

Local weather

Forecast for the Big Spring area:
Mild tonight, becoming windy and colder. Highs today middle 60s to upper 70s. Lows tonight middle 30s to upper 40s. Highs Saturday middle 40s and upper 50s. Thursday's high was 71; the low was 33.

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All smiles: United Way reaches its goal



Scott McLaughlin, left, and Tommy Welsh give the thumbs-up sign as the United Way received \$207,053 in donations during the 1988-89 campaign, topping its goal of \$205,000.

By STEVE GEISSEN
Staff Writer

After an extended 1988-89 campaign, the United Way of Big Spring has raised \$207,053, surpassing its goal of \$205,000, officials announced Thursday.

Since the organization surpassed its goal, the 10 local non-profit agencies it funds will receive slightly more money than was originally proposed.

"Our surpassing the goal is the culmination of a lot of hard work by a lot of people," said Scott McLaughlin, chairman.

"We got organized this year and did the job that needed to be done."

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As has been the case with past United Way campaigns, this year's fund raising drive lagged past the stated deadline.

The campaign officially ended Sept. 30, having raised approximately \$94,000. But many corporate donations continued to come in late 1988.

The United Way failed to reach its goal in 1986 and 1987.

Last year, the organization fell \$25,000 short of reaching its \$215,000 goal, and the 1986-87 campaign fell \$21,500 short of its \$215,000 goal.

Proposed allocations to the non-profit agencies served by the United Way were cut across the

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board the last two years.

Large corporate donations were instrumental in enabling the organization to reach its goal this year, but grassroots contributions energized the campaign, McLaughlin said.

"What often happens is that the large contributors look at how the community participates," he said. "They wait and see if the community backs the campaign, and if they do then they back it."

The campaign's results seems to be a sign the local economy is making a comeback, McLaughlin said.

"I hope this is an indication not just that the United Way is on the way up, but I hope it is an indication of where our community is headed," he said.

The United Way expects to receive additional donations that will increase its fund total to at least \$210,000, McLaughlin said.

Sherrie Bordofsky, executive director, responded to the organization's accomplishment, saying: "Of the ten years of my tenure, four years the goal has been surpassed. Residents continually believe it can be done, and

I have always repeated the statement, 'The money is here and we can do it if the volunteers believe in the United Way and sell the services.'"

Since 1967, the United Way goal has risen from \$106,067 to a high of \$225,000 in 1981, Bordofsky said.

The largest amount of pledges received by the organization was the \$239,262 received during the 1982-83 campaign.

In 1985-86, the last campaign to reach its goal, pledges of \$220,797 were received.

To date, the pledges received by the United Way divisions, followed by the divisions' goals are:

- Out of town — \$5,430.87; \$6,000.
- Pacesetters (donations of \$500 or more from individuals or companies) — \$87,567; \$105,000.
- Commercial (businesses and employees) — \$18,097.38; \$20,000.
- Golden Age (senior citizens) — \$1,215; \$3,000.
- Combined Federal Campaign (governmental employees) — \$10,510.71; \$10,000.
- Professional (doctors, lawyers, accountants, etc.) — \$11,700; \$8,000.

- Special Events — \$425.75.
- Loaned Executive (employees of Big Spring's 15 largest employers) — \$62,403.11.
- Residential/Rural — \$7,715.11.
- Agency Board Members (board members of agencies receiving United Way funds) — \$1,989.

Volunteer chairpersons of the United Way divisions are: Ralph McLaughlin, Out of Town; Paula Duncan, Pacesetter; Katie Grimes and Tito Arcencibia, Commercial; Bert Andries, Golden Age; Dan Bidinger, Combined Federal Campaign; Tim Thornton and Glynna Mouton, Professional; Murray Murphy, Loaned Executive; Loyd Underwood, Residential/Rural.

The United Way is still accepting donations, Bordofsky said. Anyone who would like to donate may call 267-5201, or mail donations to P.O. Box 24, Big Spring, 79721.

Of each dollar donated, 85 cents goes directly to local non-profit agencies, she said.

Agencies receiving funds from the United Way, and the proposed allotment per agency are: American Red Cross, \$7,851; Boy's Club, \$31,303.50; Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America, \$9,225; Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, \$22,816.50; West Texas Girl Scout Council, \$8,036; Northside Community Center, \$11,808; Salvation Army, \$29,848; West Side Day Care Center, \$12,546; West Side Community Center, \$21,217.50; and YMCA, \$4,838.

Debate may overshadow chemical warfare meeting

'Poor nation's atom bomb'

By ELAINE GANLEY
Associated Press Writer

PARIS — The debate between the United States and Libya over an alleged chemical weapons plant may overshadow a 140-nation conference on the use of poison gas and other chemical arms. Such weapons have been called a poor nation's atomic bomb.

Secretary of State George P. Shultz and a Libyan delegate plan to attend the opening session Saturday, and tension is expected.

Foreign Minister Roland Dumas of France said his government hopes the five-day conference will not "deviate from its agenda" because of the shooting down Wednesday of two Libyan jet

fighters by U.S. Navy planes.

Delegates are expected to discuss changes in the 1925 Geneva Protocol prohibiting the use of poison gas and other chemical weapons. The document does not forbid making the weapons and has no enforcement provisions.

With their effectiveness, relative economy and ease of production, such weapons are feared because they greatly increase the killing power of smaller, less armed countries.

Many countries want to give the protocol teeth and spur negotiations on a treaty banning production of chemical arms. They include the United States and Soviet Union, the only two countries that

admit having the weapons.

Both French and U.S. officials indicated they would honor a "gentlemen's agreement" against name-calling at the conference.

The United States has been vocal in the weeks before the conference about what is says is a big chemical weapons plant Libya has built south of Tripoli and is ready to go on-line. Libya says the factory only manufactures pharmaceuticals.

President Reagan refused to rule out military action against the plant at Rabta. Washington said Wednesday's air action over the Mediterranean was not related to the allegations.

But Shultz said Wednesday that the United States may not have to level the plant if Libya is willing to

Resolution condemns U.S.

By VICTORIA GRAHAM
Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS — Libya and the United States disputed each other's facts, honor and circumstances in the downing of two Libyan jets by U.S. warplanes during a contentious emergency session of the U.N. Security Council.

The two sides are expected to resume their verbal dogfight today when the session moves into its second day.

Libyan Ambassador Ali Sunni Muntasser, who sought the urgent meeting, called the U.S. action a "premeditated act of aggression and a prelude to large-scale aggression" against economic and

military installations.

U.S. Ambassador Herbert S. Okun told the council the two U.S. Navy fighter jets that shot down the MiG-23s over the Mediterranean on Wednesday acted in self-defense because they faced "imminent threat of being shot down by the intercepting Libyan aircraft."

Okun said the United States considers the matter closed.

Libya repeated its claim that the jets were unarmed reconnaissance planes.

That disputed a Pentagon videotape shot from one of the U.S. jets showing one Libyan plane carrying four missiles. The videotape, released Thursday,

showed the U.S. fighters tried high-speed maneuvers five times to avoid the MiG planes before they fired.

Libya wants the 15-member Security Council, the most powerful U.N. body, to formally condemn the U.S. military action.

On Thursday, the United States and Libya traded charges and six other speakers — representing the Arab League, Bahrain, Burkina Faso, Cuba, Syria and Tunisia — condemned the U.S. action.

However, the United States and Britain, two of five permanent members with veto power, were expected to kill any resolution of condemnation. British Foreign Secretary Geoffrey Howe said Thursday that the U.S. account of

Info is limited; two North charges down

By PETE YOST
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Declaring the heart of the government's case against Oliver L. North "destroyed," attorneys for the fired White House aide are increasing attacks on the other 12 criminal charges he faces in the Iran-Contra affair.

Independent counsel Lawrence Walsh on Thursday moved to drop conspiracy and theft counts against North, citing the ex-Marine's "insistence on introducing classified information in his defense" and the Reagan administration's refusal to release classified material a judge said North needs to get a fair trial.

President Reagan said Walsh's motion "satisfies our problem, which has been ... concern about national security ... We're waiting to see what the future is going to be."

Abandoning the two central charges while keeping the other 12 will "minimize the exposure of classified information," Walsh said.

North's attorneys disagreed with Walsh.

"Although the heart of its case is destroyed, the independent counsel continues to toy with Colonel North and apparently refuses to recognize that classified information pervades the remaining charges as well," Brendan Sullivan, one of North's lawyers, said in a statement.

Sullivan said "it is disgraceful" that the conspiracy and theft charges were brought against

North "and outrageous that they survived for nine months after indictment." He said the proof of North's innocence lies in the classified material itself.

Walsh's motion was triggered by U.S. District Judge Gerhard Gesell's refusal to allow more censoring of 300 prosecution exhibits to meet administration concerns over disclosing sensitive information about covert intelligence operations.

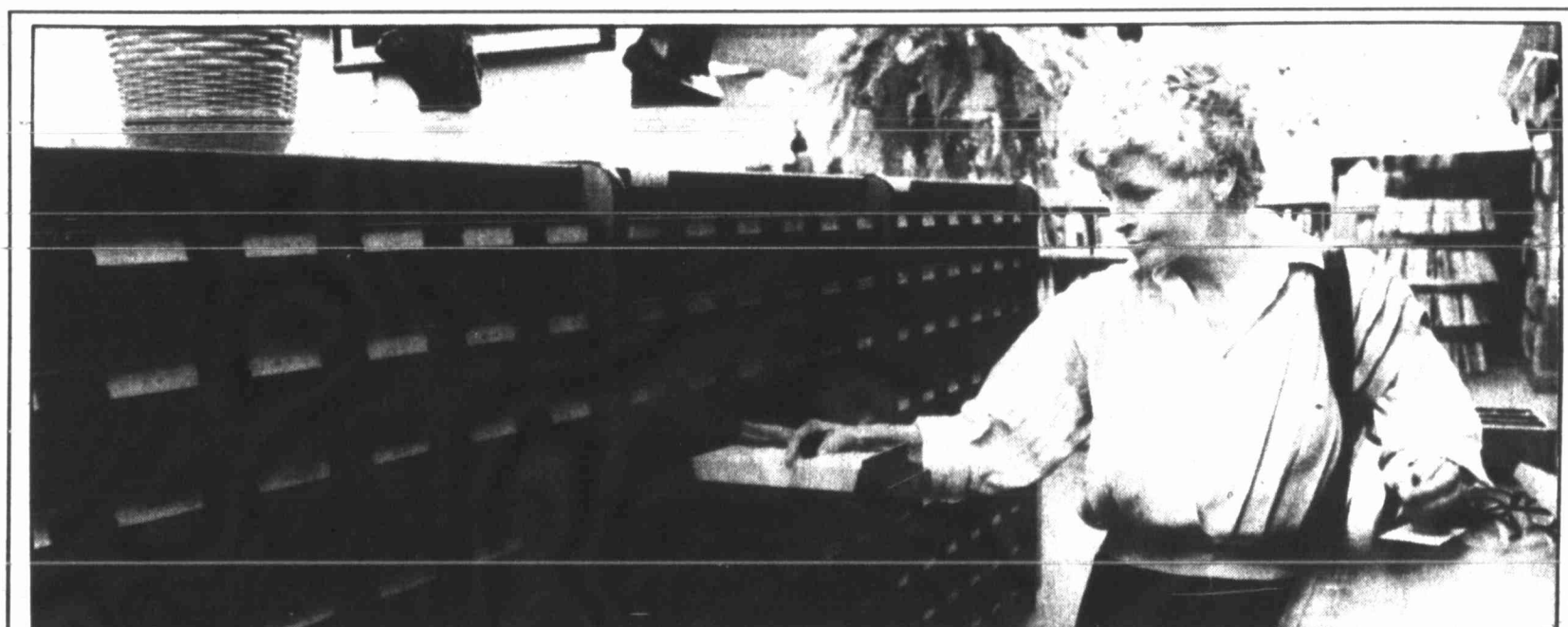
Walsh says North, a former National Security Council aide, should stand trial on the 12 other charges dealing mainly with the alleged cover-up by North of his efforts on behalf of the Contras fighting the leftist government of Nicaragua. The 12 counts carry total penalties of 60 years in prison and \$3 million in fines.

At a hearing Monday, Gesell is to consider the prosecution's request to dismiss the conspiracy and theft charges, which accuse North and three co-defendants of illegally diverting more than \$14 million in U.S.-Iran arms-sale profits to the Nicaraguan rebels.

Walsh wants the two charges dismissed without prejudice, an approach that would make it possible to bring them again.

Gesell also will hear comments from prosecutors and North's lawyers on possible scheduling changes. Dropping the two main counts will require significant adjustments in the documentary case both sides plan to present. The trial is set to begin Jan. 31.

House Majority Leader Thomas



Herald photo by Tim Appel

New system

Library patron Eunice Choate looks for information in the new card file at the Howard County Library Thursday afternoon. The 162-drawer unit, which includes a button-operated lock, was

bought from the Texas Medical Center Library in Houston for approximately \$1,000, about one-fifth the price if bought new, officials said.

Reagan backing raise for Congress

By LAURIE ASSEO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — President Reagan will lend his support to a 50 percent pay raise for members of Congress and other federal officials that one opponent called the "greatest salary grab in government history."

The raise will increase the pay for members of Congress and federal judges to \$135,000 a year unless both houses of Congress reject it by Feb. 8.

The president also will urge Con-

gress to abolish outside income such as speaking fees, as the Commission on Executive, Legislative and Judicial Salaries recommended last month, Reagan spokeswoman Leslye Arsh said in a statement released Thursday evening.

Reagan is expected today to send all members of Congress a letter "to explain his decision and urge members to support it," Ms. Arsh said.

Rep. Vic Fazio, D-Calif., said, "I'm very pleased that the presi-

dent has decided to make this decision. This is a pay raise for all the top-level federal officials ... but of course we (Congress) take all the heat."

Consumer advocate Ralph Nader said, however, "Mr. Reagan has put an end to any further pretense that he wants his federal deficit reduced. He has thumbed his nose at the vast majority of the American people, Republican, independent and Democrat alike who are against the greatest salary grab in government history."

Reagan could have modified the proposal made last month by the commission. Under the law, unless both the House and Senate vote to head off the pay increases, they will automatically take effect 30 days after the plan is submitted to Congress with the proposed federal budget on Monday.

The commission recommended that members of Congress and federal district judges, who now make \$89,500 a year, be paid \$135,000. The House speaker would

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Super collider gets Reagan nod

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's fiscal 1990 budget recommends Congress spend \$250 million to begin building the super collider, a \$4.4 billion physics project that would create thousands of jobs in Texas, says Sen. Phil Gramm.

But Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, while acknowledging that the figure is a "very good starting point," says Texas is a "long way from the finish line and we've got a lot of obstacles in our path, the biggest being the budget deficit."

"The Texas delegation is going to have a big fight on its hands getting funding for the superconducting super collider this year," said Bentsen, a Texas Democrat who chairs the Senate Finance Committee.

Gramm, R-Texas, said that should Congress go along with Reagan's recommendation, "this will get us off to a strong start on building the superconducting super collider."

He said the appropriation would be contingent on the state providing matching funds promised as part of Texas' proposal, which lured the atom smasher to a site on Ellis County farmland.

Under the state's proposal, \$1 billion in bonds would be used to

help cover such costs as building the super collider lab, electrical utility capacity, and for higher education and physics research projects.

Although Reagan proposed \$363 million for the super collider last year, Congress appropriated \$100 million and decreed no money could be used for construction.

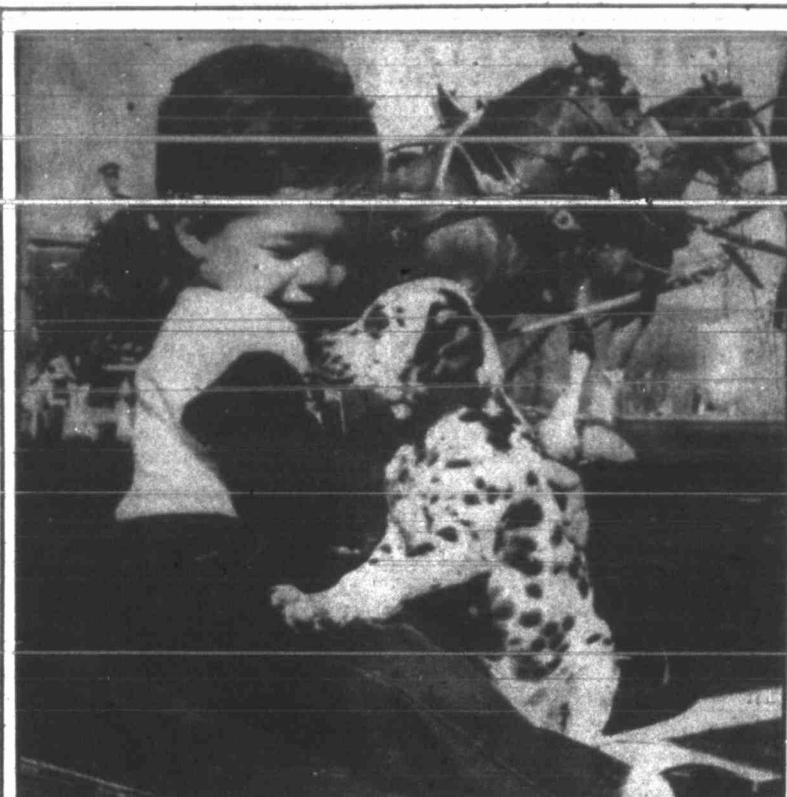
Reagan's final budget proposal, to be released Monday, will also request \$2.1 billion be spent in fiscal 1990 on the space station, up from the \$900 million Congress approved last year, Gramm said.

"This represents a major commitment of the administration to reaffirming our position as No. 1 in space," Gramm said.

"I think that's a good number," said Rep. Michael Andrews, a Houston Democrat. "The demands on the dollars are going to be very big this year."

Andrews said it is time to start building the space station and that Congress's funding level last year "put the ultimate decision on hold for the Bush administration."

Much of the space station would be built in the Houston area, with the most important work being done at the Johnson Space Center, Andrews said.



Puppy love

DALLAS — Three-year-old Ryan Sullivan plays with a Dalmatian pup, Mickey, as a team of Clydesdales prepare to go on parade in Dallas. The giant horses were out to visit the children at the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital.

Associated Press photo

Briefs

Talker arrested at airport

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — A man who talked about plastic explosives as he checked in for an American Airlines flight was arrested and an airport terminal was cleared and closed for about an hour afterward, authorities said.

"He said the wrong thing in the wrong place," Corpus Christi Police Lt. Ken Ersland said after the arrest Thursday night at Corpus Christi International Airport.

The Corpus Christi man was being held in city jail pending an investigation, but Ersland said charges of making terroristic threats might be filed against him.

John Hotard, spokesman for

American Airlines, said the man had missed a flight and was being ticketed for a later flight when he said to an agent that he would blow up American Airlines. The agent called airport police and the FBI.

"We treat all of these comments as serious," Hotard said.

Ersland said the man's exact words will likely become the subject of a court case if charges are filed. But the officer said the man told police he mentioned "plastic explosives" in the airport terminal while waiting to board American Flight 177 to Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Gramm hosts party to raise funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the George Bush presidential inauguration turns Washington into a giant party Jan. 20, Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas will be hosting parties of his own aimed at raising campaign funds.

A Republican planning to seek a second term in 1990, Gramm solicited \$1,000 contributors to join the Gramm Senate Club Advisory Board. The group's first meeting in Washington will coincide with inaugural activities.

Gramm said in a letter that that members of his advisory board will be invited to have an intimate lunch with a new Cabinet officer

and attend a V.I.P. cocktail reception with other Cabinet secretaries, members of the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives and several Hollywood celebrities, the Houston Chronicle reported.

The letter also said that Gramm was working closely with the inaugural committee in securing tickets for club members to attend the swearing in ceremony, inaugural parade and the inaugural ball.

Members of the advisory board include New York financier Donald Trump, actor Charlton Heston and Texas financiers T. Boone Pickens, Frank Lorenzo, Trammell Crow and Ray Hunt, the letter stated.

Missing gas station clerk returns

DALLAS (AP) — A gas station clerk feared kidnapped after he disappeared along with \$1,500 on Sunday surrendered to police saying he fled and spent all the money at topless bars, authorities said.

"He told (Dallas police) he took the money and ran," said Kaufman County Sheriff Robert Harris. "He spent most of the money the first night. I think he had about two pennies on him when he came in."

Kaufman County is adjacent to Dallas County.

Richard "Ricky" Saldeen, 25, who disappeared on the eve of his fifth wedding anniversary, apparently stayed at a northwest

Dallas motel after spending the money at several Dallas night spots, including one across the street from where his car was found Wednesday, authorities said.

Saldeen walked into a police substation at about 2 p.m. and told officers he was wanted by Kaufman County authorities, police said.

Harris said Saldeen was charged with felony theft and was being held in the Kaufman County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 bond Thursday night. The sheriff said Harris' statement confirmed what law officials believed all along.

Tower condition good after polyp surgery

DALLAS (AP) — Former Texas Sen. John Tower, the defense secretary-designate, was in good condition in a Dallas hospital today after undergoing surgery to remove a polyp in his colon, a hospital spokesman said.

Dr. R.D. Dignan removed the polyp during a three-hour operation at Baylor University Medical Center Thursday, said hospital spokesman Steve Habgood. A preliminary test showed the growth to be benign.

"The senator is expected to make a full recovery," Habgood said.

Dignan was expected to issue a complete report this afternoon.

Spokeswoman Susan Hall said Tower was resting and "doing quite well."

Tower, designated Dec. 16 by President-elect Bush as his defense secretary, was admitted to the hospital Wednesday afternoon for the elective surgery.

Doctors discovered the polyp when Tower underwent a colonoscopy examination Dec. 27. A

rectal polyp was also discovered at that time and immediately removed.

Tests of the rectal polyp showed it to contain some "malignant but well differentiated cells," Habgood said.

Further explanation of the Dec. 27 polyp removal would have to come from Tower's surgeon, who was unavailable for comment Thursday night, the spokesman said.

Sources close to Tower said the former senator had talked to Bush and several key senators after the rectal polyp was removed and the president-elect wished Tower all the best.

Tower, 63, retired from the Senate in 1985 after a 24-year career that included a stint as chairman of the Armed Services Committee during President Reagan's first term.

After he retired, Tower was named by Reagan as a member of the U.S. team negotiating with the Soviets for deep cuts in the U.S.-Soviet arsenals.

Congressman slaps Texaco-Arab venture

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. John Bryant says a federal decision not to investigate a joint venture between Texaco Inc. and Saudi Arabia is a sign of the administration's "addiction" to foreign cash and takeovers that maintain an illusion of an economy headed in the right direction.

Bryant last month requested Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady review the joint U.S. petroleum refining and marketing venture. The decision not to conduct the review, he said, is "irresponsible and shortsighted."

"This is a perfect indication of how totally addicted this administration is to foreign cash and foreign takeovers to maintain their illusion of an economy that's going in the right direction," Bryant said.

"In fact, we have an economy so dependent on foreign capital they are willing to totally ignore legitimate economic security inquiries and legitimate national security inquiries for fear of getting bad news," the Dallas Democrat said Wednesday.

Bryant contends the deal could seriously increase U.S. dependence on foreign oil, erode the domestic oil industry, and jeopardize consumers through possible market manipulation.

Bryant and three other Democratic members of Congress — Sens. Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio and Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico and Rep. Edward Markey of Massachusetts — called for the review. They contended that the acquisition falls under the law enabling the government to block mergers involving foreign interests if there is evidence national security is threatened.

Texaco Inc. and Saudia Arabia

announced Monday that they had closed the deal, under which Texaco and Saudi Refining Inc. would refine, distribute and market petroleum products in 23 Eastern and Gulf Coast States.

Texaco said last year it expected to receive \$812 million for a 50 percent interest in its refining assets and marketing system and an additional \$1 billion in benefits and savings.

An interagency panel chaired by the Treasury Department, the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, declined recently to review the venture, a Treasury spokesman said Thursday.

"The committee decided not to oppose this; the committee decided not to investigate, that there was no reason to investigate," said the spokesman, speaking on condition of anonymity. He said the committee had looked at the proposed venture in June and reached the same conclusion.

The administration in general favors foreign investment in the United States, the spokesman said, "unless there is an overriding reason — national security, national interest — to deny it. We favor international movement of capital, and that includes into the United States."

The Saudi-Texaco venture would include three refineries, 50 distribution terminals, 1,400 service stations and 10,000 franchised gasoline stations.

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Martin no longer in hiding

LONGVIEW (AP) — Former state representative Mike Martin, who attracted national attention when he was shot in Austin, has stopped running and says he will be a fugitive no more.

Martin, who has been in Longview visiting his family, said he was tracked down by the FBI in his South Pacific hideaway, the Longview News-Journal reported. The former legislator said he decided to resolve a child custody dispute that had turned into a federal case.

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Spring board

How's that? Hydrants

Q. Why are the hydrants always being flushed?

A. A spokeswoman in the utilities department said that the hydrants are flushed to improve the quality of water and to keep a good flow of water, especially in the Greenbelt area where, because of low usage, water tends to stand.

Calendar

Hydrants

TODAY
• Fire hydrants will be flushed in the Greenbelt area from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• There will be a senior citizens dance at 8 p.m. in the Airpark in Building 487.

SATURDAY
• The Coahoma 4-H and FFA chapters are having the Coahoma Livestock show beginning at 9 a.m. at the Howard County Fair barns; concessions will be available; no charge for admission. The public is invited and all Coahoma area livestock owners interested in participating should call Stanley Blackwell, Coahoma High School, FFA building, Judging for capons, swine, sheep and steers and heifers.

Ollie North

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Foley said the decision to drop the two charges "has nothing to do with the inadequacy of the evidence. It has to do with the sensitivity of the evidence."

"Col. North still faces very serious charges," said Foley, D-Wash. "The dismissal is not any sort of vindication."

Reagan was asked whether he was going to pardon North and responded, "We're waiting for the judicial process to go forward."

Arthur Kropp, president of the liberal group People for the American Way, said "the Reagan administration appears determined to give Ollie North a 'pocket pardon' as a reward for his Iran-Contra activities."

Attorney General Dick Thornburgh denied such contentions, saying "the assurance that was given to me by Judge Walsh was that he had been dealt with in good faith, that every line of inquiry that he pursued he received the fullest cooperation from the executive branch."

Reagan and Vice President Bush have been subpoenaed by North to testify at the trial, but dropping the two major charges could make it harder to show why their testimony would be needed.

A source said Thursday that Reagan had engaged the Los Angeles law firm of Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher to represent him if he is called to testify in the North's trial.

Walsh's move also suggests that the two major charges could also be dismissed later against North's co-defendants, former National Security Adviser John M. Poindexter and arms dealers Albert Hakim and Richard Secord, a retired Air Force major general.

That would depend, however, on how much classified information might be deemed necessary for their defense efforts. Poindexter's access to secret documents when he worked at the White House would probably put him in the best position of the three to gain dismissal on such grounds.

Nine of the 12 counts that would remain focus on North allegedly concealing from Congress and former Attorney General Edwin Meese III his efforts on behalf of the Contras. Four of the nine deal with alleged concealment of the diversion of money to the Contras from the administration's secret arms sales to Iran.

North also is accused of illegally accepting a \$13,800 security system at his home from co-defendant Secord, converting to his own use at least \$4,300 in traveler's checks from Contra leader Adolfo Calero and conspiring to defraud the Treasury of tax revenue in connection with charitable contributions supporting the Contras.

Rules of engagement allow fire when threatened

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American F-14s that shot down two Libyan MiG-23 fighters were operating under guidelines that say U.S. forces can open fire only when threatened, administration officials said.

Defense Secretary Frank Carlucci, discussing the incident with reporters Wednesday, said the F-14s from the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy, fired in self-defense and were operating under "normal peacetime rules of engagement."

Such rules are never publicly disclosed, except in general terms.

They were the subject of controversy after an Iraqi jet fired at the USS Stark in the Persian Gulf May 17, 1987, killing 37 U.S. sailors, and after the USS Vincennes shot

down an Iranian commercial airliner last July 3, killing 290 passengers and crewmembers.

For forces in the Persian Gulf, the rules were tightened after the Stark incident to give commanders in the field "more freedom to exercise command authority" and decide when to fire, said Lt. Jim Wood, a Navy spokesman.

But the ships and planes accompanying the Kennedy were operating under more or less the same rules as they would have been before the Stark or Vincennes incident, said Wood.

"There is a basic premise that the officer in charge must defend his ship at all cost," Wood said.

"In wartime, that means that anything not identified as a friend is an enemy. In peacetime,

"If you are a pilot leading a flight of aircraft and felt there was imminent danger of being attacked, you don't need to wait to be fired on," said Wood.

anything that is not identified as an enemy is a friend," he said. "The peacetime rules of engagement enable our forces to adequately defend themselves when there is danger of hostility."

The judgment of when to fire, he said, is left "to the judgment of the on-scene commanders," in this case the pilot of the lead F-14 on the patrol.

"If you are a pilot leading a flight of aircraft and felt there was imminent danger of being attacked, you don't need to wait to be fired on," said Wood.

Although the decision to fire rests on the unit commander, the rules themselves "are approved at the highest level," said Wood.

"The president ultimately approves them, as he made the change for the Persian Gulf after the Stark incident. They are usually made at the recommendation of the fleet commanders," he said.

Additionally, if unit commanders perceive themselves under greater danger, they may order their weapons kept at the ready without a change in the rules of engagement, he said.

Navy "officers are briefed thoroughly prior to any deployment overseas," he said. Additionally, descriptions of the situation in specific regions "are frequently written in classified publications that all officers have access to."

Those guidelines "are dynamic and vary depending on geography. The rules governing ships off the coast of Libya are a lot tighter, for example, than those off the coast of Spain, where there is less perceived danger," he said.

For forces operating near Libya, he said, "given the ever present possibility that foreign aircraft or other combatants were present, there would be weekly if not daily review of the rules of engagement."

Carlucci endorses plan to close military bases

WASHINGTON (AP) — A plan to save billions of dollars by closing dozens of military bases around the country goes before Congress after being approved ahead of schedule by Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci.

The House and Senate must deal with the plan in its entirety, approving or rejecting it. The congressional resolution would then go to the White House. Senate and House leaders have predicted Congress will approve the plan.

Carlucci told reporters Thursday that U.S. military leaders strongly endorsed what he called a "unique opportunity" to save money.

"We just have to move ahead and do this," Carlucci said. "We have not closed a base since 1978. And I think that fact speaks for itself. We need to step up to the plate here."

Carlucci took just a week to review the recommendations of a government commission that had been created by the administration and Congress to review 4,200 military properties.

After seven months of review,

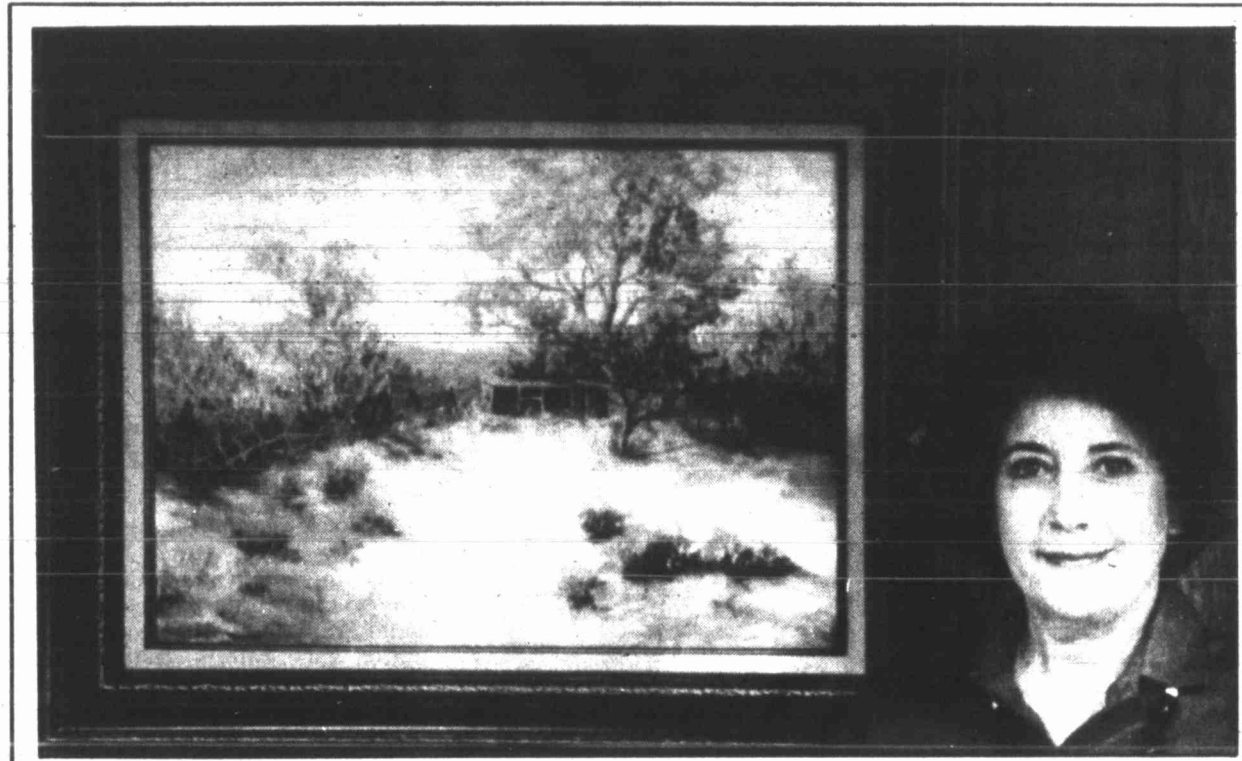
the commission recommended outright closure of 34 military installations and 52 military housing complexes and partial closure of five other installations. It recommended that 54 other bases receive new missions or additional personnel.

Members of the commission estimated the closings would save the nation \$693 million a year in the short term, and up to \$5.6 billion over two decades.

Carlucci said he would have endorsed the closing of even more bases, but did not want to tinker with the delicate political compromise.

Carlucci, as a strong proponent of base closings, had been expected to approve the list all along. But he demonstrated his enthusiasm by announcing his decision before a legal deadline of Jan. 15.

He also said he would ask Congress for \$500 million in the fiscal 1990 budget and another \$500 million in the 1991 budget to help cover the expense of closing bases, such as relocating employees.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Artist of the month

Mary Horn has been chosen as the Big Spring area Chamber of Commerce Artist of the Month for January. Horn, who has been painting for the

past 12 years, uses all medias of paints, mostly watercolors and oils, to paint landscapes.

Rape suspect arrested

By MICHAEL DUFFY
Staff Writer

A 40-year-old man is being held in city jail in lieu of \$52,500 bond in connection with the sexual assault of a Big Spring woman Thursday night, Capt. Lonnie Smith said.

John Williams, 40, whose place of residence has not yet been determined, was arrested about 9:20 p.m. on a charge of driving while intoxicated after patrol officers stopped the car he was driving when he failed to yield at a stop sign in the 500 block of South Birdwell Lane, according to police reports.

Smith said just minutes after Williams' car was stopped a woman reported that she had been sexually assaulted at her residence in the southeast section of the city.

Because of the victim's description of the suspect and a subsequent preliminary investigation, Smith said Williams was arrested in connection with the assault, although he stated that she did not identify her assailant.

The 25-year-old victim was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center where she was treated for minor injuries to her neck, face and arms — injuries she sustained during the assault, according to police reports.

Howard County Justice of the Peace China Long set bond at \$50,000 on the sexual assault charge; \$2,000 on the DWI charge and \$200 for disregarding a stop sign, Smith said.

Williams gave investigators a Big Spring address, however "it didn't check out," Smith said.

Although Smith said he didn't believe Williams is a Big Spring resident, "we really don't know where he lives."

Asked whether the alleged assailant forcefully entered the victim's home or was acquainted with her, Smith responded: "That's under investigation."

Sources close to the investigation said that the assailant broke into the victim's home.

Investigators were gathering evidence at the victim's residence until 5 a.m., Smith said.

Sheriff's log

Howard County Sheriff's Department officers reported the following incidents as of 10 a.m. today:

• Freddy Lee Barrett, 20, 2511 Peach Street, was sentenced to 12 years in the Texas Department of Corrections after pleading guilty in 118th District Court to charges of aggravated robbery and to 10 years after pleading guilty to charges of burglary of a habitation. He was credited with 14 days on the robbery charge and 30 on the revocation of probation charges.

• Samuel Joe Osborn, 29, Midland, is being held in lieu of \$5,000 bond on charges of theft over \$750.

• James Morrow, 1405 E. Sixth St., reported dogs or coyotes killed ten goats on a farm he owns near Ratliff and Jeffery Roads.

• Roy Rodriguez, 21, 1506 Ward Ave., was released on \$750 bond after being arrested by city police on charges of theft over \$20, under \$200.

• A Hillside Mobile Home Park man reported a neighbor shot his dog with what is believed to have been a .22 rifle.

Chemical

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work out a deal.

"Whether there is something else that can be done, we'll see," he told reporters on a flight to Paris from Washington. He did not elaborate.

The private Stockholm International Peace Research Institute says at least 10 countries are reliably reported to have chemical weapons. The United States says about 20 either have produced the weapons or are capable of doing so.

Iraq's use of mustard gas in its eight-year war with Iran, and charges that it used poison gas last fall on rebellious Iraqi Kurds, have kindled public interest in chemical weapons.

Reagan proposed the conference in his address to the U.N. General

Assembly in September. France, as official keeper of the 1925 Geneva Protocol, offered to be host for the meeting.

President Francois Mitterrand will give the opening address when the conference convenes at the headquarters of the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar also will speak.

French officials emphasized the conference is diplomatic in nature and will end with a final communiqué that has no legal weight, but both Washington and Moscow want action.

The United States wants to enhance the U.N. secretary-general's role in investigating

allegations of chemical weapons use. It also will urge industrialized nations to deny such technology to Libya and approve economic sanctions on those who help proliferate use of the weapons.

Soviet officials seek an agreement requiring all nations, including the superpowers, to destroy existing chemical weapons over a 10-year period.

Mitterrand also has urged a sanctioning role for the United Nations. He also has called for an embargo on deliveries of products and technologies involved in the manufacture of chemical weapons and a further embargo on all arms to "nations in question."

The protocol is a one-page document with 118 signatories that has long been considered inadequate.

Water District agenda will include new rates, reports

Besides settling on water rates for 1989, directors of the Colorado River Municipal Water District face a heavy agenda when they meet 10 a.m. Tuesday in Big Spring.

In addition to several million dollars of inter-fund transfers, the board will consider authorizations from the contingency and improvement fund in the aggregate of \$205,000. These will cover weather modification, cathodic protection of a section of 42-inch supply line near the Howard-Mitchell County border, supplemental funds for official travel, payment of water quality study with the U.S. Geological Survey, and payment

for water royalties.

Under consideration also will be changing carriers for liability and other insurance as well as hospitalization. Up for action is extension of the water sales contract with Sun Oil expiring in July; granting of highway easements; naming of an independent auditor.

Reports from management will include possible change orders on the Stacy dam construction project; also status reports on ancillary enterprises such as environmental, archaeology, wildlife preserves, highway relocations. The water rate committee will meet an hour before the board session.

Congress

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go from \$115,000 to \$175,000, and majority and minority leaders from \$99,500 to \$155,000. Top executive-branch officials such as Cabinet members would get raises from their current \$99,500 to \$155,000.

The commission also recommended that Congress raise the president's pay to about \$350,000 from the current \$200,000, which has been fixed since 1969. However, such a hike would not take effect until 1993 because of a constitutional prohibition on raising a

president's pay during his term.

Lily Cutler, chairman of the salary commission, said last month he expected strong pressure to abolish honoraria and other forms of outside pay.

Common Cause has reported that lawmakers accepted a record \$9.8 million in speaking fees from special interest groups in 1987.

The pay recommendations directly affect about 2,500 top federal jobs and indirectly affects another 10,000 high-level positions whose pay is tied to salaries in the top echelon.

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Opinion

"I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." — Voltaire

Herald opinion

Popping the debt balloon

A World Bank report just out describes the growing problem of Third World debt in grim terms: The combined debt of Third World countries is now around \$1.3 trillion, nearly double what it was when the first signs of crisis appeared in 1982. During the three years through 1987, the most highly indebted Third World countries — among them Mexico, Brazil, Argentina and Nigeria — paid their foreign creditors (mostly banks) \$74 billion more than they received in new credits.

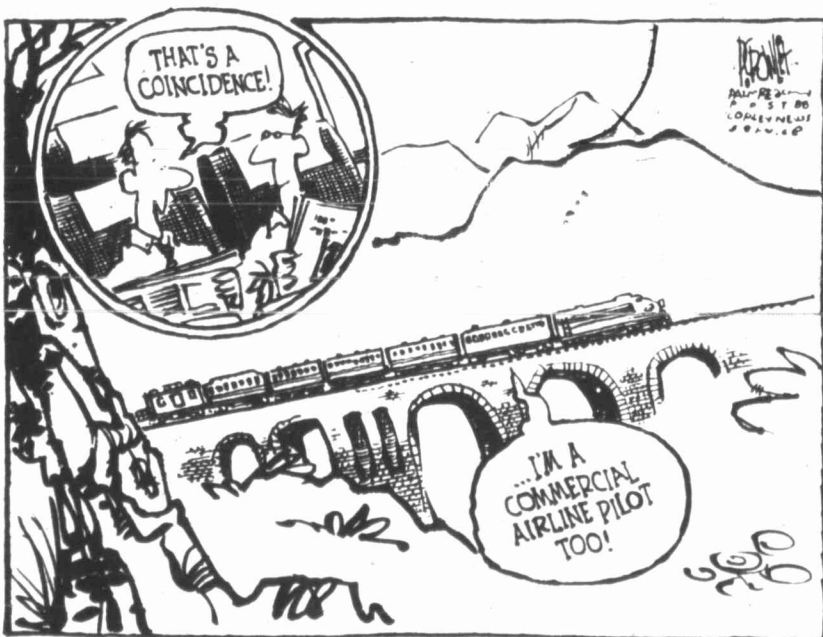
If that flow of capital from poor countries reflected growing economies better able to service foreign debt, it would be good news, but it's nothing of the sort. With both foreign investment and new credit drying up, that \$74 billion has come directly out of the standard of living of peoples already desperately poor. One result, according to a new report by the United Nations Children's Fund, is that governments have been forced to cut back health, welfare and education programs so drastically as to account for an additional 500,000 children's deaths each year.

Although the World Bank report doesn't say so explicitly, the debt strategy devised in 1985 by James Baker, then U.S. treasury secretary and soon to be secretary of state, isn't working. In large part that's because commercial banks have reduced lending in the Third World by three-quarters and are using much of that unlent money to build up reserves against the threat of defaults. To a limited extent, some countries, like Peru and Ecuador, have already taken that step by limiting debt repayments to a fixed percentage of export earnings. The threat of bigger defaults by larger debtors, moreover, is a plausible one. Carlos Salinas de Gortari, Mexico's new president, has warned that, in the end, "the interests of Mexicans are above the interest of creditors."

One approach to debt relief, cited in the World Bank report, is voluntary debt reduction on a case-by-case basis, and some banks have already taken such steps with some debtors: stretching out repayment periods, lending new money to help debtors keep up interest payments on old debt, conversion of debt to equity in local currencies. But these are patchwork solutions that do little to lower aggregate debt.

What's needed is a comprehensive approach that would, as a major element, grant across-the-board interest rate reductions to most Third World debtors. Yet so far neither governments nor banks in creditor nations are willing to contemplate such measures, in part out of a belief in holding to sound banking practices. Yet it was hardly sound practice when the big banks virtually threw their accumulating petrodollars at Third World countries in the wake of the multifold increase in oil prices in the 1970s.

A debt relief plan involving interest-rate cuts has long been advocated by Sen. Bill Bradley and others, but the Reagan administration has rejected it. President-elect George Bush's economic team is reviewing the Baker plan, but Bush seems to have ruled out more than marginal adjustments. One must hope his administration will be bolder than that. If not, the mounting pressure may force Third World governments to write down their unattainable burden unilaterally and burst the debt balloon — with unpredictable and potentially horrendous consequences for the world's financial system.



Mailbag

Good Samaritans appreciated

To the editor:
My wife and I found out this past Christmas that there is really a "Santa Claus."

We were returning to Big Spring from Dallas on Dec. 26, when our car ran out of gas and came to a stop on an overpass in Sand Springs.

Luckily, we had to wait only ten minutes to be rescued. A Texas Highway Officer parked his car behind ours and asked about our problem. When we told him, he said to hang in there, he would get some gas for us. He was gone about 15 minutes and returned with the gas. End of problem.

The purpose of this letter is to thank and commend that very nice

and courteous officer, who went the extra mile to help someone in distress.

We also wish to thank the gentleman who noticed that we were in trouble and came off the service road to offer to help.

An incident such as this surely rekindles one's faith in his fellow man.

Yes, we did fill up as we left Dallas, as we had done many times before, and this was the first time we had run out of gas.

Some good advice to everyone: Don't park on an overpass on an Interstate unless you are forced to do so. (The shoulder is very narrow).
MACK & THELMA UNDERWOOD
2401 Marcy Dr.



"Told you we'd get help as soon as the new administration finished moving here to Washington..."

Castro is not a fairy godmother

By WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY JR.

It is almost always touching when intellectuals gather together to formulate a public plea. They end by reminding us of Oliver Twist when he faced the beadle and asked for "more."

It was a very splashy and moving open letter, signed by 170 writers, actors and artists, urging Fidel Castro to hold a plebiscite on his rule. But the logic was inherently shaky, for the simple reason that it is by no means predictable that if Castro were to submit to a public vote, he would fail to get it.

Thirty years is a very long time, and during that period the hardy enemies of totalitarianism, to the extent they were able to manage it, simply left their homeland: Two million Cubans out of 10 million have fled to the United States. During those 30 years, no Cuban is left alone for a day without being reminded that Fidel Castro is the incarnation, the savior of the human race, the vessel of Latin American grace, the greatest orator since Demosthenes. (The above can be said at infinite length in Spanish.)

No one should have been surprised when Cuba's foreign minister replied to the public appeal by labeling it "absurd and inconceivable." Nor should we have been surprised when the spokesman for Castro carefully explained to us that the troth had been plighted by the Cuban people 30 years ago once and for all: In the Marxist world there is no retreat from history, even as, in Brezhnev's world, there was no such thing as an ex-socialist society. Once you cross the line, you have crossed it as definitively as a biological animal crosses a line when he loses his virginity. The status quo ante is inconceivable.

So? One more communist leader, in the style of Ceausescu of Romania, Zhivkov of Bulgaria, the late Hoxha of Albania. What great-

On the right

ly distresses is that the episode got everybody talking about "30 years of Castro" and damned if they didn't go and make, one more time, the usual mistakes. These have to do with the great benefits conferred by Castro on Cuba, never mind the unpleasant part of his regime.

In 1984, two considerable pieces were published probing Cuban claims to having made substantial gains for the common man in health and education. One was by Nick Eberstadt for *The Wall Street Journal* (Dec. 10); the second, by Norman Luxenburg for *Encounter* magazine (March).

Eberstadt quoted wearily from a study prepared by President Reagan's Commerce Department in 1982 that stated, "Cuba has succeeded in almost totally eliminating illiteracy" and that Cuba's health-care system "rivals that of most developed nations." *Encounter* magazine quoted a headline from the *London Times* that ran across five columns: "How Castro Has Created a Welfare State to Be Envyed." The lead sentence of that story ran, "Even Fidel Castro's harshest critics would have difficulty in belittling the progress made by Cuba's revolution, 25 years old on 1 January, in creating a welfare state worthy of a much richer country." Etc.

Mr. Luxenburg reminds us that "the Cuba of the late 1950s was far ahead of any other nation in the Caribbean and the Third World." He went on to quote a report from a

1977 House committee headed by then-New York Rep. Jonathan Bingham, who visited Cuba and was promptly brainwashed. The official report of the committee stated that before Castro there were "187,000 students" in Cuba and that the literacy rate under Castro had risen from 25 percent to 99 percent.

"However, in pre-Castro Cuba there were not 187,000 students, but about 1 million. The literacy rate was not 25 percent but 78 percent (source: Britannica, 1959 article on Cuba; U.N. Statistical Yearbook, 1960, 1962)."

In 1958, on the eve of Castro's taking power, Cuba's 6.6 million inhabitants had more than twice as many physicians as the 19 million residents of the other Caribbean nations combined. Between 1960 and 1976, "the number of doctors relative to population actually declined slightly in Cuba while increasing very greatly in the other Caribbean nations."

Mr. Eberstadt asks, "Are Cuban authorities deliberately falsifying statistics on their nation's infant mortality rate? No outsider can answer this question definitively: It is, however, worth remembering Cuba's past treatment of statistics designated as politically important by the revolutionary authorities. In the 1960s Cuba altered and deleted reports on the all-important sugar harvest 'to impede the enemies of the revolution,' as President Castro explained at the time."

But even if one accepted Castro's figures, the progress in his country cannot match the progress in other Caribbean nations, so what is there to celebrate, save the hope that the day will come when the mere mention of Castro's name calls to mind not only massive torture, political prisoners and a docile, obsequious press, but also a lifeless society, fallen behind in general welfare. Copyright 1989 Universal Press Syndicate

Toward a kinder, gentler America

By LEWIS GRIZZARD

George Bush has asked for a kinder, gentler America, and I want to do my part in 1989.

Understand that I am usually a kind and gentle person. I am kind to animals, except cats, and I am gentle when it comes to children, unless they are screaming in the seat behind me on an airplane.

But I must admit there are things that cause me not to be kind and gentle, and these are the things I want to learn to accept and be kinder and more gentle about in 1989.

Let us start at the beginning: Cats: the thing about cats is they are not to be trusted. A friend of mine's cat snuck behind me once and jumped on my head, causing me to spill the coffee I was drinking. It went all over my lap (the coffee). The cat stayed on my head and danced the merengue.

I did not handle the situation with kindness nor gentility. I reached up and removed the cat from my scalp and bit one of its ears off.

Ever tasted a cat ear? They're terrible. But I'm a new man now. If a cat jumps on my head in 1989, I'm not going to bite its ear off. I'm going to poison it, but with a quick-acting poison so it won't suffer for long.

Screaming children in airplanes: I'm not going to ask the flight attendant, "May I have a napkin so I can gag the scream-



Lewis Grizzard

ing child?" I'm going to buy the kid a drink. Maybe it will go to sleep.

People affiliated with certain religious organizations who ring my doorbell at an inappropriate time in order to save my soul: Normally I take out my Uzi machine gun and attempt to blow these people away. From now on, I'll fire a few warning shots before I attempt to blow these people away.

People who drive 8 miles an hour in the passing lane on interstate highways: I hate people who do that. They should be arrested and flogged. But that's the old me, not the kinder, more gentle me.

From now on I'm not going to get behind such people and pretend I've got machine guns behind my headlights and fire until the cars erupt in flames.

I'm simply going to take down their tag numbers and find out who they are, where they live, and then I'm going to their houses and bite their cats' ears off.

Around the rim

Father was there

By MICHAEL DUFFY
Staff Writer

The recent death of my father put into a clearer perspective many things that had been out of focus in my life.

A devout Roman Catholic, my father was also a strict disciplinarian who didn't believe in sparing the rod.

Perhaps his strident and absolute way of showing me and my two brothers who was in charge is the reason that I have the exact opposite philosophy on raising children.

What I have come to realize through the years, however, is that my father could never be faulted for his sincerity. What he did — even if at the time I believed it was misguided — was done because he was convinced it was right.

I alienated my father — and my family — for a number of years by my numerous excesses and indiscretions; however, they stood by me and attempted to help me.

When they finally realized that bailing me out and getting me out of trouble was not the solution, they tried a different approach.

They let me face things the hard way and I grew up in a hurry. The bottom line was this: They were always there when I truly needed them, and what more than that can you hope for from your parents?

My father and I had developed a stronger relationship, during the last four years of his life, than either of us had ever before known. Perhaps that is why his death has had such an effect on me.

I am not going to lie and say that my father was a perfect man. He could be maddening at times, but what I admired about him was that he always did what he believed to be right.

It was strange to stay in my parents' house — a home that had my father's touch etched throughout.

I often expected to see him walking into the living room.

The really remarkable thing about my father's death was that it rejoined the entire Duffy clan — peacefully. Arguing was a way of life and such a gathering would never have taken place while Dad was alive.

It was the reuniting of relatives and friends — some of whose relationships had been strained — that made a lasting impression.

It is often heard that Big Spring is a city on the decline; that it is full of criminals and thugs.

While I would be the first to admit that the Crossroads of West Texas does have its share of peculiar happenings, I will tell you from the heart: In my brief eight months in Big Spring I have not found a more compassionate, caring group of people anywhere I have ever lived.

And to the employees of the *Big Spring Herald* I would like to express my most sincere thanks for their support and understanding at a time when I needed it. I have never worked with a better group of people anywhere and feel fortunate to be surrounded by them.

Although I was born in Tulsa, Okla., and have lived there most of my life, I was glad to be returning to Big Spring Monday because I came to the realization: This city is my home.

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Bush to use historic Bible

NEW YORK (AP) — The Bible used for George Washington's swearing-in 200 years ago was put aboard a train Thursday for Washington, where George Bush will use it for his oath of office.

A four-member honor guard of Free and Accepted Masons carried the King James Bible printed in 1767.

The Masons of St. John's Lodge lent the Bible to Presidents Warren G. Harding, Dwight D. Eisenhower and Jimmy Carter for their inaugurations, said Allan Boudreau, director of the lodge-sponsored Livingston Library and Museum.

New York City was the capital

of the new nation when George Washington, a member of a Masonic lodge in Virginia, was inaugurated here April 30, 1789. His oath was administered by Robert R. Livingston, chancellor of New York state and the Masonic grand master.

The Bible originally contained a portrait of England's King George II. A picture of Washington was added in the mid-1800's, said Boudreau.

The Bible will be on exhibit in the White House until Jan. 20, then escorted by Masonic honor guard to the inauguration ceremonies.

Lotto winner gives to needy

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — The winner of the nation's single biggest lottery jackpot has formed a foundation to help the needy with some of her \$55.1 million.

"It's a dream I want to live on long after I'm gone," Sheelah Ryan said Thursday in announcing the formation of the private, non-profit Ryan Foundation.

Ms. Ryan, 63, of Winter Springs, said the foundation will provide

shelter for the homeless, help the elderly, feed the hungry and protect abused women and children.

The former real estate saleswoman won the jackpot in September. Although other jackpots since then have exceeded \$55.1 million, they have been split among multiple winners.

Ms. Ryan said she kicked off her foundation with "a substantial sum" of her winnings.

Officials seize record drug cash

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly \$20 million, most of it in neatly stacked \$20 bills, has been seized here in what authorities said was the largest cash haul in the history of the war on drugs.

Eleven people, allegedly members of a powerful Colombian drug cartel that controls cocaine distribution in the metropolitan area, were arrested in the raid Thursday.

"It is the largest cash seizure in a drug case in the world," said Robert Stutman, head of the Drug Enforcement Agency's New York office, at a news conference held among dozens of ordinary brown boxes brimming with \$20 bills.

"This is the result of people laying down \$20 a shot" for cocaine, he said.

Authorities believe the money was heading out of the country to be laundered. The 10 men and one woman arrested were charged with conspiracy to distribute narcotics.



RECORD CASH SEIZED

Northwest beaches fouled by spill

LA PUSH, Wash. (AP) — Gobs of oil continued to wash ashore in Washington and British Columbia two weeks after a spill from a tugboat-tanker collision that one official said could scar the coast for "months if not years."

As experts assessed the ecological damage to the Pacific Northwest, Shell Oil Co. estimated Thursday that a ruptured pipeline in Missouri spilled 840,000 gallons of oil Dec. 24 near a tributary of the Missouri River in one of the biggest inland spills in U.S. history.

Shell has recovered about 441,000 gallons, company spokesman Tony Canino said.

The state of Missouri is "probably headed for legal action" against Shell for not notifying officials immediately after discovering the rupture, a spokesman for the state Department of Natural Resources said.

In northwest Washington, experts hiked along the shoreline of Olympic National Park Thursday

to assess damage to fragile tidepools, kelp beds, rocky shores and wildlife from an estimated 231,000 gallons of bunker oil. The oil spilled after the Dec. 22 collision of a tugboat and a tanker in heavy seas two miles off Grays Harbor on the central Washington coast.

Evidence of the spill, which was washed up along 300 miles of coast from Newport, Ore., to Vancouver Island, British Columbia, will remain "a long, long time — months if not years," he said.



NUANCOLA, Pa. — The body of 14-year-old Eric Collam, who died of starvation, is carried from his home Wednesday. The parents and a sister remain hospitalized in serious condition, suffering from malnutrition.

Minister lets son starve rather than ask for help

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP) — An unemployed ex-minister who said he was too proud to go on welfare and expected God to provide for his family has been charged with murder in the starvation death of his 14-year-old son.

Larry Cottam and his wife, Leona, were charged Thursday with criminal homicide in the death of their son, Eric, who authorities said had not eaten in at least three weeks and weighed 69 pounds, about 80 pounds less than normal.

Dr. George E. Hudock, Jr., Luzerne County coroner, ruled the teen-ager's death a homicide.

"I don't hold God responsible," Larry Cottam said Thursday night from Mercy Hospital, where he and his wife and their 12-year-old daughter, Laura, were listed in serious condition with malnutrition. "The error was on my part, not God's."

"My wife and I feel terrible about Eric's death, but my faith in God is not shaken," said Cottam, who was arraigned at the hospital as he sat in a wheelchair with an intravenous tube running from his left arm.

Cottam, 39, a former Seventh-day Adventist minister who was fired from his job as a truck driver last March, rejected public assistance and refused to send his children to public school, where they would have qualified for school breakfast and lunch programs, neighbors and officials said.

Authorities found no food in the family's well-kept house, located in a middle-class, suburban neighborhood of northeastern Pennsylvania, when Cottam called police Wednesday night.

District Attorney Correale F. Stevens said he didn't consider the parents' deeply held religious beliefs a potential defense in the case.

"This is an absolutely sickening and horrendous situation," Stevens said.

"A son has died and he has died as the result of his parents' failure to provide him with the necessary life in terms of food, sustenance and support," Stevens said.

The Cottams were placed under guard at the hospital. They will be held without bail at Luzerne County Prison once they are released.

World

China's grain harvest falls again

BEIJING (AP) — China today said its 1988 grain harvest fell for the fourth straight year, putting in danger the nation's ability to feed its 1.08 billion people.

The official *China Daily* blamed the shortfall on one of the worst droughts in China's history and "lack of motivation" by peasants to plant more grain.

The State Statistical Bureau said 393.79 million tons of rice, corn, wheat and other grains were harvested last year, down from 1987's 402.98 million tons and only slightly higher than 1985 and 1986 harvests.

Grain production is a highly political issue in a country that only recently has been able to feed its fast-growing population. Emphasis on grain as "the key link" in the economy remains central to the ruling Communist Party's program. Failure to promote grain production cost officials their jobs.

Over the last decade, however, state investment has gone heavily to industry and infrastructure development at the expense of agriculture because it had better prospects for profit.

Mine believed cause of ship blast

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — A Saudi Arabian tanker broke in two today and its stern section sank after a mystery blast believed to have been caused by a drifting mine left six crewmen dead, authorities said.

The Sagheera was ripped by an explosion as it was sailing empty into the storm-whipped Strait of Hormuz, gateway to the Persian Gulf, en route for the Saudi port of Mina Saud. The blast started a fire aboard the tanker.

Shipping sources said the vessel later split in two and that

one of two salvage tugs that went to aid the blazing tanker was towing the bow section in the Gulf of Oman toward the Omani coast.

U.S. Navy officers have been warning for weeks that winter storms could tear mines, laid during the Iran-Iraq war, loose from their moorings, leaving them to drift into shipping lanes. The U.S. Navy has estimated as many as 200 mines were still believed to be in the gulf, mainly in northern waters, despite mine-sweeping operations by the U.S. and other navies in the strategic waterway.

Filipino troops storm garrison



FILIPINO TROOPS

ZAMBOANGA CITY, Philippines (AP) — Troops backed by tanks and armored personnel carriers today stormed a military garrison where Moslem captors were holding a senior commander and his chief of staff, witnesses said.

While there was no official report of casualties in today's fighting, Manila radio station DZXL said at least four people were wounded and one was killed. Firing continued two hours after the assault began.

A government negotiator said the assault was ordered after unconfirmed reports surfaced that one of the hostages, Brig. Gen. Eduardo Batalla, was dead.

Witnesses said firing broke out about an hour after a deadline set by the captors to resume negotiations for the release of Batalla and Col. Romeo Abendano, taken prisoner Thursday by a group of renegade Moslem policemen.

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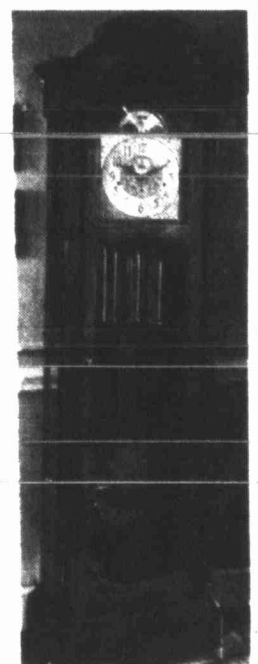
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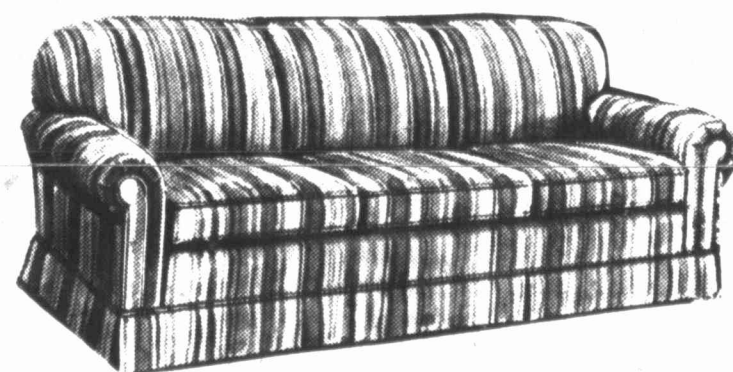
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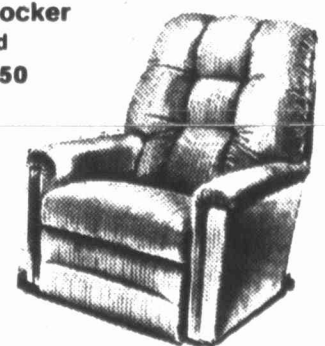
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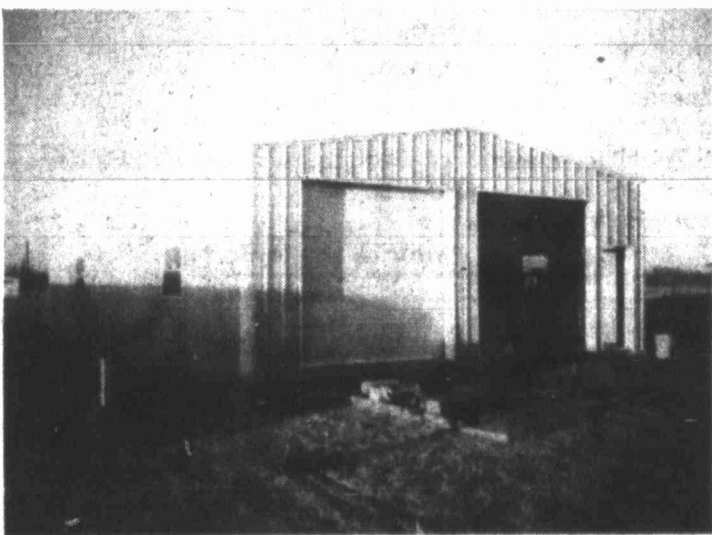
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 with a long white beard and a cane may
 still be in effect, but it's rapidly being
 replaced by their going to the senior
 citizen's center for lunch every day, playing
 bingo, doing aerobics and getting involved
 in political issues. In any case, our House
 of Worship reminds us that they deserve
 our attention and respect. Our children
 should be taught at an early age to be kind
 and considerate to all older people,
 whether related to them or not, and to
 listen to them. Sharing ideas and activities
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 take care of themselves. I think we
 should plan on putting them in a
 nursing home, although one of my
 sisters says she will take them into
 her home. How can we make up our
 minds about this? None of us really
 has any experience in dealing with
 these problems. - Mrs. J.L.

DEAR MRS. J.L.: Decisions of
 this type are never easy - and to
 some extent you may not be able to
 make them fully until the time ac-
 tually arrives. For example, under
 some circumstances your sister
 may well be able to take care of
 them in her home, but if one or both
 were to become seriously ill and
 need constant nursing care this
 might not be practical.

Let me encourage you first of all
 to include your parents in this
 discussion as much as possible.
 They have no doubt thought about
 it, and while they may be reluctant
 to face it, you at least need to know
 what their wishes are. (You want
 to be sensitive to their feelings, of

course, and not give them the im-
 pression that you are suddenly try-
 ing to take over their lives; any
 change can be upsetting for older
 people, and you want to avoid that
 as much as possible.)

Then remember that your goal is
 to do what is best for your parents
 - even if it is not the easiest thing
 for you. God's promises are clear:
 "Honor your father and your
 mother, so that you may live long
 in the land the Lord your God is
 giving you." (Exodus 20:12) Pray
 that God will give you wisdom. He
 alone knows what is best, and you
 should seek his will above all. In
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Holy humor

Exaggeration used to jolt listeners

By CECILE HOLMES WHITE
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON (AP) — "It is easier," Jesus Christ once said to the disciples gathered 'round him, "for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

Like many master humorists, Jesus used exaggeration, even hyperbole, to jolt his listeners, said the Rev. Wes Seeliger, a local Episcopal priest, cartoonist and humorist.

"People read that with glum seriousness," Seeliger said, "but that's one of Jesus' funnies. What Jesus did is a Gary Larson job. He acted out on the pious religious trap that people found themselves in."

Humor pervades Seeliger's life and theology. Sometimes it's blatant; other times, subtly satirical. Like other dry wits, he uses humor two ways: to poke fun at the church's foibles and to unmask its potential. To many Christians, his theology is unorthodox. But others agree with him that humor may be the most neglected element in the chemistry of Christianity.

What stumps Christians, Elton Trueblood, the eminent Quaker said, is that they're so sure Jesus is deadly serious. "A misguided piety," he said, "has made us fear that acceptance of his obvious wit and humor would somehow be mildly blasphemous or sacrilegious."

In the middle of a serious story, Trueblood said, Jesus might interrupt himself with an acute, sly insertion. An example: "But know this, that if the householder had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have been awake and would not have left his house to be broken into." (Luke 12:39)

"All of us know that it is easy to be smart when we are tipped off," Trueblood writes in 1975 edition of his book "The Humor of Christ," "and that to be forewarned is to be forearmed, but Christ delights us, in this case, by a fresh statement of the obvious."

But finding the humor in Scripture means surmounting a history of obstacles. For instance:

- The four gospels of the New Testament, the only real portraits of Jesus, stress the tragedy of Christ's death and passion. In the same spirit, most artists emphasized the somber when they began to produce speculative portraits of Christ. In both world and picture, the church, too, struck a serious chord.

- Biblical scholars see the Old Testament as a library of jokes, humor, puns, irony and satire. Woven into the Hebrew Scriptures, they say, is a "sense of playfulness" often lost to the modern reader, especially in translation.

"From a literary standpoint the book of Jonah is a comic masterpiece, delightful but also devastating in its humor, irony and satire," Conrad Hyers, a religion professor from Minnesota, said in a 1985 article for the short-lived theological jour-



Houston Episcopal priest Rev. Wes Seeliger uses humor to poke fun at the church's foibles and unmask its potential. Seeliger uses cartoons like the one above to reach his goals.

nal, L.I.G.H.T.

(Standing for Laughter in God, History and Theology, L.I.G.H.T. was edited by Robert J. Larremore. An experimental journal, it was published in Fort Worth and was designed to gauge interest in theology and humor.)

"When we look at the figure of Jonah," he said, "His self-centeredness and narrow-mindedness, his extreme behavior, his inverted sense of values, his self-contradictions, we laugh at him and in the process find that we are laughing at ourselves."

- Present-day American Protestants inherited their Puritan forebears' suspicion of humor,

humor," Layman said.

So toss out that theology and give Scripture another look, said Southern Baptist Tal D. Bonham of Columbus, Ohio.

"It was humor that drew me to Christ," he said. "The more faith I learned, the more humor I acquired," a knack he used in writing many books including "Humor, God's Gift" (Broadman Press, 1988; \$12.95.)

The word laughter, Bonham said, first shows up in the Bible in a context that would be equally ridiculous today. Turn to Genesis in which God tells Abraham that his wife, Sarah, age 90-plus, will have another child.

"What faith in God means is that we always assume that, no matter what situation we're in, that situation is bracketed by a much larger reality. One of the sure signs of idolatry is a lack of a sense of humor. Look at the photographs of Adolf Hitler. It's almost impossible to find one of him smiling," — Rev. Wes Seeliger

historians say. Play had little place in Puritan work and spirituality, and it seems humor was equally absent.

"The cumulative result has been a one-sided emphasis on the serious, at the expense of humor, laughter, joy and play," said scholar Fred D. Layman. (His article, first published in the Winter 1982-83 issue of the "United Methodist Seminarian," a United Methodist journal, also appeared in L.I.G.H.T.)

"Taboos have been erected around the sacred which involve the repudiation of comedy and

"Sarah, listening at the tent door, could not hold back the laughter," Bonham said. "When their baby was born, Abraham and Sarah named him Isaac, the Hebrew word for laughter or 'he laughs.'"

Other examples of the interplay among theology, faith and humor abound in Scripture, Bonham said. And for more proof that God has a sense of humor, just look at the world like humorist Grady Nutt.

"If God didn't have a sense of humor, the ostrich would put his head somewhere else when he got

upset and nervous," Nutt said. And when the ostrich sticks its head in the sand, he "does look strange, and I know God gets tickled everytime he hides."

Seeliger believes in using humor to teach theology the same way a parent might make a joke to gently reprimand a child. In his book, "Western Theology," (Pioneer Ventures Publishers, Houston, \$6.95,) he uses frontier images of settlers, pioneers, sheriffs and trail bosses to preach an eloquent, sometimes irreverent, sermon on what's right and wrong in church land.

In one section, he describes the Wild West saloon with a different twist. "The Olive Branch is the settlers' favorite hangout," Seeliger writes. "They go there when life gets dull, or when the feel lonely. Miss Dove tickles them under the chin and makes everything OK again."

But settling won't work in a life of faith, Seeliger said. The pioneer mentality — "Moving beyond where you are in spite of danger" — is the more creative way to live.

For humor points beyond itself to cosmic trust.

"When you laugh at something, what you assume is there is a context larger than the context you're in," Seeliger said.

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neighborly and hold closer to the Lord," Lemond said. "It also may be my deceased wife's Christmas present to me, her way of saying she's still with me in spirit."

Photographs taken a few days after Christmas display a light radiating a brilliant blue, beige and white diamond-shaped image.

Lemond says the image is "much clearer and more vivid when I've seen it," than it appears in the blurred photographs.

After New Year's Eve, he said, the blue light faded to a golden white, in which some spectators reported seeing a vision of Jesus with a thorned crown, along with occasional glimpses of the Virgin.

The light reflects off an overturned, white table lying near a shed at the back of the cluttered lot. "Everything has been like this for five years," said Lemond's son, Martin. "We've come out here at night and never seen it before."

Last weekend, the family showed it to some neighbors and to a Roman Catholic priest, the Rev. Donald Fest.

"I saw the blue-and-white configuration," said Fest, who viewed the light New Year's Eve. "It's possible that it's supernatural, but I'm not an expert. I can't explain it. I call it a curious phenomenon."

Church briefs

Mid-winter Bible conference set

Hillcrest Baptist Church will conduct its mid-winter Bible conference Jan. 15-18.

Sunday's services will be at 11 a.m. and from 6 to 7 p.m. Week night services will be from 7 to 9 p.m.

The conference's theme "Our

Saviour's Return," will be an in-depth study of the happenings and events of the last days.

Conference leader will be Rev. J.B. Hennigan, author of the book "Our Saviour's Return."

The public is invited. A nursery will be provided.

Concert, chili supper Saturday

The public is invited to First Church of the Nazarene's chili supper and concert Saturday evening.

Chili will be served from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults, and \$3 for children.

The Cardenas Family from Denver City will present their ministry in song and praise from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

They will continue their ministry

during Sunday worship services at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m.

The Anderson's, missionaries to Honduras, will present a program Wednesday at 7 p.m.

The public is invited. For more information, call the church office at 267-7015.

Smith presides; officers elected

The Women of the First Church of God met Monday for a monthly meeting.

President Anna Smith presided at the business session. Officers for 1989 were elected, they are:

Anna Smith, president; Nelda Reagan, stewardship coordinator; Virginia Moore, finance coordinator; Virginia Chappell, historian; and Ethel Hickson, friendship and enlistment.

Betty Reagan directed the program titled, "Health and Wholeness — A Christian Perspective," written by Kay Shively, associate secretary for the National Women of the Church of God,

Anderson, Ind.

The objective was to explore personal attitudes toward health and wholeness in comparison with scripture. Historical perspective shows that churches' response to illness, health and medicine have undergone much transition over the years.

Many denominations have led the way in establishing hospitals and clinics in the United States, as well as on the foreign mission field.

The unit will serve refreshments at the Veterans Administration Medical Center Jan. 31.

The next meeting will be Feb. 6.

Religion roundup

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The Earth is "under siege by the invasion of human products that destroy its atmosphere, its water, its flora and fauna," says a conference of 40 scientists and Christian theologians.

Citing damage to the ozone layer, degrading of land, pollution of water below and above ground, toxic materials injected into the air, deforestation intensifying droughts and floods, the conference says:

"God's earth faces a crisis: As the recognition of God's land ownership gave way to the notion of human ownership, land became a commodity. Humans began treating the land as a resource rather than a created partner."

The conference was jointly sponsored in November by the North American Conference on Christianity and Ecology and the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, embracing 161 Reformed and Presbyterian denominations totaling about 70 million members.

NEW YORK (AP) — The American Bible Society says another 100,000 Bibles and 50,000 Bible storybooks for children are to be shipped shortly to the All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians in the Soviet Union.

The request for the additional Bibles was made through the United Bible Societies, an international partnership of Bible societies. The new shipment will bring to 369,000 the number of scriptures sent to the Soviet Union in the last year.

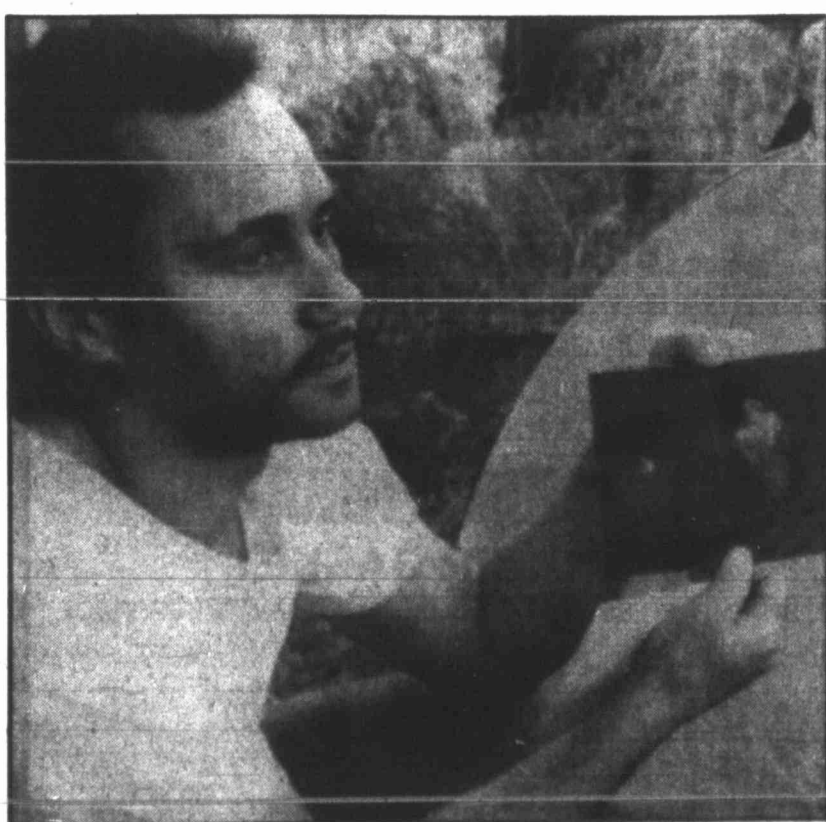
NEW YORK (AP) — Leaders of Conservative Judaism have urged continued support for Israel but withholding of financial support to ultra-Orthodox Jewish groups advocating amendment of Israel's "Law of Return."

They seek changes that would disqualify those converted to Judaism under Reform and Conservative auspices.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Southern Baptists now feel more free to speak out on social issues because they no longer bear the shame of racial segregation, says the head of the denomination's moral concerns agency.

The Rev. Richard Land, executive director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, told seminary students that Southern Baptists had hesitated to deal with social problems because of fear of being criticized for segregation.

Religious images draw hundreds to firewood yard



BARRETT STATION — Martin Lemond holds a photograph of the image produced by light on the tabletop behind him at his family's firewood yard in northeast Harris County. The Virgin Mary and Jesus Christ are depicted by the glowing light, according to dozens of observers.

BARRETT STATION (AP) — Spreading word of a "miraculous" glowing light and what many claim to be the images of the Virgin Mary or Jesus has drawn more than 1,000 people to a Harris County firewood yard since Christmas Eve.

The reported appearance of the light amid logs and stacks of bundled firewood has drawn increasingly larger crowds each night to this predominantly black community northeast of Houston.

"To me, it's a blessing," said Pat Reed, 46, a homemaker in Barrett Station. "I keep coming back for more. It's the most wonderful thing that's ever happened. I think it will help draw us together to serve God more."

The size of the crowds has prompted the Harris County Sheriff's Department to offer assistance with crowd control as cars begin stacking up at dusk and hundreds file into the site. Some of the curious and the faithful have stood vigil until dawn.

"I feel the light is pretty miraculous," said Joseph Lemond, 75, who adds he first saw it on Christmas Eve when he went to check equipment in the yard where he and his son operate a firewood business.

"I see the light as a way to bring people together, make them more

neighborly and hold closer to the Lord," Lemond said. "It also may be my deceased wife's Christmas present to me, her way of saying she's still with me in spirit."

Photographs taken a few days after Christmas display a light radiating a brilliant blue, beige and white diamond-shaped image.

Lemond says the image is "much clearer and more vivid when I've seen it," than it appears in the blurred photographs.

After New Year's Eve, he said, the blue light faded to a golden white, in which some spectators reported seeing a vision of Jesus with a thorned crown, along with occasional glimpses of the Virgin.

The light reflects off an overturned, white table lying near a shed at the back of the cluttered lot. "Everything has been like this for five years," said Lemond's son, Martin. "We've come out here at night and never seen it before."

Last weekend, the family showed it to some neighbors and to a Roman Catholic priest, the Rev. Donald Fest.

"I saw the blue-and-white configuration," said Fest, who viewed the light New Year's Eve. "It's possible that it's supernatural, but I'm not an expert. I can't explain it. I call it a curious phenomenon."

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Teen drinking parties concern parent

DEAR ABBY: High school football season recently ended, and I would like your opinion of a practice that has been going on for a number of years in our small New Jersey community.

The parents of the members of the football team provide "victory parties" for the team and cheerleaders. Beer and other alcoholic beverages are served. The host parents collect all the car keys as the teen-age guests arrive. The keys are returned only after the party-goers can prove that they are sober and capable of driving — otherwise, they must spend the night, or wait until they are sober.

The rationale: These kind of parent-supervised parties keep the drinking teen-agers off the streets and save lives. They say that if such parties were not provided in a "safe" environment, the kids would "party" somewhere else and possibly become a traffic fatality statistic.

In our state, the legal drinking age is 21.

What is your opinion, Abby? — **CONCERNED NEW JERSEY PARENT**

Dear Abby



DEAR CONCERNED: Serving teen-agers beer or any other kind of alcoholic beverages in one's home because "they would party somewhere else," is, in my view, both a feeble and unacceptable excuse. Furthermore, anyone who provides minors with alcohol is clearly in violation of the law and should be dealt with accordingly.

DEAR ABBY: Here are some suggestions for "Age Conscious," who doesn't know what to say when someone asks her how old she is:

1. "I am 21 and holding." (Given with a sweet smile.)
2. "Why do you need to know?"
3. "What makes my age your business?"
4. "When you pay my rent (or mortgage), I'll tell you my personal business!"

If all else fails and they still persist, this proves that they have the hide of a rhinoceros, so at this point give yourself permission to be as rude as they are, and just plain tell them to mind their own business.

The word will get around, and nobody will ever ask you a personal question again. — **AN OLD HAND AT TELLING PEOPLE OFF**

DEAR ABBY: Re: People who do not wish to tell people how old they are: I have a dear friend (now retired) who avoided revealing her age in the following manner:

Ms. Nosey: Ruth, just how old are you?

Ruth (leaning in near Ms. Nosey's ear): Can you keep a secret?

Ms. Nosey (expectantly): Yes! Ruth: Well, so can I. — **LAKE LAND, FLA.**

DEAR ABBY: Recently "Age Conscious" wrote to you asking how to deal politely with people who ask her how old she is.

What I find more difficult is answering people who ask me to "guess" their age. I feel put on the spot and never know quite how to

answer tactfully. Any suggestions? — **BOBBIE IN LANCASTER, CALIF.**

DEAR BOBBIE: Always "guess" their age to be 10 years younger than they look.

CONFIDENTIAL TO YOU: Happy New Year to you and yours. And just to make sure it will be a happy New Year for everyone else — if you're driving, don't drink. And if you're drinking, please don't drive.

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These may be worth a stamp

NEW YORK (AP) — By 1990, nearly 17 million children 6 years and younger will receive some form of child care outside the home, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, and millions of older children will be caring for themselves at least part of each day.

Two pamphlets are available to help parents sort out what they need in day care and what is provided by the more than 220,000 child care centers currently operating in the United States. They were prepared by the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Associates and Practitioners and by Lysol Brand Products.

(For a free NAPNAP Child Care Guide and/or NAPNAP Parent's Guide, write c/o Lysol Brand Products, P.O. Box 5990, Westbury NY 11592.)

Experts estimate that the numbers of school-age children who spend some time at home alone each day range from 2.1 million to 6 million.

The American Home Economics Association and the Whirlpool Foundation have joined forces to find alternatives in after-school programs for latchkey children through Project Home Safe.

They are working to train qualified home economists to work locally to assess needs; identify available resources and develop a plan to solve community problems of children in self-care; provide life-skills training for children in self-care; create a national awareness of the needs and problems of young children who care for themselves.

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Area briefs

Joint installation slated today

An open, joint installation of the Big Spring Assembly #211 Social Order of Beauceant, and Big Spring Commandery #31, Knight's

Templar will be conducted at 7 p.m. today at the Masonic Temple.

Members plan to serve cookies

American Association of Retired People met Tuesday at Kentwood Older Adults Activity Center.

The meeting was opened with a prayer, and President Lennis Couch read a poem.

Several members were absent because of illnesses.

Tommie and Earline Loveless,

and Averil Quigley will serve cookies Wednesday to patients at Mountain View Lodge at 2 p.m.

Dues were paid, and members enjoyed games of 42, dominoes and bridge.

A covered dish luncheon was served.

The next meeting will be Feb. 7.

Ferguson presents program

The 1941 Study Club of Coahoma met Monday in the fellowship hall of the Coahoma Church of Christ.

President Linda Denton introduced the special guests. Mary Rowell and Rita Rotan led members in the pledge of allegiance and the club collect.

Jean Wynn introduced Dale Ferguson, Sand Springs, who presented the program, "Quilt Showing — Reflecting and Appreciating the Past to Better Enjoy the Present and the Future."

Ferguson explained the history of quilting as she displayed several quilts, noting that the art of quilting has existed for over 6,000 years.

In the 1600s, early colonists brought quilts and quilted clothing to the New World, according to Ferguson.

Ferguson stated, "Every time we look at a quilt we should realize that it is a continuation of a tradition that has gone on for centuries. Also, every quilt we look at has a story behind it. For example, it may be a treasured wedding present, house-warming gift, or a grandmother's pride."

After the presentation, members examined the quilts' craftsmanship.

Jean Wynn and Judy Dobbs served as hostesses.

The next meeting will be Feb. 6 at New Horizon's Health Club.

Members meet for luncheon

Members of the Planters Garden Club met Jan. 4 at the home of Adele Tibbs for a "New Year's Black-eyed Pea" luncheon. Guests brought covered dishes of their favorite food.

Roll call was answered with plans for this year's flower gardens.

Members discussed how they could assist the Christmas in April program.

The next meeting will be Feb. 1 at 3 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Paul Guy. The program, "Cooking on the Concho," will be presented by Fannie Wilkerson.



Harrods sale

LONDON — Unidentified female shoppers scrambled for bargains at the china counter on the first day of Harrods annual winter sale. Several thou-

sand people waited outside for the doors to open, while 6,000 staff members prepared for the rush.

Child safety seats often neglected

From **BETTER HOMES and GARDENS**
A Meredith Magazine

Despite mandatory-use laws in all states, many parents still don't buckle their kids into child safety seats correctly — or at all. If they did, 500 young lives could be saved a year. Better Homes and Gardens magazine tells what parents should know about child seats and restraint laws.

"Failing to secure your child is really a form of child abuse," says Larry Michael Ellis, director of the highway safety program in Tennessee, the first state to pass a restraint law. All 50 states have such laws today.

According to the National Highway Safety Administration, child safety seats saved at least 200 lives last year and prevented 28,000 serious injuries. If all parents correctly used child seats, at least 500 lives a year would be saved.

But many parents still don't comply with their state's laws, or they use the restraints incorrectly. Here's how parents can protect their children:

Child seats not only help prevent a child from being thrown about the car. They also help soften the impact of a crash and distribute the forces more evenly over the child's fragile body.

Note: Holding a child in one's arms isn't safe. According to Carol Dingley, of Cosco, Inc., simulated-crash tests at the

University of Michigan demonstrated that adults were unable to hold onto a dummy "baby" at 15 mph. And at 30 mph, the force of the accident can cause a child to be crushed between an adult and the dashboard or seat back.

Most experts agree that some form of safety seat should be used until the child is large enough to be comfortably and safely buckled up by a car's own seat belt. And, of course, parents must comply with

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their state law's guidelines. Children's safety seat regulations vary in terms of age (typically, up to age 4 or 5, weight, and height). Check state statutes carefully.

A car safety seat holds a child in an erect or semi-reclined position comfortably, with a shield or harness securing the child just as a seat belt does. All seats manufactured since 1981 must meet federal guidelines, but there are substantial differences between models. Prices run from \$20 to almost \$100, depending on the type of seat,

quality and features.

Infant-only seats work for babies up to 17 to 20 pounds. These seats rest the child in a semi-reclined position and must always face to the rear. (A baby's back is much better able to absorb the impact of a crash.) Be sure the seat has an FMVSS 213 label on it.

Note: Don't expect infant carriers to do double-duty in the automobile, even for that first trip home from the hospital. They are not designed to buckle into a car, nor do they have the restraints needed to protect a baby in a collision.

Convertible car safety seats are today's most popular design because they adapt easily from birth until about age 4 or until the child reaches about 40 pounds or 40 inches. The seats face backward for small infants, then forward, once the child reaches 17 to 20 pounds. That gives increasingly active children more of a view, helps keep them satisfied and less likely to fuss.

Auto booster seats provide added support to children who have outgrown convertible seats. Reversible boosters provide two heights to accommodate a child's growth. Most boosters use some sort of shield to reinforce the car's own safety belt. Continue to use a booster until the child is tall enough so that the midpoint of his or her head reaches the top of the seat back.

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NCAA lays penalties on OSU

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — The NCAA today placed Oklahoma State's football program on four years probation, barring the Cowboys from postseason play for three years and keeping them off live television for two years.

The NCAA's Committee on Infractions found that the sanctions, viewed in conjunction with non-compliance in the past 15 years, warranted the elimination of three conference home games and a limit of eight total games in 1989. However, the committee said it would not apply that penalty because of the cooperation by

Oklahoma State's current administration and coaching staff.

The committee, citing more than 40 rules violations, also limited to 20 the number of scholarships Oklahoma State can offer in the 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92 academic years. Schools usually can offer 25.

The Cowboys, coming off a season in which they finished 11th nationally and had their first Heisman Trophy winner in tailback Barry Sanders, also will be limited in the number of paid recruiting visits they can offer in 1989-90 and 1990-91.

The violations primarily involved former members of Oklahoma State's assistant coaching staff, a former athletic department academic counselor and at least 14 boosters. One of the boosters was a former member of the university's board of regents, the report said.

The report said the university must show cause why it should not be subject to additional penalties if it does not disassociate the boosters from the athletic program.

The report said Oklahoma State admitted or accepted responsibility for nearly all of the 40-plus viola-

tions "in an unusual investigation that was conducted in the cooperative spirit expected" of NCAA members.

The probation comes three weeks after the NCAA hit the University of Oklahoma with three years' probation. The Sooners cannot play in bowl games after the 1989 and 1990 seasons, will be kept off live television in 1989 and must reduce their scholarships and paid recruiting visits.

Some believed Oklahoma State's penalty would not be much more severe than the Sooners'. Oklahoma State officials said they

believed their cooperation with the NCAA would hold them in good stead with the Committee on Infractions.

David Berst, the NCAA's enforcement director, said he believed the penalties levied against Oklahoma State are the most severe since the NCAA lowered the so-called death penalty on Southern Methodist University in 1987.

All of Oklahoma State's programs are subject to the death penalty if major violations are found in the next five years. Berst said he believes the committee in-

tends to keep an eye on Oklahoma State for longer than the five years mandated in NCAA rules.

Twelve NCAA schools were placed on probation in 1988, including Oklahoma, Texas A&M and Kansas.

Oklahoma State's football staffs and athletic representatives have been operating "without regard for NCAA rules for most of the period since 1972," the NCAA's report said.

In 1978, the Cowboys were placed on two years' probation for violations similar to the present viola-

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Mavericks lose star forward

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas drug counselor had been Mavericks forward Roy Tarpley's companion on road trips this season.

But Tarpley "had another slip," team officials said Thursday, and voluntarily placed himself for the second time in the care of the NBA's drug treatment center.

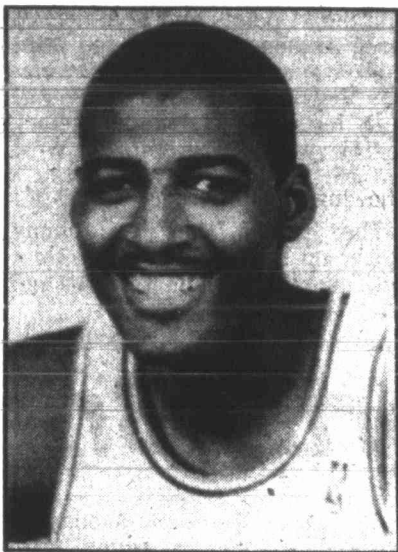
Tarpley, the team's No. 1 draft pick in 1986 and a member of the NBA's All-Rookie team that season, was suspended indefinitely without pay.

"He did not follow the after-care program established by the drug counselors," said Mavericks General Manager Norm Sonju.

Under the league's anti-drug agreement, if Tarpley steps forward a third time or if he fails to follow his after-care program he will be dismissed from the league immediately, although he could reapply for admission after a two-year suspension.

Tarpley flew to the treatment center in Van Nuys, Calif., Thursday from Phoenix, where the Mavericks play the Suns tonight.

Tarpley sought substance abuse counseling in June 1987, and was treated for a problem in September of that year. He won the NBA's Sixth Man Award for the 1987-88 season, the league's highest honor for a non-starting



ROY TARPLEY

player.

Tarpley missed the team's first 14 games of the 1988-89 season with a knee injury, returned Dec. 13 and has since averaged 14.8 points and 10.6 rebounds.

Tarpley, 24, informed counselors Wednesday night in Phoenix that he needed professional help.

"People don't understand," teammate Rolando Blackman said of Tarpley during the 1987 season. "Roy is just young. Really young. He's just like a big kid."

Mavericks officials would not elaborate on Tarpley's "slip"

and referred such questions to NBA physician Dr. Dave Lewis. Lewis did not return a call from The Associated Press Thursday.

Gary Bettman, vice president and general counsel for the NBA, also declined to elaborate on the nature of Tarpley's problem.

"After it's already been made public that a player has voluntarily sought treatment, there's no reason to go into all the gory details," Bettman told the Dallas Times Herald.

The Dallas Morning News quoted anonymous sources as saying that Tarpley's latest problems were cocaine-related.

"It's not a daily thing, but it seems like there are moments of weakness," one of the persons requesting anonymity told The News.

Sonju and team vice president Rick Sund would not give details of Tarpley's after-care program.

"He has had ups and downs with his after-care program, which we have modified and changed for the betterment of Roy Tarpley's after-care. As a result, he stepped forward and told his counselors he needed some additional help," Sund said.

"He's got to lick alcohol and cocaine every day of his life," he added. "And the only way he can basically lick that is to comply with the after-care. And in a nutshell he's going to have to be able

to do that better than what he's been doing here."

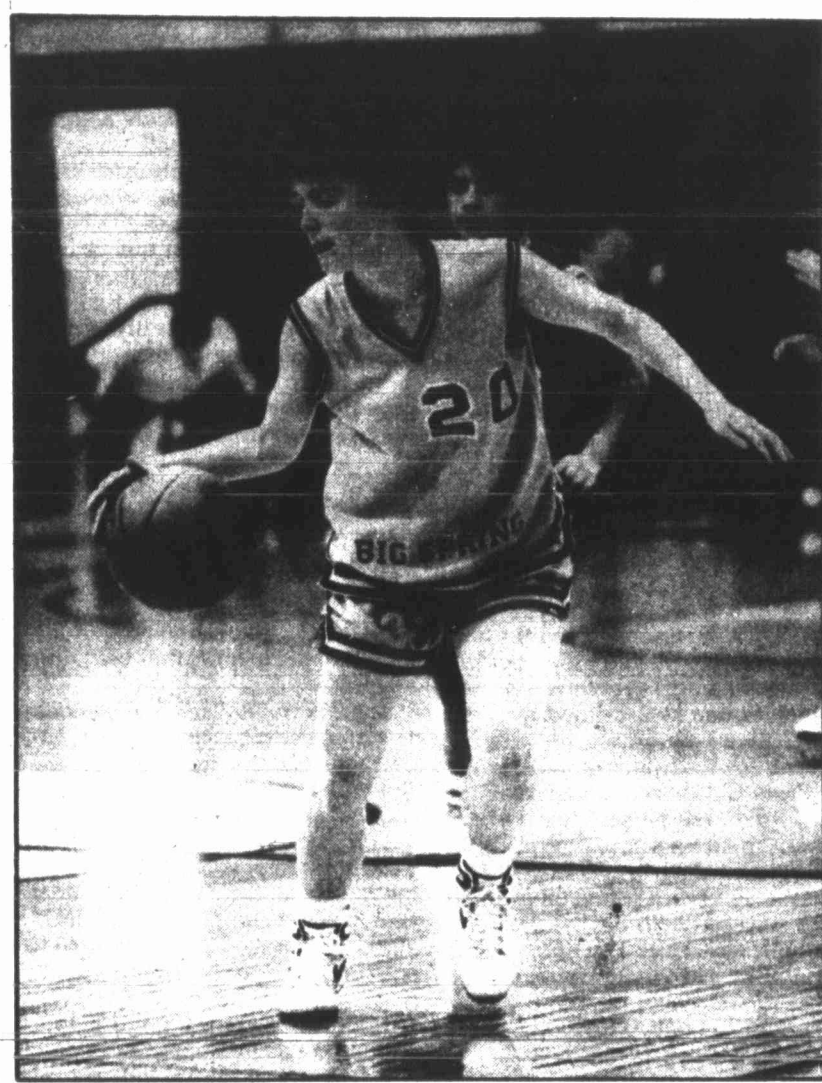
The Mavericks decided before the season that drug counselor Ronnie Horowitz would accompany Tarpley on the first extended road trip of the season and then random trips the remainder of the season.

Horowitz traveled with the team on its five-game road trip in mid-December. Tarpley's first trip since returning from the injury. But the Mavericks chose not to send Horowitz with Tarpley on the road trip that began in Sacramento Tuesday.

Tarpley is the first player to be suspended this season under the anti-drug agreement, although Chris Washburn of Atlanta and William Bedford of Detroit both were suspended during pre-season play.

Sund and Sonju said they did not know how long Tarpley will undergo counseling and whether he would return to basketball.

The NBA's anti-drug agreement states that if a player voluntarily comes forward with a drug or alcohol problem, he can undergo treatment without penalty. A player coming forward a second time, as Tarpley did, is suspended without pay during treatment but suffers no further penalty. Subsequent use results in dismissal from the league.



Herald photo by J. Fierro

Bringing it down

Big Spring Lady Steers Shana Brasel brings the ball downcourt in a game earlier this season. Tonight the Lady Steers will host Monahans at 7:30 p.m. in Steer Gym. The Steers will be in Monahans tonight in a game that starts at 7:30.

Rookie leading Tournament of Champions

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Andrew Magee, the leader, shrugged away as insignificant any suggestion of rookie domination of the exclusive Tournament of Champions.

"It's just the first round. We (the rookies) have been taking a break. The other guys have been running all over the world playing in those big-money tournaments in Australia and so on. They're just laying back there. They'll get with it," Magee said Thursday after a 4-under-par 68 that set the first-round pace in the event that features only the winners of PGA Tour events from the last 12 months.

He was joined at the top of the leaderboard by Steve Jones, Chip Beck, Bob Lohr and PGA title-holder Jeff Sluman, each making his first appearance in this elite event, the kickoff tournament on the 1989 PGA Tour schedule.

Beck and Jones were one stroke back of the leader at 69. Lohr and Sluman were at 70.

Ben Crenshaw, the only veteran among the leaders, also had a 70 on an erratic effort that included an eagle-2, four birdies, a double bogey and two bogeys.

Masters champion Sandy Lyle of Scotland and Australian Greg Norman were in a large group at 71.

Curtis Strange, the current U.S. Open champion and the first man to go over \$1 million in earnings in one season, had nothing but difficulties in weather that became colder and more windy as the day progressed. Strange didn't have a birdie and was tied for last place in the 32-man field with a 77.



Associated Press photo

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Current Andrew Magee reacts after missing a putt on the 17th hole during the first round of the Tournament of Champions Thursday.

Magee, 26, got one of his six birdies by holing out a 40-foot bunker shot on the ninth hole and took the lead alone on the 16th with a shot from the rough that bounced over a bunker, caromed off a bank and onto the green, setting up a birdie.

"A couple of breaks there. You tend to forget those sometimes," Magee said. "I'm just thrilled to death to get the day over with. I didn't want to start out with an 80 or something."

In a separate but simultaneous competition for Seniors Tour winners, Dale Douglass took a three-stroke lead with a solid 67.

The first man off the tee, Douglass said he was fortunate to have played before the weather deteriorated.

Walt Zembriski and Australia Bruce Crampton each had 70's to share second in the 14-man field of players 50 and older.

Defending champion Dave Hill shot 73 and Arnold Palmer, making his first appearance in four years in this event, was well back at 75, three over par.

The tournament is sponsored by Mutual of New York.

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Trinity Valley slaughters punchless Hawk-Queens

The Howard College Hawk-Queens found how just why Trinity Valley is ranked third in the nation. That's because Trinity Valley whipped the Queens 103-50 in the opening round of the Odessa College tournament Thursday afternoon.

Trinity Valley's press was simply too much for Howard to handle. Howard committed 35 turnovers in the game, including 22 in the first half.

Howard opened the game by turning the ball over four straight times, and Trinity Valley scored on all four turnovers. By the 10 minute mark, Trinity Valley led 34-8.

Trinity Valley helped its own first half cause by making 26 of 46 field goal attempts for 56 percent. Meanwhile, Howard made just seven of 29 field goals for 24 percent. Trinity Valley also shot well from the line, making 22 of 29 foul shots. Howard made only seven of free throws attempts. Howard also was out rebounded 51-33.

"It was by far the worst we've played all year," said Howard

coach Don Stevens. "I really expected us to play them good. They (Trinity Valley) had beaten Odessa twice, by one and two points. We beat Odessa so I figured it would be a good game."

"It seems we forgot everything we were supposed to do. We just weren't ready to play."

Howard, 8-8 for the season, will play Western Oklahoma today at 3 p.m. Western Oklahoma lost to Odessa, 97-51. In other action, it was Panola 65, Eastern Oklahoma 58 and Central Arizona 70, Western Texas 66.

HOWARD (50) — Cindy Johnson 20 4; Jennifer Johnson 10 2; Tami Hood 10 2; Kelly Korneagy 0 2 2; Linda Waters 20 4; Monique Cook 10 2; Candice Boyd 12 4; Ana Carroll 12 4; Kristen Hedlund 10 2; Stephanie Fletcher 8 0 7; Anita Wilkins 21 7; Shannon Lawson 20 4; Allana Cummings 30 6; totals 21 7 50.

TRINITY VALLEY (103) — Mitri Williams 30 6; Mo Hickman 63 15; Rene Island 23 7; Rachel Ritchey 71 17; Dee Holland 11 3; Cynthia Spencer 82 18; Lesa Butler 0 3 3; Cynthia Tyler 20 4; Cheryl Hint 67 19; Rhonda Whitfield 31 7; Denise Arnold 20 4; 40 22 103.

HALFTIME — Trinity Valley 65, Howard 18.

Texas A&I running back heads little All-Americans

Junior running back Johnny Bailey of Texas A&I was named to the Associated Press Little All-America college football team to day for the third year in a row.

Bailey led the NCAA's Division II with 144.2 yards a game — 1,442 yards on 229 carries. He also scored 15 touchdowns.

The only other repeater from 1987 is center Mike Favor, one of three players from North Dakota State's national Division II champions on the 1988 team.

The Little All-America team is composed of players from Divisions II and III of the NCAA and all NAIA schools.

The quarterback is Portland State's Chris Crawford, who completed 177 of 290 passes during the regular season for 2,265 yards and 16 touchdowns, with only nine interceptions. The other running back is Wagner's Terry Underwood, who led Division III with 1,809 yards on 245 carries in nine

games — he averaged 201 yards a game — and also shared the division scoring lead with 21 touchdowns.

The wide receivers are Otis Amy of Austin College and Troy Slusser of Washburn. Amy caught 74 passes for 1,231 yards and 11 touchdowns while Slusser had 63 receptions for 1,394 yards and 19 TDs. The tight end, Portland State's Barry Naone, caught 48 passes for 530 yards.

The rest of the offensive team consists of offensive linemen Joe Billingsley of Jacksonville State, Ken Bonner of Wittenberg, Rod Mounts of Texas A&I and Matt Tracy of North Dakota State and placekicker Tracy Bennett of Mesa State.

The defensive unit consists of linemen Emanuel McNeil of Tennessee-Martin, Mike Parker of Allegheny, John Randle of Texas A&I and Mike Stumberg of Central Iowa.

Chiefs coach fired after two losing seasons

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — If Carl Peterson has decided who the next coach of the Kansas City Chiefs will be, he isn't saying.

"I have a short list and a long list," Peterson said Thursday after making the expected announcement that Frank Gansz was fired. "Obviously, I have some specific people in mind. I have not spoken with anyone yet and I have not ask-

ed for permission to speak with anyone whose team is involved in its season.

"I think I have an idea where I want to go. But now there are some things for me to do in regards to evaluating those potential head football coaches."

The new man will be the fifth head coach since 1977 for one of the NFL's most consistent losers.

Gansz' departure was assumed last month after Peterson was named president and general manager in a front office shakeup that saw Jack Steadman resign as president and Jim Schaaf fired as general manager.

Gansz, 50, had a two-year record of 8-22-1, including a 4-11-1 mark this year as his Chiefs became the only team in the NFL without a vic-

tory on the road. He was not available for comment.

"This decision was one that I have come to after what I believe was an in-depth, thorough and hopefully fair evaluation," Peterson said at a news conference.

"Frank Gansz is a man of integrity, talent and as fine a person as I

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Stanford upsets No. eight Arizona, 83-78

By The Associated Press
Somebody switched channels during the Arizona-Stanford basketball game.

"The first half was the Sean Elliott show and I would say the second half was the Todd Lichti show," Stanford coach Mike Montgomery said Thursday night after his Cardinal beat the eighth-ranked Wildcats 83-78.

He may not sound like a network programming director, but he was right.

Elliott made his first four shots from 3-point range and he contributed eight points in an early 15-point Arizona run that gave the Wildcats a 21-4 lead with 11:46 left in the first half. He finished with 35 points, one short of his career-high. Lichti sat back like a producer waiting for a chance to replace a show in midseason.

He scored 27 of his career-high 35 points in the second half and at one point scored 11 straight points for the Cardinal, who snapped Arizona's 14-game winning streak in Pac-10 Conference play.

Arizona, 8-2 overall and 3-1 in the conference, led 44-34 at halftime. But Stanford, 9-3 and 2-1, outscored the Wildcats 18-7 to start the second half and then turned to Lichti.

Lichti gave Stanford the lead for

good with 7:27 remaining as he defied the odds on a 1-on-3 fast break for a layup and three-point play that made it 63-60. He then hit four more free throws and two baskets in the next 2:14 for a 71-62 Cardinal lead.

"It's almost incredible to me that we could overcome a 17-point deficit to a team as good as Arizona," Montgomery said. "I told the players at halftime to do a better job of getting the ball to Todd, and they did."

In other games involving ranked teams, No. 1 Duke 101, Davidson 53; No. 6 North Carolina 87, DePaul 67; No. 9 Iowa 93, Michigan State 82; No. 12 Nevada-Las Vegas 79, New Mexico State 58, and No. 16 North Carolina State 73, Clemson 65.

Stanford beat Arizona last season when the Wildcats held the No. 1 position in the poll.

"This year was different from last year," said Lichti, who made all 15 of his free throws. "I really thought we should win this year."

Arizona coach Lute Olson said his team played "less than intelligently," particularly in repeatedly fouling Lichti.

"In the first half we were the aggressors, but in the second half they (Stanford) did a great job,"

Olson said. "The big thing they did was get the ball in Lichti's hands."

"There were two great players on the court and they showed it."

No. 1 Duke 101, Davidson 53
The top-ranked Blue Devils cruised despite having played at Washington just 48 hours earlier. Danny Ferry led Duke, 10-0, with 18 points and nine rebounds as it dominated inside against the Wildcats, 4-8.

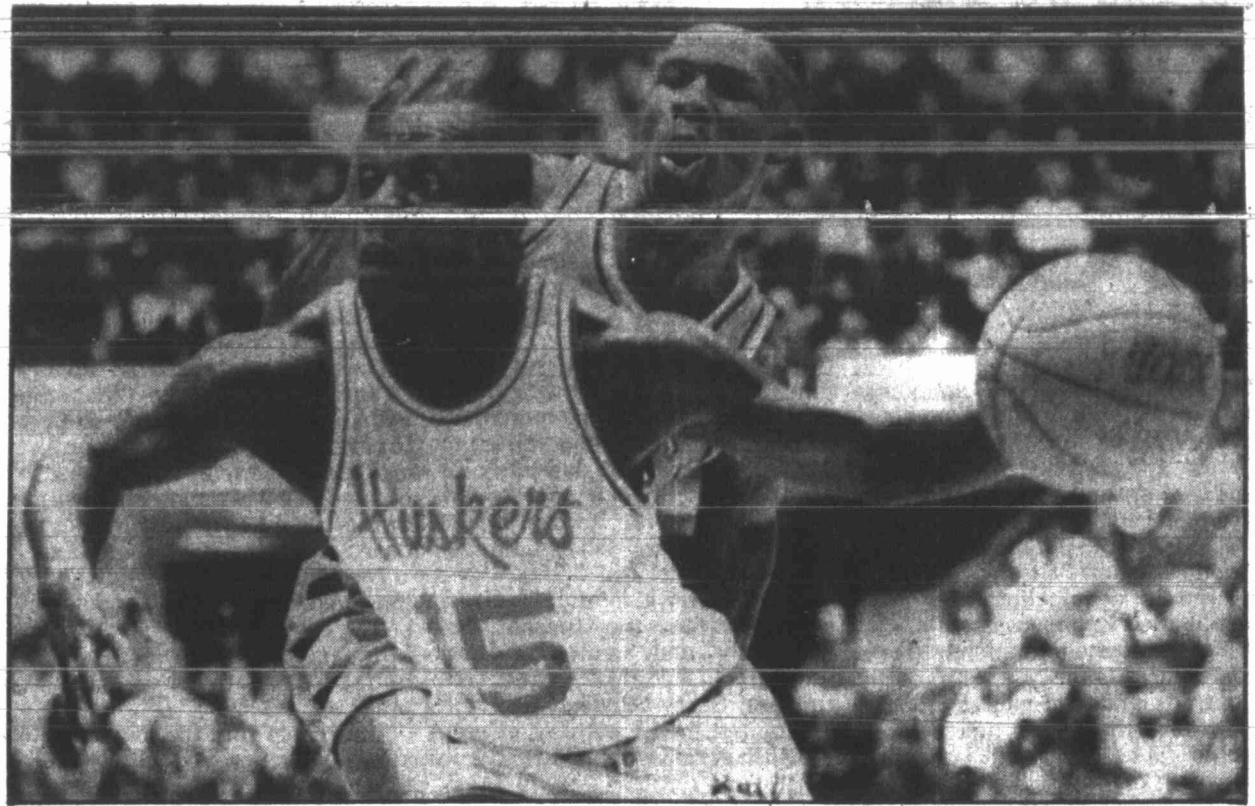
Christian Laettner added 14 points for Duke, while Robert Brickey had 13. Phil Dennmond was the only Davidson player in double figures with 14 points.

No. 6 North Carolina 87, DePaul 67
The Tar Heels won their 11th game in a row and improved to 13-1 as DePaul never got closer than 14 points in the second half. Steve Bucknall scored 15 of his 21 points in the first half, while Kevin Maden added 18 and J.R. Reid 15.

The Blue Demons, led by Stanley Brundy's 23 points, lost to a ranked team for a fifth time this season and fell to 8-6.

No. 9 Iowa 93, Michigan State 82
Roy Marble's 24 points — seven in the last five minutes — led the Hawkeyes in the Big Ten Conference basketball opener for both schools.

Michigan State, 9-2, pulled within



LINCOLN, Neb. — Nebraska guard Eric Johnson drives around Sam Houston State's Dennis Green in first half of Thursday's non-conference game. Nebraska won the game 89-70.

three points with 5:38 to play, but Iowa, 12-1, went on a 6-0 run with Marble scoring four of the points to lead 80-71.

Ken Redfield scored 24 points to lead Michigan State before fouling out with 2:30 left.

No. 12 Nev.-Las Vegas 79, New Mexico State 58

The Runnin' Rebels won their 12th straight game over New Mexico State behind the 14 points of

freshman guard Anderson Hunt and the 11 points and 10 assists of Greg Anthony, who suffered from muscle spasms this week. Nevada-Las Vegas improved to 8-2 overall with its seventh straight victory and has won all four of its Big West games.

The Aggies, led by Johnny Roberson and Steve McGlothlin with nine points each, fell to 8-4 and 1-1.

No. 16 North Carolina State 73, Clemson 65

The Wolfpack scored the game's final 10 points as coach Jim Valvano's defensive strategy turned out to be the key to their sixth straight victory.

With 8:30 to play, Clemson led 61-55 and 6-foot-9 forward Dale Davis had 20 points. Valvano went to a box-and-one with 6-1 Chris Corchiani on Davis and the Tigers' offense was shut down.

Cavs win 10th straight

By The Associated Press
Cleveland played the perfect defense against Michael Jordan, which is one reason the Cavaliers ran their club-record winning streak to 10 straight games.

Craig Ehlo was the man assigned to Jordan, but he said there was a team plan against the NBA's fourth-highest scorer.

"We've been working on pushing him towards help for the past two days," Ehlo said Thursday night. "He just wasn't as aggressive as he

the middle, where he had help if I penetrated. Every time I beat him, he had help."

Elsewhere, it was San Antonio 119, Philadelphia 104; Seattle 120, Sacramento 106, and Denver 131, Golden State 129.

Cleveland's Ron Harper scored seven straight points as the Cavaliers snapped a 90-90 tie late in the fourth period. He made a scoop shot, a short jumper, a free throw and a fast break layup off a steal to put the Cavs up 97-90 with 1:40 to play.

Jordan's 3-pointer got Chicago within four points with 28 seconds left, but the Bulls could get no closer.

"I came back off the bench fresh with five minutes left," Harper said. "Coach (Lenny Wilkens) gave me a chance to rest and get my mind back into the game."

Cleveland extended its club record for consecutive victories in one season and matched the record of 10 over two seasons it had set in 1977-78 and 1978-79.

Larry Nance led Cleveland with 24 points and Harper scored 20.

Sonics 120, Kings 106

Dale Ellis scored a career-high 49 points, including the first two baskets of Seattle's nine consecutive field goals without a miss in the fourth quarter, and the Sonics won their ninth consecutive game at home. The Sonics outscored the Kings 34-20 in the final period, which started with the game tied at 86.

Jim Petersen paced the Kings with 23 points.

Nuggets 131, Warriors 129

Alex English scored five of his 37 points in an 11-4 fourth-quarter run that snapped a 105-105 tie and to lead Denver to its 12th straight home victory over the Warriors, who have not won in Denver since April 5, 1984.

Walter Davis added 31 points for the Nuggets, while Chris Mullin led Golden State with 35 points.

Spurs 119, 76ers 104
Rookie Willie Anderson scored a career-high 36 points as San Antonio handed Philadelphia its fourth straight loss.

Anderson, who hit 18 of 26 shots, scored 10 of his points in the first 5:22 of the third period. Then, after Philadelphia moved ahead 70-69,

receiver Hart Lee Dykes of Oklahoma State and place kicker Kendall Trainor of Arkansas. All-American Broderick Thomas of Nebraska will anchor the West defense.

Both Aikman, who passed for 2,599 yards and 23 touchdowns, and Peete, 2,654 yards and 18 touchdowns, say the Hula Bowl probably won't affect their status as NFL prospects.

"Both of us — we were talking — we're here to have fun and have a good time meeting the great players we play against across the country," Peete said.

"I've played 24 games the last two years with UCLA and I think that speaks for itself," Aikman said. "I don't think the Hula Bowl is going to make me or break me."

Anthony Dilweg of Duke, the Atlantic Coast Conference player of the year, and Iowa's Chuck Hartlieb are the quarterbacks for the East.

Lou Holtz of Notre Dame coaches the East, while Baylor's Grant Teaff coaches the West.

Hula Bowl set for Saturday

HONOLULU (AP) — Sixty-eight college football players hope to impress pro scouts with individual efforts in Saturday's Hula Bowl, but many say that goal doesn't make winning the all-star classic any less important.

Dozens of scouts are on hand to see quarterbacks Troy Aikman of UCLA and Rodney Peete of Southern Cal lead the West against an East squad that fields six All-Americans on defense, including award winners Tracy Rucker of Auburn and Derrick Thomas of Alabama.

"Everybody's out there first of all to have a good time and play well, but you go out to win," said Mike Utley, an All-American offensive guard from Washington State who will play for the West.

"If you make a team of a bunch of all-stars, you're going to be a good football team, but if you get a bunch of all-stars playing as all-stars they ain't going to win," Utley said.

Some players say trying hard Saturday is simply a matter of survival.

"If you slack off a little bit, that's when you get hurt," said Frank Stams, an All-American defensive end from national champion Notre Dame. "Whenever you step on the field you play to win."

The players have been treated to hula lessons, banquets, sight-seeing trips and hours on the beach, but Rucker insists that come gametime the hits will be real.

"We're all looking to have fun," Rucker said. "But all of us want to do well. I think it's going to be a real exciting game."

Rucker, a 6-foot-3, 270-pound defensive tackle, captured the Outland Trophy for the outstanding interior lineman and the Lombardi Award for outstanding lineman. The 6-4, 230-pound Thomas won the Butkus Award, presented to the nation's outstanding linebacker.

Other All-Americans on the East defense are tackle Mark Messner of Michigan, cornerback Deion Sanders of Florida State and free safety Louis Oliver of Florida.

The West has three All-Americans on offense: Utley, wide

Indiana coach already on the job

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Within 24 hours of his arrival in Indianapolis, Dick Versace was conducting his first practice as the new head coach of the Indiana Pacers.

"Rome wasn't built in a day," Versace told the team Thursday afternoon, "but we have to play tomorrow night."

Versace, who had been chief assistant coach with the Detroit Pistons, becomes an NBA head coach for the first time and inherits a team with the second-worst record in the league.

Yet through his rose-colored glasses, he sees a team that belongs in the playoffs.

"This is not an expansion team. This is not a lottery team," he said. "There are proud athletes on this team. There are talented athletes on this team."

He is the third head coach the

Pacers have had this season. They started 0-7 under Jack Ramsay and lost two more under assistant coaches Mel Daniels and Dave Twardzik before George Irvine took over on an interim basis.

Versace, 48, coached at Bradley University for eight years before joining the Pistons 2½ years ago. In 18 years as a head coach at the high school and college levels, he has a record of 370-147 for a percentage of .716.

"I will not accept losing with this team or any team that I coach," said Versace. "I told them that."

The Pacers are 6-23 going into tonight's game with the Los Angeles Clippers. They broke a nine-game losing streak Wednesday night with a victory over Atlanta as Versace watched from the stands.

What he saw was a team that gives up too many easy baskets,

one that needs to improve its transition defense.

Much of his first practice Thursday was devoted to stopping the ball on the transition.

"I'd like everyone to say, that's a fine defensive team. That's a team you're never going to be able to run on. You always have to play them five-on-five," Versace said.

Promoting defense is nothing new to Versace. Aggressive defense earned him much of his success at Bradley, where he was 156-88. Detroit's hard-nosed, tough defense brought the Pistons within one game of the NBA championship last year.

"I don't think the Pacers aren't willing to play defense. I don't think they're not willing to throw their bodies around," he said. "Protecting the lane, swarming the lane, is something that has to be taught, and accepted."

Sports Briefs

Booster Club will cook

The Big Spring Sports Booster Club will be sponsoring a chili supper Friday, Jan. 13 at the Big Spring High School cafeteria from 5-7 p.m.

Tickets are \$4 per person and this includes chili, beans, crackers, salad, fruit cobbler, tea and coffee. The chili supper will be before the Steers-Andrews basketball game at 7:30 p.m. in Steer Gym.

Tickets can be purchased at the high school office, Big Spring Athletics, or at the door. For more information call Linda Davis at 267-4010.

Lions chili supper set

The Big Spring Evening Lions Club will be sponsoring a chili supper prior to the Steers-Fort Stockton basketball game Jan. 27.

The chili supper will be from 4:30-7 p.m. at the high school cafeteria. The basketball game at Steer Gym begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$4 per person, and can be purchased from any Evening Lions Club member or at the door.

Boxing club in Odessa

The Big Spring Boxing Club, coached by J.V. Martinez, will be hosting a West Texas Boxing Association tournament in Odessa this Saturday

and Sunday at the Target Enterprise building. Action begins at 6 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday.

Big Spring will have three boxers competing. They are Rene Villa in the 147-pound division; Angel Villa in the 139-pound division and Henry Enrique in the 100-pound division.

The winners of the tournament qualify for regional competition in El Paso. The winners from El Paso advance to national competition in Kentucky.

Odessa hosting boxing

The Odessa Boys Club is hosting a Pre-Golden Gloves Smoker at the Central Boys Club, 800 E. 13th St. Action begins at 6 p.m.

Boxers and interested persons should contact Roy Garcia at 337-8389, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Paris coach tops

HOUSTON (AP) — Allen Wilson, who guided the Paris Wildcats to a surprise Class 4A state championship three weeks ago, is the Texas Sports Writers Association high school football coach of the year.

Wilson's team lost its first three games, then ran off 13 wins in a row. Paris capped its unlikely state championship season by crushing Cleburne 40-0 in the semifinals and upsetting two-time defending state champ West Orange-Stark 31-13.

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tions. In 1979, public disclosures of a well-organized "slush fund" resulted in the university coming to the committee and seeking an extension of probation to give the school time to establish compliance with NCAA legislation.

"For some months thereafter, no violations have been discovered; however, once the probationary period expired, incidents found in this case began," the report said.

The current case began in February 1984 when confidential sources informed the NCAA enforcement staff about the recruiting activities of a former assistant coach, the report said.

The Committee on Infractions said the most serious finding involved a former assistant who became involved in a bidding war with a "very talented and highly visible prospective student athlete."

The NCAA report said the athlete

received \$5,000 cash after signing his letter of intent to play at Oklahoma State, and payments in cash averaging \$125 during the first year of enrollment and \$200 during the second year.

Also, the athlete was provided with an "expensive and distinctive" sports car at no cost, the NCAA report said, with payments for the car and insurance being made by three university boosters.

Earlier reports have said All-America wide receiver Hart Lee Dykes was at the center of the NCAA's investigation. Dykes received immunity from the NCAA for his testimony about the recruiting practices of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Texas A&M and Illinois.

The former assistant is believed to be Willie Anderson, who served as recruiting coordinator when Dykes was recruited. Anderson was let go in early 1986.

The report said the assistant

coach had been cited previously by the committee for unethical conduct for violations at another school that received severe sanctions. Before being hired at Oklahoma State, Anderson worked at Clemson, which was placed on two years' probation in 1982.

When the Cowboys' former head coach hired the assistant, "the head coach was less interested in the causes of the unethical conduct finding than in whether the coach had sanctions that prevented him from going to work immediately on his staff," the report said.

The coach at the time Anderson was hired was Jimmy Johnson, now at Miami, Fla.

However, the committee said there is "no indication that the former head coach supervised this coach's recruiting activities, even when those activities brought startling and unexpected recruiting achievements."

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know. "My decision is based upon the fact that I believe this is in the best interest of the future of the Kansas City Chiefs. It is important for me to build my own organization."

Gansz and several of his key assistants, including defensive coordinator Rod Rust, had two years remaining on their contracts. Peterson said no one from the staff would be considered for the top spot and that the assistants had been told they were free to seek other jobs.

Speculation immediately turned to Dick Vermeil, a close friend of Peterson when they worked together with the Philadelphia Eagles in the 1980 Super Bowl, is now working as a network analyst.

"I know this question is going to be asked from Philadelphia, so I might as well answer it in Kansas City," Peterson said. "In a general sense, I have communicated with Dick over the last several weeks as I have for the last number of years."

We're very close friends.

"Dick Vermeil is at a point in his life where he is trying to make a decision or has made a decision about coming back into coaching. I will have conversations with Dick, certainly, over the next few days to see where he is in that regard."

Peterson said he would not be adverse to naming a college coach, but feels NFL experience is important.

"I haven't interviewed anyone to date," he said. "Certainly, I'm well aware of the coaches in the NFL and college ranks that I think are deserving and qualified to be head coaches in the NFL. Yes, there are some specific individuals, who I am not going to discuss now, that I do want to spend some time with about this position."

Experience and "high moral character" will be required, Peterson said.

"Obviously, I'd like someone with experience as a head coach, high character, and an excellent

knowledge of the game," he added.

"Someone who can teach young players and teach a staff how to coach them, and bring out an individual's potential, and get him to play at that level, or above it, week after week after week. I think I have a pretty good understanding of what is needed."

Peterson also said his scrutiny of game films has given him a good familiarity of the Chiefs' personnel.

"Much of what I saw I liked. There are some very talented football players on this team," he said. "But there is much that I didn't like, too. Obviously, we have some holes to fill."

Gansz was promoted from special teams coach after the 1986 season, the Chiefs' first playoff appearance since 1971. John Mackovic, who had fallen into disfavor with front office executives as well as the public, was fired in Schaff's first major move after being put in charge of all football operations.

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FEMALE BASSET, found 500 block of Washington, 263-4389 after 4:00.

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FOUND, ONE large Red Cow on Wasson. Owner please claim. 263-4874.

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SALE SATURDAY, 8:00 a.m. Calahan Road, 87 South to Fina Station, follow signs. Clothes, knick knacks.

HUGE FAMILY Garage Sale. Saturday, 8:30 to 4:00. Clothes, tools, miscellaneous. 1408 11th Place.

GARAGE SALE Saturday only, 9:00-4:00. 2906 Cactus. Furniture, clothes, miscellaneous.

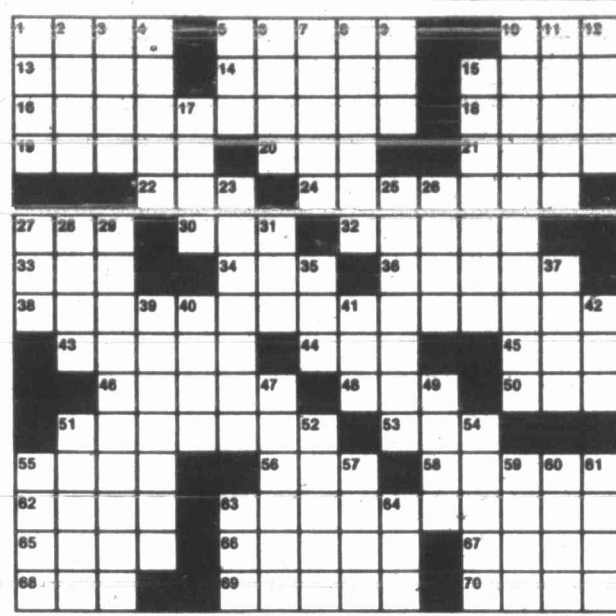
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A recent issue of Newsweek magazine noted that the average Postal worker earns \$27,500 in salary and benefits.

Miscellaneous 537

FOR SALE (SOLD) Washer, good condition. **NICE DINING** table and chairs, large leaf. Dog run 6' x 6'. Large dog house. 354-2545.

FOR SALE Full size mattress and box spring, white, and brass headboard. \$150. Full size mattress and box springs with white wood headboard, footboard and frame. \$100. Queen size bedroom suite, headboard, dresser with mirror and nightstand. \$200. Call 393-5411 after 6:00 p.m.

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FOR SALE Nine rooms, two bath. 701 North Gregg. 263-7982.

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PRICE REDUCTION on this assumption in Kentwood School District. Owner wants the home "to move". Three bedrooms, garage, central refrigerated air. Call quickly! South Mountain, 263-8419 or Liz 267-7823.

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Houses For Sale 601

LITTLE DOWN and take over affordable payments on brand new doublewide mobile in Forsan School District. One acre of land and an ultra modern home! Call South Mountain, 263-8419 or Liz 267-7823.

REDUCED! OWNER anxious 4-2-2 spacious home with many special features just inside "a" large family or just starting out. All appliances stay, in Kentwood School District. Call ERA Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Carla Bennett, 263-4667.

FOR LEASE on Derrick Road. \$600 per month. 3-2-2 on 16.8 acres with nice barns and fences for horses. Call ERA Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Carla Bennett, 263-4667.

Lots For Sale 602

LOT FOR SALE at the Village by the Spring. Purchase price \$26,000. Will sell for \$20,000. Will consider trade for equipment or commercial property. Call 263-8456, 263-7961.

Acres For Sale 605

1/2 ACRE of land, Howard County Box 11-A. Septic tank, electricity. \$2,500. 263-0201 ask for John, Leanne or Jimmy Homan.

Farms & Ranches 607

FOR SALE: 320ac farm located approximately 7 miles North of Stanton on US 137. (S/2 of Sec 15, Blk 36, T-1-N, T&P RY Co Survey, Martin Co., TX). Contact Agricultural Loan Dept., The State National Bank, Big Spring, Texas. PH (915)267-2531, ext.211.

FOR SALE: 153.5 farm located in the Elbow Community (Forsan School District). (East 160ac of Sec.28, Blk 33, T-1-S, T&P RY Co. Survey, Howard Co., TX). Contact Agricultural Loan Dept., The State National Bank, Big Spring, TX. PH (915)267-2531, ext.211.

Manufactured Housing For Sale 611

1982 SUNVILLA MOBILE home, 14x80. Two bedroom, two bath, like new. Masonite siding, comp roof, refrigerated air, washer-dryer dishwasher range refrigerator. To be moved. 915-353-4801.

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TWO BEDROOM furnished house. \$165 month, water paid. Call 263-3416.

BEAUTIFULLY FURNISHED 2 bedroom. Mature adults. No children. No pets. References required. \$300 month, plus utilities deposit. 263-6944; 263-2341.

ONE BEDROOM Nicely furnished. Carpeted floor, no children and no pets. \$150 month, \$50 deposit. Inquire 802 Andree.

NICE, LARGE one bedroom. Washer connection, bath vanity, ceiling fans, walk-in closets, appliances. \$185. No pets please! McDonald, 267-7653.

ONE BEDROOM house. Fenced yard, storage shed. \$180 month, \$100 deposit. No bills paid. 263-2876.

FURNISHED THREE bedroom, new carpet, carpet, 107 West 21st. 263-6400, 263-2591.

COTTAGE ONE bedroom, large land-scaped lot. Nice furniture, water well, carpet, drapes. Gentleman preferred. 267-7714.

NEWLY REDECORATED, 1, 2 and 3 bedrooms. Fenced yards maintained. HUD approved. 267-5546, 263-0746.

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Unfurnished Houses 659

COAHOMA SCHOOLS, two bedroom, two bath mobile home. Private. Built-ins. Double carport. Deposit. Call 263-8842.

THREE BEDROOM, one bath, washer/dryer connections, back fence. 4203 Dixon. 263-4593.

COUNTRY LIVING, beautiful four bedroom, two bath brick home. Call MJCA Rentals, 263-0064.

THREE BEDROOM, one bath with fenced backyard, lots of storage space. MJCA Rentals, 263-0064.

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TWO BEDROOM. No appliances. Single or couple. No children or pets. Good references. Call 267-6417 before 5:00 p.m.

THREE BEDROOMS, 1-1/2 baths. Double garage. Newly decorated. Carpeting, draperies. Deposit. No pets. \$475. 267-2070.

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Deluxe Units With:

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SUNDANCE enjoy your own yard, patio, spacious home and carport with all the conveniences of apartment living. Two and three bedrooms from \$275. Call 263-2703.

FOUR BEDROOM, two bath. Call 263-8700 or 263-6062.

THREE BEDROOM, two bath. \$325 month, \$150 deposit. 267-Setties. 263-6491.

THREE BEDROOM and two bedroom unfurnished houses for rent on South Main Street. Call 267-8468.

UNFURNISHED, THREE bedroom, two bath. Carpet and drapes, central heat and refrigerated air, washer, dryer connections. Outside storage building. Near schools. Call 267-3648, 263-1223.

NICE AND clean, two bedroom, two bath brick. \$100 security deposit, \$275 month. Call 263-2766.

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PRIME OFFICE or retail commercial location on South Gregg will be available for rental January 1, 1989. Call if interested 267-1872.

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3200 SQUARE FOOT warehouse with offices on two acres of land on Snyder Hwy. \$375 month plus deposit. Call 263-5000.

FOR RENT: 40x80 building, overhead door, fenced yard. \$100 month. 1307 East 3rd. Call 267-3259.

Manufactured Housing 682

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1982 BUICK REGAL Limited, good condition. Call 267-2531 ext. 211, day, 263-0786, night.

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ESPN acquires baseball rights

NEW YORK (AP) — Dwight Gooden is pitching a no-hitter in New York. Jose Canseco is going for his third consecutive home run in Oakland. And Wade Boggs' 30-game hitting streak is on the line in Boston.

Imagine watching it all live the same night.

Next year, the fantasy could come true.

In a move that will revolutionize baseball on television, ESPN will begin showing major league games four nights a week in 1990. In addition to its featured games, the network will be able to switch live to other contests around the country.

"If somebody is pitching a no-hitter or there's a long hitting streak, for instance, we could switch to that game so everyone could see it," Commissioner Peter Ueberroth said.

ESPN acquired baseball's cable rights Thursday with a four-year, \$400 million deal that will double the sport's national TV revenue and offer fans more games than ever.

"For the first time in baseball history, the whole season will be presented to fans who want to follow it on television," Ueberroth said. "We will present all teams, and all divisions in both leagues, and that's an incredible thing for baseball."

ESPN will televise 175 games a year, with single games on Sunday and Wednesday nights and doubleheaders on Tuesday and Friday evenings. The network also will show games on Opening Day, holidays and during spring training.

The deal came less than a month after CBS agreed to a four-year, \$1.1 billion contract to televise the playoffs, World Series, All-Star Game and 12 regular-season games starting in 1990.

ESPN outbid Turner Broadcasting System, SportsChannel America and USA Network for the cable package. Turner and ESPN were the finalists.

"The bids were very, very, very close," Ueberroth said. "There was a tiny, single-digit percentage difference among three of them."

Roger Werner, president and chief executive officer of ESPN, said the country's largest cable network was "absolutely delighted" to add baseball to its coverage of the NFL, college football, college basketball and other major sports events.

"We've been working hard for more than eight years to get baseball," Werner said. "The day has finally arrived, and we couldn't be happier."

The ESPN and CBS deals will provide baseball with about \$375 million a year in national TV revenue, or \$14.4 million per team. That is twice the average annual income baseball is receiving from

its current six-year deals with NBC and ABC.

As recently as last year, Ueberroth and others were predicting that baseball TV revenue would decline.

"I was wrong," he said, beaming like a lottery winner. "I was predicting a doomsday scenario in 1985 and 1986. I was just flat wrong."

ESPN, which reaches 50.1 million homes, will be the second national cable network to show major league games. USA aired games from 1979-83.

USA President Kay Klopovitz said the network "made an aggressive bid" to regain the cable rights, although the proposal was limited to 130 games because of programming commitments.

TBS owner Ted Turner said "we went as far as we could go at this time, and are disappointed we didn't get the package. We congratulate ESPN and major league baseball, and look forward to trying again in four years."

Marc Lustgarten, president of SportsChannel's parent company, said the network's offer was "substantially below" the winning bid.

"I think (ESPN's bid) was a lot higher than the cable market and ultimately the consumer can bear," he said.

Werner declined to say whether ESPN, a subsidiary of ABC, expects to make money on the deal.

Bryan Burns, baseball's senior vice president for broadcasting, said the ESPN deal will have only a limited effect on local broadcasts and superstitions that nationally televise teams such as the Chicago Cubs and Atlanta Braves.

Burns said superstitions won't be able to show games on Wednesday nights because team telecasts will be limited to cable stations.

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	7 PM	News	SportsCenter	Animals	Our House	News	News	Nombr Es	News	Star Trek	Fandango	Insp. Gadget	E.R.	Miami	Movie	Movie	Movie	
	8 PM	Strangers	NFL Great	D.C. Week	Movie	Beauty & the	Strangers	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	
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	10 PM	Belvedere	Top Gun	Movie		Dallas	Belvedere					My 3 Sons	Movie	Hitchcock	Movie	Movie	Movie	
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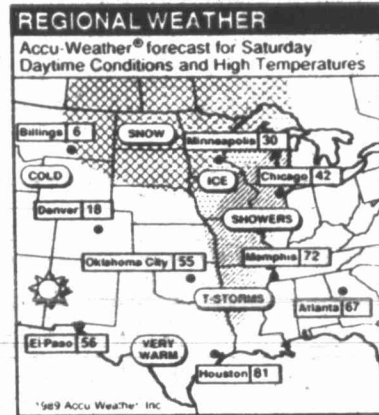
Weather

By The Associated Press

A messy mix of snow, sleet, freezing rain and rain hit the Midwest and East today, as storms dropped as many as 8 inches of snow in the West and unleashed winds of up to 80 mph.

Snow fell in Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin, where Menominee Falls received more than 3 inches. Rain, freezing rain and sleet were reported as far south as North Carolina.

Weather advisories for snow and freezing drizzle were issued for Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin and for snow and freezing rain in Indiana, lower Michigan and Pennsylvania. A winter storm warning was in effect in extreme northeast



Ohio.

Winter weather advisories were also posted in West Virginia,

Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware, New York City and New York state's Long Island.

Thunderstorms boomed over Illinois and Indiana. Rain was scattered over the rest of the Ohio Valley and the Tennessee Valley.

Snow also fell over much of the West, and rain fell along sections of the Pacific Coast.

In Nevada, Lake Tahoe ski areas received 1 to 2 feet of snow. Ten inches fell between Ely and Elko, and 6 to 8 inches fell in Eureka, which also had blowing and drifting snow. The snow and winds of 60 to 70 mph produced zero visibilities in that area.

Winter storm warnings were in effect for Nevada and for Utah.

DENNIS THE MENACE



"BUT YOU SHOULD'VE SEEN HIM WHEN HE WAS A STAR!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Just listen and stop saying 'Is that right?'"

PEANUTS



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Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1989

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Let yourself out from under job pressures for the weekend. Travel may be too tiring to be worthwhile. Your judgment could become faulty if you get too little sleep.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Do not hesitate to accept an invitation from a friend to go exploring. Sort out your priorities this weekend and eliminate non-essentials. Children bring a special joy. Think about expanding your family.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Daydreams could fire up your creative imagination. Do not let others pressure you into strenuous activities when you really need to be resting. Contact an old friend and get together tonight.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Others are more than willing to spend the weekend with you. Ice skating or skiing holds special appeal. Rest assured that your family will always be there to give

you support.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your sunny disposition opens the door to fun and affection. Lessons learned in the past help you develop positive character traits. Maintain your dignity no matter what others do. Protect your reputation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): An excellent day for dealing with joint ventures and sharing. Your nerves could be on edge. Patience will serve you best. Curb your temper! Creative efforts are favored. Stay close to home tonight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Pay attention to details and you will be able to offer worthwhile advice to a friend in need. This person will be eternally grateful. A friendship could turn romantic. You are ready.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Postpone making major decisions in case your judgment is off. A broken promise could haunt you. Try to make the best of things, even if romance seems lackluster. Enjoy your family's company.

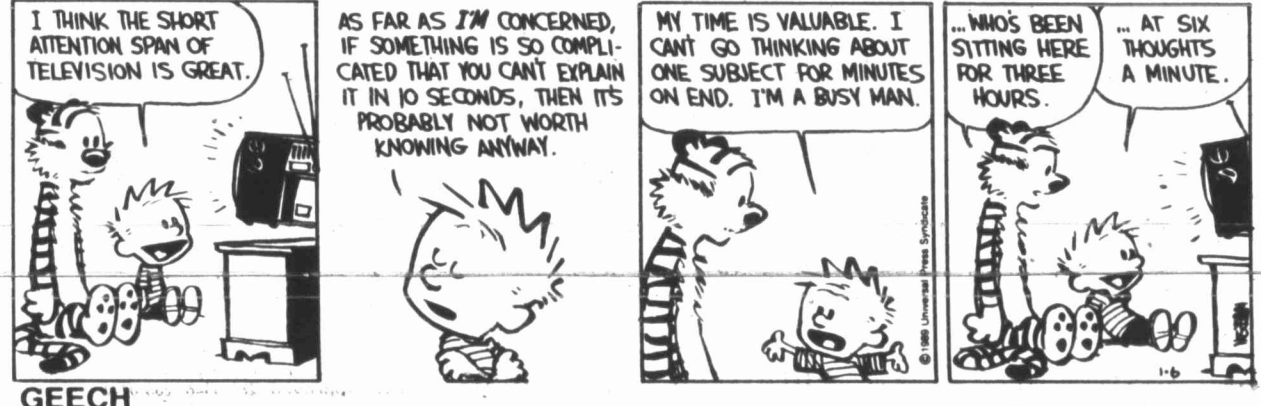
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): An emotional mood could tempt you to do things you will regret later. Do not compromise your values. The time may not be right for romance. Play a waiting game.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Try not to be so hard on yourself. Stop worrying about things you cannot change. Inventive solutions are your specialty! Others praise your imaginative efforts. Forge ahead with a pet project.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Spending more time with your children will strengthen your relationship. Catch up on personal correspondence. A romance begun this evening could turn out to be the real thing. Dress elegantly.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Pleasure and popularity are yours today. Spend some time relaxing with a close friend. A change in attitude lets you make a good impression on member of the opposite sex. Be patient.

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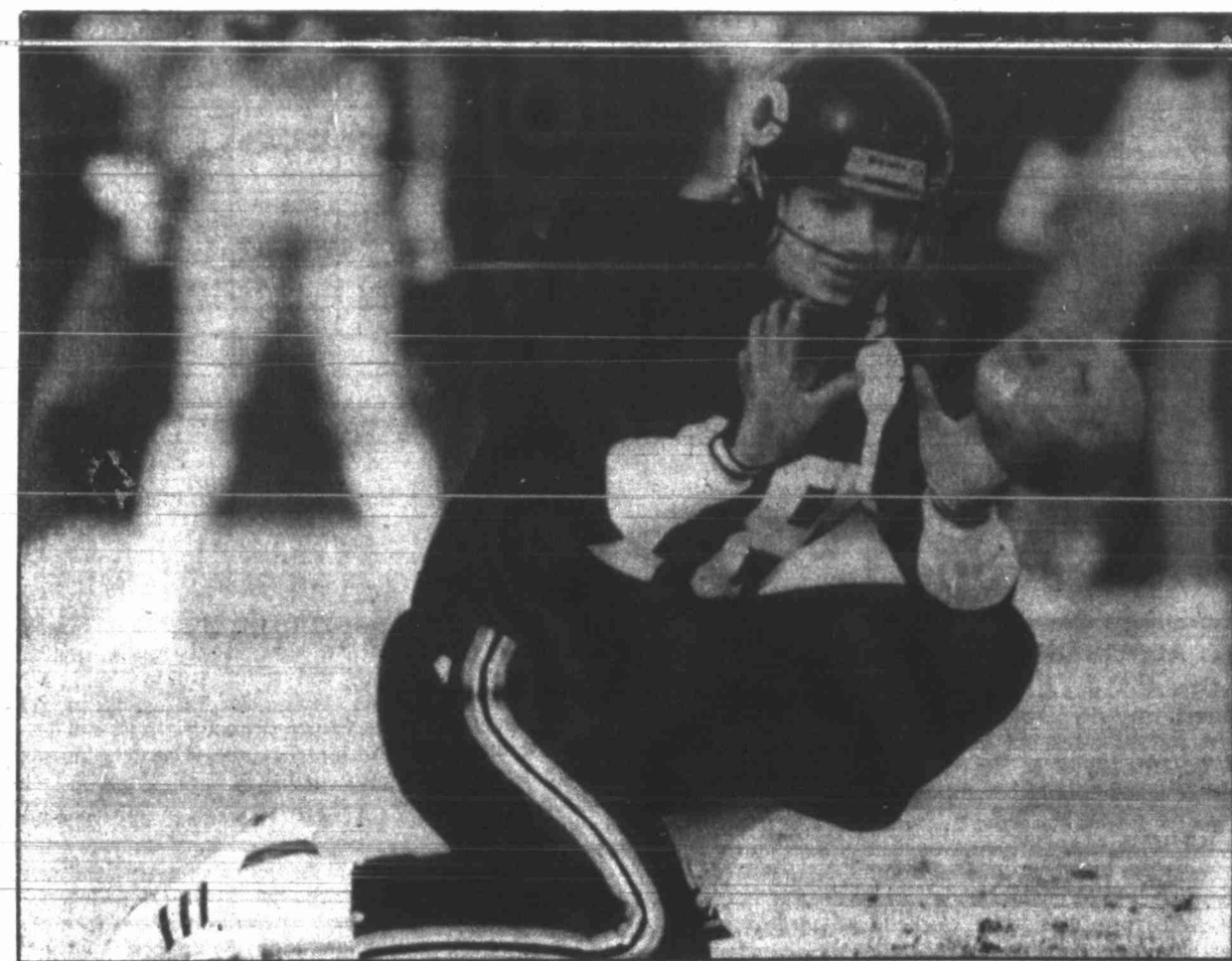
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GASOLINE ALLEY



Playoff preview



SUWANEE, Ga. — Chicago Bears quarterback Mike Tomczak takes the center snap while holding for place kicker Kevin Butler at the Atlanta Falcons' training camp Thursday afternoon.

McMahon or Tomczak? Ditka won't say which one will start

CHICAGO (AP) — With millions of people hanging on his words, Mike Ditka finally made his long-awaited announcement.

Bryan Wagner, the punter, will replace placekicker Kevin Butler for kickoffs when the Chicago Bears play the San Francisco 49ers on Sunday in the NFC championship game.

The answer to the real question — who will be the Bears' quarterback? — is still to be answered. Maybe today, Ditka said.

Whether it will be Jim McMahon or Mike Tomczak at the controls on Sunday is a controversy in-the-making that San Francisco's Joe Montana can relate to.

"I can understand what's going on there because I've been there," said Montana, who finally won the full-time quarterback job for the 49ers from Steve Young in late November after a year and a half of shuffling by Coach Bill Walsh.

"I know the longer he waits, the tougher it is on both those guys," Montana said of the Bears' situation.

At the same time he was awarding the kickoff duties to Wagner,

Ditka was putting off the decision that might affect how many times Wagner gets to kick.

Tomczak still seems to have the inside track with Ditka, who said he would probably decide today. He's scheduled a news conference at a Chicago hotel after the Bears return from their winter training camp at Suwanee, Ga.

No matter who starts, Ditka said Thursday, both McMahon and Tomczak are expected to play on Sunday.

Asked whether he delayed the answer on the quarterback situation to keep the 49ers guessing, Ditka replied: "Take a bow."

The problem is that it also keeps Tomczak and McMahon guessing.

The 29-year-old McMahon, yet to play a full season without injury in seven years with Chicago, has nominally been the Bears' starting quarterback since 1983. But his game-by-game record in the team's media guide is replete with references to his absences: "dnp (did not play) back," "ir (injured reserve) kidney," "dnp shoulder," "ir shoulder" and "dnp hamstring."

This year, he managed to make it through eight games. A knee injury in the ninth game Oct. 30 against New England kept him out until last week's 20-12 victory over Philadelphia in a fog-shrouded playoff game at Soldier Field last weekend. In that game, Tomczak reinjured a left shoulder that had been separated on Nov. 27.

Last week's game was the first playoff start for the 26-year-old Tomczak, whose regular-season record is 16-3. But McMahon has a career record of 3-0 against San Francisco while Tomczak's only start against the 49ers was in a 41-0 loss at Candlestick Park last year.

Meanwhile, the 32-year-old Montana, most valuable player in San Francisco's 1982 and 1985 Super Bowl victories, is now solidly back as the No. 1 quarterback. It was a job he seemed to have put in jeopardy when he was relieved by Steve Young during a 36-24 playoff upset by Minnesota last week. Last week, as the 49ers got revenge on the Vikings 34-9, Montana completed 11 of 14 passes, three for touchdowns, in the first half.

Contrasting quarterbacks to meet in AFC title game

CINCINNATI (AP) — There's an easy way to tell the quarterbacks apart Sunday in the AFC Championship game.

One of them likes to throw the ball as often as he can. He is Buffalo's Jim Kelly, who finished near the middle of the pack in the AFC quarterback rankings.

The other spends most of his time handing off. He is Cincinnati's Boomer Esiason, who went from start to finish in the regular season as the NFL's top-ranked passer.

Puzzled? You're not alone. The two quarterbacks have done a role reversal heading into the conference championship at Riverfront Stadium.

Kelly came out firing in the Bills' 17-10 playoff victory over Houston last Sunday, throwing on Buffalo's first six plays. That flew in the face of the Bills' conservative philosophy, which is based on running the ball successfully.

Kelly, who has admitted his frustration with the Bills' offensive conservatism, said the air attack was "something I've been waiting for for a long time." He ended up completing 19 of 33 passes for 244 yards with one interception.

"It definitely made me feel better," Kelly said. "It's something that when you win and you know you're a big part of it by throwing the ball, it makes it a little bit special."

While Kelly was doing his best Dan Marino imitation, Esiason was playing a role usually reserved for a wishbone quarterback.

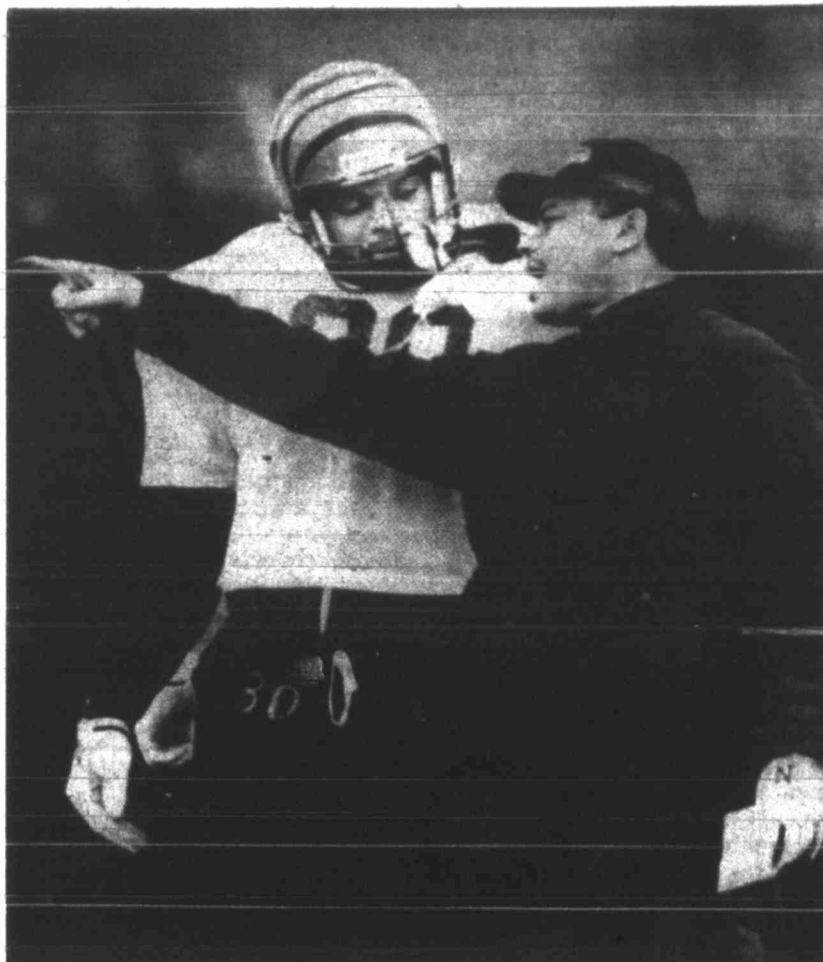
He threw just 19 times, with season-low totals of seven completions and 108 yards, in a 21-13 playoff victory Saturday over Seattle. It marked the fourth consecutive game in which Esiason had completed 10 or fewer passes and thrown for less than 200 yards.

"The last couple of weeks, I've been like Jamelle Hollieway," Esiason said, referring to Oklahoma's wishbone quarterback. "I just hand the ball off and let them go."

In fact, Hollieway had it better than Esiason last weekend, completing 10 of 24 passes, albeit in a 13-6 loss to Clemson in the Citrus Bowl.

One of the interesting questions Sunday is whether the two quarterbacks keep taking their offenses in different directions, or whether they revert to form.

The Bills, 13-4, like to run the ball first and pass second. Coach Marv Levy considers the tilt toward passing against Houston an aberration.



CINCINNATI — Cincinnati Bengals fullback Ickey Woods, left, listens to backfield coach Jim Anderson during practice at Spinney Field Thursday afternoon.

"We started (the Houston) game with a very general idea that we would be loose in our attack," he said. "If you asked me if I thought that we'd pass on 16 of our first 19 snaps, I would have said I doubted it very much. But we found against Houston that they were making an adjustment to a formation we used early, and continued to make that same adjustment. That said to us, well, let's keep throwing."

Levy admits it wasn't a strategy he favored.

"When it was all over, we ran 29 times and passed 33, which is pretty close to the balance we want," he said. "And when it was all over, we ran more times in the game than Houston did, and I still think if you can succeed in running more times than your opponent — whatever the reason might be that allows you to do it — you usually wind up winning."

The Bills' passing game has come under criticism this season. Kelly completed 59.5 percent of his passes for 3,380 yards, but threw more interceptions (17) than

touchdowns (15). Running back Robb Riddick criticized Kelly publicly after the regular season, saying the quarterback didn't throw to his running backs enough and held onto the ball too long when pressured.

Levy says the Bills' record is evidence that Kelly is doing a good job.

"Our objective is not to see how many touchdowns passes he can throw," Levy said. "Our objective is not to have him be necessarily the No. 1-rated quarterback by that formula that no one understands except some physicist at MIT. Our objective is to win games, and that's what he does."

Esiason opened the season in a blaze of glory, throwing 17 touchdowns passes in the Bengals' first seven games. With the ground game improving as the season went on — the Bengals finished with the best running attack in the NFL — he threw less and less.

He threw for more than 200 yards in six of the Bengals' first seven games.

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Atlantic Division

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Central Division

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Milwaukee 16 11 .593 7 1/2

Chicago 16 13 .552 7 1/2

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Golden State 12 15 .444 6

L.A. Clippers 10 20 .333 9 1/2

Sacramento 7 20 .259 11

Pippen 8-17 0-2 16, Grant 7-9 4-4 18, Cartwright 3-10 3-5 9, Paxson 4-9 1-2 9, Jordan 13-24 5-5 32, Sellers 0-5 0-0 0, Hodges 6-12 0-0 12, Corzine 1-3 0-0 2, Haley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-89 13-18 98.

CLEVELAND (103) — Sanders 1-3 0-0 2, Nance 9-16 6-7 24, Daugherty 6-14 5-6 17, Harper 8-16 3-4 20, Price 7-13 2-3 19, Williams 1-5 3-4 5, Ehlo 4-10 2-3 11, Valentine 1-10 0-2, Dudley 1-2 1-2 3. Totals 38-80 22-29 103.

Chicago 24 24 .23 27 — 98

Cleveland 24 23 .27 29 — 103

3-Point goals—Price 3, Jordan, Harper, Ehlo. Fouled out—Pippen. Rebounds—Chicago 49 (Jordan 11).

Cleveland 52 (Nance, Daugherty 8).

Assists—Chicago 26 (Paxson, Jordan 7).

Cleveland 24 (Daugherty, Harper, Price 5).

Total fouls—Chicago 24, Cleveland 20.

Technical—Chicago coach Collins. A-10,780.

At San Antonio

PHILADELPHIA (104) — R. Anderson 8-17 2-3 18, Barkley 9-12 5-7 23, Gminski 10-15 2-2 22, Cheeks 3-8 2-2 8, Hawkins 4-11 0-0 8, Coleman 3-6 5-5 11, Henderson 1-9 4-6 6, Thornton 0-0 0-0 0, Wingate 1-2 2-2 4, Brooks 0-1 2-2 2, Welp 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 39-83 26-31 104.

SAN ANTONIO (119) — G. Anderson 5-13 0-0 10, W. Anderson 18-26 0-136, Brickowski 1-5 4-6 6, Maxwell 7-11 5-8 19, Robertson 7-12 0-14, Greenwood 3-6 2-2 8, Cook 5-9 4-5 14, Roth 1-3 4-4 6, King 0-10 0-10 0, Whitehead 1-2 3-6 5, Comegys 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 48-88 23-34 119.

Philadelphia 31 25 .26 22 — 104

San Antonio 34 25 .29 31 — 119

Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 50 (Barkley 12), San Antonio 50 (W. Anderson 7).

Assists—Philadelphia 20 (Cheeks 6), San Antonio 28 (Maxwell 8).

Total fouls—Philadelphia 25, San Antonio 26.

Technical—Cheeks. A-10,552.

At Denver

GOLDEN STATE (129) — L. Smith 2-5 0-2 4, Mullin 12-22 10-10 35, Higgins 5-10 5-7 15, Garland 7-18 3-4 17, Richmond 5-16 9-11 19, Starks 1-3 4-5 6, O. Smith 7-10 4-6 19, Frank 0-1 0-0 0, Alford 0-2 1-1 1, Bol 5-9 2-2 13. Totals 44-96 38-49 129.

DENVER (131) — English 16-29 5-5 37, Cooper 2-5 3-4 7, Schayes 3-4 2-8, Adams 9-10 7-11 26, Lane 3-4 0-1 6, Turner 3-4 0-1 6, Davis 10-20 7-7 31, Rasmussen 3-8 2-8, Hughes 0-4 0-0 0, Natt 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 49-102 28-37 131.

Golden State 42 26 .33 28 — 129

Denver 35 30 .35 31 — 131

3-Point goals—Davis 4, Adams, O. Smith, Bol, Mullin. Fouled out—Higgins. Rebounds—Golden State 62 (Richmond, Bol 10), Denver 62 (Cooper 11).

Assists—Golden State 23 (L. Smith 6), Denver 24 (Adams 10). Total fouls—Golden State 30, Denver 35.

Technical—Golden State illegal defense.

A-10,649.

At Seattle

SACRAMENTO (106) — McCray 3-6 2-2 8, Petersen 10-15 3-4 23, Thompson 4-10 4-4 12, Berry 5-7 4-4 15, K. Smith 6-9 2-4 16, Kleine 4-8 0-0 8, D. Smith 1-7 4-6 6, Pinckney 4-9 2-3 10, Del Negro 4-6 0-0 8. Totals 41-77 21-27 106.

SEATTLE (120) — Cage 5-12 4-4 14, McKee 8-15 2-2 18, Lister 4-11 0-0 8, Ellis 20-32 4-4 49, McMillan 1-3 0-0 2, McDaniel 3-11 1-2 7, Threalt 6-9 2-2 14, Polynice 9-3 0-0 0, Schoene 0-1 0-0 0, Reynolds 1-1 0-0 2, Lucas 2-3 1-1 6, A. Johnson 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 50-103 14-15 120.

Sacramento 32 25 .29 — 106

Seattle 34 25 .27 34 — 120

3-Point goals—Ellis 5, K. Smith 2, Berry, Lucas. Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 40 (Petersen 11), Seattle 56 (Cage 16). Assists—Sacramento 24 (K. Smith 10), Seattle 31 (McMillan 11).

Total fouls—Sacramento 17, Seattle 17.

Technical—Sacramento illegal defense, Petersen, Ellis. A-8,299.

AP top 20

How the Associated Press Top 20 college basketball teams fared Thursday:

1. Duke (10-0) beat Davidson 101-53.

2. Syracuse (13-1) did not play.

3. Illinois (12-0) did not play.

4. Oklahoma (11-1) did not play.

5. Georgetown (9-1) did not play.

6. North Carolina (13-1) beat DePaul 67-67.

7. Michigan (12-1) did not play.

8. Arizona (8-2) lost to Stanford 83-78.

9. Iowa (12-1) beat Michigan State 93-82.

10. Seton Hall (13-0) did not play.

11. Missouri (12-3) did not play.

12. Nevada (9-2) beat New Mexico 79-58.

13. Louisville (8-2) did not play.

14. Ohio State (9-3) did not play.

15. Florida State (8-2) did not play.

16. North Carolina St. (8-1) beat Clemson 73-65.

17. Tennessee (9-1) did not play.

18. Kansas (11-1) did not play.

19. Georgia Tech (8-2) did not play.

20. Georgia (9-3) did not play.

EAST

Alfred 81, Hobart 72

Brookport 105, Plattsburgh St. 103

Bryant 93, Mercy, N.Y. 89

Cortland 84, Roberts Wesleyan 90

Glassboro St. 62, Salisbury St. 73

S. Dakota St. 88, Nebraska-Omaha 56

S. Dakota Tech 89, Dakota Wesleyan 86

S. Indiana 88, Indianapolis 66

SIU-Edwardsville 61, Wis.-Parkside 60

Shawnee St. 88, Ohio Dominican 60

Mass.-Boston 109, Fitchburg St. 76

Niagara 79, Vermont 70

Penn 73, Lehigh 69

Penn St. 107, Massachusetts 79

Robert Morris 71, Fairleigh Dickinson 68

Rutgers 87, Rhode Island 77

St. Joseph's 84, Duquesne 81

West Virginia 69, St. Bonaventure 45

Wheeling Jesuit 71, Malone 62

Wm. Paterson 72, Stony Brook 60

SOUTH

Armstrong St. 76, Presbyterian 73

Averett 100, Webber 96

Belhaven 67, Augustana, Ill. 63

Berea 79, Thomas More 74

Bridgewater Va. 63, Va. Wesleyan 57

David Lipscomb 123, Benedictine, Kan. 89

Duke 101, Davidson 53

Elon 75, Guilford 60

Georgia Southern 100, Georgia St. 93

Hampton U. 78, Christopher Newport 64

Lander 98, S.C.-Spartanburg 54

Liberty 83, Cent. Florida 76

Louisiana Tech 69, NE Louisiana 37

Mississippi Col. 102, Livingston St. 79

N. Carolina St. 73, Clemson 65

N.C. Charlotte 75, Columbia 42

New Hampshire Col. 86, Florida Atlantic 70

Nicholls St. 63, Miss. Valley St. 48

Radford 82, George Mason 79

Richmond 78, N.C.-Wilmington 60

S. Carolina St. 93, Coppin St. 80

Shaw 90, Johnson C. Smith 80

Stetson 81, Mercer 64

Tennessee Tech 102, Freed-Hardeman 66

Valdosta St. 89, West Georgia 65

Virginia Union 58, N.C. Central 43

W. Carolina 66, Campbell 53

W. Kentucky 64, San Diego 59

Washington & Lee 85, Elmira 78

Wright St. 69, Howard U. 67

MIDWEST

Anderson, Ind. 95, Bluffton 81

Augustana, S.D. 79, South Dakota 77, 20T

Cent. Missouri 84