisers that the procedure would probably kill Getty and could spread baboon diseases to humans.

Human bone marrow contains stem cells that manufacture disease-fighting immune-system cells. The AIDS virus destroys this system.

The transplant idea arose because baboons, for reasons that scientists don't understand, don't get AIDS. The theory is that the AIDS-resistant baboon stem cells will take root in Getty's bone marrow and produce immune-system cells that can fight AIDS.

Getty underwent drug and radiation treatments this week to destroy virtually all of what's left of his own immune system to prevent it from attacking the bone marrow, which otherwise would be perceived as an invader.

Those radiation treatments all but ensure he will die from AIDS-associated infections if the transplant fails.

The results of the transplant will not be known for several months.

Jerome Zack, a virologist with the University of California at Los Angeles AIDS Institute, is concerned that the treatment could potentially spread baboon diseases to humans. AIDS, for instance, is believed to have originated in monkeys and mutated into a virulent human disease.

"We don't know what other viruses or diseases might be associated with baboons," he said Thursday. "And you run a risk to the patient, or other patients, if its transmissible."

The Humane Society of the United States condemned the surgery. The baboon that supplied the bone marrow was killed because scientists monitoring the transplant required a large number of samples.

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Consumer prices post best record in 5 years; interest rates to fall, analysts say

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer prices posted their best record in nearly five years last month, showing no overall increase. Food, energy, clothing and transportation costs all fell.

Many analysts said the inflation news, along with a round of European interest rate cuts, increased chances the Federal Reserve will lower U.S. rates next week.

The Labor Department said Thursday its Consumer Price Index did not move in November, the first time it remained unchanged since March 1991. The CPI has not declined since it fell 0.3 percent in April 1986.

"Certainly the odds on a Fed easing have been improved by this report," said Robert G. Dederick, economic consultant with the Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. "There's not a barrier on the inflation side whatever."

Bonds posted slight gains for most of the day as investors realized their value would improve with a rate cut. But stocks fell as traders took profits in some issues before the end of the year. The Dow Jones industrial average closed down 34.32 at 5182.15.

Many analysts believe concern about inflationary pressures has kept the Fed from cutting rates a second time this year to stimulate an economy that appears increasingly sluggish.

The government this week reported inflation at the wholesale level unexpectedly shot up 0.5 percent in November. Some analysts said the spike was a fluke, however, caused largely by problems with adjustments for seasonal variations.

But with the disappearance of price escalation in Thursday's CPI report, they say central bank policy-makers could ease rates again when they meet next Tuesday.

Analysts also said European interest rate cuts this week, including Germany's easing Thursday of two key short-term interest rates, gave the Fed more room to nudge U.S. rates down.

Some argue, however, that the Fed will not act before President Clinton and Republicans in Congress resolve their differences over the federal budget. Agreement is unlikely before next week's meeting.

Other reports Thursday illustrated the economy's modest growth:

■ The Fed said industrial production edged up 0.2 percent in November, after slipping 0.3 percent a month earlier.

The report also said the nation's factories, mines and utilities were operating at 83.1 percent of capacity in November, down from 83.2 percent in October and showing little sign of any production bottleneck that could drive up prices.

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Fish fry

American Legion Post No. 325 is hosting a fish fry at 5 p.m. today at VFW hall at 409 Airpark Road. Tickets are $5 a person; children under 12 eat free.

MCT volunteers

Midland Community Theatre is hosting a "Volunteer Appreciation Party" at 5 p.m. Sunday at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. Volunteers who have helped at MCT, AACT Fest or Summer Mummers are invited to attend.

MHS choir

The Midland High School choir is to entertain at Hastings Multimedia Supercenter at 2 p.m. Saturday. Shoppers can buy $1 tickets for a chance at winning a $50 Hastings gift certificate. Proceeds from the ticket sale will go toward the choir's contest trip to Colorado Springs, Colo.

Big Spring nativity

BIG SPRING — The First Church of the Nazarene's drive-through nativity is set for 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. today at 1400 Lancaster. Fifteen scenes can be viewed from the car; a cassette tape describes each scene. There are live animals in some of the scenes. A cast of more than 150 people will be participating. The entrance to the nativity is approached from the west on Martin Luther King Boulevard and a right turn onto South Lancaster. For more information, call the church, 1-915-267-7015.

TODAY'S AGENDA

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

Myrtle-Tree ministries, Womens' Bible Studies, noon, 312 W. Illinois, 683-1370, 683-5670.

Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 South G. Info, 570-8612.

Southside Lions Club, noon, Southside Lion Club Building.

Evening recreation lessons for those with mental retardation, 682-9771.

Tall City Road Riders, dinner ride, 7 p.m., leave from Texas Am. Bank. 684-5310.

SATURDAY

Overeaters Anonymous, 9:30 a.m., Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity library. For more information, call 520-6069.

Midland Co. Library, volunteers from the Midland Genealogical Society are available 10-12 a.m. to help beginners search their family tree.

Evening for recreation and leisure for those with mental retardation, 682-9771.

Open duplicate bridge. Allison Bridge Center, 7 p.m., 682-4461

Alpha/Omega Group, 11 a.m., 4400 N. Big Spring St., Suite C-41.

The West Texas Amputee Coalition, 11 a.m., Memorial Rehabilitation Hospital, 694-4206 in Midland or 366-5464 in Odessa.

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Wife did right thing, Dettman says

Spouse quits job in county office before Morales issues opinion on nepotism

■ State attorney general's office rules Mrs. Dettman's continued employment after marriage was prohibited.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Midland County Attorney Mark H. Dettman said his wife, Lisa, did the right thing by quitting her job with his office before the Texas attorney general issued an opinion on whether or not her employment violated the state nepotism statute.

"I haven't read the opinion or the reasoning but I am of the opinion that it is the best office policy not to have any relatives working in the same office at all," Dettman said Thursday. "For that reason, my wife left Midland County's employment shortly after we were married" in March.

Dettman, who first was elected to office in 1984, hired Lisa Carr as a legal secretary in May 1993. They were married almost two years later on March 10, 1995. By that time, she was working in the County Attorney's hot-check collections office.

Members of the Commissioners' Court had expressed concern over Dettman's possible violation of the nepotism law.

"When Mark advised the court that the nepotism statute did not apply in his case, the county auditor really had no other choice but to seek legal advice from the attorney general," County Judge Jeff Norwood said Thursday.

County Auditor Carole Wayland requested an attorney-general's opinion in April.

Before Wayland submitted her request, Dettman had said that his wife tendered her resignation effective mid-July.

Mrs. Wayland said she sought the attorney general's opinion on the advice of district Judge John Hyde. The county auditor is appointed by Midland County's district-court judges.

"It (the statute on nepotism) is very confusing, and there are all kinds of attorney-general opinions issued as to its interpretation," Mrs. Wayland said.

Dettman "did not really feel like it was a violation, because she previously worked in his office" for more than a year before their marriage, Mrs. Wayland said.

However, the attorney-general's opinion, which was written by Assistant Attorney General Toya Cirica Cook of the office's Opinion Committee, said that Mrs. Dettman's continued employment after her marriage was prohibited by the Government Code on nepotism.

According to the code, the statute does not apply to a person who works in the office of an official to whom they are related if the person had worked in that office for at least a year before their relative was elected.

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Midlanders give Texas A&M press $50,000 to start presidency series

From Staff Reports

COLLEGE STATION — Joseph V. Hughes Jr. and Holly O. Hughes of Midland have donated $50,000 to Texas A&M University Press to establish and support a book series on the presidency and leadership studies.

Hughes is a 1975 graduate of Texas A&M and president of Spindletop Exploration Co. Inc.

"The generous support of the Hughes family will allow the press to expand its presence in scholarly publishing," said Tom Rotell, director of the press.

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He said the timing of the gift is particularly fortuitous, as the university looks forward to the opening of the George Bush Presidential Library in October 1997.

The scholarship of books will be held to rigorous standards by a political science scholar selected as series editor — James P. Pfiffner of George Mason University — and by an editorial board of several other scholars.

The Joseph V. Hughes, Jr., and Holly Oldfield Hughes Series in the Presidency and Leadership Studies will make important new research on the U.S. presidency available to scholars, students and the general public. The series will include a broad range of presidential studies, focusing either on individuals as presidents or on the offices of the presidency. The White House and its component offices, the departments and agencies of the executive branch of the U.S. government, relations of the executive with other branches of government and the recruitment of presidents as well as their campaigns and elections will all be considered within the scope of the series.

For further information, contact Maureen Creamer at 409-845-1436. Fax 409-847-8752; e-mail MLC@ tampress.tamu.edu)





Early visit from St. Nick

Above, Bill Wolf, aka Santa, greets a bus load of children on their way to Fannin Elementary School. Left, Logan Forest, 9, gets a hug from Wolf, after he recently gave Santa a small present. Logan said he wanted to say "thank you" to Wolf for playing Santa.

Photos by Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram



Texas Employment Commission Job Service Representative Mark Ketchum shows the new computerized job search service to visitors at the agency's Thursday open house: Robb Brown, of Oxy USA from left; Ella Morales, Dely Garcia and Rosa Rivera, of the Texas Department of Human Services.

Joe D. Williams/ Reporter-Telegram

TEC celebrates face lift, new services

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

The Texas Employment Commission office in Midland celebrated a renovation of the facility and the addition of new computerized services with an open house on Thursday.

"We've gone through a lot of changes in the past year," said Jackie Moseley, area manager for Texas Employment Commission.

She said there are even more changes yet to come.

The reason for the changes is to make all TEC services user-friendly, Ms. Moseley said.

"Now you only have to come to the office one time and all the rest is done by phone. Later, everything can be done by phone so you will never have to stand in line," she said.

Now, TEC is equipped with a computer so people can look at jobs listed locally, statewide and nationwide, including government jobs. The system is called Job Express.

Computer owners can check on jobs through their computer modems. Employers can put jobs directly on the Internet, eliminating the middle-man, through America's Job Bank.

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Study reveals plight of Hispanic children in Texas

HARLINGEN (AP) — You would never know it's Christmastime at the Hernandez home.

There are no sparkling lights or wreaths adorning the house, a rectangular shack made of plywood and paneling. Inside, the dirt floor is absent of a Christmas tree, and stockings are nowhere in sight.

In fact, there probably won't be any presents this year for the six children and four adults who cram into the house, which is about the size of a small mobile home.

"If (the men) have work and they have money, then the children have presents," said Araceli Hernandez, whose husband picks chiles. The monthly income for the family of 10 is about $800, "when there is work," Mrs. Hernandez said.

The Hernandezes aren't much different from hundreds of families living along the Texas-Mexico border.

More than 50 percent of Hispanic children in five border counties live in poverty, and the poverty rate for Hispanic children throughout Texas exceeds 40 percent, according to a new study.

The study, "Hispanic Children in Texas," profiles the well-being of Hispanic children, particularly those living along the border.

It is the culmination of interviews and research collected by Texas Kids Count, a project of the Center for Public Policy Priorities in Austin, and the University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work.

"What we wanted to do with the report was to try to raise awareness that this group of kids is really suffering from big disadvantages," said Patrick Bresette, Texas Kids Count coordinator.

The study looked at four issues affecting Hispanic children — poverty, education, health and employment — and found that they fare worse than black and white children in each category.

For example, Hispanic children in Texas are almost twice as likely to be poor as other children. Some 40.2 percent of Hispanic children live in poverty, compared with 39.3 percent of black children and 18 percent of white children, the study found.

The numbers are worse in five counties along the Texas-Mexico border. In Starr, Cameron, Hidalgo, Willacy and Maverick counties, the child poverty rate for Hispanic children exceeds 50 percent. The overall poverty rate in the border counties is 45.7 percent, compared

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DEATHS

Earl Creech

STANTON — Services for Earl Creech, 65, of Stanton are to be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the First United Methodist Church in Stanton with the Rev. Curtis Cadenhead and Duane McClure officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

He died Thursday in an Odessa hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 7, 1930, in Tarzan.

He lived most of his life in Martin County. He was a retired farmer and oil-field employee. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Stanton.

He married Peggy Rose Cross on March 2, 1951, in Midland.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Toyah Lou Creech; two brothers, Thearl Creech and Howard Creech.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy Creech of Stanton; two sons, Clint Creech of Meridian and Scott Creech of Clifton; two daughters, Becky Phillips of Las Cruces, N.M., and Polly Burelsmith of Loop; a sister, Beth Shoemaker of Stanton; a brother, Bob Creech of Odessa; two half sisters, Brenda Favor and Linda Creech, both of Lubbock; a half brother, Carl Creech; and seven grandchildren.

David McCoard

EARLY — Services for former Midlander David James McCoard, 67, of Arlington are to be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Heartland Funeral Home Chapel in Early with Jim King of Altus, Okla., officiating. Burial will follow at May Cemetery under the direction of Heartland Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday in an Arlington hospital following a lengthy illness.

He was born Dec. 27, 1927, in Altus.

He moved to Arlington from Midland in 1973.

He was a member of the Church of Christ. He served in Korea and Japan with the U.S. Army from 1948 until 1952.

He married to MaeClaire McBride Lynch on Aug. 29, 1969, in Odessa.

He was a phone installer for 42 years.

Survivors include his wife, MaeClaire McCoard of Arlington; three sons, David Trea McCoard and Monte Lynch, both of Arlington, and Richard Lynch of St. Louis, Mo.; a daughter, Kim Cunningham of Midland; a sister, Berniece Sheehan of Altus; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; four nieces and a nephew.

Minnie Allen

PARIS — Services for Minnie Mae Allen, 86, of Sumner are to be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bright-Holland Funeral Home with Cecil Allen officiating. Burial will follow at Meadowbrook Cemetery under the direction of Bright-Holland Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 7-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

She died Wednesday at a Paris nursing home.

She was born Oct. 2, 1909, in Steamville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William C. Wood, on May 21, 1965.

She then married Shelly Allen in June 1970 in Paris.

She was a member of the Bonham Street Church of Christ and was a retired grocer.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Arnold J. Wood.

She is survived by her husband, Shelly Allen of Paris; four sons, Kenneth Wood of Paris, James Wood and Rex Wood, both of Midland, and W.C. Wood; a daughter, Valda Burns of Sumner; a stepdaughter, Shirley Lowrimore of Hugo, Okla.; a stepson, William Charles Wood of Mesquite; two sisters, Ethel Pierce of Stanford and Vera Daniels of Muleshoe; 16 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers are to be Calvin Wood, Chuck Wood, Kenny Wood, Dale Wood, Ronnie Wood and Jerry Marshall. Mathew Wood will be an honorary pallbearer.

Quincy Pratt

Services for Quincy C. Pratt are to be at 2 p.m. today at Ideal Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Bill C. Thomas Funeral Home.

Pallbearers are to be Tim Rogers, Ramond Sanders, Leroy Sanders, Robert Cobb, J.B. Porter, Clarence Witten, Melvin Polk, Willie Taylor, Anthony Arnold, Billy Green and James Watson.

Mary Beaty

Mary Owen Beaty, mother of Midlander Mary Frances Griffiths, died Dec. 2 in Tucson, Ariz.

Services will be scheduled at a later time at Restlawn Cemetery in El Paso. Local arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born in Roswell, N.M., in 1910.

She lived in Kansas City, Mo.,

She married Frank Dean Scotten in 1946. He preceded her in death in 1968.

She moved to El Paso in 1938 and lived there for more than 50 years.

Mrs. Beaty then moved to Tuscon from El Paso with her husband, Robert Beaty. He preceded her in death.

She also was preceded in death by a brother, Marmion E. McCord and a sister, Erma E. Smith.

She was a member of St. James Methodist Church in Tucson and Trinity Methodist Chruch in El Paso.

Other survivors include four stepdaughters, Sandra Wilkison of Austin, Shirley Kendall of Corrales, N.M., Alice Brewster of Wichita, Kan., and Margaret Scoffield of Tucson; one stepson, David Beaty of Tucson; two grandchildren; a great-grandchild; a niece; and 10 stepgrandchildren.

Marion Smith

Services for Marion C. Smith Jr. are to be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Ellis Funeral Home with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday at his Midland home.

He was born Feb. 15, 1925, in Hazelhurst, Miss., where he was raised and educated.

He served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in the Phillipines.

He married Margaret Lucille Smith on June 21, 1947, in Mississippi.

After his discharge, he worked in the oil industry as a hot oil operator. He moved to Snyder in 1950.

He moved to Midland in 1953, working for Universal Construction, Yale E. Key and W.D. Stroud. He retired in 1985.

He was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Smith of Midland; three sons, Ronnie Smith and Bob Carter, both of Midland, and Bill Carter Jr. of California; a daughter, Wanda Tone of Midland; three sisters, Alma Stroud of Andrews, Ida Northcutt of Midland and Ethel Mae Franklin of Mississippi; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests that memorials be sent to American Cancer Society, 2304 Wadley, Midland, Texas, 79705.

Nellie Prater

Services for Nellie Davis Prater, 93, are to be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Grace Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Bill Clark officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.


Prater

Mrs. Prater died Wednesday at a Midland hospital.

She was born Feb. 6, 1902, in Brookport, Ill.

She married John W. Prater in 1920 in Wellington, Kan.

She moved to Midland from Oklahoma City in 1983.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1977.

Survivors include a daughter, Jolene Stroker of Midland; a brother, Arch Sterling of Tampa, Fla.; a sister, Varbie Wickiser of Collinsville, Ill.; three grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Music Program, Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 N. Garfield, Midland, Texas, 79705.

Lois O'Neil

Services for Lois Matthews O'Neil are to be at 2 p.m. today at Golf Course Road Church of Christ with Randy Fenter officiating. Burial will be at Lamesa Cemetery in Lamesa under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday at her home in Midland.

Pallbearers are to be Rick Phillips, Chip Matthews, Rodney Matthews, Glenn Matthews, James L. Matthews, James R. Matthews, Ronny Matthews, Martin Lee Matthews and John Neil.

Mary Cummins

Services for Mary Cummins of Midland are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Thursday at a local nursing center.

Alta Kelley

Services for Alta Kelley are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Thursday at a local nursing home.

Rosemary Chapman

Services for former Midlander Rosemary Anderson Chapman are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Thursday at her home in Paradise Valley, Ariz.

Steve Windle

Services for Steve Windle, 13, of Midland are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

He died late Wednesday at a local hospital.

POLICE REPORTS

Immigration arrests

ODESSA — The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) investigations division, assisted by other law-enforcement agencies in Odessa apprehended 25 criminal aliens in a two-day operation, according to Luis Garcia, INS district director.

Twenty of the aliens were convicted of drug offenses. Other convictions were for aggravated assault, attempted murder and injury to a child.

All of the criminal aliens apprehended will be prosecuted in the Western District of Texas for re-entry after deportation, a charge punishable by a sentence of two years or up to 20 years in prison if convicted of an aggravated felony, he said.

"The El Paso District is committed to identifying, locating and removing criminal aliens in our area of jurisdiction and will continue to conduct subsequent operations in this area," Garcia said.

Of the 25 people arrested, 22 are men and three are women. All were Mexican citizens.

Wednesday

Vandalism: Several men threw items at a vehicle at 100 W. Spruce Ave. causing damage to front and rear windshields, reported Donna Chambers at 9 p.m.

Thursday

Burglary of a residence: A televsion and Nintendo game were reported taken from 4709 W. Cuthbert Ave., reported Anthony McNeese at 6:08 a.m.

Burglary of a residence: An unknown person came to the home at 600 W. New Jersey Ave. around 5 a.m. and jiggled the door knob, reported Larry Adams at 7:30 a.m.

Vandalism: A pick-up was scratched at 4316 Cedar Spring Road, reported Diana Ochoa at 9:47 a.m.

Anyone having information concerning these incidents should contact the Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

PLIGHT: Study looks at state's Hispanic children

(From 1B)

with 21.3 percent for the rest of the state.

Texas ranks 42nd nationally in child poverty, Bresette said.

For education, the study found that 5.5 percent of Hispanics drop out of school, compared with 4.8 percent of blacks and 2.5 percent of whites. In Cameron County, about 40 percent of people 25 years old or older dropped out of school before the ninth grade.

Hispanic children were disadvantaged in the other categories, as well, because each issue affects the others, Bresette said.

For example, high poverty rates among Hispanic children cause them to be more vulnerable to health problems, and a lack of education has increased unemployment rates among Hispanics, the study found.

The findings are particularly disturbing considering the rate at which the Hispanic population is growing in Texas, said Dianne Stewart, director of the nonprofit Center for Public Policy Priorities.

In 1992, 26.3 percent of the state's population was Hispanic, and 34 percent of Texas children were Hispanic.

"Hispanic families in Texas make up this state's fastest-growing ethnic group," Ms. Stewart said. "The disproportionately negative levels of health, employment, education and poverty among Hispanic children will have an impact not only on their young lives but on the prosperity and well-being of the entire state."

In conducting the study, Bresette said researchers found many communities that are working on the problems, but he called on state leaders to take a bigger role.

"While they are developing statewide policy on these issues, it may need different attention along the border and for Hispanic children, in particular," he said.

"Hispanic Children in Texas" is one of a series of reports under way by Texas Kids Count. A report to be released next year will focus on black children.

Genetic research yields new test for cardiac patients

DALLAS (AP) — One form of an uncommon disease that triggers cardiac arrest, sometimes even in children and athletes, can be identified and treated using a simple clinical test, according to doctors who researched gene-specific medications.

One of the causes for sudden cardiac death in those under 20 years old, long QT syndrome's presence can be found through special techniques using electrocardiograms.

The findings by a team at the University of Pavia in Milan, Italy, and doctors in Belgium, Texas, Ohio and New Jersey were printed in today's issue of the Dallas-based American Heart Association journal, Circulation.

"We have known that most LQTS patients should avoid strenuous physical activity," said Dr. Peter J. Schwartz, professor of cardiology at the University of Pavia and lead author of the new study.

"But there are some who do very well with physical activity," he said. "The implications for therapy could be huge if our data are confirmed."

Armed with results of a previous 1995 study identifying two of at least four chromosomes linked with the ailment, doctors studied 15 patients with hereditary LQTS for their responses to drugs and exercise.

"We can now diagnose one of the four types. And having diagnosed it, it should be treatable with drugs," said Dr. Arthur M. Brown, a study co-author, of the Rammelkamp Center for Education and Research at Metro Health Medical Center in Cleveland.

"Thirdly, these results can be extended from the hereditary to the acquired forms of the syndrome, such as those induced by drugs. And fourth, these results are the tip of the iceberg on a lot of diseases that involve similar mechanisms."

In clinical tests last year, the so-called "QT interval" on patients' electrocardiograms was measured after administration of a sodium channel blocking drug.

A defect in gene product causes the congenital syndrome in which patients develop fatal arrhythmias.

The DNA of families with the disease signs was used to identify the associated chromosomes.

Patients with the sodium channel defect responded better to the sodium channel blocker, mexiletine.

TEC: Midland office revamps, offers new computer services

(From 1B)

"That gives them complete control," Ms. Moseley said.

She said employers can even get lists of applicants if they want to contact those people themselves. Job openings can be put on the bulletin board for applicants to refer to, as well.

"However, we can still screen applicants the old traditional way," she said.

Ms. Moseley said the TEC has been very busy during the past year working with the new businesses in town, such as Builders Square.

"Often we were on-site doing the interviews," Ms. Moseley said.

Ms. Moseley said the TEC was dissolved in the last legislative session and restructured as the Texas Work Force Commission, which will open sometime next year.

She said changes are still to come because local leaders can decide if they want to be under the umbrella of the state or take the state funds and handle it locally with a board of commissioners.

She said that County Judge Jeff Norwood will have to meet with his counterparts across the Permian Basin to decide what they want to do.

The restructuring was done in an effort to consolidate the 26 employment programs the state operates, to make things easier for jobseekers and to eliminate duplication of services.

During the open house, Reporter-Telegram Publisher Charles Spence received a citation from the professional organization, The International Association of Personnel and Employment Security.

The award, which began with a nomination written by TEC employee Scott Stafford, nominated Spence for contributions of coordination of community and employment security activities.

Bald eagle recovers after being shot last week

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A bald eagle is recovering from a gunshot wound after being found stranded on a rural road near Utopia last Thursday, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials say.

Utopia is roughly 60 miles west of San Antonio.

State and federal wildlife agencies and a nonprofit bird of prey organization are offering more than $10,000 in reward money for information leading to an arrest and conviction in the case.

The shooting is a violation of the federal Endangered Species Act, a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in prison and up to a $20,000 fine.

The eagle is being treated at Last Chance Forever, The Bird of Prey Conservancy, a private, nonprofit organization that accepts sick or injured birds for rehabilitation, officials said.

WIFE: Attorney general issues opinion

(From 1B)

related if the person had worked in that office for at least a year before their relative was elected.

Dettman was elected in 1984 and took office in 1985. To be exempt from the nepotism law, Mrs. Dettman would have had to be working in that office at least one year before his election.

Because his wife no longer works in his office, Dettman said the case is moot.

Mrs. Wayland said the nepotism question "was really resolved way before the (attorney general's) letter was issued" in mid-November, "because he had taken appropriate action to remedy" the problem.

Salvation Army to hold holiday youth revival

From Staff Reports

A "Christ is Christmas" Youth revival is planned for 8 p.m. today at the Salvation Army Chapel, 3500 Park Lane.

The message will be delivered by the Rev. Kenneth White, minister of Christian education at Goodwill Baptist Church.

All are invited to attend.

GRAND OPENING!
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JUST HOW BIG IS THIS SPORTS THING?
He was just plain mad. One of those callers on a sports talk show. Mad enough to make you believe his whole life and happiness was ruined last Sunday by Switzer and the Cowboys. Fourth down and 1, 29 yard line, same play twice and lose the game. Yes, lest you wonder, I love sports and a good game. Get pretty worked up when the calls don't seem right or the team is lagging. Major deal?
Another deal. Arizona says fans will spend $300 million in the next 30 days on 7 sports events in that state, which is host for the Super Bowl with late tickets costing $1300 to $4000! And, NBC just paid 2.3 Billion for rights to 3 Olympic games! Just how big is this sports thing?
Let's try to focus. We enjoy being entertained, and pay well for it. But what is real happiness? Ecclesiastes 5:19 says it is to "rejoice in his labor: this is the gift from God." The big game of life is played against Satan, who "prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour." I Peter 5:8. And, we seem to be losing the games played in homes, families, children, marriages, along the way. Get serious about the BIG things. We must make the right calls!

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Austin shopping center announces it will ban concealed weapons

AUSTIN (AP) — A large, upscale shopping center has drawn a line: If you want to shop, leave your gun at home.

Texans Against Gun Violence announced Thursday that The Arboretum Shopping Center, which houses 38 stores, won't allow concealed guns on its property.

Some of the businesses at the center include The Gap, Barnes and Noble Booksellers, The Sharper Image and Ralph Lauren.

"We just don't want to run the risk of anything happening," said Shannon Wiertz, marketing coordinator for DT Land Group, Inc.. The Austin company manages the center.

An Austin investment firm owns the property.

But one of the authors of Texas' new concealed weapons law says The Arboretum's move to keep gun crimes from happening on its property could create more of the crimes. The law will allow permit-holding gun owners to carry concealed handguns starting Jan. 1.

"That's their right to ban guns, but I wonder what they are going to do about a wrongful death suit because criminals are hanging around The Arboretum parking lot because they perceive everyone is unarmed?" asked Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena.

The gun law allows local governments and public authorities to keep the legal weapons off public property, and private business owners can bar concealed guns from their stores.

Nina Butts, a member of the Texans Against Gun Violence board, said many smaller Austin businesses and some in other cities have decided to ban guns. She could not name any and said some do not want publicity.

Ms. Wiertz said signs indicating the ban have been posted. But she said keeping the weapons out of the shopping center will be a challenge.

"It would be a situation where someone noticed a holster or a bag fell open," she said. "We're working on a system with our security office to work out a certain code to alert them."

Patterson said the law is clear that private property owners may ban guns. But he said the measure will be impossible to enforce.

"Only if I were asked to leave and refused after someone noticed I was carrying a gun could I be charged with criminal trespassing," he said. "We have an unenforceable rule against an undetectable activity."

Travis County Constable Bruce Elfant said people who violate the posted signs could be charged with a misdemeanor, punishable by a $500 fine and up to a year in jail.

"I'm not concerned about shootouts on Congress (Avenue)," Elfant said. "We are going to have more accidents, more stolen guns that end up at crime scenes and more lapses of judgement by well-intentioned gun owners."

Photographer who was witness to Kennedy assassination dies

DALLAS (AP) — James W. "Ike" Altgens, who documented President John F. Kennedy's assassination as a photographer for The Associated Press, was remembered Thursday as an energetic and dedicated journalist.

Altgens, a retired wirephoto operator with a 41-year AP career, died this week. He was 76.

The bodies of Altgens and his wife, Clara, were found Tuesday by a relative at their home, according to Dallas police and Sparkman-Hillcrest Funeral Home.

A nephew, Dallas attorney Ron Grant, said the family believed that both died of natural causes. Neighbors had noticed that the couple had not been outside since Sunday and both had suffered from the flu.

A televised report said that carbon monoxide poisoning from a heater had been a possibility.

Autopsies were ordered and toxicology tests were under way to determine the cause of their deaths, said Laurie Nazareno of the Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office.

She said results should be available in several weeks.

Altgens was taking pictures of the Kennedy motorcade at Dealey Plaza in downtown Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963, when the president was shot.

The photographer later testified before the Warren Commission, the investigating team that determined Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in firing the fatal bullets from the nearby Texas Schoolbook Depository Building.

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Houston Rockets' owner calls NASA experiments on monkeys 'cruel'

■ Leslie Alexander writes agency's chief administrator, urges him to scrap research.

Assocciated Press

HOUSTON — In an off-the-court move, Houston Rockets owner Leslie Alexander says upcoming NASA experiments on monkeys in space are pointless and cruel and the space agency's chief administrator should stop them.

Alexander wrote Daniel Goldin Dec. 7 and labeled the space agency's involvement in the Russian "Bion" program harmful to NASA's reputation. He urged the NASA chief to scrap the research which involves monitoring rhesus monkeys aboard satellites.

"The torturing of these animals — and that's what they do, in my opinion, torturing them — is not necessary," Alexander said Thursday.

"If they spent creative time coming up with another way to do these things, which they could, either computer models or something else, they could get the same results without having to torture these animals."

Not so, says NASA, insisting the experiments are crucial to understanding continuing problems astronauts face with the effects space travel on their anatomy, particularly the effect on neurological functions and bone and muscle tissue.

"Obviously we think that the science is being done is important and necessary," said Dr. Victor Schneider, NASA's Bion program scientist.

Michael Braukus, a NASA spokesman in Washington, said Goldin had not received the letter. When he does, Goldin intends to answer it personally, not in public, Braukus said.

Alexander and his wife of 23 years, Nanci, are well-known animal rights activists and are involved deeply with People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, or PETA. The Silver Spring, Md.-based group has been criticizing the upcoming project since early summer.

"The experiments are senseless," Mrs. Alexander said. "It's a waste of money, a waste of precious taxpayer money."

Her husband's letter to Goldin is equally passionate.

"This joint Russian-American project is: (1) cruel ... (2) pointless ... (3) wasteful ... (4) scandalous... (5) shameful ... and (6) harmful to NASA's reputation.

"That's six fouls, so Bion should be ejected from the game."

NASA points out that any animal research is put through a review process that asks hard ethical questions and whether the questions posed in an experiment are necessary scientific ones.

"It's unethical," said Mary Beth Sweetlin for PETA. "There's nothing new or high-tech about these experiments."

NASA has been involved in the Russian Bion program since 1975. However, until 1995, the Russians never charged NASA for the experiments which involved eight previous satellite missions with two monkeys aboard each. All 16 monkeys were recovered alive and were not destroyed.

NASA now has a $33 million budget for two Bion missions and the research that goes with it through 1998. Of that, $6.6 million already has been paid to the Russians to conduct the Bion 11 mission scheduled for an August launch. Two monkeys will ride aboard that satellite.

The monkeys are asked to push a pedal during flight and scientists will monitor changes that occur to the muscles and skeletons of the animal.

"Both of these primary focuses are something we're really concerned about in astronauts in terms of seeing marked changes that do occur," Schneider said.

According to PETA and the Alexanders, the project calls for the sewing of straightjackets to the monkeys skins, holes cut into the monkeys' eyelids and holes drilled into the monkeys' skulls, along with a thermometer buried in the primates' stomachs.

NASA says that's an exaggeration. PETA acknowledged some of their information comes from undated photographs of monkey experiments in Russia.

Schneider says a detachable jacket is placed on the monkey tied to a chair. Wires about the size of a human hair are placed on the monkey's eyes. Holes measuring 1.5 mm will be drilled into the skull to place wires into the monkey's brain.

Alexander credits his wife's work for animal rights with prompting him to write the letter. She started the Animal Rights Foundation of Florida, or ARFF, some six years ago.

Before every Rockets home game begins, a public service announcement for PETA is played on the large video screen in the arena.

Also, members of the team's dance ensemble wear T-shirts with the PETA logo during every fourth quarter.

Alexander says he's used to the criticism for taking such a public stance.

"You get flack for whatever you do when you own a basketball team," he said. "And believe me you get flack for this."

Most of the time it's in the form of anonymous letters, he said. When confronted in person, Alexander says he tells them two words:

"Too bad."

Attorney general, federal officials reach agreement on trucking laws

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Attorney General Dan Morales said Thursday that he has reached an agreement with federal officials over his concerns about Mexican cargo trucks' new access to Texas roads.

Morales and traffic safety groups have argued that the state's highways will become more deadly when Mexican trucks get complete access to Texas highways on Dec. 18. That comes as the latest step in implementing the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Morales said most Mexican trucks do not meet Texas and federal standards regarding safety, weight, insurance and driver training.

On Thursday, Morales said U.S. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin has agreed to allow state and local law enforcement officials more access to inspections and federal information as part of a pilot project at Colombia Bridge near Laredo.

After the joint enforcement effort has been tested and fine-tuned, it would be expanded to other border bridges, Rubin said in a letter to Morales.

"This is a major step in the right direction," Morales said.

"We are encouraged by this commitment and expect that in the near future state and federal inspectors will be working side-by-side at all ports of entry to ensure that Texans are not endangered by unsafe, overweight and uninsured Mexican cargo trucks," he said.

Maj. Lester Mills, of the Texas Department of Public Safety traffic division, said the agreement will help troopers.

"We didn't have any facilities to weigh and check trucks without being mixed in with regular traffic," Mills said. "In most of the border cities there is no space to construct a weigh station.

"It would be an ideal place to check them at an entry point instead of chasing them down some street and having to check them among regular traffic," Mills said.

Morales said Rubin told him that the state-and-federal inspections would be restricted to the Colombia Bridge because many ports of entry aren't equipped for more personnel.

"In those areas, we have been assured that federal inspections will be intensified," Morales said.

Currently, Mexican trucks can enter a 17-mile border strip. Beyond that point, they must leave their trailers behind for pickup by U.S. trucks.

Beginning Dec. 18, trucks from Mexico can travel throughout Texas.

Even though the Mexican trucks will have to meet federal and state safety standards, critics worry that there are not enough resources to enforce state and federal laws.

Gov. George W. Bush said Wednesday that he is confident the Texas Department of Public Safety will be able to handle the added work.

Some 5,000 trucks cross into Texas from Mexico each day. Some 150 of them are inspected by Texas law enforcement personnel. Experts predict the truck traffic will be three or four times greater by 2000.

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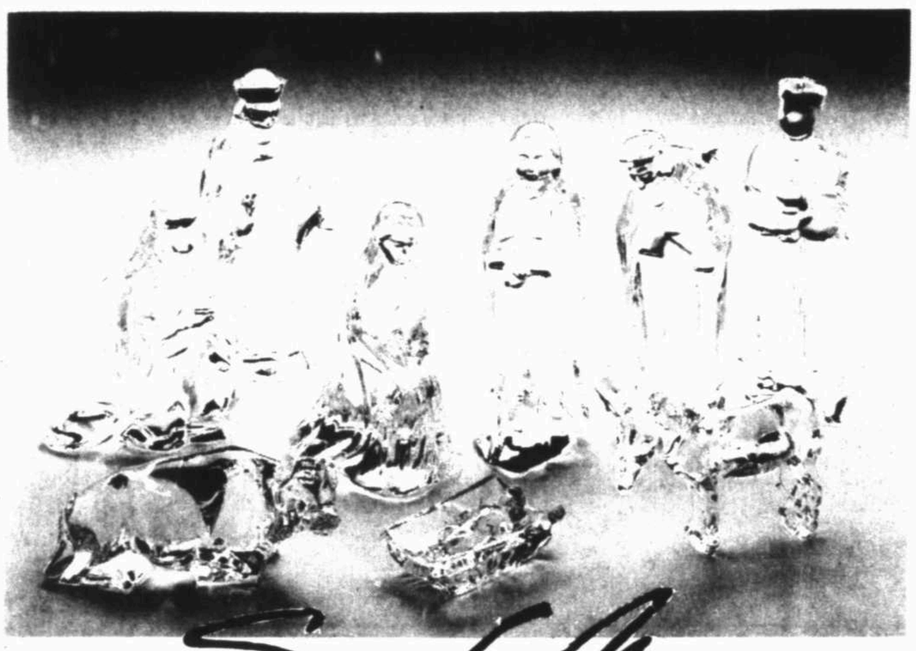
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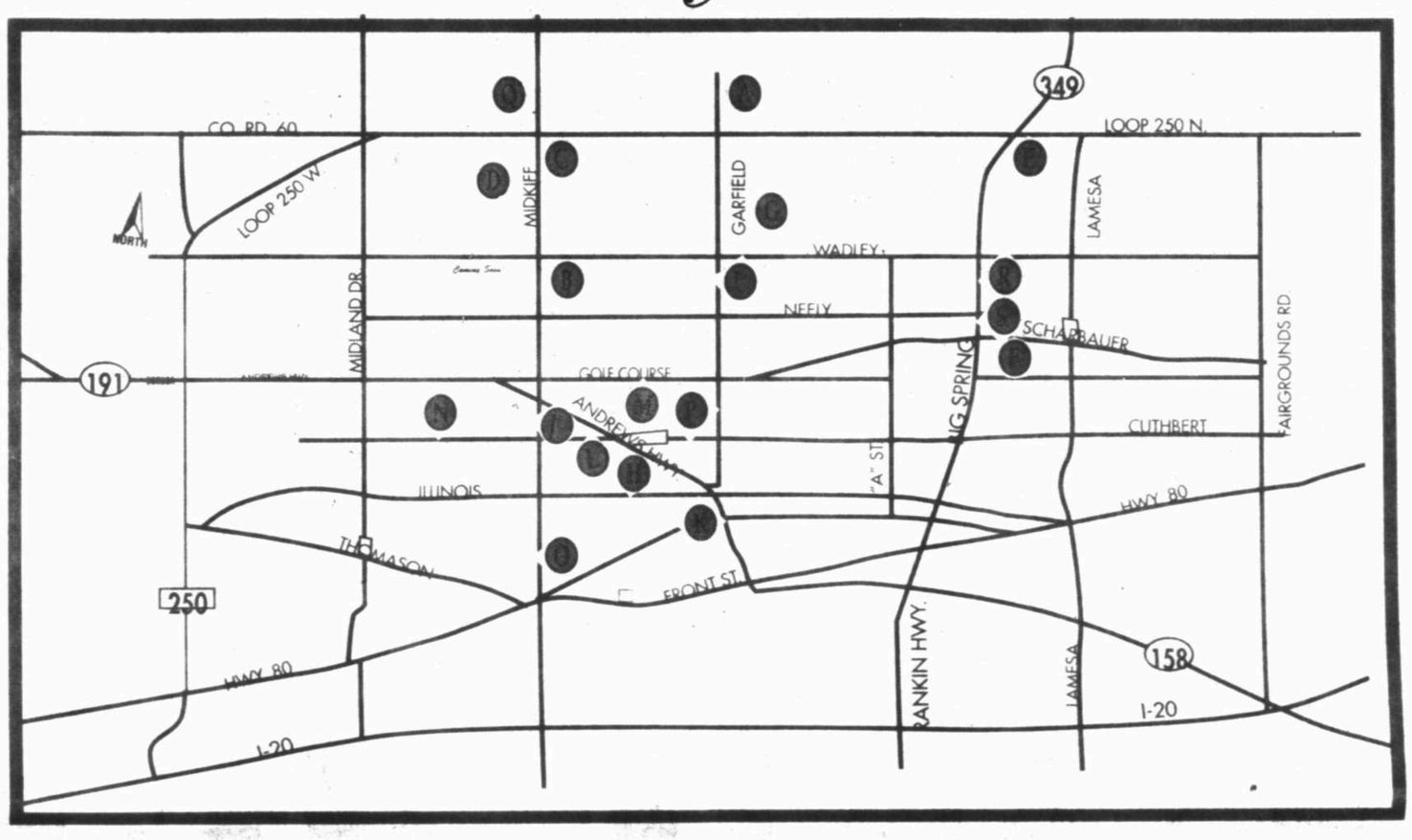
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Museum of the Southwest is displaying eight decorated trees in the Turner Galleries, and garlands and greenery on the mantles and staircase. Trees were designed by Midland artists and decorators, and will be on display through Jan. 7.

On exhibit in the museum is "Contemporary Art of the Navajo Nation," along with three trees decorated in Native American motifs.

The trees were decorated by Sharon Spear-Smith, fifth-grade students from Greathouse Elementary School, and Westside Lioness Club.

Other trees were decorated by Dan Haller, Cynthia Wolfe, Lamar Coats, Sun Country Gentlemen and A-1 Floral.

The museum, located at 1705 W. Missouri in Midland, is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

For the holidays, the museum will be closed Dec. 24-26 for Christmas, and Dec. 31-Jan. 1 for New Years.

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..."WACKY WEDNESDAYS" will present a class on making hand print aprons 10 a.m.-noon Wednesday at Museum of the Southwest.

Wacky Wednesdays, designed for children ages 3-5, is a weekly exploration of arts and crafts. Stephanie Fender is the instructor.

Cost is $3 for museum members and $5 for non-members. For more information call 683-2882 or 570-7770.

Children attending are asked to bring mid-morning snacks...

'Cookies for Santa' tradition is favorite

By Judith K. McGinnis
Associated Press

WICHITA FALLS — Almost as much fun as the toys under the tree for any young boy or girl are the other signs that Santa Claus really did come to visit during the night — the glass of milk is empty and all the cookies are gone.

No one seems to know just who first left such treats for Santa, hoping to re-energize him on his whirlwind Christmas voyage.

The first written account of such generosity dates back to 1908, when it was described in an article in a New York newspaper.

The story reported that children in one family left a meal of sandwiches, cake and coffee for Santa.

To their delight the next morning, the food was gone and in its place a note from Santa, thanking them for their kindness.

It wasn't unusual in the early 1900s for thoughtful children to remember Santa's reindeer, too.

Accounts tell of children leaving carrots for the team, and of rural youngsters — who knew the needs of hard-working animals — leaving piles of salt on their windowsills.

FAMILY MATTERS

Husband's holiday spending habits upset wife

By Jim May, Ph.D.

DEAR FAMILY: I hope that you can answer this *before* Christmas. My husband can't say "no" to his family when they tell him what they want for Christmas. He's always been the Golden Boy of their family and everyone looks to him like he's made of money. He's the only one in his family to ever go to college, much less be a success. His father is retired and they are living on Social Security. I think some of their not having much now is because they spent all they made and more, and didn't plan for their retirement years. It's not our fault and yet he continues to give them money and bail them out when they're in a financial bind.


May

You won't believe this but his two grown sisters actually send him "Dear Santa" letters! They all think that it's real cute but I don't. He winds up spending *our* money on his sisters and his parents. It's not like were made of money either. We both work, so it truly is *our* money. Both of these sisters dropped out of high school to go live with guys.

We've been married almost 10 years and this has gone on the entire time. I'm writing now because we've got two children, ages 4 and 2, and one of his sisters has a 10-year-old. This kid wants an expensive bicycle of some kind, so *he* wrote "Uncle Santa" a letter asking for it. My husband thought that was great and was going to buy him the bicycle. We had a giant fight over this and we haven't talked about it or hardly anything since.

He says that his sister's divorced from a no-good (true) who doesn't support her or his son and that we have plenty to share with them. I feel bad about saying this, but we all told her not to marry that guy, but she wouldn't listen so I think she got just what she deserved. The little boy is a terror and I don't even want him around my children, much less taunting them with a fancy bicycle that *we* bought.

We may have plenty to share, but that's partly because I have a very good management position that I've worked hard to earn. With my bonus some years I even make more than my husband does. I just don't think it's fair or right for him to keep playing "hero" to all of his family at the expense of our family. It may be true that we both have more, but we both worked hard, graduated from college and worked hard in our careers. None of them tried very hard and so now why do we have to pay for them being economic cripples? I need help on this FAST or it's going to be a miserable Christmas. Am I wrong to insist that they deserve what they get and we deserve what we get? FEELS LIKE SCROOGE

DEAR FEELS: Sometimes we are called upon in the name of spirit and charity to do things that do not make logical sense. As Scrooge discovered in the play, "A Christmas Carol," it is in cheerful giving that we receive.

As a successful business person, you may find it more effective to discuss this with your husband from a budgeting perspective. In the family budget each of you can allocate an amount of money for "Charitable Donations." He may choose to use his charitable money for his family, and you may choose other recipients.

Utilizing more of a budgeting approach may help move this from the "taking from our family and giving to his" frame to more of "our family donating to another family."

In general, different families have different beliefs and rules. His place in his family as the "Hero Child" is a difficult role that must be constantly re-evaluated so that he does not simply enable their economic incompetency.

You can be of help to him with this process if you can avoid the "me versus them" approach. Instead consider, "Is it helpful to them to give them fish or would it be better to teach them how to fish?"

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- Encourage your children to donate food for those less fortunate.
- Encourage your children to participate in church activities such as caroling shut-ins and the elderly.
- Read Christmas stories each night as a family.
- Encourage your children to contact grandparents to find out what they did on Christmas when they were children.
- Participate as a family in the religious celebration of Christmas, such as going to midnight church services.

Jim May is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

Questions for this column should be addressed to Family Matters, P.O. Box 10485, Midland, 79702.

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Make holiday centerpiece with biscotti cookies

By Sue Doerfler
N.Y. Times News Service

Biscotti, those popular, hard Italian cookies, can be assembled into a festive Christmas-tree centerpiece that is as great to eat as it is to look at. All you need are about 2½ dozen biscotti (each about 6 inches long), some vanilla icing, candied fruit and imagination. You'll also need a round plate or serving dish to place the tree on.

Biscotti, which in Latin roughly means "baked twice" and is a generic word for cookie in Italian, are sturdy enough to stack. These dry cookies originated in the 14th century as a food supplement that could be taken on long journeys.

The more sophisticated versions eaten today often are dipped into coffee and come in a variety of flavors. Plain ones are passe. Today the dough is available in a variety of flavors from gingerbread to chocolate and is mixed with cranberries, cherries, pistachios, almonds, macadamias, bits of white chocolate — you name it.

Biscotti may be found in gourmet and specialty-food stores and some supermarkets. Choose whatever flavor you desire.

A biscotti tree can be made several days ahead of time. The tree is assembled in Lincoln Log fashion in concentric circles that decrease in circumference as they reach the top. Each of the 11 layers has three biscotti, full-sized at the bottom and then halves or thirds near the top.

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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 YMCAs

The Midland YMCAs have many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults.

For more information regarding available activities and classes contact Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, 682-2551; Alamo YMCA, 901 N. Midland Drive, 694-2528; Northeast YMCA, 2301 Butternut, 682-8469; Town West YMCA, 1012 Andrews Hwy., 694-6821.

Scheduled activities at the Central YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m., 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Low impact aerobics; 7 a.m. YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.

■ Call for information, Y's Way to a Healthy Back.

■ By appointment, Specialized Strength Training for Seniors.

Scheduled activities for Alamo YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Arthritis Water Class.

■ Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 10 a.m. Aqua Aerobics; by appointment, Water Rehab Therapy.

Scheduled activities for the Town West YMCA are;

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 9 a.m. Prime Time Water Aerobics; 10 a.m. no-impact aerobics.

■ Tuesday and Thursday; 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Prime Time Water Aerobics.

■ Monday through Friday; 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Biking for fitness and Nautilus Weight Training for Prime Time adults is offered.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

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

■ Monday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, needlework and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting, crafts and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, choir and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. Bible class and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. movie and center bingo.

MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Midland Senior Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space #18. For more information call 686-1627. Activities for Dec. 18-22 include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes, exercise and ceramics; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch/Scharbauer Elementary School choir performance; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes, pinochle and pitch.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 9:30 a.m. line dancing; 11:30 a.m. lunch/nutition talk; 12:30 p.m. art class; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes, pitch, billiards and ladies billiards.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, ceramics, cards, dominoes and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. Christmas dinner/birthday party for December; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and pitch.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 9:15 a.m. line dancing; 9:30 a.m. country/western dancing; 10 a.m. benefits counseling (by appointment); 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art for fun; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and pitch.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and quilting; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and pitch.

MISSION ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Mission Adult Day Care Center of Midland is open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 2510 W. Ohio. For more information call 570-8710. Weekday schedule includes:

■ 8 a.m. light breakfast or snacks; 9 a.m. visitation, dominoes, special events; 10 a.m. exercise, R.O.M., discussion, current events, Dear Abbey, devotion prayers; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. rest period; 2:30 p.m. snacks.

■ Men's bowling, second Friday of each month; women's shopping trips, first Friday of each month.

Birthday parties and visits by the Kitchenettes are monthly.

Licensed professional staff includes nurses, activities director and certified nurses aids present daily. Transportation is insured.

RSVP

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) has opportunities for volunteers 55 years and older. RSVP will match volunteers' skills and interests to community agencies' needs. The program operates from Community and Senior Services, 3301 Sinclair. For more information, call 689-6693. A sample of current opportunities include:

■ Habitat for Humanity needs skilled construction volunteers to help meet building deadline. Target Inc. builds a Habitat home in each city where a new store is built. Deadline for completion of both buildings is March 10. Flexible schedule is available.

■ Salvation Army needs volunteers to help work with children and bolster their self-esteem. Shifts are one or two hour a week with flexible days. Supervision is provided.

■ Volunteers are needed to assist with a fundraiser for Community and Senior Services. Volunteers work at their own homes and at their own speed for this short-term project.

Volunteer gives time, talent to Senior Center

By Lana Cunningham

Big "gigs" and line dancing. Bridge games and computer courses. Exercise classes and billiards.

"The spirit is here," said Berlene House of the place where she spends her time and calls the love of her life — Kingsway Mall Senior Center.

It's a spirit that also lives within Mrs. House, a retired businesswoman who enjoys her volunteer time spent at the Center and with the people. She has sampled almost everything the Center has to offer, ranging from taking classes to teaching them, in addition to serving on the Advisory Board and coordinating a year-round fundraising project.

The Senior Center's budget includes no money for purchasing special items,and the Advisory Board looked for ways to raise capital, according to Mrs. House. Working with a local company, the Center now does major bulk mail-outs and the money earned goes toward its special fund. Last year the Center's volunteers prepared 117,857 pieces for mailing, according to Mrs. House. It took 297 volunteers working on the three mailing projects. Some of these volunteers donated many hours; others, minutes. Mrs. House kept track of it all.

Income from this project already has purchased an organ and a serger. "Now we're trying to get our computer center," she said.

"The mail-out has been a wonderful blessing for us. I just hope it continues."

Not only has this project earned money for special projects, but it has attracted people who had never seen the organization in action. "We have people who come to do this who don't want to do ceramics or play cards or take exercise class. And then other people come only to do the mail-outs and keep coming back for other activities once they see what is going on here."

Many people have no idea the number of activities bubbling over at the Center. "We like to get people down here and they see it's a whole new world. A lot of people think it's like a nursing home until they see it."

A nursing home it is not, she emphasized, not with the long list of activities going on five days and nights a week, and sometimes Saturdays.

Her love of the Center began about 10 years ago. Mrs. House, 70, had been a widow about two years, and her parents were going to the Center. She began volunteering at Hillcrest Manor and then at the Center's previous location on Delano Street. The Center kept growing in numbers, and a new facility was needed.

It was the Advisory Board which led the effort to get a new Center. "We're hard-headed and independent," she laughingly said of the Board. "The city fathers like us and we like the city fathers." She proudly added that Kingsway Senior Center is one of the most active facilities in the state, "thanks to the support of the city fathers."

Mrs. House has taken exercise classes, line dancing, taught two levels of bridge classes and played with the Kitchenette Symphony. "If someone comes in and wants a course taught, we do it if we can get enough people and a volunteer to teach it." Sometimes the Center is so busy, she said, classes have to held at night or on Saturday, as were her bridge classes.

There's also art, sewing, quilting, ceramics, penuchle, driver's ed and Gospel singing, just to mention a few of the offerings. "We have 60 people every Wednesday morning just for Gospel singing. It's that old-fashioned, gettin'-that-spirit-going kind of singing," she added with a laugh and a twinkle in her eye.

The Center also is home to a support group for people who are caretakers, such as Mrs. House. It meets the second Wednesday of each month at 12:30 p.m. "You need someone to talk to," she said, speaking from her own experience, "someone who can speak from 'I've been there.' If we're having a problem, someone else already has found a solution."

As the activities grow, so does the list of seniors who participate. It's not unusual on a day with a special party to have 150 to 180 seniors, she noted. "The activities are here for people," she said. "In the years I've been volunteering here, I've seen more lives changed. People come here and quickly pick up new friends. People can get their social lives here."

Mrs. House calls on different groups of friends at the Center, depending on what she wants to do, whether it's going to a concert, symphony, play or dancing. Nor does she limit herself only to activities at the Center. She sings in the choir at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, serves as a substitute Sunday school teacher, attends her grandchildren's sports events and is a member of the Ballroom Dance Society and Country Western Society.

A lover of dance, Mrs. House comes by it naturally — her parents danced until shortly before her father died about three years ago.

And when the Kingsway Mall Senior Center organizes an out-of-town trip, she often goes along. Recently the group went to Carlsbad, N.M., to participate in Christmas on the Pecos.

A seventh-generation Texan and a Midlander since 1952, Mrs. House has always been a busy person. The Center serves as an outlet for her energy and her ideas. "I'm a people person," she said, adding that she "doesn't waste time being around negative people."

Nor does she waste any time telling of her first love and the "spirit" that can be found at the Kingsway Center.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Berlene House enjoys the time she spends volunteering and participating at Midland Senior Center in Kingsway Mall.

83-year-old author reflects on experiences with life, aging

By William Gillen

NEW YORK (AP) — In a series of books, Studs Terkel has given readers insights into such issues as race and work and into such eras as the Great Depression and World War II. He is a master of the technique of oral history, of letting the people he interviews speak for themselves. Their voices are distinctive and memorable.

Now, in a new book, "Coming of Age," Terkel, himself a feisty 83-year-old, introduces us to 70 men and woman who, like him, are chroniclers of this century nearing its turbulent end. Listen to their stories and hear how the century shaped them and how they shaped the century. Hear, too, how they regard aging:

■ Sophie Masloff, the first woman elected mayor of Pittsburgh at age 72, says: "I hate the term senior citizen. It groups us all together as people who are out of commission."

■ Estelle Strongin, a New York City stockbroker in her 80s, says: "Just surviving isn't enough. It's a form of death. It's giving up. Everybody has a different kind of energy, I guess. ... Survival is more than just eating and breathing. It's being involved with life."

There are more people whose names the reader is likely to recognize than in past Terkel works. Terkel, known for his long-running radio program in Chicago, compares the people he interviewed for the book to the storytellers of West Africa who hand down tribal histories.

They share their joys and pleasures, their pains and regrets. They tell us the stories behind the epic events of this century.

There's Genora Johnson Dillinger, who was active in the first sit-down strike in 1937 when auto workers occupied their factories in Flint, Mich.

John Kenneth Galbraith, the Harvard economist whose book "The Affluent Society" he says rescued him from obscurity, recalls the 10 years he spent in opposition to the Vietnam War.

Terkel said he found a common concern among the people he interviewed, those with decades of living. Their concern was for the young: "We worry about the young" was their refrain.

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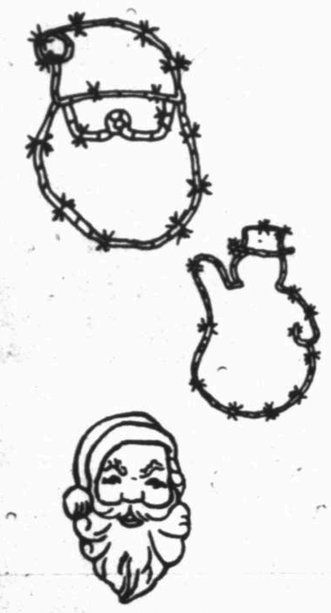
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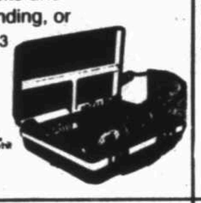



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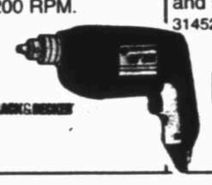
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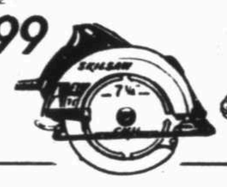
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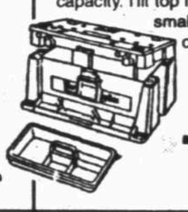
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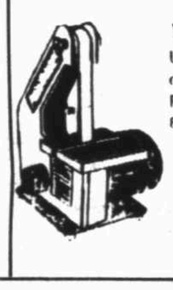
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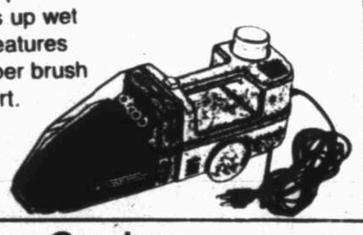
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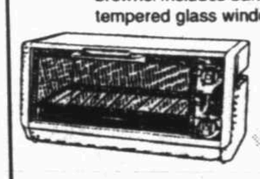
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DEAR ABBY

Drinking and driving turns holiday cheer to tears

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am a South Carolina law enforcement officer, and with the holiday season and New Year's Eve upon us, I hope you will publish this. I pray it will save at least one life. — A CARING OFFICER



Van Buren

DEAR OFFICER: It's well worth the space in my column, and I, too, pray it will save lives during this holiday season:

HOW TO MAKE A STATE TROOPER CRY
(author unknown)

Want to see a state trooper cry — or drop to his knees, bury his face in his hands, bawl like a baby, and slam his fist into the side of his patrol car? It's easy enough to do. And it happens more frequently than you think.

Just load yourself up with "holiday cheer," add a few beers and some mixed drinks, and drive your family home.

Refuse to listen when your wife suggests that maybe she should drive. Assert yourself. Be guided by your male ego. Say, "Aw, heck, I can drive better with a few beers under my belt than you can stone sober." Show her who's boss in your family!

Twenty minutes later, you're standing in darkness on the side of a highway, with broken glass and spilled gasoline at your feet.

Your wife is screaming, pinned beneath jagged edges of twisted steel. Your 2-year-old daughter is silent. Your 6-year-old son is sprawled face down in the mud some 30 feet away.

The state trooper arrives and smells the alcohol on your breath as you stumble and try to explain how it happened. He is not very gentle as he arrests you for "driving under the influence" — then pushes you into the rear seat of the patrol car.

The state trooper then turns around and pauses for a few moments in the cold, lonely night. Tears fill his eyes as he says a silent prayer for your family. Then he shifts his attention back to you.

Congratulations: You've made a state trooper cry!

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to the negative picture readers painted of life in a retirement center.

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Please see ABBY/10B





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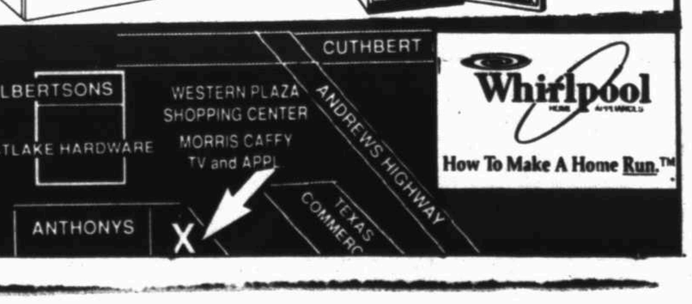
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ABBY: Retirement home living praised

(From 9B)

DEAR HELEN: In several European countries, facilities similar to your retirement community are available to most — if not all — seniors at little or no cost. What a blessing if these facilities were available to the majority of seniors in every country.

DEAR ABBY: A chum of mine from Alcoholics Anonymous offered this definition of an alcoholic:

"When your drinking interferes with your work, you're in trouble; when your work interferes with your drinking, you're an alcoholic." — AL HIX, HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a divorced woman in my 40s with one young child. My ex-husband is usually unemployed and has never stayed at one job long enough for me to collect any money from him, so I receive no support whatsoever. I have no family who can help.

My problem: I make enough money to pay the rent, utilities and insurance, and to buy groceries and gas, but after that there is nothing left over. I have no savings and drive an old car that's on its last legs. Our entertainment is heavily curtailed by this lack of extra money.

I shop at thrift stores, watch my grocery bill and take my child to budget movies when I can afford it. I don't date because I'm always flat broke, and these days you can't assume that your date will pay. Even if they do pay, there's the cost of a sitter, which I cannot afford. I make it a point not to meet men so I don't have to face this problem.

If I work two jobs, I have to worry about a sitter for my daughter. I have taken on additional office jobs when available and I have worked on weekends, but this hasn't been steady or guaranteed income. I've been looking for a job that pays more, but the competition is horrendous.

My question: How do other single mothers do it? How do they offer their children exposure to the better things in life? Even "free" activities have costs involved — gas to get there, soft drinks, etc. My daughter and I are just "existing" — not living. It angers me to have to tell her she can't have music or dance lessons. It's also very hard because all of my friends are married, and they have plenty of money to do as they please. They don't ask me to do much because they know I'm unable to. I'm so sick of saying, "I'd love to — but I can't afford it." After a while, they stop asking. — NO MONEY'S NOT FUNNY

DEAR NO MONEY: Perhaps you could take some job training that would qualify you for a better paying occupation. (Some employers will help with the expense, if the training can be useful to the company.) Inquire at your local junior college if there are scholarships or student loans available. It would mean extra work and time away from your child during the training period, but it could pay off in the long run.

Also, consider finding other single mothers who can share in child care, and barter services such as haircuts, baby sitting and dance lessons. Instead of avoiding social contacts, think about some Saturday evenings when everyone brings potluck and pools money to rent a video everyone enjoys.

Review your budget. You may be spending money where you don't realize it. And consider sharing a house with another single mother. It can work if it's the right match.

Since this problem is so widespread, perhaps my readers will have additional suggestions. How about it?

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Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin has promised that President Clinton will veto the measure, which he said would lead to an immediate government default.

The bill, passed by a largely partisan 235-103 vote, would bar Treasury from taking money from Social Security, federal retirement or other trust funds to keep the government operating without exceeding borrowing ceilings.

"The U.S. government cannot continue to act like a spendthrift that, having reached its level on its credit card, goes out and simply gets another credit card," said Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas.

"No president in his right mind would ever sign this bill," replied the committee's ranking Democrat, Rep. Sam Gibbons of Florida. "There would be financial chaos in the United States and in the world if you didn't have the maneuver room that you now have under the law."

Separately, the Senate Finance Committee approved a bill Thursday that would, among other things, strengthen the current law protecting the Social Security Trust Fund. Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., said he would offer broader legislation similar to the House bill.

The standoff between the White House and Congress on a seven-year balanced-budget plan has resulted in twin crises over the debt ceiling and the need for a temporary spending measure to keep the government running past midnight tonight.

Seventy-seven Democrats whose votes Clinton would need to sustain his expected veto of the debt limit bill demonstrated their power Thursday by voting "present." Their message? That Clinton must not accept welfare and health care proposals that undermine entitlement programs for children.

"We are very concerned about the erosion of the president's position" on safety nets for children, said Rep. Patsy Mink, D-Hawaii. The group was led by the black, Hispanic and Asian Pacific caucuses.

Clinton last month vetoed legislation to raise the debt ceiling beyond its current $4.9 trillion ceiling because it was attached to a GOP budget plan that he said made excessive cuts in health and social programs.

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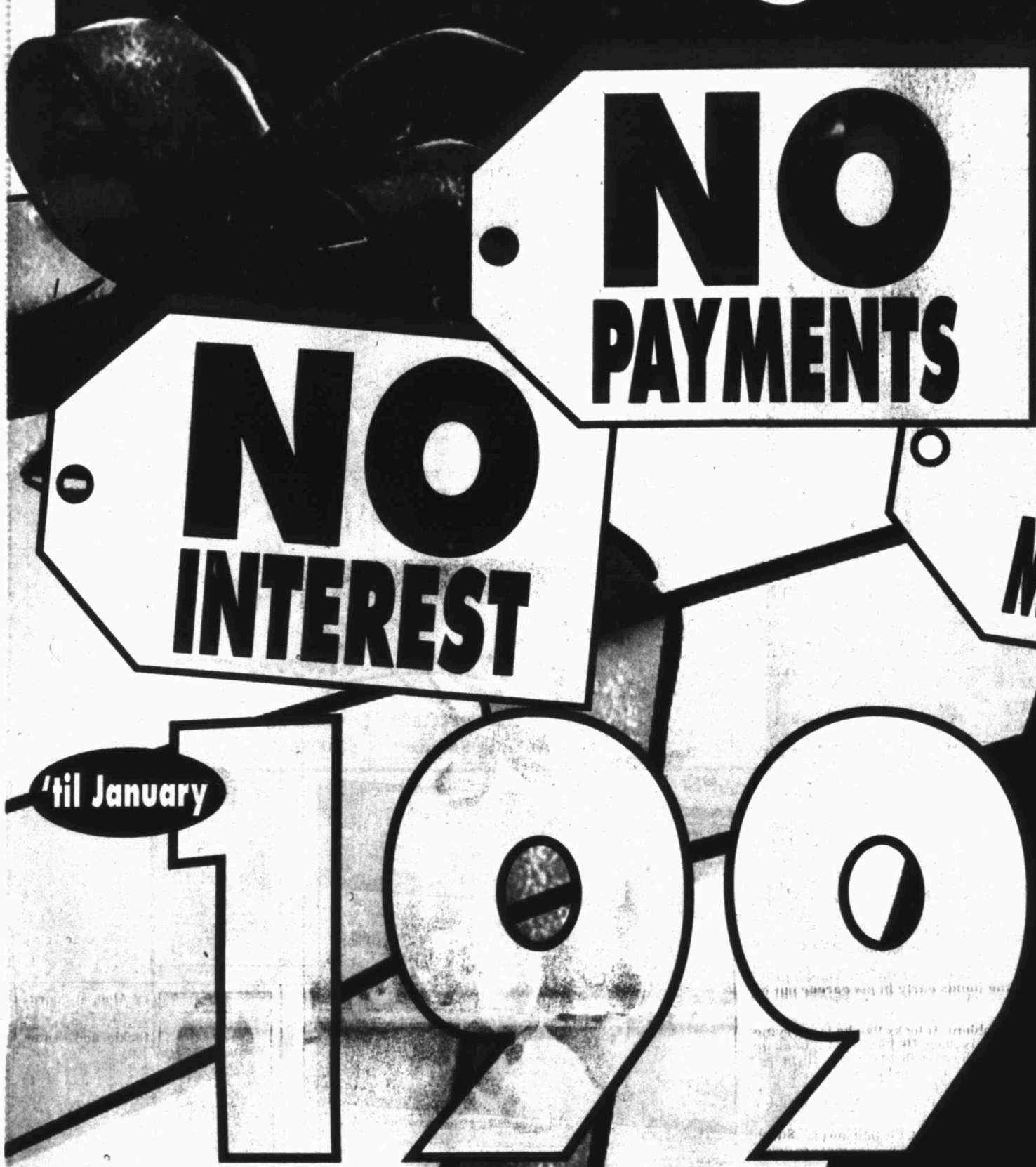
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BASKETBALL — NBA Basketball, Utah Jazz at Orlando Magic, 7 p.m., TNT.

HOCKEY — Pittsburgh Penguins at Dallas Stars, 7:30 p.m., PRIME.

BOXING — Champion Tracy Patterson (53-3-1) vs. Arturo Gatti (22-1-0) for IBF junior lightweight championship; champion Oscar De La Hoya (19-0-0) vs. James Leija 30-1-2) for WBO lightweight championship, at New York, 8:30 p.m., HBO.

Texas Scores

BASKETBALL — San Antonio Spurs 126, Dallas Mavericks 111.

Sports Today

BASKETBALL — High School Girls, San Angelo Central at Midland High, 8 p.m., MHS Gym.

Ozona at Midland Lee, 8 p.m., Chap Center.

Tale of the tape



The tale of the tape for the heavyweight fight between Mike Tyson and Buster Mathis Jr. to be held Saturday at the Spectrum in Philadelphia:

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43"	Chest (normal)	43 1/2"
45"	Chest (expanded)	44 1/2"
16"	Biceps	16 1/4"
14"	Forearm	12"
34"	Waist	36"
27"	Thigh	25"
18"	Calf	17"
19 3/4"	Neck	16 1/2"
8"	Wrist	7"
13"	Fist	12"
11"	Ankle	11"

See Tyson story/4C

MLS signs star

LOS ANGELES — Major League Soccer added another star past his prime, agreeing Thursday to a contract with Colombian midfielder Carlos Valderrama, who turned 34 in September.

Valderrama, known for his bushy blonde hair, played in the 1990 and 1994 World Cups and has seven goals in 90 international appearances. He will be assigned either to New York/New Jersey, Dallas or Tampa.

The league, which will start play in April, also signed midfielder Dominic Kinnear.

Barnett honored

HOUSTON — Gary Barnett, who led a dramatic turnaround that gave Northwestern its second bowl appearance ever, was named Thursday night the winner of the Bear Bryant Award as the college football coach of the year.

Barnett, completing his fourth season at Northwestern, led the No. 3 Wildcats out of obscurity to a 10-1 record, the Big 10 title and a spot opposite No. 17 Southern California in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1.

Barnett beat out five other finalists for the honor: Glen Mason, University of Kansas; John Cooper, Ohio State; Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech; Steve Spurrier, Florida; and Bill Snyder, Kansas State.

Northwestern, 3-7-1 last season, was picked to finish near the bottom of the Big 10 standings and shocked Notre Dame 17-15.

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BIG SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP: PERMIAN VS. JUDSON

First time for everything

Mojo and Judson make debut battle in 1995 Texas Bowl

By Jamie Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Since 1983, Converse Judson and Odessa Permian have played in more championship football games than any of the other 1,200 or so Texas high schools.

Yet, they've never faced each other.

Until Saturday.

The two teams synonymous with success over the last dozen years will finally meet. Fittingly, another championship trophy awaits the winner, this one for the Class 5A Division I title.

"Two tradition-rich programs playing for the state title — I think it's going to generate a lot of interest," Judson coach D.W. Rutledge said.

The Judson-Permian game in Texas Stadium is one of two championship clashes Saturday. The other decides the six-man king as defending champion Amherst (14-0) meets Milford (13-1) in a rematch of last year's title game.

Because the 5A Division I and six-man playoffs take five weeks to crown a champion, they're a week ahead of the rest of the other five title-chasers, all of whom are in the semifinals this weekend.

Thorndale and Sealy will try to continue defending their Class 1A and 3A crowns and La Marque will be after a third straight 4A title appearance. To do so, the Cougars must get past Corpus Christi Calallen for the third straight year.

But as many links and coincidences as there are with matchups like La Marque-Calallen and Amherst-Milford, nothing tops the stakes and history that goes into Judson-Permian.

Judson (13-1) is after its third crown in five years and fourth overall. The Rockets are in the championship game for the fourth time in six years and for the sixth time since 1983.

With a victory, Permian (12-1-1) would tie Plano and Brownwood with a state-record seven titles. The Panthers, appearing in their record 11th championship, are in the championship game for the first time since 1991.

But, somehow, the streaks of those schools have always missed each other.

Judson won it all in 1983; Permian tied for the 1984 crown and lost in 1985.

Judson returned with a loss in 1988; Permian was back with a victory in 1989.

Judson lost again in 1990; Permian won again in 1991. Then Judson won it all in 1992 and '93.

All told, that's nine appearances in 12 years; 10 in 13 counting this year. The only years that were dePermianed and Judsonless were 1986, 1987 and last year.

To the coaches, all the history and tradition is nice — but that's it. Both consider the nostalgia a non-fac-

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Just call him 'Butterfingers' Smith

■ The Cowboys' No. 1 runner was once oblivious to fumbles, but now Emmitt Smith is closing in on a career high for giving the football away.

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Say it isn't so. Emmitt Smith a fumbler? Not in our lifetime.

He had a streak of 761 consecutive touches before he lost the ball in Minnesota in the third week of the season.

Now the fumble funk has really hit the NFL's leading rusher. He has fumbled five times in the last five games.

Smith has lost fumbles inside the opponent's 5-yard line in the last two Dallas Cowboy losses to Washington and Philadelphia.

"I may have cost us the last two games with my fumbles," Smith said. "When you fumble as much as I have lately you start thinking about it. You try not to think about it but you do."

Smith has carried 329 times and caught 57 passes. He's fumbled seven times this year, just one short of his career high in 1991.

Running back coach Joe Brodsky believes he has found the problem just in time for Sunday's game against the New York Giants in Texas Stadium.

"Emmitt's not a fumbler," Brodsky said. "We had a problem with him not switching hands early in his career but he does that pretty well now.

"I think I've found the problem. It looks like he is carrying the ball lower than he normally does. He has to get it back up more into his rib cage. I think he may be pressing a little trying to help the team and fell into a bad habit. We'll work on it all this week and I think he'll be all right."

Smith said he was relieved to find the problem like a golfer who can't figure out his bad swing.

"I think I probably have been carrying the ball lower," Smith said. "It's a subconscious thing. You don't realize you are doing

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AP Laserphoto

Dallas Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith has had problems holding the football recently, fumbling five times in his five games.

Pro Bowl has heavy Dallas Cowboy accent

By Barry Wilner
AP Football Writer

NEW YORK — Their recent slump didn't hurt the Dallas Cowboys in the Pro Bowl voting announced Thursday.

Ten Cowboys, including starters Emmitt Smith, Nate Newton, Jay Novacek, Charles Haley and Darren Woodson, were selected in balloting by players, coaches and fans.



Woodson

The other Cowboys chosen for the Feb. 4 game at Aloha Stadium in Honolulu were backups Troy Aikman at quarterback, Michael Irvin at wide receiver, Larry Allen at guard, Mark Tuinei at *tackle and center Ray Donaldson*, who is injured.



Newton

Not elected to the game was Cowboys cornerback Deion Sanders.

It was the third straight year Dallas had the most selections.

San Francisco added nine players on the NFC squad, including wide receiver Jerry Rice, who made it for the 10th time in 11 seasons. The other starters from the 49ers were linebacker Lee Woodall, safety Merton Hanks and cornerback Eric Davis.

Backups from San Francisco included quarterback Steve Young, defensive tackle Dana Stubblefield, linebacker Ken Norton and safety Tim McDonald. Center Bart Oates will replace Donaldson.

Denver had the most representatives on the AFC team, six, followed by Kansas City with five.

For the Broncos, just 7-7 this season, the starters were safety Steve Atwater and specialists Jason Elam (kicker) and Glyn Milburn (kick returner. The reserves were wide receiver Anthony Miller, tight end Shannon Sharpe and tackle Gary Zimmerman.

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Lady Dawgs hope to tame Central kitties, Lady Rebs battle 2A state champ Ozona

By Sean Wallace
Sports Writer

Happiness, Midland High coach Jim Raughton might say, is Abilene in the rear-view mirror.

"I am glad we don't have to go back there again this season," Raughton said after his Lady Dawgs escaped with a 57-55 win over Abilene High on Tuesday. "That is a real tough place to play in and I'm glad we got out of there with a win."

The Lady Dawgs (11-2 overall, 1-0 in District 4-5A) cleared their first hurdle on the road to another district title but face another tough game as Midland



Rhoads



Merritt

High battles San Angelo Central tonight at 8 at the MHS Gym.

The Lee girls (8-5, 1-0), who won their district opener Tuesday over Abilene Cooper, take on defending Class 2A champion Ozona in a non-district game tonight at 8 at Chaparral Center.

"I'll tell you, Central's got a lot of people back from last year and they are a team that could give us some trouble," Raughton said. "They've got (Patrina) Pearson back now, (Kanesha) Randle who can certainly score and (Imani) Dunbar their left-handed point guard."

Randle, a 5-foot-11 sophomore post, is the Lady Bobcats leading scorer this season at 18.8 points per game and has lit up the scoreboard in her last two games. She

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All-Star second baseman Biggio signs with Astros

By Michael A. Lutz
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Loyalty — and teammate Jeff Bagwell's restructured contract — finally convinced Craig Biggio to stay with the Astros.

The All-Star second baseman agreed Thursday to a $22.36 million, four-year contract after considering offers from Colorado, St. Louis and San Diego.

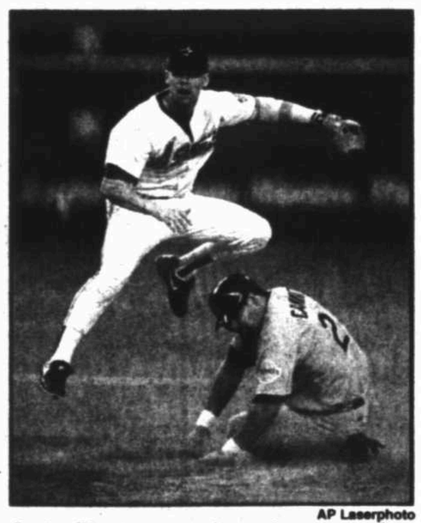
"The decision came down to the people here," said Biggio, who turned 30 on Thursday. "I consider myself a loyal person and I've been a part of this organization for eight years. We're going to make it work. I want to win in an Astros uniform."

Bagwell had said he would consider asking to be traded if Biggio did not return.

"He wanted me to come back but he didn't put any pressure on me," Biggio said. "His willingness to restructure his contract involved a lot of money and that says something about his character. He wants to win."

Biggio gets a $2 million salary next season, $6.18 million in 1997, $6.12 million in 1998 and $6.06 million in 1998. The Astros have a $5 million option for 1999 with a $2 million buyout.

"The real credit goes to Craig for committing to continue his career here in



AP Laserphoto

Craig Biggio, seen here, has agreed to terms with the Houston Astros that will keep the second baseman in Houston for four years.

Houston," Astros president Tal Smith said. "Jeff's willingness to restructuring also helped it to happen."

Keeping Biggio was seen as a key ingredient to helping the Astros attain attendance goals set by owner Drayton McLane. McLane has said the club must draw well in 1996 or he will sell. A goup from the Washington, D.C. suburbs wants to buy the team and move it to northern Virginia.

Biggio was the NL's starting second baseman in last summer's All-Star game. He hit .302 last season and led the

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"Black Jack" McDowell added to potent Cleveland rotation

■ Muscially inclined pitcher should be good fit for "Rock and Roll" city and Indian staff.

By Lisa Cornwell
Associated Press Writer

CLEVELAND — Pitcher Jack McDowell joined the Cleveland Indians' pitching staff Thursday in a $10.15 million, two-year deal with a club option for 1998.

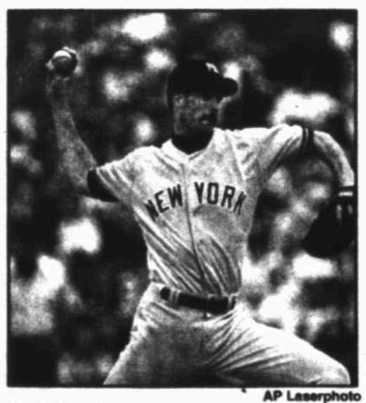
Indians general manager John Hart likened McDowell to "the missing piece of a puzzle" that the organization was trying to complete in setting up its team for 1996 and beyond.

"We didn't have many pieces to fill, and I think some of the pieces we filled were from within," Hart said. "And I think Jack obviously was the big piece from outside."

McDowell, the 1993 AL Cy Young Award winner, gets $4.8 million in each of the next two seasons. The Indians have an option for 1998 at the same salary but must pay a $550,000 buyout if they don't exercise it.

McDowell takes the spot of Ken Hill in the Indians' rotation. He was 15-10 with a 3.93 ERA in 30 starts with the New York Yankees in 1995, pitching 217 2-3 innings. McDowell made $5.4 million last season.

Orel Hershiser, Charles Nagy and Dennis Martinez will return to the Cleveland staff from this year's team, backed by closer Jose Mesa.



AP Laserphoto

Jack McDowell, seen above, signed with the Indians on Thursday.

"I think what we have is a very solid pitching staff, and that any day that any of these pitchers go out they are capable of throwing a big game against anybody," Hart saud. "It doesn't matter who they match up with."

Cleveland went 100-44 last season and figures to be the strongest AL team next year. McDowell said the strength of the club was obviously a major factor in his decision.

"The number one priority is to be on a winning team, and to watch what has happened over the past few years with this organization and

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White makes miraculous comeback without surgery

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — In a change described as "nothing short of miraculous," Reggie White returned to the practice field Thursday and showed the Green Bay Packers he doesn't need season-ending hamstring surgery after all.

A day after the Packers said White, the NFL's all-time sack leader, would be lost for the rest of the season and the playoffs, the team said next week's surgery has been canceled — and he's listed as questionable for Saturday's game at New Orleans.

"The difference between Tuesday's workout and (Thursday's) is nothing short of miraculous," said a statement from the team's medical staff. "Reggie will be further evaluated pre-game Saturday morning and a playing decision will be made at that time."

White said he was at home playing with his children Wednesday evening when he noticed that as he ran, the hamstring felt better than it did Tuesday. He said he called strength and conditioning coach Kent Johnston and they went to the team's training facility to test the leg, and it felt good.

That's when they headed for head coach Mike Holmgren's house, arriving about midnight.

"I was turning out the Christmas lights and he was there," Holmgren said. "I thought it was Santa.

"They told me what they had done. I said we'll test it hard (Thursday) morning. The leg has to be within a few percents of the other leg, otherwise I still won't put him on the field."

White, an ordained minister, has credited his deep faith in God for helping heal football injuries like the knee sprain he sustained in a Nov. 5 game with Minnesota. The next week, he didn't start but played much of the game with the Chicago Bears.

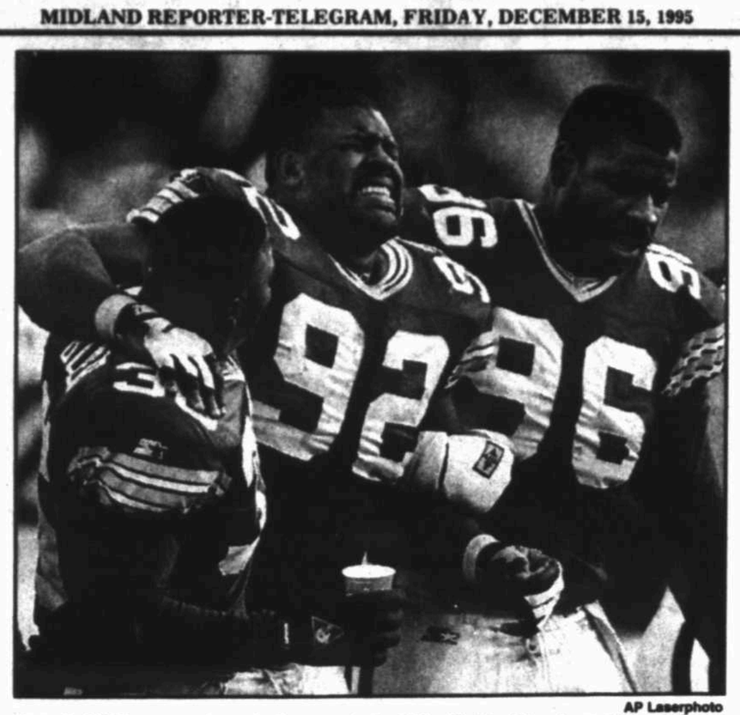
But this time, the team's announcement Wednesday had seemed to settle the matter.

Then came Thursday's news that White had passed all the tests on the function of the injured leg, resulting in the decision to cancel the surgery.

"It's another situation where something miraculous happened," White said. "I thank God for it. I can't explain it. I can't explain why my leg's not hurting as bad as it was Tuesday."

The operation was designed to repair the left hamstring injury suffered Dec. 3 in a game with Cincinnati.

White has been the dominant force of the defense — physically and spiritually — ever since he signed with Green Bay as a free agent in 1993.



AP Laserphoto

Reggie White, seen here being carried off the field with a hamstring injury, has made a miraculous comeback and is listed as questionable for this weekend's game.

Alamo Bowl is homecoming for some Texas-born Wolverines

■ Many Wolverines will return home when Michigan takes on Texas A&M in the Alamo Bowl.

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Michigan defensive tackle Will Carr is going home for Christmas — and he hopes to come back a winner.

Carr, Jarrett Irons and several other Wolverines are from Texas, where the Wolverines will play Texas A&M in the Alamo Bowl on Dec. 28.

"I love it. I can't wait to get back home," said Carr, a junior from Dallas. "But I don't want to go home and lose."

Irons, a standout junior linebacker from The Woodlands, Texas, said Texas A&M is where he would have played if he hadn't gone to Michigan.

And he wants to show the folks back home that he made the right choice.

"It was either going to be A&M or Michigan," Irons said. "They recruited me really hard; they wanted me to stay in Texas.

"But I felt my best opportunity was here."

Carr said Texas A&M didn't pursue him as much.

"They recruited me for about two days," he said. "They said 'you've got to commit now.' I said 'I don't know now' and they stopped recruiting me."

The Wolverines, 9-3 after the regular season, are trying to fit about a week's worth of practice around final exam schedules.

"It's a busy time," he said, "but we're doing the best we can to get our game plan implemented before we go to San Antonio and then polish up."

They'll fly to San Antonio on Wednesday, hopefully giving the players time to get over the distractions that come with bowl trips, coach Lloyd Carr said. It also will give Carr, Irons and other Texas time to enjoy being home.

"They're excited about going home, sure, but they want to go back and have a great game," Carr said of his Lone Star players.

Irons said he expects more than 100 family members and friends to attend the game, while Will Carr said he'll have at least 60.

Myers signs with Baltimore, Stanley with Boston

NEW YORK — On a day in which teams committed $57.26 million to eight free agents, Craig Biggio got a $22.36 million, four-year contract from the Astros, Jack McDowell got a $10.15 million, two-year deal with the Indians and Randy Myers got $6.3 million over two years from the Orioles.

Al Leiter may have gotten the most astonishing deal of the day. After going 11-11 with a 3.64 ERA last season for Toronto and making $795,000, he agreed to an $8.6 million, three-year deal with the Florida Marlins.

Center fielder Lance Johnson got about $5 million over two years from the New York Mets, and catcher Mike Stanley was given a $2.3 million, one-year deal by the Boston Red Sox.

Outfielder Darryl Hamilton agreed to a $1.05 million, one-year contract with the Texas Rangers, and outfielder Mike Kingery signed a $1.5 million, two-year deal with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Myers, a 33-year-old left-hander who completed an $11 million, three-year contract with the Chicago Cubs, will receive a $1 million signing bonus, $2.1 million in 1996 and $3.2 million the following year.

By joining the Marlins, Leiter gets to pitch for his hometown team. He gets $2.7 million next year, $2.9 million in 1997 and $3 million in 1998.

■ Free Agent Roundup

Johnson had trouble believing the White Sox didn't want him back. He hit .306 last season with a league-leading 186 hits, 12 triples, 10 homers, 57 RBIs and 40 steals in 46 attempts.

Stanley, 32, became a free agent after hitting .268 with 18 homers and 83 RBIs in 118 games last season. The Yankees decided not to sign him and acquired Joe Girardi from Colorado to replace him.

Boston and Stanley have a mutual option for 1997. Stanley can exercise it at $2.1 million. If he decides not to, the Red Sox can exercise it at $2.75 million.

Kingery, who played for Colorado in 1995, gets $750,000 from the Pirates for next two seasons.

ASTRO: Biggio signs for $22.36 million

(From 1C)

majors with 123 runs scored, an Astros record. He tied for third in the league with 80 walks and tied for second with a .406 on-base percentage.

"Two seasons ago, we were going to win it but we had the strike," Biggio said. "Last year, we had to watch another team determine our destiny."

Before he filed for free agency, Biggio rejected a $20 million, four-year offer from the Astros.

Colorado was said to be offering $21 million over four years and the Cardinals $25 million over five. San Diego's offer was said to be $22 million over four years.

The novelty of staying put, however, appealed to Biggio.

JACK: Mr. Happy Finger will rock in Cleveland

(From 1C)

team, I think a lot of people would love to be in my situation right now," he said.

McDowell, who wasn't offered arbitration by the Yankees last week, also said an "outstanding" contract helped make the Indians' offer "almost impossible to turn down." He also said he was impressed with the fans' support of the Indians.

McDowell had some trouble with New York fans last season. He was fined $5,000 by the Yankees for making an obscene gesture to the crowd during a game. He made the gesture after being booed by a crowd of 21,118 when he had a bad outing in a July game.

He was ordered by the AL to make it up to fans by buying them tickets to Yankee home games. The number of tickets was not disclosed.

McDowell, 29, is the latest in a flurry of signings for the Indians, who have already sold out all their seats for next season.

The Indians this week signed shortstop Omar Vizquel to a $15.35 million, five-year extension through 2001. Previous signings include a $6.75 million, two-year contract with pitcher Charles Nagy; a $10.15 million, four-year deal with outfielder Manny Ramirez; a $5 million, two-year deal with first baseman Julio Franco; $2 million for 1996 for DH Eddie Murray; a $2.7 million contract extension for 1997 for pitcher Orel Hershiser; and one-year deals with Tony Pena ($525,000), Jim Poole ($400,000) and Alvaro Espinoza ($400,000).

MOJO: Permian goes for title No. 7

(From 1C)

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"It'll be what everybody wants it to be just because it's a state championship game," said Randy Mayes, in his second year as Permian head coach.

Added Rutledge, "I think that's most exciting to mainly the fans and media. The kids, they're excited any time they can be playing for a state championship."

Judson's trademark is a tailback-oriented offense and this year's team fits the bill. Bruce Johnson leads the way with nearly 2,000 yards rushing.

But he's no Jerod Douglas, the record-setting back who powered the Rockets to the '92-93 crowns. So this year's Judson team uses more passing than usual.

"We're always going to be predominantly a running ballclub, but Guy Anderson has done a great job throwing the ball and we have several very good receivers," Rutledge said.

After a solid regular season that left Judson ranked seventh before the playoffs, Rutledge challenged his team to get even better.

This year's Permian team, which went into the playoffs ranked one spot higher than Judson, will look familiar to all observers.

They have a run-based offense that comes at defenses from multiple formations and a smothering defense that's pretty stingy.

Overall, Permian has averaged 348.29 yards per game (286.29 of it rushing) and a little more than 26 points per game. The defense has allowed 230 yards and 10 points per game.

Although they've never faced each other, Permian and Judson do have a common opponent in San Angelo Central.

But that's no help: Judson won 48-3 and Permian beat Central 32-7.

GIRLS: Both games start at 8 p.m.

(From 1C)

scored 22 against Sweetwater and then 20 to go along with 12 rebounds in a district-opening surprise of Odessa Permian, beating the Lady Panthers by 17 points.

Pearson, another 5-11 post, is back with the team after sitting out the first part of the year as a grades casualty. She averaged 12.5 points and 10 rebounds a game last year. Dunbar is the team's leading three-point shooter (eight this year) and is averaging 10 points a game.

Central's record of 7-4 doesn't look all that impressive on the surface, but seven wins at this point of the season is a big turnaround for the Lady Bobcats. Last year, the team won all of six games.

"We've got to be ready to go out and play hard every game in this district," Raughton said. "We had Abilene down by 11, they made a few shots we missed some shots and they got back into the game. We just pulled it together at the end and came out with the victory."

Senior guard Ogonna Merritt (15.9 points per game) has stepped up her game as the team's leading scorer in the past two contests. After sub-par, nine- and 13-point performances, Merritt came through with 22 against Shallowater and 20 in its district opener at Abilene High.

Midland's fast-paced offense and defensive pressure has worked against the Lady Bobcats before. The Lady Dawgs swept both games from Central a year ago, forcing the Bobcats into 74 turnovers.

While the Lady Dawgs try to win their second straight district game, the Lady Rebels will play an Ozona team that, desipte being a 2A program, has given some bigger teams fits this year.

The Lady Lions are unbeaten (12-0), upset Odessa High 52-49 in overtime Tuesday night and are led by 6-foot sophomore post Amber Tarr who is averaging 18 points and eight rebounds a game. Junior 5-10 post Shelly Sullivan is another part of Ozona's formidable inside game.

The Lady Lions will be without the services of Amber McWilliams, a wing who hurt her knee against Odessa High and is not expected to play.

Coach Elise Kail's team will have to put in another solid performance like it did against Abilene Cooper to win.

"It really should be a great game. They've got some great kids," Kail said. "They're the top-ranked team in the state and unbeaten. We're going to have to play really well to win."

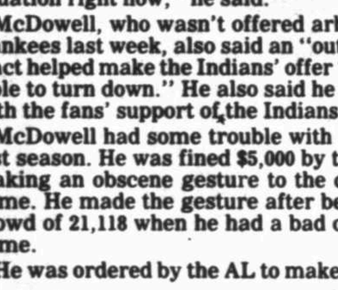
Ozona beat Lee last year in the semifinals of the Brownfield tournament by six and Kail is using this game as a sounding board to see how far the program has come, and as another tuneup before jumping back into district play against Midland High next Thursday.

"We're using this game as a stepping stone to next Thursday," she said. "We're going to try some new things and see if they work. The girls have really come together this week and have had great practices."

The Lady Rebels controlled the tempo throughout the game against Abilene Cooper on Tuesday and found its offensive stroke again, but it was the defensive play which kept Cooper from getting back into the game in the fourth quarter.

"We played a lot better defense than we had been playing," forward Jamie Rhoads said. "It was good to see us playing better. We played more as a team."

Rhoads turned in her best game in three weeks, scoring 25 points and helped get the Lady Rebels back on the winning track. The 5-9 junior has scored 16 or more points eight times this year but hadn't scored over 20 since the Coronado game.



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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NBA Results

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All Times CST
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	17	5	.773	—
New York	16	6	.727	1
Miami	12	7	.632	3 1/2
Boston	10	10	.500	6
New Jersey	9	10	.474	6 1/2
Washington	9	10	.474	6 1/2
Philadelphia	3	17	.150	13
Central Division				
Chicago	18	2	.900	—
Indiana	10	9	.526	7 1/2
Atlanta	10	12	.455	9
Cleveland	9	11	.450	9
Charlotte	10	13	.435	9 1/2
Detroit	8	12	.400	10
Milwaukee	6	12	.333	11
Toronto	7	16	.304	12 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	17	5	.773	—
Utah	14	6	.700	2
San Antonio	12	7	.632	3 1/2
Denver	10	10	.500	6
Dallas	7	13	.350	9
Minnesota	6	12	.333	9
Vancouver	2	19	.095	14 1/2
Pacific Division				
Sacramento	13	6	.684	—
Seattle	14	7	.667	—
Portland	11	9	.550	2 1/2
L.A. Lakers	12	10	.545	2 1/2
Phoenix	8	11	.421	5
Golden State	7	13	.350	6 1/2
L.A. Clippers	7	14	.333	7

Thursday's Games
Indiana 102, Toronto 100
Denver 104, New York 93
Chicago 127, Atlanta 108
San Antonio 126, Dallas 111
Portland 116, Charlotte 109
Miami at L.A. Clippers, (late)

Friday's Games
Toronto at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Indiana, 6:30 p.m.
Utah at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Sacramento at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Portland at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Detroit at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Utah at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Charlotte at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

SPURS 126, MAVERICKS 111

SAN ANTONIO (126): Elliot 10-21 4-5 27, Perdue 3-8 0-0 6, Robinson 13-17 7-7 33, Johnson 8-12 5-7 21, Del Negro 2-8 4-5 9, Person 3-4 1-2 8, Reid 5-6 2-2 12, Alexander 1-1 0-0 3, Rivers 1-2 0-0 3, Demps 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 47-80 25-30 126.

DALLAS (111): McCloud 7-14 2-2 20, Jones 6-16 0-0 12, Williams 2-3 1-2 5, Kidd 7-15 1-1 17, Jackson 6-21 5-7 17, Davis 6-8 1-1 13, Dumas 0-6 2-4 2, Harris 7-9 0-0 19, Meyer 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 44-95 12-17 111.

San Antonio 27 31 36 32 — 126
Dallas 32 29 23 27 — 111

3-Point goals—San Antonio 7-11 (Elliott 3-7, Del Negro 1-1, Person 1-1, Alexander 1-1, Rivers 1-1), Dallas 11-20 (Harris 5-5, McCloud 4-8, Kidd 2-4, Dumas 0-1, Jackson 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 48 (Perdue 15), Dallas 46 (Davis 10). Assists—San Antonio 26 (Johnson 9), Dallas 33 (Kidd 11). Total fouls—San Antonio 20, Dallas 23. Technical—Dallas assistant coach K.Motta.

NUGGETS 103, KNICKS 94

DENVER (103): D.Ellis 4-8 2-2 11, Hammonds 3-6 0-0 6, Mutombo 7-15 2-4 16, Abdul-Rauf 10-24 2-2 25, Stith 6-12 5-6 17, MacLean 9-18 1-2 19, Rose 3-7 3-3 9. Totals 42-90 15-19 103.

NEW YORK (94): Davis 3-6 1-2 9, Mason 7-14 7-9 21, Ewing 14-32 2-2 30, Starks 4-9 0-0 8, Harper 6-12 3-4 16, Grant 1-1 4-4 6, Smith 1-4 2-2 4. Totals 36-78 19-23 94.

Denver 34 21 21 27 — 103
New York 30 28 18 18 — 94

3-Point goals—Denver 4-14 (Abdul-Rauf 3-8, D.Ellis 1-4, Stith 0-2), New York 3-9 (Davis 2-4, Harper 1-3, Ewing 0-1, Starks 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Denver 55 (Mutombo 13), New York 43 (Mason, Ewing 12). Assists—Denver 22 (Stith 6), New York 17 (Mason 7). Total fouls—Denver 18, New York 19. Technicals—Denver illegal defense 2.

BULLS 127, HAWKS 108

CHICAGO (127): Pippen 12-19 1-2 30, Rodman 2-3 0-0 4, Longley 4-7 2-2 10, Harper 4-8 3-3 11, Jordan 8-16 5-5 22, Kukoc 5-6 4-6 14, Edwards 1-2 1-2 3, Kerr 5-8 0-0 13, Buechler 3-5 0-0 6, Brown 2-4 0-2 4, Simpkins 4-6 2-2 10. Totals 50-84 18-24 127.

ATLANTA (108): Norman 6-10 0-0 13, Long 6-14 2-3 14, Lang 3-8 1-2 7, Smith 6-10 3-4 17, Blaylock 4-12 0-0 10, Augmon 6-12 5-7 17, Ehlo 4-7 0-0 10, Henderson 4-8 0-0 8, Webb 1-8 0-0 2, Mundt 3-3 2-2 8, Bullard 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 44-94 13-18 108.

Chicago 35 30 28 34 — 127
Atlanta 27 28 20 33 — 108

3-Point goals—Chicago 9-17 (Pippen 5-7, Kerr 3-4, Jordan 1-4, Rodman 0-1, Harper 0-1), Atlanta 7-23 (Ehlo 2-3, Smith 2-4, Blaylock 2-8, Norman 1-4, Bullard 0-1, Webb 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 46 (Rodman 10), Atlanta 49 (Long 10). Assists—Chicago 29 (Pippen, Kukoc 8), Atlanta 22 (Webb 10). Total fouls—Chicago 21, Atlanta 24. Technical—Chicago illegal defense.

PACERS 102, RAPTORS 100

INDIANA (102): McKey 3-6 1-3 8, D.Davis 2-5 3-4 7, Smits 12-20 4-5 28, R.Miller 2-9 7-9 12, Jackson 0-5 3-4 3, Johnson 1-4 0-0 3, A.Davis 6-7 6-8 18, Workman 2-4 0-0 4, Ferrell 1-1 0-0 2, Best 0-1 0-0 0, Pierce 8-12 0-0 17. Totals 37-74 24-33 102.

TORONTO (100): Anderson 6-9 5-6 20, Pinckney 4-9 4-6 12, O.Miller 8-13 6-6 22, Robertson 3-8 4-4 10, Stoudamire 4-11 4-6 13, Murray 8-17 1-2 21, Tabak 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 34-68 24-30 100.

Indiana 26 27 24 25 — 102
Toronto 32 30 23 15 — 100

3-Point goals—Indiana 4-13 (McKey 1-2, Johnson 1-2, Pierce 1-3, R.Miller 1-4, Jackson 0-1, Best 0-1), Toronto 8-21 (Murray 4-9, Anderson 3-4, Stoudamire 1-5, Pinckney 0-1, Robertson 0-2). Fouled out—Anderson. Rebounds—Indiana 43 (D.Davis 9), Toronto 43 (O.Miller 12). Assists—Indiana 26 (Jackson 10), Toronto 26 (Stoudamire 13). Total fouls—Indiana 22, Toronto 23. Technicals—Robertson.

BLAZERS 116, HORNETS 109

CHARLOTTE (109): Burrell 2-9 2-2 7, Johnson 5-16 3-4 13, Zidek 0-2 0-0 0, Rice 10-18 7-9 33, Gill 9-16 5-6 23, Geiger 2-5 0-0 4, Curry 10-18 0-0 27, Sutton 0-1 2-2 2, Parish 0-0 0-0 0, Hancock 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-85 19-23 109.

PORTLAND (116): Grant 6-15 1-2 13, C.Robinson 9-20 6-8 28, Dudley 3-5 0-2 6, McKie 5-13 3-3 14, Strickland 6-13 9-14 21, Trent 6-8 1-2 13, J.Robinson 0-1 0-0 0, Childress 3-6 0-0 8, Williams 6-9 1-3 13. Totals 44-91 21-34 116.

Charlotte 24 38 20 27 — 109
Portland 25 28 34 29 — 116

3-Point goals—Charlotte 14-27 (Curry 7-11, Rice 6-8, Burrell 1-5, Johnson 0-1, Gill 0-1, Geiger 0-1), Portland 7-13 (C.Robinson 4-5, Childress 2-4, McKie 1-2, Strickland 0-2). Fouled out—Burrell. Rebounds—Charlotte 44 (Geiger 10), Portland 66 (Dudley 19). Assists—Charlotte 18 (Gill 5), Portland 26 (Strickland 14). Total fouls—Charlotte 29, Portland 19. Technical—Trent. A—20,374 (21,401).

NHL Results

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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	22	8	2	46	110	77
N.Y. Rangers	20	8	5	45	118	91
Philadelphia	19	8	4	42	113	73
Tampa Bay	13	13	5	31	88	100
Washington	13	13	3	29	80	78
New Jersey	13	14	3	29	77	74
N.Y. Islanders	7	20	3	17	84	120
Northeast Division						
Pittsburgh	19	6	3	41	141	88
Montreal	14	12	2	30	90	92
Buffalo	12	14	3	27	87	93
Boston	11	14	4	26	100	110
Hartford	10	16	2	22	68	90
Ottawa	7	21	1	15	73	116
WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Central Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	20	7	2	42	115	67
Toronto	14	10	5	33	92	85
Chicago	12	11	7	31	100	94
St. Louis	13	13	5	31	82	87
Winnipeg	13	14	3	29	107	110
Dallas	9	12	6	24	77	88
Pacific Division						
Colorado	18	9	4	40	137	94
Los Angeles	13	12	6	32	102	99
Anaheim	12	17	3	27	98	101
Edmonton	10	15	6	26	83	115
Vancouver	9	12	8	26	104	112
Calgary	7	17	7	21	85	108
San Jose	6	20	4	16	89	138

Thursday's Games
Boston 6, Florida 4
Washington 4, N.Y. Islanders 3, OT
Philadelphia 4, Tampa Bay 0
Calgary 3, St. Louis 3, tie
Toronto at San Jose, (late)

Friday's Games
Colorado at Hartford, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Winnipeg, 7:30 p.m.
Ottawa at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

BRUINS 6, PANTHERS 4

Florida 1 0 3 — 4
Boston 2 2 2 — 6

First Period—1, Boston, Neely 15 (Oates, Bourque), :57. 2, Florida, Belanger 8, 6:20. 3, Boston, Leach 6 (Donato), 14:49.

Second Period—4, Boston, Oates 5 (Donato, Bourque), 11:21 (pp). 5, Bostomn, Oates 6 (Czerkawski, Bourque), 13:00.

Third Period—6, Boston, Oates 7 (Neely, Zombo), 7:34. 7, Florida, Barnes 10 (Mellanby, Svensson), 8:38 (pp). 8, Florida, Fitzgerald 6 (Jovanovski), 10:05. 9, Florida, Hull 12 (Barnes, Niedermayer), 15:17. 10, Boston, Oates 8 (Stevens, Neely), 16:33.

Shots on goal—Florida 6-10-12—28. Boston 10-17-5—32.

Power-play Opportunities—Florida 1 of 7; Boston 1 of 5.

Goalies—Florida, Vanbiesbrouck 14-7-1 (32 shots-26 saves). Boston, Lacher 3-5-2 (28-24).

FLYERS 4, LIGHTNING 0

Tampa Bay 0 0 0 — 0
Philadelphia 1 2 1 — 4

First Period—1, Philadelphia, LeClair 19, 19:43 (pp)

Second Period—2, Philadelphia, Lindros 19 (Renberg, LeClair), 13:09. 3, Philadelphia, LeClair 20 (Lindros, Samuelsson), 17:03.

Third Period—4, Philadelphia, Falloon 7 (Brind'Amour, Lindros), 14:26.

Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 8-7-3—18. Philadelphia 8-11-12—31.

Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 0 of 5; Philadelphia 1 of 6.

Goalies—Tampa Bay, Reese 3-1-0 (31 shots-27 saves). Philadelphia, Hextall 11-2-1 (18-18).

CAPITALS 4, ISLANDERS 3 (OT)

NY Islanders 1 1 1 0 — 3
Washington 0 2 1 1 — 4

First Period—1, New York, Clark 14 (Green, Tichy), 19:00.

Second Period—2, Washington, Konowalchuk 9 (Hunter, Tinordi), 1:50 (pp). 3, Washington, Juneau 3 (Konowalchuk, Johansson), 12:02 (sh). 4, New York, Flatley 3, 14:24.

Third Period—5, New York, Semak 12, 9:20. 6, Washington, Klee 5 (Peake, Reekie), 13:08.

Overtime—7, Washington, Konowalchuk 10 (Johnson, Hunter), 2:16.

Shots on goal—New York 9-8-9-1—27. Washington 15-16-12-2—45.

Power-play Opportunities—New York 0 of 5; Washington 1 of 5.

Goalies—New York, Soderstrom 3-9-1 (45 shots-41 saves). Washington, Carey 11-9-3 (27-24).

FLAMES 3, BLUES 3 (OT)

Calgary 1 1 1 0 — 3
St. Louis 0 2 1 0 — 3

First Period—1, Calgary, Titov 10, 1:38.

Second Period—2, St. Louis, Pronger 3 (Courtnall, Creighton), 9:10 (pp). 3, Calgary, Zalapski 4 (McCarthy), 16:43 (pp). 4, St. Louis, Creighton 2 (Zezel), 18:01 (pp).

Third Period—5, Calgary, Titov 11 (Fleury, Nylander), :40 (pp). 6, St. Louis, Corson 7 (Johnson, Hawerchuk), 5:38.

Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Calgary 6-9-9-2—26. St. Louis 11-10-8-2—31.

Power-play Opportunities—Calgary 2 of 5; St. Louis 2 of 6.

Goalies—Calgary, Tabaracci 5-6-2 (31 shots-28 saves). St. Louis, Fuhr 13-13-5 (26-23).

NFL Standings

The Associated Press
AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	9	5	0	.643	310	287
Indianapolis	8	6	0	.571	297	282
Miami	8	6	0	.571	337	287
New England	6	8	0	.429	260	326
N.Y. Jets	3	11	0	.214	227	349
Central						
x-Pittsburgh	10	4	0	.714	347	276
Cincinnati	6	8	0	.429	312	324
Houston	5	9	0	.357	297	301
Cleveland	4	10	0	.286	242	322
Jacksonville	3	11	0	.214	251	339
West						
x-Kansas City	11	3	0	.786	312	221
Oakland	8	6	0	.571	310	257
Denver	7	7	0	.500	340	297
San Diego	7	7	0	.500	267	282
Seattle	7	7	0	.500	316	330
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
y-Dallas	10	4	0	.714	377	258
Philadelphia	9	5	0	.643	283	298
N.Y. Giants	5	9	0	.357	253	292
Arizona	4	10	0	.286	242	364
Washington	4	10	0	.286	275	319
Central						
Green Bay	9	5	0	.643	346	272
Detroit	8	6	0	.571	355	326
Minnesota	8	6	0	.571	358	321
Chicago	7	7	0	.500	341	336
Tampa Bay	7	7	0	.500	218	267
West						
San Francisco	10	4	0	.714	393	200
Atlanta	8	6	0	.571	317	301
St. Louis	7	7	0	.500	264	342
Carolina	6	8	0	.429	251	288
New Orleans	6	8	0	.429	284	314

x-division title; y-playoff berth.

Saturday's Games
New England at Pittsburgh, 11:30 a.m.
Green Bay at New Orleans, 3 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Jacksonville at Detroit, noon.
Miami at Buffalo, noon.
Cincinnati at Cleveland, noon.
New York Jets at Houston, noon.
Atlanta at Carolina, noon.
Arizona at Philadelphia, noon.
Tampa Bay at Chicago, noon.
Washington at St. Louis, noon.
Denver at Kansas City, 3 p.m.
San Diego at Indianapolis, 3 p.m.
New York Giants at Dallas, 3 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 7 p.m.

Monday's Game
Minnesota at San Francisco, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 23
San Diego at New York Giants, 11:30 a.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 3 p.m.
New England at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 24
Pittsburgh at Green Bay, noon.
Houston at Buffalo, noon.
Seattle at Kansas City, noon.
Cleveland at Jacksonville, noon.
San Francisco at Atlanta, noon.
Philadelphia at Chicago, noon.
New Orleans at New York Jets, noon.
Minnesota at Cincinnati, noon.
Carolina at Washington, 3 p.m.
Denver at Oakland, 3 p.m.
Miami at St. Louis, 3 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 25
Dallas at Arizona, 8 p.m.

Transactions

Thursday's Sports Transactions
The Associated Press
BASEBALL
American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with Randy Myers, pitcher, on a two-year contract. Named Steve McCormick assistant general manager and Mike Munter director of ticket sales for Bowie of the Eastern League.

BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with Mike Stanley, catcher, on a one-year contract.

CALIFORNIA ANGELS—Agreed to terms with Ron Tingley, catcher, on a minor-league contract.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Named Scott Cerny, John Kazanas, Mike Sgobba and Mark Weidemaier scouts.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with Jack McDowell, pitcher, on a two-year contract.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with Kevin Wickander, pitcher, on a one-year contract.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Named Dave Myers manager of Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League. Agreed to terms with Mike Butcher and Greg McCarthy, pitchers; John Marzano, catcher; and Seve Pegues, outfielder, on minor-league contracts.

TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with Darryl Hamilton, outfielder, on a one-year contract.

National League

FLORIDA MARLINS—Agreed to terms with Al Leiter, pitcher, on a three-year contract. Designated John Johnstone, pitcher, for assignment.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with Craig Biggio, second baseman, on a four-year contract.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with Mark Guthrie, pitcher, and Dave Hansen, third baseman, on one-year contracts.

NEW YORK METS—Agreed to terms with Lance Johnson, outfielder, on a two-year contract. Acquired Phil Geisler, outfielder, from the Philadelphia Phillies for Ricky Otero, outfielder, and assigned Geisler to Norfolk of the International League.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Agreed to terms with Mike Kingery, outfielder, on a two-year contract.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Acquired Allen Watson, Rich DeLucia and Doug Creek, pitchers, from the St. Louis Cardinals for Royce Clayton, shortstop, and a player to be named.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

VANCOUVER GRIZZLIES—Named Jack Donohue director of international public relations.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

CHICAGO BEARS—Signed Fabien Bownes, wide receiver, from their practice squad.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

NHL—Extended the contract of Gary Bettman, commissioner.

ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—Assigned Sean Pronger, center, to Baltimore of the AHL.

BOSTON BRUINS—Loaned Phil Von Stefenelli, defenseman, to Providence of the AHL.

LOS ANGELES KINGS—Promoted Don Edwards, part-time assistant coach, to full-time assistant coach. Reassigned Gary Shuchuk, right wing-center, to Phoenix of the IHL.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Called up Steve LaRouche, Daniel Lacroix, centers, from Binghamton of the AHL.

WINNIPEG JETS—Acquired Tom Draper, goaltender, from Milwaukee of the IHL. Assigned Scott Langkow, goaltender, to Springfield of the AHL.

SOCCER
Major League Soccer

MLS—Agreed to terms with Carlos Valderrama, midfielder, and announced he will be assigned to New York-New Jersey, Dallas or Tampa. Agreed to terms with Victor-Akem N'Dip and Samuel Ekeme, defenders, and Dominic Kinnear, midfielder.

COLLEGE

CALIFORNIA—Named Steve Mariucci football coach.

JAMES MADISON—Named Kenny Blakeney men's assistant basketball coach.

SOUTHERN OREGON—Announced the resignation of Jim Palazzolo, football coach.

TEXAS A&M—Suspended David Maxwell, sophomore defensive lineman, and Michael Williams, redshirt freshman running back, for violating team rules.

UC IRVINE—Declared Tchaka Shipp, basketball forward, ineligible this season because he did not complete the necessary NCAA transfer requirements.

Free Agents

NEW YORK (AP) — The 88 remaining free agents:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BALTIMORE (5) — Kevin Bass, of; Kevin Brown, rhp; Mark Eichhorn, rhp; Doug Jones, rhp; Jamie Moyer, lhp.

BOSTON (5) — Erik Hanson, rhp; Mike Macfarlane, c; Mike Maddux, rhp; Willie McGee, of; Zane Smith, lhp.

CALIFORNIA (9) — Jim Abbott, lhp; Mike Bielecki, rhp; Chuck Finley, lhp; Dave Gallagher, of; Rene Gonzales, 3b; John Habyan, rhp; Spike Owen, ss; Bob Patterson, lhp; Tony Phillips, of.

CHICAGO (1) — Dave Righetti, lhp.

CLEVELAND (4) — John Farrell, rhp; Ken Hill, rhp; Bill Ripken, 2b; Dave Winfield, of.

DETROIT (3) — Scott Fletcher, 2b; Franklin Stubbs, 1b; Lou Whitaker, 2b.

KANSAS CITY (5) — Gary Gaetti, 3b; Tom Gordon, rhp; Jeff Montgomery, rhp; Gregg Olson, rhp; Juan Samuel, 2b.

MILWAUKEE (3) — Joe Oliver, c; B.J. Surhoff, of; Bill Wegman, rhp.

NEW YORK (5) — David Cone, rhp; Rick Honeycutt, lhp; Steve Howe, lhp; Dion James, of; Don Mattingly, 1b.

OAKLAND (4) — Mike Gallego, ss; Brian Harper, inf; Rickey Henderson, of; Steve Ontiveros, rhp.

SEATTLE (3) — Tim Belcher, rhp; Andy Benes, rhp; Vince Coleman, of.

TEXAS (8) — Danny Darwin, rhp; Candy Maldonado, of; Roger McDowell, rhp; Mike Pagliarulo, 3b; Kenny Rogers, lhp; Jeff Russell, rhp; Bob Tewksbury, rhp; Bobby Witt, rhp.

TORONTO (4) — Roberto Alomar, 2b; Al Leiter, lhp; Lance Parrish, c; Duane Ward, rhp.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ATLANTA (4) — Mike Devereaux, of; Charlie O'Brien, c; Luis Polonia, of; Dwight Smith, of.

CHICAGO (3) — Shawon Dunston, ss; Mark Grace, 1b; Howard Johnson, of.

CINCINNATI (4) — Ron Gant, of; Mike Jackson, rhp; Benito Santiago, c; Frank Viola, lhp.

COLORADO (1) — Mike Kingery, of.

FLORIDA (3) — Jerry Browne, of; Andre Dawson, of; Bryan Harvey, rhp.

HOUSTON (4) — Pat Borders, c; Mike Henneman, rhp; Dave Magadan, 3b; Milt Thompson, of.

LOS ANGELES (2) — Tom Candiotti, rhp; Roberto Kelly, of.

NEW YORK (1) — Bill Spiers, 2b.

PHILADELPHIA (2) — Charlie Hayes, 3b; Andy Van Slyke, of.

PITTSBURGH (1) — Don Slaught, c.

ST. LOUIS (2) — Tom Henke, rhp; Jeff Parrett, rhp.

SAN DIEGO (1) — Jody Reed, 2b.

SAN FRANCISCO (3) — Terry Mulholland, lhp; Jeff Reed, c; Trevor Wilson, lhp.

Johnnie Walker

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica (AP) — Scores Thursday after the first round of the $2.3 million Johnnie Walker World Championship, played on the par-71, 6,760-yard Tryall Club course:

Wayne Riley, Australia	66
Vijay Singh, Fiji	69
Loren Roberts, U.S.	70
Fred Couples, U.S.	70
Bernhard Langer, Germany	71
David Duval, U.S.	72
Phil Mickelson, U.S.	72
Mark Calcavecchia, U.S.	72
Alexander Cejka, Germany	73
Nick Faldo, England	74
Paul Azinger, U.S.	75
Billy Mayfair, U.S.	75
Lee Janzen, U.S.	75
Colin Montgomerie, Scotland	75
Peter Senior, Australia	77
Sam Torrance, Scotland	77
Ernie Els, South Africa	79
John Daly, U.S.	80
Toshimitsu Izawa, Japan	80
Anders Forsbrand, Sweden	83

High School Basketball

4-5A Boys

	District W	L	PCT.	Season W	L	PCT
Midland High	0	0	.000	8	4	.667
San Angelo Central	0	0	.000	8	4	.667
Odessa Permian	0	0	.000	7	5	.583
Abilene Cooper	0	0	.000	7	6	.538
Odessa High	0	0	.000	6	6	.500
Midland Lee	0	0	.000	5	8	.385
Abilene High	0	0	.000	3	9	.250

Monday's Result
Abilene High 68, Copperas Cove 55 OT

Tuesday's Results
Lubbock High 78, Midland High 67; Lubbock Monterey 62, Midland Lee 56

Friday's Game
Abilene Cooper at Wichita Falls, 8 p.m.

Saturday's Game
Midland Lee vs. Midland High, Chaparral Center, 8 p.m.

MIDLAND HIGH BOYS (8-4)

	G	FG	3FG	FTM	FTA	PTS	AVG
Kirby Lemons	12	112	0	41	61	263	21.9
James Whitfield	12	45	11	43	60	150	12.5
Terry Johnson	12	42	17	36	44	146	12.2
Josh Lane	12	47	8	6	9	111	9.3
Jon Stephenson	12	28	14	6	13	74	6.2
Russell Gardner	12	21	0	6	16	48	4.0
Jeffrey Keith	4	4	0	1	1	9	2.3
Treg Manning	12	6	6	3	6	25	2.1
Tarrence Mason	11	5	0	7	9	19	1.7
Justin Marzette	12	3	0	5	10	13	1.1
Jerome Eldridge	12	4	1	3	7	12	1.0
Alex Hernandez	11	1	0	2	2	6	0.5
Lee Dunn	12	1	1	1	2	4	0.3
David Bash	12	0	0	1	4	1	0.1
Casey Willis	11	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team Totals	12	346	60	166	260	908	76.7
Opponents	12	331	36	160	208	848	70.1

MIDLAND LEE BOYS (5-8)

	G	FG	3FG	FTM	FTA	PTS	AVG
Mark Holly	13	69	40	40	64	209	16.1
Keith Sawyer	13	52	23	29	37	151	11.6
Israel Boyd	13	43	5	24	37	117	8.7
John Norman	3	10	6	0	0	26	8.7
Robert House	6	14	12	0	0	40	6.7
Matt Meyer	13	28	0	10	27	69	5.3
Matt Johnson	13	20	7	5	13	55	4.2
Amron Washington	13	15	1	9	14	40	3.1
John Purves	13	13	0	5	18	31	2.4
Antwan Alexander	1	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
Mike Lattibeaudiere	11	7	3	2	4	18	1.6
John Thurman	3	1	1	1	4	4	1.3
Bobby Blackburn	12	5	1	1	3	13	1.1
Sergio Machuca	4	1	0	1	0	3	0.7
Doug Crawford	11	0	0	1	2	1	0.1
Aaron Erdwurm	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Alex Strambler	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team Totals	13	278	109	137	203	811	62.4
Opponents	13	259	49	133	216	798	61.3

4-5A Girls

	District W	L	PCT.	Season W	L	PCT
Midland High	1	0	1.000	11	2	.846
San Angelo Central	1	0	1.000	7	4	.636
Midland Lee	1	0	1.000	8	5	.615
Odessa High	0	0	.000	8	7	.533
Abilene High	0	1	.000	9	5	.692
Abilene Cooper	0	1	.000	7	7	.500
Odessa Permian	0	1	.000	6	7	.462

Tuesday's Results
Midland Lee 66, Abilene Cooper 52; Midland High 57, Abilene High 55; San Angelo 46, Odessa Permian 29. Ozona 52, Odessa High 49 OT, non-district

Friday's Games
San Angelo Central at Midland High, Midland Lee vs. Ozona, Chap Center (non-district), Abilene High at Odessa High, Odessa Permian at Abilene Cooper (all games at 8 p.m.)

MIDLAND HIGH GIRLS (11-2, 1-0)

	G	FG	3FG	FTM	FTA	PTS	AVG
Ogonna Merritt	13	86	4	47	72	207	15.9
Laura Childress	13	40	0	11	25	91	7.0
Tia McCutcheon	13	35	0	10	22	80	6.2
Toya Zachery	13	39	0	6	29	84	6.5
Kim Paschall	13	29	0	21	33	79	6.1
Talitha Belcher	13	23	0	9	25	55	4.2
Jamie Nicholson	12	16	0	8	16	40	3.3
Marci Swinney	13	15	0	9	28	39	3.0
Jodie Mitchell	13	13	6	2	7	31	2.3
Jimeca Sims	13	13	0	8	21	30	2.3
Shelly Ray	12	10	0	7	15	27	2.3
Autumn Yeager	12	5	0	3	5	13	1.1
Kristi Cornelius	12	4	0	2	3	10	0.8
Deborah Landreth	8	4	0	2	3	6	0.8
District Totals	1	21	1	14	20	57	57
Opponent District	1	20	2	13	20	55	55
Overall Totals	13	326	8	145	291	817	62.8
Opponent Overall	13	184	19	135	221	639	49.2

MIDLAND LEE GIRLS (8-5, 1-0)

	G	FG	3FG	FTM	FTA	PTS	AVG
Jamie Rhoads	13	89	0	44	58	218	16.8
Claire Wright	12	41	14	17	24	118	9.8
Angie Seibold	13	48	0	24	46	116	8.9
Tamika Thurman	13	40	0	26	52	106	8.2
Nisha Washington	10	27	0	23	41	77	7.7
Colleen McCarty	5	8	2	0	0	18	3.6
Susanna Reed	12	14	0	3	13	40	3.3
LaToya Strambler	5	1	0	3	7	5	1.3
Roxanne Pylant	13	6	0	2	5	14	1.1
Jennifer Amen	7	3	0	0	0	6	0.9
Allison Bradshaw	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Kendra Albus	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Staci Stephenson	13	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
District Totals	1	27	1	14	21	66	66.0
Opponent District	1	25	4	6	13	52	52.0
Overall Totals	13	286	24	143	233	743	57.1
Opponent Overall	13	249	21	107	166	669	51.4

Formula One

PARIS (AP) — The 1996 Formula One schedule as approved by the International Automobile Federation World Motor Sport Council:

March 10 — Australian Grand Prix, Melbourne, Australia.
March 31 — Brazilian Grand Prix, Interlagos.
April 7 — Argentine Grand Prix, Buenos Aires.
April 28 - European Grand Prix, Nurburgring, Germany.
May 5 — San Marino Grand Prix, Imola, Italy.
May 19 — Spanish Grand Prix, Barcelona.
June 2 — Monaco Grand Prix, Monte Carlo.
June 16 — Canadian Grand Prix, Montreal.
June 30 — French Grand Prix, Magny Cours, France.
July 14 — British Grand Prix, Silverstone, England.
July 28 — German Grand Prix, Hockenheim, Germany.
Aug. 11 — Hungarian Grand Prix, Budapest, Hungary.
Aug. 25 — Belgian Grand Prix, Spa-Francorchamps, Belgium.
Sept. 8 — Italian Grand Prix, Monza, Italy.
Sept. 22 — Portuguese Grand Prix, Estoril, Portugal.
Oct. 13 — Japanese Grand Prix, Suzuka, Japan.

Playoff Pairings

The Associated Press
Texas High School Football
Class 5A, Division I
State Championship
Odessa Permian (12-1-1) vs. Converse Judson (13-1), Noon Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Class 5A, Division II
State Semifinals
Flower Mound Marcus (14-0) vs. Richardson Lake Highlands (13-0-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium.
Humble (9-3-2) vs. San Antonio Roosevelt (14-0), 4 p.m. Saturday, Alamo Stadium, San Antonio
Class 4A
State Semifinals
Denison (14-0) vs. Mount Pleasant (10-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Cotton Bowl, Dallas
La Marque (14-0) vs. Corpus Christi Calallen (14-0), 4 p.m. Saturday, Bobcat Stadium, San Marcos
Class 3A
State Semifinals
Springtown (11-3) vs. Commerce (13-1), 8 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Sealy (14-0) vs. Cuero (13-1), 7 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston
Class 2A
State Semifinals
West Texas (13-1) vs. Celina (13-1), 8 p.m. Friday, Vernon
Refugio (13-1) vs. Alto (14-0), 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston
Class A
State Semifinals
Sudan (9-4) vs. Roscoe (12-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Andrews
Thorndale (14-0) vs. Overton (13-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Fairfield
Six-man
State Championship
Amherst (14-0) vs. Milford (13-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sweetwater

NCAA Volleyball

NCAA I Women's Volleyball
The Associated Press
Semifinals
At The Mullins Center
Amherst, Mass.
Thursday
Nebraska def. Michigan St. 10-15, 15-8, 15-8, 9-15, 15-8.
Texas def. Stanford 15-13, 0-15, 15-17, 15-6, 15-12

McDowell's Stats

The Associated Press
Statistics for Jack McDowell, who agreed to terms with Cleveland on a two-year contract Thursday:
JACK McDOWELL
Regular Season

Yr, Team	W-L	BB	SO	ERA
1987, CWS	3-0	6	15	1.93
1988, CWS	5-10	68	84	3.97
1990, CWS	14-9	77	165	3.82
1991, CWS	17-10	82	191	3.41
1992, CWS	20-10	75	178	3.18
1993, CWS	22-10	69	158	3.37
1994, CWS	10-9	42	127	3.73
1995, NYY	15-10	78	157	3.93
Totals	106-68	497	1075	3.56

Postseason
ALCS

Yr, Opp	W-L	BB	SO	ERA
93, Tor	0-2	5	5	10.00

Divisional Playoff

Yr, Opp	W-L	BB	SO	ERA
95, Sea	0-2	4	6	9.00
Totals	0-4	9	11	9.56

Myers' Stats

The Associated Press
Statistics for Randy Myers, who agreed to terms with Baltimore on a two-year contract Thursday:
RANDY MYERS
Regular Season

Year, Team	IP	W-L	SV	BB	SO	ERA
1985, NYM	2.0	0-0	0	1	2	0.00
1986, NYM	10.2	0-0	0	9	13	4.22
1987, NYM	75.0	3-6	6	30	92	3.96
1988, NYM	68.0	7-3	26	17	69	1.72
1989, NYM	84.1	7-4	24	40	88	2.35
1990, Cin	86.2	4-6	31	38	98	2.08
1991, Cin	132.0	6-13	6	80	108	3.55
1992, SD	79.2	3-6	38	34	66	4.29
1993, Chi	75.1	2-4	53	26	86	3.11
1994, Chi	40.1	1-5	21	16	32	3.79
1995, Chi	55.2	1-2	38	28	59	3.88
Totals	709.2	34-49	243	319	713	3.17

Postseason
NLCS

Year, Opp	ip	w-l	bb	so	era
1985, LA	4.2	2-0	2	0	0.00
1987, Pit	5.2	0-0	3	7	0.00
Totals	10.1	2-0	5	7	0.00

World Series

Year, Opp	ip	w-l	bb	so	era
1985, Oak	3.0	0-0	0	3	0.00

Pro Bowl Teams

NEW YORK (AP) — The teams selected for the NFL Pro Bowl to be played Sunday, Feb. 4 at Honolulu (x-starter, y-injured, z-injury replacement):

National Football Conference
Offense

Wide Receivers — x-Jerry Rice, San Francisco; x-Herman Moore, Detroit; Michael Irvin, Dallas; Cris Carter, Minnesota.

Tackles — x-William Roaf, New Orleans; x-Lomas Brown, Detroit; Mark Tuinei, Dallas.

Guards — x-Nate Newton, Dallas; x-Randall McDaniel, Minnesota; Larry Allen, Dallas.

Centers — x-Kevin Glover, Detroit; y-Ray Donaldson, Dallas; z-Bart Oates, San Francisco.

Tight Ends — x-Jay Novacek, Dallas; Mark Chmura, Green Bay.

Quarterbacks — x-Brett Favre, Green Bay; Troy Aikman, Dallas; Steve Young, San Francisco.

Running Backs — x-Emmitt Smith, Dallas; x-Barry Sanders, Detroit; Ricky Watters, Philadelphia.

Fullback — Larry Centers, Arizona.

Defense

Ends — x-Reggie White, Green Bay; x-Charles Haley, Dallas; William Fuller, Philadelphia.

Interior Linemen — x-John Randle, Minnesota; x-Eric Swann, Arizona; Dana Stubblefield, San Francisco.

Outside Linebackers — x-Ken Harvey, Washington; x-Lee Woodall, San Francisco; William Thomas, Philadelphia.

Inside Linebackers — x-Jessie Tuggle, Atlanta; x-Ken Norton, San Francisco.

Cornerbacks — x-Aeneas Williams, Arizona; x-Eric Davis, San Francisco; Eric Allen, New Orleans.

Safeties — x-Darren Woodson, Dallas; x-Merton Hanks, San Francisco; Tim McDonald, San Francisco.

Specialists

Punter — Jeff Feagles, Arizona.

Kicker — Morten Andersen, Atlanta.

Kick Return Specialist — Brian Mitchell, Washington.

Special Teamer — Elbert Shelley, Atlanta.

American Football Conference
Offense

Wide Receivers — x-Carl Pickens, Cincinnati; x-Tim Brown, Oakland; Yancey Thigpen, Pittsburgh; Anthony Miller, Denver.

Tackles — x-Richmond Webb, Miami; x-Bruce Armstrong, New England; Gary Zimmerman, Denver.

Guards — x-Bruce Matthews, Houston; x-Keith Sims, Miami; Steve Wisniewski, Oakland.

Centers — x-Dermontti Dawson, Pittsburgh; Mark Stepnoski, Houston.

Tight Ends — x-Ben Coates, New England; Shannon Sharpe, Denver.

Quarterbacks — x-Dan Marino, Miami; Jeff Blake, Cincinnati; Jim Harbaugh, Indianapolis.

Running Backs — x-Chris Warren, Seattle; x-Marshall Faulk, Indianapolis; Curtis Martin, New England.

Fullback — Kimble Anders, Kansas City.

Defense

Ends — x-Bruce Smith, Buffalo; x-Neil Smith, Kansas City; Leslie O'Neal, San Diego.

Interior Linemen — x-Chester McGlockton, Oakland; x-Dan Saleaumua, Kansas City; Cortez Kennedy, Seattle.

Outside Linebackers — x-Bryce Paup, Buffalo; x-Greg Lloyd, Pittsburgh; Derrick Thomas, Kansas City.

Inside Linebackers — x-Junior Seau, San Diego; Bryan Cox, Miami.

Cornerbacks — x-Dale Carter, Kansas City; x-Terry McDaniel, Oakland; Darryll Lewis, Houston.

Safeties — x-Carnell Lake, Pittsburgh; x-Steve Atwater, Denver; Blaine Bishop, Houston.

Specialists

Punter — Darren Bennett, San Diego.

Kicker — Jason Elam, Denver.

Kick Return Specialist — Glyn Milburn, Denver.

Special Teamer — Steve Tasker, Buffalo.

College Basketball

SWC Men

TEXAS TECH 95, NICHOLLS ST. 56

NICHOLLS ST. (0-3): Franklin 8-16 2-2 18, Porter 1-4 1-2 3, Owoiya 1-5 0-0 2, Richard 4-8 0-0 9, Norwood 2-7 0-0 4, Russ 2-4 0-0 4, Flowers 2-6 0-2 4, Randle 1-5 1-1 3, Wright 0-1 0-0 0, Marie 1-4 0-0 2, Wilson 0-0 0-0, Thompson 3-4 1-2 7. **Totals 25-64 5-9 56.**

TEXAS TECH (5-0): Ham 6-9 2-4 14, Sasser 4-13 3-4 12, Battie 3-11 1-3 7, Smith 4-11 2-2 12, Martin 2-4 1-2 5, Wafer 1-4 0-0 2, Barnes 1-3 0-0 3, Jones 0-2 2-2 2, Bonewitz 3-5 0-0 9, Carr 6-15 0-0 15, Cooper 5-6 2-5 12, Roberts 1-2 0-0 2. **Totals 36-85 13-22 95.**

Halftime—Tech 42, Nicholls 29. 3-Point goals—Nicholls St. 1-7 (Richard 1-2, Franklin 0-1, Porter 0-1, Russ 0-1, Flowers 0-1, Randle 0-1), Texas Tech 10-37 (Bonewitz 3-5, Carr 3-11, Smith 2-9, Barnes 1-2, Sasser 1-5, Wafer 0-1, Martin 0-2, Jones 0-2). Fouled out—Owoiya. Rebounds—Nicholls St. 38 (Flowers 8), Texas Tech 57 (Cooper 11). Assists—Nicholls St. 10 (Flowers 5), Texas Tech 30 (Martin 7). Total fouls—Nicholls St. 15, Texas Tech 11. Technical—Nicholls bench.

Top 25 Women

OREGON ST. 89, BYU 52

OREGON ST. (6-1): Mollerstrom 4-6 5-8 14, Kostic 9-16 7-12 25, Vidic 7-16 3-3 17, Dionne 3-5 0-0 6, Lelas 2-9 2-5 6, Staton 0-2 5-6 5, McAllister 0-3 1-2 1, McMahon 0-0 2-2 2, Watts 2-2 0-0 5, McGrew 3-4 0-0 6, Walsh 0-0 0-0 0, Lewis 1-1 0-0 2. **Totals 31-64 25-38 89.**

BYU (3-5): Gallup 2-8 8-8 12, Stafford 2-10 1-2 6, Pierce 1-2 0-1 3, Anderson 3-6 2-5 8, Quinton 2-5 0-0 4, MacCormac 0-7 0-0 0, Hansen 0-6 1-2 1, Morris 6-10 0-1 13, Anderton 0-1 1-2 1, Olpin 0-2 1-2 1, Hodges 0-1 0-0 0, Wixom 0-2 0-0 0, Shoemaker 0-0 3-4 3. **Totals 16-60 17-27 52.**

Halftime—Oregon St. 39, BYU 25. 3-point goals—Oregon St. 2-4 (Mollerstrom 1-1, McAllister 0-1, Watts 1-1, Dionne 0-1), BYU 3-24 (MacCormac 0-6, Hansen 0-1, Morris 1-3, Gallup 0-5, Stafford 1-6, Pierce 1-2, Hodges 0-1). Fouled out—Pierce. Rebounds—Oregon St. 51 (Kostic 11), BYU 41 (Anderson 8). Assists—Oregon St. 15 (Vidic 8), BYU 4 (Morris 2). Total fouls—Oregon St. 24, BYU 26.

Men's Scores

Thursday's College Basketball Scores
The Associated Press
EAST
Dartmouth 83, Cent. Connecticut St. 80
John Jay 72, Lehman 70
St. Thomas Aquinas 70, Dominican, N.Y. 66, OT
SOUTH
Albany, Ga. 93, Ga. Southwestern 78
Athens St. 76, Lambuth 68
Bluefield Coll. 82, Averett 69
Campbellsville 87, Lindsey Wilson 83
Catawba 64, Lees-McRae 59
Cumberland, Tenn. 86, Warren Wilson 56
Francis Marion 72, Fayetteville St. 61
Lawrence 82, Webber 81, OT
Rollins 81, Flagler 46
Spring Hill 97, Faulkner 93
Sue Bennett 121, East Coast Bible 63
Tenn. Wesleyan 72, Tusculum 68
Va. Wesleyan 90, Longwood 82
MIDWEST
Illinois Col. 78, Knox 77
NE Illinois 74, Wis.-Milwaukee 72
Olivet Nazarene 92, North Central 79
S. Illinois 70, SE Missouri 64
St. Scholastica 82, Wis.-Superior 78
Tiffin 99, Mount Vernon Nazarene 85
Walsh 81, Ohio Dominican 75
Williams 104, Sanford Brown 88
Wis.-LaCrosse 71, Concordia, St.P. 49
Wis.-Stevens Pt. 85, Winona St. 74
Wisconsin 90, Valparaiso 73
SOUTHWEST
Texas Tech 95, Nicholls St. 56
FAR WEST
No scores reported from the FAR WEST.

Women's Scores

Thursday's Women's Basketball Scores
The Associated Press
EAST
Dartmouth 59, Army 43
Fairleigh Dickinson 79, Princeton 69
Lehman 44, Yeshiva 21
St. Thomas Aquinas 80, Dominican, N.Y. 61
SOUTH
Auburn 82, Auburn-Montgomery 56
Lawrence 80, Webber 76
Lincoln Memorial 66, Carson-Newman 58
Troy St. 90, Jacksonville St. 64
Tusculum 67, Tenn. Wesleyan 59
MIDWEST
Augustana, S.D. 116, Winona St. 57
Detroit 96, McNeese St. 54
Franklin 73, Huntington 69
Monmouth, Ill. 67, Cornell, Iowa 62
Shawnee St. 95, Ohio Dominican 84
South Dakota 81, Mount Marty 68
Tri-State 72, Indiana Tech 62
SOUTHWEST
No scores reported from the SOUTHWEST.
FAR WEST
No scores reported from the FAR WEST.

AP Sportlight

The Associated Press
Dec. 15

1964 — San Francisco's Wilt Chamberlain scores 58 points, including nine in overtime, to give the +Warriors a 134-132 victory over the New York Knicks.

1973 — Tennessee beats Temple 11-6 in the lowest-scoring NCAA basketball game since 1938. With 11:44 left in the first half and Tennessee leading 7-5, Temple holds onto the ball without a shot. Tennessee does not make a field goal attempt in the second half, and scored only on four free throws by John Snow.

1973 — Sandy Hawley becomes the first jockey to win 500 races in single year, riding Charlie Jr. to victory in third race at Laurel Race Course.

1974 — Oakland's Jim "Catfish" Hunter is ruled a free agent by arbitrator Peter Seitz when Athletics owner Charles O. Finley fails to live up to the terms of Hunter's contract.

1984 — Wayne Gretzky scores five goals and an assist to lead Edmonton to an 8-2 victory over St. Louis. Gretzky needed eight points to reach 1,000 career points.

Riley leads at Johnnie Walker

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica (AP) — Wayne Riley, negotiating strong winds and slow greens, shot a 5-under-par 66 Thursday to take a three-stroke lead after the opening round of the Johnnie Walker World Championship of Golf.

On a day when only four players in the 20-man field broke par, the Australian opened his round at the Tyrall Golf Tennis and Beach Club with a birdie and finished with six in his round.

In second place at 69 was Fiji's Vijay Singh, with Americans Loren Roberts and former champion Fred Couples in third at 70.

Two other former champions, Nick Faldo of England and Ernie Els of South Africa, were undone by the gusts and greens, shooting a 74 and 79, respectively.

The biggest disappointment was British Open champion John Daly, who soared to an 80.

He dropped four strokes on the par-4 opening hole and never recovered, dropping seven strokes in the first four holes on his way to an 8-over finish on the front nine.

As bad as Daly fared on the opening hole, Japan's Toshimi Tsu Izawa had a worse showing on the par-3 15th, where he dropped six strokes.

SMITH: Emmitt is on pace for record season

(From 1C)

it. That's a coach's job to find something like that and I think coach Brodsky has found it."

The Cowboys were driving for a touchdown against the Eagles when Smith fumbled after a helmet hit the ball at the Philadelphia 15.

"That might have cost us the game," Smith said. "We were about to go ahead 24-6. I've just got to cut my mistakes down."

Smith goes into the game against the Giants with 1,602 yards. He has scored 23 touchdowns and needs one more to tie the NFL season record of 24 by John Riggins of Washington in 1983.

Smith has rushed for over 100 yards in 10 of the Cowboys 14 games this year, establishing a club record. Smith is on pace for 1,830 yards this season which would eclipse his career best of 1,713 yards in 1992.

"I have confidence in my ability to shake this fumble bug," Smith said. "I'll get back on track."



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Tyson-Mathis fight full of irony for former champ

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Buster D'Amato Mathis. The name of Mike Tyson's opponent Saturday night holds so many ironies for the former world champion.

First of all, the middle name comes from the late Cus D'Amato, who took a teen-aged Tyson out of a reform school and launched him on the path to gold and glory as the fearsome heavyweight champion of the world.

D'Amato also trained Mathis' late father at one time.

"My father loved Cus," Mathis said Wednesday. "Cus was my godfather."

Mathis' late father, and trainer, also was named Buster. The younger Mathis became Buster Jr., although the father had no middle name.

And in the name Buster, there is another Tyson tie.

It was on Feb. 11, 1990, that another man called Buster — James "Buster" Douglas — pulled off the biggest upset in heavyweight history by knocking out Tyson in the 10th round to win the undisputed championship in Tokyo.

Douglas was spurred to the performance of his life by the death of his mother a couple of weeks earlier.

Mathis will go into Saturday's scheduled 12-round match with the incentive of winning for his father, who died of heart failure at age 51 on Sept. 6 at his home in Wyoming, Mich., while his son desperately tried to revive him.

Although the 25-year-old Mathis has an incentive similar to the one Douglas had, there the similarities end. He is given virtually no chance to win the fight originally scheduled for Nov. 4 in Las Vegas. It was postponed because Tyson fractured his the right thumb while training.



AP Laserphoto

Mike Tyson flexes his muscles during the pre-fight ceremonies Thursday in Philadelphia.

Douglas, not always a dedicated fighter, had a lot of experience against good heavyweights. He also was 6-foot-4, had a good left jab, knew how to stay off the ropes and had good punching power.

The 6-foot Mathis can box, but he's not as accomplished or experienced as Douglas was and he's not a power puncher.

Odessa to host pre-Olympic boxing contest

Staff Report

The City of Odessa will bring some top-notch boxing to the Permian Basin and also some memories in the process.

Thursday, it was announced the USA Boxing Region VIII Finals will be held at the Ballroom of Odessa Holiday Inn Centre on Jan. 11-13.

The tournament will consist of all 12 Olympic level classes from 106 pounds (Flyweight) to 201 pounds (super heavyweight) and will be a stepping stone for those who want to qualify for the 1996 Olympic Trials, which will be held this summer in Oakland.

"The people who show up will be the best teams from their areas," said David Rodriguez, President of the Tall City Tigers and Vice President of the West Texas Region of USA Boxing.

"They are all quality fighters and 18 to 20 of them are ranked in the top 10 in the nation."

Not only will the event bring in fighters that are closing in on the trials, but the ring the boxers fight in will be the exact ring used at the 1976 Montreal Olympics where fighters like Sugar Ray Leonard and Michael Spinks reached gold status for the United States. The ring was donated for the event by the city of Fort Stockton, who bought the ring in 1983.

The Midland-Odessa area is expected to have up to five fighters in the tournament. Heading the list of boxers from the Twin City Tigers fight club is Odessa's Zack Franco, who is 56-4 and ranked seventh in the nation. Another Odessa fighter, who ranks among the nation's elite, is Humberto Zubia, who carries a 92-14 mark. Midland's Gregory Gaona and Odessa's Armando Zapata, Jr. and Jose Juarez are also expected to make into regional action.

The area fighters will have to qualify for the meet one week sooner at the USA Boxing West Texas Box Off in Lubbock. With wins in Lubbock and Odessa, the fighters will go to Colorado City in February to battle for an Olympic Trials shot.

Getting the Region VIII fights in the middle of an Olympic year will also give this tournament special meaning.

To get out of Region VIII will be a tough task. The region consists of all Texas fighters including those from Houston, Dallas, San Antonio and El Paso.

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"We got really lucky it hit West Texas when the Olympic Trials hit," said Rodriguez. "Odessa was the high bidder of the of the 17 West Texas towns."

Rodriguez went on to say that the sponsorship of Jones Motors of Odessa helped tremendously when it came to making the bid.

The fight's announcement comes days after the professional card at the Los Arcos Ballroom. Odessa's Shane Blake and Seminole's Mary Ann Almager, the current world's champion, headlined the Dec. 8 action. Organizers, who will run commercials during the Mike Tyson-Buster Mathis, Jr. fight, hope the interest in boxing will carry into January.

"Hopefully people will be aware of the it," said Rodriguez. "That's why we planned the professional boxing last week."

Team effort drives Spurs past Mavericks

The Associated Press

DALLAS — David Robinson scored 21 first-half points, then Avery Johnson and Sean Elliott balanced San Antonio's offense in the second half, carrying the Spurs past the Dallas Mavericks 126-111 Thursday night.

Robinson remained the overwhelming force with 33 points, 13 rebounds and seven assists, but the Spurs didn't get going until Elliott started scoring his 27 and Johnson his 21.

Will Perdue played a big role with 15 rebounds and J.R. Reid had 12 points off the bench. Johnson had nine assists.

The Mavericks were led by 20 points from George McCloud and a season-high 19 from reserve Lucious Harris, who was 7-of-9, including 5-of-5 on 3-pointers.

Jason Kidd had 17 points and 11 assists and Jim Jackson scored 17. Terry Davis had a season-high 13 points and Popeye Jones added 12.

Bulls 127, Hawks 108

ATLANTA — Scottie Pippen had 30 points, eight rebounds and eight assists Thursday night to lead Chicago to a 127-108 victory over the Atlanta Hawks and give the Bulls their eighth consecutive victory. At 18-2, it's the best start in the history of the Chicago franchise.

Michael Jordan added 22 points for the Bulls, who never trailed after Pippen broke a 15-15 tie on a dunk from Ron Harper's pass midway through the opening period.

The Hawks got 17 points each from Steve Smith and Stacey Augmon.

The loss was the seventh in eight games for Atlanta, including five in a row at home and five in a row to the Bulls.

Nuggets 103, Knicks 94

NEW YORK — Don MacLean's 19 points off the bench sparked Denver's second-half rally and the Nuggets bounced back from their worst loss of the season to defeat the New York Knicks.

The victory was Denver's first at Madison Square Garden since March 31, 1990, and snapped the Knicks' three-game winning streak.

Abdul-Rauf led Denver with 25 points while Bryant Stith added 17 and Dikembe Mutombo had 16 points, 13 rebounds and four blocks.

Patrick Ewing had 30 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Knicks.

Pacers 102, Raptors 100

TORONTO — Rik Smits' 20-foot jumper with 0.5 seconds left boosted the Indiana Pacers over the Toronto Raptors.

The winning shot by Smits, who finished with 28 points, came after Toronto had rallied to knot the score at 100 on Damon Stoudamire's two free throws.

Trailing 85-77 after three quarters, the Pacers began the fourth period with a 16-0 run, led by six consecutive points by Rickey Pierce, who scored all of his 17 points after intermission.

Oliver Miller led the Raptors with 22 points and 12 rebounds, while Tracy Murray had 21.

Trail Blazers 116, Hornets 109

PORTLAND, Ore. — Clifford Robinson scored 16 of his 28 points in a third-quarter Portland comeback, including three of four 3-pointers, and the Trail Blazers went on to a victory over the Charlotte.

Portland's Chris Dudley had a season-high 19 rebounds, two short of his career best, as the Blazers dominated the boards 54-37.

Rod Strickland had 21 points and a season-high 14 assists, even though he sat out all but 2 1/2 minutes of the fourth quarter.

Odessa College product Norris defends his actions at Auburn

The Associated Press

Former Odessa College Wrangler Moochie Norris and Chris Davis blame their junior college coaches for questionable housing and transportation arrangements that led to their suspensions at the University of Auburn.

They also defended their academic records, which include dozens of credits obtained through correspondence courses.

Norris and Davis were declared ineligible by Auburn on Wednesday, after the NCAA questioned housing and transportation arrangements at Allen County Community College in Iola, Kan., and credits from Allen and a correspondence college in Florida.

Coach Cliff Ellis said he was made aware of the possible violations about two weeks ago, but expressed hope Norris and Davis would be back this season.

Auburn is under NCAA orders to police its basketball program after coming off probation in 1993.

Assistant coach Robbie Laing was also suspended for his role in the housing and transportation arrangements. The players had already signed letters of intent with Auburn when the arrangements were made.

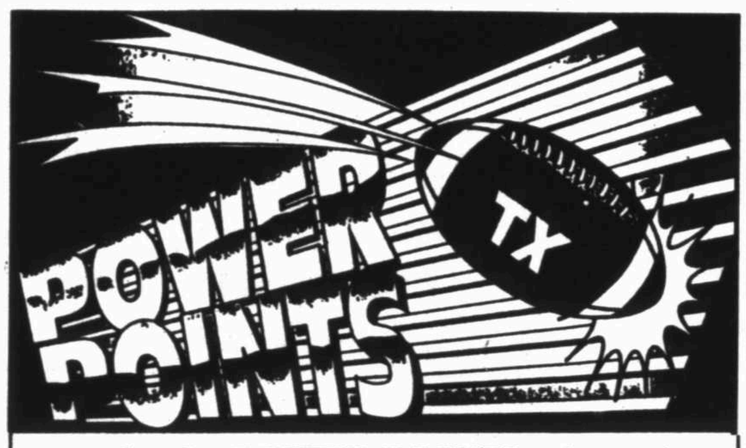
Under NCAA rules coaches cannot make arrangements for students, but they can "advise and suggest" options.

Davis attended Pensacola Junior College in Florida and Norris.

Davis acknowledged getting a free ride from the airport to the Allan County campus, but said he did not know who arranged the ride. Norris said he paid $26 for the trip.

Norris and Davis said their junior college coaches — Bob Marlin at Pensacola or Dennis Helms at Odessa — and not Laing made their housing and transportation arrangements.

Neither coach could be reached for comment. Offices were closed Wednesday evening at Pensacola and there was no answer at Odessa.



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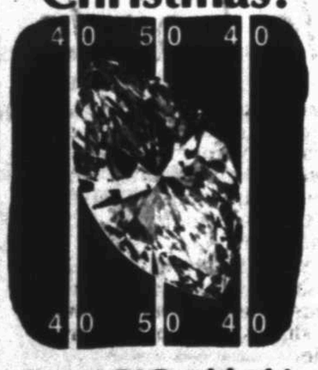
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NBC, Microsoft team for cable venture

By Scott Williams
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — NBC and Microsoft are joining forces to start a 24-hour all-news cable channel plus an on-line service that will enable computer users to watch the news on their PCs.

The network and the world's largest software company announced plans Thursday to start MSNBC Cable, a round-the-clock news channel, and MSNBC Online.

"This is the very beginning of the interactive world," said Microsoft President Bill Gates, speaking via satellite from Hong Kong. "By bringing the power of these two operations to bear on this, we'll be able to be a leader and make the news far more attractive than it's been."

Microsoft will pay $220 million for half of America's Talking, NBC's all-talk cable subsidiary; over the next six months, the Fort Lee, N.J.-based cable network will be converted into the 24-hour news operation.

In addition, NBC and Microsoft will each put up $200 million over the next five years to run both ventures.

"We'll try to be up this summer, officially, with the new service," NBC President Bob Wright said.

MSNBC Online's goal is to provide NBC News video, sound, graphics and text via the Internet's World Wide Web, accessible through high-speed cable modems soon to reach the market.

"We're taking the long-term view here that, over time, video will be an important data type, as well as the audio and text that are already available," Gates said.

A user could see a story on "Dateline NBC," then explore it in depth on MSNBC Online, with "point-and-click" access to video clips, sound bites and historical background from NBC archives.

NBC News will have exclusive editorial control of both the cable channel and the on-line service.

In the United States, MSNBC Cable will reach nearly 20 million homes, with 35 million locked in by the year 2000.

Overseas, it will reach as many as 200 million homes through NBC Super Channel in Europe, CNBC in Asia and Europe, Canal de Noticias NBC in Latin America and NBC Asia, scheduled to begin operations in January.

To offer video on line, NBC and Microsoft are counting on the development of faster access to the Internet.

Most people with home computers connect to the Internet over phone lines with a modem. But several cable companies are working on allowing Internet access through cable, which moves data hundreds of times faster than a phone line.

CNN, received by 67.5 million households in the United States and millions more worldwide, has had the all-news cable field to itself since Ted Turner launched CNN in 1980.

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Gas prices jump

Natural gas futures prices jumped Thursday on the New York Mercantile Exchange amid forecasts for cold weather in the Midwest and Northeast next week.

Natural gas for January delivery rose 6.7 cents per 1,000 cubic feet to $2.353, the highest price for a contract nearest to delivery since February of 1994.

A weather report forecasting below average temperatures across the Midwest and East Coast next week fueled the buying, analysts said.

Natural gas inventories fell by 75 billion cubic feet last week to 2.589 trillion, the American Gas Association trade group said in a report after the close of trading Wednesday. The report had little effect on prices Thursday because the number was in line with trade expectations.

West Texas Intermediate for January delivery rose 11 cents to close at $19.11 a barrel. The posted price was unchanged at $17.50.

Dollar weakens

NEW YORK — The dollar weakened in profit taking Thursday after Germany's central bank fulfilled weeks of market expectations by lowering two key short-term interest rates.

The dollar also fell against the Japanese yen, but that was based more on sentiment concerning the yen and had less to do with the dollar.

In late New York trading Thursday, the dollar was quoted at 1.4377 German marks, down from 1.4500 late Wednesday.

The dollar, which has been fairly stable this week against the yen, was changing hands in New York at 101.50 yen, just down from 101.68 on Wednesday.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Wednesday: 1.1620 Swiss francs, down from 1.1765; 4.9465 French francs, down from 5.0080; 1,594 Italian lire, down from 1,600; and 1.3742 Canadian dollars, down from 1.3770.

The British pound was quoted at 1.5433, up from 1.5327 on Wednesday.

Markets sink

NEW YORK — Stocks fell sharply on Thursday, led by technology shares, as investors ignored bullish economic news and aggressively sold their holdings to book yearend profits.

Traders attributed some of the loss to the "triple witching" expiration of options and futures contracts on Friday, which often adds volatility to the market in sessions leading up to the deadline.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 34.32 to 5,182.15, after climbing Wednesday to its 69th record high of the year. Traders said computer-driven sell programs in the last hour of trading accounted for about 30 points of the loss.

Declining issues led advancers by about 11 to 9 on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume was heavy at 461.96 million shares, up from Wednesday's pace.

Broad indexes were particularly hard-hit by the sell-off in technology shares. The NYSE's composite index fell 2.07 to 329.10. The Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 4.77 to 616.92. The Nasdaq composite index fell 18.35 to 1,038.19. The American Stock Exchange, the market value index fell 1.09 to 537.77.

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Jumburrito plans next level of growth

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

The new Jumburrito at Plaza Oaks Shopping Center on Wadley may look like just another Mexican fast food place, but it's more than that.

"It's the beginning of a dream," says Jose Cuevas, founder and owner of five Jumburrito stores in Midland, Odessa and Big Spring. "This is the flagship of what we hope will be a chain of Jumburrito stores across Texas and eventually the U.S. We are moving on to the next level."

Part of the success may be tied to the growth of another Midland company, Red Oak Realty, which owns the Plaza Oaks Center and other shopping centers in West Texas and is intent on growing its company by adding five new shopping centers a year for the next several years. The move would double the size of the company and all of the new markets are in the "Burrito belt" of the Southwest.

"Jose is at about the same point we are in our business growth," said Neill McClung, president of Red Oak Realty. "We are both looking to move on to the regional level in our operations. We feel his style of clean, quality fast-food operation will be a good addition to some of our future markets, and we want to work with him on our furture centers. We like his prototype."

McClung said Red Oak took longer than usual, about five months, to construct the new Jumburrito for the simple reason that there were many decisions to make as to style, decor, color, furniture and traffic.

"This will be our cookie cutter for future expansion," said Cuevas, who said his next unit featuring the new design would probably be in Odessa. "After that we will be looking at Lubbock, Abilene and San Angelo. We have to grow from the inside out, and not make big long distance leaps into major markets."

Cuevas, who is also a Midland City Councilman in his spare time, attemped an unsuccessful move into Dallas several years ago. "We learned some lessons. One, it takes a tremendous amount of money to advertise and keep the doors open in a very aggressive market. But we also had some location problems. In the year we were there the road in front of the store was torn up the entire time."

He said he would not attempt to create a new national franchise, until he had at least 15 company-owned stores under his belt, and that he anticipated adding two stores per year for the next five years.

"By the time we have reached that goal we will have developed a history, learned a lot more lessons, overcome some hurdles and put a good management team in place. We don't intend to grow too fast or take on too much debt."

If the newest location is a gauge of success, those 15 company-owned locations could come a lot sooner than later. Cuevas says he is exceeding all expectations at the new store, where about 35 percent of the business is coming from breakfast burritos. "I think we may have found a niche here, and we intend to aggressively develop the breakfast burrito market."

According to Cuevas, potato and egg with cheese and bacon is the number one selling breakfast burrito, followed by chorizo combinations. As the business expands he also plans to expand the menu with traditional Mexican burritos. "We will try lengua (tongue), carnitas (small deep fried pork pieces), and pollo con mole (chicken in sauce).

The breakfast trade was one of the reasons Red Oak was anxious to get Jumburrito signed at Plaza Oaks.

"We wanted a breakfast trade in the center to build traffic, but we also wanted something light and bright, with more pizzazz, (like the Jumburrito design) to attract customers. We think his operation will be a very good fit for our future shopping centers, and we hope to build him more stores," said McClung. "Successful tenants create value for our shopping centers and we think Jose has a plan for success."

Cuevas says he marvels at how far Jumburrito has come since he opened the first store on Lamesa Blvd., in December of 1979. "In those days, my wife Diane and I were going through 35 servings of hot sauce and a stack of tortillas every day. Today, we hand out 10,000 units of hot sauce every single day, and are looking to add two new stores a year."

Diane is still an intergal part of the company, taking care of many of the business details of the restaurant chain. "Diane and I are now seeing the children of our first customers come into the stores. We are growing with Midland."

He said the ultimate goal was to grow Jumburrito past the regional market into the national market. "I don't much care if it is by franchise or by company-owned stores."



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Jose Cuevas, president of Jumburrito, and Neill McClung, president of Red Oak Realty pose in front of the menu at the new Jumburrito store in Plaza Oaks Shopping Center.

Tougher rules imposed on smaller airlines

By Randolph E. Schmid
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Tougher safety, training and equipment rules were imposed on the nation's regional and commuter airlines Thursday, and the carriers were given 15 months to comply.

Regulations covering major carriers, those with 30 or more seats, were extended to scheduled flights on planes with as few as 10 seats under new Federal Aviation Administration regulations.

"We owe this to the American public: Total confidence that when you buy an airline ticket, every flight is as safe as the next," Transportation Secretary Federico Pena said.

The rules were finalized just a year after Pena, worried by a series of deadly accidents, ordered regulators to shortcut the usually drawn-out rulemaking process and bring large and small carriers under the same set of standards.

Under the new rules:

- Smaller planes must add additional equipment, such as airborne weather radar, wing ice-warning lights, portable oxygen, a third altitude indicator, a sound warning on the landing gear.
- Mandatory pilot retirement at age 60 would be extended from major airlines to all carriers. The approximately 200 regional pilots over age 60 would be given a four-year window of continued eligibility.
- Training requirements for all pilots would be increased, including additional use of flight simulators.
- Smaller airlines must add an official with the sole duty of supervising safety efforts.
- They would also have to provide certified flight dispatchers, and new training was specified for all dispatchers.
- Flight attendants will be required on planes seating 20 or more passengers.

The 10-to-19 seat planes were given a few exemptions from the large-craft rules. For example, they will not have to have flight attendants, floor lighting or cockpit doors.

The new rules also require that all commercial aircraft meet the same performance standards for certification, though older 10 to 19-seat planes were given a 15-year phase-in window.

The phase-in is expected to ease concerns of carriers in Alaska, where many widely used older planes cannot meet the new standards. Now they will be able to continue service for several years before they have to be replaced.

In addition to the final rules, the FAA announced that it is developing a set of new standards for aircrew flight and duty time to be instituted later.

The proposal calls for reducing maximum crew duty time from 16 hours to 14 hours, including up to 10 flight hours. Mandatory rest periods would be extended.

The Regional Airline Association and Air Line Pilots Association both endorsed the new regulations, but the National Air Transportation Association said it was concerned about the cost to smaller carriers.

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Debate rages on flat tax impact on municiple bonds

By Bill Doyle

Q: In a recent column, you predicted that the market prices of already-issued municipal bonds and the net asset values (NAVs) of tax-free mutual funds holding such bonds will fall if the Armey-Shelby flat tax is adopted. You reasoned that the income tax exemption of "muni" bond interest would not be as valuable to investors.



Doyle

That is a common argument, but it misses the following important fact: Taxable interest rates are higher because that interest is taxable; tax-exempt rates are not caused to be lower because they are exempt.

Therefore, if the income tax is reduced or even eliminated on what now is taxable interest, those interest rates would decline. But tax-exempt interest rates would not rise. Prices of outstanding taxable bonds would rise, resulting in lower yields, but prices of tax-exempt bonds would be unaffected.

Your comments?

A: We could go round and about on this "chicken and egg" discussion without ever coming to a firm conclusion about which might happen first — a decline in market price of tax-free municipal bonds or a market price rise of bonds paying taxable interest.

Keep in mind that muni bonds — those issued by states and their political subdivisions — now pay lower interest than taxable bonds with similar maturities. As I write this, AA-rated munis due to mature in 2015 are yielding approximately 5.54 percent, and 20-year U.S. Treasury bonds are yielding 6.33 percent.

The flat-tax plan of Rep. Dick Armey, R-Texas, and Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., would exempt investors from paying federal income tax on interest and dividends, because that money would already be taxed at its source.

If that happens, here is one thing on which you can be certain: New issues of muni bonds will have to pay higher interest than Treasury bonds — and, perhaps, even some high-quality corporate bonds — in order to attract investors.

After all, Joe and Jane Investor won't put their money into city, county or state bonds unless those bonds pay higher interest than Treasury bonds, which are backed by the full faith and credit of our federal government.

That would cause the market prices of existing muni bonds and NAVs of mutual funds holding munis to decline a bit but, as noted in the previous column, not a great deal.

Q: Like my parents before me, I have always invested in municipal bonds and enjoyed the tax-free interest. I have never sold any of these bonds. Instead, I have held them until their maturity dates, redeemed them and bought other munis.

Some years ago, I loaded up on high-interest, noncallable and insured munis and thought I had the best of all worlds.

But now I am very worried by everything I read and hear about the possibility that a flat tax will hurt the values of munis. Should I sell my bonds before that happens?

A: No! Even in the unlikely event the market values of your bonds plunge, you can continue as before.

Your interest will arrive on time and you will be able to redeem those bonds at face value on their maturity dates. Any decline in your bonds' market value shouldn't bother you. It certainly won't interfere with your lifestyle.

Q: A few years ago, I invested about $500,000 in shares of municipal bond mutual funds. The dividend payments from these shares has kept me very comfortable.

When I die, will the value of these shares be reckoned on my purchase price or on the value at the time of my death?

A: Along with all capital assets you leave, the fund shares will be valued at their price on the day you leave this mortal coil, unless an alternate valuation date — six months later — is used to settle your estate.

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MHS, Lee play Saturday night

When Midland High and Midland Lee tangle Saturday night at Chaparral Center, it has been reported that Gate Three will remained closed throughout the night.

Gate One will open at 4 p.m. for the sophomore game and Gate Two will open as needed. Tickets for the game will be $2 for adults and $1 for students. Following the sophomore game, the two junior varsities will play prior to the 8 p.m. varsity outing.

It was also reported by the Midland athletic office that the same policy will follow for the MHS-Lee girls game at the Chap on Thursday, Dec. 21. However, that varsity contest is set for 7 p.m. and Gate One will open at 2:30 p.m. for the sophomore game.

San Jacinto 8th still unbeaten

San Jacinto's eighth grade Green team upped its season cage record to 7-0 Wednesday with a 72-60 win over Abell White. Frank Lewis hit for 23 points in the win while Justin Taylor added 13 and Chris Oldham 10. Taderick had 12 points for White while Brooks Stevens had 11.

In other eighth grade action, San Jacinto White climbed to 6-1 with a 63-51 win over Abell Blue as DeJuan Andrews had 13 points and Laynce Nix 10. Kane had 10 points for Blue.

Alamo Maroon also won Thursday beating Goddard White 63-57 in overtime. Bryan led Alamo with 23 points while Jeff Brock scored 21 for Red and Sean Anderson added 14. Goddard Red (2-5) got 25 points from Blake Johnston to beat Alamo Gray 63-46. Brown scored 18 for Alamo while Zarate added 10.

MHS sophs rip Lubbock

LUBBOCK — The Midland High sophomore basketball team defeated Lubbock High here Tuesday night, 79-51, to move to 10-3 for the season.

Patrick Anderson scored 25 points in the game while Melvin Jackson added 14.

Maroon drops district opener

Lee Maroon lost its district opener as the it fell to Crockett 50-44. In double figures for Lee was Mike'l Hunter with 12 and Valarie Morgan with 11.

BOWL: Dallas leads teams with ten picks

(From 1C)

Kansas City (11-3), which has the NFL's best record, will be represented by starters Dale Carter at cornerback, Dan Saleaumua at defensive tackle and Neil Smith at defensive end, and fullback Kimble Anders. The backup from the Chiefs was linebacker Derrick Thomas.

Green Bay's Brett Favre beat out the more celebrated quarterbacks, Young and Aikman, on the NFC squad. It will be Favre's first starting assignment in the all-star game.

Joining Favre and Smith in the backfield will be Barry Sanders of Detroit. The other starting receiver is Sanders' teammate with the Lions, Herman Moore.

Two other Lions, tackle Lomas Brown and center Kevin Glover, were picked to start, along with tackle William Roaf of New Orleans and guard Randall McDaniel of Minnesota. Newton was the other guard, Novacek the tight end and Arizona's Larry Centers the fullback.

On defense, the NFC also will have inside linebacker Jessie Tuggle of Atlanta; outside linebacker Ken Harvey of Washington; ends Reggie White of Green Bay and William Fuller of Philadelphia, who is expected to be an injury replacement for either White or Haley; tackles John Randle of Minnesota and Eric Swann of Arizona; and cornerback Aeneas Williams of Arizona.

NFC specialists selected to the 42-man squad — coaches will select a 43rd player, who must be a defensive lineman or linebacker — included Atlanta kicker Morten Andersen, Arizona punter Jeff Feagles, kick returner Brian Mitchell of Washington and special teams player Elbert Shelley of Atlanta.

Other backups for the NFC were receiver Cris Carter (Minnesota), tight end Mark Chmura (Green Bay), running back Ricky Watters (Philadelphia), linebacker William Thomas (Philadelphia), and cornerback Eric Allen (New Orleans).

The NFC teams not represented were Carolina, St. Louis, Tampa Bay, Chicago and the New York Giants.

Dan Marino was selected for the ninth time and will start at quarterback for the AFC. He'll have Chris Warren of Seattle and Marshall Faulk of Indianapolis behind him. The only rookie in the game, running back Curtis Martin of New England, will back up Warren and Faulk.

Marino's targets will be Tim Brown of Oakland and Carl Pickens of Cincinnati at wide receiver and Ben Coates of New England at tight end. The backups are wideouts Miller and Yancey Thigpen of Pittsburgh.

Joining Marino as starters from the Dolphin will be tackle Richmond Webb and guard Keith Sims. Also starting on the line will be tackle Bruce Armstrong of New England, guard Bruce Matthews of Houston, and center Dermontti Dawson of Pittsburgh. Backups for them will be Zimmerman, guard Steve Wisniewski of Oakland, and center Mark Stepnoski of Houston.

Backing up Marino will be two Pro Bowl newcomers, Cincinnati's Jeff Blake and Indianapolis' Jim Harbaugh.

The AFC defense begins with the Smiths, ends Bruce of Buffalo and Neil of Kansas City. San Diego's Leslie O'Neal will be behind them, while Chester McGlockton of Oakland will join Saleaumua at tackle, backed up by Seattle's Cortez Kennedy.

AFC linebackers chosen to start were Junior Seau of San Diego inside, Bryce Paup of Buffalo and Greg Lloyd of Pittsburgh outside. Derrick Thomas and Miami's Bryan Cox are the backups.

Texas makes NCAA volleyball final against future Big 12 foe

AMHERST, Mass (AP) — Top-ranked Nebraska, taken to the limit for only the second time this season, eliminated Michigan State 10-15, 15-8, 15-8, 9-15, 15-8 in a semifinal of the NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball Championships on Thursday.

Nebraska (31-1) will play for the title against No. 6 Texas (28-6), which beat defending national champion and second-ranked Stanford (29-3) by scores of 15-13, 0-15, 15-17, 15-6, 15-12. The title match will be played Saturday afternoon at the Mullins Center at the University of Massachusetts.

The senior middle blocker-outside hitter had 30 kills and two of her team's last three points in the deciding game. All-American middle blocker Val Sterk led Michigan State with 12 kills and 20 digs.

Texas will be seeking victory No. 500 for coach Mick Haley.

Freshman Demetria Sance had 25 kills and 15 digs for Texas. Carrie Busch had 55 assists from her setter position and helped Texas go without an unforced error in the deciding game.

Stanford (29-3), which won 26 straight matches and 39 straight games, lost to Texas for the second time this season.

Red Raiders drill Nicholls State

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — In a game marked by poor shooting by both teams, Texas Tech ran its record to 5-0 Thursday night with a 95-56 victory over Nicholls State, which lost its third game in as many tries.

Cory Carr scored 15 points to lead five Tech players in double figures. Darvin Hamm added 14 points, and Tony Battie, Koy Smith and Gionet Cooper had 12 points apiece. Cooper also had 11 rebounds.

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MCA: Off-center artists given chance at label

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Other off-center MCA artists have achieved varying degrees of success, including country rocker Steve Earle, Lyle Lovett, Nanci Griffith, Marty Brown and Kelly Willis. The first three have moved on to careers outside of the country music mainstream; Brown and Willis are respectively back home in Kentucky and Texas — each sorely missed.

When an artist is still losing money over two or three albums, Borchetta says "you have to give up 'cause it's sort of stupid."

"At a certain point," Hinton said, "it becomes defeating to the artist 'cause if they're really running in the red, ultimately it's not good for their head either. I don't think we've ever gotten to that position where it hasn't been mutually agreed."

One such gamble, a group out of Miami, paid off big for MCA. Hinton and Brown saw The Mavericks, a roots-rock band with influences varying from Roy Orbison to pop kitsch to Los Lobos, during a sound check in South Miami Beach. The Mavericks were definitely not interested in trite songs about pickup trucks.

Their first record was rock and topical, hitting on such issues as domestic violence and abuse. Paired with Brooks & Dunn producer Don Cook, they next delivered an album of stylish love songs. Several were minor country hits.

That was enough to get the message out — the album "Oh What a Crying Shame" sold more than 1 million copies. The band's third record, "Music for All Occasions," sports a 1960s "countrypolitan" sound and is selling briskly.

MUSIC: Black, Keith wrap up quality gifts

(From 12C)

debut album, then got eclipsed by a tornado named Garth Brooks, Clint Black has retrenched and really honed his songwriting chops.

A knack for stately, hard-to-forget melodies became apparent on Black's last album "One Emotion." That trend blossoms even more on "Looking for Christmas." "The Finest Gift," "Under the Mistletoe," "The Kid" — all showcase a growing, increasingly sophisticated songwriter. And not a country music writer, particularly.

Toby Keith (Polydor) "Christmas to Christmas"

In Toby Keith's somewhat dour vision, homeless children write desperate letters to Santa asking for a job for daddy, and two lonely Christmas shoppers pass a frosty December night with a one-night stand. On "Santa's Gonna Take It All Back," Keith uses Christmas loot as a ransom to get his woman to do what he wants.

This isn't likely to last long on the CD player on Christmas morning, but its a brave effort that deserves a listen. Keith is obviously nobody's sap, and made a Christmas album with guts. Good for him.

John Berry (Capitol) "O Holy Night"

Sometimes formula works. Let's face it, we want a break — not a challenge — on Christmas. So here Berry takes on standards like "Joy to the World," "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "Away in the Manger." No surprises here, but Berry is one of the best singers around. Grandma will love it.

The Oak Ridge Boys (Capitol) "Country Christmas Eve"

Old pros delivering the goods. More than anyone else here, the Oaks seem to feel at home with Christmas music.

There's nothing remotely flashy or chancy on "Country Christmas Eve," and The Oak Ridge Boys aren't bothered a bit by that. Underrated act. Hard luck one, too. As they yell out things they're thankful for at the beginning of "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," someone shouts out, "We're on Liberty Records!"

Since the recording, the executive that signed them to Liberty has left, another has taken over and gone back to the Capitol name.

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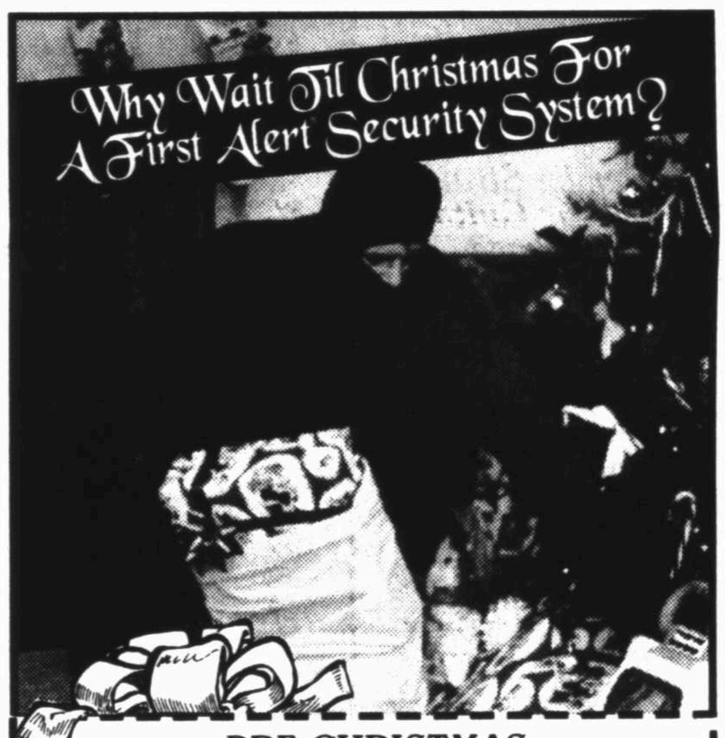
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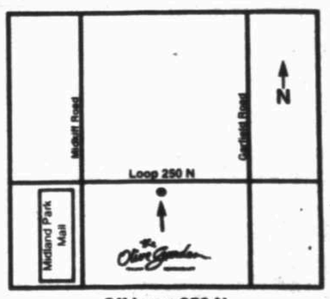
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JUMANJI: Movie shows new technology can be tool for film makers

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a pair of New Hampshire youths bury it in 1869.

A century later, a 12-year-old boy (Adam Hann-Byrd) discovers Jumanji in a trunk during excavation at his father's shoe factory. The boy takes it home and persuades his would-be girlfriend (Laura Bell Bundy) to play it with him. All heck breaks loose, and the boy disappears into a void.

Next it is 26 years later, present-day. The mansion is deserted, the family having disintegrated after the disappearance of the son. A woman moves in with her orphaned niece (Kirsten Dunst) and nephew (Bradley Pierce). The youngsters discover Jumanji, still thumping with jungle drums.

The pair start playing the game. Violent things begin to happen. The lost boy, now 38 years old — a bushy Robin Williams — reappears with stories of fighting jungle perils. To escape his purgatorial fate, he needs the help of the two children and his original player of the game, now a neurotic adult (Bonnie Hunt).

As the foursome play the game, an incredible series of catastrophes befall them, from stampeding animals to a loony white hunter (David Alan Grier) intent on shooting Williams.

Joe Johnston, who helped create effects for the "Star Wars" and "Indiana Jones" films, directs "Jumanji" with complete mastery of state-of-the-art film wizardry. He also devotes attention to the human factor, allowing a modicum of sentiment laced with wit.

Williams again demonstrates that his skill at film comedy matches that of the silent clowns Chaplin, Lloyd and Keaton. Bonnie Hunt, extraordinarily talented with underplayed comedy, serves as an ideal partner. All four youngsters perform without a hint of precocity.

The valuable lesson of "Jumanji" is that all the newfangled technologies can be valuable tools for filmmakers — as long as they have a strong script to hang them on. It was provided by Jonathan Hensleigh, Greg Taylor and Jim Strain, from the story by Taylor, Strain and Allsburg.

The TriStar Pictures release was produced by Scott Kroopf and William Teitler. Rated PG, the intensity may scare sensitive youngsters. Running time: 100 minutes.

FORD: Views loss of anonymity as negative

(From 12C)

scene with his wife, screenwriter Melissa Mathison, and their two small children, ages 5 and 8. By now, this is familiar ground for Ford. Even so, he is willing to till it once again.

"I'm not morally repulsed by Hollywood," he insists, persuasively, as he warms to the subject. "I know that's the flavor that they usually give to stories about me. But it's just that I would prefer not to live in a big city. I would not like to bring up my kids in a big city. I'd rather live in Jackson Hole, Wyo."

As for the glittery side of the moviemaking business, well, Ford isn't morally repulsed by that, either. It's just that, after he's finished working, he'd rather punch the clock and go home instead of hanging around the dream factory.

"Storytelling is a wonderfully fulfilling profession," Ford says. "But the rest of it is not my job. It's an optional extra. You want that? You want to go to the parties? You want to be seen? You want people talking about you in the newspaper columns? You can have that if you want. But if that doesn't appeal to you, then you have this other thing. Option B is, the luxury of your circumstances will allow you to purchase seclusion, privacy, beauty. And you can dip in and have a little taste of Option A from time to time. But only if you like.

"The one negative aspect of what I do is, you lose the freedom of anonymity. People are very nice to me, and it's very pleasant to meet the people that you work for and hear them say nice things. But, finally, when you go to the hardware store to buy screws, you want to talk about screws when you get there. You don't want to talk about what's coming up or how much somebody signed for to make a movie. You do that, and you forget what screw you went there for. There's a constant deflection of your mental process that occurs, that you have to watch out for."

In "Sabrina," Ford plays Linus Larrabee, a man whose mental process is seldom, if ever, deflected. It has been duly reported that the movie is a remake of the 1954 Billy Wilder comedy about a chauffeur's daughter (Audrey Hepburn) and her relationship with a gruff tycoon (Humphrey Bogart) who plots to woo her away from his reckless, rakish younger brother (William Holden). But the new version, directed by Sydney Pollack ("Out of Africa"), really is more a reimagining than a remake.

Working with screenwriters Barbara Benedek and David Rayfiel, Pollack has given the fairy-tale romance a touch of gravitas, a hint of darker possibilities. The focus has been shifted slightly, so that the story is no longer just about the transformation of a shy, lovestruck girl into a fetchingly sophisticated woman.

This new "Sabrina" also is a story about the gruff tycoon, played by Ford as a cold-blooded manipulator who, ironically, warms into something more human and vulnerable even as he schemes to keep Sabrina (Julia Ormond) from distracting his brother (Greg Kinnear) on the eve of his brother's marriage of convenience to another tycoon's daughter.

SABRINA: Seems like more work than fun

(From 12C)

's newly opened rehash seems not only superfluous but also painfully contrived. Ormond, last seen to richer dramatic effect in "Legends of the Fall" (1994), radiates class but lacks the gaminesque quality that animated Hepburn. Ford is handily Bogart's equal as a commanding screen presence, but he has to work to achieve the dour disposition that was the stock-in-trade of Bogart in the '50s.

And this sense of struggle makes Pollack's "Sabrina" seem a whole lot more like work than like fun.

Sabrina is a timid little commoner who has grown up longing for the rich-as-Croesus lifestyle of her father's employers, the Larrabee family. This clan of Long Island robber barons buys and sells pieces of America the way some people play a game of Monopoly. Neither Larrabee brother so much as gives Sabrina a second look, until she transforms herself during a stay in Europe.

Playboy brother David (Greg Kinnear, in the film's most effortlessly engaging performance) falls promptly for the revamped Sabrina, but a romance here would botch an important merger of wealthy families. So grumpy brother Linus (Ford) grudgingly undertakes to court Sabrina.

The character's romantic awakening is supposed to be charming, but Ford forces the grumpy act a bit much; Ormond's overkill involves striving to act irresistibly chipper.

The story is, of course, a great deal of fun, and the very effort put forth by the stars is admirable. But as for a filmgoing choice, the recommendation from here is to rent the videocassette of the original "Sabrina" — and wait for the video edition of this version.

BOX: O'Hara brightens Christmas classic

(From 12C)

"The Christmas Box," she wept.

"You can't help it," she said by phone from Los Angeles. "It's not out of a sappiness or a tragedy or a drama, it's just that it's so warm and wonderful."

Executive producer Beth Polson had O'Hara in mind for the role from the start, and how O'Hara came to play it mimics the way she was brought out of retirement in 1991. In both instances, the producers went through her brother, Charles FitzSimons, who sent the scripts to Dublin for the actress's approval. "This you do," he told her for each.

In the case of "The Christmas Box," "about half a second after reading the last page, I picked up the phone and gave my brother the message, 'This I do.'" This is saying something, for O'Hara's determination to stay retired has been strong.

"I retired many years ago — the greatest thing I ever did in my life — to marry Charlie Blair, the great pioneer pilot, and go off adventuring with him. (Blair was the first to solo over the Arctic Ocean and North Pole.) I had a wonderful, wonderful life, and I would do it again. But unfortunately Charlie was killed in an airplane (a 1978 crash), and that was that. So I had to get on with my life."

O'Hara paused to compose herself.

"I quit many years ago, because Duke (John Wayne) was visiting us in the Virgin Islands, and Duke and Charlie were playing chess to where they drove you crazy, they played it so much. And one day the two of them tackled me, and Duke said, 'Don't you think it's about time you stayed home?' And I am sure that they were expecting quite the argument from me, and so I said, 'Fine, that's OK with me. I quit right now.' And I did, and it was the best thing I ever did. I got to see the whole world."

When she quit the movies, she went into avaition with Blair. Since her husband's death, she has worked as publisher of The Virgin Islander, which was sold to Gannet newspapers.

She spends summers in Dublin and winters in the Virgin Islands. She sponsors a Blair-O'Hara golf tournament in Ireland and supports various causes and institutions. She also pays frequent visits to her five brothers and sisters, most of whom live in California.

"I'm as strong and active as I always was," she says.

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Top weekend movies

Weekend of December 1-3, 1995

All dollar figures in millions

	Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens	Weekend gross
1	Toy Story $64.7, two weeks, 2,461 screens	$20.2
2	Goldeneye $70, three weeks, 2,667 screens	$8.8
3	Casino $23.7, two weeks, 1,617 screens	$6.1
4	Money Train $24.1, two weeks, 2,522 screens	$6
5	Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls $83.9, four weeks, 2,705 screens	$5.7
6	The American President $33.5, three weeks, 1,508 screens	$5.3
7	It Takes Two $15.1, three weeks, 1,581 screens	$2
8	White Men's Burden $1.73, one week, 942 screens	$1.73
9	Get Shorty $64.4, seven weeks, 1,366 screens	$1.72
10	Nick of Time $6.1, two weeks, 1,849 screens	$1.6

Top 10 lists

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. All lists c. 1995, Billboard Publications, Inc.:

Video Sales

1."Apollo 13," (MGM-UA)
2."Batman Forever," (Warner)
3."The Santa Clause," (Disney)
4."Star Wars Trilogy," (Fox)
5."Miracle on 34th Street," (Fox)
6."Cinderella," (Disney)
7."Casper," (MCA-Universal)
8."Mighty Morphin Power Rangers: The Movie," (Saban)
9."Free Willy 2: The Adventure Home," (Warner)
10."Playboy: The Best of Anna Nicole Smith," (Playboy)

Video Rentals

1."Apollo 13," (MGM-UA)
2."Crimson Tide," (Hollywood)
3."Congo," (Paramount)
4."While You Were Sleeping," (Hollywood)
5."The Santa Clause," (Disney)
6."Bad Boys," (Columbia TriStar)
7."Dolores Claiborne," (Columbia TriStar)
8."Forget Paris," (Colmubia TriStar)
9."Johnny Mnemonic," (Columbia TriStar)
10."Batman Forever," (Warner Bros.)

Top Singles

1."One Sweet Day," Mariah Carey and Boyz II Men (Columbia)
2."Exhale (Shoop Shoop)," Whitney Houston (Arista)
3."Hey Lover," L.L. Cool J (Def Jam)
4."Gangsta's Paradise," Coolio featuring L.V. (MCA) (Platinum)
5."Fantasy," Mariah Carey (Columbia) (Platinum)
6."Diggin' on You," TLC (Laface)
7."I Got Id — Long Road," Pearl Jam (Epic)
8."Name," Goo Goo Dolls (Metal Blade)
9."You'll See," Madonna (Maverick)
10."Breakfast at Tiffany's," Deep Blue Something (Rainmaker)

Country Singles

1."That's As Close As I'll Get To Loving You," Aaron Tippin (RCA)
2."Tall, Tall Trees," Alan Jackson (Arista)
3."The Car," Jeff Carson (MCA)
4."Can't Be Really Gone," Tim McGraw (Curb)
5."Rebecca Lynn," Bryan White (Asylum)
6."Life Gets Away," Clint Black (RCA)
7."Check Yes or No," George Strait (Atlantic)
8."Deep Down," Pam Tillis (Arista)
9."It Matters to Me," Faith Hill (Warner Bros.)
10."In Pictures," Alabama (RCA)

REVIEWS AND PREVIEWS EDITOR JIMMY PATTERSON

'THE CHRISTMAS BOX'

O'Hara, Thomas shine in endearing holiday adaptation



Richard Thomas, left, stars in "The Christmas Box," written by Richard Paul Evans, right.

By Mike McDaniel
N.Y. Times News Service

Legendary is an abused adjective, but it fits Maureen O'Hara. Her film career goes back to 1938, and just a sampling of her credits can cause the head to swim.

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame." "How Green Was My Valley." "The Quiet Man." "Rio Grande." "Against All Flags." "The Long, Gray Line." "The Parent Trap." "Spencer's Mountain." "Mr. Hobbs Take a Vacation." "McLintock!" "The Red Pony." "Only the Lonely." "Miracle on 34th Street."

Since 1973 she has been retired from acting, with one exception, playing John Candy's mother in 1991's "Only the Lonely."

So the fact that O'Hara, 75, is facing the cameras again is wonderful news — and that the cameras belong to television, even more rare and special.

■ "The Christmas Box" airs Sunday at 8 p.m. on CBS (Ch. 7).

In "The Christmas Box" (Sunday evening on CBS) she plays Mary, an elderly widow who reluctantly agrees to a caretaker arrangement that allows a young family — Richard and Keri Evans (Richard Thomas and Annette O'Toole) and their 5-year-old Jenna (Kelsey Mulrooney) to move into her mansion just as the holiday season gets under way.

Gruff and stubborn, Mary slowly warms to the company of Keri and Jenna.

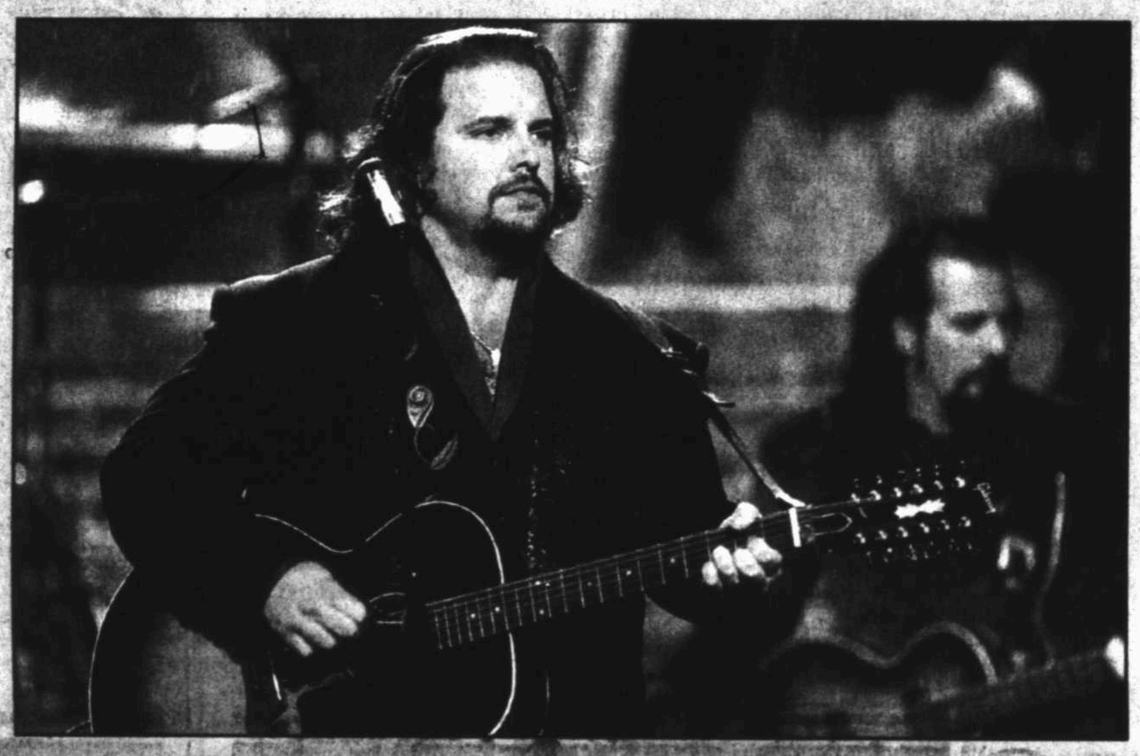
But Richard has little patience with Mary and, worse, little time for nothing more than his work. But his dreams of angels and his encounters with Mary and an old music box will soon change all of that.

The movie is based on Richard Paul Evans' 87-page book that is quickly reaching Christmas classic status. Evans wrote the story in 1992 as a gift to his wife and two daughters. But soon it was being passed around so much that Evans decided to get it published. No one wanted it, so he published it himself.

Bookstores couldn't keep it in stock. By last Christmas, 400,000 copies had been sold. This year, Simon and Schuster is selling it in hardback, and an audio edition, narrated by Thomas, also is out.

It is no wonder, then, that the book's been adapted for the movies. When O'Hara read Greg Taylor's teleplay of

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The Mavericks — a major cog in MCA's Nashville hit machine — are led by singer Raul Malo. AP Laserphoto

Country yule tunes run gamut

By Jim Patterson
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Judge a Christmas album, and sometimes you can get a broader perspective on a country music star.

The rule is simple: If someone can sell a million records, they can sell at least half a million in Christmas music. And it can be trotted out each season as long as the performer is still hot.

So you dust off a batch of chestnuts and make a little easy money. But what they come up with, without the pressure of a proper album release, can be revealing.

Here's how they shape up:

The Tractors (Arista) "Have Yourself a Tractors Christmas"

This is for the office Christmas party, a nice soundtrack to go along with watching the boss get drunk. Head Tractor Steve Ripley's croak of a voice can bring home something touching like "The Shelter" and "Silent Night, Christmas Blue," but mostly this record just rocks amiably along.

Buck Owens sings along on his "Santa Looked a Lot Like Daddy," which Ripley somehow makes very salacious without changing a word. And keyboardist Walt Richmond takes a solo turn through "White Christmas" that makes one hope he'll do an entire CD just like it next year.

"Hang on your holly berries, Put up the tree," Ripley sings on "Rockin' This Christmas." "Love to see you shake it, in red and green."

This is good ole rock 'n' roll: The kids will love the sheer fun of it, and there's a little something extra lyrically to give the parents a chuckle.

Clint Black (BMG) "Looking for Christmas"

Long after he came on like a hurricane with his

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Nashville Cats

MCA's marketing machine is the envy of the business

By Jim Patterson
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The top executives at Nashville's most successful record label are talking, at length, about failure.

It's the kind of conversation Bruce Hinton, Tony Brown and Scott Borchetta can afford. Having Reba McEntire, George Strait and Trisha Yearwood and other big stars on your team buys a lot of freedom.

But besides being the home of superstars, MCA has a tradition of stretching the boundaries of what a Nashville record label can do. That's how less easily defined artists like Todd Snider and Joe Ely find themselves on the same roster as Reba, Strait and Yearwood.

Sometimes it works — witness the breakthrough last year of The Mavericks. Sometimes, it doesn't. And so Hinton, Brown and Borchetta pondered the puzzling case of Rodney Crowell.

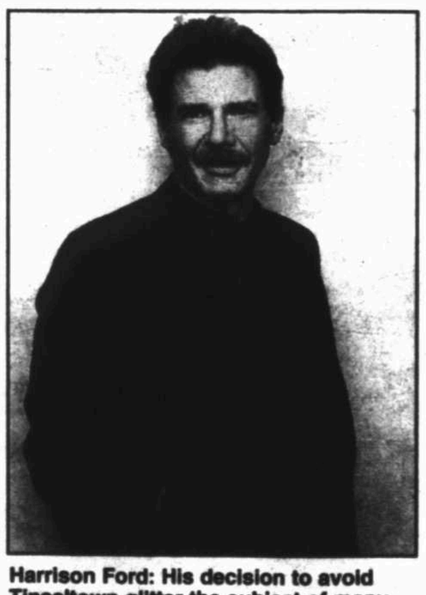
Crowell, one of the most influential songwriter-producers in country music, has failed to make a dent in two albums on MCA. This failure comes despite quality material and the biggest promotional setup in MCA-Nashville history, for a single that MCA thought was a sure-fire hit, "Please Remember Me."

Brown says part of the problem may be that Crowell's mature craft didn't fit with current hit songs that are "so simple lyrically that it's almost trite."

Hinton agrees: "I mean some of these songs will not be held up in high esteem 10 years from now — they won't be nom-

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Harrison Ford picks his movies as carefully as he cultivates privacy



Harrison Ford: His decision to avoid Tinseltown glitter the subject of many articles.

By Joe Leydon
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Harrison Ford is alone in the posh hotel suite, unfettered by handlers or retainers, standing near a picture window that overlooks Central Park. He smiles warmly at his visitor, and graciously motions to a comfortable chair. But it takes him another minute or so to divert his attention away from the riots of fall color that blaze here, there and everywhere underneath the overcast sky outside. He is there, in the room, willing to do his bit to promote his new movie, "Sabrina," which opens Dec. 15. And yet he is also somewhere else, somewhere far away that you will never ask about and he will never describe.

Consider the scene as metaphor. Harrison Ford, one of the world's most recognizable movie stars, one of the most public of public figures. Yet, like the classic movie stars of Hollywood's pre-multimedia, pre-TV talk show heyday, he remains tantalizingly elusive as he holds something of himself in check. He will say so much, and then no more. He will let you see so much, then he will politely, but firmly, shut the door.

But don't misunderstand: In conversation, Ford is neither distant nor evasive. Indeed, he smiles frequently, responds thoughtfully and laughs heartily at a good joke. Even if the joke is at his own expense. Even if he tells it himself.

"There was some magazine article on the fashions in 'Sabrina,'" he says in a softer, friendlier tone of the familiar voice you usually hear only in Dolby Stereo. "And they said that I couldn't tie a bow tie. Well, let me tell you: I can tie a bow tie.

Brief, effectively timed pause.

"It just takes me awhile, that's all. About, oh, a half-hour or so."

Ford seems equally bemused when the conversation lights onto the subject of his "mythos." Just about every article that focuses on him makes note of his decision to live far away from the Hollywood

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'Sabrina': Hollywood still in love with thought of remaking old material

By Michael H. Price
N.Y. Times News Service

Harrison Ford and Julia Ormond struggle mightily with the burden of their own profession's history in

■ 'Sabrina' is playing at the UA Cine 4.

"Sabrina," a remake that leaves the viewer wondering: "Why bother?"

Billy Wilder's source-film, a 1954 adaptation of Samuel Taylor's stage play, is one of the great eccentricities of postwar Hollywood: a "Cinderella"-meets-"Pygmalion" fantasy that makes perfect sense of an unlikely romantic teaming — a naturally vivacious Audrey Hepburn with a naturally gloomy Humphrey Bogart.

The Wilder version holds up so well, in fact, that Sydney Pollack-

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'Jumanji' loaded with fun, packed with excitement

By Bob Thomas
Associated Press Writer

Attention, board game lovers: Beware of something called Jumanji. It is not one of those wimpy things like Monopoly or Clue. Jumanji the game can be injurious

■ 'Jumanji' is playing at the North Park Cinema.

to your health. "Jumanji" the movie is as loaded with glorious surprises as a grab bag full of emeralds.

The story comes from a prize-winning 1981 children's book by Chris Van Allsburg. Several filmmakers romanced the author over the years, but a deal was never consummated. Good thing. Because Van Allsburg's soaring flight of fancy could never be filmed properly until the technology came of age.

"Jurassic Park" and "Toy Story" demonstrated what now can be accomplished with computer imagery. "Jumanji" profits from such techniques, along with improved special effects and animatronics.

It would be a disservice to telegraph the film's abundant surprises (although the trailer has certainly done so). The story concerns a game so terrifying that

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Congressmen reach agreement on phone companies' long-distance conditions

WASHINGTON (AP) — With billions of dollars at stake, House and Senate negotiators agreed Thursday on conditions for letting local Bell companies into the long-distance business, House aides said.

They also have an accord — yet to be voted on by lawmakers putting together a final telecommunications bill — that would make it illegal to transmit indecent and other sexually explicit material to minors over computer networks, Rep. Rick White, R-Wash., told The Associated Press.

The two issues were among the biggest stumbling blocks to resolving differences between separate bills passed by the House and Senate earlier this year to deregulate most of the communications industry. With the new agreements, House aides said the package could be sent to Congress for final votes by as early as Monday.

The negotiators, however, are still divided over how to deregulate media companies. Key senators on Thursday rejected what House negotiators had billed as a compromise to let the same company own both the cable system and a TV station in the same market. But aides said that with the long-distance issue resolved, they expect a quick accord on media ownership, too.

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The long-distance agreement, according to House aides and Bell company lobbyists, would require the regional Bells to comply with a checklist of competitive conditions laid out in both bills. It would combine Senate language requiring regulators to determine that a Bell's entry into long-distance serves the public interest with House provisions forbidding such a move until a competitor — using some of its own network — is providing local phone service in the area.

"There is an agreement in principle among House and Senate conferees," a House aide said.

Lobbyists for long-distance companies — AT&T, MCI and Sprint — that had wanted tougher conditions placed on their potentially new competitors in the $70 billion long-distance business said they had no knowledge of an agreement.

If the legislation overhauling the nation's telecommunications laws is enacted, it would mean that for the first time since the breakup of the Bell System in 1984, Americans would be able to buy both local and long-distance services from a local Bell company. Other provisions would let the Bells sell cable service.

Long-distance companies are already free to provide local phone service. Some, like Sprint, already do and others, like AT&T, are making plans to get into the $100 billion business.

They fear that the House and Senate bills, as currently written, would free the Bell companies to get into the long-distance business while they still have a monopoly in the local phone business. Long-distance companies assert that the Bells would use their monopoly power to block local phone competitors and pay for their foray into the long-distance market.

Bell companies deny this and say the long-distance companies are just trying to thwart competition.

Long-distance companies, consumer groups, the Clinton administration and other opponents had contended that both bills lacked sufficient consumer protection. They predicted that Bell companies would jack up local phone rates to subsidize long-distance and other new business ventures.

"What's at stake is whether or not consumers get real choice for local phone service. If there is inadequate regulation, local customers run the risk of rates being inflated anywhere from $5 to $10 a month," said Gene Kimmelman, co-director of the Consumers Union's Washington office.

Tom Tauke, a lobbyist for Nynex, the regional Bell company serving New York and parts of New England, said the agreement Thursday would make it somewhat harder for Bells to enter the long-distance market.

However, Tauke and other Bell company lobbyists said the accord was acceptable.

Five die in Amtrak train-pickup truck collision in New Orleans

PONCHATOULA, La. (AP) — Amtrak's City of New Orleans passenger train plowed into a pickup truck on Thursday, killing all five people in the truck.

The train came to a stop about a half-mile up the tracks, the truck crumpled against its nose.

No one aboard the train was injured, Amtrak spokesman Rob Borella said from Washington. Killed in the pickup were the 54-year-old driver, Irma Brumfield, passenger Lawanda Patterson, Patterson's 4-year-old daughter and 2-year-old twin sons.

Borella said he didn't know how fast the train was going, how many people were aboard, if the engineer tried to stop or if the whistle was blown.

"I don't think she was trying to beat the train, I think she was just not paying attention and didn't see it," Police Chief Tim Gideon said of the driver.

Emergency crews held up blankets to block the view as they cut bodies from the wreckage. The train resumed its run to Chicago after the track was cleared, about 2 1/2 hours after the crash.

Gideon said the train routinely travels at roughly 80 mph through the crossing, despite the city's 35 mph speed limit for trains.

He said Amtrak has said federal regulations supersede local ordinances and allow the higher speeds.

Borella said he knew nothing about Gideon's criticisms. The tracks at the crossing are owned by Illinois Central Gulf Railroad.

The crossing is marked with a railroad crossing sign and a stop sign, but no electronic warning devices or barriers.

Julian Dufreche, mayor of this city of 6,000 residents about 40 miles northwest of New Orleans, s. d it doesn't have the rights of way or the money to erect such barriers.

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Knight on the Town
By Pat Knight



Michael Mendoza tickles the ivories on Friday nights at Doña Anitas, 305 W. Florida. Jazz is his favorite, but you can expect to hear Christmas tunes during the holiday season.

Jazz and Mexican Food - Yes!

By Pat Knight

On a typical Friday night, one would expect to find a wonderful sampling of Mexican food at Doña Anita's. What is probably not expected is the jazz piano music dished up by Michael Mendoza.

I stopped in recently one Friday evening and Michael was caught up in the spirit of Christmas, playing his rendition of one holiday piece after another. It really set a wonderful tone for my evening.

The atmosphere was so nice that I lingered longer than usual over my chiles rellenos and chili con queso. I don't know whether I was really longing for that last drop of queso or for a few more moments of Michael's music and the chatter of a roomful of families enjoying themselves.

Apparently, this Friday evening tradition has been going on for several years. Michael's mother and owner of the restaurant, Luz Reyes, said the piano was moved to the restaurant long ago when Michael first began learning to play. The family was tired of listening to him at home. "Our customers were very supportive of Michael as he learned and began asking him to play for them."

Along the way, Michael fell in love with jazz and became quite an artist. Friday is an evening many regular customers, who know Michael, bring their families to Doña Anita's for a night out. It became a habit for him to take off his apron and put down his order pad, in order to serenade everyone that evening each week. Now he's often invited by customers to play at parties they give. Luz says his success makes it harder for her to keep him around at Doña Anita's as much as she would like.

Friday night, the families I saw seemed to be old timers. Many were greeted at the door by name and all the children left with an offer of a piece of candy.

Luz pointed out one couple that was there with a tableful of adult children and grandchildren. "They've been coming here for years. We did the rehearsal dinner of the kids when they got married, and now they all get together here, regularly."

I wonder which the toddlers will remember most when they grow up. Michael's jazz piano, the great Mexican food, Luz's friendly visits or the candy?

It's this family feeling between Luz and her customers which leads her to say, "I want to wish all my customers a merry Christmas and tell them thanks for a wonderful 1995. They make us a success."

I think I'll start taking my kiddos to Doña Anita's on Friday evenings. Whatever they remember, it will be good.

Doña Anita's is located at 305 W. Florida. They're open for lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and for dinner from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday. Saturday hours are 5 p.m.-9 p.m., closed Sunday. They honor AE, DC, MC and Visa. Evening reservations can be made by calling 683-6727.

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Budget talks are like crowds yelling in stadium

By David Espo
Associated Press

■ News analysis

WASHINGTON — To hear one participant tell it, the budget talks between the White House and congressional Republicans have been akin to two teams on bleachers at opposite ends of a stadium, shouting through bullhorns.

"I've never seen another negotiation like it," said Sen. Byron Dorgan, a North Dakotan who's been a member of the Democratic delegation during three weeks of sterile talks.

If they ever move out of the stands and onto the field — and both sides say they hope that happens today — they will have no shortage of issues to confront.

Medicare, Medicaid, welfare, tax credits for the working poor, tax cuts for the middle class — the list of expensive, politically sensitive programs in dispute is seemingly endless. And the entire negotiations would be played out against a threatened partial shutdown of government.

"We have a long way to go, and they have a long way to go," Sen. Pete V. Domenici, chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, said Wednesday night as he announced that intensive talks would begin today.

The Congressional Budget Office offered a glimpse of just how far in an analysis of President Clinton's most recent budget proposal — a blueprint the analysts said would lead to red ink totaling $115 billion in 2002 rather than a deficit-free federal government.

CBO said the Republican measure vetoed by Clinton would achieve $365 billion more in deficit reduction over seven years than the White House has thus far embraced — $502 billion in spending restraints when the difference between the rival tax cuts is factored in.

"The give has to be in the area of the tax cut," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota told reporters Thursday. He said Republicans will have to shrink their tax cut if there's ever to be agreement on balancing the budget.

Daschle suggested the administration was prepared to scale back its own, smaller tax cut proposal in an effort to find additional money for programs important to the president and the Democratic party.

There's probably not enough money available from shaving tax cuts, though, to provide the protection Clinton and the Democrats want for the social programs that have developed over the years.

The most tempting source of additional funds would come — back door — from Social Security recipients and taxpayers.

Recalculating the government's cost-of-living gauge would slow the annual increases for recipients of Social Security and other programs. It also would mean some taxpayers would move into higher tax brackets more quickly. As a result, the government would spend less and bring in more than projected — a difference of a few dollars per individual that could mean tens of billions off the deficit.

Behind the numbers, though, lie profound disagreements over policy.

Among the toughest problems is Medicaid, the health care program for the poor, where the dollar difference is about $100 billion over seven years, by CBO's reckoning.

Republicans are proposing a dramatic change in the program. With the strong backing of GOP governors, they want to turn Medicaid into a system of grants to the states, which would be largely free of federal requirements on what people were guaranteed coverage and what the benefits would be.

The theory is that governors know better than Washington how to spend the money, and can deliver health care more efficiently to poor people in their own states if left alone.

That's not how Clinton described it last weekend in his radio address.

"For three decades, the Medicaid program has meant that if your child was disabled in an accident, or your husband got Alzheimer's, or your parent needed nursing home care, you would get the help you need."

Republicans, he said, "would repeal the guarantee of health care for poor children, people with disabilities, pregnant women and older Americans."

Clinton met with a bipartisan group of governors at the White House on Wednesday.

Working among themselves, the governors are expected to seek a compromise that Clinton and the Republican majorities in Congress can accept.

Compounding the policy difficulties are the political stakes.

Both sides are suspicious of the other's motives, questioning whether they are bargaining in good faith.

Republicans believe balancing the budget would reap enormous benefits at the polls next year, when they will ask the voters to reaffirm their new majority in Congress.

Clinton and Democrats have watched their poll numbers climb, temporarily at least, while they've criticized Republicans for wanting to savage Medicare, Medicaid and other programs.

Failure to agree on a budget would portend a political campaign waged along these lines — a campaign both sides profess to believe they could win.

Clinton is likely to escape serious Democratic challenge, most say

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barring a surprise, President Clinton today will secure a valuable niche in political history, becoming the first elected Democratic president not to face a major challenge in New Hampshire's primary.

Avoiding a challenge in New Hampshire's leadoff primary makes it virtually certain that Clinton will face no serious Democratic opposition next year, allowing him to focus on general election themes while Republicans wage a potentially divisive nomination battle.

New Hampshire's history suggests that going unchallenged is a distinction worth having.

In 1952, the primary's first year, Tennessee Sen. Estes Kefauver's victory helped convince Harry Truman not to seek re-election.

Lyndon Johnson wasn't challenged in 1964, when he sought his first full term after President Kennedy's assassination. But Eugene McCarthy's strong second-place New Hampshire showing in 1968 was a sign of the deep anti-war sentiment that ultimately led Johnson to forgo seeking a second full term.

In 1980, incumbent Jimmy Carter won a narrow New Hampshire victory over Sen. Edward Kennedy from neighboring Massachusetts in the first clash of their lengthy, divisive battle for the Democratic nomination.

"The history of our primary here is that if you are a Democrat and an incumbent, you are a target," said Dayton Duncan, a veteran Democratic operative and author of a book on the New Hampshire primary. "The notion of, 'Will the sitting president be the nominee?' for the first time that I can remember is not a question."

There have been divisive Republican challenges launched in New Hampshire, too, including Ronald Reagan's unsuccessful effort to wrest the 1976 nomination from Gerald Ford, and Pat Buchanan's bruising 1992 challenge to George Bush.

Clinton is the first Democratic president since Carter. A year ago, after an anti-Clinton tide helped Republicans seize control of Congress, Clinton appeared ripe for a primary challenge.

Yet as 1996 filing deadlines approach, there is no talk of a challenge — in New Hampshire or beyond. Nebraska Sen. Bob Kerrey, a Clinton 1992 rival, long ago ruled out a challenge. So did Georgia Sen. Sam Nunn when he announced he would not seek re-election. Retiring Democratic Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey also ruled out a Democratic challenge. He hasn't completely ruled out a 1996 independent run, but that appears increasingly unlikely.

And while two-time Democratic candidate Jesse Jackson has not flatly ruled out a challenge, advisers said he would not file in New Hampshire. Jackson is in ongoing discussions with Democratic officials about a high-profile role in the effort to recapture control of the House next year.

Next to Clinton, that leaves perennial candidate Lyndon LaRouche and comedian Pat Paulsen as the best-known among more than a dozen people who have coughed up the $1,000 fee to get on the Democratic primary ballot.

"Not everyone in the party is happy with everything he has done or is doing, but that is never going to be the case," said Donald Sweitzer, a Democratic strategist who worked for Kennedy in the 1980 battle. "But many of us have learned from experience that it's not real smart to beat each other up when we have somebody in the White House and a pretty good shot at re-electing him."

A year ago, even a few months ago, Democrats were not so optimistic. But rising public anxiety about the overall Republican congressional agenda and the budget standoff have boosted Clinton's standing to its highest position in two years.

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A New York Times-CBS poll released Thursday, for example, showed Clinton with a 51 percent job approval rating, the first time since February 1994 he has surpassed 50 percent. Echoing other recent surveys, this poll showed Clinton with a big lead in a head-to-head race with Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the leading Republican presidential candidate.

Few Democrats expect that edge to hold up once 1995 turns to 1996. But by avoiding a primary fight, Clinton can use his time and money to plan for the tougher days to come while the Republicans fight among themselves.

The Clinton-Gore campaign has raised most of the $36 million it is allowed to spend through the Democratic convention next August. "It is certainly a luxury not having to use any of our resources to defeat other Democratic candidates," said Ann Lewis, Clinton's deputy campaign manager.

This is not lost on Republicans, who believe they will have a nominee by late March or early April. But the GOP candidate likely will be broke because of the crowded early primary calendar, and face instant attack from "an unopposed incumbent Democrat who has got all that dough," said Republican National Committee Chairman Haley Barbour.

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Sealed bids will be accepted by the County Purchasing Agent, First Floor, Suite 101 of the Midland County Courthouse, or P.O. Box 421, Midland, Texas 79702 until 4:30 P.M., Tuesday, January 16, 1996. The bids will be opened and read aloud in the Purchasing Agent's Office, Wednesday, January 17, 1996 at 2:00 P.M.

It is the County's intention to award a bid Monday, January 22, 1996 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Commissioners Court. All interested parties are invited to attend the bid opening and the court meeting.

Bid Numbers:
96MC004 - TIRES
96MC005- LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE
96MC006- LIGHT VEHICLE REPAIR PARTS
96MC007- JANITORIAL SUPPLIES & HOUSEHOLD PAPER PRODUCTS
96MC009- CALICHE -REBID

Midland County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive all formalities.

Specifications and bid information may be obtained from the County Purchasing Agent's Office.

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110 Lodge Notices

Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
Christmas Party
Honor Battered Women
Open meeting, 12/16, 7 pm.
682-3292 Bill Dormady, W.M
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Midland Shrine Club, 2019 Trade Dr. 682-5509.
Reg. mtng. 3rd Thurs. each mo.
Hosp. 6:30 pm, dine 7 pm. Bus. mtng. 8 pm.
Larry Ross, Pres.
Bob Ellwood, Secy.

CENTENNIAL LODGE #1448
1000 Upland
Reg.stated meeting,1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30 am.
Breakfast 7:30 am.
Larry Ross, W.M.
Bob Ellwood, Secty.

Acacia Masonic
1000 Upland
@ Cuthbert
Stated meeting
2nd & 4th Tue.
7:30 pm
694-0704
Rodney Wilson, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

115 Announcements

1995 DEMO SPAS, Reduced to Clean inventory! Call 550-5225 or 563-3108.

130 Personals

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150 Lost & Found

FOUND: All white kitten on corner of Princeton & Denton. Call 697–3325.

FOUND: Black Cat wearing 2 collars on County Road 1247 & Hwy 158. 694–7789.

FOUND: Siamese Adult Female Flame Tabby Point Cat. Contact Midland Animal Control

LOST: 1200 Block of McDonald- White & Black Lop- Eared Rabbit. Children miss him so much! 694–6414, please leave message if no answer. Thank You.

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For information leading to the return of acoustic Gibson guitar taken from Trestles Apartments of Odessa. 363–9137 or 332–8161. No questions asked.

REWARD for return of Black Billfold & checkbook holder stolen from 201 W Wall, Suite 104, 12/12/95. Call 687-5232, No questions!

MALE Shih Tzu found north of Stanton on HWY 176. 684–7554.

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'94 HONDA CIVIC LX — Auto, P/W, P/L, Tilt, Cruise Cass — $13,495
'94 CHEVY LUMINA — AM/FM Cassette, Tilt, Cruise, P/W, P/L — $13,995
'92 HONDA ACCORD EX — Auto, Sunroof, P/W, P/L — $14,488
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'94 PONTIAC TRANS SPORT SE — Pwr Sliding Door, Leather, P/W, P/L — $17,995
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'95 GMC EXT-CAB SLE — 350 V8, A/C, Auto, P/W — $22,495
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'96 PONTIAC SUNFIRE



0 Down + TT&L, 35 mos. 1 at $7,077.50 @ 8.75% APR to qualified buyers, $13,077.49 to finance WAC, total of payments $15,748.75. Sale price $13,077.49 + TT&L.STK# 96131

$247.75 MO

$351.74 MO



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0 Down + TT&L, 35 mos. 1 at $15,001.80 @ 7.8% APR to qualified buyers, $22,860.07 to finance WAC, total of payments $27,312.70. Sale price $22,860.07 + TT&L.STK# 96091

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'95 CHRYSLER LHS

0 Down + TT&L, 48 mos. 1 at $11,232.83 @ 8.75% APR to qualified buyers, $23,724.34 to finance WAC, total of payments $29,949.64. Sale price $23,724.34 + TT&L.STK# 95486

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0 Down + TT&L, 48 mos. 1 at $8,201.39 @ 8.75% APR to qualified buyers, $17,277.68 to finance WAC, total of payments $21,814.94. Sale price $17,277.68 + TT&L.STK# 96027

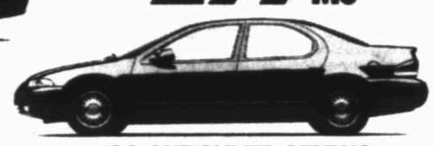
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0 Down + TT&L, 48 mos. 1 at $8,234.60 @ 8.75% APR to qualified buyers, $17,700.00 to finance WAC, total of payments $22,320.00. Sale price $17,700.00 + TT&L.STK# 96125

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'95 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE

0 Down + TT&L, 35 mos. 1 at $7,613.90 @ 8.75% APR to qualified buyers, $18,794.35 to finance WAC, total of payments $23,515.41. Sale price $18,794.55 + TT&L.STK# 95495

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'96 PLYMOUTH NEON

0 Down + TT&L, 35 mos. 1 at $7,414.00 @ 9.0% APR to qualified buyers, $12,395.00 to finance WAC, total of payments $15,090.20. Sale price $12,395.00 + TT&L. STK# 96135

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FOUND: Red Cocker Spaniel male, vicinity of Cottonflat. Call 683-4633.

FOUND: Rottweiler mix male dog, about 1 year old. Contact Midland Animal Control, 685-7420.

LOST: "Thunder", a solid gray female cat with medium- long hair and pale, greenish- gold eyes. Lost in the vicinity of Meadow Park at N. Loop 250 and Ave. A. If found, please call Jacque at 682-3913.

LOST Saturday in Odessa or Midland on December 9th, set of keys with two remote controls. Call Frankie, (915) 652-3633 McCamey.

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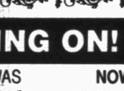
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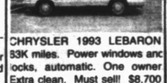
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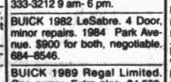
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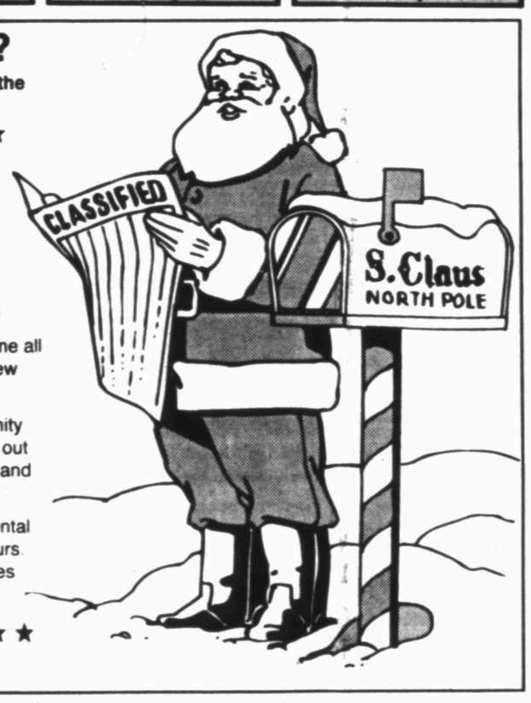
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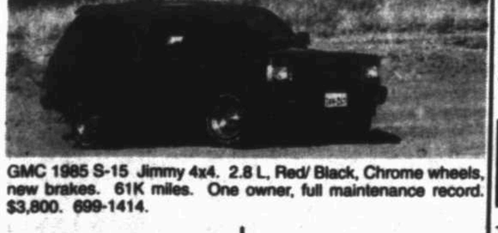
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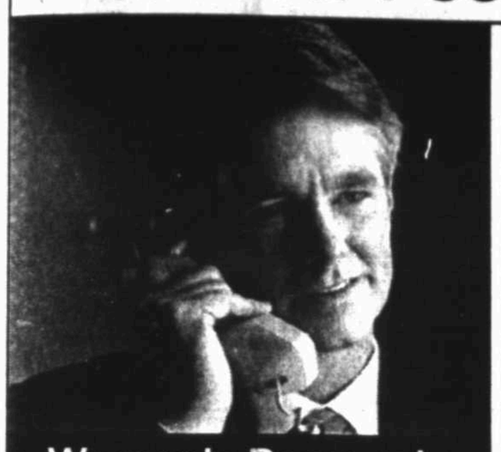
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HISPANIC FEMALE, 31
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WHITE FEMALE
26, seeking stable, dependable white male, 26-30, enjoys dinner dancing and having fun. #63562

WHITE FEMALE, 18
Smoker, enjoys partying, late night trips. Looking for single male, 18-24, with similar interests. #46096

SINGLE BLACK
Female, 32, 5'9", mother of two, seeking friend. #41435

I'M MISS RIGHT
White female, 20, 5'4", mom of one, ISO single male, 21-35, honest, family-oriented, for relationship. #21639

ATTRACTIVE
Single white female, 30s, smoker, auburn hair, big brown eyes, mother of one. Seeks single white male, 30-45. #63629

HOLIDAY BLUES
Dear Santa, please bring me one well-built, intelligent, honest white/Hispanic male, 28-42. Fine, slender, blonde, professional female. #41943

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WHITE FEMALE
5'10", young-at-heart, slim, likes to travel, take pictures. Looking for white male, 35-45, for companionship. #60676

LOVING FEMALE
Hispanic female, 24, enjoys dancing, movies. Seeks Hispanic or white male, 24-30, honest non-smoker, enjoys good times. #45341

SPARKLING LADY
White, attractive, slim, honest, caring, seeks white male, 36-48, same qualities, for fun, quiet, family times. #68625

ATTRACTIVE
Intelligent, educated DWF, loves reading, animals, travel, cooking, fishing, hunting, romance. Seeks gentleman, 55-75, of similar persuasion. #45387

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TALL BLONDE
Seeks tall, intelligent, secure, confident single male, 35-50, loves country music and cowboys, both kinds, smokers encouraged. #45179

NEW TO AREA
Hispanic female, 24, 5'5", 165 lbs. Seeks Hispanic male, 24-30, for company, quiet times, evening out. #20176

ATTRACTIVE
Single black female, 27, enjoys movies, music, reading, quiet evenings. Seeking honest single black male, 24-34, similar interests. #22173

COMPANION
Divorced black female, 46, 5'8", 214 lbs., looking for single or divorced male, 40 up, with same statistics. #45578

UNIQUE LADY
Fun-loving divorced white female, sparkling attitude, enjoys country western dancing, fishing, more. Seeking white male, 28-42. #22715

SMALL TOWN GIRL
White female, 32, brunette, hazel eyes, enjoys movies and outdoors. Seeks single Christian male, 30-45. #65798

ATTRACTIVE
Black female, 20, seeking black or white male, 25-30, with no children. #45594

WHITE FEMALE
32, 6', full-figured, smoker, spontaneous, easygoing, enjoys outdoors. Seeks single white male for fun, no games, relationship. #81367

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Divorced white female, 34, enjoys movies, quiet evenings and outdoors, seeking white male, 30-40, for friendship. #63700

SPECIAL SOMEONE
White female, educated, mother of 3, professional, enjoys rodeos, dancing, children, fireplaces, animals, seeks tall white cowboy. #41498

INDEPENDENT FEMALE
35, blonde hair, blue-eyed, petite, seeks secure, fun white male, 30-45, who enjoys quiet times and family. #45265

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White female, 67, enjoys dining out, reading, gardening, bingo, seeks financially secure white male, 68-?, non-drinker. #44275

WHITE FEMALE, 23
Short blonde hair, blue eyes, western dancing, romantic dinners, quiet evenings, seeks someone to talk to. #82876

FUN-LOVING
Romantic, artistic, attractive, down-to-earth lady. Seeks similar, non-smoking Christian man, 45 plus, easygoing, adventurous, good sense of humor. #41352

BLACK FEMALE
22, attractive, slim, compassionate, seeks romantic, fun male, 22-30, for relationship. Race unimportant. #65036

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23, wanting someone to lift my spirits up and show me what love is all about. #40946

WHITE FEMALE
Divorced, 54, slender, blue-eyed brunette. Seeking white gentleman, ?-6'4", social drinker, smoker O.K., with sense of humor. #45118

BLACK FEMALE, 20
Seeking single white male, 18-26, blue/green eyes, with good sense of humor. Must love kids! #26977

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Single Hispanic female, 22, attractive, mother of 1. Seeks gentleman to build relationship, 27-45, non-smoker, non-drinker. #21082

ATTRACTIVE
Professional, divorced white female, mid 40s, seeks romantic, tall Christian, secure single/divorced white male, 38-55, who enjoys life. #66981

PROFESSIONAL
Female seeks single or divorced, white or Hispanic male, 45-55, who is serious about life and relationships. #21935

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Seeks prince. Attractive, loving, adventurous, lady, wants similar Christian man, 45-65, for story book romance. No castle required. #63386

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5'4", enjoys walks in the park, candlelight dinners, traveling, seeks single male, 34 plus, race unimportant. #81676

BLACK FEMALE
Seeks white or black male for friendship, possible relationship. I enjoy movies, dining out, travel, good conversation. #22032

GLAMOROUS
Red-head. Degreed professional seeks handsome, articulate, educated S/DWM, 38-48, who dares to live life to the fullest. #81415

SOMEONE SPECIAL
In search of single white male, 38-45, must enjoy living, laughing, country western dancing, for possible relationship. #22371

Men's Personals

SINGLE WHITE MALE
27, employed, enjoys music, outdoors, theatre, seeking single female who enjoys having fun. Give me a call! #44118

HISPANIC MALE, 24
Seeks Hispanic/white female for conversation. Friendship first, possible relationship. #66895

ROMANTIC RANCHER
Pro rodeo cowboy, tall, slender, blond single white male, 55, loves horses, rodeos, dancing, trim, beautiful lady, 35-55, candlelight dinners, cozy fireplaces, romantic evenings. #44533

NEW TO AREA
Single white professional male, 37, 6 foot 1, non-smoker, enjoys travel, sports, skiing. Seeks attractive female. #46310

WHITE MALE, 47
Lost, don't want to do bar thing. Love children, fishing, flying, looking for long term relationship. #64280

STRAWBERRY BLOND
Attractive white male, 30, smoker, seeks white or Hispanic female to spend quality time with. Kids O.K. #67246

BUSINESS MAN, 48
Seeks single/divorced professional white female, with mild temperament, for life companionship. #68317

LONELY MAN
32, brown hair and eyes, black beard, I enjoy music, movies, animals and more. Seeking female, 22-40, nondrinker, non-smoker. I am a Christian man. #46681

HONEST
Divorced white male, 26, 6'2", 165 pounds, seeking honest, sincere, single white female, 22-30, for dating, possible relationship. #86283

DIVORCED WHITE
Male, 39, 6', 185 lbs., blue eyes, financially secure, seeks single or divorced female, 30-45, for relationship. #64561

HISPANIC MALE, 26
5'10", 180 lbs., seeks single female, 24-30, pretty, slender, likes dancing, for quality times and relationship. #85148

JUST LONELY
Not a freak. Handsome, educated, top quality male, excellent catch, 6', seeking attractive female, 20-30, race unimportant. #20972

PROFESSIONAL
Brown male, 32, new to Midland. Seeks friendship with single or divorced white female, 20-35. #20660

WHITE MALE, 33
Seeks single/divorced female, smoker, social drinker O.K. I enjoy fishing, bowling, dining out and movies. #42696

HISPANIC MALE, 34
Enjoys music, dancing, dinners, sports, seeking white/Hispanic female, 22-37, for friendship, possible relationship. #24757



Men's Personals

BLUE-EYED SOUL
Muscular, attractive white professional male, 40, seeking beautiful, independent, trim, white/Hispanic professional female. Loves life, adventure, romance. #66124

NEW TO AREA
Single white male, 22, 5'10", 195 lbs., seeking single white female, 18-25, for fun and romance. #45400

GUN SHY?
Me too. Attractive white male, business owner, seeks attractive, slender white female, 25-38, for dating. Children welcome. #63535

WHITE MALE
Retired, 62, non-smoker, seeks attractive white female, mid-late 50s, for fun, friendship. Enjoys eating out, movies, travel. #63373

PROFESSIONAL WHITE
Male seeks non-smoking, slender white/Hispanic female, 25-38, for dining out, travel, dancing. Possible relationship. #63340

HI, I'M STEVE
Single male, 6', brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys bowling, miniature golf, seeks single white female, 27-33. #22001

MOVING TO AREA
Outgoing Hispanic male, financially stable, enjoys dancing, movies, dining. Seeking white or hispanic female friend, thirties. #42723

HISPANIC MALE, 38
Likes church, dancing, quiet evening, seeks single or divorced Hispanic white female, 27-40, friendship or relationship. #63398

WHITE MALE, 26
Divorced, seeks single or divorced female, 18-30, who enjoys romance, for possible relationship. Children welcome. #82726

WHITE MALE
Professional, Christian, slim, outdoor-type, smoker, 43, loves children, not perfect, but has beautiful heart. Race, age unimportant. #22409

SINGLE WHITE MALE
23, seeking single white female, 18-25, enjoys sports, movies, outdoors, romantic dinners. #82586

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Single white male, 35, enjoys a little of everything. Seeks attractive female to share it with. #66422

NICE-LOOKING MALE
Mid 30s, no dependents, non-smoker, non-drinker. Seeks white female, 25-43, for friendship, possible marriage later. #68585

NOBODY DOES
Nobody responds to these ads. Spontaneous, adventurous male seeks female, 25-45, who likes movies, music, dinners. #67642



Religious Personals

CATHOLICS!
Did you know there is a new single, divorced, separated, widowed ministry for Catholics in Midland/Odessa? Let's get together! #46011

Mutual Hobbies

SINGLE MALE
36, smoker, social drinker, enjoys music, tinkering with cars, collecting cassettes, seeks single male, 30-40, same interests. #68590

People Meeting People ads are available to single adults 18 years of age and over seeking personal relationships with other singles. In addition, there are other categories for people who might be looking for a sports partner, a theatre partner, or someone to share a common interest. The Publisher reserves the right to edit an ad and monitor or reject any greeting. Ads that are offensive or in poor taste will not be accepted. No one may leave a last name, telephone number or address in a print ad or greeting. Responses are not monitored by the Publisher and screening of responses is solely the responsibility of the advertiser. People who place or respond to ads in People Meeting People do so at their own risk and are encouraged to take precautions before arranging a face-to-face meeting. It is strongly recommended for your safety that you conduct initial meetings in public areas or in a small group setting. The Publisher, and its affiliate, does not investigate and takes no responsibility for claims made in advertisements, replies or recorded messages, and specifically decline all liability for any actions of advertisers or respondents.

310 General Help Wanted

THE TOWN & COUNTRY DIFFERENCE

TOWN & COUNTRY FOOD STORES
SUBWAY
TACO BELL EXPRESS

COME EXPERIENCE THE TOWN & COUNTRY DIFFERENCE

If you are looking for better job and career opportunities, you should be talking to us. We are hiring energetic, ambitious, career oriented personnel to join the Town and Country Team. Great opportunity for Sales Associate & Store Manager Trainee. We offer an excellent variety of benefits including health insurance, paid sick leave, paid vacation, retirement plan, and stock purchase plan. 95% or more of all shifts have two people or more on duty. Apply at any of the following locations.

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#107 3115 Garden City Hwy.
#207 4508 N. Big Spring
#122 2109 S. Midkiff
#188 4001 S. FM 1788
7100 W. Hwy. 80 - Midland

An Equal Opportunity Employer — Pre-employment drug testing required.

THE TOWN & COUNTRY DIFFERENCE

310 General Help Wanted

NIGHT AUDITOR

* Do you enjoy meeting people?
* Do you enjoy working with computers?
* Do you like working with positive people?
* Then we need to talk to you soon.
* PLAZA INN has an excellent opportunity for the right person. PLAZA INN has an opening for a NIGHT AUDITOR. This is a full time forty hour week position.
* You will enjoy excellent working conditions with excellent benefits and a very good salary.

PLAZA INN
Apply in person
E.O.E.
4108 N. Big Spring
Midland, TX

310 General Help Wanted

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Christmas Jobs
(Now Available)

The Midland Reporter- Telegram is now accepting applications from reliable persons for a telephone sales program.

No experience is necessary... we will train if you have a **pleasant / clear** voice, and you are able to work Monday through Friday evenings between 6 pm & 9 pm, AND Saturday between 10 am & 1 pm.

This is an ideal opportunity for **Homemakers, High School Grads., College Students, Retirees**, and **others** to earn good money for only 15 hours per week. Hourly **Guarantee** ($4.25- $6.25) plus **Excellent Bonuses Paid Weekly.** The increased hourly rate is based on obtainable production. Daily, Weekly, and Special bonuses are paid over and above the hourly rate. Applications will be taken daily at the circulation department prior to 5 pm. Applications will be considered first. If you need more information, please call the phone number listed below.

Work begins soon!... **Apply Today!!**

John H Greeley
Circulation Department
Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702
915-688-2700

(If no answer, please leave your name & phone number & your call will be returned.)

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310 General Help Wanted

Fun Jobs! Great Pay! Advancement!

Part-Time 5-20 Hours Per Week, weekends or weekdays, we'll work with your school schedule.

We're Hiring for ALL positions.

Grandy's

Please apply at your local Grandy's

EOE M/F/V/D Drug Free Environment

Midland Reporter-Telegram

310 General Help Wanted

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Turn your early morning hours into extra income.
The Midland Reporter-Telegram has routes in the following areas:

Available Now!

**Lee Freshman Area
**DeZavala Area
Garfield & Loop 250
**Windscape & Windtree Apts.
**Midland Dr. & Neely

As with all newspaper distributorships, this opportunity requires a 7 day a week commitment (when you go out of town, you must arrange a substitute for yourself) and it is early morning work.

Newspaper distributorships provide great supplemental income for anyone willing to work early morning hours. These routes require a small deposit.

Apply in person or contact the Circulation Department:
Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois
Midland

Or call 687-8810, 687-8807

(**this larger route receives a $25 check each Friday in addition to the regular monthly profits.)

BLIND BOX REPLIES

When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to: **(this is an example)**

BOX Z-01
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

The information for a blind box is confidential, therefore, The Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot disclose the identity of the advertiser to anyone for any reason. However, readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: Classified Supervisor and the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222 and a friendly Classified Consultant will explain the procedure to you. Thank You for using the Midland Reporter-Telegram Classified.

310 General Help Wanted

RESTAURANT

PINOCCHIOS PIZZA

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS!
Now hiring for experienced Phone Operators. All shifts available. Please apply in person 3303 N. Midkiff- San Miguel Shopping Center.

P/T ON-SITE LEASING AGENT

Licensed real estate agent wanted for leasing on weekends, some week days. Hourly pay plus commission. Fax resume to: (214) 644-3810 or mail to: 8111 LBJ Freeway, Suite 835, Dallas, TX 75251.

310 General Help Wanted

VIBRATOR Operators. Geco-Prakla, a division of Schlumberger Technology Corporation is currently hiring Vibrator Operators. Apply at 10901 W. County Road 125 Or by fax at (915) 561-8495. EOE

STYLISTS Needed. Teresa's Hair & Nail Salon has stations for lease, great location, close to downtown. Ask for Teresa, 688-0033.

WAITPERSON needed part time for Friday, Saturday & Sunday or full time. Apply at Green's Restaurant, 20B Village Circle (next to Folgers).

REPRESENTATIVES Needed-sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

310 General Help Wanted

RESTAURANT- Dino's Pizzeria and Restaurant is now hiring. Apply in person 4322 B Andrews Hwy.

RESTAURANT- Gili's Restaurant now hiring waitstaff & drive through help. Apply in person 4411 W. Illinois. No calls please.

RESTAURANT. TCBY now hiring for day time help. Pick up applications at 3001 W. Cuthbert.

TELEMARKETING. Part time help needed. Hourly plus commission. Contact Carol at 561-9440.

TRUCK DRIVER with commercial Class B license, also must have Hazardous Material Endorsement. 1-800-256-4703.

STYLISTS- PRO-CUTS now hiring full and part time stylists. Call Maria 689-9482.

PROFESSIONAL RESUME & Typing Service. Reasonable rates. 699-2488.

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CLASSIFIED HAS IT ALL

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310 General Help Wanted

Starving for Success?
PIZZA HUT DELIVERS.
Full & Part-time Positions Available
If you're looking for a position with a solid company that is experiencing rapid growth... Pizza Hut Delivery is looking for customer service operators, drivers and cooks.

- Flexible hours to meet your needs.
- Complete training program
- Company-provided uniform
- Meal benefit
- A clean, friendly work environment
- Regular performance/salary reviews
- Incentive programs
- Advancement opportunities
- Stock purchase program
- Paid vacation benefits

Apply now at these Midland locations

2200 W. Wadley
4320 Andrews Hwy
427 Andrews Hwy

Pizza Hut DELIVERY
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

310 General Help Wanted

TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION

ATTENTION VETERANS:

- Are you 55 or older and looking for part-time work?
- Is your annual income less than $9,340 or (2 person family $12,640)?
- If so, the Senior Texans Employment Program can help!
- For more information ...call

SCOTT STAFFORD
VETERANS REPRESENTATIVE
501 N. Loraine
(915) 682-9421, Ext. 201

CALL 682-6222 TO PLACE YOUR FAST ACTING RESULT GETTING AD!

311 Medical Help Wanted

LVN NEEDED for office help. Must have Medicare experience. Call 520-4425.

MEDICAL Secretary/ Insurance Clerk, experienced with computers, needed for doctor's office. Apply at 2301 W. Michigan, Midland, Texas 79701.

310 General Help Wanted

DOMINO'S Pizza is now hiring drivers for day and evening shifts. Advancement opportunity available in a fun, exciting environment. Must be at least 18 years old. Please inquire at 2215 N. Midland Drive or 712 W. Scharbauer.

310 General Help Wanted

RAY'S BIG & Tall is seeking a stable, well- groomed individual with a good attitude who has a good work ethic. Experience a plus, apply in person, Monday-Saturday, 10 am - 1 pm, at 35 North Village Court.

310 General Help Wanted

RESTAURANT- NOW TAKING applications for cook, wait staff, dishwasher. Talk to Pat at National Truck Stop Restaurant, 2400 W. Loop 250, #4, between hours 1 and 3. No phone calls.

312 Professional Help Wanted

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316 Sales Help Wanted

316 Sales Help Wanted

316 Sales Help Wanted

We're losing a great friend and associate. It could be your opportunity!

OFFICE MANAGER

THIS IS A ONE PERSON OFFICE.

Successful applicant will train with our current office manager who is moving. Responsibilities include reconciling daily sales data, general ledger posting, accounts receivable billing and accounts payable.

Bookkeeping and computer experience required. Benefits include generous vacation, sick leave and store discounts. If you desire a pleasant working atmosphere and are a self starter and problem solver, this permanent position may be for you.

Send resume, references and salary requirements in confidence to Andrew Swartz, President. Please do not apply in person.

Swartz

2101 West Wadley, Suite 16
Midland, TX 79705

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MOHRE

The Board of Directors of the Midland/ Odessa Health and Retirement Endeavor (MOHRE) seeks an Executive Director to administer all its programs. MOHRE is a not-for-profit corporation that seeks to attract retirees to the two West Texas communities of Midland and Odessa. Job requirements: familiarity with Midland/ Odessa essential; fund-raising skills and experience essential; grant-writing helpful; computer skills on basic office software important; must be familiar or experienced with not-for-profits. A verbal person with excellent communications skills is sought, one who is able to work with diverse groups and governmental entities. The successful applicant will be one who is a self-starter, able to manage a one-person office. Letters of application, with resume and 3 references (names & phone numbers), should be sent to H. Warren Gardner, 4901 E. University, Odessa, TX 79762. Applications accepted until December 31, 1995. Women & minorities encouraged to apply.

MOLECULAR BIOLOGIST

The Midland Certified Reagent Company, a leading manufacturer of synthetic DNA, seeks an experienced molecular biologist for its expanding molecular biology department. The prospective candidate must be able to work independently and efficiently in all aspects of synthetic gene construction including bacteriology, molecular cloning, and DNA sequencing. The position entails flexible evening/ night shift work with weekend overtime available. Candidates for this position will offer a B.S. or M.S. degree in molecular biology, microbiology, or biochemistry and laboratory and/ or research experience in molecular biology techniques.

The Midland Certified Reagent Co. offers competitive wages, a medical benefits program, and assistance with relocation to qualified candidates. For consideration please submit curriculum vitae, academic transcript, and publication reprints to: The Midland Certified Reagent Co., 3112-A West Cuthbert Avenue, Midland, TX 79701, c/o: Molecular Biology Department.

JOINT INTEREST ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR

Growing Midland based Oil & Gas independent seeks degreed Accountant with minimum of ten years related accounting experience to supervise staff of six. Responsibilities will include:

- Joint Interest Accounting And Audits
- Accounts Receivable
- Accounts Payable
- Property Accounting

Excellent benefit package- Salary DOE-
Interview by appointment.
Equal Opportunity Employer

F-36
c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland Texas 79702

DATABASE ANALYST/ WINDOWS DEVELOPERS

Leading petroleum software development firm seeking individuals for software development team. Available positions include Database Administrators, Systems, Analysts and Windows Programmers. Development environment is Microsoft SQL/ Server, MS- Access and Visual Basic. MS- Windows development experience required, Oil & Gas Industry knowledge highly desirable. Salary DOE. Send resume and salary requirements to:

Enertech Information Systems, Inc.
Development Department
310 W. Wall Suite 200
Midland, Texas 79701

311 Medical Help Wanted

311 Medical Help Wanted

CARE ATTENDANTS

needed for Midland & Stanton areas. Flexible hours, minimum wage.

* Light Housekeeping
* Meal Preparation
* Grooming
* Personal Care

Interim Health Care Services
Primary Home Care
Contact 550-7593
8 am - 4:30 pm

LVN- rare opportunity! Send resume/ application to: Manor Park, 2208 N. Loop 250 W., Midland, 79707 EOE M/F

MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTIONIST. Knowledge of Medical Manager needed. Contact Marilyn Bly, 2201 W. Tennessee, Midland Texas 79701.

MEDICAL- Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 153 BED hospital has immediate opening for two Respiratory Care Practioners, prefer Care Practioners, prefer CRTT. Contact T. Von-Hassell at (915) 263-1211 or fax resume to Department of Human Resources, 915-263-6454 or apply in person at 1601 W. 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720. E. O. E. NO RECRUITERS PLEASE.

MEDICAL- NEEDED EMT's, EMTI's and EMTP's. Full and part- time. Call Texas West Ambulance, 570-4892.

NEWSPAPER/PRINT TELEMARKETING SALES

We are looking for people who want to make above average earnings working with an outstanding sales team calling on Midland/Odessa businesses for the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

If you have a strong desire to succeed, good customer relation skills and want a new challenge that is exciting and financially rewarding, call **Paige Moon at 687-8886**

or send resume to:
Paige Moon
Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, Texas 79702

320 Skilled Trades

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318 Management Help Wanted

Geophysical Exploration

GECO-PRAKLA a division of Schlumberger Technology Corporation is currently hiring Mechanics and Vibtechs. Applicants must be ASE certified or have equivalent formal mechanical training. Seeking those that are highly skilled in all aspects of mechanical field and highly motivated. We offer a competitive wage and benefits package. Apply at:

10901 W. County Road 125
Or by fax at (915) 561-8495.
EOE

312 Professional Help Wanted

314 Clerical Help Wanted

SPEECH THERAPIST- Bachelors or Masters degree in Communication Disorders. Salary commensurate with education and experience. Contact Lamb County Special Education Office, 806-385-3007.

ACCOUNTING Supervisor- Independent Oil & Gas Operator. Must have following accounting experience: JIBs, revenue distribution, general ledger & financial statements. Must have computer expertise and good communication skills. Degree and minimum 15 years experience required. Non- smoking environment. Send resume and salary requirements in confidence to "Accounting Supervisor", P.O. Box 2237, Midland, Texas 79702-2237.

AUTO CAD DRAFTER with 5 years piping and P & ID experience. Facility documentation a plus. Salary dependent on experience. Send resume to F-37, c/o The Midland Reporter-Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

CONTROLLER- Successful East Texas ONG Drilling Contractor seeks: CPA; 3-5 years accounting; PC knowledge required; MIS knowledge helpful; Analytical and presentation skills important; salary and bonus. Send resume to: Box a-25, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

CPA- must be familiar with Tax Review, have minimum 2 years experience. Relocation required. Good salary and benefits working for CPA firm. Send resume to: Box E- 3, C/O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

NOVELL CNE- Network Support Company is seeking mature, professional CNE. Must be 3.X certified and have been certified for at least one year with experience. Send resume to: Box A-22, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

ACCOUNTING- POSITION open for Accounts Payable/ Receivable Clerk. Oil & Gas experience necessary. Computer skills a plus. Send resume to: P. O. Box 1767, Midland Texas 79702 or call (915) 682-7880.

PRODUCER- The KOSA- TV News Department has an immediate opening for a producer for our 6 pm and 10 pm weeknight newscasts Candidates should be total team players, with the drive and dedication to be number one. Must have a degree in broadcast news, or equivalent experience in TV news. Must be able to write, edit, arrange and produce a newscast, including coordination of live news reports, and special live- remote newscasts. If you've got what it takes to keep a great show looking great, rush resumes and tapes with producing examples to: Pat Monacelli, News Director, KOSA- TV, Odessa, TX 79763. Absolutely no phone calls. Brissette Broadcasting is an equal opportunity employer.

TELEMARKETING. Start 1996 with CMC Business Systems as our Account Representative. Established customers, extensive autonomy and realistic goals are yours. We require extraordinary communications skills, personality and commitment. Show us why we should invest in you. Send resume to: Mr. Holeva, P.O. Box 60428, Midland. TX 79711.

VICE PRESIDENT for Development , Successful candidate will have a bachelor level degree and /or a minimum of 2 years experience in the field of financial and volunteer resource development. Must possess strong communication, fund raising, grant writing and marketing skills. Send resume to: CEO, CENTERS for Children and Families, 1031 Andrews Highway, Suite 200, Midland, TX 79701. EOE.

STAFF PHARMACIST

HPI, A subsidiary of ValueRx, a rapidly expanding pharmaceutical company, presently has an opening for a full-time staff pharmacist at Westwood Medical Center, Midland TX. Candidates must have experience in compounding, admixing, and dispensing of medications. Responsibilities include: providing clinical services, drug information, drug regimen reviews, and supervision of Ancillary personnel. A current Texas RPH. license and ability to communicate is required. We offer competitive salaries and an excellent benefits package. Interested candidates send resumes to:

HPI Pharmacy,
c/o Westwood Medical Center,
4214 Andrews Hwy,
Midland, TX 79703,
Attn: Debra Euston, RPH.
EOE, M/ F/ D/ V.

FIND WHATEVER YOU NEED IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

320 Skilled Trades

318 Management Help Wanted

SALES/ F&I MANAGER

Able to handle small sales force (5). Desk deals, handle F&I, knowledge of appraising used vehicles and leasing is important. Product lines: Chrysler & GM. Apply to Jim Gibbons, Gateway Motors, Artesia, NM 1(800)- 748-1317 or FAX (505) 746-9023.

320 Skilled Trades

MACHINIST wanted. Engine Lathe operator. Must have minimum 5 years experience, have own tools. Must pass drug test. Call 686-0405.

MECHANIC- Immediate opening for experienced CAT Mechanic. Must have own tools. Physical & drug screen required. Call Sarge Strickland (915) 267-1691. E. O. E.

ROOFING help with experience needed. Please call between 8 -5. 685-0607.

330 Employment Wanted

DEGREED ACCOUNTANT, 25 years experience seeks position in General Ledger Accounting, A/ P, A/ R, & Payroll. Coffee drinker & smokes. Hard working and diligent capable of working non supervised. Please call 915-694-0530 and leave message, will gladly return your call.

336 Adult Care Providers

IN-HOME Care will provide sitters, nurses aides and nurses for the elderly and disabled at reasonable rates. Call 520-4425.

MARY'S Loving Care Home has an opening for the elderly or handicapped. Experience in Altzheimer's patient care. Proving room and board and personal care in a loving home environment. Care is provided by experience nursing staff. 683-3535, 686-1962.

LADY wants position with elderly or handicapped weekends only. 570-8135.

CARE for the elderly or handicapped in the home, or hospital. Cooking, cleaning, etc. 682-0614.

341 Child Care Providers

QUALITY Child care in my home. Ages newborn to 4 years old. Snacks & lunches provided. 7:30 -5 pm, Mon. -Fri. 570-8260.

CHRISTIAN CHILDCARE in my home. Ages 0- 5. Meals and snacks provided. Reasonable rates. Call 697-8824.

WILL BABYSIT in my home, Monday thru Friday, 6 am to 7 pm. From infants to 5 years old. Call for info 694-7136.

WARM, CHRISTIAN Lady will give your child tender, loving care, provide snacks and lunch and lots of love!! Reasonable rates. Please call 687-3369.

DO YOU need a sitter while you do Santa's shopping? Day or night. Call Cindy, 570-8882.

GRANNY'S Playhouse. Licensed. 1 1/2 to 3. 5:30 to 5:30, Monday thru Friday. 4406 Thomason, 694-0104.

318 Sales Help Wanted

DISTRIBUTORS- DALLAS BASED Co. 4 distributors needed. Sensational product. Relieves PMS, migrains, cramps, hot flashes. Designed by nationally known author Dr. Betty Kamen. Estimated users for 1996, 1 million. For information call 682-1328.

SALES PROFESSIONAL needed. Start date January 8th. Send resume to P. O. Box 80551, Midland Texas 79708.

SALESPEOPLE. Hourly plus commission. If you play golf- a plus! Apply in person at The Golf Cart or Tees & More in Midland Park Mall.

SUPER SUCCESSFUL SALESPERSON WANTED. Must enjoy people and must have a drive for excellence. Experience is a plus, but not a requirement. Training is supplied. Average income $350 to $800 per week with some residual income. Apply in person- The Spot Co., 306 W Wall, Suite 1200 or call 570-7570.

318 Management Help Wanted

APARTMENT Manager needed for 100 unit complex. Experience required in leasing and renovation. Strong accounting skills needed. Apartment plus salary. The Oasis, 694-5950.

PARTS MANAGER

Great opportunity for an assistant manager looking to move up! Must be strong in inventory control, marketing parts through outside buyers and C. S. I. Chrysler and GM experience preffered. Apply to Jim Gibbons, Gateway Motors, Artesia, New Mexico 1 (800) 748-1317 or FAX (505) 746-9023.

350 Business Opportunities

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FREE SEMINAR

IN MIDLAND SATURDAY-DEC. 16TH-1PM
HILTON HOTEL- BOARDROOM 201 117 W. WALL ST.
Earn big money providing the following services at home or office. Full or Part-time:

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Complete Package Hardware, Software, Business Plan, Marketing Plan and Training
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ULTIMATE Home based business. America's fastest growing communication company needs you! Be your own boss with flexible hours and excellent pay. No degree or experience required. Call 570-6754.

FOR SALE: Small Gift Shop Business. With approval, space available in local gift shop or merchandise and displays available for sale. Will consider reasonable offer. Send inquiries to: Box A-21, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, PO Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL family owned restaurant steak house and catering company in Odessa, grossed over 1 million in 1994, selling land, building, equipment, name and inventory. In business over 7 years, doing great now, will consider financing 50%, will also consider real estate part trade. $550,000. Serious inquires only reply to: P. O. Box 1291, Odessa Texas 79760.

GET REAL Estate license quickly. Short state courses. Day, Weekend or evening Southwest College, 697-7277.

NEED INTERESTED person to invest and share responsibility in starting mailing business. Must have prior knowledge and sales ability. Send inquires to: Box F-39, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

75 GAL. Aquarium with stand, filters, light, etc. Make offer. 520-3970 anytime.

WANT TO by a Pat Walker exercise unit. Days 915-944-9535 or 944-2321 after 5 pm.

PARTY! Get through the holiday season without gaining weight! All natural, proven product! 694-6306.

CLOTHES size 12- 20 also Sansui stereo receiver. After 5 pm Friday or all day weekend 699-8059.

KENMORE washer and dryer, $200, new timer, Cosco stroller, (purple and turquoise) $50, toddler car seat, $25, Onyx and diamond tear drop earrings, $30. 520-0437.

BOTTLED Willpower! Lose up to 30 pounds, 30 day money back guarantee, natural, doctor recommended. (915) 756-4500. Free Samples.

GIRLS 24" 10 speed, Schwinn bicycle. $85. Covered luggage car top carrier $35, like new. 697-5033.

HUSKY 24" Ladies 8 speed Mountain Bike. Brand new condition. $100. 682-8262, leave message.

GIRLS 28" Huffy 10 speed "Free Spirit" bicycle $75; White metal framed day bed with gold knobs complete with bedding $100. No checks. 697-6267.

COIN Diamond ring, Mink jacket, (size M /L), Remington 870 pump Shotgun 12 gauge. 686-1830.

CHRISTMAS TREES! $10 & $15. Corner of Florida & Weatherford.

HERBALIFE Distributor for products or opportunity. Call 697-1610 or 687-5061.

SPACE HEATERS, stoves, barstools, China cabinets/ dinettes, furniture, appliances, mowers, golf clubs, coolers, Volkswagen. 570-4851.

BLEMISHED SPAS- 3 left starting at $2,495. Call 563-1807 or 550-5225.

RESTHAVEN Memorial Park, 1 single lawn crypt. $1,500. Call 520-0847 after 5 pm.

RESTHAVEN- lot 294, spaces 1- 4, Garden of Devotion; $6,000 for all; (817) 572-0152.

YORK Stereo with remote control, dual cassette, and turntable. Excellent condition. $75. 699-0919.

SAY "Merry Christmas" All Year with a one- year subcription to D & L Flag Service, Inc. American and/ or Texas Flags are installed 5 times a year by our company. For information, call 570-6506; weekends and evenings, 694-8247.

METAL SHELVING, 6 Shelf standard E.S.P 36W x 18D x 75 H, Grey Mist. 8 units. $50 each. Call 570-1006.

COLLECTIBLE Dolls from your childhood. From the 1930's to the 1990's most 1/2 price. 550-2626.

TOY TRAIN, runs on batteries, used twice from Christmas of 1994. $50. 570-1263.

DEPRESSION GLASS, Sharon, Cabbage Rose, Color Green, 1935- 1939 includes 5 piece setting and accessories. $850. RCA Satellite, small dish and all accessories, 4 months old. $1,300 or best offer. 689-6330 or 520-5830.

4 BURIAL spaces in lot #140, "Garden of Devotion", Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Midland. 366-0573.

SOFA & Loveseat, new Modern Maid double oven (never used from Folgers Superstore), cedar lined wardrobe, Power 4 program stair stepper, decorative pictures, Tundra video telephoto lenses (0.65, 1.5, 2.55, 3.55). 1607 W. Michigan.

8' JEWELRY CASE, glass, 1 shelve, good condition, $200. 682-7142.

2 RECLINERS $100, dinner ring $150; Fender guitar $400; golf clubs $50; bunk bed (full bottom) $250. Call 520-3884.

APARTMENT size dinette table, 4 chairs, couch, washer, dryer, coffee table. All good condition. Call 694-8999, 694-8690.

NINTENDO, 2 Controls, Zapper gun, 10 games, and cartridge cleaner, $100. 694-3544.

WHITE Brass daybed, heart knobs, $150. Childs rocker $20, blue rocker/ recliner $25, 697-8390.

GIANT SPORTS CARDS SALE! Saturday only, 10 am- 4 pm. Baseball, football & basketball cards. Call David, 683-3153 for information.

★ 2 SUPER- Single waterbeds, $50- $100. Call after 5 weekdays, anytime on weekends. Also, beautiful wedding gown, size 11- 12, $150. 689-0653.

FULLY grown pecan trees for sale. 2 year guarantee. Call 694-8501, leave message.

FORTRESS Electric Wheel Chairs. Shower chair, Hoyer lift and manual wheel chair. Colorado City, 915-728-5914.

BARGAINS on vacuum cleaners. New and rebuilt. All makes. Rainbow, Kirby, Hoover, Eureka, Panasonic, Royal, Sharp- you name it. Repair all makes. 520-6464.

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SUNQUEST Wolff 1000 Canopy Tanning Bed. Only 8 months old. $650. Call 688-5180 or 699-0028.

USED 4 TON Coleman air conditioner. $250. 10 x 10 A- Frame with 6" casters, $200. 684-5492.

NORDIC TRAK Nordic Sport Good condition $300. 699-5151.

LIKE NEW oak entertainment center, like new Schwinn Air Dyne exercise bike, Gym Pac and desk. 697-2413.

2 COWBOYS vs. Giants tickets for Sunday December 17th, $50 each, 570-9072.

413 Jewelry & Furs

LADIES 14 karat nugget bracelet. Appraised at $900, sell for $400. 694-2415.

EXCELLENT Christmas gift! Full length black fox mink coat, worn twice. Must sell! Call 520-8254.

BEAUTIFUL, brilliant 1- 20 carat rare gem stones. $40 Carat. See to believe. 699-4461 Ron.

MENS & WOMENS Rolex & Seiko watches and tennis bracelets. 697-6604.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANT TO Buy: Used Pool Table. 520-2253 after 2:00 or leave message.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

HOLIDAY BAKING- For any of your holiday baking needs call 570-4367.

SHELLED PECANS $5 a pound, in shell- $1.25 a pound. Call 682-8972.

GREEN ACRES Pecans. 5 lbs., halves, $27.50, 5 lbs., pieces, $25. 686-8155.

BUYING PECANS! Gardendale Pecan Processing. Shelling and Pecan Sales. Honey butter, homemade candy, fudge, pies and holiday breads. Thrashing poles, pecan pickers, burlap bags, and crackers. Monday- Saturday, 9- 6. FM 554, Gardendale. 366-9793.

430 Household Goods

ANTIQUE brass queen bed. Large posts, very unique. $400. 682-8227.

MOVING. Couch $125; Bedroom set with twin bed, headboard & dresser with mirror $125. Call 689-4641 after 5:30 pm.

WASHER/ dryer, works, $50. Sofa and loveseat, $300. Twin bedroom set. Call 697-6466.

COUCH & love seat. Excellent condition. $400. Glass top table & 4 chairs $50. Bed with mirrored headboard $75. Call 697-5300.

★ FREE REMOVAL of your unwanted appliances. Fast pickup. 567-5221.

✔ LET ME Sell Your Better furniture and decorative items for you! Judy Jackson's Consignment Collection. 689-3536.

★ 100.00 AND UP. Washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves. Warranty. Delivery. Call 550-6540.

WASHER - Dryer, Great condition. $275. 520-8722.

GIBSON 19 cu. ft. refrigerator $300, Hot Point washer, gas dryer $275. Good condition. 520-7231.

BIRCH CREDENZA 8' long, large oak rocking chair, 4 oak dinette chairs. Please call 694-5998.

BLACK LACQUER, water bed bedroom suite. Excellent condition. $500 or best offer. Call 570-1314 leave message.

BUYING- SELLING- TRADING- Nice used furniture, antiques, appliances, TV's, stereos, miscellaneous. YES We're Open 10- 5, Tuesday- Sunday. Rainbow Trade Center, 1503 W. Industrial Ave. 686-9635- Gary.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

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Paste Up Tables
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$100 each
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John Maddox
Midland
Reporter-Telegram
687-8844

430 Household Goods

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

12" BLACK & white TV set with earphones, portable adapter, antenas, great condition, $40. 570-0213.

FOR SALE 8 year old Kenmore washing machine. $75. Call 699-4389.

PORTABLE MAYTAG Dishwasher, Runs fine. $75. 689-2437.

FLEXSTEEL Sleeper recliner sofa, $2,000; feather sofa $700; couch, chair & footstool $100. #14 Tattenham, 697-1640.

MONTGOMERY WARDS 18.5 cubic foot chest type freezer. $200. 520-8866 or 699-5600.

BRAND NEW, still in plastic, any size mattress and box set. Free frame or delivery. 550-5123.

NICE SOFA and rocker, $200 for both. 520-8261.

QUEEN SIZE waterbed, with captains pedestal & all accessories. $250 neg. 520-3970.

QUEEN SIZE Waterbed with mirrored headboard, heater, and 6 drawer base. $150. Dresser $50. 689-0339.

QUEEN SIZE Waterbed- bookcase headboard. Excellent condition. $250. 699-0418.

ALMOND KENMORE Washer, Electric dryer and Gas Dryer. 520-8146.

NEW! Camel back sofa, cream/ blue/ peach & mauve. $250. 689-1305 work, 689-0713.

NEED GOOD USED FURNITURE. Buy, sell, trade. Rowe's New & Used. 1211 S. Big Spring. 687-5966.

DEN Furniture: sofa, matching chair & recliner. Good condition, call 697-1606.

RUST PONTIAC recliner, $35. End table, $15. Desk, $10. Call 694-7846.

WHITE WOOD poster bed with canopy. Custom upholstered loveseat for sale. Make offer. 570-6716.

MATTRESS & Box spring sets, doubles only, $40 each. 697-3181.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards and Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

MOVING SALE! Year old Kenmore Gas stove, $200. Year old 16.5 cu ft refrigerator, $300. 520-3033.

NAVY Blue Carpet, 43 yards with pad. Only few months old. $8 Per yard. 686-9208.

UNBELIEVABLE Christmas Specials: Mark downs on furniture and accessories! Better Homes & Bargains, 3326 N. Midkiff. 699-5524.

THURSDAY- FRIDAY Only! 2 recliners, $50 each. 697-1478.

KING SIZE 4 poster waterbed, complete. 697-1137.

440 Firewood

HONDO VALLEY FIREWOOD, 3109 Garden City Highway. All types firewood, wood burning stoves & fireplace accessories. Chimney Cleaning. 694-4818.

440 Firewood

FIREWOOD for sale. Mesquite roots, $55 a truck load. and $15 to deliver. 699-7358.

TURF SPECIALTIES FIREWOOD. 2427 E. Hwy. 80. Mesquite, Oak, Pinion. Delivered or do it yourself. Call 684-7166.

SEASONED OAK. Split, delivered and stacked. Please leave message, 563-1823.

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453-2151.

GOOD Firewood! Oak or Mesquite. Call Larry Tucker at 689-7151.

450 Sporting Goods

PING I2- Blackdot mens RH full set 2 thru 9, PW and SW. Excellent condition. $375. 689-3724.

GLOCK 19 new in the box. Both clips. $550. Call 699-0034 after 6 pm.

CALLAWAY Warbird #3 wood (new), Bobby Jones #5 wood. Assorted metalwoods and wedges. 686-7626.

YEAR OLD Interval Training Stair machine. $200. 520-3033.

FOR SALE: Large gun collection. Includes 3 pre- 64 Winchesters, 1- Colt mod. 1908, 1 S. W. mod. /#2 army MFG. 1861 32 cal., 2- Belgium BRNG. light twelves, 2- Belgium B.A.R. 30-06 with 3x 9 scopes. Also, duck decoys, camper shell. 363-0937.

$99 CONCEALED hand gun license classes. RAM Enterprises, 520-2995.

CONCEALED HAND GUN Evening Classes. Christmas gift certificates available. Good for 6 months. 2608 W. Front. 682-1863.

MASTER Gun Smith. Service, repair, & engraving. By appointment only. Please call (915) 684-0809, 1-800-327-0809.

JIM'S CLUBS. Repairs; Custom Clubs; Taylor Burner Metalwood- Bubble Shaft (clone) $90; Big Bertha Irons (clone) $228 set; Regrip $3. 3115 Haynes, 694-1334.

BLACK powder and muzzle loading supplies. Deer blinds and feeders. Also booking exotic hunts. Rocky Creek, #27 Village Circle, 682-8519.

GOLF CLUBS, 10 sets, new & used. Cobra, Head, Wilson, Diawa, & customs. Priced to sell! 682-1918, 700 Andrews Hwy.

WEST TEXAS OUTFITTERS Big Pre- Christmas Sale, 20% Off suggested retail on all new bows in stock. Browning- PSE, Matthews. 10- 30% off on all boots, Browning- LaCrosse- Danner. Up to 50% off on selected clothing and accessories. Gift Certificates Available. Christmas Hours: 10- 8, Monday thru Saturday, 12- 5 Sunday. Corner Andrews Hwy. and Wall. 687-4868.

WEST TEXAS Outfitters: Sale! Sale! Browning boots plus selected clothing and accessories. Corner Andrews Hwy. & Wall. 687-4868.

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Thursday's unlisted clue: TEXAS

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Friday's unlisted clue hint: SPORTS CHANNEL

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GARAGE SALES

Hidden treasures? Junk? Recycle your unwanted items!

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STORAGE Sale. Friday only 9 -3. Furniture, wood heater, lots of misc. 2900 W. Kentucky, #329.

BUYING- SELLING- TRADING- Nice used furniture, antiques, appliances, TV's, stereos, miscellaneous. YES We're Open 10- 5, Tuesday- Sunday. Rainbow Trade Center, 1503 W. Industrial Ave. 686-9635- Gary.

JUST IN Time for Christmas! A garage sale, Saturday 8 am- 12 pm only at 1712 Princeton. Big mens clothes, extra large through 3 XL including pants, shirts, shorts, warm ups, athletic shoes, books and misc!

ANTIQUE: Framed, Fort, Indian & Western Relics, Tobacco cutters, branding irons, coal irons, bits, indian grinding stones, and handcuffs. Decorative: Cannon, Cow Skulls, Mounted Longhorns, Western rugs, suit of armour, comics and cards. 683–1567, 1804 College.

GIFTS GALORE- and much- much more. Rainbow Trade Center and Indoor Flea Market, 1503 W. Industrial Ave. Open 10- 5 Tuesday thru Sunday, 570-4408.

BARGAINS on vacuum cleaners. New and rebuilt. All makes. Rainbow, Kirby, Hoover, Eureka, Panasonic, Royal, Sharp- you name it. Repair all makes. 520–6464.

BARGAIN BARN

All Christmas
Toys & Decorations
1/2 PRICE!!!
2420 W. Front Ave.

MITCHELL'S Precast Concrete and Mitchell's New & Used. 20% Off everything in stock. Mitchell's Kids Resale Shop, 1/2 Off on clothes & toys. 2215 W. Industrial 687–1985.

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ESTATE SALE of Lou Hyde
1909 W. Holloway
Thursday-Saturday, 8:30-5:30, Sunday, 1-5:30.

The 1st of 3 sales, watch for later dates. Beautiful French Provincial dining table- 8 chairs and buffet, twin bedroom furniture, desks, several sewing machines, washer, dryer, side by side refrigerator, microwave, kitchen table with Onyx top- 4 chairs, wheelchair, curio cabinet, floor lamp, marble top coffee and end tables, couch, antique lamps, piano, TVs, antique crystal and china, linens, brass tea cart, recliners, 2 single hide-a-beds, lots of Christmas gifts and decorations, toys, jewelry, much miscellaneous, items added daily.
Handled By Floy Maberry

ANTIQUES, bunk and brass beds, lamps, wicker, bikes, car battery, lawn equipment, bedspreads, baby bed and accessories, TV, stereo, appliances, welder, heaters, much more. Friday, 9 am. 2840 S. Rankin Hwy.

1700 PRINCETON, Friday & Saturday. Baby stuff, dining room set, Tiffany lamp, clothes, nice mens suits, toys.

3216 ROOSEVELT, Friday- Saturday 8 am- 1 pm. Girls 10 speed bike, violin with case, large size women and mens clothes, bug shield for '93 Aerostar Van, mini blinds, kitchen items, too much to list!

SATURDAY Morning 8 -12. Treadmill, dishes, clothes, stereo, etc. 1006 Ainslee.

TOO MANY Good things to list sale! New Western too! 410 S. "I", Saturday only 9 am- 3 pm.

SATURDAY. Baby items, exercise bike, scooter, air hockey, TV, sewing machine, bicycle, 2700 Michigan (inside).

79703

HOLIDAY SALE- Handmade gifts, holiday decorations, crafts, T's, sweats, vests, frames, paintings and more. 408 Waverly, Friday- Saturday, 10- 5.

3805 ANETTA. Come and buy we have lots of goodies!! Friday & Saturday, 9 til ?

CHRISTMAS BLIZZARD SALE!

The coming of St. Nick brings reduced prices to our store today for a ho ho...INSIDE OUT SALE! Wreaths, garlands, center pieces, more! Everything Santa needs for Christmas! **Patricia's Flowers, 4411 W. Illinois.**

4306 ERIE DRIVE, Friday & Saturday, tools, bicycles, chairs, vacuum cleaners, toys, dishes, clothes, shoes, radios, clocks, lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE TODAY 8 am til 2 pm. 3700 Roosevelt. Playschool house and school, Barny's stuffed animals, toys, couch, twin beds, small kitchen appliances, dishes, exercise bike and books.

GARAGE SALE: 4705 Leisure. Saturday- Sunday. Baby clothes, baby crib, wooden highchair, ladies clothes sizes 9- 12, girls clothes, bed linens, Nintendo games, odds n ends!

★WAREHOUSE CLEAN- OUT! Saturday only 8 am- ? 3104 W. Kentucky (across from McCoy's). Toddlers toys, Nintendo, stationary bicycles, treadmill, dryer, radios, stereos, VCR tapes, books, clothing & shoes (0- adult), Christmas ornaments (still in box), lights, pictures, home decor. Cheap!

79705

CLOTHES to 4T, Tiff mower, toys, queen size bed. Saturday, 8- 1. 2205 N "D".

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GARAGE & Moving Sale. Furniture, household items. Saturday only 8 -4. #14 Tattenham. 697–1640.

FRIDAY 9-3, Saturday clean- up sale 10-1, 811 W. Spruce. Health Master bike, knick knacks, jeans, 1985 Toyota Celica GTS, Chevrolet 1985 truck. 682–4802.

2200 Bradford (Polo Park), turn off of Knights Court, PARK IN FRONT. Couch, rugs, decorative items, toys, dishes, many more items. 8- 1.

CHRISTMAS SALE- Saturday, 8- 12 only, 3106 Shell. All new merchandise. Great prices. $15 or less. Covered photo albums, sequin stockings, centerpieces, gift baskets, earrings and tree ornaments. Great Teacher Gifts!

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CHRISTMAS SALE

Apple 2E Computer (educational software & games included), Atari Video plus games, gifts, toys, clothes and much more. 2002 Western Drive, 9- 3, Thursday & Friday!!

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ESTATE SALE - 1608 VENTURA AVE. Selected furniture: Sofa, club chair, platform rocker, end table, of O'Hearne maple. 5 Tell City maple bar stools. Sofa, 2 end tables, coffee table in country English style. Panasonic microwave oven assorted lamps & clocks. No early Sales.
FRI. 9 -2 & SAT. 8:30 -12.

Judy Jackson's
Show-offs
Shop for Christmas &
New Years Party Dresses
(Special Sale on Selected Items)
3320 N. Midkiff

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INSIDE SALE! Various Miscellaneous items. Saturday, 8 am- ? 1612 E Oak.

SATURDAY ONLY, 8- 2. 2500 Sinclair. Children's items, household items, and much miscellaneous!!

79707

GREENTREE. 4500 Teakwood Trace. Teenage girls cleaned out closet! Junior sizes 3 and up. Saturday, 8:00- 11:00.

❤WE'RE GETTING MARRIED!! Need to get rid of the extras! Furniture, clothes, household goods, small appliances & more! 4508 Robin Lane. Saturday only. 8- 3.

MULTI- FAMILY SALE! Saturday only, 8 am till? 3906 Crestgate. Rowing machine, clothes all sizes, bikes, color TV, color printer, Christmas tree & decorations, lots of miscellaneous!!

TREADMILL for sale, purchased 1/94- (used 3 months), like new. Pro form Crosswalk with rowing arms, Accusmart monitor and safety key, $375. Call 699–7290.

HUGE Garage Sale; 4204 Dawn Circle. China cabinet, dining room table & chairs, king size bed, dryer, VCR, VCR movies, Super Nintendo games, tools, toys, clothes and a lot more! Friday & Saturday 8 am- 2 pm.

★ WINTER SALE ★

4 Families of nice clean winter clothing, dress and casual, womens petitie to 3X, girls 7-14, mens, students and boys, white youth bed, jewelry, toys, washer, dishwasher, miscellaneous, also Tri-Chromaleane for energy & weight loss.

9am til ?, Friday, 9am-3 pm, Saturday,
4304 Dawn Circle
(off Haynes, in alley)

AREA SALES

TWO GRANNYS, 14 B Meta, clearance sale on selected ladies wear.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20

GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20

★7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
★2 Days
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★Garage Sale Kit
(includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints. $4 Value!)
★Package of Flavored Drink Mix
(for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!)
★$3 Off Classified Coupon
(Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get $3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only $24!

Call 682-6222 Today!

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20

★★Trade-N-Treasures★★

Resale store at 2209 N. Big Spring is celebrating its one year anniversary Saturday and Sunday with a Red Tag Sale. Come in and enjoy our additional savings on our bargain prices. We now rent clothing racks for garage sales. . 683–4634. We also buy left over garage sales. Open Sunday 12-6.

Happy Holidays!

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460 Antiques & Art

ANTIQUE FURNITURE FOR LE$$ Unit #3, Advantage Storage , 5000 N. Lamesa and Soloman Lane. Open Fridays-Saturdays, 10- 5.

ANTIQUE baby bed. Perfect for Christmas. Display use or childs room. $195. 699–5668.

ANTIQUE dark wood vaniety table and chair. 1930's. Excellent condition. $200. 685–3021.

ANTIQUE POOL Table, Brunswick regulation circa 1912. Alexandria model six legs, inlaid wood. Excellent condition. $8,000. F. O. B, Midland, TX 686-0129.

A GIFT OF Time for Christmas! Now reduced selection antique wall clocks in time for the holidays! Antiques, Etc, 2101 W. Wadley, Suite 9, Monday- Saturday, 10:30am- 6:00 pm, Sunday, 1:00- 5:00 pm.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING? We have something for everyone on your list, American Fostoria, USA made Desert Rose, Depression glass, jewelry, quilts, clocks, collectibles, furniture and much more! MasterCard & Visa Welcome. D & D Antiques, 2210 W. 46th Street, Odessa, TX. 915-367–9427.

✔LET ME Sell Your Better furniture and decorative items for you! Judy Jackson's Consignment Collection. 689–3536.

STOREWIDE Clearance Sale! 10% off all items in stock, including supplies. Nita's Stained Glass, 515 W. 42nd Street, Odessa, 550–2555.

MIDLAND ESTATE SALES AND AUCTION SERVICE. Call Judy Jackson 689-3536 or Dawna Keith 683-9234.

VISIT The Doll House - Antiques Etc., Plaza Center, Wadley & Garfield. 682-9257.

THE Cats Meow Antique Mall. 4081 Andrews Highway, Monday - Saturday, 10 - 6. We buy and sell antiques. (915) 687–2004.

MANY Surprises at Ten Square Gallery at ANTIQUES ETC. Paintings by Robert Daughters, Don Sahli, Eleanor Robertson, antiques, chairs upholstered in fake leopard, pillows galore. Much more Garfield & Wadley.

GIFT FOR HIM- Bev Doolittle- "The Sentinel", $750, "Prayer for the Wild Things" print and CD, $450. G. Harvey- "The Oil Patch", $750. G. Farm- "The Gambler", $200. Don Stivers, "Hurry and Wait" unframed, $100. F. McCarthy, "Distant Thunder", $500. 684–5096.

SOUTHWEST numbered prints: Crumbo, Frace, Dehaan. Call 684–5010 for more information.

470 Musical Instruments

PIANO: 1987 Baldwin Spinet. Cherry wood. One owner. $2,000. 687–0186 after 6:00 pm.

BALDWIN mahogany Kranich & Bach Baby Grande Piano. Mint condition. Asking $8,000. Call 335-0164.

ANTIQUE UPRIGHT Piano. $150 or best offer. 686–7362.

MUST sacrifice. Lowry Parade Organ in excellent condition. Many different instrumental features. 550–3968.

470 Musical Instruments

★LARGE $Cash$ Reward!

For information leading to the return of acoustic Gibson guitar taken from Trestles Apartments of Odessa. 363–9137 or 332-8161. No questions asked.

GIBSON J45 Acoustic guitar with hard shell case, price reduced $750. Call 366-4932 or 337-0921.

MOVING must sell! Baldwin Baby Grand Piano. Ebony. Excellent condition. $7,500. 694–8858, weekdays, 697-2407 evenings.

FENDER Mustang guitar, hardside case, Peavey 30 watt amp. $425. 520–0976, leave message.

490 Computers & Accessories

386 LAP TOP with battery, mouse, and case, $350. 682–1918.

IBM 286 with 1 Meg memory. 64 Meg hard drive, IBM VGA monochrome monitor, wide carriage matrix printer. $400. 685–0859.

CLONE 486 SVGA Mini tower, $950. Clone 386 SX VGA , $495. 286 VGA, $350. 694–6183 after 5:00.

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$19.95 Per Month
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HP LASER Jet III. Like new condition. $650. 688-3469, 699-3204, 559-1137.

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INTERNET ACCESS. Call 687-9014 for details.
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✔MACINTOSH. Complete computer services for your Mac. Upgrades, Training, Custom Systems, PERSONAL Service. 682–3026.

495 For Free

FREE to good home. 3 kittens, 1 Manx, 2 long tails. Litter trained. 699–7883.

CHRISTMAS Kitties, 1 Calico, 1 solid black, 5 weeks old. To good homes, 699–5815.

HALF breed gray Pyrenees puppies. Mother full blood. Call 697–3643, leave.

FUZZY, furry, fun for Christmas. Black kittens with white mittens & muffs. 520–2713.

FREE PALLETS. Contact receiving at Builder's Square. 699–6666 or 5407 Andrews Hwy.

495 For Free

FREE CHRISTMAS Kittens, long and short haired. Available now now. Call 570–1881.

CUTE, cuddley mixed breed pups to be given to a good home. 520–6626.

500 Pets & Supplies

"MANGO" 4 mo. male Siamese mix kitten with dark Siamese markings, striped legs & face, very thick coat, enchanting blue eyes, affectionate & playful. "Marmalade", playful male dark orange tabby kitten, energetic. "Tinkerbell, 8 mo. male kitten, yellow coat with white trim, real sweetie! "Simone" soft, cuddly 9 mo., female gray tabby. "Coppertop", 7 mo., female, calico with gold highlights, frisky likes to play. These plus many more pets are adoptable at the Big Spring Humane society. Fees are $45 dogs, $35 cats -includes spay/neuter, rabies shots, vaccinations and leukemia test. 267–7832.

LEAVING FOR School! Need loving home for AKC Dalmatian female. 9 months. Beautiful markings and very playful. $100. 689–6331.

ENGLISH Pointer Puppies. Whelped 10 /11 /95. Parents are personal foot hunting dogs with proven reputable pedigree. 3 Left $75 each. Phone 520–8392.

ENGLISH POINTER puppies. Ready December 5th, $100. Papers. Call 684–4314.

AKC CHOW puppies, 3 males, 7 weeks old. Parents on premises. Please call 697–1730

POODLES, AKC Standard or Mini pups, $495 up, quality, can deliver, Christmas deposits, 1-(915) 636–4493.

SPANIEL/ TERRIER Puppies. Very cute! Will be small dogs. Ready to leave Mom on 20th. Reserve yours now! $25 each. 520–7121.

GREAT DANE Puppies. Born November 7th. Ready for good home! $125. Call 687–6922.

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Ba.	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA.	Non-Qualifying
	Assumable
QA.	Qualifying
	Assumable
Ac.	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

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Chalk natives lay tiny town to rest with unveiling of historical marker

By Richard Mize
Wichita Falls Times Record-News

CHALK — Rest in peace, Chalk. Amen.

Nothing but the wind lasts forever on the dry, sandy plains of West Texas.

The town of Chalk was a line drawn literally in the swirling dust by settlers just after the turn of the century.

It became home to scores of farmers after rancher W.Q. Richards, facing drought, carved up the territory and turned from cattle raising to town building.

Richards was a booster. His pamphlets, promising deep wells, "sweet water" and fertile soil, drew people from all over, many from East Texas.

But another unstoppable wind, the fickle one of change, erased all of it in less than a century.

On a recent Saturday, Chalk was laid to rest, after four score and 10 years, with the unveiling of a historical marker with the blessings of the Texas Historical Commission.

The name, and now the sign, are all that's left — not even the remnants of an original house or storefront are left.

BUT THE community's spirit is alive and thriving among the survivors, people like Nelda Fields, Patsy Kinney, Doris Glidewell, Brenda Fell and Don Hutchinson.

The Chalk natives, who worked four years for the marker, now live 14 miles away in Paducah, about 115 miles west of Wichita Falls.

Chalk's soul survives in the memories of others, too, including 100 or so other Paducah residents who were present for the ceremony, held Dec. 2 under a warm sunny sky that yielded a cool wind.

The numbers are telling. This place has a hold on people. Not many sign dedications can draw such a crowd, said John Preston of Childress, a member of the state historical commission.

The observance, which opened with the prayer of a Baptist minister and closed with the prayer of a Methodist, harkened to the glory days of a place that now is a desolate roadside spot well off the beaten path in Cottle County.

Memories of Chalk are mixed with thoughts of other old Cottle County towns now gone but not forgotten.

Forest Creamer, 77, lived here until 1980, when he moved to Paducah, lock, stock and barrel.

"I picked up my house and moved to town. It was down between here and Hackberry. I was born about two or three miles from here and I went to Shinnery to school the first three years. Big Shinnery was over here," he said, pointing. "Little Shinnery had the school."

THE SIMPLE roadside marker was shrouded by a "friendship quilt," with townspeople's names stitched in, made in 1932 by Edith Roy, who was the grandmother of Nelda Fields. The revealed sign was welcomed with applause.

Creamer said it represents complex feelings held by many who called Chalk home.

Lots of towns have come and gone in Texas' history. But many places still have a smattering of elderly residents, maybe a church open on special occasions or a cemetery to give silent witness to what was.

But in Chalk, there is only the historical marker.

"Since everything else has moved away, this is all we've got to go by," Creamer said. "And this used to be a lively little community down here."

Among themselves, the old friends who drove out to Chalk talked about square dances, parties, births and deaths, droughts, cotton crops and sand storms — the stuff of life in small-town West Texas.

"We had several churches and schools, but it's all gone now," said Ruth Berry, 82, who ran the Chalk post office for 35 years until it closed in 1986. "But it's sure good to be back here on my old stomping grounds."

The state of Texas claims that 45 people live in Chalk.

"There's not but five people who live in what was called the town," Fields said. "I don't know what they would consider the boundaries of the community."

BUT THOSE five, Department of Public Safety Trooper Carl Holloway, his wife, Connie, and their children, Grady, Cody and Kaylee, aren't natives, someone pointed out.

A few oldtimers, in fact, joked about the "foreigners" in their midst — people who only lived here for 30 years or so. But every single person with roots in Chalk has moved away, so even the newcomers were welcome.

Like roadside markers in other Texas ghost towns, the one here serves as a headstone to all who pass by:

Here lies Chalk.

"Chalk will not be just a place in the country where nothing exists that was," said Brenda Fell, one of several who stood and shared their thoughts, some choking back tears. "It will also be a place in our hearts."

Town's history

CHALK — Following are the words commemorating the town of Chalk on a historical marker from the Texas Historical Commission, unveiled Dec. 2:

Drought conditions in the early 1900s prompted local rancher W.Q. Richards in 1903-1904 to subdivide land in this area into small farms complete with water wells. A farming community know as "Richards Colony" or "Dutch Colony" developed here.

In 1906, a post office named "Chalk" was established and located in a general store opened by Richards earlier that year. In 1907, Richards established a cotton gin managed by James M. Chalk, who later served as postmaster in 1908-1909.

A community school opened in 1914 and sanctuaries were constructed by the Church of Christ in 1916 and the Baptist congregation in 1922-23. By the early 1920s, 54 farms were operating in the area and Chalk's gin, stores and other enterprises served as a mercantile and business center for southern Cottle County.

A steady exodus of people from the community began during World War II and resulted in the school's closing and consolidation with the Paducah school system in 1942. Chalk's Church of Christ disbanded in 1944 and the Baptist church ended services in 1969.

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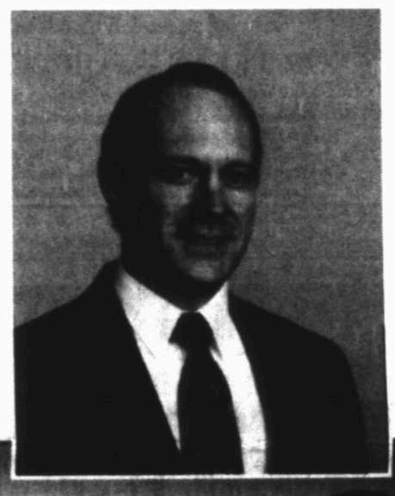
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J.J. Espinoza, 4, hangs on to "Oscar", his grandfather's dog, while swinging in Mineral Palace Park in Pueblo, Colo., on an unseasonably warm December day.

Private eyes: Business hassles temper glamour job

By David Ivanovich
Associated Press

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And then "we set it up so she can catch him," Ford said.

Ford is one of 3,000 licensed private investigators in the state following straying spouses, videotaping amazingly agile "accident victims" and uncovering evidence for criminal defense attorneys. Working for law firms and insurance companies, individuals and Fortune 500 companies, private investigators also conduct background checks on incoming executives and even try to infiltrate drug and theft rings inside large corporations.

Yet while much of their work may seem glamorous, or least out of the ordinary, private investigators find themselves grappling with many of the same issues affecting other small business people — overhead costs, bill collection, even business cycles.

The private eye business is an industry dominated by retired police officers, one-time FBI agents and other former law enforcement officers. Ford, for instance, spent 22 years with the Houston Police Department. Ken DeFoor, owner of Ken DeFoor Investigations, is a former HPD homicide investigator and Dayton's former police chief.

But state licensing rules are fairly loose. The chief prerequisite to obtaining a license is three years of some kind of investigative work.

Patti James, president of the Texas Association of Licensed Investigators, once managed a tennis club. She later took a job at a private investigation firm and eventually went into business for herself.

James quickly learned that the real-life private investigator business "is not Magnum P.I. and Rockford Files."

As part of their businesses, most private investigators engage in at least some surveillance work — or "creeping." In one of Ford's cases, for instance, a man injured in an accident claimed he couldn't stand. Ford and his crew collected hours of videotape of the man standing on a ladder, hanging burglar bars on second story windows. "His attorney gets to see that stuff at the time of discovery, and the suit goes away," Ford said.

Though surveillance is often as tedious as an office job, "you do find yourself in situations that are more exciting than sitting at a desk," James said.

"The dangerous situations are when you do surveillance, the parts of town you're in," she said. "You just hope to God you don't have to get out of the car for anything."

The most difficult assignments, investigators say, involve internal investigations. A private investigator — or often a subcontractor — will go to work for a company for several months, trying to become part of a group stealing company property or dealing drugs.

Once the undercover employee has infiltrated the ring, he usually is hauled into the manager's office in dramatic style, threatened with prosecution, forced to sign a "confession" and marched off the premises. And typically the rest "go down like dominoes," Ford said.

Acting skills are a job requirement for private eyes.

"If you can't think on your feet, if you can't be 17 different people, and if you can't talk your head off when you need to, you're in trouble," James said. "The best thing you could do in this business is to go to acting school."

Being a private investigator obviously isn't for everyone, and not all investigative work is for every private eye.

DeFoor, who has a police officer's retirement benefits, won't spy on errant husbands — "domestic work" as it's called. James doesn't like it either. "I just find it distasteful," she said.

Ford had a similar attitude when he first started in the business 15 years ago. But after several lean months, he learned "you don't say you're not going to work certain cases."

Ford kept his fledgling business afloat by borrowing repeatedly against the value of a 4-year-old car. Today, he has eight employees.

While Ford maintains a modest office on the Southwest Freeway, others consider the expense of an office unnecessary.

James works out of her house. DeFoor gave up his office two months ago, deciding he needs little more than an answering service and a place for the occasional meeting.

"A lot of the guys who went into the business got these big fancy offices to impress their clients," James said. "My clients do not come to me. I go to them."

Many of those who got enamored with a Post Oak address found themselves out of business, she said.

Private investigators also soon learn that the wealthy law firms and multimillion dollar insurance companies they work for can be extremely slow payers, forcing investigators to wait 90 or even 120 days for payment.

Like other businesses, private investigation firms have their slow times and busy seasons.

"It has been my experience the end of the year is very slow, because attorneys don't work, they put everything off, and insurance companies are not in a hurry to pay a bunch of claims before the end of the year," James said.

"Now people who do domestic work are busy this time of year, when husbands have to have Thanksgiving dinner with their girlfriends and their wives."

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Women of Russia find place in politics, at country's polls

By Dave Carpenter
Associated Press

MOSCOW — The notion of a women's political party still draws snickers and smirks in Russia, even after its credible performance in parliament the last two years.

Just wait till Sunday, the Women of Russia reply.

Vladimir Zhirinovsky ridicules the party as "Spinsters of Russia." Another prominent politician, eye surgeon Svyatoslav Fyodorov, mockingly presented its chairwoman with roses after a debate this week in which he reminded her that a Russian woman's place is in the home, not the Duma.

Sunday's elections may temporarily silence the skeptics and male chauvinists. Women of Russia is in position to get the last laugh and a far bigger role in the next parliament.

Recent polls show the bloc stands as high as second among 43 parties competing, trailing only the Communists.

"Men have already exhausted their (political) potential," leading party candidate Alevtina Fedulova declared recently — a clear indication Women of Russia isn't counting on males' support at the polls.

Millions of mostly young and middle-aged women, fed up with reformers' unmet promises but distrustful of hard-liners too, appear to be heeding the bloc's appeal for a fresh approach in Russian politics.

These are no fiery feminists. In fact, critics see them as Communists in skirts, since most of the bloc's leaders were Soviet functionaries.

Women of Russia advocates a milder version of Soviet policy: a return to greater social and welfare benefits and an emphasis on negotiation over firepower to settle political conflicts.

It's not clear where the money would come from for its priorities — higher payments to parents and the unemployed, improved health care and free education for all — especially since the group also endorsed an anti-inflationary budget.

Still, downtrodden Russian women now feel someone is voicing their frustrations. Women have suffered disproportionately from both the hardships of post-Soviet reforms and soaring crime.

Women comprise about 70 percent of Russia's unemployed and make only 40 percent of what men are paid. The government says 14,500 women died as a result of domestic violence last year, or about 20 times the equivalent figure for the United States.

"Our woman today is like a combined laundry, kindergarten, nursery and diner. She at least demands some respect," Fedulova told the Moscow News this fall.

Women of Russia won't be catching anyone by surprise on Sunday as it did in 1993 elections. Founded only months earlier, it placed fifth among 13 parties and won 23 seats in the 450-seat State Duma, or lower house of parliament, playing mostly a swing-vote role.

The party owes much of its early success to its name, according to a Moscow political analyst.

"Choosing this name was a stroke of genius," said Dmitry Olshansky of the Strategic Analyses and Forecast Center. "It gave them Duma seats in '93, and now they have added well thought-out campaigning, financial resources and a grass-roots organization."

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Even on the eve of new elections, its campaign ads avoid slogans or spoken words and rely heavily on the name. In one 15-second television spot, soothing music accompanies a picture of a sunflower, the movement's symbol, in a field next to the words "Women of Russia, Number 1."

In a stroke of luck, the party drew the first position in a lottery determining the order of parties on the ballot.

Deliberately elusive, it bills itself as a pragmatic, centrist party that votes on substance, not politics. The liberal daily Izvestia said that has led to a contradictory voting record.

Galina Starovoitova, an outspoken reformer, dismisses Women of Russia as "a useless faction" politically, but grudgingly acknowledges its breakthrough role.

"They are not democrats and they are not feminists. They did not fight for women's rights. They did not fight for military reform. They did not (immediately) oppose the war in Chechnya," she said.

"But at least they are getting people accustomed to the idea of seeing women in politics. ... We live in a very sexist country."

Indeed, only 51 percent of 1,022 Moscow residents surveyed last month by the Mneniye polling service said they thought a woman could become president.

Fedulova acknowledged her party needs to convince more of its own gender of women's political potential before that can happen.

So far, she said, most young women "have only been giggling about the idea of women going into politics. We constantly feel that."

Danish court fines mother for spelling of son's name

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) — What's in a name? Not two "ph's", if the Danish government has its way.

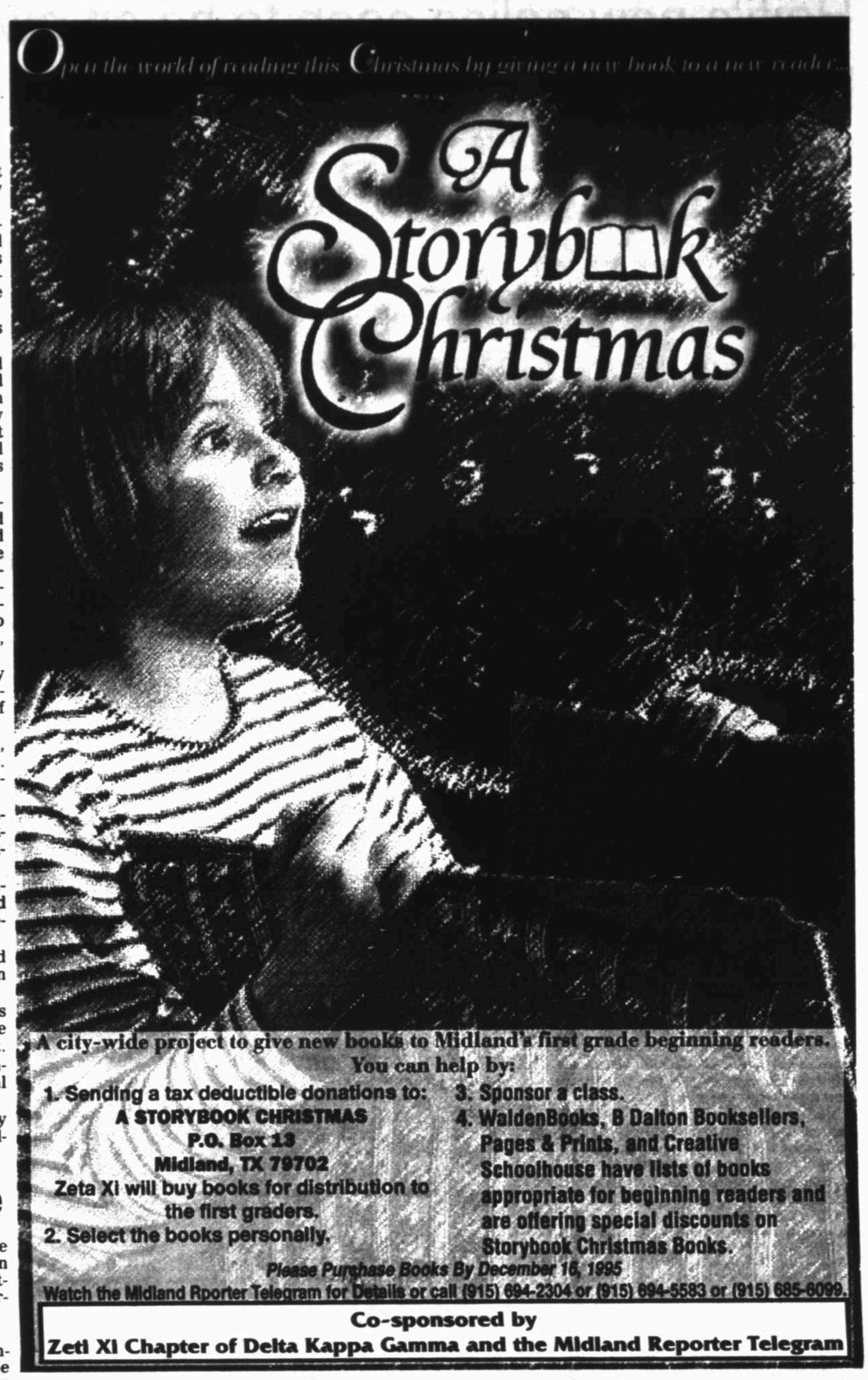
A Danish court Wednesday ordered a woman to pay a fine of $91 each week for refusing to change the spelling of her son's first name — "Christophpher."

The mother, who was not identified, has been paying weekly fines of $18 since 1989, when a court first ruled that spelling the name with "phph" is illegal.

Under Danish law, only names listed by the Ministry of Ecclesiastical Affairs can be given to children. Christophpher has not been accepted. It should be "Christopher" or the Danish "Christoffer," according to the ministry.

Her refusal to change the name so far has cost her about $4,545 in fines, but she insists her eight-year-old son should have a personal name.

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Haiti's new police soon to be on own; some wonder if they're up to job

By Michelle Faul
Associated Press

There are doubts that, even with foreign advisers, civilian police will be able to guarantee security when U.N. peacekeepers start leaving Haiti in February. St. Marc, the scene of many violent protests over the years, will provide a preview of just how prepared the rookie cops are.

ST. MARC, Haiti — When protesters got violent and started stoning the keepers of law and order, Haiti's new National Police abandoned their mentors, the Canadian Mounties, and fled.

When one of their own shot a bus conductor in an argument over one gourde (a nickel), the police hurried the perpetrator to safety in another town. Angry townspeople set up burning barricades, and the police barricaded themselves in their station.

"I thought you were supposed to serve us. That's what they said," a teen-age schoolgirl told a policeman behind the barbed-wire fence ringing the station on Tuesday. The policeman ignored her.

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St. Marc, the scene of many violent protests over the years, will provide a preview of just how prepared the rookie cops are. They'll be without experienced backup after the Royal Canadian Mounted Police pull out next week and Honduran troops follow in two weeks' time.

President Jean-Bertrand Aristide's most popular act was to disband the armed forces that had ousted him in 1991 and had policed Haiti, often brutally, for decades. In the three years after the coup, the army and its paramilitary allies killed as many as 4,000 civilians.

Aristide was restored to power after a U.S. invasion last year. With U.S. funding, a police academy was established and American, Canadian and French instructors set about training bright, young people whom they praised for the eagerness with which they absorbed lessons in human rights.

Yet in recent months, police officers have been accused of excessive force on at least 12 occasions. One policeman shot and killed his girlfriend. None have been disciplined or charged.

Justice Minister Rene Magloire blames the "youth and inexperience" of officers who average 23 years of age and get only two months' training in Haiti and two months more at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri.

More importantly, perhaps, the civilian police lack manpower and equipment.

The initial plan envisaged a police force of 5,000 to replace the 7,500-strong army, which was backed by some 20,000 rural sheriffs and deputies and tens of thousands of gunmen known as "attaches."

To reach that goal, Aristide last week integrated a 1,400-member interim police force into the National Police. The move was unpopular because nearly half of the interim police force consisted of former soldiers. The soldiers had been screened for human rights abuses.

In Cap Haitien, Haiti's second largest city with 200,000 people, Police Chief Francois Louis recently complained that his 280-member department had only a dozen vehicles — nine of which were being repaired.

In the town of Marchand Dessaline, near St. Marc, a half-dozen policemen panicked during a protest last month by dozens of people and fired into the air.

What disturbed U.N. human rights monitors who visited the scene afterward were the spent shells, which came from semiautomatic rifles and not the .38-caliber revolvers issued to police. The rifles apparently were among guns seized in a U.S.- and U.N.-led disarmament campaign.

In the latest incident, a policeman on Monday shot and critically wounded a bus conductor whom he accused of overcharging by a nickel. The policeman claimed that the conductor threatened him with an iron bar, but witnesses disputed his account. Other police officers who were at the scene claimed they were too far away to see what happened.

Aristide has admitted there are problems. "From now to February, I expect the National Police force to be more qualified. Will they be ready? I hope so," he said in a recent interview with foreign journalists.

Meanwhile, half of the 900 U.N. police officers giving the Haitians on-the-job training have left Haiti. The four Canadian Mounties in St. Marc are leaving on Sunday, and 120 Honduran troops in the area will leave in January.

While U.N. peacekeepers are scheduled to pull out starting Feb. 7, dozens of U.N. police officers will stay behind in a training program that will run until 1999.

Victor Benoit, an opposition candidate in Sunday's presidential election, says the trainers have a tough task.

"The mere fact of its creation (the police force) hasn't destroyed the traditional mentality" of bullying by the people who have the guns, he said.

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India closes 104 factories to help keep Taj Mahal gleaming white

AGRA, India (AP) — The Taj Mahal, once pearly white, is turning yellow.

Some say it's age, some say it's dust, but most say the cause is pollution, leading the government Wednesday to close 104 factories to help preserve the magnificent love monument, built four centuries ago by a Mogul emperor as a tomb for his queen.

"This priceless treasure belongs to the whole world," Environment Minister Rajesh Pilot said after meeting with industrialists and government officials.

Experts from India, Italy and the United States who advised the government disagreed about the exact cause of the yellowing. But there's been little dispute that the marble walls of the 17th century monument are being eaten away by fumes — from cars, foundries, and thousands of diesel and kerosene generators in homes and shops.

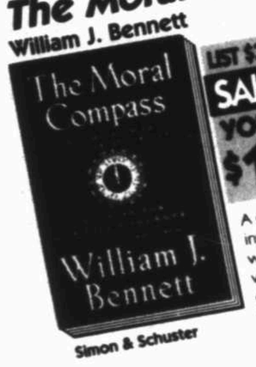
The Taj Mahal was built by Mogul Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his wife, Mumtaz Mahal, who died giving birth to their 14th child. With its gleaming dome and graceful spires, it is one of the world's most recognizable buildings, visited by 3 million tourists a year.

To keep the monument gleaming, the Supreme Court ordered the government to consult with experts and come up with a plan. The government report recommended moving or shutting down factories, inspecting cars for emissions and giving Agra's 1.5 million people uninterrupted power so they won't have to rely on generators.

The report led India to decide to close about a fifth of Agra's some 500 factories, those that failed to install pollution control equipment as ordered by the high court. Pilot said the factories will close by the year's end.

The minister also said he convinced the government of Uttar Pradesh, the northern Indian state where the Taj is located, to provide uninterrupted power and ordered it to begin pollution control checks of all vehicles.

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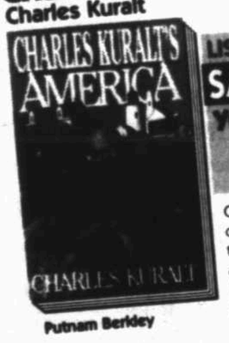
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Scientists discover new form of lightning that blazes on fringes of space

By William J. Broad
N.Y. Times News Service

Scientists have discovered a new class of lightning that exists high above thunderheads and that flickers in blazing disks on the fringes of space, spreading out laterally for hundreds of miles. The dance of this mysterious light, caught repeatedly on sensitive instruments last summer, joins a number of unusual bolts that scientists have recently found shooting upward from clouds to heights as great as 60 miles above the earth, including unconventional types of flashes known as blue jets and red sprites.

The newly observed lightning flashes have been named ELVES, with no Yuletide link intended. The name is an acronym derived from the phrase "emissions of light and very low frequency perturbations due to electromagnetic pulse sources."

Their discovery is being announced this week in San Francisco at a meeting of the American Geophysical Union, the world's largest professional group devoted to earth studies. The color of ELVES is not yet known but is thought possibly (and not inappropriately given the season) to be green.

Remarkably, ELVES are higher, brighter and larger than the other newly discovered types of lightning. They were long overlooked not only because intervening thunderheads obscured views of their domain but because their flash is so quick — less than a thousandth of a second. In contrast, red sprites and blue jets tend to last for hundredths of a second and regular lightning can scintillate for a second or more.

Elves in theory might be visible to the naked eye, though scientists know of no eyewitness reports to date, and some researchers say the fleeting dance may never be glimpsed directly.

Last summer 16 teams of scientists from three nations set up telescopes and instruments in the foothills of the Rockies and pointed the gear eastward. Far in the distance, Midwestern storms lighted the darkness with flashes of lightning, mostly the ordinary kind that speeds downward or horizontally accompanied by booms of thunder.

Looking higher, the scientists, perched at an altitude of 5,500 feet atop Yucca Ridge, near Fort Collins, Colo., caught glimpses not only of blue jets and red sprites but also of at least 50 of the mysterious ELVES. The disks materialized at elevations of up to 65 miles, the boundary where the earth's environment ends and space begins.

"It's almost like a ring of light expanding outward, thin and lens shaped," said Dr. Walter A. Lyons, a senior scientist at the Mission Research Corp., in Fort Collins, Colo.

"It's like a 400-kilometer-wide saucer," or about 250 miles wide, he added jokingly in an interview, referring to popular imaginings of alien spaceships. "It's probably shaped like a doughnut, which makes it even more interesting."

The discovery that electrical storms on earth have repercussions in the heavens is an important one, scientists say. It has long been known that the opposite is true — that solar storms can affect the earth, sometimes resulting in dazzling auroras and power blackouts.

"We now have examples of the coupling going in the other direction," said Dr. William L. Boeck, a pioneer in the lightning studies who is a physicist at Niagara University in Niagara Falls, N.Y. "That's interesting."

Among the riddles under study are whether the lightning bolts and the chemical and electrical changes induced by them on the fringes of space might affect global weather, ozone depletion and storm formation or might disable high-altitude spy planes and space shuttles. Another concern is for satellites that monitor the earth's surface for nuclear explosions, which might be prompted to generate false reports. The phenomenon is being scrutinized not only by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration but also by the Air Force and the nation's intelligence agencies.

Scientists say the sudden finding of ELVES and their kin suggests that there are probably more uncommon types of lightning lurking in the darkness, just waiting to be discovered.

"This kind of interaction is a revelation," said Dr. Yuri Taranenko, a prominent theorist on ELVES who did his pioneering studies at Stanford University and now works at the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. "Ten years ago we never thought of it, which makes you think maybe we're missing more of these interactions."

The discovery of ELVES is rich in serendipity and illustrates the potential importance of undirected research, which is often belittled by scientific critics and budget cutters but frequently proves to be a powerful engine of progress.

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Humans due for worldwide flu epidemic, experts warn

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — The planet may be overdue for a new worldwide epidemic of influenza, one of humanity's oldest and deadliest disease enemies, international experts said at a conference here Wednesday.

More than 200 infectious disease experts met this week to consider how they should prepare for what some believe is the inevitable rise of a new and lethal influenza virus.

"A new pandemic is possible," said Dr. Dominick Iacuzio of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. "We can't lose sight of the fact that influenza agents have the potential to cause a lot of morbidity and mortality. It has happened before and it can happen again."

The last major worldwide flu epidemic was in 1968, the so-called "Hong Kong flu," and new strains of the flu virus typically rise and sweep through the international population every 10 to 40 years.

From the perspective of history, said Iacuzio, "some experts say we are overdue."

The influenza virus regularly and rapidly rearranges its gene structure. Every now and then, a viral strain develops that humans have never before been exposed to, which can be the start of a pandemic, said Iacuzio.

Between 1918 and 1919, a new viral strain infected more than 2 billion people and killed an estimated 20 million to 40 million, more than a half million in the United States.

The "Asian flu" in 1957 also was new. It quickly circled the globe, causing widespread social disruption and at least 750,000 deaths in the United States.

Iacuzio said the Bethesda conference, organized by the NIAID, was called to help sort out how experts worldwide can prepare for a pandemic and identify gaps in what is known about the flu virus and its control.

A formal report is still being prepared, but these findings will be among the conclusions, he said:

■ Increased surveillance efforts, particularly in remote Asian areas, are needed for early detection of new flu viral strains. There currently is a network of 110 labs in 80 countries.

Former girlfriend blames assault on talk-show call

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A man angry with his ex-girlfriend for calling "The Jenny Jones Show" held a gun to her head and threatened to kill her, police said.

Morris Green, 25, charged with aggravated assault and carrying a concealed firearm, was freed on bail Tuesday.

Cornelia Walker, 23, told Hillsborough County sheriff's deputies that Green was upset because she had called the show about appearing with him on a segment about women who spied on their exboyfriends.

Green confronted Walker on Monday after learning that she had given producers from the Chicago-based show his phone number, a sheriff's report said.

She walked away and he followed her, she said, arguing and grabbing her by the neck, then pointed a pistol at her head.

"Do you think I'm playing with you, Cornelia?" he said, according to the report. "Do you think I'm playing? I'll kill you, girl."

A spokeswoman for Warner Brothers, which distributes the talk show, confirmed that Walker called the producers and producers made follow-up calls. But the spokeswoman, Sarah Goldstein, said neither Walker nor Green were booked to appear.

In March, 32-year-old Scott Amedure was killed in Michigan by Jonathan Schmitz, 25, after Amedure revealed on the show that he had a crush on Schmitz.

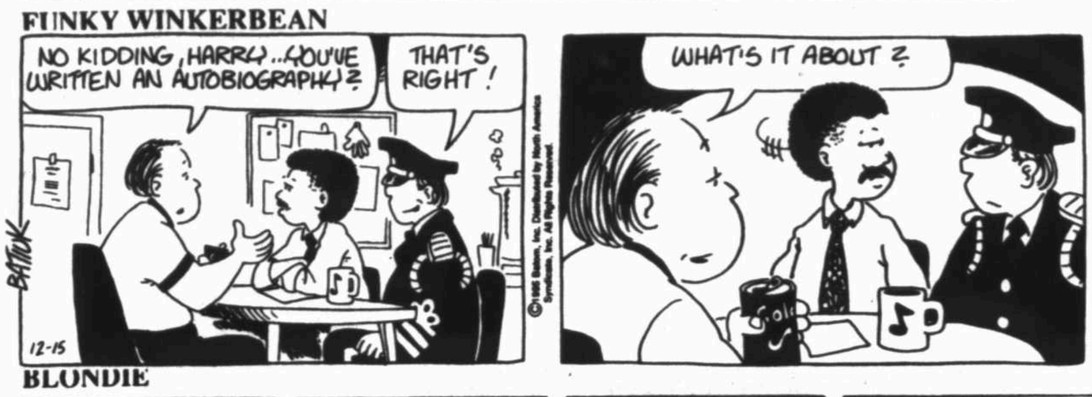
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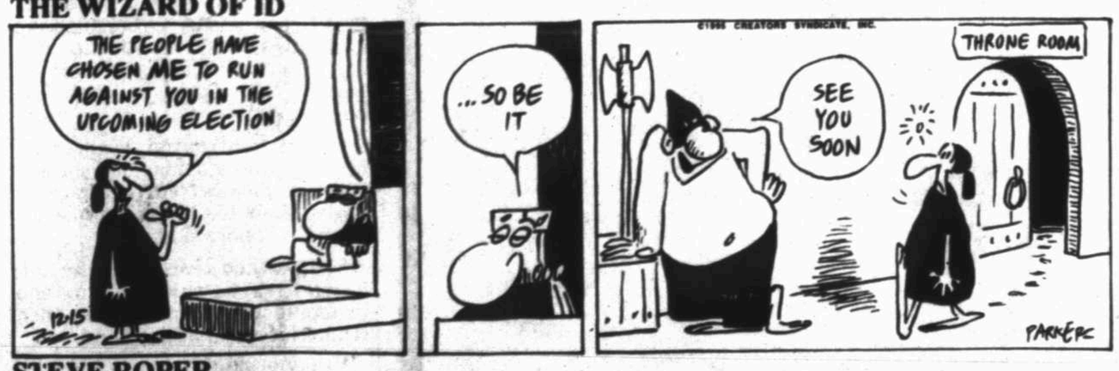
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: sportscaster Nick Buoniconti, author Edna O'Brien, actress Helen Slater, comedian Tim Conway.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Use your energies wisely, avoiding people who try to pick your brains for free. Choose companions who share your enthusiasms. A good friend relates some thrilling news.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A not-so-subtle power struggle could be affecting a close relationship. Refuse to let others manipulate you. Be diplomatic but determined. Beautifying your environment will give your spirits a lift.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Financial losses are possible unless you become more cautious. Avoid all forms of gambling in favor of working on projects already underway. A social event introduces you to someone influential.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be conservative about spending. Look for new ways to address difficult situations. Being aware of your limitations helps you make the most of your strengths.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Burnout is a possibility if you take on too many projects at once. Getting better organized will help you complete assignments in record time. Be open to new ideas. Study mind dynamics and ESP.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): An influential person goes out of his (her) way to help you. A new contract or business deal is involved. Show your appreciation for favors. Answer pending correspondence.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You need to be clear about your long-term goals. Figure out what is most important to you. A friend's actions make you very happy. Stay focused even when others try to distract you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A good day to finalize business deals. A younger person may disagree with your work plans. Listen carefully; you may have overlooked something important. Give credit where it is due.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your intuition may not be as keen as usual today. Devote more time to music and art. Sharing the limelight with your loved ones is a smart move.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): New work or business demands are featured. Explain the situation to your mate or partner. A financial matter will require careful handling. Be very tactful when dealing with an older person.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Romance looks both exciting and stormy for singles. Show a better understanding of loved one's needs. Keeping your promises to young people will gain their trust.

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The annual match between Britain's House of Lords and House of Commons produces some good bridge. In particular, Lords Lever and Smith are talented players. Lord Smith had no trouble with this one.

The Duke of Atholl did well to refrain from three no trump, which would have had no play after a heart lead and failed in the other room, in favor of four clubs. After a slam probe, Lord Smith wisely decided that game was high enough.

West led a diamond. Since there was no way to avoid losing a heart trick, the contract hinged on limiting the trump losers to one. Most players, offered the chance to take a finesse, would do so without giving the hand much thought. Lord Smith was too seasoned a campaigner to fall into that trap.

The first trick was won in hand with the ten and the safety play of the ace of clubs was taken. When that felled the king, declarer cashed the queen of trumps, then conceded a trump and heart to land the game.

Note that, without the safety play, the contract will be defeated. The club finesse will lose, and the spots are such that declarer must lose a second trump trick as well as the ace of hearts.

What if the king doen't drop under the ace? Declarer crosses to dummy with the ace of spades and leads a club toward the queen. The contract is safe if trumps are 2-2 or if East holds the king of clubs.

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(5) KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	Strange Luck: Trial Period 82863		The X-Files: Revelations 68283		Star Trek: Voyager: Initiations 68047		Home Improvement	In the Heat of the Night 206318		Stephanie Miller
(7) KOSA	7	7	News 4844	Entertainment Ton.	Due South: Witness 66689		Diagnosis Murder: Witness to Murder 44009		Picket Fences: This Little Piggy 57573		News 4040757	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
(9) KWES	9	9	News 3134	Seinfeld 4486	Unsolved Mysteries 32127		Dateline NBC 88467		Homicide: Life on the Street: Crosetti 91931		News 3402844	The Tonight Show (10:35) 7082689		Late Night Conan
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(13) BRAV		18	Twin Peaks 400009		Antonia & Jane		Hancock/ Tom Jobim		Old Enough (8:15) (PG, '94) ** 30632912				South Bank Show	
(22) BET		20	Thee	Benson	Roc	Comicview	Video Soul Top 20				Benson	News	Jazz Central	
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Christopher Reeve leaves hospital, returns home in time for Christmas

NEW YORK — **Christopher Reeve**, his spirit strong, left a rehabilitation center Wednesday after nearly seven months and returned home in time for Christmas.

"As I leave Kessler Institute, I experience many profound feelings," the paralyzed "Superman" star said in a statement. "Most of all, happiness to be going home with my wife and children."

Reeve, 42, was paralyzed from the neck down in a May 27 fall from a horse. His doctors said he is able to breathe for 15 minutes at a time without the help of a respirator. He uses a wheelchair he guides with a straw.

The actor thanked "hundreds of thousands of people from around the world who have called, sent letters, cards and gifts of inspiration. You will never know how much your concern for my well-being has helped me."

Reeve and his wife, **Dana**, have a 2-year-old son. He has two older children from a previous relationship.

Reeve was riding a horse in a Culpeper, Va., jumping competition when he was thrown, fracturing the top two vertebrae of his neck and damaging his spinal cord. He will continue his rehabilitation at his home in New York state.

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Pat Schroeder, who recently announced that she is quitting Congress, gave some hint of her bleak mood in a statement cited in Mother Jones magazine.

The Democrat from Colorado, senior woman in the House of Representatives, was one in an array of prominent people who commented on changes they've seen in the past 20 years, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the magazine.

"People need to stand up passionately for what we're for," said Schroeder, who apparently has decided to sit down. "In other words, where are our Mother Jones people? Where is the give-and-take of democracy and respect for minority views that comes from living in a community?

"If there are town meetings and forums, almost nobody comes. The challenge of the next 20 years is how to find community and civilized discourse."

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Who said what: "Each year, we promise ourselves that this year will be different. We'll plan, we'll organize and we'll be prepared for the holidays. But it seems that no matter how hard we try, we find ourselves stressed out and lost in the holiday madness. ... This year, bring back the joy of the holidays and restore your spirit by fighting holiday stress."

— From a holiday news release from the makers of FDS feminine hygiene spray, the ideal stocking stuffer.

■ "Rhinoplasty is the most common pageant cosmetic surgery. The goal of nasal cosmetic surgery is to create a nose that is complimentary to other features. ... The cost of rhinoplasty in Arkansas is surprisingly reasonable."

— From a Pageantry magazine story by plastic surgeons **James Billie** and **Roger Anderson** of Little Rock, Ark. As to the nose that compliments the other features, a simple thank you will suffice.

■ "I believe in my cosmetics line. There are plenty of charities for the homeless. Isn't it time somebody helped the homely?"

— Sensitive humanitarian and cosmetics tycoon **Dolly Parton**, in McCall's magazine.

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Chris Darden, a key member of the team that unsuccessfully prosecuted **O.J. Simpson** for murder, has accepted a full-time job teaching at Southwestern University of Law in Los Angeles.

Darden has not done any work for the district attorney's office, where he has been employed for 14 years, since the Simpson verdict came in. He and co-prosecutor **Marcia Clark** were given time off to make up for all the extra hours they worked on that case. Darden said he will ask for a leave to accept the professorship.

"I think I have found a new calling," he said in a statement released through the school, expressing his hopes that his job will "keep me close to the law, which I love, and also allow me to be an active voice in the community."

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For guests too stuffy for charades or "**Roseanne**," important questions are asked and answered in **Jim Becker** and **Andy Mayer**'s new Parlor Cards series (Viking; $12.95), which includes "After Dinner**Shakespeare**" and "After Dinner **Freud**."

"What is the longest word Shakespeare ever penned?" inquires one of the 100 Shakespeare cards.

"Honorificabilitudinitatibus" appears in Act V Scene 1 of "Love's Labour Lost." It means "the state of being loaded with honors."

"Did Freud have any favorite pets?" inquires one of the 100 Freud cards. Yes, Virginia, he did.

The founder of psychoanalysis befriended his first dog, his daughter's German shepherd, Wolf, when he was in his early 60s. Then, after an American patient had presented him with a dog, he wrote to a friend: "She's a charming Chinese bitch, a Chow, which is giving us much pleasure." In his later years, he owned a succession of chows, who sat at the foot of the couch during his sessions with patients.

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DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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ACROSS

1 Simple organism
6 Springsteen's sobriquet, with "The"
10 In so many words
14 Where the action is
15 Suit to —
16 "Perla Negra" of soccer
17 Curtain fabric
18 Nick's partner
19 Reykjavik reading
20 Rushmore face
23 Border-crosser's charge
24 Oriental liquor
25 Polo player's need
28 Fireside basics
32 Ruckus
33 "Roberta" and "Show Boat" star
35 Director Kazan
36 Earl — Biggers
38 Track meet "rabbit"
40 Put below
41 Ship's setting
42 Handicrafter
44 English 101 assignment
45 Mossbunker
48 Repaired, in a way
50 Stoic school founder
51 Where it's at
52 He won an Oscar for Ben Kingsley
59 Winged
60 — monster
61 Seer's card
62 Source of 1938 "invasion"
63 Change copy
64 In agreement
65 Feed the kitty
66 Emulate Ebert
67 Flame "thrower"

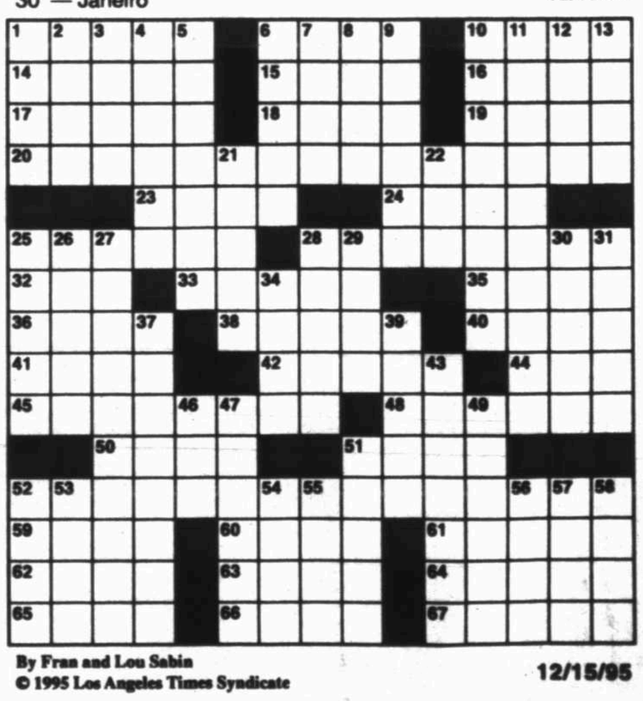
DOWN

1 Ship's pole
2 Ozawa gp.
3 Famed fiddler
4 Quiz category
5 Imperfect
6 Country music "must"
7 Western Native American
8 Hard worker of yore
9 Florida water creature
10 Runs
11 Comic of radio, film and TV
12 Moro of Italy
13 Thin film director?
21 Workout unit
22 Silkworm
25 "Call Me—"
26 Nutritionist Davis
27 "Pal Joey" lyricist
28 Like Andes' inhabitants
29 Sideshow figure
30 — Janeiro
31 Performed a magic trick
34 Celebrity
37 Get ready
39 Open that trench again
43 Woodpecker's sound
46 Columnist Landers
47 The Artful —
49 Soprano Scotto
51 Oksana Baiul does this
52 Call from the nursery
53 Buck heroine
54 Popular opera
55 Skirt feature
56 Diving zone
57 Prepare tools, a la Sweeney Todd
58 Road for 3 Down

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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