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Ask Us

Q—How much money was contributed at the community-wide candlelight service?

A—Organizers said $716 was contributed. The service cost about $1,100 to put on. Organizers said they expect to sell unused candles to area churches. If so, the cost will be cut to $800.

In Brief

Kim's photo

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea today released a picture of its new leader, Kim Jong Il, in an apparent attempt to fend off rumors that he is in debilitating ill health and fending off power struggles.

Kim has been conspicuously absent from public life since the July 20 funeral of his father, Kim Il Sung. Speculation over his grip on power deepened Sunday when he failed to make the traditional New Year's Day address.

A black-and-white picture, released through the Tokyo-based Korea News Service, showed Kim bundled up in a winter coat and fur hat and smiling as he received a bouquet of flowers from a soldier of the North Korean People's Army.

The caption did not mention where the picture was taken, but the North's official print media reported Sunday that Kim had a picture taken with soldiers during his New Year's Day visit to an army barracks — his first public appearance in two months.

Local

Drama

SHS drama patrons will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the high school building.

VFW

The VFW and Ladies Auxiliary will not meet this evening but will meet next Monday, Jan. 9.

Grand jury

The Scurry County grand jury, meeting at 9 a.m. Tuesday in 132nd District Court, is expected to hear nine cases.

Video series

The Family Life series continues at 7 this evening on Cablevision Channel 2 with "Faith and Peace: The Cross and the Untroubled Heart."

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 55 degrees; low, 25 degrees; high Sunday, 38 degrees; low, 24 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 24 degrees; no precipitation either day.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 20-25. Southwest wind 5-10 mph, shifting to the north and increasing to 15-25 mph and gusty. Caution advised on area lakes. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. High 30-35. North wind 15-25 mph and gusty, becoming north to northeast 10-20 mph by afternoon. Caution will be advised on area lakes during the morning.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:43. Sunrise Tuesday, 7:43. Of 1 day in 1995, the sun has shone 1 day in Snyder.

Eight killed...

Shootings mar New Year's festivities

by The Associated Press

New Year's festivities turned deadly for at least eight people, including three killed by bullets apparently fired randomly into the air by celebrants, authorities said.

The five other victims were shot to death early Sunday after an argument at a New Year's party in Roanoke, Va.

In other shootings New Year's Eve, four people were killed and a fifth wounded at a pool hall and video game room near Raeford, N.C., about 65 miles southwest of Raleigh. Police were searching for three suspects, whom witnesses said had been asked to leave.

Jamie Hunter, who ran the Puppy Creek Family Fun Center, was killed along with his wife and two patrons. Three were shot in the head; one in the back.

The Hunters' 15-year-old daughter, Mary Ann, survived the shooting but was paralyzed below the neck, said Hoke County Sheriff's Lt. Bob Conerly.

In Phoenix, an 11-year-old boy died Sunday after being struck by a bullet fired to celebrate the new year.

Richard Ulloa was hit on the top of the head shortly after midnight while standing behind a house where a New Year's Eve party was being held, police spokesman Mike McCullough said. He died Sunday morning.

No arrests were made Sunday because several people had been firing into the air, McCullough said.

Just after midnight in Atlanta, Josephine Nelson, 50, was killed in her apartment by a bullet apparently fired by a new year's celebrant, police said.

The bullet pierced her apartment window and her television before striking her in the head as she started to toast the new year with her boyfriend.

In New Orleans, a tourist from Boston was killed New Year's Eve after she was hit by a stray bullet apparently fired into the air in celebration, police said.

Amy Silberman, 31, appeared to be the victim of an unwanted holiday custom that police have been trying to crack down on this year, said Sgt. Marlon Defillo, a police spokesman.

Silberman was hit in the head just before midnight as she and some friends stood in the French Quarter waiting for a fireworks display, Defillo said. No arrests were made.

In Roanoke, Va., three men and two women were shot to death at a small New Year's party in an apartment.

A neighbor, Robert Michael May, 27, was arrested Sunday and charged with murder, said Maj. J.L. Viar, the Roanoke police department spokesman. Viar said the shooting occurred after an argument at the party, but he would not give details.

Also in Virginia, a fire at a hospital in Petersburg on New Year's Eve killed four patients and injured four others.

About 25 people were evacuated from the Southside Regional Medical Center. The fire-damaged area of the hospital was sealed off. The cause was unknown, but firefighters were investigating whether a patient was

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HOLIDAY WORKER - U.S. Postal Service employee Ron Shaw was busy picking up mail this morning from collection points throughout Snyder although there was no home delivery of mail. Postal patrons are reminded that the rate for mailing a first class letter increased to 32 cents effective Jan. 1. (SDN Staff Photo)

Seventeen arrested on alcohol charges

Scurry County peace officers arrested 17 people over the New Years' Day weekend on alcohol-related charges, 12 of them charged with public intoxication.

The first arrest was made at 12:01 Saturday afternoon as a 40-year-old woman was arrested from the 100 block of 34th Street for public intoxication. Officers were first alerted to the woman when she tried to pass a check on a closed account at the Pizza Inn at 11:40 a.m.

A 52-year-old male was arrested in the 400 block of 33rd Street at 9:28 p.m. and charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and driving with license suspended.

A disturbance call from the 3100 block of Cherry Street at 12:01 a.m. New Years' Day resulted in the arrest of a 16-year-old male juvenile for public intoxication. He was later released to his parents.

Two people were arrested in the 300 block of 26th Street at 12:07 a.m. A 43-year-old male was arrested for discharging a firearm and a 40-year-old male was taken into custody for hindering apprehension.

Police arrested a 22-year-old female at 1:32 a.m. Sunday from the 300 block of 33rd Street and charged her with public intoxication.

Three people were arrested in the 100 block of N. Avenue V at 2:43 a.m. A 27-year-old male was arrested for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated while a 30-year-old male and a 20-year-old female were arrested for public intoxication.

Four people were arrested at the Plaza Truck Stop at 3:25 a.m. An 18-year-old female and a 19-year-old female were arrested for minor in possession while a 20-year-old male and a 23-year-old was arrested for public intoxication.

At 5:03 a.m., a 26-year-old male was arrested from the 100 block of Browning Street and charged with public intoxication.

At 7:14 a.m., three individuals were arrested eight miles north on Highway 84. A 21-year-old male was charged with unlawfully carrying a weapon while a 21-year-old male and a 20-year-old male were arrested for public intoxication.

At 3:53 p.m. Sunday, a 28-year-old male was arrested in the 4200 block of College Avenue and charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and possession of marijuana of less than two ounces.

Two people were arrested in the parking lot of Kathy's Club at 8:05 p.m. Sunday. A 25-year-old female and a 33-year-old male were charged with public intoxication.

Law officials were busy with numerous other calls over the weekend including a report of a 16-year-old juvenile runaway from the 1800 block of 39th Street at 11:54 a.m. Saturday. The girl returned home at 10:17 a.m. Sunday.

Officers investigated a report of family violence in the 4200 block of College at 5:06 p.m. Saturday. No charges were filed but an offense report for family violence was submitted.

A report of a $5 gas drive-off from Skinny's on 37th Street was reported at 5:20 p.m.

An offense report for Class C assault was filed at 2:18 a.m. Sunday in reference to an assault in the 300 block of 33rd Street.

Rhonda Escobedo reported the theft of a 16-foot flatbed trailer from 701 31st St. at 10:21 a.m. Sunday. A Chevrolet pickup bed was on the trailer. Officers filed a report for Class A theft in the incident.

Officers also investigated a report of criminal mischief Sunday in reference to juveniles "egging" a car in the 2500 block of Avenue X.

An offense report for Class A criminal mischief was filed at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in reference to damages done to an automobile in the 4400 block of Avenue U.

Officers investigated a report of a 10-speed bicycle being stolen from the 400 block of 29th Street at 2:46 p.m. Sunday. A report for Class B theft was filed.

At 2:53 p.m. Sunday afternoon, a woman reported a prairie dog at Towle Park being injured by a blow dart. The animal was taken to the West Texas Animal Clinic.

An offense report for burglary of a vehicle was reported from the 2200 block of 44th Street at 3:06 p.m.

Officers also investigated a report of a broken window at the Ritz Theatre at 5:02 p.m. Sunday.

Outgunned Chechens fighting Russian troops street by street

GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Outgunned, outnumbered rebels fought Russian soldiers street by street in the capital of the breakaway republic of Chechnya today. Burned-out tanks and bodies were strewn about the city's devastated downtown.

Hundreds of Chechen fighters were inside the presidential palace — a key objective of the 3-day-old Russian assault — along with several captured Russian soldiers.

Russian warplanes and attack helicopters streaked across the skies and artillery pounded the outskirts of the capital, which was covered by a smoky haze.

The Russian government, which has several times claimed its troops were in control of Grozny, admitted today the Chechens were putting up stiff resistance throughout the sprawling city. Russia's defense minister called for more troops.

Chechen reinforcements also were pouring into Grozny from the surrounding countryside.

Moscow claimed Chechnya's president, Dzhokhar Dudayev, had fled the palace Sunday and taken refuge in a bunker on the outskirts of the besieged city. But Russia's Independent TV said Dudayev was not there.

Independent TV also reported fierce house-to-house fighting in some areas. Several Russian tanks were cut off from their support units, and the bodies of Russian soldiers lay in the streets.

Russian journalist, Vladimir Zhitarenko, a 54-year-old correspondent for the Krasnaya Zvezda military daily, died Sunday after being shot in the head, the Russian Defense Ministry said today.

He was the second journalist to be killed covering the Chechen war. American freelance photographer Cynthia Elbaum, 28, was killed during a rocket attack on Grozny on Dec. 22.

Black smoke rolled out of the burning Lenin oil refinery on the

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Rabin says Israel is halting expansion to preserve peace

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin halted the expansion of a Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank today, saying it was necessary to preserve peace with the Palestinians.

"Under no circumstances will work continue," Rabin told the Knesset, setting off heckling from the right-wing opposition.

By stopping the bulldozers, Rabin decided that preserving the talks on Palestinian self-rule outweighed the possible confrontation with the 120,000 Jewish settlers on the West Bank and their supporters in Israel who oppose territorial compromise.

"We want peace and we want an agreement, we do not want a binational state," Rabin said. The right wing's claim to huge chunks of the West Bank would mean absorbing hundreds of thousands of Palestinians.

"We are talking about a territorial compromise that will secure Jerusalem," he said. "Whoever wants Jerusalem to reach to Hebron and Ramallah and Jericho will only hurt chances of keeping Jerusalem united," he said, naming three West Bank towns.

The hill between the settlement of Efrat and the Palestinian village of Al-Khader has been the scene of protests and clashes since Dec. 22, when bulldozers started clearing the land.

Both sides claim the land, 12 miles south of Jerusalem, and the Palestinians have warned that construction of a Jewish neighborhood there would jeopardize the peace process.

Left-wing ministers said building settlements violated at least the spirit of the 1993 Israel-PLO autonomy agreement. More conservative Cabinet members expressed fear that a ban would set a bad precedent for Israel's claims to the greater Jerusalem area.

In a compromise, Rabin said the government will permit construction of a smaller subdivision on a different hill adjacent to the settlement.

The opposition accused Rabin of caving in to Palestinian demands. Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat had warned that the project could seriously harm the peace process.

"Who are you afraid of? Arafat? What has happened to your Zionist values," Likud opposition leader Benjamin Netanyahu said after Rabin's speech.

Settlers in Efrat, a community of 6,000 12 miles south of Jerusalem, say they bought the land they call Tamar Hill legally. Palestinians in Al-Khader claim the land has been theirs for generations and that it was conficasted from them illegally.

American, Australian wed after meeting via Internet

LACKAWANNA, N.Y. (AP) — It started with a few messages a week on the Internet. She hooked up a modem. They communicated at least 20 times a day. Nine months later, he popped the question — on her screen.

They hadn't even met.

It didn't matter.

On Dec. 16, four days after her Internet partner arrived from his native Australia, Charlene Mirabella said, "I do." Next month, the reference librarian from D'Youville College in Buffalo plans to go back with him to start a new life.

"We are having some difficulty in getting people to understand that we know all about one another," husband Robert Boot told The Buffalo News in Sunday's editions. "But E-mail is the resurgence of correspondence — which has essentially died out. It was the way many people used to get to know one another."

Mirabella was on-line last March when she became aware of Boot, a 50-year-old health science librarian at the University of Queensland in Brisbane.

"I responded to a rather impertinent response to a rather arrogant librarian's posting," Mirabella said.

The two quickly found out that they shared more than professional interests. "We'd read a lot of the same things," Mirabella said. "We both loved science fiction. We both read poetry."

Their original correspondence led to four or five messages within the week, and Mirabella hooked up a modem in her home.

"I realized this was slipping away from the professional," she said. "After that, 20 messages a day was not unusual. By the end of March, we were talking about picture exchanges."

Boot didn't wait for Mirabella's picture to arrive by old-fashioned mail before popping the question — via the Internet, of course.

"I responded 'yes' immediately," she said.

Dear Abby



Man's Prayers Are Answered During Church's Coffee Hour

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: In response to a column in which you recommended church as a good place to meet decent people:

I was seated in the choir loft one Sunday morning when I spotted a nice-looking gentleman sitting alone in the back pew. Being a single woman, I thought to myself, "He looks like an eligible gentleman."

After the service, during the coffee hour, he was standing alone, so I approached him, extended my hand and said, "Hi. I'm Ellen."

He took one look at me, then bolted out the door without saying a word! I thought to myself, "What a rude man!"

The next Sunday, there he was again ... in the back pew. During the coffee hour, he came over to me and said, "My name is Bob Price, and I owe you an apology for my rude behavior last Sunday. You took me by surprise. You see, my deceased wife's name was Ellen, and I had been praying, 'Dear God, please send me another Ellen,' and when you approached me and said, 'Hi, I'm Ellen,' I lost it."

Abby, to make a long story short, Bob and I are now in our 12th year of a very fulfilling marriage, and we thank our lucky stars that his prayer was answered. You may use my name.

ELLEN PRICE,
EAST PALATKA, FLA.

DEAR ELLEN: Congratulations. May you have many more happy years together. I hope you'll forgive me if I say, "The Price was right."

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DEAR ABBY: Three years ago, our family of five (with three adult sons) solved, in a unique way, the problem of what to get people for Christmas when they already have almost everything they need or want. We agreed to exchange token gifts, and use the "extra" money to give in a personal way to someone in need.

Abby, the results have been wonderful! Our Christmas shopping has been simplified, and we can't wait to exchange the stories about our "other" gifts on Christmas Eve. No impersonal checks to faraway charities, but stories that make all of us feel good: money to an inner-city grocer to pay for food for a needy family; a microwave oven delivered to a homeless shelter; a book of movie coupons for the staff of a home for abused families; flowers for widows in a nursing home who don't ordinarily receive visitors.

If you don't know any people in need, social workers or the clergy would be happy to pass your gifts along. The idea has spread to my younger brother and his family in California. Those with younger children can imagine the joy of their child selecting a toy that will be given to a less fortunate child. The possibilities are endless.

It's too late for 1994 — but tell your readers to clip this letter and put it with their Christmas decorations for next December. Wouldn't it be extraordinary if the idea spread all over America?

RALPH BRONNER,
MENOMONEE FALLS, WIS.

DEAR RALPH: Extraordinary? It would be fantastic! The true spirit of Christmas is giving — from the heart, and anonymously in many cases.

Not everyone can afford to give the kind of Christmas gifts he or she would like (I refer to material things that can be purchased by anyone who has the money). An even more meaningful gift is a gift of one's self — spending time with someone who is lonely, disabled or elderly. Some of the best things in life are free.

But why only once a year at Christmastime?

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris. Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

DATE BOOK

Jan. 2, 1995

Today is the second day of 1995 and the 13th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1890, Alice Sanger became the first female White House staffer when she joined the staff of President Rutherford B. Hayes.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Nathaniel Bacon (1647-1676), American colonial leader; James Wolfe (1727-1759), British general; Isaac Asimov (1920-1992), writer; Dan Rostenkowski (1928-), former U.S. congressman, is 67; Roger Miller (1936-1992), singer-songwriter; James Bakker (1940-), former TV evangelist, is 55.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1965, University of Alabama quarterback Joe Namath was signed by the New York Jets for $400,000, making "Broadway Joe" football's highest-paid player.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The only perfect man who ever lived had a beard and long hair and didn't wear shoes and slept in barns and didn't hold a regular job and never put on a tie. I'm not comparing myself to Him — I'm in enough trouble trying to stack up against Bart Starr — but I'm just saying that you don't judge a man by the way he cuts his hair." — Joe Namath

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1992, harsh winter weather raked the Middle East. At least 20 died when an avalanche crushed eight houses near Yuksekova, Turkey. Sixteen inches of snow fell on Jerusalem, Israel — the most in 42 years — and rare flurries fell on Nicosia, Cyprus, and Beirut, Lebanon.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Day after new moon (Jan. 1).

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Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Light flashes may signal glaucoma

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What can you tell me about light flashes, the cause, treatment and future problems? So many people I know have this.

DEAR READER: Flashes of light (scotomata) result when the optic nerve or retina (the film at the back of the eye that permits vision) are stimulated.

A person can experience a variation of this by closing the eyes and pressing firmly on them. However, the phenomenon is also seen in the presence of glaucoma, migraine and various neurological diseases, such as multiple sclerosis.

Those patients with scotomata should have a meticulous examination by an ophthalmologist. If the eyes are normal, a neurological consultation is mandatory.

Treatment depends on the cause; for example, eye drops (Timoptic and other drugs) for glaucoma or beta-blocking medication to prevent migraine.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 77-year-old in fairly good health. I recently found I have a slight case of emphysema. I tire easily when walking and as arthritis is supposed to be exacerbated by a lack of exercise, I'd like your opinion on the use of a stationary exercise bike so I can get more exercise than I currently do.

DEAR READER: Stationary exercise bicycles are excellent devices to use for regular physical activity. Their use doesn't depend on the weather (as do walking and running), can be adjusted periodically to maintain an increasing level of work, do not require weight-bearing (hence, are useful for patients with arthritis), are relatively inexpensive, will improve cardiovascular fitness, and are convenient.

I have several patients who work out regularly; they ride their bikes while watching the evening news or reading the morning paper (using a stand). If you need regular exercise, a stationary bicycle is a healthful and easy way to get it.

To give you more information on the slight case of emphysema you've been diagnosed with, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Living With Chronic Lung Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What is your opinion of a diet consisting exclusively of whole milk for a child almost 4 years old?

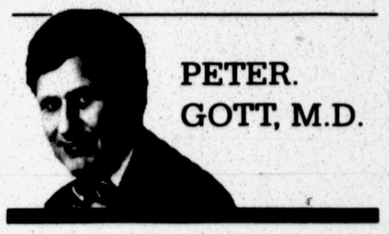
DEAR READER: This is unhealthful and should be modified. Although whole milk is a nutritious food, it is not appropriate as a single dietary staple.

Youngsters need a balanced diet — including protein, carbohydrate, fruit and vegetables.

While whole milk supplies some of these constituents, it is lacking certain necessary elements. Milk (especially mother's milk) may be suitable for a newborn, but older children need a more varied fare.

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DR. GOTT



PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Brief, intense fire kills four patients at Virginia hospital

PETERSBURG, Va. (AP) — With hot debris falling onto his back, and the smell of smoke in his nostrils, Dr. Ashok Kumar screamed for rescue from a swift, smoky hospital fire that killed four other patients.

"I saw the smoke along the corners of the wall and it was coming into the room very fast," said Kumar, who had awakened from a drugged sleep at the Southside Regional Medical Center.

He said he was moments away from passing out when he was rescued.

"I had my head out the window and I was yelling that I couldn't hang on very much longer." Firefighters scaled two ladders to rescue him from a fourth-floor window.

The New Year's Eve fire forced the partial evacuation of the hospital and injured five people, including three firefighters. It began in the room of a female patient two doors from Kumar, who had been hospitalized for pneumonia.

Kumar, 41, was in stable condition Sunday. Another fire victim was in critical condition.

The cause of the fire was unknown, but firefighters were investigating whether a patient was smoking in the room where the fire started. Its speed and intensity indicate it may have been fueled by an oxygen tube in the room, Fire Capt. T.C. Hairston said.

The woman apparently died of burns and the other three succumbed to smoke inhalation, Hairston said.

Hospital officials identified the dead as Douglas Rawlings, Alma Bonner, Dora Matthews and Bessie Johnston, but would not release their ages or hometowns. Douglas Rawlings Jr. said his father, 89, lived in nearby Colonial Heights.

About 25 people were evacuated from the fourth and fifth floors of the six-story building. Most were uninjured and were taken to the cafeteria, hospital spokeswoman Terry Tysinger said. Several were treated for smoke inhalation or minor injuries at the hospital or at two neighboring hospitals, she said.

The fire-damaged ward was sealed off Sunday. Outside the hospital, scorched brick surrounded the twisted metal window frame of the room where the fire started.

Berry's World



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"You're looking at a 'Human Orange County, California.'"

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

3-0-1

(three, zero, one)

Lotto Texas

by The Associated Press

Two Lotto Texas ticket holders will begin 1995 as millionaires.

One ticket bought in Abilene and another purchased in the Dallas-Fort Worth area correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The jackpot is worth $10 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 16, 34, 37, 40, 43 and 46.

In addition to the jackpot winners, there were 187 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth $1,414. There were 7,897 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning $120. And there were 150,508 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be $3 million.

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Scurry County

Anadarko Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 1 Byrd-Frost in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. Planned for a depth of 3,120 feet, location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 4 Byrd-Forst in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. Planned depth is 3,160 feet, and location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 5-C Byrd-Frost in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. Contracted for 3,215 feet, location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 5-A Byrd-Frost in the Shron Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. The venture will be drilled to 3,178 feet, and location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 5 W.T. Falls in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. Planned depth is 3,168 feet, and location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 8 W.T. Falls in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. Contacted for 3,212 feet, location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Lakewood Operating will drill the No. 1 Koala in the Diamond M field, eight miles northwest of Ira. Contracted for a depth of 7,000 feet, location is in Section 98, Block 25, H&TC survey.

Borden County

Paladin Exploration Inc. will drill the No. 522-1 Miller in the Seven J west field, 13 miles northeast of Gail. The re-entry project is planned for a depth 8,350 feet, and location is in Section 522, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Howard County

Partee Drilling Inc. will drill the No. 1 Martin in the Moss Creek field, five miles southeast of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 8,500 feet, drill site is in Section 30, Block 31, T1S, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Union Pacific Resources Co. will drill the No. 1 Gin, a 7,500-foot wildcat located 18 miles south of Sweetwater. Drill site is in Section 160, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Chisholm Exploration Inc. will drill the No. 5 Lewis in the Suggs field, three miles west of Blackwell. Planned for a depth of 6,600 feet, location is in Section 248, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Storytime for 4- and 5-year olds; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-4158 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 863-2349, 573-8626, 573-1141; 8 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 7:30 p.m.; call 573-8322 for more information.

TUESDAY

Scurry County Chapter of American Heart Association; The Shack; noon.

Alpha Study Club; MAWC; hostesses, LaDean Rhodes and Katy McKinzie; 3 p.m.

Fireman's Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7:30 p.m.

Snyder Police Auxiliary; Snyder National Bank Community Room; 7:30 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi; 7:30 p.m.

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in and meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-4158 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956, 573-2101, 573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Snyder Christian Woman's Club Prayer Coffee; home of Nan Love, 29 36th Street; 9:30 a.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-4158 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club; MAWC; election of officers, program—Michael quires on "Conserving Our Natural Recources;" hostesses, Mabel Cey and Jo Ann Nunley; 9:30 a.m.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; American Legion; 6:30-8 p.m.

SOS (Singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Life Center; 7 p.m.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7 p.m.

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3308 or 573-2101.

Bilingual Group of Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for more information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30-11 a.m.; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (Last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-4158 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder County Club; 1:30 p.m.

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

Collector rescues rare manuscript

SANBORNTON, N.H. (AP) — Kent Bicknell's obsession with Louisa May Alcott tormented him for more than a year before he finally raised the money to rescue an obscure manuscript penned by her.

Now the story may be headed for a real Hollywood ending.

The 47-year-old headmaster of a progressive country day school in the New Hampshire backwoods has long been a passionate collector of rare books. When he learned of an unpublished manuscript written by one of his favorite authors, he became haunted by its existence.

Bicknell discovered the fragile, yellowed pages at a book store in Manhattan. He was delighted to find the manuscript was entirely in Alcott's backward slant handwriting, with notes and editing marks scribbled in the margins.

The book, "A Long Fatal Love Chase," is the tale of a young woman stalked by her former lover. It never made it to the printing press in 1866 when it was written, apparently because Alcott's publisher thought it too long and sensational.

Stephanie Upton, executive director of the Orchard House, the Alcott homestead in Concord, Mass., said Alcott's descendants turned the manuscript over to her museum years ago. The museum then sold it to the bookstore where it drew only marginal interest on the rare book market for about two years.

But Bicknell knew it was a find. The only barrier was its price tag, which was more than his annual salary. Bicknell will only say that he spent "well under $50,000" for the book.

"I spent a year trying to put it out of my mind," he said.

That proved futile. He approached friends about buying the book and inquired about a bank loan before he finally got a loan from one of the donors to his Sant Bani School.

Bicknell bought the manuscript last spring, then read it for the first time.

He had held off reading it earlier because, he said, "I didn't want to go down there and read through it and find it was delicious and then find I couldn't acquire it."

As it turns out, Alcott did not let him down. The manuscript, with its tales of obsessive love, unrequited love, duels and murder, fulfilled all his expectations.

"I was just caught up in the story," he said, caressing a copy of the manuscript. The original is locked away in a safety deposit box.

Literary agent Lane Zachary of Palmer & Dodge Agency in Boston agreed, saying the story has a definite message for today's readers.

"It is basically a 19th century O.J. Simpson story," she said, comparing the novel to the current Los Angeles murder case. "I thought it was incredibly timely, dealing with issues in our society today — primarily stalking and a man not letting go of a woman. It was actually scary that it was so contemporary."

Random House, which bought the rights to the book for publication next September, won't disclose how much it paid, but Bicknell said the price was "more than a million dollars."

"None of us anticipated the manuscript would explode like it did. Everybody suddenly was on it," said Alcott's great-grandnephew, William Kussin. "I'm having fun just watching the unfolding."

Bicknell said he plans to share the proceeds with his school and the Orchard House.

It is no coincidence that the manuscript was bought for publication now, when Alcott's works are experiencing a revival. Her most famous novel, "Little Women," was remade into a movie and released this season.

Bicknell is hopeful that the accolades the film is getting will interest Hollywood in his manuscript. Indeed, he has already received some calls.

Dole warns Democrats against interference

WASHINGTON (AP) — Envisioning the partisan battles ahead, incoming Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole is urging his colleagues to thwart any Democratic effort to disrupt the new Republican-led Congress.

"We control the Congress now and we're going to set the agenda," the Kansas Republican said Sunday on CBS's "Face the Nation."

"I'm going to ask my colleagues to stick with the leader to table all these efforts by Democrats in the early days to embarrass Republicans," he said.

The 1995 session of Congress opens Wednesday with Republicans in the majority in both houses for the first time in 40 years.

The two sides have pledged cooperation in such areas as welfare reform and deficit reduction, but battle lines are being drawn as Republicans prepare to advance a 100-day agenda of action on tax cuts, anti-crime measures and constitutional amendments on a balanced budget and term limits.

Dole said he would work to block any attempt by Democrats to attach a gift ban amendment to the Republicans' "Congressional Accountability Act," a bill that would make members of Congress abide by the same laws all other Americans must obey.

He said campaign finance reform and a bill banning lawmakers from accepting most gifts from lobbyists might be considered later in the session, after the GOP devises its own approach. "We have a majority; we haven't had it for a while. Give us an opportunity to address some of these questions," he said.

Republican opposition to Democratic versions helped kill gift ban and campaign reform legislation during the last session.

Dole also warned Democrats not to stand in the way of serious welfare reform. He described comments by Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala that the House Republican plan could push 5 million children off welfare as "hysteria, trying to scare people in America."

"If Donna Shalala wants to be a player, she'll have that opportunity. If she just wants to scare people, she probably won't have much of an opportunity."

Dole and other lawmakers speaking on the Sunday news programs emphasized that the new GOP majority will leave controversial social issues such as federal funding for family planning for later in the session.

The top two items on the Senate agenda, Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, told CNN's "Late Edition," will be the balanced budget amendment and a bill that would stop Washington from forcing states to initiate programs without providing money for them.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♣K Q J 9 7		♣10 4 2
	SOUTH	
	♠A K J 2	
	♥A 5 4 3	
	♦10 9 4	
	♣A 3	

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♣K

Deception by deduction

By Phillip Alder

John Ruskin, the English art critic, was discussing painters when he wrote, "The essence of lying is in deception, not in words." In bridge, sometimes you lie in words — when you make a psychic bid, for example. During the play, sometimes you lie by falsecarding. In today's deal, a defender fooled declarer by dropping an unnecessarily high card. However, it helped that he had calculated that his "generosity" couldn't cost a trick.

In four hearts, declarer won the first trick with his club ace and cashed the heart ace, "dropping" West's queen. Worried that East had started with four trumps, South immediately ran the diamond 10. East kept up the good defense, ducking his king. Suddenly success beckoned. South repeated the diamond finesse, but East won with the king and gave his partner a diamond ruff. West cashed the club queen, and the heart jack was the fourth defensive trick.

How did West know he could afford to play the heart queen? Well, if South had started with A-J-x-x of hearts, he would have played a heart to dummy's king and taken the trump finesse. So, when South started with the heart ace, East was marked with the jack. Dropping the queen was safe. Also, it couldn't mislead East, because South was marked with four hearts from the auction. (If South had opened one no-trump with five hearts, he would have drawn two rounds of trumps before taking the diamond finesse.)

However, when trying a deceptive defense, be careful not to deceive your partner more than declarer.

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Pataki sworn in as New York governor

by The Associated Press

George Pataki took over as New York's 53rd governor Sunday with a promise to recover "the revolutionary spirit of Saratoga" and the nation's founders.

In New Mexico, Gary Johnson was sworn in as his state's 29th governor and called for political unity in a brief inaugural speech before about 1,200 people.

For New Yorkers, the mood is one of "impatience, frustration, even, for many, anger," Pataki, an Ivy League-educated lawyer, said in his inaugural address in Albany, N.Y., before about 10,000 people. He is the state's first Republican governor in 20 years.

Pataki, who on Nov. 8 turned back Mario Cuomo's bid for a fourth term, promised to cut taxes, slash government spending, reduce welfare dependency and bring back the death penalty.

Pataki took the official oath of office at a private New Year's Eve ceremony at the Executive Mansion.

Johnson, a Republican, was officially sworn in during a brief, private ceremony in the Capitol in Santa Fe, N.M., a few minutes before midnight.

Johnson, an Albuquerque businessman who had never run for political office before, won the governorship over three-time incumbent Democrat Bruce King in November.

He told the inaugural audience it was time to "put away the political labels that divide us and come together in a spirit of cooperation."

Backwoodsman suspected of shooting deputy arrested

FAIRPLAY, Colo. (AP) — A wily, Bible-quoting backwoodsman accused of shooting a deputy sheriff surrendered after eluding authorities for a month. A creaky cabin floorboard gave him up.

William Patrick Burkhart, 39, is suspected of shooting deputy John Hoehler Nov. 29. Hoehler, who was wearing a bulletproof vest, survived the shooting with minor injuries.

An ardent survivalist, Burkhart has eluded officials in this sparsely-populated mountainous country. A rash of break-ins in area cabins hinted at his presence.

Sheriff Robert Harrison and a team of deputies were checking them out Sunday when they stumbled upon Burkhart, he said.

"I was checking the cabin he was in. Actually, I went under it and the floor creaked above me. I listened and I could definitely make out someone trying to walk very quietly in the house above me," Harrison said.

He called for backup. Officers surrounded the cabin and ordered whoever it was to come out: Sure enough, it was Burkhart. Authorities said he had two guns and a rifle, but surfaced unarmed and without a struggle.

Burkhart was scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday.

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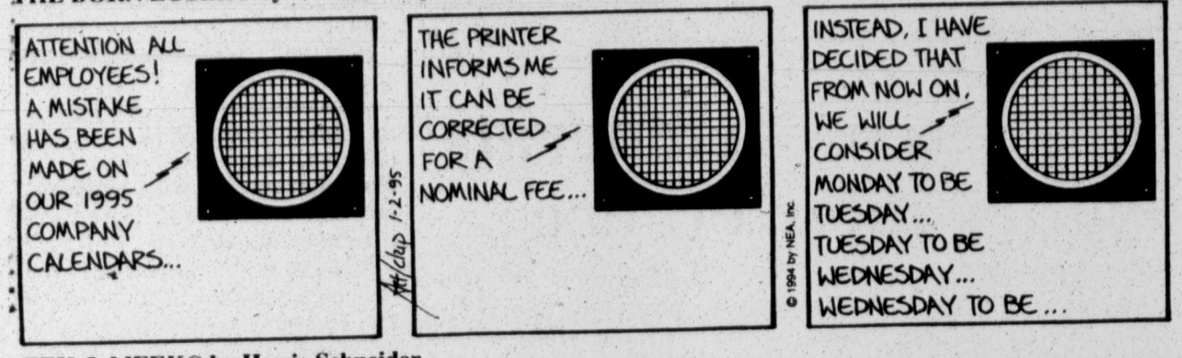
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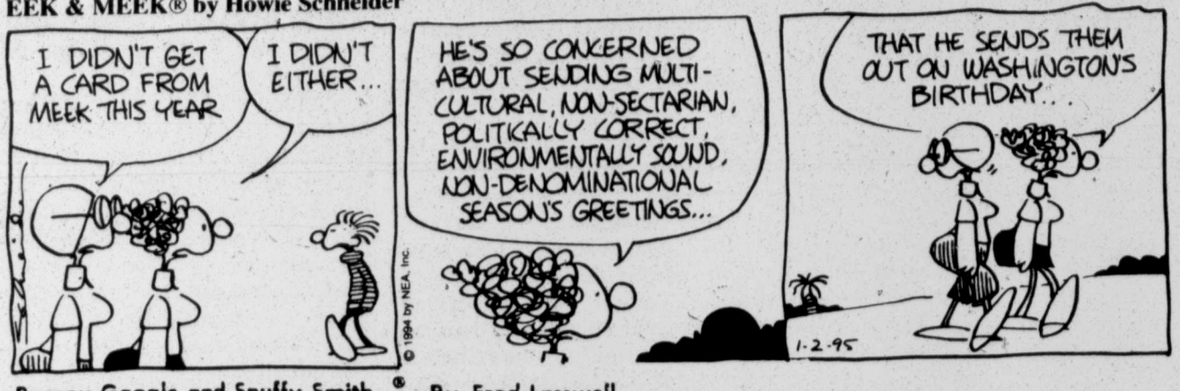
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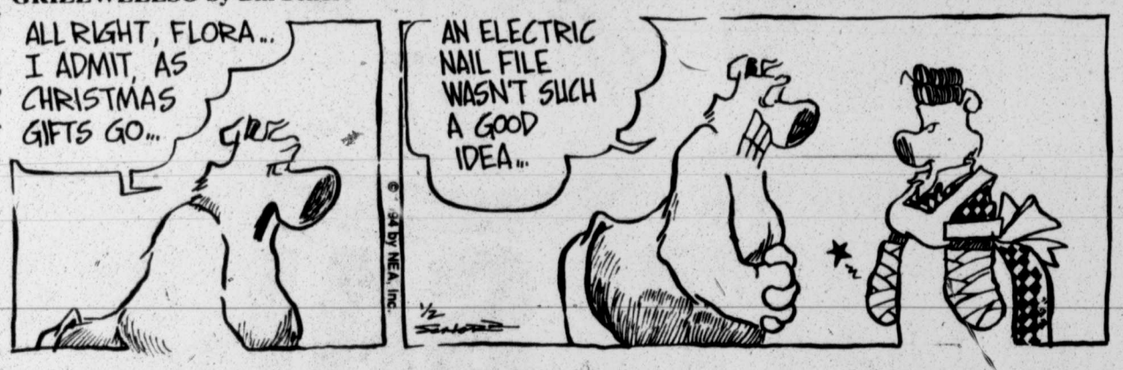
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4 Unexpected difficulties
9 Pod ingredient
12 Spherical body
13 Purposeful
14 Ancient
15 Somewhat lemon-colored
17 Fib
18 Ancient theater
19 Rouse from sleep
21 Negative vote
23 Siamese native
24 Fliers
28 Platform
32 Affirmative
33 Awry
34 Portico
35 Rat- — - —
37 Do — others
39 Haul with effort
40 Sharpen
41 Pinkness
43 Parcel of land
45 Actor Wallach
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62 Confidence
63 — Tin Tin (movie dog)

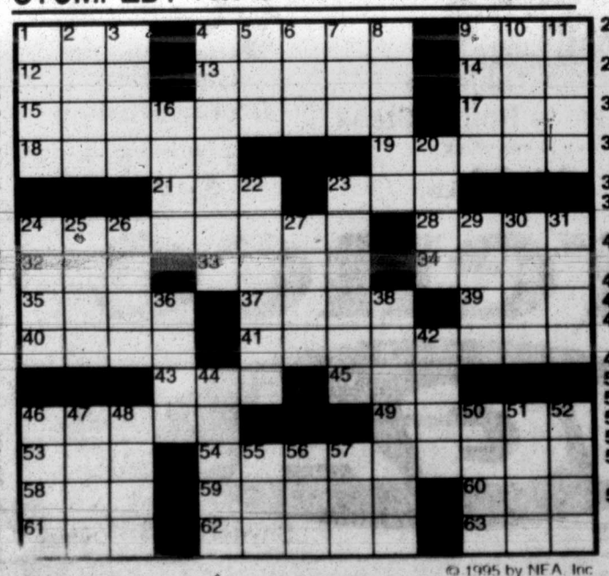
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11 Arabian seaport
16 Kind of moth
20 Helps
22 Dieter's dessert
23 Sleeping-sickness fly
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25 Reject
26 No man — — island
27 City in Nevada
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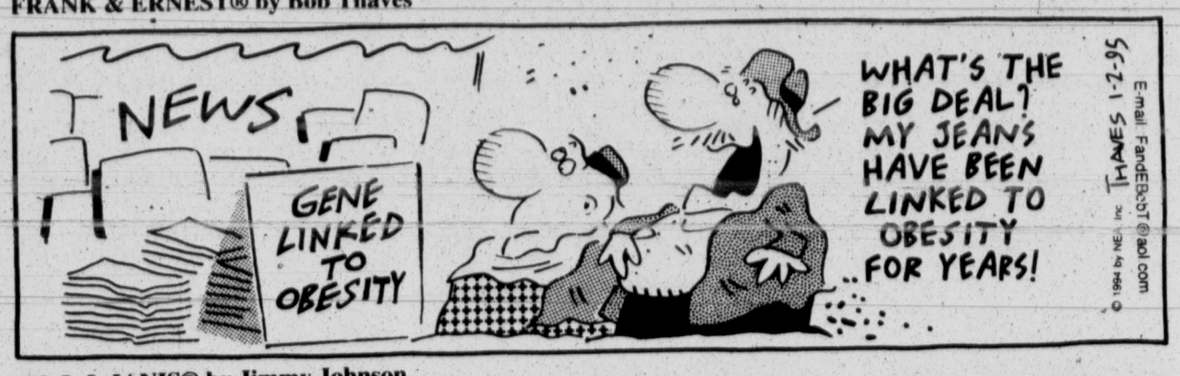
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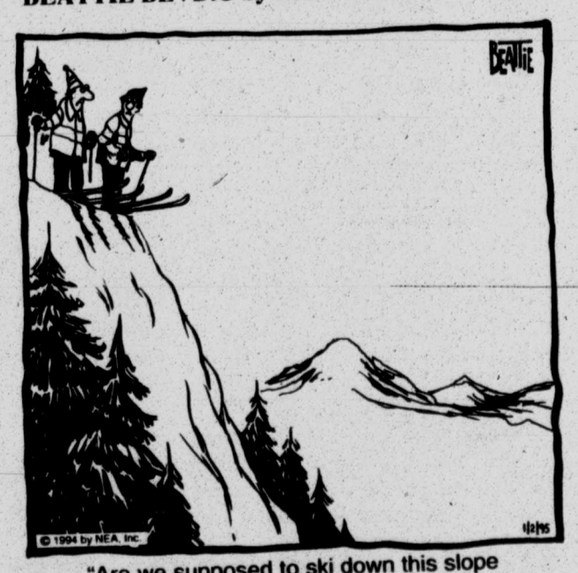
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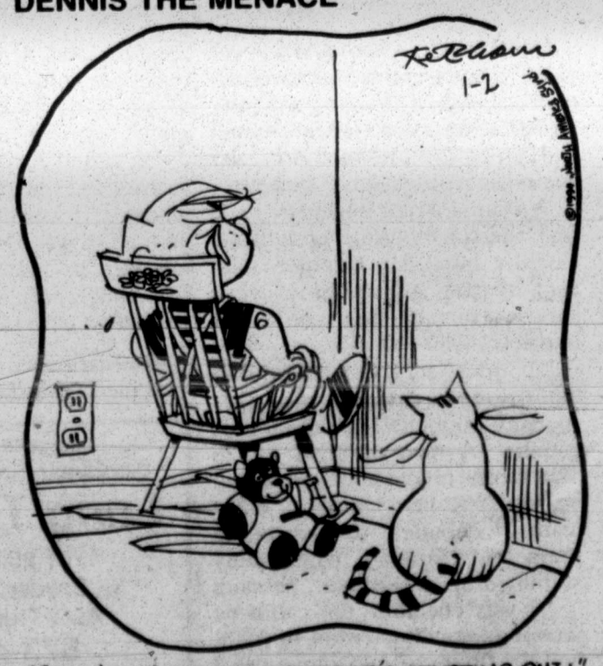
"Are we supposed to ski down this slope or use a bungee cord?!"

LAFF-A-DAY



"Out little Jennifer finally left home today. But the bad news is she forgot to take her husband."

DENNIS THE MENACE



Cornhuskers stake claim to No. 1

MIAMI (AP) — For 22 years and 45 minutes, Tom Osborne was frustrated in his effort to win a national championship at Nebraska.

Then came a remarkable reversal. Against a team that had caused the Cornhuskers only heartache, in a stadium where many thought they couldn't win, top-ranked Nebraska rallied with 15 consecutive fourth-quarter points Sunday night to beat Miami 24-17 in the Orange Bowl.

The victory almost surely clinched the first national title since 1971 for Nebraska (13-0). Every top-ranked team that has won its bowl game has finished No. 1.

"I don't know if we've won it. I suppose we have a chance," said the 57-year-old Osborne, emotionless as ever even after the biggest victory of his career.

The final Associated Press poll will be released early Tuesday after all bowl games are played. Second-ranked Penn State, which played Oregon today in the Rose Bowl, is unlikely to overtake Nebraska because of the impressive nature of the Cornhuskers' win against third-ranked Miami at the Orange Bowl.

"You have to give them credit," Miami coach Dennis Erickson said. "They came down here and beat us in our stadium."

And to do it, the Huskers came from behind against the nation's stingiest defense. Nebraska trailed 17-7 in the third quarter and 17-9 with just eight minutes remaining.

But quarterback Tommie Frazier, playing for the first time since being sidelined by blood clots in September, directed touchdown drives of 40 and 58 yards to secure the victory.

Cory Schlesinger pulled Nebraska within two points on a 15-yard touchdown run with 7:38 left, and Frazier hit Eric Alford with a two-point conversion pass to tie the game.

Nebraska forced a punt just three plays later, and Frazier converted two third-down situations before Schlesinger again broke clear on a 14-yard touchdown run with 2:46 to go.

The Cornhuskers' defense overwhelmed Miami down the stretch. The Hurricanes failed to produce a first down in their final five possessions.

"We had a chance for the national championship," Miami quarterback Frank Costa said. "We had the lead and lost the game, and that's always disappointing."

Nebraska avenged Orange Bowl losses to Miami in 1984, 1989 and 1992. The Huskers had lost seven consecutive bowl games and five in a row at the Orange Bowl.

Miami (10-2) suffered its second loss at home — both this season — in the past 64 games.

"I said all along we could beat them here," Frazier said. "They're not unbeatable here."

Osborne stirred controversy by choosing the junior to start over Brook Berringer, who was 7-0 filling in for Frazier.

When Nebraska fell behind 10-0 in the first quarter, Frazier was replaced by Berringer, who kept the game close with a 19-yard touchdown pass to Mark Gilman. Frazier returned in the fourth quarter after Berringer had a pass intercepted in the end zone.

"I just felt like it was time to get Tommie in," Osborne said.

The game's most valuable player had unimpressive statistics — 31 yards rushing in seven carries and three completions in five attempts for 25 yards with one interception. But he sparked his team to victory.

"Frazier made some big plays for them," Erickson said.

"When my time came, I went in and got the job done," Frazier said.

Miami gained 143 yards in the first quarter, but only 134 after that. Eleven penalties, five sacks and poor field position hampered the Hurricanes, and their defense tired in the fourth quarter.

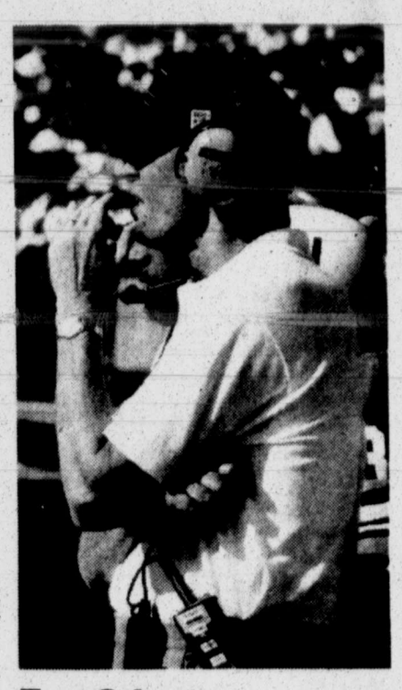
"We had a million chances," Erickson said. "We couldn't make plays on offense and kept our defense out there too much."

Costa completed 18 of 35 passes for 248 yards, including pass-and-run touchdowns of 35 yards to Trent Jones and 44 yards to Jonathan Harris.

"We weren't hungry enough; that's what gets me," Costa said. "Ninety-five percent of the guys gave 100 percent, but I don't think some guys did. Every one of their guys gave 100 percent.

"They wanted it more than we did."

In the end, there was Osborne standing at a microphone, speaking in that familiar monotone. He didn't smile, but he did manage to crack a joke while accepting the Orange Bowl winner's trophy.



Tom Osborne

"I didn't even know this existed," he said.

The game, which drew a record crowd of 81,753, is sponsored by FedEx.

Wolfpack knocks off Dogs

ATLANTA (AP) — Terry Harvey passed for one touchdown and set up another just over three minutes later with a 62-yard completion as No. 23 North Carolina State rallied to beat Mississippi State 28-24 in the Peach Bowl Sunday night.

Harvey connected with Dallas Dickerson on a 3-yard scoring pass with 1:12 left in the third quarter and then ran for a 2-point conversion that tied the game at 21.

After State failed to get a first down, Harvey took the Wolfpack (9-3) 80 yards in four plays, with Carlos King getting the final 11 yards with 13:06 to play. The key play in the drive was Harvey's 62-yard pass to Jimmy Grissett to the Mississippi State 13.

Grissett made the catch at the Bulldogs 45 between defenders, who collided, allowing Grissett to race away before being knocked out of bounds by Clay Mack.

Mississippi State (8-4) reached the Wolfpack 28 in the closing minutes, but couldn't overcome a 15-yard penalty for an offensive face mask violation.

Bears fall in Alamo Bowl

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Baylor led the Southwest Conference in scoring, but the Bears struggled in the Alamo Bowl against Washington State's experienced, overpowering defense.

The result: a 10-3 victory by No. 24 Washington State over Baylor on New Year's Eve in the Alamodome.

The Cougars' defense, ranked second nationally, had been expected to dominate. Still, Baylor hung in literally until the last minute.

Baylor freshman quarterback Jeff Watson connected with Kalief Muhammad for a 33-yard gain to Washington State's 11 yard line. Four plays later, on fourth down at the 13-yard line with 39 seconds left to play, Watson's pass intended for Damon Rhynes was intercepted by Todd Jensen in the end zone.

Illinois shuts out Pirates

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Forget that talk about Illinois not being excited or ready to play in the Liberty Bowl.

The Fighting Illini, fifth in the Big 10 Conference, dismantled East Carolina 30-0 Saturday for only its second bowl victory in nine appearances.

"We haven't had too much luck in bowls," said Illini receiver Jasper Strong, who scored on a 73-yard TD pass. "This sets us up for next season. We have a win going out, and it opens up the season for next year to start off well."

Illinois (7-5) forced five turnovers, held the ball for more than 35 minutes and handed East Carolina (7-5) its first shutout this season in picking up its first bowl victory since the 1990 Citrus Bowl.

The Illinois defense ranked ninth overall in the regular season and never let the Pirates set up an offensive rhythm. After Illinois recovered a fumble on East Carolina's second possession, Johnny Johnson hit Ken Dilger with a 17-yard touchdown pass — the first of four — giving the Illini a 7-0 lead it never lost.

NBA Glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
Orlando	23	6	.793	-
NewYork	15	12	.556	7
Boston	11	17	.393	11½
NewJersey	12	19	.387	12
Philadelphia	10	18	.357	12½
Miami	9	18	.333	13
Washington	7	19	.269	14½
Central Division				
Cleveland	20	8	.714	-
Indiana	17	9	.654	2
Charlotte	16	12	.571	4
Chicago	15	13	.536	5
Atlanta	12	17	.414	8½
Detroit	9	17	.346	10
Milwaukee	9	18	.333	10½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
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Utah	19	9	.679	-
Houston	18	9	.667	½
SanAntonio	15	10	.600	2½
Dallas	13	12	.520	4½
Denver	14	13	.519	4½
Minnesota	6	20	.231	12
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	21	7	.750	-
Seattle	18	9	.667	2½
L.A.Lakers	17	9	.654	3
Sacramento	15	12	.556	5½
Portland	13	13	.500	7
GoldenState	10	17	.370	10½
L.A.Clippers	4	25	.138	17½

Friday's Games
San Antonio 115, Washington 101
Orlando 116, L.A. Clippers 105, OT
Cleveland 87, Atlanta 85
Indiana 96, New Jersey 79
Boston 124, Detroit 107
New York 90, Minnesota 81
Chicago 133, Miami 88
Charlotte 101, Milwaukee 94
Dallas 110, Golden State 94
L.A. Lakers 127, Phoenix 112
Denver 118, Portland 114
Houston 111, Utah 103
Sacramento 85, Philadelphia 82

Saturday's Games
No games scheduled

Sunday's Games
No games scheduled

Monday's Games
No games scheduled

College Basketball

By The Associated Press
TOP 25 SCOREBOARD
No. 1 North Carolina 95, N.C.-Asheville 77
No. 5 Kansas 93, Fort Hays St. 55
No. 16 Iowa St. 75, San Diego 55
No. 19 Nebraska 108, Appalachian St. 71
SOUTHWEST
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Top 25

by The Associated Press

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, record through Jan. 1, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

		Record	Pts	Prv
1.NorthCarolina	(54)	9-0	1,613	1
2.UCLA	(6)	6-0	1,522	2
3.Arkansas	(5)	11-1	1,505	3
4.Massachusetts		5-1	1,430	4
5.Kansas		8-1	1,324	6
6.Connecticut		7-0	1,312	8
7.Maryland		10-2	1,133	9
8.Kentucky		6-2	1,102	5
9.Arizona		9-2	1,060	10
10.Syracuse		8-1	1,027	11
11.Duke		8-2	990	7
12.Georgetown		7-1	882	12
13.Florida		6-2	834	13
14.MichiganSt.		7-1	627	15
15.ArizonaSt.		9-2	602	16
16.IowaSt.		10-1	516	21
17.California		7-1	512	14
18.WakeForest		7-1	508	18
19.Nebraska		11-1	370	23
20.NewMexicoSt.		9-2	331	22
21.Indiana		8-4	246	24
22.Iowa		10-2	238	—
23.Stanford		9-0	237	—
24.GeorgiaTech		8-3	184	17
25.Penn		6-1	157	—

Other receiving votes: Louisville 123, Cincinnati 98, Alabama 95, Missouri 78, Marquette 76, Minnesota 56, St. John's 52, St. Louis 50, Tulane 31, Virginia Tech 26, Wisconsin 25, Villanova 17, Xavier, Ohio 16, Mississippi St. 15, Providence 14, Utah 14, Hawaii 11, Virginia 11, Georgia St. 10, Ohio U. 8, Oklahoma 7, Texas 7, Brigham Young 5, Oklahoma St. 4, Florida St. 3, Georgia 3, Penn St. 3, Auburn 2, Illinois 1, N.C. Charlotte 1, Oregon 1

Cotton accustomed to legendary games

DALLAS (AP) — It was a fine romance, spanning more than half a century and spawning some of sports' most glorious moments and several of its greatest gaffes.

Through the years, it was a showcase for the likes of Doak Walker, Kyle Rote, Bobby Layne, John Kimbrough, Jim Swink and Earl Campbell. Also Roger Staubach, Joe Montana, Doug Flutie, Bo Jackson and Troy Aikman.

What football fan will forget Dicky Maegle and Tommy Lewis?

But alas, the Southwest Conference's historic ties with the Cotton Bowl end today with Texas Tech's Red Raiders hosting Southern Cal's Trojans. The SWC is breaking up after the 1995-96 season and today's Cotton Bowl, the 59th, wraps up the 54-year relationship.

In 1941, on the eve of World War II, the SWC signed on as a sponsor of the Cotton Bowl and in 1942 committed its champion as the host team.

The bowl itself dates back to New Year's Day 1937, when Sammy Baugh, en route to the NFL Hall-of-Fame, guided Texas Christian to a 16-6 victory over Marquette.

TCU received a $10,000 guarantee, Marquette $6,000.

Texas Tech (6-5) and No. 21 Southern Cal (7-3-1) collect more than $3 million apiece.

But the memories eclipse the money.

In 1970, Notre Dame lifted a 45-year bowl ban to play No. 1 Texas. The game matched Irish quarterback Joe Theismann and Longhorn All-American running back Steve Worster.

It also matched coaching legends Ara Parseghian and Darrell Royal.

The Steers scored with 1:08 left to win a 21-17 thriller. But the Irish would take swift revenge.

They returned to the Cotton Bowl the next year and zapped Texas, 24-11. The game severed the Longhorns' 30-game winning streak and cost them a second consecutive national championship.

On Jan. 1, 1946, Bobby Layne led Texas to a 40-27 victory over Missouri and set a record that surely will stand through the ages: He figured in all 40 points.

Good-Time Bobby passed for two touchdowns, ran for three more, caught a 50-yard pass for another and kicked four extra points.

Thirty-three years later, Joe Montana performed his first miracle.

"Knute Rockne," a Cotton Bowl historian would observe, "must have been looking down upon the Cotton Bowl festivities on this cold, icy, windy day as the Fighting Irish staged one of the greatest comebacks in bowl history."

With 7:37 to play in a game known as the "Ice Bowl," Houston held a 34-12 lead and Montana had missed most of the third quarter with a below-normal body temperature.

With two seconds left, Montana winged an 8-yard scoring shot to Kris Haines, and the extra point made it Notre Dame 35, Houston 34.

Junior varsity falls to Roby in consolation

JAYTON — The Snyder Lady Tigers proved this weekend that they could hang in there against more experienced opponents, as they competed in the Jayton varsity tournament.

Despite a loss in the first round to Rotan's varsity, Snyder recovered for an upset win over Aspermont before losing in the consolation finals, Saturday, to the Roby Lady Lions 49-43.

Snyder (11-8) was shackled with a slow start, as they trailed 27-17 at the end of the first half.

Despite a fourth quarter comeback, the Lady Tigers were never able to overtake the Lady Lions.

"With three minutes left in the fourth quarter we got to within two points," Snyder head coach Billy Hicks said. "We just were unable to get over the wall.

"They (Roby) just kept hitting the key shots down the stretch."

Snyder was led by Tiffany Garza and Jina Miller, who each scored nine points. Laura Collins pitched in eight for the Lady Tigers.

The Snyder junior varsity will take on Andrews, Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. with the freshmen to follow at 6. The Lady Tigers' varsity is scheduled to take the floor at 7:30 p.m.

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Bears upset Minnesota

Browns, Dolphins, and Packers win

by The Associated Press

The Chicago Bears limped into the playoffs. Maybe they were playing possum.

After losing three of their last four games, the Bears barely qualified for the playoffs. They appeared ripe for early elimination, only to revert to their opportunistic form and rout the Vikings 35-18 at Minnesota. It was their first road victory after November since 1987 and it sends them to San Francisco next Saturday.

At Cleveland, the Browns eliminated the Patriots 20-13 as the student (Browns coach Bill Belichick) and his maligned quarterback (Vinny Testaverde) got the best of Belichick's mentor, Bill Parcells, and his budding superstar QB, Drew Bledsoe.

It didn't hurt that Belichick had the stingiest defense in the league on his side, either.

Chicago, which lost both games to Minnesota this season and the last six against the Vikings, forced four turnovers in frustrating Warren Moon. Steve Walsh efficiently ran the Bears offense, throwing for 221 yards and two touchdowns, while Raymont Harris scored on a 29-yard run, the Bears' longest this season.

Safety Kevin Minniefield capped the rout with a 48-yard fumble return with 3:05 to play.

"It was very special to come back here and win," said Walsh, who grew up a Vikings fan across the Mississippi River in St. Paul. "We haven't had much success here. To come in and play as well as we did, it's a big statement for us."

Minnesota is winless in three postseason games under coach Dennis Green, and Moon is 3-7 in the playoffs, 3-6 in his 10 seasons with Houston.

"It's frustrating this year, because it's right here and right now," said Moon. "This is a game we felt we should have won. There's no question we're all disappointed."

The second-round opens Saturday as Cleveland takes on AFC Central champion Pittsburgh in another renewal of their intense rivalry. The Steelers swept two games with the Browns this season. The Bears and 49ers meet in the late game Saturday.

On Sunday, Green Bay is at Dallas and Miami is at San Diego.

The playoffs opened Saturday when the Dolphins beat Kansas City 27-17 in the AFC and the Packers took Detroit 16-10 in the NFC.

Idle this weekend were San Diego, Pittsburgh, Dallas and San Francisco.

Browns 20, Patriots 13

Testaverde, plagued by poor decisions and poorer passers throughout his career, outplayed New England's Pro Bowl quarterback, Bledsoe. In his biggest pro game, Testaverde completed 20 of 30 passes for 268 yards and one touchdown, hitting 11 in a row at one point.

Dolphins 27, Chiefs 17

In possibly his final game, Joe Montana was outdueled by Miami's Dan Marino as Marino completed 22 of 29 passes for 257 yards, two TDs and no interceptions, and he had four passes dropped. That was slightly better than Montana's 26 of 37 for 314 yards and two TDs, but a critical interception late in the game cost the Chiefs.

Packers 16, Lions 10

At Green Bay, the Packers used a staunch defense and a conservative offense to knock off Barry Sanders and the Lions. Sanders, who ran for 1,883 yards this season, managed to get past the line of scrimmage on only six of his 13 carries, and lost 1 yard overall.

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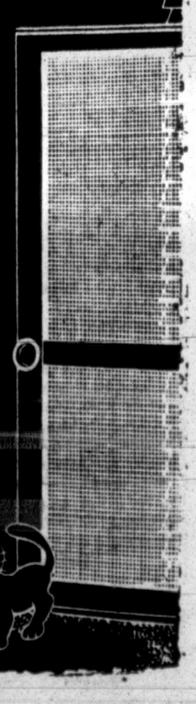
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GOP, Democrat constituent profiles said quite different

WASHINGTON (AP) — Peer inside the districts of the new Republican House majority and you'll find constituents who typically are considerably more affluent, less urban and less racially diverse than those of the Democrats.

For instance, a Republican lawmaker's constituents earn about $4,000 more a year than those in Democratic districts.

In a typical Republican district, just one person in 10 is poor, compared to one in seven in a Democratic district. Republicans control two-thirds of the nation's 100 wealthiest districts.

And though they represent more than half the country, Republicans count only one fourth of black Americans as constituents.

These are just a few findings of an Associated Press computer analysis of congressional districts that found two parties with very different constituents.

The differences are certain to shape debates about everything from food stamps to tax cuts in the new Congress that opens Wednesday.

"Republicans will ask how to make people better off in their wallets than they were a year ago. The Democrats will respond in a way that asks people what they can do for their country," says Rep. Pat Williams, D-Mont.

Actually, the demographics of the two parties' constituencies in the House were barely altered by the election. About the only movement came in the percentage of whites represented by Democrats, which declined slightly.

What did change was who's in charge.

The GOP now controls the committees and the House floor where decisions are made. That spells instant power for the Republican constituency that, according to polls, is concerned about taking a bite out of crime, taxes and government spending. The GOP agenda was tailored to their concerns.

At the other end of the power curve, suddenly, are millions of black, Hispanic and poor Americans who for years found clout among the majority Democrats that overwhelmingly represent them.

"The present mood toward the poor is very foul, and they don't have lobbyists and PACs to protect them," says Democratic activist Jesse Jackson.

Already the tectonic shift in power is having an effect. Democrats, trying to move toward the political center, no longer talk about expanding social programs but rather are devising their own plans for tax cuts, spending cuts and welfare reform.

Their hope, they say, is to moderate the inevitable changes so that at least some of their constituents' needs are addressed — embracing a sort of conservatism with heart.

"You've got to be able to do it in such a way that you protect those that are most vulnerable in our society," says Rep. Kweisi Mfume, D-Md., a key member of the Congressional Black Caucus.

Sounding his party's themes, Mfume recently talked about "sensitive and meaningful welfare reform" and embracing "the realities ... that working class families do expect some kind of tax relief."

The AP analyzed the GOP and Democratic congressional districts based on 1990 census data. It found sharp differences in the kinds of Americans the two parties represent — differences that have existed for years but which take on new meaning with the shift in power.

The GOP constituency includes just 8 million blacks, 9 million Hispanics and 14 million people under the federal poverty standard. Democrats represent 21 million blacks, 13 million Hispanics and 18 million poor people.

Republicans represent none of the 40 congressional districts where at least a third of the people are black.

On average, households in Republican districts have a median income of $32,615 compared with $28,577 in Democratic districts. That's a 14 percent difference.

Seventy percent of Democratic constituents live in urban areas, compared with just 58 percent of Republicans.

The differences are not lost on Republican strategists, who are struggling to attract more minorities but also see opportunity to lure more whites from the Democratic Party.

"It highlights that racial gulf, there's no question about that," says Neil Newhouse, a GOP pollster. "As the Republican Party beomes the majority party among whites, it has therefore limited the appeal to whites of the Democratic Party."

Democrats are deeply divided over how to respond.

Though confident of their base, Republicans are aware of the demographic characteristics of the swing districts — those that switched from the Democrats' column in November.

Those districts, the AP analysis found, have slightly more blacks (7 percent) and slightly lower household income ($30,535) than the typical GOP district.

These districts are "potentially easier to lose," Rep. Jerry Lewis, a southern California Republican, says.

Farmers Branch couple want to adopt

FARMERS BRANCH (AP) — When prospective parents Mike and Anne Sheaffer heard about a couple who adopted a child through a billboard advertisement, they considered it a quirky but good idea.

Six weeks ago, with traditional options rapidly fading, Mike dropped low on his list of things to do and decided to give the roadside plea a chance.

Anyone driving through Dallas this past weekend may have seen one of their two strategically placed, specifically timed billboards announcing: "Mike and Anne want to adopt. We are state approved. (214) 675-BABY."

"I feel we were competing with 3 million other people for 50,000 infants," Sheaffer said Sunday, citing the odds that would-be adoptive parents face. "I really wanted to search for something novel or that hasn't been done."

About four years ago, 21/2 years after they married, the Sheaffers learned that Anne couldn't have children. Because of their religious beliefs, they ruled out using a surrogate mother. And foster parenting seemed too painful because they'd eventually have to give up the child.

They considered adoption agencies a headache because of age limits, exclusivity demands and even donation requests. Orphanages seemed to offer even less hope. A direct deal through a birth mother was broken in late October, six weeks before she was due.

Finally, on a trip back from San Antonio, Sheaffer put together his personal dream of being a father and his professional knowledge of sales and marketing and began scoping out billboards.

The signs went up at 6 a.m. Friday and the first call didn't come until that night — while they were at a movie, causing a hilarious scene as they dove for the two cellular phones they rented specifically for this.

Only a couple more calls followed until a story in Sunday's editions of The Dallas Morning News led to a flood of calls that began while they were in church.

"We were asked to move into the crying baby room this morning," Mike said. "We got at least a half dozen calls."

By mid-afternoon, more than 50 people had called to offer names of agencies, stories and encouragement. One person even turned the tables and asked them advice on how to adopt.

During a two-hour afternoon span, another 15 calls came, including a possible dream come true from a woman who is six weeks pregnant. The Sheaffers were to meet with her Monday morning.

Despite the potential, Mike, 44, warns Anne, 36, not to get too excited.

As happy as he was by the call, he realizes what a long shot it is. Still, Anne hollers, "Yippee," when she hangs up and shoot a hopeful glare toward Mike.

Merritt Turner, a counselor at Adoption Access in Dallas who has been in the child placing business for three years, said the Sheaffers would be best off sticking with an agency.

"The networking is not as successful — that's my understanding," she said. "It sounds like they're going through a lot of extra work and heartache."

The Sheaffers have been hurt before by a pregnant woman who backed out. They met the Florida woman through the church where Mike's brother works, had all the paperwork set and planned for her to live with them and give birth in Texas. Then she decided to give the child to her aunt and uncle instead.

"I crashed and burned when she changed her mind," Mike said. Anne had a bout of vertigo recently that she thinks may have been triggered by the trauma.

Through it all, the Sheaffers credit their strong Christian faith in helping them persevere.

"Being in God's waiting room has refined our character," said Anne, who recently earned her Masters in biblical studies from the Dallas Theological Seminary.

The billboards were to come down at 6 a.m. Monday. Next on the Sheaffers' "to-do" list are advertisements in newspapers across the state and maybe even 20-second radio commercials on youth-oriented stations.

Another step in their mass marketing plan is to distribute 1,000 pink fliers with a baby's picture and the words: "WANTED. Mike and Anne want to adopt a baby. We are a happily married, caucasian, Christian couple in good health. And, we are state approved. No pressure. We want what's best for the child."

The Sheaffers aren't being picky. Their dream is a healthy white girl from Christian parents, yet they are interested in any race, either sex and whatever religion. An international adoption has become a strong possibility.

They eventually want an infant, but because they hope to adopt several children they'd be happy to get an older child. They pursued an 11-year-old girl in Oklahoma until learning of rules against interstate adoptions.

Their large, two-story home in this Dallas suburb would be a perfect place for children, they think. Their two cats seem to love it, as did a 21/2-year-old niece the Sheaffers were babysitting over the weekend.

Anne says one of the three upstairs bedrooms would be perfect for a girl and another would be for a boy, although neither has yet been made into a nursery.

"The Lord is leading us through this entire process," Anne said. "When we feel the Lord closes all doors, we will stop. Right now, we feel like this is his plan for us."

Co-workers, friends, family describe suspect as loner

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A man charged with killing two abortion clinic receptionists in suburban Boston had a series of setbacks and outbursts in the week before the shootings, friends and family said.

John C. Salvi III, 22, had argued with his father about his decision to be a hairdresser, and had stopped attending classes at the Portsmouth Beauty School of Hair Design a week before the shootings.

On Dec. 23, he had an argument with a customer at a hair-dressing shop where he was an apprentice and failed to return to work. The salon's manager, Doreen Potter, said she planned to fire Salvi over it.

On Christmas Eve, at Mass with his parents, he disrupted the services with a confused statement condemning Catholicism before being escorted out of the church.

And just 90 minutes before the third shooting, in Norfolk, Va., Salvi called John Christo, his friend and next-door neighbor, in tears and asking for money and help. Christo said Salvi didn't mention the two shootings in suburban Boston in which two receptionists were killed and five people were wounded.

Salvi was arrested minutes after the Norfolk shooting and is being held without bail pending a court appearance Tuesday.

He appeared relaxed and had talked with jail personnel, Norfolk police spokesman Larry Hill said Sunday. He had not been interviewed by investigators.

"He's been calm throughout," Hill said. "He is talking to people and is sociable."

Diane Salvi said Sunday from her Naples, Fla., home that her nephew was raised in a religious household and attended church every Sunday, and was always quiet and well-mannered.

"You can just wipe that terrorist word right out of your mind," she said. "We had no idea that (his anti-abortion stance) was to that extent."

Christo and Salvi's other neighbor, Jeff Marshall, said Salvi argued with his parents, who were visiting Salvi from Naples, Fla., days before the shootings. His father apparently was disappointed in Salvi's decision to be a hairdresser, Marshall said.

Colon Forbes, a state trooper, said initially he did not believe the man he helped escort out of a church service was the same man wanted for the shootings until he saw a photograph on television.

"I said 'There's the guy, no doubt about it,'" said Forbes, who recalled that Salvi walked to the front of the church to the altar to face the parishioners.

"He said the church wasn't doing what it should do and mentioned the people in the church were losing their houses," Forbes said.

Forbes, who helped escort Salvi from the church, said he did not know what he meant by his statement.

In Florida, a former employer who sold Salvi a rifle recalled that he had a temper.

"He was a nice kid most of the time, but he could go into a rage," said Mark Roberts, who employed Salvi for two years at his Naples maintenance shop.

Robert said he sold Salvi a .22-caliber Ruger rifle with a banana clip for $100 a year ago. A similar gun was used in the Boston area shootings, officials said.

British couple ends yearlong ski excursions

DILLON, Colo. (AP) — It was a tough job, but someone had to do it.

Arnie Wilson and Lucy Dicker spent 1994 skiing. Every day. Across five continents, from a slope in Blue Cow, Australia to a converted dump in Villa Olivia, Ill.

Wilson, a ski correspondent for The Financial Times, Esquire Magazine and the BBC, hatched the idea to celebrate his 50th birthday. The Times and other businesses sponsored the odyssey.

The two Britons skiied the Rockies, the San Gabriels, the Himalayas, the Alps and a snowy Argentinian volcano. To close out '94 they rode the slopes at Copper Mountain, Breckenridge and Keystone in Colorado to set a record for skiing every calendar day of the year.

Of course, they didn't always ski on snow. In India, they found themselves miles from the white stuff.

Advocates fear budget, welfare cuts will endanger public health

WASHINGTON (AP) — It takes at least six months of intensive drug therapy to cure tuberculosis and keep patients from spreading the deadly airborne lung disease.

But lawmakers are making proposals that critics say could prevent people most at risk for TB from getting that care — prompting warnings that Washington's budget-cutting fever may blind Congress to its public health consequences.

"We're very worried that we're poised to repeat the mistakes of the 1980s ... when the government cut TB funding and the organism rebounded," said American Lung Association president Dr. Joseph Bates.

Although health funding generally gets strong bipartisan support, Republicans and Democrats alike have pledged to slash the federal budget — and health-related programs are on the table.

"Health care is placed at a very, very high priority," said Rep. John Porter, R-Ill., a biomedical proponent in line to head the House subcommittee for health funding. But, he said, "It's going to be a tough budget."

Few concrete measures have been proposed yet, but one sure bet is that Medicaid, the federal health program for the poor, will change somehow. Lawmakers are discussing denying Medicaid to legal immigrants and converting it from an entitlement, where everyone eligible gets help regardless of the cost, to a capped program with limited dollars.

Activists say those changes alone would hurt public health:

—45 percent of Americans with HIV, the AIDS virus, get life-prolonging medicine through Medicaid, said AIDS Action Council's Christine Lubinski.

—The poor, immigrants and AIDS patients are the most likely to have TB, which has been on the rise since 1986, and could be left without treatment, Bates said.

—Stopping Medicaid for legal immigrants would lower prenatal care, meaning more illness and death among their babies, who are U.S. citizens eligible for welfare, said David Super of the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. And it would decrease childhood immunizations, putting the country at risk of outbreaks like the 1990 measles surge, he warned.

Medicaid is not the only battlefield. Across-the-board spending cuts mean every agency will vie for a smaller pie, pitting health programs against each other.

"No one has an incentive to think clearly about this. They're focusing all on cutting spending," said Christopher Foreman Jr., a health expert at the Brookings Institution. "The focus is not on the ramifications of that action."

"Change scares everybody," responded Sen.-elect Rick Santorum, R-Pa., a leader of GOP welfare reform. "These programs aren't going to be the first to be whacked away at ... but instead of having them on automatic pilot, you'll see some measures taken to try to set priorities."

This funding already was tight. Discretionary spending, the budget portion that pays for most health programs, dropped by $1 billion for 1995.

And health agencies have barely kept abreast of inflation, even as they attempt to handle growing demands. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, for example, last summer cut its program that sends "disease detectives" to solve deadly outbreaks, and its much-anticipated, $75 million plan to fight emerging diseases won only $6.7 million this year.

The GOP wants more bang for the health buck, by, for example, ending Medicaid funding of such elective procedures as in vitro fertilization, Santorum explained.

But the cuts may have to go deeper, he warned. "We have to look at how much we want to spend on the Medicaid population."

Advocates will have to show programs like TB treatment and prenatal care are cost-effective, explained Super. He cites one example: A General Accounting Office study that found the $296 million spent on welfare mothers' prenatal care in 1990 saved $853 million in their babies' first year.

"Preventing disease is always cheaper than treating it," he argued.

Gramm intends to announce his candidacy in February

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas Sen. Phil Gramm indicated Sunday that he will formally announce his run for the 1996 Republican presidential nomination on Feb. 23.

"I think it's safe to assume the word is yes," Gramm said on CNN's "Late Edition" when asked whether he will declare his candidacy on that date.

The Texas conservative previously filed papers with the Federal Election Commission and has left little doubt about his intentions to enter the 1996 race.

He said the Feb. 23 announcement was "going to be a big event. We're hoping to set a new record in American history. We're hoping to go over $2.5 million in funds raised. Obviously if we can do that it would be a big step forward."

Other Republicans leaving little doubt of their intention to seek the GOP nomination include Pennsylvania moderate Sen. Arlen Specter and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander. Former Vice President Dan Quayle is also testing the presidential waters.

Another potential candidate, incoming Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas, said on CBS' "Face the Nation" Sunday that his main task now was to promote the Republican agenda in Congress. He did not say when he would make a decision on running, but said, "We haven't forgotten about the election in 1996."

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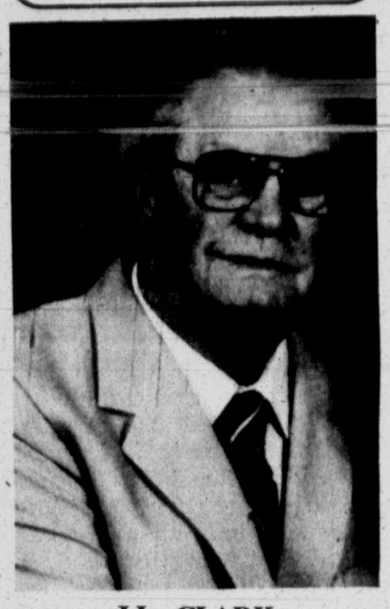
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Obituaries



J.L. CLARK

J.L. Clark

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Services will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Ira native J.L. Clark, 77, who died at approximately 2:30 p.m Sunday in the St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. Burial will follow in the Ira Cemetery.

He was born on Jan. 20, 1917, in Ira and married Nora Lee James on Feb. 26, 1937 in Snyder. A retired farmer, he and Mrs. Clark owned and operated J.L.'s Grocery in Ira. He was a member of the Ira United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Nora Lee Clark of Ira; three sons and daughters-in-law, Kelton and Lena Clark of Ira, Jay Lynn and Jill Clark of Broken Arrow, Okla., and Drew and Teresa Clark of Eden; one daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Bob Barbee of Ira; one brother, Jack Clark of Dallas; two sisters, Anice Wallace of Snyder and Leona Smallwood of Ira; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Katy Phipps

1911-1994

Service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Katy Phipps, 83, who died Saturday in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

Officiating will be the Rev. Vernon Groce, pastor of the Snyder Church of God. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

A resident of Snyder since 1920, Mrs. Phipps was a homemaker and a member of the Church of God.

Born in Breckenridge, she married Raymond Phipps on Nov. 17, 1947 in Colorado City.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Curtis Green, on Jan. 27, 1945. She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Lelton and Bob Rollins.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond Phipps of Snyder; a son, Curtis Ray Green of Snyder; three daughters, Elizabeth Ann Gernandt of Ira, Peggy Louise Goswick of Snyder and Bennie Ruth Goines of Odessa; four sisters, Claudelle Leatherwood of Hugo, Okla., Annie Bell Goss of Snyder, Christine Hoyle of Snyder and Arletta Lovelady of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Bon Jovi sings

RED BANK, N.J. (AP) — Jon Bon Jovi was a sight for sore vocal cords at a New Year's Eve concert.

Local rocker Southside Johnny was struggling with a hoarse voice during his fourth straight night of performing with his band, the Asbury Jukes, when longtime fan Bon Jovi stepped forward.

He sang and played rhythm guitar for a few songs. Then he left the stage a half-hour before midnight — off to help another rocker?

Wilson promises

STATELINE, Nev. (AP) — Wouldn't it be nice if Brian Wilson could keep his promise to play at Beach Boys reunion concerts?

Wilson agreed to perform with the group this weekend after settling a lawsuit with band cofounder Mike Love over song royalties. But he was a no-show for three reunion concerts at Lake Tahoe.

"We're as baffled as everyone else. We don't know why he did it," Caesar's Tahoe spokeswoman Tricia Walker said Sunday.

Garage sales may alleviate money woes for county

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) Some Orange County residents think bailing out their bankrupt local government is as simple as putting out a big sign: GARAGE SALE.

The crisis would end if each of the county's 2.4 million residents raised $841.66 and turned it in, says Cherie Kerr, artistic director of a local satire troupe.

"It's true. We could pay off the deficit and get back to normal, and hire somebody who can count," Kerr said.

Her arithmetic, at least, is close. Orange County announced the bankruptcy on Dec. 6, blaming risky bond deals for losses of about $2.02 billion in an investment fund.

Schools, services for children and the poor, sewers and water districts began looking for ways to cut spending and raise cash. To Kerr and many of her neighbors, the official solutions sounded like anything but fun.

Three weeks into bankruptcy, county supervisors began discussing layoffs of 1,000 or more people. Some supervisors floated the idea of importing other counties' trash to raise money from landfill fees, or selling off John Wayne Airport in Santa Ana.

But those are just ideas, said Supervisor Gaddi Vasquez.

"Orange County is not for sale," said Vasquez. "Its assets are not being posted for sale; its buildings are not being posted for sale."

The county administration has been concerned with other sales. Last Thursday, it sold off risky securities with a face amount of $634.6 million for $577 million to help stabilize the troubled investment fund.

County officials also suspended $2.7 million in park grants to a dozen cities. The move threatened improvements to playgrounds, basketball courts, walking paths and equestrian trails.

Besides calling on supervisors to resign or take pay cuts, people have been coming up with alternative notions, creative if not always constructive.

Clinton seeking time with kin and family

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, squeezing in a New Year's vacation, spent the holiday weekend in South Carolina with high-striving friends before making a trip home to Arkansas.

Clinton, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and their daughter, Chelsea, spent their 11th straight New Year's Day at Renaissance Weekend, an annual family retreat for leaders in politics, business, science, law, medicine, sports and the arts.

The Clintons dropped Chelsea off in Washington on Sunday so she could return to school. The couple was flying to Arkansas today for more rest and recreation with friends and family.

Clinton was expected to address a friendly crowd at the Little Rock, Ark., airport upon arrival and play host at a reception with friends tonight. The couple planned to stay at the Little Rock home of Mrs. Clinton's mother, Dorothy Rodham.

The president's only other public event was scheduled for Wednesday, when he was to dedicate the William Jefferson Clinton elementary school outside Little Rock.

"He's really excited about getting back to Arkansas," said spokeswoman Ginny Terzano. "He wants to unwind a bit."

The trip may be a reminder of how tough Washington has been on Clinton and his friends.

The president last visited Arkansas in July to attend a high school reunion. Since then, one of his best friends, former associate attorney general Webb Hubbell, pleaded guilty in Little Rock to mail fraud and tax evasion.

Births

Barbara and Donald Seay Jr. of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, five-pound, nine-ounce Amber Nicole, born at 1 p.m. on Jan. 1 in Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Grandparents are Nita Blais and Donald J. Seay Sr., both of San Diego, Calif., and Bob and Ada Lumpkins of Lampasas; also, Helen and Doug Neill of San Diego and Hazel Seay of El Centro, Calif.

Shootings

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smoking in the room where the fire began.

In Riverside, Calif., bullets from high-powered rifles struck a police helicopter New Year's Eve, wounding the pilot and forcing the co-pilot to land the craft on a residential street, authorities said.

"We had a helicopter shot out of the sky," said Sgt. Dan Padelford. Three bullets from two separate high-caliber weapons hit the helicopter in rapid succession.

Pilot John Fehrs was flying his Jet Ranger helicopter 800 feet above the crime-ridden Casa Blanca neighborhood, Padelford said.

The pilot's foot was hit twice and the fuel tank was punctured, forcing co-pilot Russ Shubert to make an emergency landing. Fehrs underwent surgery on his foot and was in good condition at a hospital.

Fighting

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edge of the city, a day after the Russians began their all-out assault on the capital of the secessionist, mostly Muslim republic of 1.2 million. Much of the devastated city was blanketed in smoke and the snow was stained black up to 80 miles away.

Tank, rocket and small-arms battles raged around the presidential palace and the railway station several blocks away.

Defense Minister Pavel Grachev said Russian reinforcements entered Grozny on Sunday, and vowed to "cleanse" the city of rebels by the end of the week.

Near the town of Urus-Martan, 12 miles to the southwest, villagers said they saw several hundred Russian paratroopers and at least a dozen attack helicopters.

Chechen fighters were headed in their direction.

Up to 40,000 Russian troops entered Chechnya on Dec. 11 to restore Russian authority and end what President Boris Yeltsin calls an illegitimate, criminal regime. Tens of thousands of people have fled the fighting, and hundreds of civilians and soldiers are believed to have been killed.

Jewelry store owner wins bet for $500,000

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — William Yonkus must have been sweating when the snow started falling on New Year's Eve.

The jewelry store owner had laid down a white-hot bet for his customers: A full refund on all purchases between Nov. 20 and Christmas Eve if it snows three inches on New Year's Eve. He wound up with $500,000 in sales.

The 2,500 shoppers waited. Yonkus won — by an inch.

He thought the weather would be with him, having studied 25 years of snowfall patterns. He figured he had only a 30-to-1 chance of losing.

And just in case Lady Luck gave him the cold shoulder, he took out a Lloyd's of London insurance policy to cover any losses.

Yonkus spent most of the designated time period, between 6 p.m. and midnight, at the Capital City Airport's U.S. Weather Bureau.

"I got pumped up when it started snowing," he said. "I started thinking about all the book work I was going to have to do."

Mary McEachern, who received an amethyst bracelet, necklace and earring set from her newlywed husband, said her hopes rose as snow started to fall Saturday night.

"We were just married and there were people with us at the Sheraton, and everyone was rooting for it to snow more," she said.

But the snowfall came up about 1 inch short.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1995

Your financial ingenuity might be substantially heightened in the year ahead. It looks as if you'll be better equipped to put together a solid deal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be both a person of both vision and action today. When you conceive something clever, don't let grass grow under your feet before in putting it into motion. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you should be able to get a better handle on a matter that was temporarily out of control. You will now be able to reset your course.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you recently met a person you'd like to know better, take the initiative today and set up a date. The sooner the better.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In a current competition, circumstances might change today and you could end up with a distinct advantage.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You might have one bright idea after another today, especially concerning finances. Treat them each with the respect they deserve. Make them count.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Critical information that was previously confidential can be revealed today by asking the right questions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Someone who hasn't always been in your corner might sincerely want to back you up today. Take him/her up on the offer.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Advance your personal ambitions today with adventure and resourcefulness. Discard tactics that haven't worked and try something new.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Stay alert for unique career opportunities today. Something promising might be revealed through a chance encounter.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A significant matter can be satisfactorily concluded today if you use your ingenuity. Employ ideas you've conceived, but have been afraid to use.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today two business people might discuss very useful information in front of you in their private code. You'll know how to crack it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today there might be more than one financial opportunity hovering nearby. Something very profitable may be suggested by a person with whom you're closely associated.

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Quake rattles Hoover Dam

LAS VEGAS (AP) — An earthquake rattled the huge Hoover Dam south of Las Vegas on Sunday. It did no damage, authorities said.

Police in Boulder City, 20 miles southeast of Las Vegas, said they were swamped with more than 200 calls after the magnitude 3.7 quake struck about 7 a.m.

"It was just amazing. You could hear the rumbling, then there was this loud explosion," said Kathy Gutierrez, a dispatcher with the Boulder City Police Department. "It was so loud. It shook the whole building."

It was centered four miles north of Boulder City, said Martin Hellmann of the University of Nevada, Reno, seismology laboratory.

No damage was reported at the giant dam, although workers felt the shaking, said Bob Walsh, a spokesman for the Bureau of Reclamation.

The dam, 726 feet high, was completed in 1936 and provides power to parts of California, Nevada and Arizona. It was built to withstand an earthquake in the 8.0 range, Walsh said.

Biomedical researchers at Purdue University have developed a substance that may help damaged tissue repair itself. Made from pigs' intestines, the new material is inserted into the body to reconstruct anything from torn ligaments to severely burned skin.

Khmer Rouge kidnap, starve thousands

ANGKOR CHUM, Cambodia (AP) — A Khmer Rouge defector said the guerrilla group had seized thousands of Cambodians over the past three months, put them into concentration camps and gave them less than an ounce of rice a day.

Thousands have died since October, said former Khmer Rouge commander Yout Ran, 35. He spoke Sunday, the day he defected to the government.

Khieu Kanharith, deputy information minister, confirmed that 10,000 people had reportedly been kidnapped and taken to the guerrilla group's base.

Ran told The Associated Press the prisoners were sent to concentration camps in the guerrilla stronghold of Anlong Veng, 130 miles from Phnom Penh on the Thai border in northern Cambodia.

"Seventy percent of the kidnapped people were killed or died of starvation in Anlong Veng," said Ran, who led a Khmer Rouge company in Siem Reap and Banteay Meanchey provinces, where Anlong Veng is located.

"Some died of starvation, some died of malaria and some died in Khmer Rouge prisons because they worked for the royal government of Cambodia," said Ran.

He is one of 1,500 guerrillas to defect in northern Cambodia since November. Other defectors confirmed Ran's account of the persecution at Anlong Veng, saying it was the policy of Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot, who orchestrated the 1975-78 genocide of hundreds of thousands of Cambodians.

In a Khmer Rouge directive seized by government troops and shown Sunday to The Associated Press, Pol Pot instructed the guerrillas to arrest government workers and put them in the concentration camp.

It stated that every 10 prisoners should be given eight ounces of rice and two bowls of water to share each day. And it instructed workers to write the following slogan at the camp: "If you become a civilian, you live; if you continue to work for the Yuan (Vietnamese) puppets and the two-headed government, you will die."

The directive says the prisoners are to recite the slogan three hours each morning and two hours in the evening. After seven days, when they are "hungry and thirsty," they will be given a chance to decide whether to remain supporters of the government elected in a U.N.-organized poll in 1993.

Those who resist are to be killed.

"It is the directive to start a new massacre in Cambodia," said Nhek Bun Chhay, deputy chief of staff of the Defense Ministry.

The Khmer Rouge was ousted by a Vietnamese invasion in 1978. It has been fighting to overthrow successive administrations ever since, insisting they are puppets of Hanoi. The guerrilla group refers to the current government as two-headed because it has two prime ministers.

Ran also confirmed that some Thai soldiers were still supporting the Khmer Rouge, despite claims they cut ties long ago. "Some Thai soldiers help Khmer Rouge by selling gun powder and AK rifle bullets to the guerrillas," he said.

Brazil has new president, new hopes

BRASILIA, Brazil (AP) — For the new year, Brazil has a new president, a new free-trade zone and new hope.

Fernando Henrique Cardoso, a hugely popular former finance minister credited with taming raging inflation, took office Sunday as Brazil's 37th president.

At the same time, a trade pact took effect linking Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay in the Western Hemisphere's second-largest free market with 200 million people and an economic output of $750 billion a year.

In his inaugural speech, held after a simple swearing-in at the white marble congress building, Cardoso urged Brazilians to work toward a more socially just and prosperous nation.

"Our economy is like a healthy plant after a long drought. The time has come to grow and blossom," he told guests from 114 nations, including Attorney General Janet Reno and the presidents of Argentina, Peru and Portugal.

"The only major obstacles that stand in our way are our domestic imbalances — the extreme inequalities among regions and social groups," Cardoso said.

Those obstacles are immense. Despite its vast resources, Brazil has one of the world's greatest income gaps between rich and poor. Its $120 billion foreign debt is the largest in the developing world.

Cardoso replaces Itamar Franco, who became president when Fernando Collor de Mello — Brazil's first directly elected leader after decades of military dictatorship — was implicated in a corruption scheme and forced to resign.

Brazilians, hoping for stability and better living standards after enduring 5,000 percent-a-year inflation and monumental government corruption, have their hopes pinned on Cardoso.

A poll published Sunday by the Folha de Sao Paulo newspaper found 70 percent of Brazilians surveyed expected good or excellent results from Cardoso's government. Only 5 percent thought it would end badly.

Brazil already is a different country because of the Mercosul free-trade zone that took effect Sunday, Cardoso said. He said Brazil eventually will try to join the hemisphere's largest free-trade bloc — the North American Free Trade Agreement with the United States, Mexico and Canada.

Cardoso promised to modernize Brazil by opening up the economy and cutting government, and by overhauling its crumbling health care and education systems.

"It is a sorry illusion indeed to believe that the mere consumption of gadgets will make us 'modern' even if our children continue to pass through our schools without absorbing the barest minimum of knowledge to keep up with modernity's rapid pace," he said.

To cover an $11 billion budget deficit in 1995 and pay for emergency social programs, Cardoso promised to punish "corrupt government and their corruptors" and reform taxes, the budget and social security.

"Patronage, corporativism and corruption drain away the taxpayers' money before it reaches those who should be the legitimate beneficiaries," he said.

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Notes were outlines for novels

NEW YORK (AP) — Doodle-covered notes found in the home of a man accused of firebombing a subway train were outlines for science-fiction novels, not plans for a terror campaign, the man's lawyer said.

"They were two outlines for novels," said Stephen Murphy, the attorney for Edward Leary.

Leary, of Scotch Plains, N.J., and 47 others were injured in the Dec. 21 explosion.

Doodles of frowning faces and bullet-riddled bodies covered the notes, which described plans for a "terror box" that would be planted in a subway station and detonated by three hidden video cameras.

Details about the notes were first reported Sunday by New York Newsday.

Murphy confirmed the existence of the notes Sunday, but said the unidentified police sources cited by Newsday had misrepresented them.

One, 15 pages long, was written "years ago" and sketched a "high-tech suspense thriller," Murphy told reporters at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center. Leary remains in the burn unit there, in serious and stable condition.

As for the "terror box," Murphy said: "It's completely unrealistic ... it's a box the size of a room" and would require a truck to move.

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New crime or old-fashioned mass murder?

BOSTON (AP) — A man strides into a room, pulls a gun and fires on everybody he sees. It could be his workplace, a government office, or a fast food restaurant. Last week, it was an abortion clinic.

In attacks just minutes apart, a gunman walked calmly into two abortion clinics and sprayed the lobbies with gunfire, killing two receptionists and wounding five people. A day later, a gunman shot up the outside of a Virginia clinic.

Some anti-abortion activists have hailed the man charged in the shootings as a hero and posed rhetorical arguments about the relative worth of the lives of the gunman's victims versus the termination of a pregnancy.

Criminologist James Fox says it's simply mass murder.

"This man was attacking an institution, not just the doctors but the whole industry, the mechanism," Fox said, comparing the clinic attacks with other mass murders where the killers have tried to attack an institution, opening fire in courtrooms or in government offices.

John C. Salvi III, 22, has been charged in the three attacks. Salvi, of Hampton, N.H., was being held without bond in Norfolk, Va., since his arrest Saturday minutes after the third shooting. He is facing charges in connection with the death of two receptionists in the attacks a day earlier in clinics in suburban Boston.

"This is not a man who went suddenly berserk. These appear to be well-planned executions," said Fox of Northeastern University, and author of a book on mass murderers.

Acquaintances of Salvi's have painted a picture of a troubled young man, who had lost his job and argued with his domineering parents. On Christmas Eve, he disrupted a church service with a confused harangue against Catholicism before he was escorted out of the church.

At a vigil Sunday outside the jail where Salvi was being held, abortion opponents disagreed on Salvi's charge.

"Thank you for what you did," Donald Spitz, director of Pro-Life Virginia, shouted into a megaphone. "Why is the life of a receptionist worth more than the lives of 50 innocent human babies?"

Others, such as David Crane, said abortion opponents must be nonviolent.

Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kan., soon to be majority leader, described the attacks on the clinics as acts of terrorism. He said clinics might need more federal protection.

"Obviously, this is murder, terrorism, call it what you will," Dole said Sunday on the CBS News program "Face the Nation."

Fox, co-author of "Overkill: Mass Murder and Serial Killing Exposed," said most mass murderers tend to be frustrated and isolated individuals who have accomplished little in life.

"There have been mass murders at all sorts of venues in this country — fast-food restaurants, post offices, the commuter rail," Fox said.

"Given that violence has been escalating at clinics around the country in recent years, one shouldn't be surprised that this happened."

Dog honored for saving family

FRANKLIN SQUARE, N.Y. (AP) — The Berrios family served up a big burger and some pizza to their dog for alerting them to carbon monoxide poisoning.

"In 1995, we're thankful we are all alive. We're nine very lucky people," Magda Berrios said Sunday.

Rosie, a 7-year-old shepard and collie mix, woke Mrs. Berrios early Saturday as carbon monoxide fumes were leaking into the house, possibly from a malfunctioning furnace.

Police had said Saturday that Rosie's barking woke the family up, but Mrs. Berrios said Sunday the dog actually was jangling her chain-link collar and tags as if she had to go outside. When Mrs. Berrios got up to let the dog out, the fresh air made her realize she felt sick.

"After Rosie woke me up, it was like a chain reaction," she said. "Everybody started getting up. It looked like we were drunk — dizzy and nauseous."

Mrs. Berrios, 50, remembered what she had read about carbon monoxide poisoning. The family started opening the windows. Her husband, Miguel, 50, called 911.

All nine people were treated and released at hospitals, then went home to give Rosie her special New Year's Eve dinner.

"Our Rosie," Mrs. Berrios said adoringly. "To us, she's a hero. This could have turned into a tragedy."

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