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PAMPA -- Pampa's landfill on Loop 171 northeast of the city will be closed for the holiday on Friday and Saturday. It will re-open Sunday.

PAMPA -- Two Pampa women will have a nicer Christmas after winning a raffle at a local Baptist church.

Sherri Griggs won a turkey from Frank's supermarket and Sheri Tice won \$100 in a drawing at Fellowship Baptist Church.

The money raised by the drawing goes for the church's youth camp fund.

PAMPA -- Sunday's offering at Calvary Baptist Church will be given to the Good Samaritan House.

"We've met our budget this year," said Pastor Lyndon Glaesman. "This is something extra."

He said the money taken in from offerings at the Sunday morning and evening services would be donated in total to the Good Samaritan House.

FORT WORTH (AP) -- Mayor Pro Tem Virginia Nell Webber has relinquished control of her embattled nursing home, saying the state's racist actions have made it impossible for her to salvage the business.

Meanwhile, a last-minute agreement was reached with the owner of the property. The 56 elderly residents who remain at the center will be allowed to stay there through the week while a state-appointed trustee tries to finalize a sale of the home.

At a news conference Wednesday, Ms. Webber said she and her husband, Wu Fang Huey You, can no longer afford to operate the All Seasons Nursing Center because state sanctions have cost the business more than \$150,000 in Medicaid funds.

COLLEGE STATION (AP) -- Texas A&M University records show a professor who tried to turn mercury to gold found a loophole to gain research funds, according to a report by The Bryan-College Station Eagle.

John Bockris, under internal scrutiny for accepting \$200,000 to conduct the alchemy research, found a loophole to escape a 43 percent overhead charge on money donated for his research, the newspaper reported today, quoting internal university memos obtained by The Eagle.

While his methods are not illegal, critics suggest Bockris' direction of research funds to his project was unethical. Nearly two dozen Texas A&M professors petitioned the university's provost Tuesday asking Bockris to be stripped of his title as distinguished professor of chemistry.

FORT WORTH (AP) -- Already billed as "Cowtown" and the point "where the West begins," Fort Worth officials say their city is the perfect home for yet another Western attraction -- the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Center.

"It's a natural," said Hub Baker, general manager of the Cowtown Coliseum and the organizer of a team group trying to woo the museum to the city's Stockyards historic district.

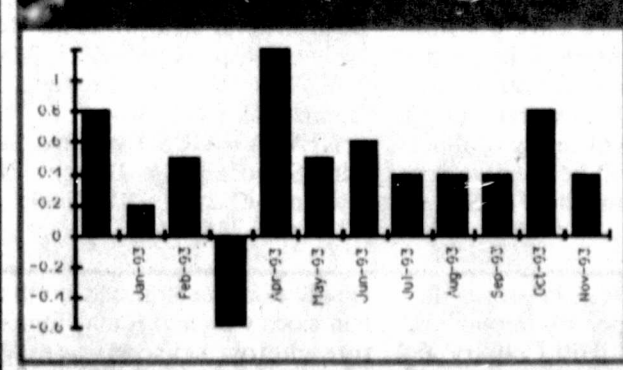
The 19-year-old museum, which keeps alive the spirit of western women such as Annie Oakley and pioneer Mary Ann Goodnight, is looking for a new home because it has outgrown its site in Hereford, 50 miles southwest of Amarillo.

Fort Worth is among about a dozen Texas towns and cities in four other states vying for the facility.

Anne W. Marion, owner of the 6666 Ranch about 75 miles east of Lubbock, and billionaire Ed Bass are among the leaders of the Fort Worth bid.

AMARILLO (AP) -- Ample beef supplies next year should cause prices to drop slightly at the butcher's counter, a cattle group says. The Texas Cattle Feeders Association estimated Wednesday that beef production in 1994 will grow 2 percent to hit near 24.2 billion pounds. "We're keeping more mother cows ... producing more calves," said Richard McDonald, TCFA executive vice president.

Consumer spending (%)



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Panhandle pastors ponder Christmas

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

Christmas represents "the single greatest intervention of God into human history," said the Rev. Roger Hubbard, pastor of The Bible Church of Pampa.

A survey of area clergymen concerning the meaning of Christmas elicited a consensus about the birth of Christ as proof of God's love for humanity.

"It's the coming of God's love into the world in the form of humanity," said Pastor Kenneth Metzger of the First United Methodist Church in Pampa.

Metzger's son, the Rev. Mark Metzger, pastor of United

Methodist Church in Groom, offered a similar interpretation.

"The true meaning of Christmas," agreed the Rev. Jim Mahon of Pampa's First Presbyterian Church, "is that it demonstrates the depth of God's love for people and God's involvement in their lives."

The Rev. Lyndon Glaesman, president of the Pampa Ministerial Alliance and pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, emphasized the intimacy of God's love as manifested at Christmas.

Daryl Miller at the Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ also identified love as the primary theme of Christmas.

"It is the receiving of the eter-

nal gift that gives us the spirit of giving and the desire to share in the fellowship of family and loved ones," said the Rev. Don Turner at Pampa's First Baptist Church.

"I just think it's the spirit of giving and receiving," said Mike Heatwole of the Canadian Church of Christ.

The Rev. Rob Lackey, pastor of First Baptist Church of Skellytown, emphasized the universality of the love that Christ's birth should inspire in people.

"The true meaning of Christmas, to me, is family togetherness -- united in faith," said Leonard C. Harper, pastor of the Panhandle Church of Christ.

"I believe that the true meaning of Christmas is a time of family and of friends, but mostly a time of fellowship with the Lord," said the Rev. Suzanne Rolan at Pampa's First Christian Church.

"Christ the son of God is born in time," said the Rev. Phu Phan at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Pampa. "In Him we see our God made visible and so we are caught up in the love of the God we cannot see."

The true meaning of Christmas "is to reveal God in the flesh to all humanity," said Pastor Jerry Moore of Miami's First United Methodist Church.

"It's time when God becomes

tangible, when the Creator becomes the Created," said the Rev. Jake Clemmens, rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Pampa.

"It's the wonder of God becoming man in order to pay for our sins," said the Rev. Art Hill, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church of Pampa.

"God came to the world as man in the body of Christ as Savior," said Pastor Lewis Ellis of Lefors First Baptist Church.

"The Son of God became a son of man (in order) that the sons of men might become Sons of God," said Pastor Ricky Pfeil of the Wheeler Christian Academy in Wheeler.

And what about Rudolph...



Two-year-old Samantha Presley was intrigued with Santa's beard earlier this week during a visit by the jolly old elf to Bright Beginning Day Care Center, 1011 N. Frost. Ten Pampa merchants supplied gifts for the Christmas party. Santa's appearance was courtesy of the Women of the Moose. (Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Kids of Gaza City prepare for Santa's first visit in years

By DONNA ABU-NASR
Associated Press Writer

GAZA CITY, Occupied Gaza Strip (AP) -- Wafa Tarazi, age 4, thinks Santa rides a winged horse and wears jeans and a T-shirt.

Sleiman Sabbagh, a year older, thinks he knows better: his Santa sports a galabiya, a long Arab robe.

After six years of trouble, the children of Gaza City are going to find out who's wrong and who's right. Santa Claus is coming to town today.

Not that all here will be able to recognize him. Sali Najjar, 3, expects to see Santa dressed in a navy-blue school uniform and holding his mother's hand.

For Gaza City's Christians, a tiny minority of 3,300 in a town of 292,000 people, Christmas has been quietly celebrated with Mass and dinner at home since the Palestinian uprising began in December 1987.

Families hid trees in the children's bedroom behind thick curtains, for fear the blinking lights would offend Muslim militants who consider such displays offensive at a time of sacrifices in the revolt against occupation.

This year, Christians in Gaza City plan modest celebrations, encouraged by the Sept. 13 accord between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization and its promise of peace.

"The agreement has encouraged us to give a party for the first time in six years. The accord gave us hope for peace and freedom," said Father

Jalil Awwad, head of the Latin Patriarchate School and pastor of the Latin Family Church.

But there are no street decorations or trips to holy places, such as Jerusalem or the West Bank's Bethlehem.

Hilmi Abu Shaaban, 28, whose toy shop is the only one in Gaza City to offer a large selection of tree ornaments, said sales were up 40 percent this year. "It's my best year since the uprising," he said.

The nuns at the Latin school spent 12 hours filling plastic bags with candy and stationery to be distributed by a Santa at a party today. The school's 1,106 students, 150 of them Christians, will each get a gift.

At the YMCA, the center's 264 nursery and kindergarten students -- 45 of them Christian -- have been rehearsing for five days for their party today.

But only three or four carols will be sung. The rest of the program is devoted to belly dancing and Egyptian love songs, a reflection of how Christian traditions have been assimilated over the years.

At the Latin Patriarchate School, students still aren't convinced that Santa Claus is really coming this year.

Mona Debeit, 6, said that if Santa is a no-show, she had a fallback plan.

"If Santa Claus doesn't come here this year, I will ask my parents to take me to my aunt's house in Jerusalem. He always goes there," she said.

Personal income up 0.6 percent in November

By JOHN D. McCLAIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -- Americans' personal income rose 0.6 percent in November, helping to support the eighth straight advance in consumer spending as the holiday shopping season opened, the government said today.

The Commerce Department said incomes totaled \$5.51 trillion at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, up from \$5.48 trillion in October. It was the

fourth consecutive increase. Disposable income -- income after taxes -- increased 0.6 percent, also the fourth gain in a row.

At the same time, consumer spending rose 0.4 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$4.49 trillion, from \$4.47 trillion a month earlier. It was the eighth straight advance.

Since incomes grew faster than expenditures, the report likely was encouraging to economists who have worried that lagging income growth earlier in the year would eventually

curb spending and thus slow economic growth.

Consumer spending represents two-thirds of the nation's economic activity.

The combination of incomes and spending meant that Americans' savings rate -- savings as a percentage of disposable income -- rose to 4.2 percent, from 4 percent in October.

A key component of the income category -- wages and salaries -- advanced 0.4 percent, to \$3.15 trillion, from \$3.14 trillion a month earlier.

Pampa prison could expand by a third

The 1,000 bed Rufe Jordan Unit of the Texas Department of Corrections could add 300 beds under a proposal by state officials trying to alleviate prison overcrowding.

State leaders have devised a plan that could add 15,000 beds to the prison system within nine months, The Dallas Morning News reported Thursday.

Legislative and criminal justice leaders drafted the plan in private meetings called over the last several weeks. They want to find a way to relieve counties of the backlog of almost 28,000 state inmates.

In addition to fueling tensions, the backlog is expensive. The state is under court order to reimburse counties for housing its inmates, a tab the Texas Commission on Jail Standards estimates at more than \$18 million.

Department of Corrections spokesman in Pampa and Huntsville said Thursday that an Associated Press story concerning expansion of the state's prison's were the first they had heard of the project.

Darwin Sanders, warden of

the Rufe Jordan Unit east of Pampa was out of town for the Christmas holidays. Major Fernando Delarosa, the duty officer, said he had not heard of the proposal by state officials.

A spokesman for the Department of Corrections in Huntsville also said he had not heard of the proposal.

State Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and other key senators, House members, the governor's staff and criminal justice leaders who have been meeting said they believe that new prisons for 10,000 to 15,000 inmates can be added to penitentiary compounds.

Under the tentative plan, new units would be added within the security perimeters of state prisons. Each of the 16 state prisons that hold 1,000 inmates could be expanded by as many as 300 inmates. Each of the 10 prison units with 2,250 inmates could be increased by as many as 600 prisoners. The state has other prison units, but they are not being targeted for expansion.

Powerball winners come forward to collect winnings

WASHINGTON (AP) -- A man with 17 children and 29 grandchildren cried today when he learned he was one of two winners of the \$90 million Powerball lottery drawing and said he wanted to buy his wife a home in the country.

Percy Ray Pridgen, 69, a retired bricklayer who lives in the District of Columbia, is the sole owner of the ticket worth \$45 million, lottery officials said.

At the D.C. lottery headquarters this morning, Pridgen was asked by reporters what he wanted to do with his winnings. "Get a home in the country for my wife," he responded.

Asked what else he would do with the money, he said, "Somebody's going to have to tell me; somebody's going to have to tell me."

He spoke with reporters for

only a few moments, then buried his head in his hands and cried.

D.C. lottery official Tony Cooper said Pridgen "is very, very emotionally moved by the winning and is unable really to say anything."

The lottery office says the holder of the other winning ticket, which also was sold in Washington, had also come forward, but no details on that person were available.

The store owners who sold the tickets get \$25,000 each. The odds of one ticket matching the winning numbers were 1 in 55 million.

The Powerball game, played twice a week in 14 states and the District of Columbia, had gone eight weeks without a winner before Wednesday night's drawing. Players pay \$1 to choose six numbers.

White Deer Dad did it



Eleven-year-old Dan Kotara stands in front of his White Deer home explaining to passers-by that his father, Gary Kotara, is the one responsible for parking an all terrain vehicle on the roof of their home as part of the family's holiday decorations. "The first question everybody asks," Kotara's wife said, "is 'How did he get it up there?' He drove it up there."

"That vehicle will climb anything," Dan said. "It's four-wheel drive."

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to *The Pampa News*.

Obituaries

LOIS RADCLIFF

Lois Radcliff, 77, died Thursday, Dec. 23, 1993. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Radcliff was born on April 8, 1916, in St. Louis, Mo. She moved to Pampa in 1941 from Borgerville. She married Elmer J. Radcliff on Nov. 18, 1937, in Norfolk, Va.; he died on Sept. 22, 1989. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, where she taught kindergarten and adult Sunday School classes for about 50 years. She was currently a member of the WinSome Sunday School Class, as well as a member of the Handbell Choir, the Senior Saints Choir and the United Methodist Women. She volunteered for the Pampa Meals on Wheels and served Lions Club and Kiwanis Club for many years.

Survivors include two sons, Jim Radcliff and John Radcliff, both of Pampa; two daughters, Jessie Brantwein of White Deer and Mildred Rice of Big Lake; a sister-in-law, Florence Radcliff of Pampa; 14 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church Memorial Fund. The family will be at 1137 Cinderella.

Police report

Due to the Christmas holidays and the short time between the printings of Thursday's and Friday's editions of *The Pampa News*, there are no police, sheriff or fire department reports.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat.....3.82
Milo.....4.90
Corn.....5.35

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Serico.....3 NC
Occidental.....17 1/4 up 1/4

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan.....69.73
Putnam.....15.65

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco.....53 1/4 dn 1/8
Arco.....103 5/8 dn 1/4
Cabot.....56 up 3/8
Cabot O&G.....20 up 1/2

Chevron.....87 1/4 dn 1/4
Coca-Cola.....44 NC
Diamond Shamrock.....23 5/8 dn 1/4
Enron.....28 3/4 up 1/8
Halliburton.....31 1/4 up 1/4
HealthTrust Inc.....24 1/2 up 3/8
Ingersoll Rand.....37 up 1/4
KNE.....25 dn 1/4
Kerr-McGee.....44 5/8 up 1/4
Limited.....17 up 1/4
Maco.....60 1/8 dn 1/4
Mauk.....4 5/8 dn 1/8
McDonald's.....57 1/8 dn 3/8
Mobil.....77 3/8 dn 1/4
New Atmos.....25 5/8 up 1/4
Parker & Parsley.....22 1/4 NC
Penny's.....53 1/4 up 5/8
Phillips.....28 3/8 up 1/8
SLB.....58 3/8 dn 3/8
SPS.....30 3/8 NC
Tenneco.....50 5/8 dn 1/8
Texasco.....64 3/8 NC
Wal-Mart.....26 1/8 dn 1/4
New York Gold.....386.00
Silver.....5.06
West Texas Crude.....14.77

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB

Pampa Bridge Club meets at 2 p.m. Sunday in Room 11 at Clarendon College. For a partner, contact Marie Jamieson at 669-2945.

SOUTHSIDE SENIOR CITIZENS

MOBILE MEALS

Mobile meals will not be served on Saturday.

Accidents

Due to the Christmas holidays, there are no accident reports available from the Pampa Police Department records division.

United Way donation



Helping the Pampa United Way, the Women of the Moose gave \$500 this week from their bingo charity money. Presenting the money to United Way Executive Administrator Katrina Bigham, center, are Virgie Twigg, left, and Sandi Bullard. According to Bigham, the check puts this year's United Way fund-raising campaign at 93 percent of its goal. (*Pampa News* photo)

Many countries besides North Korea give U.S. sources of nuclear weapons concern

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. worries about the spread of nuclear weapons go far beyond the Korean peninsula — to Iran, Iraq, China, Pakistan, Ukraine, Russia and beyond.

Enforcement of international nuclear controls is so leaky that U.S. officials now speak of "counter-proliferation" — learning to live with and defend against, rather than stopping, the spread of nuclear weapons technology.

For all the talk about needing to stop North Korea from getting the bomb, the case of Ukraine is an even more immediate worry; it already has an estimated 2,000 nuclear warheads as well as the bombers and missiles to deliver them.

Ukraine inherited the weapons in the breakup of the Soviet Union. On Thursday, the Ukrainian government said police caught six people trying to smuggle nuclear materials out of the country, including unspecified items used in atomic weapons.

Leonard Spector, a leading U.S. expert on nuclear proliferation, said South Africa's recent decision to openly give up its nuclear arms program was a big plus. But the outlook elsewhere has grown murkier since the Soviet breakup.

"In the old days the problem was contained" by the superpower rivalry, he said in an interview. "Now a

bit of the bedrock of the old days has disappeared."

Russia, of course, already owns a vast nuclear arsenal. The worry is that all or part of it may fall into the wrong hands. The Russians still have enough nuclear might on land, at sea and in the air to devastate the United States.

China also is an accepted member of the nuclear club, and while its arsenal is relatively small, U.S. officials are concerned that the Chinese are too willing to sell weapons technology to Pakistan and other nuclear aspirants.

Washington imposed sanctions against China and Pakistan in August after determining that China had sold M-11 ballistic missile components to Pakistan in 1992. The sale was said to violate the Missile Technology Control Regime, a pact among global weapons suppliers aimed at limiting the spread of missiles.

The CIA said in a newly declassified report this week that North Korea, which is suspected of trying to build nuclear arms, has the technical potential to build within 15 years a nuclear-capable missile that could reach the United States.

The CIA said it did not expect North Korea to actually develop such a missile because it has other, higher priority military projects and limited resources. But it said North Korea, Iraq, Iran and Libya are like-

ly to take shortcuts by trying to buy entire missile systems or missile component technologies from countries that already have intercontinental ballistic missiles.

Ukraine and the other "problem" countries pose different, and in many ways more difficult, challenges to the U.S. aim of limiting the spread of nuclear arms.

Russia claims ownership of the weapons in Ukraine, and it wants them returned — immediately. Washington agrees, but the Ukrainians see it differently. They say they have no intention of using the weapons, but they worry that giving them to the Russians will make them more vulnerable to intimidation by Moscow.

Kazakhstan and Belarus also inherited nuclear weapons in the breakup of the Soviet Union but they have agreed to give them up.

Iraq is a much different case. Its nuclear weapons development effort was stopped cold by allied bombing in the 1991 Persian Gulf War and by the follow-up disarmament program implemented by United Nations inspectors. But that may not be the end of the nuclear weapons story in Baghdad, officials say.

Hobart construction halted for holidays

PAMPA — Construction on Hobart Street has been halted for the Christmas and New Year's holidays and will begin again on Jan. 3, according to a state highway official.

Jerry Raines, area engineer for the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation, said construction on the Hobart Street, also known as Texas 70, is ahead of schedule and is proceeding well. To date, the construction project is about 30 to 40 percent completed, he said.

Much of the heavy equipment will be left on site, but out of the way of traffic, Raines said.

'Grubs' and 'scumbags': Parliamentary debate thrives on Australian television

By PETER JAMES SPIELMANN
Associated Press Writer

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Insults fly thick and fast in *The Bear Pit*, where members of Parliament berate one another as "grubs," "brain-damaged" and "dog vomit."

This is the impassioned and high-decibel world of democratic debate Australian style, as conducted on the floor of Parliament.

But the invective has gone so far that the politicians — or "pollies" — are beginning to worry about their public image.

Australian parliamentary debate may not be violent, like the occasional fistfights or chair-throwing scuffles in Italy and Taiwan, but it is predictable. You can tune in for daily TV coverage of "question time," when Cabinet ministers are available for queries.

Question time in Canberra is broadcast live by Australian Broadcasting Corp., providing the liveliest hour of daytime afternoon drama. Then the most outrageous scenes are often repeated on the evening news shows.

Insulting someone during question time has become a fine art, monitored by a referee — the President of the Senate, or Speaker of the House of Representatives — who can try to control things with calls of "Order, order."

By this time, the legislators, following British House of Commons tradition, are hooting, guffawing and retaliating with insults.

Obscenity, profanity or questioning a legislator's honor or honesty is

considered "unparliamentary," and must be withdrawn. It is the equivalent of penalty in a sporting match.

Within these constraints, there is always a search for new insults that have not been previously ruled "unparliamentary."

Prime Minister Paul Keating, who clawed his way up the ranks of the Labor Party, is acknowledged as the master of parliamentary tongue-lashing.

He has assailed the opposition Liberal party members as "perfidious gigolos" and "brain-damaged loony crims," short for criminals.

Other Keatingisms: "harlot," "sleazebag," "mental patient," "dog's vomit" and "ninnie."

The classic Keating contribution to the Australian political lexicon is "scumbag," which he imported from America.

"He only used it once. He got it from the Martin Scorsese film *Mean Streets*," said Jim Middleton, the ABC-TV reporter who closes each broadcast of question time.

But as a term of abuse, it was an instant hit in Australia, appearing now in letters to the editor in newspapers almost daily. Little old ladies call radio talk shows to denounce polities they disagree with as "scumbags."

"Historically, the level of invective has always been higher in the Australian and British parliaments than in the U.S. Congress," said Middleton. "But the extent of it has intensified even more so in recent years."

The vicious insults seem even

more bizarre because they are framed by an almost courtly formality of address — representatives may not be addressed by name, but are called the "honorable member."

Senators may be addressed by name, since there is more than one for each state, but they too are often simply addressed face-to-face as "senator" or "minister," if they are in the Cabinet.

This leads to Monty Pythonesque questions such as: "The honorable member has called me a loony, and I request that that remark be withdrawn."

Understandably, this sort of debate generates more heat than light on the issues facing Australia. And a House of Representatives committee is questioning whether it's time to change the floor procedures.

"This feeling comes from members' own experiences but is reinforced by adverse public comment, particularly since the advent of televising of question time," the committee recently reported.

It recommended that the Speaker have the power to banish obstreperous legislators to a hockey-style "sin bin" to cool off until question time ends.

Keating has his own ideas for improving Parliament's image — he has tried to ban the rebroadcast of question time on the evening news.

But Parliament revolted and forced a vote on the issue, prompting Keating to ask, "What are you grubs up to now?" as he rushed into the chamber.

But it did no good. Parliament overturned the attempted ban.

White House drops plan to bring space shuttle program to Texas

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP) — The Clinton administration has backed off plans to transfer a space shuttle project away from the Marshall Space Flight Center now that a public rift with Sen. Richard Shelby, D-Alabama, is healed.

A NASA spokesman in Washington said that the space shuttle's external tank project would remain at the space agency's north Alabama center.

"This whole thing just sort of died out. It now seems to be absolutely out of the question," said David Garrett.

The White House announced plans in February to move the tank project from Huntsville to the Johnson Space Center in Houston. The transfer came after Shelby, D-Tuscaloosa, publicly criticized President Clinton's budget plan during an appearance with Vice President Al Gore.

The administration said the move would mean the loss of about 90 jobs in north Alabama, but also would strengthen program management.

White House aides, however, described the decision as one meant to punish Shelby, a conservative Democrat who frequently votes against the president.

Clinton in July paid a private visit to Shelby's home in Washington, where they met for about an hour. The public feud between the two seemed to die down after that.

A feasibility study ordered by NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin concluded that same month that moving the program to Houston would involve only 26 jobs and would "increase the possibility of error" on shuttle launches.

Shelby's chief of staff, Tom Young, said Wednesday he had not heard that the project would remain in Alabama.

"We don't want anything moved out of Huntsville for partisan purposes or for any other reason," Young said. "Senator Shelby is very interested in the space program overall. He also has worked for the last 15 years to maintain a strong space agency presence in northern Alabama."

PEDC still looking for new director

Pampa's Economic Development Corporation's board of directors took no action following their executive session meeting this week.

The directors reviewed their list of candidates Wednesday morning from which they hope to find a director for the corporation, according to Bill Waters, president of the PEDC.

Waters said the list of candidates has about 40 people.

The PEDC has been without a director since the middle of September when Bill Miller resigned to return to private business.

The next meeting of the corporation's board of directors is scheduled for Jan. 13 in their offices located at 301 N. Ballard.

City briefs

HOME ALARM \$300 plus tax. Free demonstration. 665-4237. Adv.

CARRIERS NEEDED. Various areas in Pampa. Apply now, Pampa News. No phone calls.

EASY'S POP Shop - 12 inch meat and cheese tray \$11.95. 665-1719. Adv.

LAKEVIEW APARTMENTS: 1, 2 or 3 bedroom apartments, furnished or unfurnished. 2600 N. Hobart, 669-7682. Adv.

PEGGY'S PLACE, 301 W. Kingsmill open Christmas Day, 8 to 2. Adv.

EASY'S CLUB will be open Christmas Eve, 4 p.m. to 12 p.m. Adv.

CORONADO HOSPITAL'S Emergency Room is staying extremely busy these days. We do want to continue to serve you and offer you the best care possible; therefore, Patients will be seen in the order that they register. However, priority is always given on the basis of severity of injury or illness. Your patience will be greatly appreciated throughout the Flu Season. Adv.

ROYSE ANIMAL Hospital easy access due to Hobart construction, thru alley at 21st or 19th. Royse Animal Hospital, 665-2223. Adv.

GET A Free _____ tonight. City Limits, 669-9171. Adv.

NEW YEAR'S Eve Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship Dance, M.K. Brown. \$30 couple, \$15 single. 665-7342, 665-2464. Adv.

CHINESE PUG Puppies for sale, \$75. 6 females. 669-7335. Adv.

ALL ITS Charm Christmas Sale now thru Tuesday. 109 W. Francis. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, fair with a low of 15 to 25 and a high in the mid 40s to low 50s. Christmas Day, fair with lows of 15 to 25 and highs of mid 40s to the lower 50s. Sunday, lows in the 20s and the highs in the 50s.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Today, mostly sunny. Highs in upper 30s to mid 40s. Friday night, fair. Lows 15-25. Christmas day, fair. Highs mid 40s to low 50s. South Plains — Today, mostly sunny. Highs in the 40s. Friday night, fair. Lows 15 to 25. Christmas day, fair. Highs upper 40s to mid 50s.

North Texas — Today, partly cloudy. Lows 24 to 30. Highs 39 to 46. Friday night, partly cloudy.

Lows in the 20s. Christmas day, fair. Highs in upper 40s to mid 50s.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Today, cloudy with widely scattered showers. Highs in the 40s. Friday night, decreasing clouds and cold. Lows in the 20s. Christmas day, fair. Highs in the 50s. Coastal Bend: Today, cloudy with widely scattered showers. Highs from 50s inland to 40s coast. Friday night, decreasing clouds. Lows in the 30s. Christmas day, mostly fair and cold. Highs in the 50s. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Friday, cloudy with scattered showers. Highs from 50s inland to near 50 coast. Friday night, decreasing clouds and cold. Lows in the 30s. Christmas day, mostly fair. Highs in the 50s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Today, partly

cloudy north central and northeast. Fair skies west and south. Temperatures below seasonal averages. Highs mid 20s to 30s mountains and northwest, upper 30s and 40s east and south. Friday night, fair skies. Lows 5 below zero to 20 mountains and northwest, teens to mid 20s east and south. Christmas day, skies mostly fair east and north. Increasing clouds southwest. Moderating temperatures. Highs mid 30s to 40s mountains and northwest, upper 40s to low 60s east and south.

Oklahoma — Friday, partly cloudy with highs in the 30s. Christmas eve, mostly clear with lows from the teens in northern Oklahoma to the 20s in southern Oklahoma and north Texas. Christmas day, mostly sunny and a little warmer with highs around 50.

Check for the skaters



Virgie Twigg, representing Women of the Moose, second from left, gives Bernice Rippetoe, sponsor of Pampa's Bandida Bunch Speed Skating Team, second from right, a check to help finance club activities. Watching are Chris Smith, left, of the Pampa SpeedTeam and Debby Enloe, community service chairman for WOM. (Pampa News photo by Cheryl Berzanskis)

Discovery of secret graves causes problems for powerful military, political leaders in Peru

By LYNN F. MONAHAN
Associated Press Writer

CIENEGUILLA, Peru (AP) — Nine students and a professor dragged away by masked men from a university outside Lima last year have returned to haunt Peru's most powerful military and political leaders.

When the eight men and two women disappeared, few people even noticed. The capital was in the midst of the worst bombing campaign in the 13 years of violence by Shining Path guerrillas.

But recently their charred, fragmented bones were unearthed from shallow graves on rocky, barren hillsides 20 miles southeast of Lima.

Disinterred, the students and professor have become like ghosts of Christmas past, reminding Peru of one of the ugliest sides of its battle against the Maoist rebels.

The case, known as La Cantuta for the name of the university, is considered a litmus test of the government's commitment to human rights. It has provoked acrid confrontations between the Congress and the military, whose members are implicated in the kidnapping and murder of the 10.

"La Cantuta attacks the very marrow of power and shows the civil-military character of this regime," opposition Congressman Henry Pease said.

Despite efforts to keep the case from coming to light, including a menacing show of tanks in April, the military finally admitted soldiers were involved.

The battle now is over whether the soldiers being held in the case will be tried in a civilian or a closed military court.

Human rights groups fear the soldiers will get preferential treatment if tried by the military. They say a military trial could continue to cover up the case to protect higher-ranking officers.

"What's worrisome is there hasn't been an open policy to clear up these violations of human rights," civilian prosecutor Victor Cubas said. "Instead, the government has shown a will to cover up the case."

In mid-December, Cubas filed charges in a civilian court against 10 soldiers, and the judge in the case has ordered them arrested.

But the military is expected to ask the Supreme Court to decide which tribunal has jurisdiction. In past cases the high court has invariably backed the military's request for jurisdiction, and soldiers have either been found innocent or received light sentences.

In recent years Peru has had one of the world's worst human rights records. But the government of President Alberto Fujimori has made efforts to curb abuses. This year disappearances dropped dramatically, to 57 through November, compared with 226 in 1992 and a high of 410 in 1989.

The students and professor were taken from Enrique Guzman y Valle teachers college in the town of Chosica in the Andean foothills just east of Lima on the night of July 18, 1992. Witnesses saw hooded armed men aided by uniformed soldiers dragging them away.

The university was a well-known hotbed of Shining Path activity, and was under army control at the time.

In April, Pease accused the military of kidnapping and killing the students and professor. He presented Congress with a document from a group of disgruntled military officers that calls itself "Sleeping Lion," claiming an army death squad carried out the killings.

The accusations provoked a furious response from the military high command. The head of the joint chiefs of staff, Gen. Nicolas de Bari Hermoza, denied the military was involved, and he refused to allow

Congress to question officers.

The next day Hermoza paraded tanks through Lima's streets to back up his words.

But the military's denials began to fall apart in May when the third-ranking general in the Peruvian army publicly backed up the document's charges.

Gen. Rodolfo Robles Espinoza also implicated Hermoza and Vladimiro Montesinos, a shadowy security adviser to Fujimori, in the formation of the death squad. Robles then fled to Argentina.

"Nobody has wanted to tarnish the reputation of the commanding general of the army, but he has made himself look like a cover-up artist by rolling out the tanks and acting so arrogantly," said Ricardo Uceda, director of the Lima newspaper *Si*, which played a major role in discovering the burial sites.

The secret graves have been the most dramatic — and grisly — evidence to surface. The first graves were found outside this small resort town in July by reporters for *Si*. They contained the burned remains of five people.

In November, reports in *Si* led civilian investigators to other graves at a police firing range farther north. Those graves included at least four bodies, including a complete skeleton with bullet holes in the skull.

In the face of mounting evidence, Fujimori admitted in November that some soldiers were being held by the military for alleged involvement in the killings. Shortly afterward military commanders also acknowledged soldiers were being investigated.

Although the military still refuses to cooperate with civilian prosecutors, most Peruvians now believe at least some of the guilty soldiers will be tried.

What remains unclear is how high up the blame will fall and whether any sentences will be sufficient to really be called justice.

Price for first class stamps may rise to 32-35 cents

WASHINGTON (AP) — Early in the new year, the Postal Service will begin the process of raising its mail rates, amid speculation that the price of a first-class stamp will jump to between 32 and 35 cents from the current 29 cents.

Postmaster General Marvin Runyon served notice earlier this year that rates would rise in 1995, meaning that the lengthy ratemaking process needs to get under way early in 1994.

The 29-cent rate took effect Feb. 3, 1991 and speculation about the new price of a first-class stamp has ranged from 32 to 35 cents.

Runyon told a convention of

major postal customers in August that the new rate would definitely not be as high as 35 cents. He has since stressed that the increase should be close to the rate of inflation.

Overall inflation from 1991 through the time the new rate takes effect in early 1995 is expected to total 13 percent to 14 percent, Runyon estimated at a recent meeting.

That would result in a rate of 32 cents to 33 cents.

Some mailers groups have speculated that the rate could go to higher, however, and much depends on the breakdown in charges among the various classes of mail.

In addition, the proposal to be made by the governing board of the post office isn't necessarily the rate that will finally take effect.

In 1990, for example, the board proposed a 30-cent rate, but it was trimmed to 29 cents by the independent Postal Rate Commission.

Spokesman Frank Brennan said that Postal Service managers are considering several options and have not decided which proposal to present to the agency's board of governors.

After the board proposes a new rate, the rate commission holds extensive hearings and reports back, usually in 10 or 11 months.

Mental health workers offer tips to have a less stressful holiday

By PAULINE ARRILLAGA
Associated Press Writer

The holiday season is typically construed as a joyous time for all. You know, giving and receiving, spending quality time with the family, parties, parties and parties.

But when the jingle bells start ringing a little too loudly and the Christmas spirit overtakes a holiday shopper vying for that last size medium sweater, the time-honored tune, "Tis the season to be jolly," suddenly converts to, "Tis the season to be grumpy."

The holiday season that begins with Thanksgiving and continues through New Year's, while expected to be fun and relaxing, often is the time of the year that produces the most tension, mental health workers say.

"The holidays are a particular stressful time," said Dr. Joel Holiner, a psychiatrist and executive director of Green Oaks Psychiatric Hospital in Dallas. "We not only have the responsibilities of our usual activities but the added pressure of family and buying gifts ... and the hoopla of the season."

This time of year, mental health workers are offering tips for dealing with the ups and downs the season brings.

Holiner has developed a list of "12 stress-free days of Christmas" that he says are "techniques to use to keep from being overwhelmed."

1. Remove the emphasis of the

holidays away from commercialization and create holiday traditions that fit with your lifestyle.

2. Increase physical activity. Exercise "will help relieve that uptight feeling and cope with stress," Holiner said.

3. Take care of yourself; get enough rest and eat well. On the average, doctors say, people gain between 5 and 10 pounds during the holidays. Holiner suggests choosing foods that are lower in calories, and if you decide to indulge pick, for example, pumpkin pie over the more fat-laden pecan.

4. Share your stress. Talk to others about your worries and concerns.

5. Know your limits. "I think it's really important to just say no to additional demands on time and energy," Holiner said.

6. Avoid unrealistic expectations of what the holidays should be like.

7. Make time for fun.

8. Be a participant.

9. Check off your tasks.

10. Get it off your chest. Bottling up feelings can increase stress. "In a diplomatic way, be direct with others," Holiner said.

11. Create a quiet scene; escape for a few moments of relaxation.

12. Avoid self-medication. "Don't use the holidays as an excuse to overindulge in food and drink," Holiner suggests.

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Governor's ex sentenced

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — The husband of former Gov. Martha Layne Collins drew more than five years in prison for extorting nearly \$2 million from people seeking business with the state while his wife was in office. Bill Collins, 55, also was fined \$20,000 Wednesday.

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Texas Editorials

Corpus Christi Caller-Times on Sen. Hutchinson's legal troubles:

The signals coming from the camp of U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchinson, newly indicted on charges of official misconduct stemming from her term as state treasurer, are a little ... puzzling.

Hutchinson was reindicted ... by a second Travis County grand jury after her first indictments were tossed out on a technicality. In reaction, the senator correctly declared she hoped for an early trial. That, she said, would result in her complete vindication — and clear the cloud hanging over the Senate election.

But at week's end, Hutchinson and her lead attorney, Dick DeGuerin, filed a motion to move the trial to another Texas county. The motion claims the political climate in Austin makes it impossible for her to get a fair trial.

The notion that a Democratic juror could not vote for a fair verdict in a case involving a Republican official, or vice versa, ignores common sense and denigrates the jury system. If this view prevails, there'll be an explosion of venue-shopping. Is County X hard on DWI defendants? Change of venue!

This is simply no way to run a justice system — and if Hutchinson persists, it could result in more delays which, she maintains, she wants urgently to avoid. Curious.

El Paso Herald-Post on shortening time in college:

The cost of college being what it is — outrageous — it is easy to understand why schools are trying to create a bachelor's degree program that takes three years instead of four.

A three-year degree cuts expenses by 25 percent and gets students into the job market or graduate school a year sooner. ...

For some students, the idea has merit. But there's a price to be paid in personal relationships when bright-but-immature young people are pushed through school like runners in a race.

What's the hurry?

We always thought college should be place to grow up and branch out, to make a few mistakes. ... Don't worry, the world will still be there when you get out.

Temple Daily Telegram on GATT:

That loud noise rising over Geneva and spreading around the world was the sound of collective squealing.

Thousands of lobbyists, representing the world's most protected industries, were squealing over the conclusion of the seven-year-long, 117-nation GATT negotiations, designed to reduce worldwide tariffs, lower subsidies and eliminate other barriers to trade.

Japanese rice farmers were there, squealing that they would face new competition from the United States; French farmers and German aircraft manufacturers were there, squealing that they would lose their government subsidies; American apparel makers were there, squealing that they could never compete against India and Pakistan when U.S. import quotas are removed.

Nevertheless, the world's trading nations took a giant step toward economic recovery and health when they agreed to a sweeping new GATT deal only hours before a Dec. 15 deadline. ...

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"That's a new one — 'COMPASSION BURNOUT.'"

Reflections on the deficit



William F. Buckley Jr.

Deficit analysts — Peter Peterson of New York is an example, writing in his new book, *Facing Up* — talk eloquently about the immorality of our growing national deficit. This indictment is quite apart from the pain they feel over the deficit's economic consequences. The condemnation usually speaks of the imposition on the young of debt incurred by the old. The complaint is certainly worth thinking about and, prima facie, is certainly incriminating.

Suppose we personalize the national deficit. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have four children. As they grow older, they become more and more self-indulgent. Whereas in their younger days they saved, and invested in their house, now they travel around the world on luxury liners, and, just last year, they took out a fresh mortgage. Their joint income is up around \$200,000, but they owe money to the banks and to their broker.

These are, of course, debts that will need to be paid off by their four children, who will inherit an estate greatly diminished in value.

What should we concentrate on, the extravagance of the Joneses in their old age? Or should we focus on this, that after all that money is paid back, or after the heirs sign on to continue to make payments due to the banks and other creditors, there is still something left over — which will go to the heirs.

Peterson reminds us that the government is spending one-sixth as much on children as it is spending on the aged. This datum does not in fact surprise, given that the expenses of retirement homes, let alone of hospitals, greatly exceed the cost of schooling. Apart from that, there aren't many expenses of children that are paid for by government, except when one runs into dependent children.

But the moral point is made more complicated by

what it is that the upcoming generation will need to shoulder. A huge debt, yes. But it will also inherit a formidable capital plan. We have jobs for 118 million people, and the capitalization per job is more than \$200,000.

It is one thing to ask whether the outgoing generation has been indefensibly extravagant — it has. But it is a different question whether the incoming generation will face, on balance, a country more remarkable for its wealth than for its debt.

Late in the '30s, as year after year went by with deficits generated by the New Deal, it suddenly occurred to a brain-truster for Franklin Roosevelt that there was a splendid way to defuse criticism. Every deficit dollar at the end of the year converts to a bond bought by somebody. Although there has been substantial purchasing of U.S. bonds by foreign countries, most of the debt is owned by Americans.

So the great epiphany was born: "We owe it to ourselves!"

That was the morally emancipating slogan of New Deal casuists who felt that now they could go home and sleep, having established that a country can hardly be damaged by going into debt that merely transfer assets from one set of American hands to another.

This was the final ornament on the great rococo structure built by Keynes. But it is morally spurious. Whether the money brought in from the taxpayer goes to an American or a Dutchman doesn't affect the pain experienced by the taxpayer.

Peterson is more persuasive in dramatizing the nation's problems than in solving them. He is a man much concerned with morals, and he wants his personal magnanimity to become corporate. If husband and wife are making \$35,000 per year when they reach 65, including payments for Social Security and Medicare, the Peterson plan would begin to phase down receipts from government until payments reduced to 15 percent. On top of this, he would impose a 5 percent sales tax and a 50-cent-per-gallon gas tax.

The Heritage Foundation has a more appealing program, which would cap entitlements to an annual growth of 2 percent.

Congress has many arguments to weigh. Those who confront the deficit are by no means unanimous in their opinion that to reduce it is the first order of business. Economist David Levy of the Jerome Levy Economics Institute sees the deficit as "a great stabilizer of the economy, offsetting the weakness in private investment by providing a huge stimulus."

And as for the upcoming generation, "the measure of how well we serve our children and grandchildren will not be the size of the federal debt but their health, their education, the cleanliness of their environment, and the safety, efficiency and international competitiveness of their country's infrastructure."

The deficit is morally wrong to the extent that it disguises the motives of public policy-makers. If it is used as a Keynesian instrument, it needs to be analyzed with reference to different criteria from those that conservatives deal with.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Dec. 24, the 358th day of 1993. There are seven days left in the year. This is Christmas Eve.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 24, 1814, the War of 1812 officially ended as the United States and Britain signed the Treaty of Ghent in Belgium. However, because of the slowness of communications, both countries fought the Battle of New Orleans the following month.

On this date:

In 1524, Portuguese navigator Vasco da Gama — who had discovered a sea route around Africa to India — died in Cochin, India.

In 1851, fire devastated the Library of Congress in Washington D.C., destroying about 35,000 volumes.

In 1865, veterans of the Confederate Army formed a private social club in Pulaski, Tenn., called the Ku Klux Klan.



Applause for the lady in Orland

Growing up in the tiny town of Orland, Calif., pretty Carolyn Hall was into everything.

At school, she played field hockey and was in the Spanish club; she took piano lessons and acted in the senior play.

Summers, she was a counselor for the Camp Fire Girls.

But by the time she got to the University of California at Davis, Carolyn knew that she wanted more than anything to be a schoolteacher.

Graduating with credentials for elementary teaching, she returned to Orland — to teach kindergarten through fourth grade.

When she and husband John Tolley had two sons, Carolyn took maternity leave, but even then, she was vigorously active in her church, in the PTA and all along the way cheering others with her irrepressible good humor and her great joy of living.

Then, six years ago, Carolyn suffered the symptoms of a stroke. One diagnosis called it a blood vessel abnormality; another called it a brain stem tumor.

When surgeons finally got in there, they discovered that malformed blood vessels were bending and damaging the brain stem.

In six years of many treatments, Carolyn's strength has deteriorated — but not her wonderful love of life and others — even as the paralysis crept through her now frail body, her speech was impaired and her vision began to deteriorate.



Paul Harvey

Each time she came home from the hospital, Carolyn would insist on having a party — just to thank everyone for the cards and the flowers and the calls and their concern.

Only those closest to her knew of her one anxiety — that all her hospitalization and treatments were exhausting the family's limited financial resources.

If her happy heart might pull her through, her worry about the accumulating medical bills was pulling the other way.

Well ...

On my desk is an accumulation of scores of clippings from the *Orland Press-Register* and other area newspapers.

"Big day at the Eagles Hall on Newville Road, raffle prizes and auction items. A day-long benefit celebrating Carolyn Tolley Day."

Another:

"County Market donates TV for raffle prize at Tolley benefit."

Quote:

"Orlando mayor declared Carolyn Tolley Day." Let me read part of his proclamation: "Wherein Carolyn Tolley has spent her life being an inspiration to others ..."

More:

"Public auction to raise funds for medical expenses of former Mill Street schoolteacher."

"Scout Troop donating to Carolyn Tolley."

"Grange to sponsor pinocchle party benefit for Carolyn."

"Eagles Hall overflows for Carolyn Tolley benefit; smashing success."

And the applause goes on and on.

What the world calls news does not often emphasize courage and grace and love, but in one little town in Northern California, tens of thousands of dollars have been donated toward the treatment of a local schoolteacher. Carolyn's condition is now such that she can communicate only with the movement of her left eye ... in Morse code.

In her still and silent room, gallant Carolyn blinked out her response to the outpouring of aid and comfort.

"What did she say?" someone at the bedside asked. "With her blinking eye, what did she say?"

Her loving husband John translated. Laughing through tears, he said she said, "I'm speechless!"

Changing course when players change

Walter Mears AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON — New man, old problems — that's usually the way it is when there's a shakeup at the top, and President Clinton's change in Pentagon management fits the pattern.

But now there are suggestions that a shift in course, or at least emphasis, ought to accompany the change in faces in one of the most visible of Cabinet posts.

After a year of concentration on domestic economic concerns, some people are calling for Clinton to give higher priority and profile to foreign policy now. "I would tear down the sign that says it's the economy, stupid," says Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy.

Maybe they shouldn't tear it; Clinton may want to get back to his winning 1992 issue at re-election time. But at this point, foreign policy and defense concerns are bearing down on him.

If confirmed as expected, Bobby Inman takes over as secretary of defense late next month facing the same Pentagon budget gap that figured in the timing of Les Aspin's resignation. At issue is a shortfall of at least \$31 billion between administration budget aims for the next five years and the sums the Pentagon deems vital to defense needs.

Aspin wanted the money restored, and Republicans say that getting it back will be a litmus test of Inman's new leadership. Sen. Sam Nunn, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said he agreed with Aspin, and hopes Clinton will decide

to put the money into defense.

That would force additional curbs on domestic spending to meet deficit control commitments.

Along with that go national security concerns ranging from the threat of nuclear weapons development by North Korea, to the unexpected vote for an extreme nationalist in Russian parliamentary elections, to continuing problems like Bosnia, Haiti and Somalia.

Those are all pieces of a broader issue, the framework for U.S. foreign and defense policies in the era beyond the Cold War, that remains to be settled.

Ironically, as secretary of defense, Aspin absorbed criticism that might otherwise have gone directly at Clinton.

After the botched Somalia street battle that cost 18 American lives, Aspin took the brunt of blame for failing to approve heavy weapons sought earlier by the U.S. commander.

The ill-defined policy that put the Americans at risk was Clinton's, although the whole operation was inherited. But on that and on other problems, the buck stopped short of the White House.

A nationwide poll this month showed that Clinton

inspires less confidence as a manager of foreign affairs than on any of 10 other major concerns. That Dec. 6-8 survey by the Tarrance Group and the firm of Mellman, Lazarus, Lake, showed only 31 percent more confident in Clinton than in congressional Republicans on foreign affairs. On that question, 52 percent preferred the GOP. That's the mirror image of attitudes on who best to trust on job creation — Clinton 52 percent, Republicans in Congress 32 percent.

The attitudes reflect Clinton's emphasis. He was, as he has said, elected to deal with economic woes, and things have been looking up since he took over.

It is not coincidence that changes — the replacement of Aspin and of the No. 2 man at the State Department a month earlier — were in the national security and foreign affairs specialties that were neither Clinton's strengths nor his major interests.

On the foreign policy side, they may now be doing more. Clinton is going to summit conferences at NATO and in Moscow early in the new year. Tending to business at home, he limited his foreign travel in 1993 to conferences in three countries. The first year he was president, George Bush went to 15.

There are Democrats who say they hope foreign and defense concerns keep moving higher on the Clinton agenda. Leahy, of Vermont, for example.

"I think it is now high time to have a lot more concentration by the president and his chief advisors on foreign policy," he said in a CNN interview. "It cannot run itself."

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
I want a cat.
Your friend,
Jake-Craig

Dear Santa,
I want a spr nintendo.
Your friend,
Braydon Barker

Dear Santa,
I want a ke fors.
Your friend,
Logan Baker

Dear Santa,
I want a computer 2,000 and a new disk for computer 1,000: A SEGA disk one and two. A collection of posters. A box of white chalk. A chalkboard A big One. My own Christmas tree for my ornaments. A Nickleodan colar Writer. Game boy. A Game boy Looney Toon. Any game A Talk boy. 96 crayolas.

And anything else you can think of
Alan
Merry

Christmas!

Dear Santa Claus -
If you pick my letter to be in the paper, I will leave you a special surprise. Please send me back a letter and let me know how the elves are doing and if Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer is going to fly Christmas Eve night.

Thanks for the candy canes you gave me and my momma at Albertsons. Also please leave my police uniform in my room instead of under the tree

We wish you a Merry Christmas!
Love,
Zed Richards
P.S. Please leave Nana and Jiggs some presents at my house. They

have been pretty good most of the time.

Santa,
This is a letter from Abby Weaver, 4 yrs. She's worried because you take a long time.
SANTA,
YOU SURE
TAKE A
LONG
TIME.
Abby

Dear Santa Claus
I know I'm not spowst to sin this kind of letter to you. But I rile want to see you. Becus I never got to see you. If you have time please wak me up so I kansee you. And hug you. I love Santa
[Owen]

Dear Santa:
My name is Garrett. I am 3 years old. I have been kinda good this year. I would like to have a rifle gun - workbench - pool table & I will leave you some cookies & Dr. Pepper. by the tree. Also a flashlight.

My brother has been good also. Gavin is 4 years old. I would like a rifle - flashlight & workbench - pool table - crane. I will leave you a nice snack by our tree.

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Paramount sale goes to shareholders

NEW YORK (AP) — The future of Paramount Communications Inc. is in the hands of its shareholders now that its board of directors has reversed itself and agreed to a \$10 billion merger with hostile bidder QVC Network Inc.

It was a big setback for Paramount chairman Martin Davis and friendly suitor Viacom Inc., the cable TV operator that started the biggest takeover battle of the 1990s with plans to join Paramount in an entertainment colossus.

But Wednesday's decision does not end the 3 1/2-month struggle. Shareholders do not have to accept the QVC bid, and Viacom can raise its \$9.6 billion offer.

Davis has sought to repel QVC Network and the cable shopping channel's chairman, Barry Diller, a TV programming entrepreneur he once fired as head of Paramount's Hollywood studio. In many respects, the Viacom-QVC rivalry is a duel between the two entertainment moguls.

The prize is Paramount, a conglomerate that could provide vast amounts of programming needed to fill the "information superhighway" being developed as cable, telephone and computer technologies converge

in America's living rooms.

Paramount produces movies (Addams Family Values, Wayne's World 2) and television (Wings, Entertainment Tonight). It also owns TV stations, cable networks, Madison Square Garden, basketball's New York Knicks, hockey's New York Rangers, five theme parks and publishing giants Simon & Schuster, Prentice-Hall and Pocket Books.

Davis has argued that Viacom is a better match for Paramount. Viacom owns the MTV, VH-1 and Nickleodeon cable networks, the Showtime channel, TV and radio stations and cable systems.

Shareholders have until Jan. 7 to decide whether to tender their shares to QVC. If QVC holds 51 percent of Paramount stock by then, the remaining shareholders will get the chance to sell their stake in the company to QVC.

"All this is the bell at the end of a round," Diller was quoted as saying in today's New York Times. "It is not definitive, but speaking for QVC, I doubt there will be another full round."

Paramount's board had maintained that a merger with Viacom would provide greater long-term value even though QVC was offering more money.

THE GRIZZWELLS CHRISTMAS by Bill Schorr



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Attack on Branch Davidian compound named top news story for '93 in Texas

By The Associated Press

Images of the Branch Davidian compound crumbling within a raging inferno ranked highest among the top news stories for 1993.

That tragedy stood out among a list that included the memorable passage of the North American Free Trade agreement and the legal wranglings that dogged U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Here are the top ten news stories for 1993 as selected by Texas broadcasters and newspapers:

1. BRANCH DAVIDIANS: The world watches Waco, where David Koresh and scores of his followers keep law enforcement officers at bay for 51 days. The armed standoff begins with four ATF agents being killed, along with six cult members. It ends in a fiery blaze that engulfed the sprawling compound, leaving Koresh and about 85 of his followers dead.

No. 2. SUPER COLLIDER KILLED: Cost-conscious lawmakers vote to kill superconducting super collider, throwing hundreds of workers into financial and professional limbo.

No. 3. NAFTA PASSES: Congress passes the North American Free Trade Agreement, which will usher in even more trade between Texas and Mexico. Last year, Texas accounted for almost \$19 billion of the \$40 billion in U.S. exports to Mexico.

No. 4. HUTCHISON INDICTED: Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is indicted following allegations she had her employees use state time and equipment to help run her campaign, and then destroyed records to cover her misconduct.

No. 5. SCHOOL FINANCE: Lawmakers struggle to meet yet another Texas Supreme Court deadline to reform school finance. Voters turn down a plan to shift some property wealth from richer to poorer school districts, but lawmakers eventually approve a plan that gives the richest school districts several options for sharing.

No. 6. HUTCHISON ELECTED: Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison is elected to fill the senate seat vacated after 22 years by Lloyd Bentsen, when he moved to the U.S. Treasury.

No. 7. RAUL MEZA: Paroled child killer sparks protest in sever-

al Texas cities because no one wanted him to live in their community.

No. 8 (Tie). AMERICAN-STRIKE: American Airlines flight attendants stage a four-day strike which left the airline virtually crippled right before the Thanksgiving travel season. President Clinton takes active role in ending the strike and getting both sides to agree to binding arbitration.

PEROT: Ross Perot emerges from November election with 19 percent of the national vote. His United We Stand organization gains hundreds of thousands of new members but fails to defeat NAFTA.

No. 10. RALEY ACQUITTED: Former Dallas minister Walker Raley, once the minister of the nation's largest Methodist church, is acquitted of trying to kill his wife. Raley's trial was held in San Antonio, years after the attack. Police have always maintained he was their only suspect.

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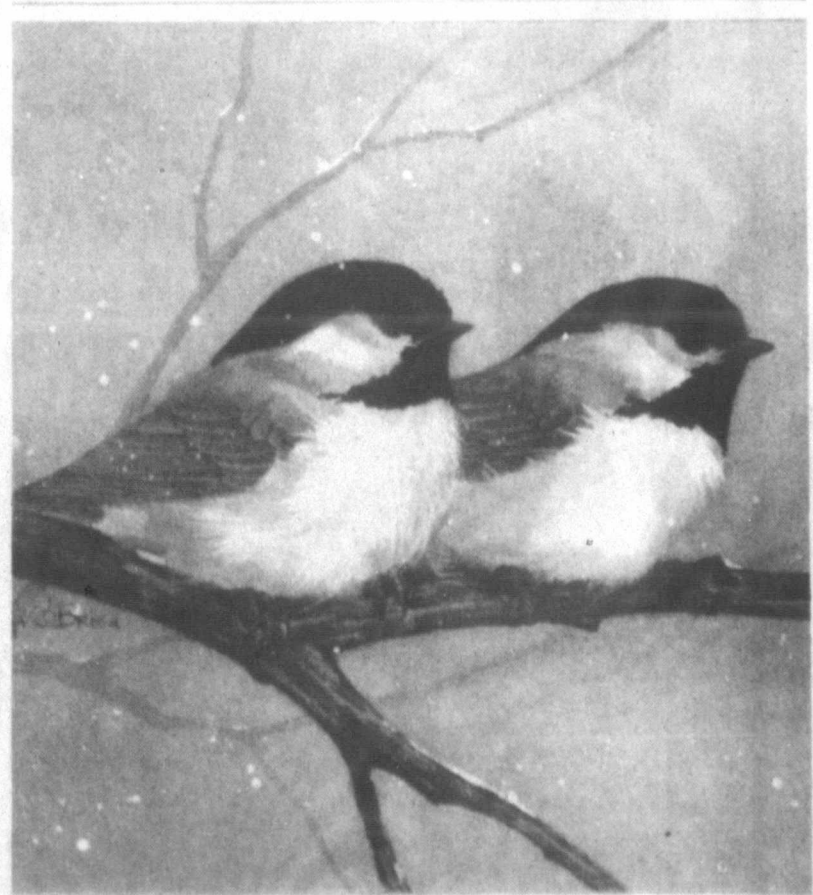
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Yeltsin tries to explain his aims

MOSCOW (AP)—President Boris Yeltsin flew to Turkmenistan Thursday to reassure leaders of ex-Soviet republics that Russia will not rebuild an empire, despite the victory of "aggressive nationalists" in parliamentary elections.

In his first major response to the Dec. 12 elections, Yeltsin told a Kremlin news conference Wednesday that he would continue free-market reforms but try to soften the impact on frustrated Russians.

His nationally televised remarks ended days of concern at home and abroad that he might alter the reform course following the victory of ultra-nationalists who want to dismantle his economic policies and recreate a Russian empire.

Yeltsin headed to Turkmenistan for a summit of the leaders of the 12-nation Commonwealth of Independent States that emerged from the breakup of the Soviet Union two years ago.

One of the top items on the summit's agenda is strengthening military cooperation—in part to reassure the other former Soviet republics that Russia does not have expansionist aims.

Many of the republics were alarmed by the surprise victory of Russian nationalist Vladimir Zhirinovskiy, whose party won about one-quarter of the seats in the Duma, the powerful lower house of parliament. Zhirinovskiy has called for Russia to rebuild its army and expand to the borders of the former Soviet Union.

During his news conference, Yeltsin condemned Zhirinovskiy's inflammatory rhetoric.

"Throughout the election cam-

paign, wide use was made of demagoguery, preaching of primitive nationalism, outright lies and even dangerous provocations," he said. "Unfortunately, a substantial part of the electorate is still too trusting of reckless promises."

Yeltsin also said he would not change his foreign policy and would stay in office until the end of his term in 1996. And he said Russia's new constitution would allow him to fend off any extremist challenges.

He indicated he would pursue an economic course favored by Western leaders, including Strobe Talbott, chief adviser on Russian affairs to President Clinton. Talbott suggested this week that Yeltsin's administration address the social unrest caused by the painful transition from communism to capitalism.

Clinton, who has staunchly supported Yeltsin, spoke with him by telephone Wednesday about their plans for a Moscow summit next month.

Yeltsin told reporters he sensed "the limit of the people's patience has nearly been reached" after two years of economic upheaval, soaring prices and rising crime.

He promised to do more for the poor and unemployed, who have suffered the most from the reforms and were vulnerable to "aggressive populist slogans."

Speaking calmly, Yeltsin said "It would not be right to speak of" the election results in "a tragic tone."

Economics Minister Yegor Gaidar, the architect of the reforms, will stay in office, Yeltsin said. "That means that the course he is following will continue," the president declared.

Public pranksters delight in tormenting 'stuffed shirt' types

By ELISABETH DUNHAM
Associated Press Writer

SEATTLE (AP)—A volunteer rings a bell and invites shoppers to help themselves to coins in a pot. An "activist" rallies to save "free-range" cranberries. A Bob Dylan Holiday Choir brays nasally Christmas carols.

Mystified? Perhaps you're a little too uptight for the Cacophony Society.

Amused? You may already be a member.

"To be involved you just do it," said Cacophony Society member Jason Rackerby, known in underground circles as Yahoos Doorstop. "There's no membership fees or officers."

Those who love a good prank have a home at Cacophony.

On Thanksgiving in Seattle,

Cacophony members held an "Uncan the Cranberries" protest at a shopping area, urging shoppers to "save the free-range cranberry." Another "activist" urged "adult children of parents" to stay home for the holidays in order to avoid family gatherings that encourage "dysfunctionality and substance abuse."

Meanwhile, a "volunteer" rang a bell and invited passers-by to take coins from a pot—sort of the Salvation Army in reverse.

A few weeks later, the group sponsored a Seattle "Bob Dylan Holiday Choir." Singers did their best—or worst—Dylan impersonations while braying "Jingle Bells," "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" and "Winter Wonderland."

"That was interesting," Rackerby said. "Most people ignored us but one

street musician questioned why we called ourselves the Bob Dylan Choir if he (Dylan) wasn't there. This guy claimed Bob Dylan could sing."

Founded seven years ago in San Francisco, the Cacophony Society has recently formed chapters in Los Angeles and Seattle. It describes itself as "a randomly gathered network of free spirits united in the pursuit of experiences beyond the pale of mainstream society."

Cacophony has roots in San Francisco's underground Suicide Club, a group founded in the mid-1970s by Gary Warne, a man with a terminal heart condition.

"Before he died, he wanted to experience everything in life, to live

each day as if it was the last," Rackerby said.

One of its legendary antics was turning an elevator in San Francisco's posh Sir Francis Drake hotel into a "show-er." When guests tried to enter the elevator, they were greeted by a few nude people, complete with shower caps, suds and back scrubbers, feigning horror at someone barging in on them.

The group disbanded in 1979. Cacophony was formed two years after Warne died.

"Primarily, we have a great sense of humor and we like to cultivate that. Too much of life is just too serious," said a 48-year-old computer consultant and six-year Cacophony member who uses the pseudonym Maxwell Maude.

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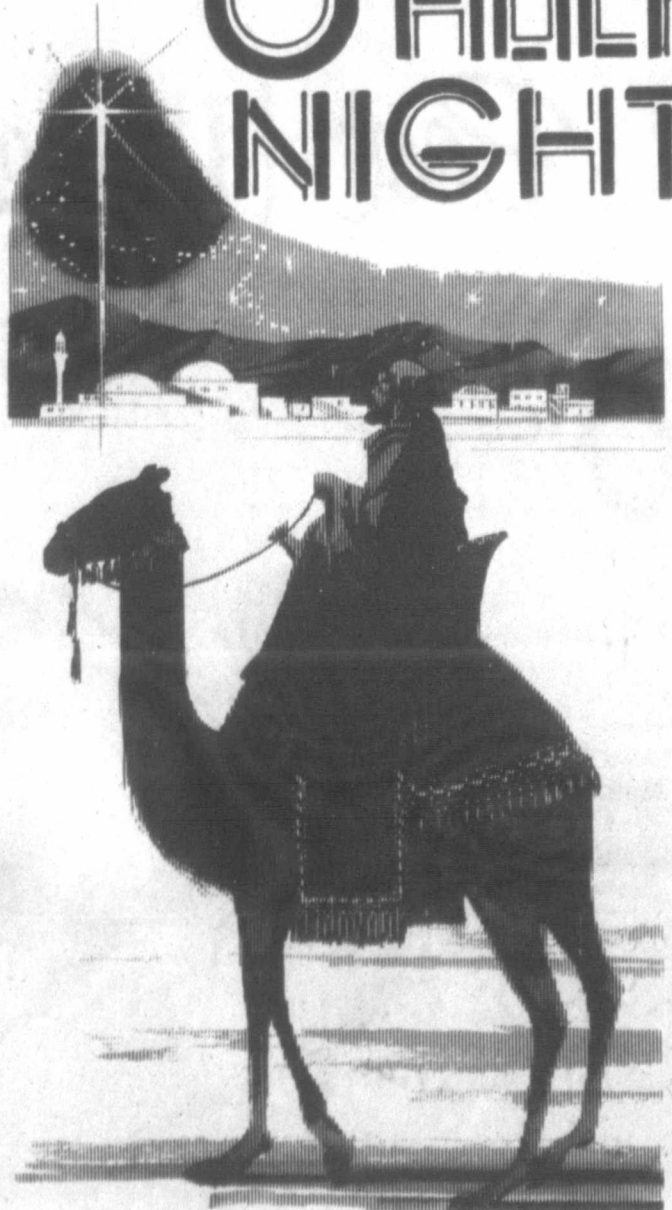
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Applications for unemployment benefits rise again

WASHINGTON (AP) — Applications for first-time unemployment benefits crept up last week as the nation's job market continued its roller coaster ride, the government reported Thursday.

The Labor Department said the number of Americans filing initial jobless claims for the week ended Dec. 18 was a seasonally adjusted 332,000, up 4,000 from a revised 328,000 the previous week. The department initially reported the previous week's figure at 330,000. Economists had expected little change.

The latest figures follow a continuing pattern in recent weeks of slight fluctuations in a volatile job market.

The four week moving average, preferred by economists as a measure of hiring trends over the more volatile weekly number, declined by 1,750 from the previous week's revised average of 331,000, the department said. That was the lowest level in more than two months.

That figure has fluctuated in a relatively narrow range between 330,000 and 350,000 since mid-August.

Economists, citing hiring gains among smaller companies, say the job market is gradually improving.

The government reported that for the week ended Dec. 11 there were 6,624 claims filed in 48 states under a federal emergency employment program, down from 10,987 the previous week.

The figures for emergency claims and for individual state claims lag a week behind the initial jobless claims total.

For the week ended Dec. 11, the biggest rise in initial jobless claims was reported in Illinois. The increase of 5,397 was blamed in part on layoffs in the service industry and in manufacturing. The next biggest increases were reported in Ohio, 2,296; Utah, 2,072; Wisconsin, 784, and Connecticut, 679. Ohio had auto industry layoffs, the government said.

California reported the biggest decrease at 7,304; North Carolina had a decrease of 6,772; South Carolina, 4,582; Georgia, 4,227; and Tennessee, 3,063.



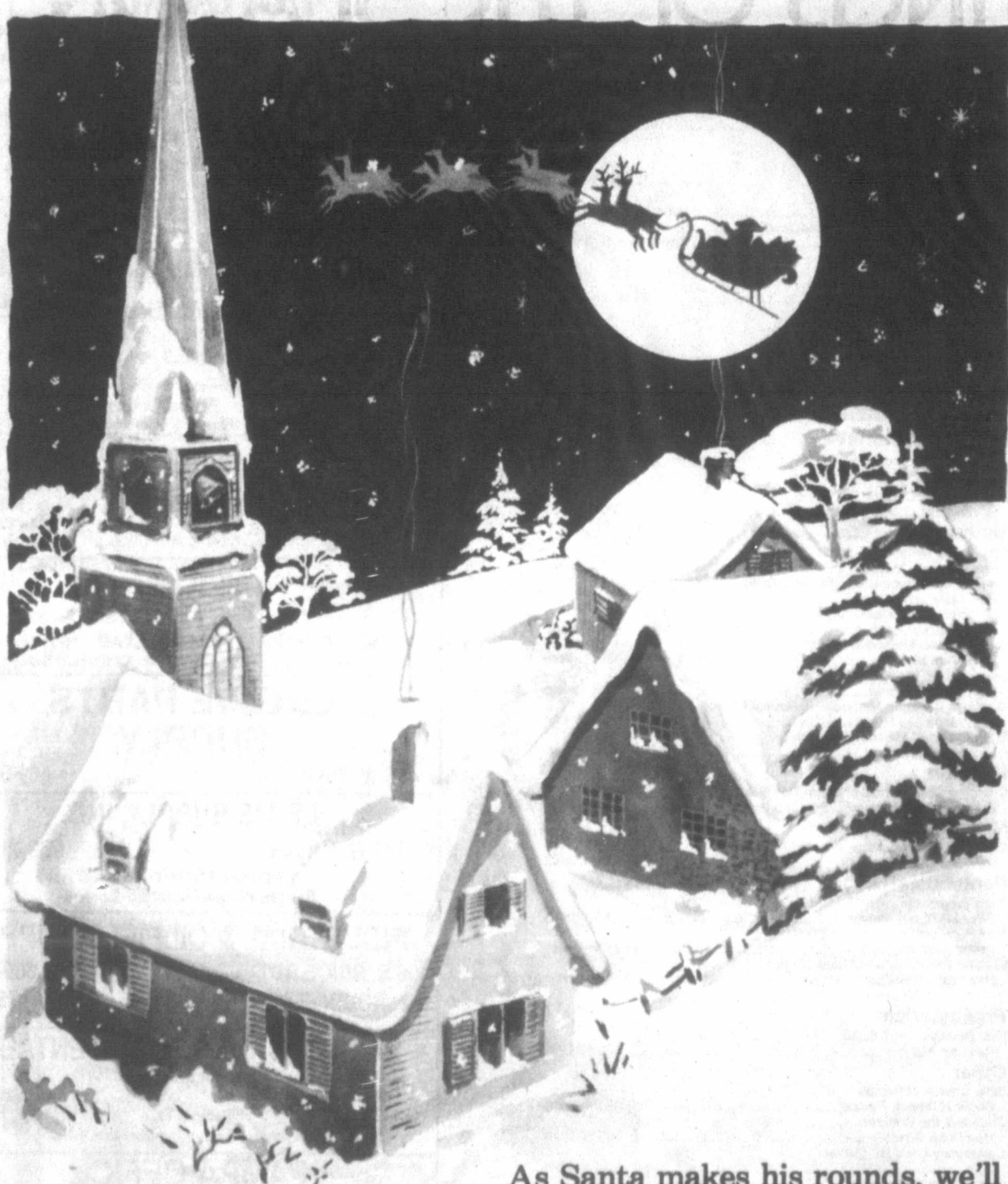
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Religion

Christmas healing follows church burnings

By GINA HOLLAND
Associated Press Writer

SUMMIT, Miss. (AP) — The 50 members of Springhill Freewill Baptist Church will spend Christmas celebrating the rebirth of their church.

It was one of two churches set afire one night last April by three white teen-age arsonists who targeted the all-black congregations.

When apologies and prison sentences for the arsonists weren't enough to heal the pain of that fiery night in rural southwest Mississippi, whites picked up hammers and began building.

More than 130 volunteers, mostly white, began construction this month.

"They figure that they owe us something, but a lot of those people don't owe us anything. They're just loving Christians," said Rosie Young, financial secretary of Springhill in Amite County.

"They're trying to help us get back before we scatter apart," she said of the small congregation which meets twice a month. "It's a big old Christmas present."

Church members planned to spend the holidays worshipping in a small temporary sanctuary while remembering what they'd had. The congregation had spent \$12,000 on renovations this spring, days before the chapel was burned down on April 4, the 25th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination.

A group of businessmen stepped

in. A bank supplied meeting space until the rebuilding, financed by donations, is complete early next year.

"We were in this rundown place with no heat, no lights, no nothing. Now we've got a warm place for Christmas," said Young.

Building organizer Jack Honea said a Boy Scout troop is among the building volunteers. He said many in the blue collar town of Summit have come forward with everything from nails to cash.

"Some of it is to bury the past. A lot is the desire to do something good," Honea said.

The arson fires, occurring 20 years after nightriders' unsuccessful 1964 efforts to firebomb the sanctuary, resulted in prison sentences this month for the three white teens.

They used Springhill's hymnals to ignite the first fire. At their next stop in neighboring Pike County 15 miles away, the teens screamed "burn nigger burn" as flames raced through Rocky Point Missionary Baptist Church, prosecutors said. Both churches burned to the ground.

"We just couldn't imagine that we had anybody still living here that was that mean. We thought that we had lived through that time," Young said.

Some church members complain that sentences were too lenient, but they're finding peace in the building efforts at both churches.

"It violated our civil rights. It violated everything we stood for,"

said Uriah Collins, surveying the ashes and rubble at Rocky Point.

"What we had here was ours. We weren't bothering anybody else. For them to come along and destroy it is something else," member Stafford Dixon said.

For most, forgiveness has followed.

"Boys will be boys and we can't hold the whole city responsible. We have to live together," said the Rev. Leon Moore, assistant pastor of Rocky Point, which has 25 members and services twice a month.

"They (whites) regret what's happened, and they're trying to right the wrong and fix the relationships. They don't want it to be a racial thing," he said.

As the building program continues, the three teens will serve federal prison sentences. Charles W. McGeehee Jr., 18, of Summit and Jerome A. Bellelo, 17, of Franklinton, La., were sentenced to 37 months and Roy J. McGovern, 18, of Summit received a 46-month prison sentence.

The teens, who pleaded guilty to conspiracy to violate the civil rights of church members, were also ordered to pay \$138,000 in restitution. Church members wonder if they ever will see any money.

Summit banker Frank Martin said volunteers hope to raise \$50,000 and do all the work themselves "to send a positive message out of something that should never have happened."



Rocky Point Missionary Baptist Church members Bernice Dixon, her husband, Stafford Dixon and Uriah Collins, rear, sit on what was the entrance to their church near Summit, Miss. (AP Photo)

Religion roundup

BOSTON (AP) — Cardinal Bernard F. Law has asked the 400 pastors in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston to contribute up to 2 percent of their parishes' income for his work.

John Walsh, director of communications for the archdiocese, said the request was "a fund-raising appeal," but many priests told *The Boston Globe* they consider the request a tax.

Most Catholic dioceses in the United States impose direct taxes on parishes to support activities beyond the parish level. Boston has not.

The request for parish help was made first at a meeting of pastors. That was followed by a letter asking them to pay specific amounts to help finance "my ministry to the church in Boston and indeed to the church universal."

Parishes with schools were asked to donate 1 percent of income.

The priests were told the money will go to support the cardinal's household and some administrative activities.

Walsh said the church for years has asked parishes to support the cardinal's work as archbishop, including household expenses, and said those payments totaled \$400,000 last year.

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — The federal government should do more to preserve New Hampshire's manufacturing jobs and help former defense industry workers, a coalition of church, labor and community groups said.

The state otherwise will continue to lose skilled workers and slide toward an economy ruled by lower-paying service industry jobs, they warned.

"The federal government would like us to think that they are taking this problem seriously, but the facts are clear and speak for themselves: We are losing jobs despite existing conversion programs," said Karen Hicks, executive director of New Hampshire Citizen Action.

The coalition New England, Call to Action, urged President Clinton's administration to spend more on job creation and form a task force to develop programs to preserve jobs in New England.

Poinsettia tree at Hobart Baptist

Hobart Baptist Church members have created a special Christmas tree to decorate their sanctuary for the holiday season. The tree is an arrangement of 49 poinsettias.

Pastor Jim Fox said the project had been conceived several years ago after he saw a photograph in a magazine of the poinsettias arranged in the Christmas tree form. Members of the congregation thought it would be a good project, but it has taken awhile to decide to actually proceed with the creation of the special tree.

James Davis, a building contractor in Pampa, donated his time and three sheets of 3/4-inch thick plywood to build the wood frame stand, which is 8 feet tall and 8 feet wide. The finished tree, with the poinsettias spiraling upward to the point, is 9 feet tall and 8 1/2 feet wide.

Mary Davis, James' wife and manager of Freeman Flowers, along with her flower committee at Hobart Baptist, supplied the poinsettias with donations from the church and her own sources.

"The tree, of course, points the way to Jesus," he said. "The reason for Christmas is the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ."



Students may opt for religion classes off campus

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Escambia will become the second county in Florida to give high school students the option of leaving campus an hour daily for religious instruction.

The hour will come out of study hall, extracurricular or other nonacademic time under a policy the Escambia school board adopted recently on a 3-2 vote.

Participants would be required to take the same number of credits, including elective courses, as other students when the policy goes into effect next August.

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Bible study enters computer age

AUSTIN (AP) — When the Rev. Bill Laughlin wants to write a sermon, he takes a hi-tech track.

With the help of a computer program, he can view various Bible translations simultaneously, call up detailed color maps, translate any word he comes across into Greek or Hebrew and pull up every Bible passage with the word "forgive," if that is next Sunday's subject.

"Before, I would have had books spread all over my desk," said Laughlin, associate pastor of Westlake Bible Church. "Now I can assimilate anything I need on my screen."

Two local software makers, Bible Research Systems and NavPress Software, are in a niche that

in recent years has expanded beyond straight Bible translations to include software hymnals, games and lesson planners.

"Christmas represents 30 percent of annual sales, and we're having a phenomenal Christmas this year," said Bert Brown, a founder of Bible Research Systems. "We expect to be shipping overnight express on Christmas Eve."

Bible software isn't confined to the clergy.

"No matter what your reasons are for wanting to study the Bible, using a computer helps you do it more thoroughly, and that has a broad appeal," said Jim Sneeringer. He founded NavPress Software, whose programs are used by Laughlin.

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Board approves employee buyout of United Airlines

CHICAGO (AP) — United Airlines' 60,000 U.S. employees stand to gain control of the company in return for six years of wage and benefit concessions under a deal approved by its board of directors.

If endorsed by United pilots and Machinists and by shareholders of UAL Corp., United's parent, the deal would create the largest employee-owned company in the nation. Approval could take at least four months.

By cutting United's costs, the employee buyout would also allow the company to compete against budget airlines like Southwest and could mean lower fares as United's biggest rivals feel the pressure.

Employees would get at least 53 percent of UAL's stock in exchange for cuts of up to 20 percent in labor costs. United valued the concessions at more than \$4.5 billion; its unions put them at \$5.15 billion.

The UAL board's approval of the deal, worth \$173 per share to UAL stockholders, was announced after the market closed Wednesday. But approval was expected, and UAL rose \$4.25 to \$148.50 on the New York Stock Exchange.

"For the first time, majority interest in a global air carrier will rest with its employees," said Stephen M. Wolf, UAL chairman and chief executive. "United's employees will share in the company's success and will have substantial incentive to ensure that United Airlines remains a global aviation leader."

Employees hold minority stakes in TWA, Northwest, Alaska Airlines, Delta, Southwest, USAir and Hawaiian Airlines.

UAL, with 83,000 workers worldwide, would become the largest U.S. company with majority employee ownership, ahead of Florida's Publix Supermarkets, with 65,000 workers.

UAL has lost more than \$1.2 billion since 1991 but recorded a \$15 million profit through the first three quarters of this year. American and Delta are in similar straits.

"Overnight, American and Delta's situation has significantly worsened," said Joseph Blasi, a professor of labor-management relations at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J. "They have to come up with a restructuring which radically cuts their costs and creates a Southwest type of unit. And they have to do it faster because United already has beat them to it."

Harold L. Sirkin, a consultant to the airline industry, said employee ownership may be the key to survival for the Big Three airlines.

"A highly motivated work force is an immense competitive tool," Sirkin said. "And the more ownership an airline places in the hands of its employees, the more likely that carrier is to improve its customer service."

At United, the employees' stake could rise to 63 percent if the stock performs well in the year after the deal becomes final.

With visions of AK-47s and 9mms, Americans shop for Christmas

By MITCHELL LANDSBERG
AP National Writer

Peggy Derheim of Robbinsdale, Minn., has been dreaming of a most special Christmas, one that would fill her stocking with a Feather Industries AT-22 semiautomatic rifle, accessorized by a 20-round clip and ventilated barrel shroud.

Santa has been good to her. Derheim trooped off with her parents to Bill's Gun Shop & Range this week to get her early present. The Derheims were among legions of Americans buying guns this Christmas, straining the capacity of firearms makers and sending the prices of some weapons to astonishing heights.

Industry insiders attribute the rush, beyond the usual search for the perfect holiday gift, to a fear of crime and a dread of gun control.

"I have heard that sales are through the roof," said Michael Saporito, a senior vice president of RSR Wholesale Guns Inc., one of the nation's largest distributors of firearms. "It's been probably the best year the firearms industry has experienced in at least the last 20 years."

Bob Lesmeister, manager of the National Association of Federally Licensed Firearms Dealers, estimated holiday gun sales will be up more than 100 percent over last year.

Those assessments were corroborated by visits to a sampling of firearms superstores across the country, from Maine to southern California. At store after store, business was bustling.

More than a thousand customers a day have been flocking into Turner's Outdoorsman in Signal Hill, Calif., a gritty industry town surrounded entirely by the city of Long Beach.

"I shop here all the time," said Tom Black, a gun collector who was there Tuesday night with his wife, son and daughter. "Tonight, I'm looking for some last-minute things."

Black was interrupted by his 5-year-old daughter, Megan, who wanted a slingshot. "Please, Daddy," she begged. Her mother intervened. "Honey, there's one in the garage."

Handguns have been selling briskly at Turner's this December. Among the best sellers are a Browning Buckmark .22-caliber automatic and a Beretta 92FS double-action 9mm.

Not among the listed specials: the Ruger 9mm semiautomatic pistol that Turner's sold last spring to Colin Ferguson, who is accused of killing six people on a Long Island Rail Road commuter train in New York earlier this month.

Just as that tragedy aroused gun control advocates anew, passage of the Brady Bill — and partial passage of an omnibus crime bill — has given an enormous boost to the firearms industry.

"When they passed the crime bill, business went up 10 times," said Ed Nicely, the owner of Ed's Gun Shop in Southern Pines, N.C.

Although separate versions of the crime bill have passed both houses of Congress, a final bill awaits consid-

eration next month. It is expected to include a ban on selected military-style assault weapons.

That has caused a run on those weapons, such as Russian-style AK-47s, as well as on similar weapons that are not presently included in the bill, such as SKS semiautomatic rifles. Prices have jumped accordingly.

"On the retail level, they're just astronomical," said Saporito, the gun distributor. "I've seen firearms that 90 days ago would have sold for \$300 now selling for \$1,200."

But gun control isn't the only issue motivating firearms sales. Fear of crime has surged in the past year and recently was the No. 1 concern of Americans in a nationwide CBS News poll.

At Ed's Gun Shop, Capt. Lane Carter of the Moore County Sheriff's Office was buying a .38-caliber pistol as a Christmas present for his wife.

"She wants one," he said. "She thinks she needs it."

Elsewhere, customers voiced similar concerns. "Your ordinary citizen is starting to feel that police aren't able to protect them," said Ed Fong, a customer at the San Francisco Gun Exchange in downtown San Francisco.

"People are just basically scared to

death," said Jim Hullinger, a firearms dealer who owns Jim's Military Collectibles in Plano, Texas, an affluent Dallas suburb. Popular items in his store this season include the SKS semiautomatic carbine and the Taurus Model 85, a snub-nosed, .38-special handgun.

In Robbinsdale, a suburb of Minneapolis, business at Bill's Gun Shop has been up a modest 10 percent this Christmas, about 50 percent for the entire year, according to owner Bill Penney.

Among the buyers this week were the Derheims. Peggy Derheim, who said she already owns an M-16 lookalike, wanted something she could use for target practice and personal protection.

She said she chose the AT-22 carbine, a small, light, Spartan-looking gun, in part because of its size.

"I like that it's compact and it's a .22-caliber — and that's good because I'm small," said the 28-year-old Derheim, who doesn't quite clear 5 feet.

Bill's Gun Shop, already sprawling over 18,000 square feet on three levels, includes a shooting range and classrooms for gun training. It's about to grow by 7,000 square feet in February.

"As crime grows," said Penney, "so does the place."

Christmas Message

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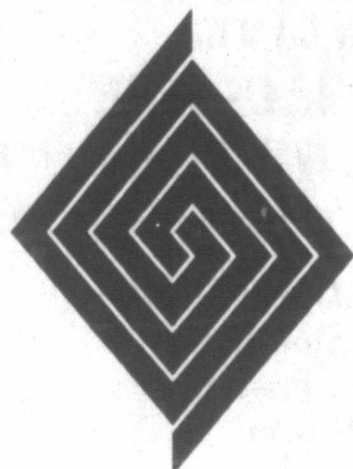
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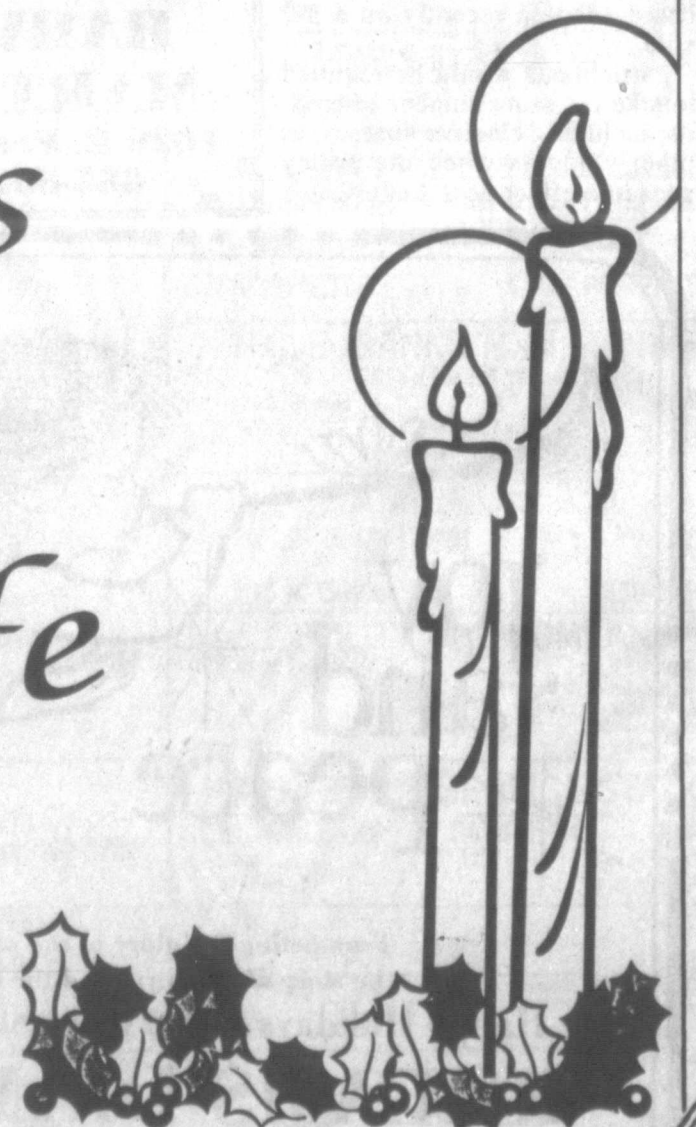
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Lifestyles

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 14-year-old virgin, and I have a problem. I'm in love and want to have sex with my boyfriend — he's 17 — but I'm scared of getting pregnant. My mother put me on birth control, and said that she "trusted" me, but I know that some girls have gotten pregnant even when they took the pill.)

Abby, I don't want to end up with a child at my age, but I love him so much it's hard to say no. What should I do?

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DEAR ABBY: A fellow I had recently met was attempting to "figure me out." He looked me over, then said, "Well, you definitely don't look 'easy' and you're too old and too pretty to be a virgin, unless you're waiting for marriage or something stupid like that..."

I was sickened. I am 17 years old. I graduated from high school early and I am now enrolled in college. I have had several boyfriends and plenty of dates, and get this: I am a virgin. I'm not ugly and I'm no prude. I have had more opportunities than I can count.

I am not necessarily "waiting for marriage." I am waiting for the right man — someone who deserves the gift a girl can give only once. Although I am proud to be a virgin, it is not something that I care to broadcast, so it you publish this, please don't use my name. I don't want to be commended — just respected. WAITING FOR THE RIGHT MAN IN MASSAPEQUA, N.Y.

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Restrospective includes pop pioneer's latest

By JOAN BRUNSKILL
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — One of the brightest events of the art season is heralded by a colorful splash bouncing off the Fifth Avenue sidewalk outside the Guggenheim Museum — "Brushstroke," a 17-foot-high, painted-aluminum sculpture.

Inside is "Roy Lichtenstein," the first in-depth survey since 1969 of the creator of "Brushstroke," pioneer of Pop art and one of the most influential artists of the postwar period.

The retrospective, scheduled to begin an international tour early next year, features work from 1961 up to recently completed paintings that haven't been shown before.

It's an exhilarating cavalcade of Lichtenstein's work, that spirals up

the ramps of the landmark building, working its way both good-humoredly and profoundly through art history as it goes.

"This is, first of all, the best-looking show the Guggenheim has ever had," said Adam Gopnik in The New Yorker, one of several favorable commentators on the exhibition, which has been drawing some of the biggest crowds recorded at the museum in recent years.

The starting point is "Look Mickey," the famous 1961 painting based on a commercial image. Lichtenstein, 70, says he thinks he saw it on a bubble-gum wrapper, but no one has been able to identify the original version precisely.

He was drawing cartoons for his kids around the time he decided to make this painting, Lichtenstein comments in the

exhibition's taped guide.

"It turned out to be so interesting that eventually it became more important for me than any other kind of painting," he explains.

The show's curator, Guggenheim deputy director Diane Waldman, says simply, "It started a revolution."

Lichtenstein had found the new visual language, co-opting techniques of commercial and comic-strip art — including Benday dots, primary colors and black outlines — he went on to use to vibrant effect. He is still using it today to create inventive new works that remain unmistakably his.

There's always been a sense of mischief along with the innovation. "I wanted to do things you're not supposed to do," Lichtenstein said, looking back at that first big break

from Abstract Expressionism in the early 1960s. He acknowledged that it turned ideas of art upside down. To make serious art about a non-serious subject, he said, "inverted everything."

Guggenheim director Thomas Krens pointed out that Lichtenstein's work questioned the whole idea of what constituted art.

"Classics and comics both made ideals of beauty — one was thought important, the other not considered so," Lichtenstein said in a recent radio interview, agreeing that he'd turned clichés into icons.

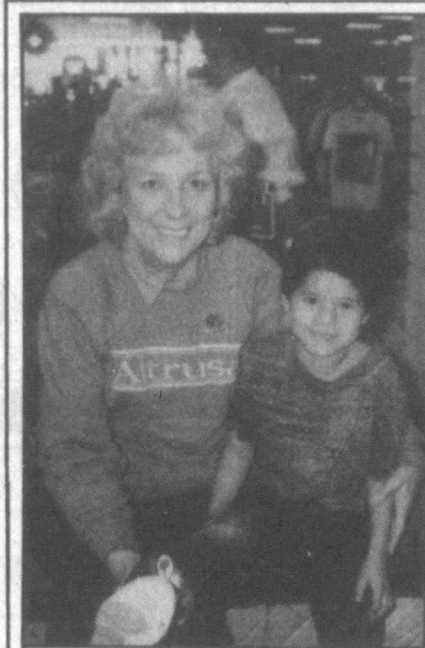
His comic strip panels were soon followed by a creative stream of other witty experiments, appropriating styles and motifs. He affectionately parodied Cezanne and Mondrian, Picasso and Matisse, among other artists whose work he knew

and liked. His paintings refer to major movements in 20th-century art — German Expressionism, Cubism, futurism, for example — and show his own exploration of abstraction.

In his latest work, radiant canvases of monumental size and undiminished clarity, many of the ideas glimpsed through the years are still being given a fresh look.

"What I'm commenting on is how we see things and what's of value," Lichtenstein said, "what's real and what isn't — and nothing is, of course."

The exhibition, comprising around 120 major paintings, 23 sculptures, 10 working drawings and collages for mural and public sculptures, will be on show at the Guggenheim through Jan. 16, 1994.



SHOPPING SPREE — The Altrusa Club took 18 children shopping for new coats and new shoes at Pampa Mall Saturday in preparation for Christmas. Among those participating were Bonnie Holmes and Jerry Cruz, left; Kerrick Horton, Sara Medley and Becky Holmes; and Carolyn Chaney and Vanessa Soliz. (Courtesy photos)

What makes a Bible reading feminist?

By DAVID BRIGGS
Associated Press Writer

The Bible can sometimes seem like an unfriendly place to women.

Written in a time when men ruled society and individual households, the Bible contains many passages in which women are portrayed as victims or harlots. Accounts that are particularly unsettling include the rape of Tamar, and Jephthah slaying his daughter in fulfillment of a vow.

In recent years, in large part because of a new generation of women biblical scholars, serious efforts have been made not only to point out the historical and cultural roots of the portrayal of women in the Bible, but to recapture the prominent role many women played in Jewish and Christian history.

This new wave of feminist scholarship has won praise from some for presenting a fuller understanding of the Bible, while others have criticized or tended to dismiss the work as imposing a contemporary ideological agenda on what is considered to be a timeless work.

These issues and others came to the fore at a seminar on "What Makes a Feminist Reading Feminist?" at the recent Society for Bib-

lical Literature meeting in Washington.

Feminism is a movement that criticizes the oppressive structures of society and works for their transformation, according to Pamela Thimmes of the University of Dayton.

In her view, feminist biblical exposition, in practice and theory, not only works for justice, but for change. Biblical texts need not only to be examined for male bias, but reconstructed to take into account the experiences of women.

"We can't just leave it there. It's got to make sense in our own world," she said in an interview.

But Phyllis Bird of Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary says she is concerned with the possibility that feminist readings can distort ancient meanings of biblical books if unexamined assumptions are read into texts.

"My first obligation is to the text, and its distinct voice," she said.

Once the text is understood on its own terms, scholars can move to feminist concerns by presenting a fresh interpretation of the text.

"It means I can dialogue with the

text, and then say 'no' where I disagree with it," she said.

Her final test?

"Ultimately, I think a feminist reading should make sense to men as well," she said. "Feminist readings should strive for universal acceptance."

Along a similar theme, another scholar said women interpreters should not limit themselves to writing "in little feminist volumes" or even just to working on biblical texts directly affecting women.

"We make it too convenient to be pushed aside," said Sarah J. Tanzer of McCormick Theological Seminary.

She said women scholars should be producing full-length commentaries that could compete with, and perhaps ultimately replace, other commentaries.

Such works would avoid charges that texts were taken out of context simply because of feminist concerns and would put feminist scholars into a dialogue with mainstream scholarship "where we could better challenge the presuppositions of traditional commentary writing," she said.

The experience of looking at the Bible in a different light can be revelatory, many scholars say.

In an article in Bible Review titled "If the Bible's So Patriarchal, How Come I Love It?" Phyllis Trible of Union Theological Seminary recalls a story from her youth about a Southern Baptist missionary teaching the Creation account in Genesis to her Girls' Auxiliary group. (The corresponding boys' group was known as Royal Ambassadors.)

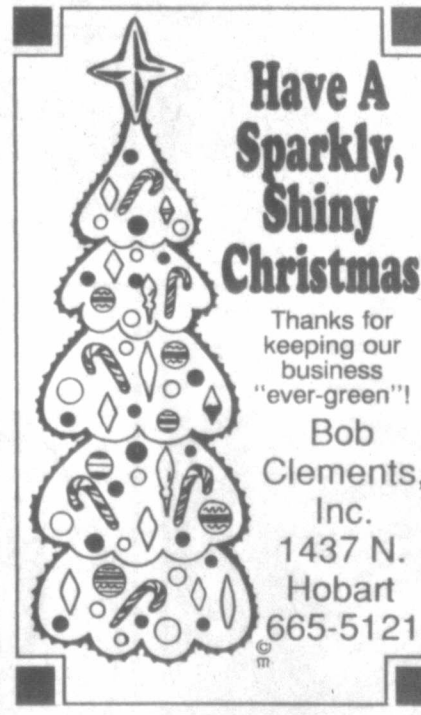
"This woman said, 'Girls, everything God created got better and better. What was the last thing God created?'"

"In unison and with vigor, we replied immediately, 'Man.'"

"And she said, 'No, woman.'"



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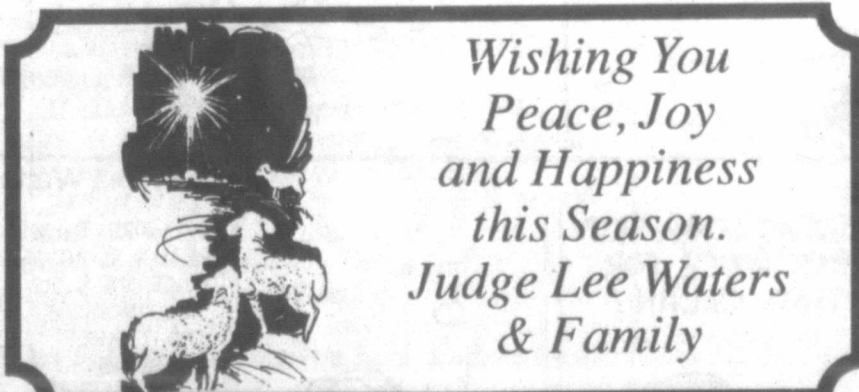
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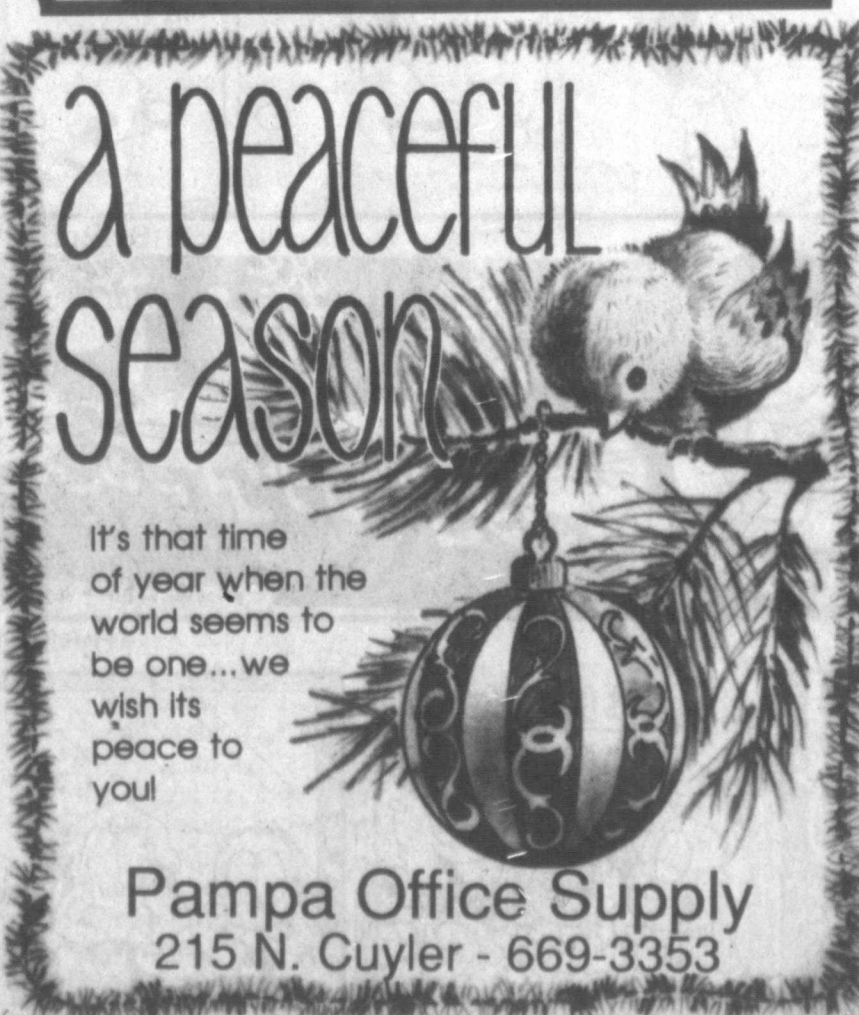
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- 1 Northern constellation
- 5 Talk-show host — Donahue
- 9 Plot of soil
- 12 Vast period of time (var.)
- 13 Trick
- 14 Actress — Gardner
- 15 Choice food
- 16 Oversight
- 18 Singing syllable
- 19 Singer Ed —
- 20 Hotels
- 21 Punctual (2 wds.)
- 23 Office worker
- 24 Shabbiness
- 27 DC legislator
- 28 Taro root
- 29 Rugged mountain crest
- 31 Large spoon
- 33 Diary of

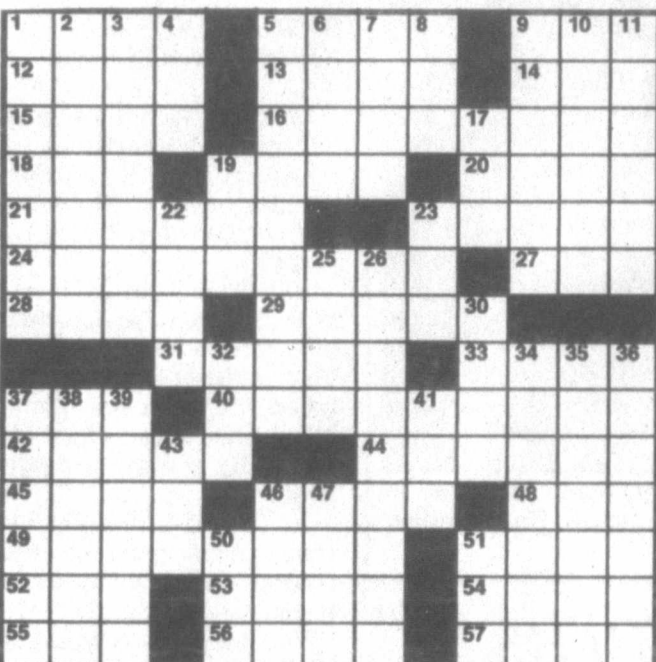
- 37 Housewife
- 40 College deg.
- 42 Accept again
- 43 Bread ingredient
- 44 Crystalline gem
- 45 Animal enclosure
- 46 Repair
- 48 Circuit
- 49 Putting in gear
- 51 Recedes
- 52 Southwest-ern Indian
- 53 Actor — Jennings
- 54 Colorless
- 55 Layer of soil
- 56 Nest
- 57 By the time — to

- ### DOWN
- 1 Milk sugar
 - 2 Longed (for)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 3 Revolved
- 4 One (Scot.)
- 5 Leisurely walk
- 6 Actor — Cronyn
- 7 Egyptian goddess
- 8 —
- 9 Miserables
- 10 Lyndon — Johnson
- 11 Use a chair
- 12 — my brother's keeper?
- 13 Object of worship
- 14 Fast aircraft (abbr.)
- 15 Author — Stanley Gardner
- 16 Apparently
- 17 Nobleman
- 18 Painting or sculpture
- 19 Post-office container
- 20 Performable
- 21 Firmly fixed
- 22 Public hall
- 23 Shed
- 24 Pointed weapon
- 25 Physique (sl.)
- 26 Ocean
- 27 Opera heroine
- 28 Oklahoma city
- 29 Obtain
- 30 Spire ornament



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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Diplomacy and tact are essential requirements today when dealing with family members and in-laws. If you fail to use common courtesy, you could be sorry.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You might have a tendency today to overanalyze things and invite indecisiveness. Thus making what you have to do tougher than it actually is.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Monitor your expenses very carefully today or else you may spend much more than you should. Fortunately, the fun things in which you'll enjoy participating will be the least expensive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) When you admit the other person has valid points to make today, you'll be able to derive positive results from the relationship. Keep an open mind.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Obligations and responsibilities could be a bit heavier than usual today. Use your smarts and team up with somebody who has the same problems with which to contend. It'll make things easier for you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Two friends you like equally are both more fond of you than they are of one another. It might be up to you to keep the peace between them today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be extremely cognizant of what you say to others today or else you might inadvertently hurt someone's feelings. If you do, it could be a lingering wound.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Unnecessary obstacles could clutter your path today owing to negative thinking on your part. Have at least as much faith in yourself as others have in you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Commitments you've made with business associates should be kept today even if you are inconvenienced. Using the holidays as an excuse won't hold up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Guard against inclinations today to prejudice others unfavorably. Someone you write off might surprise you when you learn of his/her real intentions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There could be so many things to do today you might feel everything should be done at once. Keep your head and work from an organized agenda where things are done in an orderly fashion.

Sports

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FOOTBALL

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — New Orleans prep football star Peyton Manning says the possibility of a wide open passing attack at the University of Mississippi is not going to be a big factor on whether he attends his father's alma mater.

Ole Miss football coach Billy Brewer this week hired University of the Pacific quarterback coach Larry Kueck as the Rebels offensive coordinator.

Manning, the son of Rebel legend Archie Manning, told The Jackson Clarion-Ledger on Tuesday that he talked with Brewer on Tuesday. "He said he (Kueck) is a 6-foot-4, 240-pound slow-talking Texan who likes to throw the football," the younger Manning said.

"I haven't talked to him (Kueck) yet," Manning said. "Ole Miss has been on my list from day one."

Manning, a quarterback from Newman High School in New Orleans, said he will visit Tennessee, Florida State, Florida, Ole Miss and Texas next month.

"I'm still wide open. A lot of the recruiting services and people have me committed to Tennessee, but I haven't even been on campus yet. I don't know where they get that," he said.

He has visited Michigan and Notre Dame. Manning said he hopes to announce his choice Jan. 24 or 25.

The first day high school players can sign national letters of intent is Feb. 2.

BASKETBALL

WACO (AP) — Aundre Branch scored 27 points and pulled down a career-high 13 rebounds to lead the Baylor Bears to a 87-73 victory over Texas Southern University Wednesday night.

The Bears won their sixth straight game and improved to 7-1, while Texas Southern fell to 3-6.

Behind the hot outside shooting of Branch, who finished with six three-pointers, the Bears jumped on the Tigers early, leading by as many as 20 before settling for a 50-38 halftime lead.

The Tigers cut Baylor's lead to seven, 57-50, with just over 11 minutes remaining in the game, but Branch scored seven straight points to key a 9-0 run which put the Bears on top for good.

In addition to Branch's 27 points, Baylor got 16 points from guard Ralph Malone. Texas Southern was led by forward Herbert Baker, who transferred from Baylor in 1992. Baker finished with 18 points and 10 rebounds.

The Bears, who came into the game with only seven scholarship players available, were dealt a blow just three minutes into the game when point guard Nelson Haggerty went down with a sprain of his left knee. Haggerty is expected to miss two to three weeks.

The Bears also were without forward Jerome Lambert who sprained his ankle in the Bears 87-82 victory over Southwestern Louisiana Monday night.

Guards Jason Ervin, Marcus Thompson and Shannon Brantley and forward Tyrone Davis are still being withheld from competition while the Southwest Conference and Baylor officials review their eligibility.

HOCKEY

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — It took a lucky bounce on a goal for the Dallas Stars to finally beat the Anaheim Mighty Ducks.

Dean Evason's scored a strange, shorthanded goal 2:40 into overtime as the Stars beat the Ducks for the first time in four meetings, 3-2 on Wednesday night.

Evason skated down the right wing and let a slap shot go just as he crossed the blue line. The puck appeared to fool Anaheim's Ron Tugnutt, and got between his pads with 20 seconds left on a cross-checking penalty to Dallas defenseman Grant Ledyard.

It was Evason's first goal since Nov. 24 against the New York Islanders, and his second this season with the Stars shorthanded.

"I just wanted to get it in deep and shoot it on net," he said. "It hit (Anaheim defenseman Alexei Kasatonov's) stick, jumped up a foot and it bounced toward the net. I was fortunate that it went in. Anytime you can get the puck on the net, you have a chance that it'll go in the net."

Tugnutt and Evason agreed that the puck changed direction after hitting the stick of Kasatonov, who lunged toward Evason as he followed through.

"It was going to be a very routine save," Tugnutt said. "But my defenseman tipped it, making the puck drop about a foot and a half after it deflected upward. As it was coming down it was spinning around, it hit about four feet in front of me and kicked left."

Goals by Jarrod Skalde and Mark Ferner gave Anaheim a 2-1 lead that Tugnutt held until Brent Gilchrist scored a power-play goal at 13:44 of the third period.

Skalde converted Sweeney's pass into his fourth goal of the season less than three minutes after the opening faceoff.

Mark Tinordi made it 2-1 just 38 seconds into the second period with his fourth goal, beating Tugnutt over his right shoulder from close range.

All three Anaheim victories against Dallas were decided in the final minute, and this one was no different. The Stars had begun wondering why a team that entered the game tied for the third-best record in the NHL's Western Conference could be 0-3 against an expansion club.

"I think it was a personal challenge for our team," coach Bob Gainey said. "We didn't feel we played real well in the games we lost to them, and they played well against us."

49ers versus Oilers: A Super Bowl preview?

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

Pro picks

Eat your Christmas dinner early. The NFL is giving you a game that should rival the Miami-Dallas Thanksgiving Day game (also known as the Leon Lett Bowl).

The game in question is Houston at San Francisco, one of a handful of matchups that could legitimately be hailed SUPER BOWL PREVIEW! Both teams have clinched their divisions and both are among the few legitimate contenders for a trip to Atlanta.

The Niners are favored by 8 1/2 points, a little much.

Why? Because San Francisco has less to play for than the Oilers, who need to win both its games to get home field for the playoffs. That will keep them from the cold climes that have done

them in previous years.

The Niners? To get home field in the playoffs, they need some improbable events involving the Giants and Cowboys (like a Dallas loss to Washington at home).

Still, unlike some teams, San Francisco rarely goes into the tank after it becomes all it can be. So figure it as a shootout between Warren Moon and Steve Young — the Niners have always been successful at picking up Buddy Ryan's blitzes.

And make it... 49ERS, 35-31

Raiders (plus 3) at Green Bay
Green Bay in December isn't the place for the Los Angeles Track Club.
PACKERS, 17-13

Washington (plus 17) at Dallas
How long ago was the opening Monday night, when the Redskins beat the Emmittless Cowboys 35-16
COWBOYS, 35-16

Giants (minus 2 1/2) at Phoenix
The spread is dropping because while the Giants SAY they want to win, they don't have to — they get the show-down with Dallas regardless. But the Dan Reeves factor prevails.
GIANTS, 20-16

Kansas City (minus 3) at Minnesota
Both teams are unpredictable, both teams have quarterbacks who Just Win, Baby.
CHIEFS, 24-23

Jets (minus 7) at Buffalo
The Jets won at Rich Stadium last year. Not now.

BILLS, 17-3

Detroit (plus 3) at Chicago
In the NFC Central, who knows?
BEARS, 6-2

New Orleans (plus 2) at Philadelphia
Philadelphia has heart. Do the Saints?
EAGLES, 17-10

Miami (plus 1) at San Diego
The Dolphins unraveled at home. That's what the Chargers generally do.
DOLPHINS, 17-14

Pittsburgh (plus 1) at Seattle
Bill Cowher probably can muster enough from the Steelers to pull out this one.
STEELERS, 19-17

Tampa Bay (plus 13) at Denver

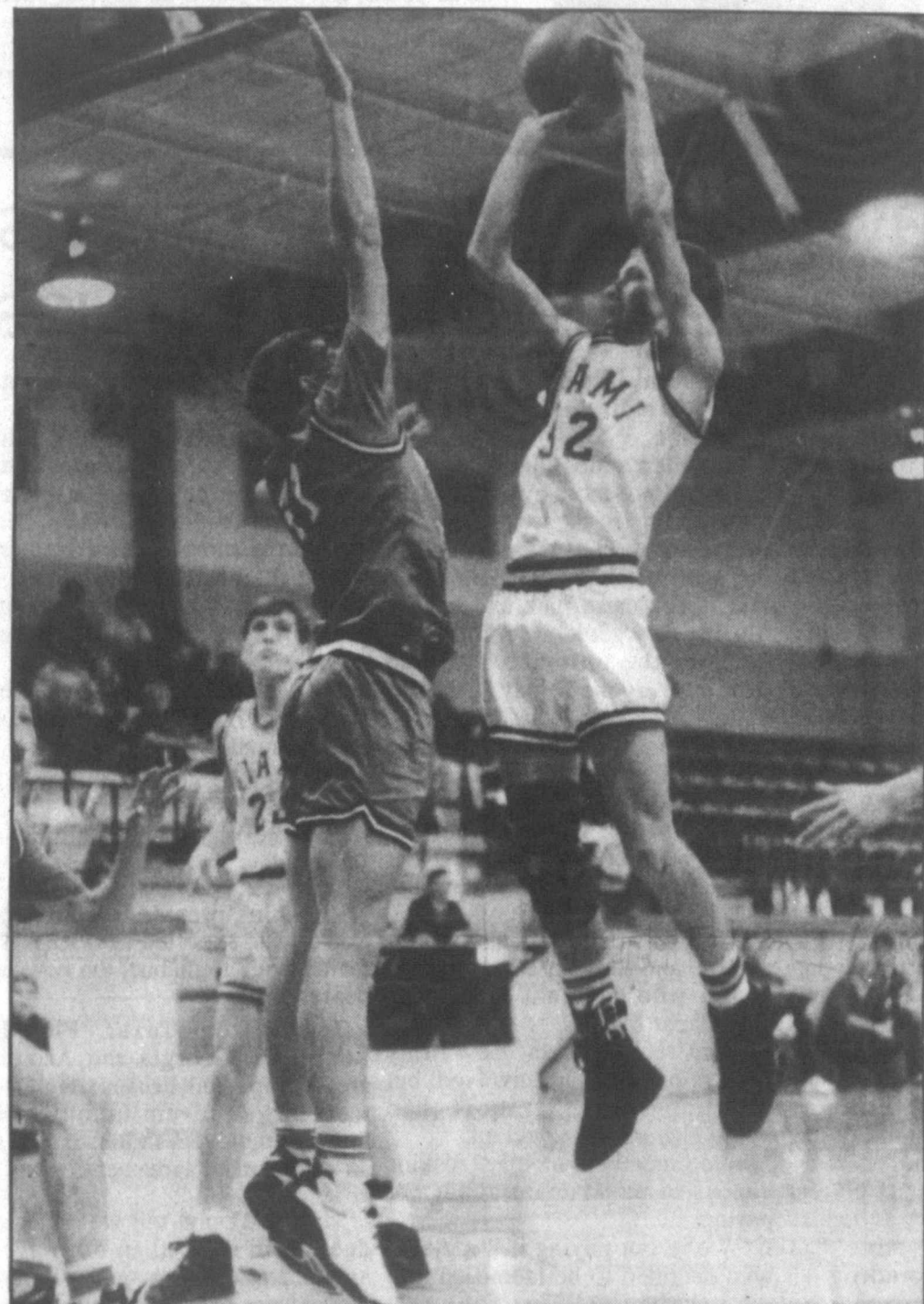
This isn't the right road game for the Bucs.
BRONCOS, 27-10

Atlanta (minus 3 1/2) at Cincinnati
Improbably, the Glanvilles can still make the playoffs. Since they don't play in Los Angeles...
FALCONS, 20-10

Indianapolis (plus 6) at New England
Jeff George will find someone else to blame for this one.
PATRIOTS, 17-10

Cleveland (minus 2) at Rams
Who knows with the Rams. Or the Browns.
RAMS, 10-7

Last Week: 8-6 (spread); 8-6 (straight up)
Season: 89-89-4 (spread); 129-67 (straight up)



Miami boys' basketball team boasts one of the area's best records so far this season. Other teams on their way to being district contenders are Kelton boys, Groom girls, McLean girls and Fort Elliott boys and girls. (Pampa News photo)

Area basketball records

school	boys	girls	Lefors	6-5	1-9
Canadian	4-5	4-6	McLean	2-10	10-4
Fort Elliott	12-4	11-5	Miami	10-4	5-7
Groom	7-7	13-1	Wheeler	2-8	7-6
Kelton	14-1	6-7	White Deer	3-6	not reported

PHS soccer season opens Jan. 13 against Canyon

The Pampa High School boys soccer team opens the season Jan. 13 with a match against Canyon.

The first district match is Jan. 25 against Palo Duro.

The schedule is listed below:

January
13 — Canyon, 6:30 p.m. home; 20 — Borger, 5 p.m. home; 21-22 — Amarillo Tournament; 25 — Palo Duro, 4:30 p.m. home; 29 — Coronado, 10 a.m. away.

February
1 — Amarillo High, 4:30 p.m. away; 4 — Lubbock High, 4:30 p.m.; 8 — Caprock, 4:30 p.m. home; 12 — Monterey, 10 a.m. away; 15 — Tascosa, 4:30 p.m. away; 19 — Palo Duro, 10 a.m. away; 22 — Amarillo High, 4:30 p.m. home; 26 — Coronado, 10 a.m. home.

March
1 — Caprock, 4:30 p.m. away; 5 — Lubbock High, 10 a.m. away; 8 — Tascosa, 4:30 p.m. home; 12 — Monterey, 10 a.m. home.

Cowboys' Smith closing in on another rushing title

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING (AP) — He's missed two games, played only a half in another and ran one time for one yard in a fourth before he was injured. Yet Emmitt Smith of the Dallas Cowboys just might win a third consecutive NFL rushing title.

Smith trails Jerome Bettis of the Los Angeles Rams by 62 yards with two games to play.

"I'm still alive," said Smith with a wry smile. "Don't count me out yet."

Smith won a much-publicized

contract holdout when owner Jerry Jones capitulated after the first two games of the Cowboys' season. Dallas lost to Washington and Buffalo without Smith.

When Smith returned, he played only one half against Phoenix. In the Atlanta game, he carried only one time before he was injured.

"I've got to be happy where I am considering the way the season has gone," said Smith.

Smith has benefited from injuries to Detroit's Barry Sanders and Pittsburgh's Barry Foster.

Buffalo's Thurman Thomas, who has been bothered by injuries, still has a chance at the title.

Bettis has 1,227 yards, Smith 1,165 yards, and Thomas 1,144 yards.

Smith was looking around for Christmas present ideas for his offensive linemen this week at Valley Ranch.

"Let's see, I've given 'em watches, trips, paintings and champagne," Smith said.

"What else can I get 'em?" Offensive tackle Erik Williams mentioned luxury automobiles.

"Yeah, maybe some baby SL's or Mercedes or something," Smith said.

Someone mentioned giving autographed pictures.

"If I did that, I'd have to run and duck," Smith laughed.

Smith said he hopes he wins the rushing title but admits there are larger goals, such as winning another Super Bowl.

"I can't control what Bettis is going to do so I'm not going to worry about it," Smith said.

"I'll do my best, and I'm sure he'll do a great job and I wish him all the luck."

"I'm behind but I'm not conceding anything. I think I'm capable of catching him."

Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson thinks so, saying Smith is one of the most unique players in the NFL.

"He has great leg strength and breaks tackles," Johnson said. "You don't realize how many hands and arms he runs through. You see him make very subtle cuts running north and south. A lot of running backs try to use a whole bunch of moves, but when they make them, they are running sideways instead of upfield."

A year of free agents

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

Free agency game to the NFL in 1993.

Guess what?

The world didn't end. In fact, the year ended with even more dollars in the offing for the league — a new television contract with a new network, Fox, taking the NFL from CBS in a package that will bring the league \$4.42 billion over the next four years, an increase of about 20 percent.

And that's not counting an extra \$280 million that will be forthcoming when Jacksonville and Charlotte pay the franchise fees that will enable them to become the NFL's 29th and 30th teams in 1995.

This was the season that some owners have been dreading for years, the season that most players with more than five years in the NFL were free to sign with any team.

Dozens took advantage — led by Reggie White, who jumped from Philadelphia to Green Bay for a package that paid him an average of \$4.5 million over three years, \$7 million this year, before next year's salary cap. But it hardly showed on the field, except perhaps in more ragged play by teams that lost old players and absorbed new ones.

As the regular-season wound down, there was only one surprise among the contenders for the Super Bowl title won by Dallas 52-17 over Buffalo last season. And that was an old newcomer, the New York Giants, who won NFL titles in 1986 and 1990, who rebounded under new coach Dan Reeves from 14-18 in two seasons under Ray Handley.

The Giants were competing for the NFC East title with the Cowboys, who lost their first two games during Emmitt Smith's holdout, then won seven in a row. They trailed the Giants by a game heading toward a showdown between the two Jan. 2 at Giants Stadium.

The other contender in the NFC was the same as usual — San Francisco, where Steve Young was combining with Jerry Rice and John Taylor to work the same offensive miracles Joe Montana used to.

Montana, meanwhile, was in Kansas City, traded after recovering from an elbow injury that kept him out two seasons and cost him his job to Young. He had the Chiefs vying for the top slot in the AFC with Buffalo and Houston, which recovered from a 1-4 start to win nine in a row despite a series of injuries and the suicide of defensive tackle Jeff Alm.

The season's major landmark belonged to Miami coach Don Shula, who beat Philadelphia 19-14 on Nov. 14 for his 326th win, one more than George Halas.

Despite playing without quarterback Dan Marino, who tore his Achilles tendon Oct. 10 in Cleveland, the Dolphins won two more to improve to 9-2 before losing three straight at home.

One of those wins was an unforget-

table 16-14 Thanksgiving Day victory in the snow in Dallas in which Miami got a chance for the winning field goal after the Cowboys' Leon Lett mistakenly touched a live ball after a missed field goal attempt.

But unforgettable games were in the minimum in a season in which the norm seemed to be 9-6 and 18-12 games settled entirely by field goal kickers — San Diego's John Carney kicked six field goals in each of the

NFL — '93

Chargers' first two wins, but the team scored no touchdowns.

One reason for that was injuries to quarterbacks like Marino and Philadelphia's Randall Cunningham. The Eagles had won four straight when Cunningham and wide receiver Fred Barnett went down, then promptly lost six straight.

Yet, in this strange season, they remained in marginal contention for a playoff berth with a 6-8 record with two weeks to go. So did Atlanta, also at 6-8 which went the other way — starting 0-5, they won five of seven when Deion Sanders returned from the baseball field to revitalize their defense.

Another reason for the falloff in offense?

Some football people believed lack of cohesion caused by free agency also caused problems. Green Bay, which signed more free agents than most teams, was up-and-down, although the Packers were in playoff contention.

Expansion caused more problems. The owners decided quickly on Charlotte, which will take the field in 1995 as the Carolina Panthers.

But the other favorite, St. Louis, ran into trouble when it changed ownership groups just before the Oct. 25 meeting to pick the teams. So the owners put off the choice for five weeks and by the time they reconvened, there was a consensus for Jacksonville over St. Louis, Baltimore and Memphis.

"The feeling was that the Southeast is a tremendous area for growth," said commissioner Paul Tagliabue.

Then, as the season ended, came a major coup for the NFL.

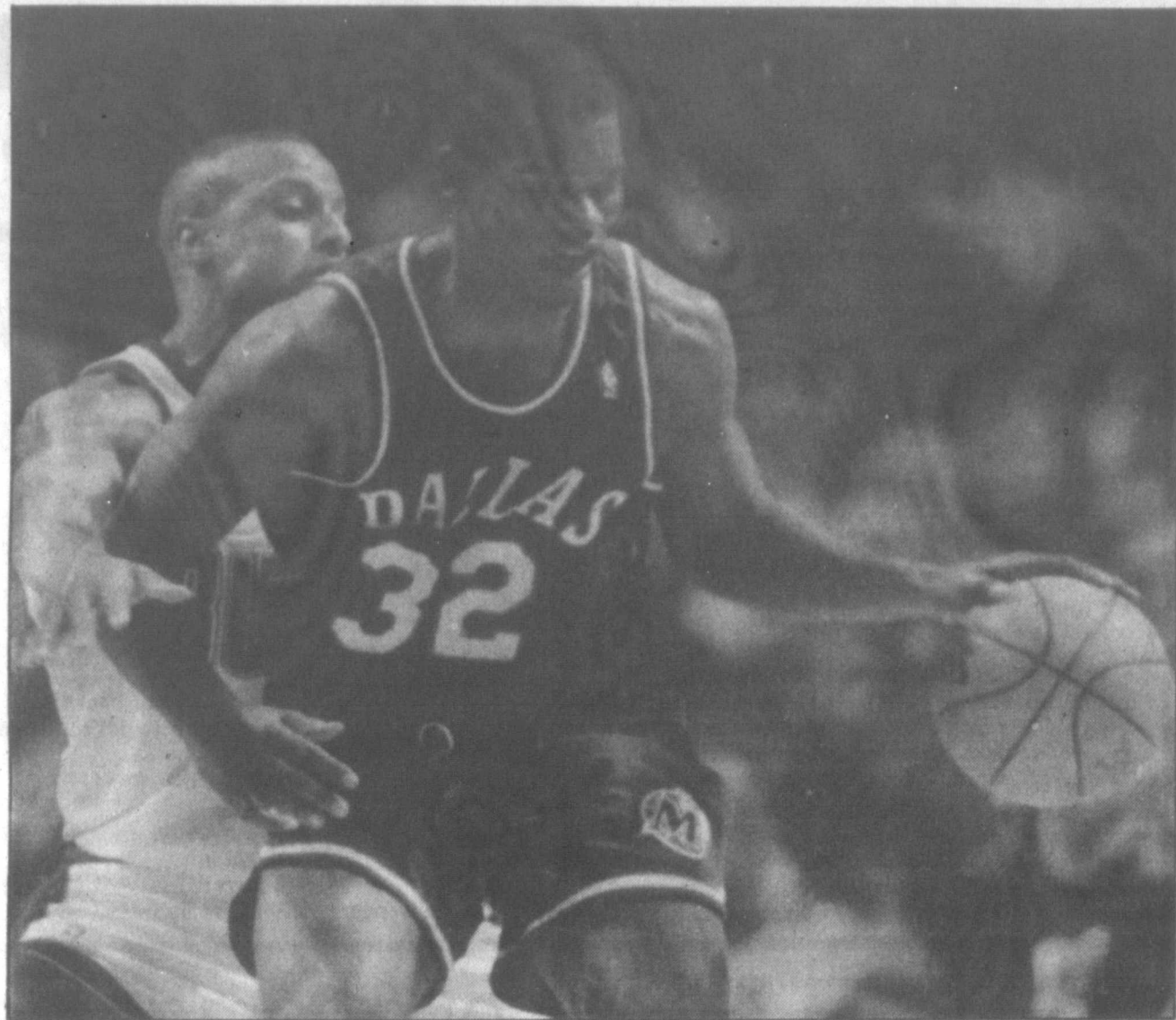
Fox Network, which previously had not been involved in sports, outbid CBS for the lucrative NFC television package, bidding \$1.58 billion over four years, about \$100 million a year more than CBS.

That left CBS trying to take the NBC package and the outcome was a 20 percent jump in revenue for the NFL at a time when it reportedly was about to take a 25 percent cut.

In turn, that increased the salary cap for next year by an estimated \$6 million to \$8 million a year, allowing teams to re-sign some of the veterans they thought they'd lose, plus add free agents.

So if the first year of free agency was fun.

Wait until Free Agency II.



Jamal Mashburn of the Mavericks is closely guarded by the Bucks' Greg Norman. (AP photo)

Mavericks tie record for most consecutive losses

By JIM CARLSON
Associated Press Writer

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Dallas Mavericks coach Quinn Buckner says his team isn't getting discouraged by its season-long skid that reached its peak Wednesday night with a record-tying 20th consecutive loss.

"There's definitely reason for optimism," Buckner said after the 96-86 defeat to the Milwaukee Bucks. "We have some people that we think are going to be with us when we go for the whole deal down the road. I think that's the reason for optimism."

Dallas tied the NBA mark for consecutive losses in a season, set by the Philadelphia 76ers from Jan. 9 to Feb. 11, 1973. Cleveland has the overall record for losses with 24 straight over a two-season span in 1982.

The Bucks, struggling themselves this season, were led by Todd Day with 21 points and Blue Edwards with 19, improving their record to 7-18 overall with just their second victory in 10 games at home.

Jamal Mashburn, the Mavericks' No. 1 draft pick this year, led Dallas with 29 points, and Sean Rooks added 17.

Buckner said the losing streak and the resulting media attention hasn't been a distraction as he works to get

better consistency from his young team.

"It's not to me," he said. "The guys haven't said anything to me that it was such a distraction. I don't think there's anybody that would be proud of it."

But Milwaukee coach Mike Dunleavy, asked if his team felt pressure to win because of the streak, replied: "Absolutely."

"No matter what they say, they knew that it was 20. ... The (Mavericks) players knew, and they have pride. They didn't want 20 to come up," Dunleavy said. "So we knew we were going to be in for a tough night. They were going to play hard."

He said the Bucks had to recover from a sluggish start to win, aided by help from the bench, especially Day.

Buckner, in his first year of coaching at any level, said he didn't regret taking the Dallas job.

"I knew we were going to have some trying times as you go through the success process," he said. "We're in one of those lulls and we've got to fight our way out of it. We're the only people who can fix this problem."

"It's frustrating," Mavericks guard Jim Jackson said. "So many times we've come so close, then end up not winning at all."

That hurts more than getting beat by 30."

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Phoenix	17	5	.773	3
Portland	15	10	.600	6 1/2
Golden State	12	11	.522	8 1/2
LA Clippers	9	16	.360	12 1/2
Sacramento	5	17	.227	15

Tuesday's Games
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COLLEGE BOWL GLANCE	
All Times EST	
Friday, Dec. 24	
John Hancock Bowl	
At El Paso, Texas	
Texas Tech (6-5) vs. Oklahoma (8-3), 2:30 p.m. (CBS)	
Saturday, Dec. 25	
Blue-Gray Classic	
At Montgomery, Ala.	
Blue vs. Gray, noon (ABC)	
Aloha Bowl	
At Honolulu	
Fresno State (8-3) vs. Colorado (7-3-1), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)	
Tuesday, Dec. 28	
Liberty Bowl	
At Memphis, Tenn.	
Michigan State (6-5) vs. Louisville (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)	
Wednesday, Dec. 29	
Copper Bowl	
At Tucson, Ariz.	
Wyoming (8-3) vs. Kansas State (8-2-1), 8 p.m. (ESPN)	
Thursday, Dec. 30	
Holiday Bowl	
At San Diego	
Brigham Young (6-5) vs. Ohio State (9-1-1), 8 p.m. (ESPN)	
Freedom Bowl	
At Anaheim, Calif.	
Southern Cal (7-5) vs. Utah (7-5), 9 p.m. (Raycom)	
Friday, Dec. 31	
Independence Bowl	
At Shawnee, Okla.	
Virginia Tech (8-3) vs. Indiana (8-3), 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)	
Peach Bowl	
At Atlanta	
Clemson (8-3) vs. Kentucky (6-5), 6 p.m. (ESPN)	
Gator Bowl	
At Jacksonville, Fla.	
Alabama (8-3-1) vs. North Carolina (10-2), 7 p.m. (TBS)	
Alamo Bowl	
At San Antonio	
Iowa (6-5) vs. California (8-4), 9:30 p.m. (ESPN)	
Saturday, Jan. 1	
Hall of Fame Bowl	
At Tampa, Fla.	
Michigan (7-4) vs. North Carolina State (7-4), 11 a.m. (ESPN)	
Citrus Bowl	
At Orlando, Fla.	
Penn State (9-2) vs. Tennessee (9-1-1), 1 p.m. (ABC)	
Fiesta Bowl	
At Tempe, Ariz.	
Miami (9-2) vs. Arizona (9-2), 1 p.m. (NBC)	
Carquest Bowl	
At Miami	
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At Dallas	
Texas A&M (10-1) vs. Notre Dame (10-1), 4:30 p.m. (NBC)	
Rose Bowl	
At Pasadena, Calif.	
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Heritage Bowl	
At Atlanta	
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Saturday, Jan. 15	
East-West Shrine Classic	
At Stanford, Calif.	
East vs. West, 4 p.m. (ESPN)	
Saturday, Jan. 22	
Senior Bowl	
Mobile, Ala.	
North vs. South, 2 p.m. (ESPN)	
Hula Bowl	
At Honolulu	
College All-Stars vs. Hawaii All-Stars, 8 p.m. (ESPN)	

NFL may suspend several players for failing to pay membership dues

WASHINGTON (AP) — The NFL is threatening to suspend more than 100 NFL players, including most of the Washington Redskins, from this weekend's games because of their refusal to pay \$5,000 membership dues to the Players Association.

In accordance with the collective bargaining agreement earlier this year, the league's Management Council notified the teams Wednesday that the players have until (today) Friday to pay their dues or a service fee if they don't join the union.

If they ignore the deadline, the labor agreement requires that the players be suspended without pay.

"We have thought that any reasonable person would not jeopardize a paycheck over \$5,000 we intend to rebate," said NFLPA assistant director Doug Allen. "But we are serious about the agreement being adhered to. Any player on any team who didn't pay is subject to suspension."

Allen said the number of players who have not paid is not as high as previously reported — more than 190 league-wide, including 41 Redskins. He also said that no compromise is possible; either the

players pay the \$5,000 or they don't and are subject to indefinite suspension.

But Allen added that he expects the issue to be moot by today.

"Everyone in the league gets the benefits of the CBA, everything in the agreement is available," he said. "You can't pick and choose whether they get it or not if they do not join the union. It's fair to require everyone to pay their fare share."

The Washington Post reported sources as saying some of the Redskins' best players — defensive end Charles Mann, wide receiver Art Monk, running back Earnest Byner and tight end Terry Orr — have not paid their dues.

The Cleveland Browns had 24 players and the San Diego Chargers 14 who have not joined, the newspaper said.

Allen refused to say how many players or teams are involved, but he emphasized that more than 1,500 players have paid up.

Some members of the Redskins appear to be adamant about not paying.

"We're not paying it," a player who declined to be identified told the newspaper. "That's the bottom line. This isn't a good deal

for us. ... Our feelings won't change."

The NFL and the players union ended five years of labor disharmony with a new agreement last winter, but the Redskins have been one of the most vocal dissenters, saying they had too little input in the deal and that the hard salary cap will cost many of them their jobs.

They also objected when their dues were increased from around \$2,000 annually to \$5,000.

Neither Redskins general manager Charley Casserly nor coach Richie Petitbon would comment Wednesday.

Redskins president John Kent Cooke was expected to discuss the matter with Tagliabue, the newspaper reported.

Teams from Texas, Florida, Louisiana, Georgia and Arizona aren't impacted because right-to-work laws prevent unions from forcing employees to join as part of an employment agreement.

"I would point out we collected dues from more than 50 players and are averaging well over 40 players per team" in those states, Allen said.

Stanford athletes No. 1 in SAT scores

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Stanford has the brightest football players — those athletes with the highest SAT scores when they were recruited — and Oklahoma is at the bottom of the list, according to a survey published this week.

Ranking right behind Stanford among Division I schools in recruiting SAT achievers were Northwestern, Duke, Virginia and Vanderbilt.

Stanford football players had an average SAT score of 1069 out of a possible 1600, according to the survey done by USA Today, using NCAA data for freshmen entering

from 1990-92.

Northwestern's football players recruited during that period had an average SAT score of 1034. Then came Duke at 1003, Virginia at 955 and Vanderbilt at 952.

Also in the top 10 were Rice, Southern Methodist, California, Notre Dame and Colorado State.

Oklahoma headed up the bottom 10 with an SAT score of 759, followed by Mississippi at 768, Kansas State 769, Cincinnati 771 and Texas-El Paso at 772. Then came Akron (774),

Washington State (779), Clemson and Auburn (tied at 781) and Kent (783).

USA Today said football players did not score as well as other students in SATs. Rice had the largest gap, according to the survey. The general student SAT score was 1324, compared with the average football player SAT of 942.

At Florida State, No. 1 in the Associated Press rankings, the players recruited from 1990-92 had an average SAT score of 822. The all-student average for the school was 1091.

Financing finished for Retama Park

SELMA (AP) — Retama Park officials have concluded the financing for their Class 1 racetrack, lauding completion of the long awaited deal as a boost for the economy and horse racing.

"Quite simply, it's a great day for horse racing in San Antonio, South Texas and all of Texas," Texas Racing Commission member Lukin Gilliland Jr. of San Antonio said as the details were announced Wednesday.

Retama Park said it will get \$56 million of the \$79 million needed to build a Class 1 racetrack from tax-free municipal bonds.

The bond deal, announced in the Selma City Council chambers, combines with \$23 million in equity, much of which was secured during a private placement offering to individual investors that closed during August.

"Everything's done," said project spokesman Joe Straus III. "There are no more loose ends and no more 'Wait till next week.' The money is in the bank."

Finalization of the deal means thoroughbred and quarter horses could be lapping the raceway in this town just south of San Antonio as soon as April 1995.

Groundbreaking is scheduled for next

month at the site of more than 200 acres northeast of San Antonio near Interstate 35 and Loop 1604.

Selma Mayor Ken Fleenor said his city expects the track to be a major economic boost for Comal and Bexar counties.

"About 2,000 people will work at Retama Park, including about 1,000 track employees," said Bob Quigley, president and chief operating officer of Retama Park Association. "Another 500 to 1,000 people on related payroll, including grooms, trainers, veterinarians and food service employees, will work with us."

Other Texas cities also are seeking to build tracks. The \$84 million Sam Houston Race Park is under construction in Houston and scheduled to open April 29. The Lone Star Jockey Club is planning a \$100 million facility in the Dallas-Fort Worth suburb of Grand Prairie. Developers of that track have been fighting legal challenges but hope to be ready by May 1995.

"A lot of people have been wondering if it would ever get done," said Keith Asmussen, a board member for the Texas Thoroughbred Breeders' Association and the owner and operator of a racehorse training and breeding center near Laredo. "But this is great news."

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