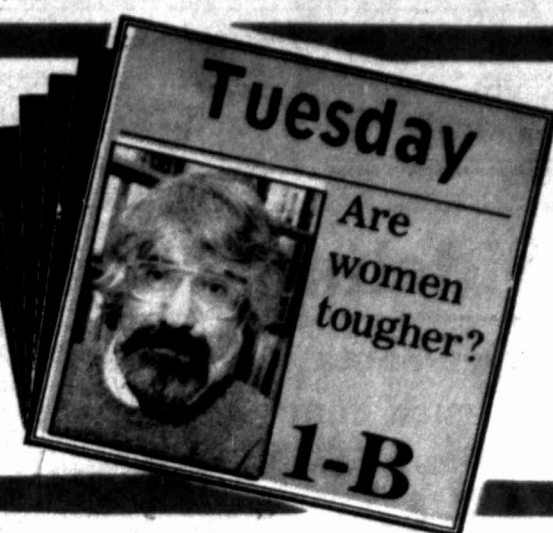




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SUNRISE

Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low in the lower 30s. Northeast to east wind 5-10 mph.

Wednesday, cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers. High around 50. Southeast wind 10-15 mph.

Extended forecast on page 6-A.

Records

Monday's high temp.	64
Monday's low temp.	32
Average high	58
Average low	29
Record high	77 in 1944
Record low	15 in 1925
Rainfall Monday	0.00
Month to date	1.25
Month's normal	0.69
Year to date	27.22
Normal for year	18.26

On the side

Ad index begins today

On Page 2-A of today's Herald you will find an advertiser's index, listing all display advertisements that appear in the newspaper.

Display advertising that appears in the classified section is designated *Class* while other display advertising will show the page on which a particular advertisement appears.

The advertiser's index will be a standard feature in the Herald as we strive to make it easier for our readers to find information of interest and to increase the return on investment for both our readers and advertisers.

City plans

water shutoff

Water will be turned off on Thorpe Street from Wasson Road to Parkway Wednesday, city officials said.

The water will be turned off from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to allow workers to repair a leak.

Coahoma presents holiday program

COAHOMA — Coahoma elementary students will present "A Season For Singing" tonight and Wednesday morning in the elementary cafeteria.

The musical program, featuring members of the elementary and junior high choir, will begin at 7:30 tonight.



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Residents dislike city water

This is the third in a series of reports on water in Big Spring and Howard County scheduled to be published daily through Dec. 24. In this series, the Herald will explore in detail the supply, purification and delivery of this precious resource. **WEDNESDAY:** A look at the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

By MARTHA E. FLORES
Staff Writer

By and large, it seems that most Big Spring residents are dissatisfied with the quality of local water.

A telephone survey was conducted by the Herald to determine the public's perception of the quality of Big Spring water. The survey was not conducted under scientific conditions.

Persons agreeing to participate in the survey were asked two questions: 1. Are you satisfied with the quality of water in Big Spring?; and 2. Do you have an alternative water source?

Out of 234 respondents, 223 were

Water:



key to survival

dissatisfied with water quality in the city of Big Spring. 192 persons — or 82 percent of those participating in the survey — said they had an alternative water source, such as bottled water,

reverse osmosis or well water.

Other people contacted throughout the city also were generally dissatisfied with the city of Big Spring's water quality.

Lloyd Arnold, a retired refinery employee said, "I am not satisfied with the water at all, and had a reverse osmosis system installed a few years back."

"Before that, my wife and I bought bottled water to drink and to cook with," he said. "(Big Spring water) doesn't make good coffee, and it will eat up your pipes and water heater."

Arnold shares the opinion of other residents who also have to replace their water heaters frequently because of corrosion caused by the water. Plumbing and evaporative coolers also fall victim to the corrosive qualities of the water.

Mary Alvarez, who moved to Big Spring three years ago, has had to replace her water heater twice since her arrival.

"I have never seen anything like this," Alvarez said. "The

water has corroded the bottom of two water heaters before the warranty expired on them, and it has begun to corrode the inside of my washer."

Another disturbing factor in the issue is the cost. Residents are unhappy about the cost because of the water's taste. They not only pay for city water, but also purchase bottled water.

"It's awful water," said Alvarez. "I have to buy bottled (water) to drink and cook. I think it (cost) is terribly high since I have to spend 25 cents per gallon more for my drinking water."

Like Alvarez, Chon Yanez buys bottled water to drink and had to replace his water heater repeatedly due to the corrosion caused by Big Spring water. He replaces it every other year. The water heaters do not live their warranty, he said. Yanez has also had to replace the pipes throughout his house.

"I replaced all the plumbing

• WATER page 6-A

Jury levels award

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

A Big Spring family was awarded \$631,000 Monday by a Midland district court jury in connection with the June 1989 accidental death of a 30-year-old woman in Glasscock County.

Magdalena Contreras was reportedly huddled inside a trailer near St. Lawrence with her children June 7, 1989, when 90 mph winds flipped the trailer over. Contreras was five-months pregnant at the time.

The award, handed down by an 142nd District Court jury after more than a week of testimony and seven hours of deliberation, will be split between Contreras' husband, Osualdo Contreras, their five children and the parents of Magdalena.

However, the verdict, which found Gem Homes Inc. of Dallas 50 percent negligent for not tying down the trailer, will probably be appealed by Gem Homes attorneys, said Big Spring attorney Drew Mouton, who along with local attorney Troyce Wolf, represented the Contreras family.

"They've indicated they're going to appeal," Mouton said.

The appeal will hurt the Contreras family, Mouton said. "They're in financial distress today. It could still be a year or two before they see any relief."

Mouton also said he had hoped for an award of \$1 million to \$2 million. But, he pointed out, the award handed down is 10 times the amount of the largest award ever given in the court of presiding District Judge Pat Baskins, who has sat on the bench there 11 years.

"We were a little bit disappointed in the damage that the jury came back with," Mouton said.

Besides the jury award, the Contreras family agreed to a \$100,000 out-of-court settlement with the former employer of Osualdo Contreras, Glasscock County farmer Coke Barton, who was found 30 percent negligent.

Barton declined to comment this morning. "I'm not interested in talking about it."

The Contreras' were found 20 percent negligent; 15 percent on Osualdo's part and 5 percent by Magdalena.

Contreras, who now works for Fraser Industries in Big Spring, could not be reached for comment this morning.

An attorney with the parent company of Gem Homes Inc., Redman Industries of Dallas, could not be reached by presstime this morning. He was away from his desk, a secretary said.

Zap! Pow! Profits!



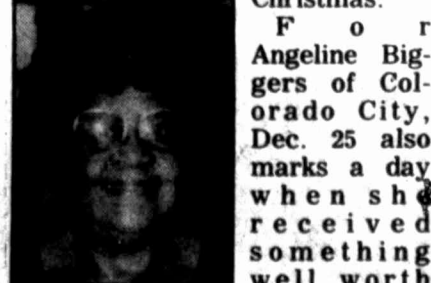
Marvel Entertainment Group, Inc. has published its quarterly report to shareholders as a four-page color comic book starring The Incredible Hulk and The Amazing Spiderman.

the company announced Monday. It is believed to be the first time a report has been published in this form.

With this ring, she remembers Christmas

By STEVE BELVIN
Staff Writer

COLORADO CITY — The world waited 4,000 years for the coming of Jesus, and for that we celebrate Christmas.



Angeline Biggers of Colorado City, Dec. 25 also marks a day when she received something well worth waiting for.

Angeline and Bo Biggers will be married 54 years Jan. 18, but Angeline waited 34 years for a Christmas gift she will always remember — a wedding ring.

That makes the Christmas of 1977 especially memorable for Mrs. Biggers.

Another thing that made that Christmas so special was that all the Biggers children were home for Christmas. It was the first time the

A Christmas



I remember...

clan had been together since the children had grown up and moved away.

Home for the festivities were daughter Ruthie and her husband Willie J. Foutie from Germany, daughter Evelyn from Seattle, son Frank and his wife Nita from Snyder, daughter Nettie from Anchorage, Alaska, and daughter

"When I opened it I just hollered and gave my husband a kiss."

Angeline Biggers

Theresa, then a student at Western Texas College in Snyder.

Mrs. Biggers said it was all reminiscent of the Christmases she had as a child growing up in Milam County in East Texas.

"It was just like that, only we had more gifts," said Mrs. Biggers. "My mother and father did the best they could. We would have an apple and an orange and a couple pieces of clothes, but we were happy. We always had lots of food. Mother would start cooking about a week before Christmas."

Mrs. Biggers said she had done all the cooking by the times the children and grandchildren had arrived, and son Frank even barbecued.

Mrs. Biggers said she was shocked when she got her 1977 Christmas gift. "It was in a little package. It looked like it was a ring, but I didn't know for sure. 'When I open-

ed it I just hollered and gave my husband a kiss. We had been married for 100 years and it was the first (ring)," she said.

"It took that long before I had enough money to get one," laughed Mr. Biggers.

Mrs. Biggers admitted, however, that having the family together was what made that Christmas so special. "I enjoyed them all so much," she said. "When they left I cried."

Mr. Biggers added, "I cried too, because I was so glad to see them go," he joked.

Mrs. Biggers said that she'll miss not having her children with her on Christmas. "It will be sad not having them all here but we're hoping we can all get together before we pass on."

And if that happens, perhaps another surprise gift is in store.

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Texas

Sidelines

Stolen Santa returned home

AMARILLO (AP) — Santa is back home with Greg and Robin Dodson, but the road home wasn't easy.

The 18-foot tall inflatable Santa Claus was stolen from the front yard of the Dodson home on Dec. 7, police said Monday.

A tip to Amarillo Crime Stoppers Inc. led officers to a canyon near the entrance to Palo Duro State Park last Saturday, according to Amarillo Police Cpl. Dean Schlöng.

The nylon figure of Santa, valued at \$5,500, had been deflated and thrown over a 100-foot cliff, Schlöng said. It wound up on a ledge about halfway down the side of the cliff.

Disguised woman wounded in robbery

AUSTIN (AP) — A woman disguised as a man was shot and wounded in a gun battle that erupted during an attempted robbery at a pawn shop, police said.

The woman was identified as Rita Shenea Jones, 28, who had served time in the state prison for a 1988 Austin robbery and had been on parole since July, according to Austin robbery Sgt. James Kortan.

Brackenridge Hospital spokesman Larry BeSaw said she suffered gunshot wounds to both legs, her abdomen and her left arm.

Kortan said Ms. Jones was charged with aggravated robbery before undergoing surgery. Bail was set at \$35,000.

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Mayors uniting to fight crime

FORT WORTH (AP) — City leaders across Texas are flexing a new muscle in the war on crime.

Mayors of the state's eight largest cities — representing 5.5 million people — on Monday announced formation of a group called Mayors United on Safety, Crime and Law Enforcement.

The mayors say MUSCLE will provide the cooperative, unified approach that big cities have lacked when approaching the Legislature. Member cities are Arlington, Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio.

Houston city councilwoman Shelia Jackson Lee stood in at the news conference for mayor-elect Bob Lanier, who was ill.

"MUSCLE truly puts the neighborhood bully, crime, in its place, and it does so by (us) learning from each other," Ms. Lee said. "We'll not only focus on incarceration, but education."

Arlington mayor Richard Greene was elected chairman. He said mayors will seek help of their police chiefs and prosecutors in drafting legislative proposals.

MUSCLE will then take these proposals to Austin, Greene said.

Initial priorities, he said, would



Arlington Mayor Richard Greene talks about a new program uniting mayors of major cities in Texas to fight crime. Joining Greene at the podium are, from left, San Antonio Mayor Nelson

Wolff, Dallas Mayor Steve Bartlett, Fort Worth Mayor Kay Granger, Houston City Council Member Shelia Jackson and Corpus Christi Mayor Mary Rhodes.

be laws to stiffen the penalties for drug crimes and crimes committed by juveniles. The mayors also want new firearms legislation and stronger penalties for sex offenders.

But the mayors realize their

demands may bring pricetags, like costs for building more prison beds, Greene said.

"If there are funding impacts that need to be addressed, we're not just going to go down there and just say, 'Here, do this and figure

out how to pay for it,'" he said. "We'll have a plan we think will help make those decisions."

Members will share information about anti-crime programs that work.

Hearings on new auto insurance costs begin

AUSTIN (AP) — Consumer advocates are urging state regulators to hold the line on automobile insurance rates, while insurers are recommending sizeable increases.

The Office of Public Insurance Counsel on Monday suggested a benchmark rate for private passenger auto insurance at the current state rate. Insurers would be allowed to deviate 15 percent above that line to 30 percent below it, under the recommendation.

That compares to a recommended increase of 11.7 percent by Farmers Insurance Cos. and 6.6 percent by State Farm Insurance Cos. Both Farmers and State Farm are calling for the option of exceeding or dropping 30 percent from the benchmark.

In addition, State Farm has requested a 21.4 percent increase in the benchmark rate for commercial auto insurance, coupled with the ability to charge 30 percent above or below the benchmark. OPIC has recommended a 5 percent increase in commercial rates, and allowing a deviation of 15 percent above the benchmark, and 30 percent below.

The hearing is expected to last several days. The Insurance Board will probably decide later this month on new rates that would take effect in March.

"The governor, the Legislature, and the people of Texas have sent a clear message that it is time to stabilize auto insurance rates in Texas at a fair premium and begin to give the market a chance to work," said Amy Johnson of OPIC.

Although only two insurance companies are participating in the hearing, the benchmark rates and amount of allowable deviation will affect most insurers, he said.

Meanwhile, a judge upheld the Insurance Board's decision to refuse to allow an insurance industry organization to be a party in the auto rate hearings.

Board Chairwoman Claire Koriath praised the ruling by State District Judge Pete Lowry of Austin. "It's about time the industry recognized that the Legislature has reformed the rules of the rating game," she said.

She said the recent removal of the insurance industry from Texas' anti-trust laws means that insurance companies cannot band together under an organization to apply for new rates.

"Now we can get on with settling fair benchmark auto rates without the distraction of having to fight this industry effort to thwart reform," Ms. Koriath said.

Names in the news

LOS ANGELES (AP) — No charges will be filed against Sylvester Stallone for allegedly bashing a car driven by a photographer.

Stallone, who snapped pictures of the actor and a female friend outside a nightclub, witnessed the altercation on March 28, but all were friends or business associates of Stallone or his accuser, making it impossible to determine what happened, the district attorney's office said Monday.

Photographer Edward Woody claimed Stallone and his bodyguard chased him in their cars and bashed into his vehicle. Stallone claimed Woody's car hit his.

NEW YORK (AP) — Rapper Biz Markie took the rap from a judge who ruled the singer stole a segment from Gilbert O'Sullivan's ballad "Alone Again (Naturally)." U.S. District Judge Kevin T. Duffy on Monday said he was so incensed by the theft he was referring the case to prosecutors for a criminal investigation.

Duffy barred sales of the album containing the segment and ordered the return of unsold copies. "Alone Again" was written in 1972 by O'Sullivan, whose company, Grand Upright Music Ltd., said Biz Markie failed to get clearance to use the first eight measures of the song on Biz Markie's new album, "I Need a Haircut."

Robert W. Cinque, Biz Markie's lawyer, said he would appeal.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio Spurs star David Robinson married his longtime girlfriend, Valerie Hoggatt.

Teammates Terry Cummings, Sean Elliot and Avery Johnson served as groomsmen and Coach Larry Brown and Spurs owner Red McCombs were among the 200

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Officials confirm outbreak

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Health official says that 80 cases of rabies in animals have been confirmed in South Texas and warned that it is becoming increasingly difficult to contain the deadly disease.

"It has become a sustained problem in the coyote population and it probably will always be (in South Texas)," Dr. George McKirahan, an associate veterinarian with the Texas Department of Health's regional office in Harlingen, said Monday.

The 80 cases confirmed this year are 20 more than the previous high of 60 cases in the region in 1989, McKirahan said. There were 44 cases in 1990, he said.

And officials predict the number of cases still will grow before the end of the year.

"It's hard to say exactly how many cases there are at one time," McKirahan said. "A day from now we could find out that there are two more cases."

The South Texas region includes 26 counties and spans an area from Cameron County northwestward to Webb County and northeastward to Lavaca County.

"What we also are experiencing is a larger area of our region being impacted," McKirahan said.

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Nation/World

U.N. repeals 1975 Zionism resolution

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations' repeal of its 16-year-old resolution equating Zionism with racism demonstrates the diplomatic power of the United States and Israel's increased acceptance by the world community.

It also is expected to encourage Israel to continue participating in the delicate and volatile Middle East peace process, although Arab opponents of the repeal say it will impede peace efforts and inflame extremists on both sides.

The measure to overturn the 1975 resolution, introduced by acting U.S. Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger, passed in the General Assembly by a 111-to-25 vote on Monday.

"It is more than time to consign one of the last relics of the Cold War to the dustbin of history," Eagleburger said. "This action can only help and not hinder ef-

orts currently under way to bring peace to the region."

Most Arab nations voted against repeal but several broke ranks with their cohorts and did not participate in the vote. Non-participation is seen as a milder tactic than abstaining from a vote.

After the vote, Foreign Minister David Levy of Israel, who represented his nation for the session, broke into a grin and hugged Israeli delegates.

"The United States and Israel have won a moral victory," Levy later told reporters. "The United Nations has rectified this evil and this pleases us to no end."

In Jerusalem, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir telephoned President Bush to thank him for his help in overturning the resolution. Shamir's spokesman Ehud Gol said.

"The Jewish people will always cherish and remember this



Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy, left, embraces Israel's United Nations ambassador, Yoram Avidor, after the U.N. General Assembly voted Monday to repeal its 1975 resolution equating Zionism with racism. It was only the second time in U.N. history that the assembly had overturned one of its own resolutions.

American effort," Gol quoted Shamir as saying.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said in a statement that Bush was "gratified that his call for repeal... has

now received the overwhelming support of the international community.

"Today's vote has enhanced the U.N.'s credibility," Fitzwater said.

EC to recognize Croatia, Slovenia

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Serbia today angrily denounced the European Community's decision to recognize Croatian and Slovenian independence as "erasing Yugoslavia from the map of the world."

Officials of the two breakaway republics welcomed the long-awaited move.

In a meeting that lasted into early today, foreign ministers of the 12-member European Community

agreed to recognize any Yugoslav republic that meets a series of conditions, including human rights guarantees for minorities within its borders.

Germany, the driving force behind the decision, believes that recognizing Slovenia and Croatia will force Serbia — which is leading the fight against Croatia and has seized a third of its territory — to agree to a truce.

Overtures to former king stepped up

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — President Najibullah's government has stepped up overtures to the former king of Afghanistan, trying to get him to come home after 18 years in exile and help restore peace to his war-torn country.

The former king, Zahir Shah, was overthrown by a cousin, Mohammed Daoud, in 1973 while in Italy for medical treatment.

Daoud, often blamed for opening the door to the Communists, was ousted five years later in a bloody palace coup that installed a government sympathetic to

Moscow. The Soviet Union is preparing to end military involvement in Afghanistan on Jan. 1 and Zahir Shah is increasingly mentioned in Afghanistan as the only Afghan with enough stature to lead a transitional government.

The 77-year-old former monarch kept silent vigil in his villa near Rome as the Soviet-backed government battled U.S.-supported rebels for more than 13 years. The fighting has left at least 1.5 million Afghans dead, more than 3 million maimed or wounded and 5 million more in exile in Pakistan and Iran.

Charities feeling pinch of recession

WASHINGTON (AP) — There will be no fresh fruit for the needy this season at the Interface Pantry in Aurora, Ill.

At soup kitchens in Baltimore, the Christmas baskets will be smaller than usual.

The homeless families that come into Our Friends' Place in Pittsfield, Mass., "are in worse and worse shape," says shelter director Jim Hamilton.

As the recession drags on, the ranks of those in need are increasing and the resources of those usually able to help are being strained, a survey by The Associated Press shows.

"Some people who were in the donor ranks last year are in the receiver ranks this year," said Stephen Gibbs, executive director of the Freestore-Foodbank in Cincinnati.

But people still are still digging into their pockets and pantries to help those less well off. "The public is mindful that times are bad," said Gibbs.

Despite the best intentions, though, donations are down in many places.

At the Alameda County Food Bank in Oakland, Calif., food and money contributions have dipped 20 percent in recent months.

Media visit to Haitian camp delayed

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. military authorities said they postponed a planned visit today by American journalists to a U.S.-run Haitian refugee camp in Cuba because of concern that it might prompt further unrest among the refugees.

The decision was made after an incident Sunday in which U.S. officials said several hundred Haitians being sheltered at the U.S. Navy base at Guantanamo Bay,

Cuba, tore down dozens of tents and overran walls of concertina wire.

No one was seriously injured in the hour-long rampage, which was the second disturbance at the refugee camp in the past week, Lt. Cmdr. Stephen Pietropaoli, a spokesman at Atlantic Command headquarters in Norfolk, Va., said.

Pietropaoli said the refugees are frustrated at being held indefinitely.

Yeltsin flexes his political muscle for Baker

MOSCOW (AP) — Emphasizing his consolidation of political capital, Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin brought along the Soviet defense and interior ministers for his Kremlin meeting with Secretary of State James A. Baker III.

He then declared that Russia would seek the "vacant" Soviet seat on the U.N. Security Council and that the new Commonwealth of Independent States would be in place by January with at least 10 former Soviet republics as members.

Additionally, Yeltsin said Russia would eventually be the only former Soviet republic with nuclear weapons, with the other three republics now possessing the weapons becoming nuclear-free.

Baker was off for the Asian republics of Kazakhstan and Kirgizia today to seek assurances of support for tight nuclear weapons controls and a smooth transition to the new commonwealth.

On Wednesday, he is to visit Byelorussia and Ukraine, whose leaders on Dec. 8 created the commonwealth with Russia — declar-



Viktor Alksnis, head of the hard-line Soyuz or Union, a faction of the Soviet legislature, speaks to empty seats in the chamber of the Kremlin Tuesday. The Soviet legislature has increasingly lost its authority as that of the central government also has diminished.

ing the Soviet state dead.

Yeltsin met for four hours Monday with Baker in Catherine Hall, where Soviet leaders such as Soviet President Mikhail S. Gor-

bachev have traditionally met high-ranking foreigners.

Soviet Defense Minister Yevgeny Shaposhnikov and Interior Minister Viktor Barannikov

took part in the session and were not present when Baker later met with Gorbachev.

Slipping quickly into the mantle of his new powers, Yeltsin said the defense minister would report to the new commonwealth while the interior minister would report to the individual states.

He also denied reports that he and Shaposhnikov had agreed to name Gorbachev as commander-in-chief of the commonwealth. But he did not rule out some job for the leader who is losing his state.

"I would not like to determine his future. It's up to him to decide," Yeltsin said.

Yeltsin told reporters that by month's end, at least 10 republics will have signed the commonwealth agreement reached Dec. 8 by Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia.

But Baker did not ignore Gorbachev, whose resignation appears inevitable.

They met separately for 2½ hours and also spoke to reporters in the Kremlin, when Baker paid tribute to the man that set in motion the forces that are sweeping aside the Soviet state.

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

Other opinion

Testing for HIV without consent

Are the privacy rights of individuals violated if their blood is tested without their consent? The American Medical Association apparently does not think so. In a recent reversal of previous policy, the AMA declared that doctors should be free to test certain patients for HIV, even if the patients object.

Under the AMA's new policy, which takes effect immediately, any person who gives general consent for hospital treatment for any purpose — a routine physical, a flu shot, a mammogram, — could be tested if a doctor suspects that the person may be HIV-positive. As recently as last June, the AMA agreed that patients should give explicit consent and receive counseling before being tested for the AIDS virus.

The sticky problem that the AMA runs into in its policy reversal was summed up by Dr. Robert M. Davis, who practices in Lansing, Mich. "We're not sending a very good message to the public," he said. "They may want us to be tested without our consent."

For the record, the AMA is opposed to mandatory HIV testing for physicians. It does, however, urge doctors who perform certain invasive medical procedures to be voluntarily tested. But because there remain unresolved questions about what procedures are "invasive," and because most AMA members will not consent to being tested, the AMA's recommendation has been largely ignored.

Meantime, the debate will continue as to whether doctors routinely should be tested for HIV, or patients or both or none of the above. Whichever position one defends on this debate, it hardly seems logical to favor testing of doctors without also supporting patient testing and vice versa. Thus, the AMA's new policy advocating unilateral, non-consensual patient testing is wildly inconsistent.

The interests of both doctors and patients would be best served if reason prevailed in the current debate over HIV testing. Patients' blood should be screened for HIV — along with hepatitis, tuberculosis and other potentially deadly diseases — as a routine part of treatment. Doctors also should regularly be screened for HIV and other infectious diseases as a matter of pursuing their profession.

HIV testing should not be mandatory. It should not be punitive. It simply should be a good-sense procedure that is routinely performed on any person receiving a medical checkup or treatment. The sooner HIV testing is depoliticized, the better for patients and doctors alike.

San Diego Union

Mailbag

Alumnus congratulates Sands football team

To the editor:

My class was the first seniors to graduate from Sands High School. The High School classes were asked to select a name for the new school which would come about from the consolidation of the Ackerly Eagles and Knott Hillbillies. Our class selected the name Sand Dunes. The school board left off Dunes and hence came about Sands Independent School District.

The best I remember our football record was about 5-5. I had not attended a game in a number of years until I went to the semifinals at Wink December 6th bet-

ween Sands and Fort Hancock. If one took away the three turnovers of Sands, they could very well have won the game. Fort Hancock is a bigger school and may go to eleven man in the next couple of years.

I am writing to congratulate the Sands Mustangs on a great season. The young men along with their coaches worked hard and showed a lot of courage, drive and determination as they won the state quarter-finals. In many of our minds, the football team of 1991 from Sands is number one!

PETE HANKS
Big Spring

Thank you for printing heart-touching story

To the editor:

I am writing you about front page news on Dec. 11, 1991: "Prayer, faith help man kick drug habit." I feel it may help a lot of people to stop the habit. God will reward you for caring enough to put it in your paper that others could be helped. It really touched my heart just seeing it, and reading it.

I just want to let you know that

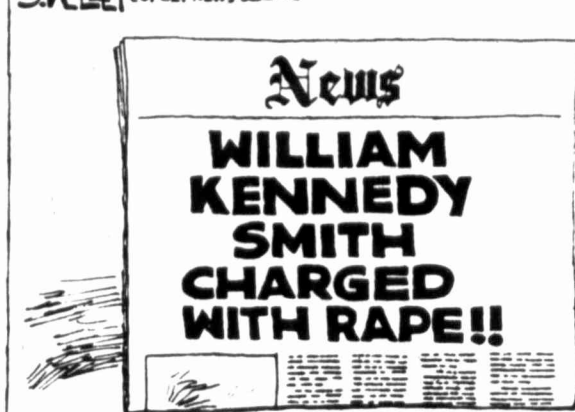
I for one really cared that you did. I am a born-again Christian and know that God really cares for the souls of mankind.

John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Thanks for caring.

FLORA DYER
Big Spring

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Art Buchwald



Chosen for TV jury duty

I was counting my blessings when a federal television marshal came to the door and said, "They want you for TV jury duty."

"I just came off jury duty. I judged Judge Clarence Thomas and Anita Hill, and after that I sat through the Willy Smith trial. How much of a good citizen can I be?"

"Everyone has to serve on a TV jury when the charges are so earthshaking that the entire country is watching with bated breath. It's the American way of justice and show business."

"I have too many things to do. I'm going to ask to be excused."

"They're not excusing many people from TV jury duty any more. In the Willy Smith trial a lady tried to get out of it by claiming that she had to have major dental work. The judge told her that it was her moral obligation to sit in her living room and listen to all the evidence even if it meant losing her teeth."

"What case do they want me to judge?" I asked the marshal.

"They didn't tell me. But my guess is that it will be either Charles Keating, the S&L executive, or Robert Maxwell."

"Maxwell is dead," I pointed out.

"That doesn't mean it won't make a good TV trial. Nobody knows whether he was pushed, jumped or fell overboard from his yacht. You the jury have to decide which it was."

"What about Keating?"

"The government is charging him with racketeering, conspiracy, bank fraud, securities fraud, misapplication of funds and interstate transportation of stolen property. What makes his case trickier than Maxwell's is that Keating is still alive."

"Aren't there any sex charges?" I asked.

"No, it's hard to prove sex in a savings and loan scandal."

"I'm not sure that I want to stay in the house and watch a trial that has no sex."

"Television cannot include sex in every trial. TV jurors have to take their chances."

"What I resent is just when I make up my mind on an issue, the network's experts come on the air and tell me what I should think. During the Willy Smith trial it became impossible for me to judge my peers."

"Are you going to serve or not?"

"What choice do I have?" I sat in front of the TV with a bowl of jellybeans. When I turned the set on, the judge was issuing her instructions to the TV jury.

She said, "During the course of this trial you will talk to nobody about it. You are not to discuss the case with the media or your dog. Do not pay attention to what F. Lee Bailey or any other legal expert has to say."

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Carefully considering food safety

By CHARLES W. STENHOLM
Congressman

The House Agriculture Committee, on which I serve, has begun its hearing process to study various food safety bills. As innocuous as the phrase "food safety" may sound, this issue activates passionate debate motivated by individuals' concerns for maintaining their livelihoods, protecting the Earth, feeding the American public, as well as other vital matters. I want to take this opportunity to talk about the issues before the Committee and how they will affect both the farmer and the consumer.

Critics promoting environmental concerns contend that the human health and environmental impacts of pesticides are not being fully counted; standards for pesticide residue allowed in food are set too high; some pesticides still in use should be cancelled; the cancellation process takes too long; and the export of cancelled, suspended, or unregistered pesticides should be prohibited.

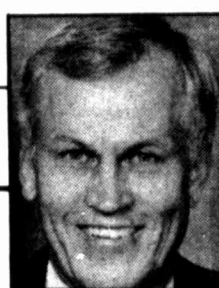
On the other hand, critics from the agriculture, food, and chemical industry side contend that current pesticide registration standards are more than adequate and even excessive; a faster cancellation process is needed but it must be fair and based on scientific evaluation; the high cost of registration is depleting the availability of pesticides for minor crops; and food safety standards must be applied nationally, ensuring uniformity and predictability for the producer.

These industry spokespersons explain that on average, a typical product seeking EPA registration or approval faces a 5- to 10-year process costing \$35-\$50 million. This process usually includes more than 100 different tests, plus follow-ups, documented in excruciating detail.

The variety of industrial, agricultural, environmental, and consumer interests are pressing Congress to resolve a number of pesticide related policy issues before current law expires in 1992. In the meantime, frequent congressional reviews, and regulatory efforts must be continually addressed.

With regard to regulations, the Environmental Protection Agency is charged with regulating the sale and use of pesticides to prevent unreasonable adverse effects on humans and the environment. They must consider the economic, social, and environmental costs and benefits of the use of any pesticide, as well as judge how

Guest column



much pesticide residues may safely remain on food and feeds.

The Food and Drug Administration enforces compliance with EPA's standards by sampling and analyzing domestic and imported foods, except meat and poultry. The U.S. Department of Agriculture carries out the same function for meat, poultry, and some egg products.

Here in Congress, as we work toward solutions in this debate, what many of my colleagues and I continue to assert is that we have in this country the safest and most abundant food supply at the lowest possible cost in the world. We didn't get to this point by accident; nor should we accidentally change policies in a way that causes the decay of that status.

Virtually everyone agrees that to the degree practicable, we need to maximize the Federal Government's ability to protect American consumers and the environment from potential dangers posed by the use of pesticides. However, some idealists have twisted the story of chemicals: they assert that instead of pesticides freeing us from disease, pesticides are bringing us disease.

To the contrary, former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop recently said that while approximately 9,000 people die from bacteria-caused food poisoning each year, there is no scientific evidence showing that residues from the lawful application of pesticides to food have ever caused illness or death.

A recent *Wall Street Journal* editorial expressed a similar sentiment by arguing "The devastation of crops raises anew the question whether this country's recurring phobias over chemicals... leave the country poorly prepared to deal with problems such as an onslaught of whiteflies" which have ruined numerous California crops.

While improving our current system is always important, we must ensure that in the process, new laws do not devastate America's food supply.

No one wants pesticide residues on their food, but only a small

percentage of Americans knows what it takes to grow a crop — and that herbicides, insecticides, and fungicides are an integral part of the growing process. They are needed to protect the quality and affordability of our food.

Actually, what is often forgotten in this debate is that natural-occurring pesticides make up most of all plant chemicals. Plants naturally produce toxins to protect themselves against fungus, insects, and animal predators. Tens of thousands of these natural pesticides have been discovered, and every species of plant analyzed contains its own set of perhaps a few dozen toxins.

It's estimated that Americans eat about 1.5 grams of natural pesticides per person per day, which is about 10,000 times more than they eat of human-made pesticide residues.

Overall, there are approximately 20,000 currently registered human-made pesticide products, formulated from about 700 active ingredients — and this reflects sizable cancellations by EPA in recent years. In 1988, total estimated expenditures in the U.S. for pesticides was \$7.38 billion.

As many of you know, pesticides used in agriculture provide substantial benefits to farmers, marketers, and consumers. Pesticides replace more costly or less effective methods of pest control in production agriculture, lowering costs and raising yields.

The result is a more stable, increased supply, improved variety of foods for consumers, and an internationally competitive U.S. farm sector.

The control of insect infestations and microbial contamination during processing and storage prolongs the shelf life of many foods and makes them safer for human consumption.

Pesticides supplement, and in many cases have largely replaced, hand labor and even mechanical pest control methods.

Federal laws for food safety and pesticide use need to be amended in a manner that will enhance pesticide regulation and not inhibit new scientific and technological advances.

Over the next several months, the Agriculture Committee intends to proceed in a responsible manner as we work together in considering the various food safety bills pending so as not to jeopardize this nation's agricultural industry, the American consumer, or the environment.

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Sports

Sidelines

Young Bulldogs remain perfect

COAHOMA — The Coahoma seventh and eighth grade boys remained perfect, defeating Stanton in hoop action.

Coahoma won the eighth grade boys game 36-19. Brandon Shiflett scored 10 points, raising Coahoma's record to 5-0. Coahoma won the B game 21-12 as Jason L. Henry scored nine points.

Coahoma won the seventh A game 29-13 as Freddy Olivas scored 12 points. The seventh grade is also 5-0. Coahoma won the B game 26-11. Russell Henry and Tom Phillips scored eight points each.

In girls action, Coahoma won the eighth A game 24-23 to go 5-0. Nicci Reid scored 11 points. Stanton won the B game 27-16. Diane Coleman scored five.

Coahoma seventh A ran its record to 4-0 with a 22-20 win. Tory Elmore scored eight points. Stanton won the B game 21-15. Brenda Austin scored eight points for Coahoma.

Snyder sweeps

Runnels hoopsters

SNYDER — Snyder won two basketball games from the Runnels Yearlings Monday.

Snyder won the B game 38-21. Mark Miller scored nine, Lance Purcell seven and Chris Moore 5. Snyder won the A game 50-19. Marc Bacon scored six points and Daniel Franks added five. Both teams are 0-4.

Snyder gets best

of Goliad hoopsters

SNYDER — The Goliad basketball teams dropped two games to Snyder. Snyder won the B game 24-16. Frankie Green led Goliad with six points. Ehren Tune and Paul Foresyth scored four points each.

Snyder won the A game 43-35. Tyler Murphy scored 10 points, Joe Montez six and Gabriel Rubio five. Both teams are 3-4 for the season.

Coleman first team all-state choice

DALLAS — Coahoma Bulldogs senior defensive end Lee Coleman was a first team all-state selection on the Associated Press All-State football team.

Coleman, a 6-foot, 210-pounder, made 88 tackles and had six quarterback sacks this season. He also had seven tackles behind the line of scrimmage.

Three Bulldogs made the honorable mention offensive list. They were: lineman Mike "Tiny" Knowles, tight end Matt Coates and running back Mike Mendez.

Lady Steers in action tonight

The Big Spring Lady Steers will be hosting the Midland Lee Lady Rebels tonight in basketball action.

Freshmen action starts at 5, followed by junior varsity play at 6:30 and varsity play at 8.

Swim team in dual meet today

The Big Spring High School swim team will meet Andrews in a dual swim meet today at the Big Spring YMCA pool. Diving starts at 4:30 p.m., followed by swimming events at 5.

Coahoma Bulldogs defeat Mustangs

ACKERLY — Coahoma got 21 points from Mark Arguello and 14 from Brent Elmore to defeat the Sands Mustangs 56-48 Monday night.

Nichols led Sands with 13, Eric Herm and Adrian Zarate added 11 and 10 points each. Coahoma is 8-4, sands is 2-2.

Honor Roll coming Sunday

The Herald will present its Crossroads Country Honor Roll Sunday, Dec. 22.

The Honor Roll will be composed of the best high school football players in the area, regardless of classification. Highlighting the team will be the Coach of the Year as well as Offensive and Defensive Players of the Year.

Read all about who were the top football players in the Crossroads area Sunday.

Saints manhandle LA Raiders

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Bobby Hebert didn't feel any pressure until his 9-year-old daughter Ryan found out he would be starting for the New Orleans Saints again after six weeks on the sidelines.

"She told me, 'You'd better not lose or when I go to school I'll be embarrassed,'" Hebert quoted his daughter as saying.

Ryan can go to school with her head high.

Hebert threw for a career-high 320 yards, completing 28 of 39 passes, to lead the Saints to a 27-0 victory over the Los Angeles Raiders, locking up a playoff berth for New Orleans (10-5).

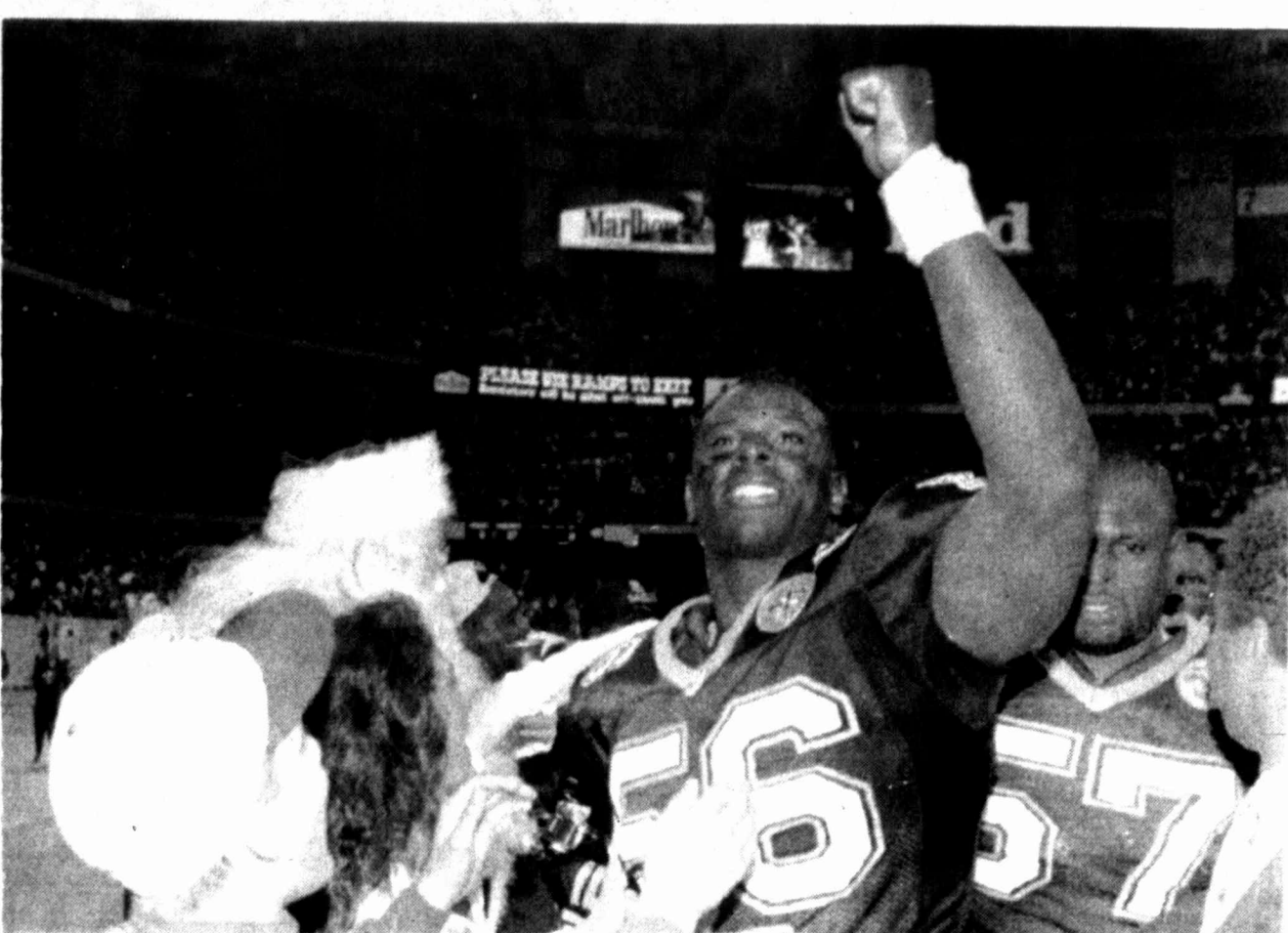
The Raiders (9-6) had already clinched a wild-card spot, but the defeat dropped them two games behind Denver and ended chances for the AFC West title.

The Saints still have hopes of winning the NFC West, but those hopes depend on beating Phoenix Sunday and Dallas beating Atlanta. Atlanta and the Saints are tied for the division lead, but Atlanta holds the tiebreaker edge by virtue of a better division record.

"I've always been a Cowboys fan," said guard Jim Dombrowski.

"Yeah, but we have to take care of our end of it," said linebacker Sam Mills. "We can't be concerned about things we can't control."

Hebert has been sidelined with a badly bruised rotator cuff for the past six weeks, and the Saints lost the last four games with him watching as Steve Walsh replaced him.



New Orleans Saints linebacker Pat Swilling (56) begins the celebration at the end of the Saints-Los Angeles Raiders game Monday night in New Orleans.

Walsh played well, but the Saints' defense, which had been No. 1 in

the NFL, went into a decline, surrendering a total of 88 points over the four straight losses.

The Raiders got six first downs and 117 yards against the Saints. "The pass rush, that's what it

was," said Milton Mack, pressed into a starting role for the second weekend after eight weeks on injured reserve and the practice squad after three cornerbacks went down in two games.

"(Jay) Schroeder got hurt and Vince Evans came in, and we had the quarterback position kind of rattled," Mack said. "That's important."

"In our minds, we're still the No. 1 defense in the NFL. We just would not be denied tonight."

The Saints' scores came on two field goals by Morten Andersen, one in the first quarter from 37 yards and one with 3:35 left in the game from 42 yards out; a 1-yard plunge by Dalton Hilliard in the third quarter, and a pair of late touchdowns within 18 seconds of each other — a 2-yard run by Gil Fenerty after a fumble recovery and a 31-yard interception return by Brett Maxie with 1:54 left in the game.

It was 10-0 in the fourth quarter when the Raiders blocked a punt and got the ball at the New Orleans 33-yard line. Three plays netted minus-1 yards, and Jeff Jaeger's 53-yard field goal attempt hit the cross bar and bounced back onto the field.

It was the closest the Raiders came to a score. The rest of the time, their offense was bottled up in their own territory.

Forsan Queens win league opener

By LORNE FANCETT
Staff Writer

FORSAN — The Forsan Bulldogs held court and defeated their conference rivals Coahoma Bulldogs in their first district game of the season, 48-41.

With the win, Forsan brings its record to 1-0 in conference play and 8-4 overall. The Bulldogs fall to 0-1 in the conference and 7-5 overall.

Strong defensive play set the pace for the game as both teams utilized zone defenses and forced shots outside. Coahoma was successful in shutting down Forsan's offensive leader, Jenny Conaway. Conaway was only two of eight from the floor all evening.

"We did exactly what we wanted to do," Coahoma's head coach Phillip Ritchey said. "We took away the post game of theirs. What hurt us was the outside shooting. It hurt us more than I thought it would. It was just one of those games."

Becky Gerstenberger led the offensive attack for the Queens as she scored 12 on the evening, including a key three-point play in the fourth quarter to break the deadlock. Conaway finished the evening with 11 points as she converted seven out of eight from the free throw line. Four of those came in the fourth quarter which played a major role in the victory. She led the Queens in rebounds with 12. Barbara Mitchell also added nine points for the Queens, six of those in the first quarter on two three-pointers.

The Bulldogs were led in scoring by Amy Lawhon with 12, including the only five points Coahoma scored in the final quarter. LaTisha Anderson scored 11 before she fouled out in the fourth quarter. The offense suffered in the final half of the game as it converted five out of 20 shots from the floor.

"We've been a hot and cold team all year," Ritchey said. "We just got cold at the wrong time. Seemed like we couldn't make a shot."



Forsan's Jenny Conaway (55), Becky Gaston (42), Christy Hilliger (10) and Coahoma's LaTisha Anderson (24) battle for a loose ball during first half action Monday night in Forsan.

The game started out well for the Bulldogs as they scored the first five points of the ballgame. But from there it was all Queens as Mitchell got thing going with a three-pointer at the 6:20 mark. Forsan outscored Coahoma 18-7 after the Bulldogs grabbed the early lead.

Coahoma turned it around in the second quarter as their defense intensified and stole the ball away

from Forsan seven times in the quarter. The Bulldogs' outside shooting was as hot as their defensive play as they hit on six out of 11 shots.

"The first half shooting of Coahoma was strong," Forsan head coach Johnny Schafer said. "They were making just about everything they shot. They were extremely hot from the floor."

With their hot shooting, the

Bulldogettes regained the lead with just 28 seconds left in the half as Angela Crippen hit one from inside to bring the score to 30-28.

The opening of the second half was an exhibition by both teams on how to operate successful defenses. Each team had scored six points in the quarter up to the last second of play. Then Coahoma's Melissa Bennett fouled Queens Claudette Coats on an inbound pass, sending her to the line with no time left on the clock. Coats converted both free throws to tie the game up at 36 going into the final eight minutes of play.

The final quarter of play saw Forsan outscore the Bulldogs 12-5 as six of those points came from the charity stripe. Coahoma could practically do nothing offensively as it shot a dismal 17 percent from the floor. The Queens scored the final nine points of the ballgame as Conaway scored six straight to give Forsan the lead and the win.

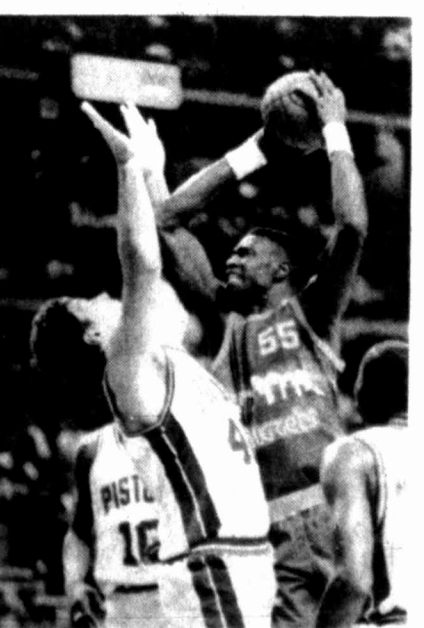
Coach Ritchey summed up the game saying this is an example of what to expect in district play this season.

"It's going to be a battle in this district," (6-AA) Ritchey said. "Home court is going to be a big advantage for all teams. We have to take care of business at home and win some on the road this year if we're going to be successful."

COAHOMA (41) — LeAnn Reid 0-1, 0-0-0; Amy Lawhon 4-9, 4-7-12; Melissa Bennett 2-6, 0-0-4; LaTisha Anderson 5-18, 1-3-11; Debra Garcia 0-1, 0-0-0; Angela Crippen 3-6, 2-3-8; Rhonda Thompson 3-6, 0-0-4. FORSAN (48) — Christy Hilliger 1-4, 0-1-2; Claudette Coats 2-14, 2-3-6; Barbara Mitchell 3-6, 1-3-9; Mickie McAdams 1-2, 2-2-4; Jennifer Tilley 0-1, 0-0-0; Becky Gerstenberger 4-10, 4-7-12; Jenny Conaway 2-8, 7-8-11.

Forsan 18 10 8 12 — 48
Coahoma 13 17 4 5 — 41
Turnovers — Coahoma 10, Forsan 6;
Steals — Coahoma 12 (LaTisha Anderson 5), Forsan 8 (Conaway 4); Blocked Shots — Forsan (Conaway); Rebounds — Coahoma 20 (Thompson, Lawhon 6); Forsan 33 (Conaway 12, Gerstenberger 8); Assists — Coahoma 13 (Bennett 4), Forsan 14 (Mitchell 4); Fouled Out — Coahoma (Bennett 5:04 4th, LaTisha Anderson 4:44 4th); Total Fouls — Coahoma 22, Forsan 14.

Rodman powers Pistons by Nuggets



Detroit Pistons center Bill Laimbeer (left) plays defense on Denver Nuggets center Dikembe Mutombo during first quarter action.

minutes in the last six games.

Rodman isn't worrying about the load.

"I'll do whatever it takes, and if I get hurt, I'll still play," Rodman said. "I don't think it takes a toll on me physically as much as it does mentally. You need to go out there and play 48 minutes and block everything else out. It's only 48 minutes out of 24 hours."

The Pistons needed Rodman more than usual Monday. Isiah Thomas missed the game with an eye injury. Thomas' backcourt partner, Joe Dumars, helped fill the hole with 27 points, 13 in the fourth quarter.

"Dumars just killed us in the second half," Westhead said. "Isiah being out made a big difference, but if Joe didn't step up, it would have been even a bigger difference."

Mark Aguirre added 22 points for Detroit as six Pistons reached double figures. Greg Anderson had 15 points and 13 rebounds for the Nuggets.

Thomas suffered the injury, a 40-stitch gash on his forehead, as a result of a foul by Karl Malone in Saturday's game in Utah. Malone was fined \$10,000 and suspended for

one game, but Thomas felt it should have been more severe.

"I just don't think it is fair," Thomas said. "I could have died on that play. If Bill Laimbeer makes the same play, they'd suspend him for the rest of the year."

Trail Blazers 119, Timberwolves 104

Clyde Drexler scored 17 of his 24 points in the third quarter as the Trail Blazers defeated the Timberwolves.

Drexler, who had only seven points in the first half, exploded in the third, hitting seven of 11 from the field. Terry Porter had 14 of his 17 points in the first half when the Blazers took a 60-49 lead.

Tony Campbell led the Timberwolves and all scorers with 25 and Doug West added 21.

Portland's biggest surge was a 35-point third quarter, with Drexler scoring 17 points and nailing a pair of 3-point field goals.

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UT lineman will go pro

AUSTIN (AP) — Shane Dronett, a junior defensive end for Texas, said he will leave school early and make himself available for the professional football draft.

The announcement by the 6-foot-6, 268-pound Dronett came just four days after former Illinois coach John Mackovic was named as the Longhorns' new head coach.

But Dronett said the coaching change had nothing to do with his decision. "I am doing what I think is best for me at this time," he said.

"It's time for me to move on. I've done just about everything I could do here except win a major trophy. The trophy has a lot to do with your team's record," he said. Texas finished this season at 5-6 after winning the Southwest Conference title in 1990.

Dronett, of Bridge City, was an all-Southwest Conference selection as a sophomore and this year. He was named a third-team All American by the Associated Press both years, and was a Lombardi Award nominee this season.

Mackovic said, "I told Shane that I wished him good luck and I hope he will come back to school and finish his degree."

Earlier, Dronett had said he would leave school if he felt he would be a high first-round draft choice.

Dronett became a starter in mid-1989 when he was a true freshman. He quickly became one of the Longhorns' defensive leaders.

Former coach David McWilliams, who resigned earlier this month, said Dronett was one of the best defensive linemen who ever played at Texas.



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Life raft



Associated Press photo

A life raft from the Salem Express ferry, which sank leaving more than 400 people missing, floats off the coast of Egypt Monday as an Egyptian naval ship searches for survivors. The engineer of the ferry denied accusations of widespread negligence on the part of the ship's crew.

Eskimos agree to land settlement

TORONTO (AP) — The national government and the Eskimos of the Northwest Territories have reached a tentative agreement that would give the native people control over the eastern half of the vast, pristine Arctic territory.

Under the plan announced Monday, the Eskimos will have the right to hunt, fish and trap across 740,000 square miles — an area three times the size of Texas — that will be called Nunavut.

The western remainder of the Northwest Territories will be renamed.

The approximately 17,500 Eskimos, who call themselves Inuit, will be given outright ownership of 135,000 square miles in Nunavut as well as compensation of \$1.03 billion over 14 years.

In exchange, the 17,500 Eskimos living in Nunavut would surrender their claim to own the entirety of the Northwest Territories, where they have lived for thousands of years.

Nunavut, the Inuit word for "homeland," would have a territorial government like the Northwest and Yukon territories, which have somewhat more autonomy than the more densely populated and developed provinces.

The new territory would extend from the 60th parallel to the North Pole; the western boundary would

extend from the Saskatchewan-Manitoba border northwest to Victoria Island.

The encompassed land is rich in lead, gold and fur-bearing animals. Thousands of musk oxen and polar bears roam the region.

Tom Siddon, minister of Indian affairs and northern development, noted that the agreement is not legally binding and a number of problems must be ironed out before final signature.

Legislation to establish the separate territory and to ratify the land claim agreement must be passed by the House of Commons. The agreement also must be ratified by a vote of the Inuit.

"It's not a done deal yet, not by any means," said John Amagoalik, an adviser to the Tungavik Federation of Nunavut — the organization representing the Inuit in the negotiations.

Many Inuit resent the Ottawa government's demand that they surrender claim to the whole land area.

"The policy of extinguishment and surrender (of rights) still offends us, but we felt a compromise was needed," Amagoalik said.

"It's very important to recognize that the Inuit have existed on the edges of Canadian society for a long time. We've been saying for 20 or 30 years now that the Inuit want to become full Canadian citizens."

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — To the few lucky buyers, Tulsa County's offer was the deal of the decade: prime municipal property for sale at bargain-basement prices.

To the chagrin of the city of Tulsa, the offer proved genuine. The county treasurer, unable to get the city to pay delinquent taxes on the land, auctioned at least 11 tracts of municipal property — two for as little as \$1.

The county even tried to sell the city's eastside police station but couldn't find a taker.

The auctioned properties include a 24-acre strip of U.S. 169 on land Tulsa bought for \$1.5 million in 1985. The county got \$200 for it.

The city also lost a one-eight-mile strip of its main north-south thoroughfare. That stretch of Riverside Drive, a four-lane road that parallels the Arkansas River, is valued at \$80,000 but sold for \$400.

Red-faced city officials now are playing hot-potato with blame and rushing to produce memorandums that will exonerate them. The mayor blames the city attorney, and the city council alternately blames the mayor and the county.

"This is the most — I don't want to use the word 'flagrant' but I will — waste of taxpayers' money that I have ever seen," councilor Robert

But he added that Nunavut "will in many ways be compared to Quebec. We will be responsible for promoting and preserving our distinct society."

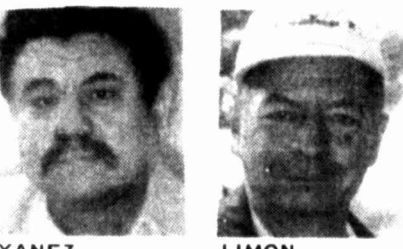
A similar land claim by the Dene and Metis Indian groups in the western Arctic fell apart when they voted against a package worth about \$450 million because they were unwilling to give up their claimed aboriginal rights over development of the land for mining, oil drilling or other uses.

The Dene and Metis could affect the future of the Nunavut agreement because the Arctic territories border on Nunavut.

The Inuit live in Alaska and the northern reaches of Canada. Over the past 10 years the word Eskimo has been gradually dropped because many Inuit find it insulting.

"It is an Indian name that means 'people that eat raw flesh.' It is a derogatory term," said Becky Rynor, an official in the ministry of Indian affairs and northern development.

Monday's agreement represents the first adjustment to Canadian boundaries since 1949, when Newfoundland switched from being a British colony to a Canadian province.



YANEZ LIMON

"From time to time, the water does have an awkward smell to it that is unpleasant. It usually occurs when I am running the hot water, and it smells similar to a sewer."

David Keith recently transferred to Big Spring from Florida. He believes the impression the city water leaves on visitors and possible transfers is upsetting and sets the tone for their stay.

"I recommend to anyone coming to Big Spring to buy bottled water," said Keith. "I love the city, love the people, but hate the water."

Water

Continued from page 1-A and put in PVC pipe because it can withstand the water more," Yanez said. "I don't drink the water. I even hate to wash with it. Sometimes, my laundry has a red color to it because of the water."

Then there are people in Big Spring who say, if they are going to pay for the water, they are going to drink it.

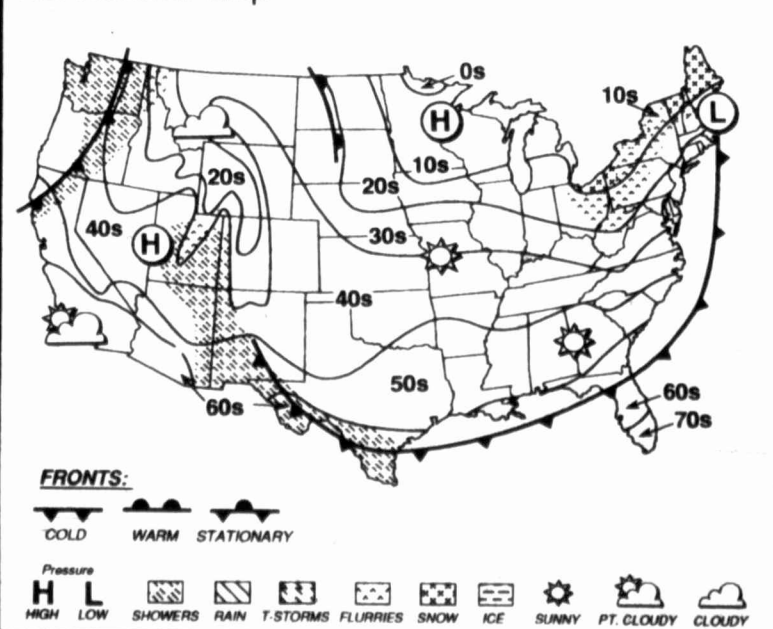
"The water is lousy, but I do not buy bottled water," said John Huckabee. "As much as I give for it, I am going to drink it."

John Limon, a Big Spring resident since 1953, says he has drank it for so long he does not find Big Spring water distasteful.

"I don't use bottled water or have a reverse osmosis system, but I know a lot of people who do," he said. "I have gotten used to the taste throughout the years. I drink it and use it because I pay for it."

Weather Preview

The national map

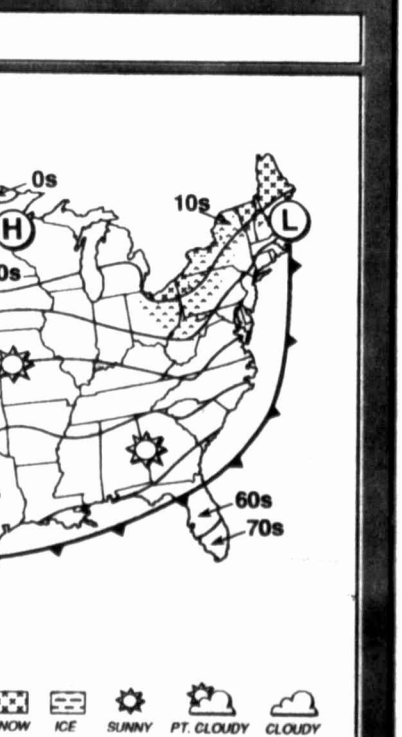


Permian Basin

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VA Vital signs

Once again employees are responding selflessly to the needs of others through the "Operation Care and Share" Program with the "Tree of Hope." Services throughout the medical center will adopt 25 elderly, homebound persons who may otherwise be spending the holidays alone. Mobile Meals and Senior Citizens Center provided the information about persons who will enjoy and are in need of a little extra at Christmas time.

The luncheon and auction held on Dec. 12 at the medical center to assist the family of 11 year old Lisa Boyd, who is stricken with cancer, was quite a success. The two hour activity, sponsored by Nursing Service, earned over \$2,000. Lisa's mother, Shirley, a nurse in our Outpatient Clinic, says Lisa is in good spirits and continues to be strong and brave.

The First United Methodist Church Steeple People sang Christmas Carols for those attending our Christmas Lighting Ceremony on Dec. 9. Conrad Alexander, Director, assisted by Mrs. Martha Moody, volunteer, pulled the switch to activate all outside lights in unison. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and Santa's helper were on hand to take orders and give out candy to the children. Prior to the ceremony, Santa and his helper visited the inpatients and residents on our Nursing Home Care Unit.

Our own Dr. Randy Amonett entered a picture of our medical center, blazoned with Christmas lights and the Peace on Earth sign, in the VA Practitioner Calendar and Meeting Guide Photo Contest. His entry was one of twelve winners. Dr. Amonett's entry will appear in the 1992 VA Practitioner Calendar.

We will soon have one of the most unique automated data processing (ADP) computer systems in all of the 172 VA Medical Centers. Over the next eighteen months, we will be converting from our present system to the new one. We will get to experiment with the very latest, state-of-the-art ADP computer equipment on the market. State-of-the-art functionality demonstrations included pen and tablet capability for mobile medical record documentation, a voice recognition device, point of care hand-held terminals for bedside entry of medical information, bar code reading, and enhanced graphical user interfaces.

A young statistical engineer named W. Edwards Deming, Ph.D., was assigned to teach management skills to the Japanese. His method came to be called Total Quality Management (TQM). In essence, an American management concept helped make Japan a world leader. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs has said that VA will lead the Government effort in Total Quality Improvement (TQI). TQM and TQI are really the same thing. VA has established a TQI Pilot Program to begin the implementation process throughout the Veterans Health Administration. Our medical center was selected as one of twelve sites for the first wave of the program.

Pansy Shattuck, RN on 3-East, was selected for Employee of the Month for Dec. Pansy was nominated because she consistently goes above and beyond the call of duty. She has an excellent working relationship with all staff members and is an asset to the medical center and nursing profession.

Pat Atkins is the Public Affairs Officer and Patient Representation at the Big Spring VA Medical Center. She can be contacted at 264-4839.

Donner Pary study shows women more likely to survive disaster

SEATTLE (AP) — Women are twice as likely as men to survive extreme cold and hunger, based on new research of the Donner Party, 19th-century pioneers who resorted to cannibalism to survive winter in the Sierra Nevada.

More body fat, a lower metabolic rate and a temperament that is less prone to aggression make females the harder sex when it comes to surviving disaster, said archaeologist Donald Grayson of the University of Washington.

In analyzing death patterns of the Donner Party, Grayson found that females who were older than 5, but younger than 50, and part of large families had the highest survival rate. Of the group's 53 males, 30 died, while only 10 of the 34 females died. Only 47 survived.

"I found it especially interesting that so many men died so early," Grayson said. "They just went like flies."

The group was marooned in the mountains for six months, from Oc-

"natural selection in action," Grayson said. Unlike most cases of famine, the pioneers struggled with both extreme hunger and intense cold.

Another difference: Donner Party men did not take control of resources, but shared food and shelter with their families, Grayson said.

Age, the size of one's social group — and most of all, sex — the archaeologist said, were key in determining who lived and died in the 10-foot snows of the Sierra Nevada.

Women have a greater percentage of surface fat that insulates them against cold, Grayson said. Females also consume energy less quickly than men — an adaptation that aids pregnancy — thereby holding an extra store of energy.

Such assets may have helped women survive an attempt by 13 pioneers to snowshoe out of the mountains in late December. Five women and eight men made the 33-day trip. Six died — all men.

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Donald Grayson
scientist

tober to April. Of the 25 men who died after reaching the Sierra Nevada, 14 died by the end of January, while all of the 10 females who perished died in the later months.

Results of Grayson's study were published in the Journal of Anthropological Research.

Eighty-seven pioneers, led by George and Jacob Donner left Springfield, Ill., by wagon train in August 1846 bound for California's Sacramento Valley. The group was delayed traveling an untested route between Wyoming and Nevada, and found itself starting over the mountains in eastern California just as the winter snows hit.

Camped out in log cabins for the winter, the pioneers ate their draft animals, pets and a "soup" made from boiling animal hides and bones.

"We had to kill little Cash the dog & eat him—we ate his entrails and feet & hide and & evry thing about him," wrote Virginia Reed, a 12-year-old survivor.

By February, Donner Party diaries show that to stay alive pioneers were eating their dead and the practice had almost become routine.

"Mrs. Murphy said here yesterday that she thought she would commence on Milt & eat him...it is distressing...Saturday, 27th beautiful morning," wrote Patrick Breen, a 40-year-old survivor.

The demographics of the Donner Party provides a solid case of

Basic personality differences, namely a female temperament that relies more on cooperation than aggression, also meant the difference between life and death, Grayson said. Two of the men were murdered before the group reached the mountains. One man who had no wagon or draft animal died when he was denied access to transportation. Another man was accidentally shot and killed.

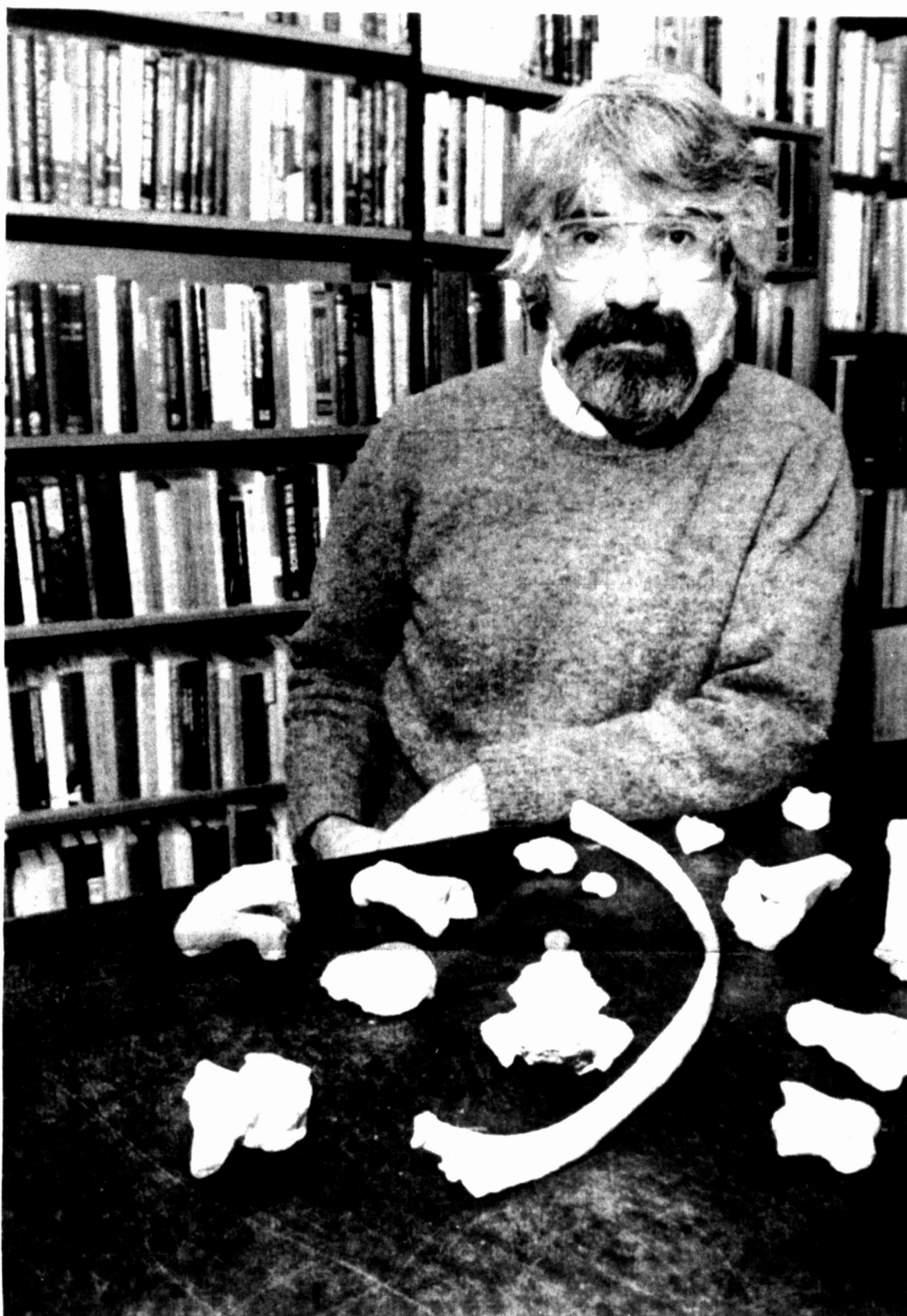
University of Nevada archaeologist Don Hardesty said Grayson's findings were consistent with other studies. But Grayson's research, he said, is not conclusive.

"It's an interesting start at trying to look at the interaction of social effects and gender-based, biological variation," Hardesty said. "But there are too many unanswered questions. Did children survive because of parental behavior? Were men more protective of women?"

Based in Reno, Hardesty has conducted archaeological digs at Donner Party encampment sites in 1984 and 1990. The party members, he said, were among 350,000 immigrants to cross the California Trail from 1841 to 1866 but were the only ones to suffer a long period of extreme cold and famine.

Grayson said he witnessed female survival traits on his own archaeology excursions in the Oregon and Nevada deserts.

"When our vehicles broke down or got stuck in the desert the men were good at things calling for short-term aggression — wrestling



Donald Grayson of the University of Washington in Seattle sits last month behind bones from animals in the Donner Party. Nineteenth century pioneers who resorted to cannibalism to survive

winter in the Sierra Nevada in eastern Calif. Studies by Grayson show women twice as likely as men to survive extreme cold and hunger.

the car out or carrying back lots of food," Grayson said.

"But if ... muscle power didn't help, the men just got angrier and angrier, whereas the women didn't

lose their tempers," he said. "The Donner diaries showed that the women held things together for the long term."

As expected, the youngest and

oldest members of the Donner Party were most likely to succumb. Of the 16 children under 5, 10 died, and of the five adults aged 49 to 69, none survived.

Spring board

How's that?

Q. What is the most prolific cactus found in Texas?

A. According to Texas Trivia, it is the Fishhook barrel cactus.

Calendar

TODAY

• The City of Big Spring Clean Team will be working in district 1, today through Friday. If you have articles to be picked up call the city at 263-8311.

• Toys for Tots - Firemen are taking good used or new toys all week at 11th and Birdwell.

• Big Spring Art Association Christmas Party, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center on Lynn Dr. For information call 267-2974.

• First Church of the Nazarene will present Drive-Thru Nativity on the church grounds, 1400 Lancaster, through Dec. 20, from 6:45 to 10 p.m. Admission free.

• Senior Citizen Dance, 7-10 p.m. at the Civic Center in Colorado City. Porky Proctor Band will perform.

• Al-Anon will meet 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

• Spring Tabernacle Church,

1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever's available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

• A.M.A.C. (Adults Molested As Children) will meet 5:15 p.m., Saint Mary's Episcopal Church library, 1001 Goliad. Anyone interested must call first- Dr. Federman or Dawn Pearson, 267-8216 ext. 287.

• Recovery Solutions Inc., mens support group, 17 and older, 6:30 - 8 p.m., 307 Union St. For information call 264-7028. No charge.

WEDNESDAY

• The Divorce Support Group will meet 6-7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, room 101. Anyone welcome. Child care available. Use back entrance at Gregg St. parking lot. For information call 267-6394.

• Co-Dependents Anonymous will meet 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, fourth floor.

• West Texas Legal Service offers legal help for civil matters (disability, divorces, ect.) at the Northside Community Center for those unable to afford their own attorney. For information call 1-686-0647.

• Recovery Solutions Inc., womens support group, 17 and older, 6:30 - 8 p.m. For information call 264-7028.

THURSDAY

• Al-Anon will meet 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, room 414.

• Forsan Christmas Concert, 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium featuring the 6th, 7th, and high

school bands. Santa will be there to pass out toys and popcorn balls. For information call 263-6571.

• Blood Drive sponsored by the Permian Basin Blood Center, 4-7 p.m., Barcelona Apartments.

• Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

• Adolescent Support Group will meet 4-5 p.m., Howard County Mental Health Center. Anyone interested must call first- John McGuffy or Dawn Garrett, 267-8216 ext. 287.

• C.R.I.E. (Children's Rights Through Informed Education) will meet 7:30 p.m., Chamber of Commerce meeting room. Open to public.

• Disabled American Veterans and Auxiliary will meet 6 p.m. at the Chapter Home on Young St.

• Recovery Solutions Inc., young men and women support group, 13-17 years, will meet 6:30 - 8 p.m. For information call 264-7028.

FRIDAY

• Friday night games of Dominoes, Forty-two, Bridge and Chickentrack from 5-8 p.m., 2805 Lynn St., Kentwood Center. Public Invited.

• Big Spring Senior Center invites anyone 55 or older to rent a table to sell arts and crafts from 8-4 p.m. Call center for details. Public invited to shop.

• Big Spring Police Association banquet, 7 p.m., Howard County Junior College. \$6.00 perperson. Reservations must be made by Dec. 18th. Call 263-8311.

Skin patch for bones



A Ciba-Geigy Corp. pharmaceutical employee inspects the new Estraderm skin patch in New York recently. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has cleared marketing for the skin patch which will be used by women in the prevention of postmenopausal osteoporosis; the most common and potentially debilitating bone disorder in the world.

Cosmetic surgery on rise

For the ASSOCIATED PRESS

Youth isn't being wasted only on the young anymore. Today, more and more people are seeking the fountain of youthful appearance, according to Better Homes and Gardens magazine.

In 1990, Americans had more than 644,000 cosmetic surgery procedures. That's a 69 percent increase since 1981, says the American Society for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeries.

And, sales of face lotions and moisturizers jumped 14.4 percent between 1989 and 1990, says Beth Goldberg, an analyst with Goldman Sachs in New York.

Plastic surgery and cosmetics are two paths to the fountain of youthful appearances.

Here's information about both:

An aging siren once remarked that she still possessed everything she had when she was 24 — "only 6 inches lower." Enter the plastic surgeon, who can take up the slack, so to speak, and steal years from the patient's appearance. Or the dermatologist, who can peel away decades of experience lines in a matter of hours.

And it's not just the face: if legs are covered with varicose veins, they can be surgically corrected. If diets fail to narrow a waist, fat can be surgically removed through a process called liposuction.

But all procedures should be thought through carefully. All medical procedures, including plastic surgery, carry risks, even a slight risk of death. And, although the chances of permanent damage is very low, these unwanted effects can be disfiguring.

Even when successful, say some experts on aging, plastic surgery improves appearance, not health.

Don't expect plastic surgery to change an entire life, and the most common procedures will usually yield satisfying results. Work only with a surgeon or dermatologist who is board-certified. Be sure he or she has done the procedure many times, and expect a lot of questions about motivation; a good doctor doesn't want the patient to be disappointed.

Following is a rundown of the most common procedures and their costs. A doctor should fully explain all risks:

- Chemical peel. Caustics or chemicals are applied to the affected areas (the wrinkles), causing a "wound." The new skin born to repair the wound is smoother and wrinkle-free. Cost: \$1,200-\$2,500. Risks: Lightening or darkening skin, skin irritation, scarring. Duration: About 20 years.
- Dermabrasion. Wrinkles and other irregularities are surgically "sanded" to make them appear smoother. A special instrument is used that also can correct scarring. Cost: \$600-\$1,500. Risks: Similar to chemical peel. Duration: About 20 years.
- Collagen injections. To reduce wrinkles, injections are made to the lower skin layers to raise the level of the creases and wrinkles.

Dating service matches people infected with AIDS

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tony Morton is looking for a companion. His requirements are simple: The person must be educated, have a good sense of humor and enjoy country-western dancing.

The person also must be HIV-positive.

Morton, 31, is among about 50 people who have listed their names with one of the nation's first dating services for people infected with the AIDS virus.

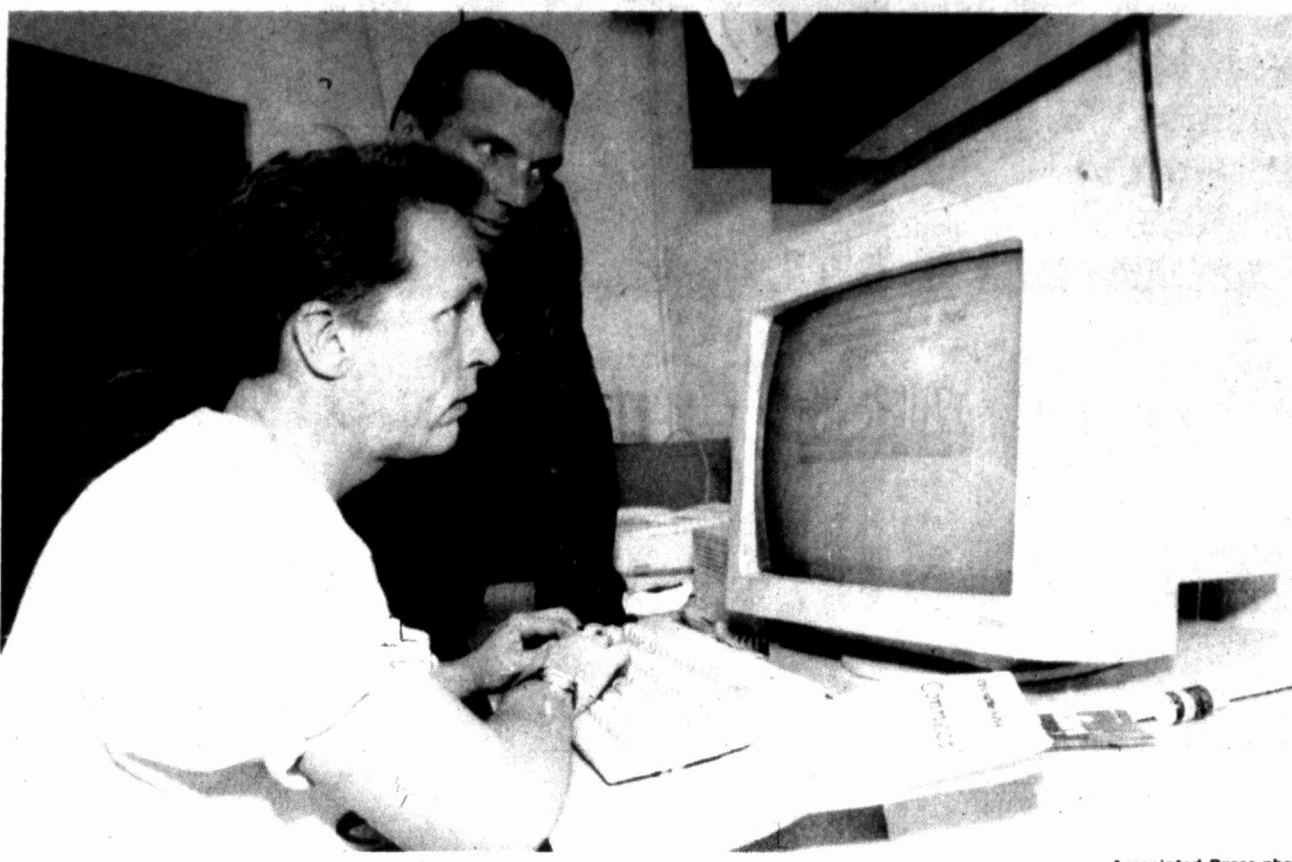
"It's important for people to realize that HIV-infected people have the same needs as others: the need to be loved, the need for a relationship," he said. "They have hopes and dreams like everyone else."

The dating service was started by Being Alive, an organization of Los Angeles-area people with AIDS or the virus that causes the disease. Being Alive announced plans for the program, called Connect, in the December issue of its monthly newsletter.

"We've had over 100 inquiries so far," executive director Ferd Eggan said last week. "The person responsible for punching all the information into a computer has been overwhelmed."

Eggon said the response didn't surprise him.

"The reason we started this service is because we see approximately 800 people a month in support groups," he said. "They tell us this is one of the most salient needs



Ferd Eggon, executive director of Being Alive, inputs Michael Lucas' information, who is HIV-positive, into the computer. The dating service

was started by a group called Being Alive, an organization in Los Angeles area for people who have AIDS.

of people with HIV in Los Angeles."

No one knows for sure how many people in Los Angeles County have the AIDS virus, but public health officials estimate 35,000 to 60,000.

Since 1981, 13,647 cases of full-blown AIDS have been reported in the county, according to the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Of those, 9,534 have died.

Eggon said the dating service is an extension of Being Alive's philosophy that people with the virus can live normal, productive lives.

"Medical advances have

transformed AIDS into a manageable disease," said Eggon, who tested HIV-positive in 1986. "People who are HIV-infected can have a fulfilling, enjoyable and, it is hoped, gratifying life."

"Everyone dies. We just happen to be people who know how it is going to happen."

Being Alive plans to use the dating service to reinforce the need for safe sex, Eggon said.

The dating service is free. Individuals fill out a brief questionnaire listing their sexual preference and any other information they wish to reveal. In return, they receive a monthly computer listing.

Most respondents have been homosexual or bisexual. Eggon said about 15 are heterosexual.

The Los Angeles program is patterned after a dating service begun last summer in San Diego, believed to be the first in the nation, Eggon said.

The group plans to mail out its first listing this week. Morton, who tested positive for the virus in 1985 and still shows no symptoms of AIDS, said he anxiously awaits its arrival.

"I don't know if I'll meet anyone this way, but I'm hopeful I will," he said. "Dating an HIV-positive person can be another form of support. It's one more thing you have in common with someone else that you don't with the rest of the world."

Hispanics less likely to be tested

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hispanic women are less likely than white or black women to get mammogram exams for breast cancer, partly because their doctors fail to recommend the X-ray test, according to a study.

Fear of cancer, general anxiety and concern over cost were other factors that made Hispanic women tend to shy away from mammograms, said the study by Dr. Sarah Fox and her colleagues at the University of California, Los Angeles, School of Medicine.

The telephone survey of 1,057 women in Pasadena, Inglewood and Culver City found that 71 percent of Hispanic women never had a mammogram, compared with 48 percent of black women and 43 percent of white women.

Results of the study, conducted in 1988, were reported in the November issue of the journal Medical Care.

The American Cancer Society recommends women get their first mammogram no later than age 40, then every year or two through age 49. Women 50 and older should get the exam annually.

Couples should plan holiday activities together

HOUSTON — Instead of decking the halls this Christmas, many wives may feel like "decking" their husbands, according to a psychologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

"Couples should plan the holidays together so that no one feels overwhelmed or left out," said Dr. Nancy J. Warren, clinical associate professor of psychiatry and director of the Family Transition Program at Baylor.

Women traditionally coordinate the family festivities during Thanksgiving and Christmas, while husbands often stay in the background and wait to be called upon. This apparent lack of interest can cause marital tension.

Between their careers, making the gift list, buying the gifts, addressing and mailing cards, baking goodies and decorating the house, wives usually have little time left over for their husbands. This too

can put a strain on a marriage.

Warren suggests that couples make a list of what needs to be done, but set priorities. Determine who will do what and equally share the chores, even those that may be unpleasant. Time management and a firm budget are especially important to get through Thanksgiving preparations and hectic shopping days.

Stress levels differ from family to family. To limit stress, Warren

advises developing realistic holiday expectations.

"For example, many families anticipate a closeness during the holidays that they do not have during the year and become disappointed when it does not happen," Warren said.

Families that recently experienced a loss through death or divorce may want to create new holiday traditions if the old ones do not feel "right" anymore.

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875-877 days \$344.00
878-880 days \$345.15
881-883 days \$346.30
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887-889 days \$348.60
890-892 days \$349.75
893-895 days \$350.90
896-898 days \$352.05
899-901 days \$353.20
902-904 days \$354.35
905-907 days \$355.50
908-910 days \$356.65
911-913 days \$357.80
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983-985 days \$385.40
986-988 days \$386.55
989-991 days \$387.70
992-994 days \$388.85
995-997 days \$390.00
998-1000 days \$391.15

PERSON TO PERSON

3 Days
\$3.00
No business ads, only private individuals. One item per ad priced at less than \$100. Price must be listed in ad.

PERSONAL ADS

When you can't say it face to face.
3 days for \$3.00
(15 words or less)

GARAGE/SALES

List your garage sale early! 3 days for the price of 1 only \$10.25.
(15 words or less)

PREPAYMENT

Cash, Check, Money Order, Visa or MasterCard.

DEADLINES

Line Ads
Monday — Sunday Editions
12:00 Noon of previous day.
"Too Late To Classify" 5:00 p.m.

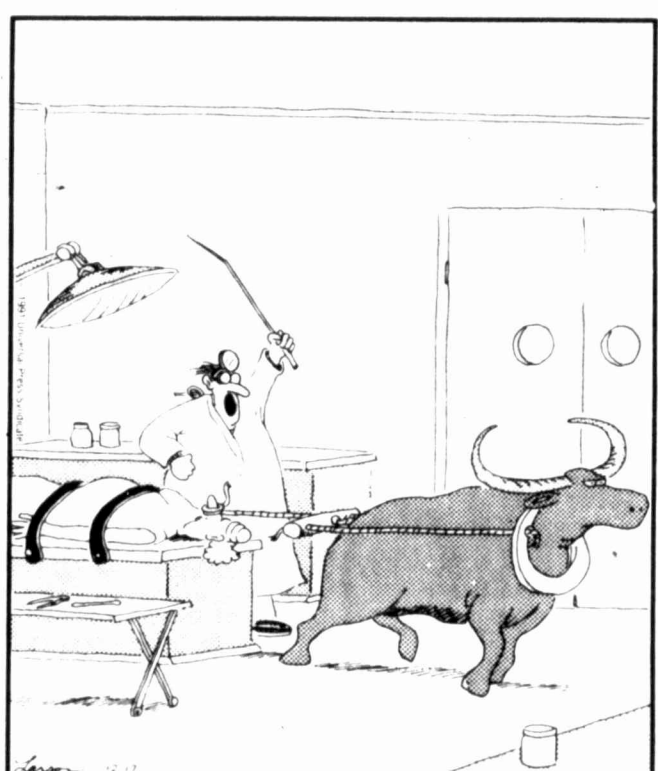
LATE ADS

Next Day Advertising
Published in the "Too Late To Classify" space.
Call by 5:30 p.m.

DIRECTORY

15 words
26 times
\$40.00 for 1 month or
\$70 for 2 months

THE FAR SIDE By GARY LARSON



Until his medical license was suspended, cosmetic surgeon Dr. Irwin Blumenfeld left many of his patients with the tragic side effect known as "buffalo nose."

Cars For Sale 011 Cars For Sale 011

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1987 FIREBIRD. Excellent. V-6, AM-FM. Tape, air, 2 new tires, full, automatic transmission, \$4,450. 263-3056.

1981 4 DOOR MALIBU. New tires, runs good. \$1,500. 267-3535 or 263-0600.

1980 FAIRLANE FORD. 18,000 actual miles. Slight body damage, otherwise excellent condition. \$1,800. 1705 Kentucky Way, Big Spring. 263-1187 or 267-2132.

1981 MONTE CARLO. Needs some repairs. Will sell cheap. Call 263-8924 or 263-8809.

1979 CHRYSLER NEW PORT. Good mechanical shape, good tires, radio, 19 mpg. \$950. 267-4613.

WESTEX AUTO PARTS

Sells Late Model Guaranteed Recondition Cars & Pickups

'89 Dodge Spirit ES...\$4,750
'89 Pont. LeMans LE...\$3,450
'86 Chevy pickup...\$3,450
'84 Cadillac Seville...\$3,450
Snyder Hwy 263-5000

1986 MERCURY COUGAR V-6. 43,350 miles. Call 267-8963 or 267-1382.

Pickups 020

1974 CHEVY PICKUP. \$1,500 or best offer. 393-5753.

1988 RED DODGE 4x4 Dakota with 20,000 miles. Call 267-6664.

1991 RED F-150 with tool box and a lot of chrome. Call 573-7315.

THE Daily Crossword by Wilson McBeath

ACROSS

1 Place for an earring

5 "The Forsyte" —

9 Greenish-blue

13 Refuge

14 Stopovers

15 Singer Guthrie

16 Revoked as a legacy

17 Thin cooky

18 Public outbreak

19 Locale of Indiana State U.

21 Berry and Murray

22 Room in a casa

23 Elevate

25 Bungled

29 Ascertain

31 Before gram or graph

32 Orient

34 Fiber plant

38 Literary form

40 Telltale

42 Ventures

43 Draw a — on

45 Graham of football

46 Small songbird

48 "Gunsong" name

50 Came up

52 Harness

53 "To — not to be"

54 City on a —

61 In — (bored by routine)

62 Madras

63 Exemplar

64 — of passage

65 Son of Seth

66 Seems imminent

67 Forest animal

68 Take out

69 Other

DOWN

1 Fill the hold

2 Done

3 Toby's contents

4 Catch

5 Cordage fiber

6 Some plants

7 Tiny insect

8 "Ad astra per —"

9 Booth of Indiana

10 Lake Indians

11 "One — (Romberg song)"

12 Oodles

13 Panama

20 US president

24 Smell — (suspect)

25 Celtics star

Larry

26 Music halls

27 Make haste

28 Composer from Peru, IN

30 Ms Kett

33 Both: pref.

35 Old man: Ger.

36 Dog docs

37 Aphrodite's son

39 Goddess of fertility

41 US president

44 Alcohol

47 Looked carefully

48 Vituperate

50 High nest

51 Customary line of travel

53 Aromatic seed

54 Shakespeare

56 Wind indicator

57 Admired one

58 Durocher and

59 Kind of duck

60 They "loop" the Loop

Pickups 020

1990 CHEVY 3/4 pickup with air, new transmission, tires, battery, starter, fuel pump. \$1,500. 263-6855.

Travel Trailers 040

8x35 PARK MODEL: all options, plus washer & dryer. Like new. \$11,500. Mountain View Trailer Park. E. 1-20. Anytime.

Motorcycles 050

6TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIALS. No money down or no payment for 90 days on Honda 250, XR 80, XR 100 & Cub with approved credit. Special prices on all Honda street & dirt bikes, ATVs, scooters and parts and accessories. Motorcycle accessories up to 50% off. Prices good through 12-31-91. HONDA KAWASAKI OF MIDLAND. 1-800-477-0211.

XT 250 YAMAHA street legal dirt bike, like new. \$650. Call 393-5309.

Business Opp. 150

PRIVATE PAY phone route low cost, high return. 1-800-226-2257.

LOCAL VENDING route for sale, local area. 1-800-955-0354.

Help Wanted 270

BIG SPRING EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

Ruby Taroni/Owner

110 West Marcy 267-2535

CLERK/Word proc., good typist. Open. SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER Exp. Open. CLERK/TYPIST All office skills. Open. TRAINEE Welding exp. Open. Equal Opportunity Employer.

READERS BEWARE

Be very careful to get complete details and information when calling advertisers out of state or with toll free numbers. Remember this rule: If it sounds too good to be true, it likely is. Be sure that you have the facts and are not being misled. Should you have questions pertaining to a particular advertisement contact, The Better Business Bureau, Midland 1-563-1880.

ADDRESSES WANTED immediately! No experience necessary. Process FHA mortgage refinancing. Work at home. Call 1-405-321-3646.

WAREHOUSE

to \$12 hour. Will train. Several openings, also part time. 1-800-521-8543.

Help Wanted 270

DRIVERS WANTED

\$400-\$650 Weekly
Will train
Drive Co. Car
1-800-521-7750

NEED EXPERIENCED bricklayers in Abilene, Austin, Houston, Ft. Worth Dallas areas. \$13.00 per hour. Call 214-775-1188.

CHILDCARE NEEDED in my home. Seeking caring, responsible adult to care for children and clean house. Non smoker. References required. Call 263-4066.

R.N POSITION open, day shift, requires some weekend call with extra compensation. Pension plan, life and health insurance, salary D.O.E. Apply in person at Best Home Care, 1710 Marcy Drive.

RN III/IV
\$2451 TO \$2707. monthly D.O.E.
Excellent Benefit Package
Requires: Texas license plus 2 years experience. Duties: Provide service to our out-patients in the Howard county area. Personal vehicle is required for travel within the local area. Shift 8-5. Apply to: Human Resources Department, Big Spring State Hospital, P.O. Box 231, Big Spring, Texas 79721. AA/EOE.

PSYCHIATRIC NURSE AIDE
(Addolescent Department)
Evening shift
with Big Spring State Hospital
Salary, \$1,018 monthly plus excellent State benefits. Requires High School diploma or GED. Must be in excellent physical health with ability to lift clients. A desire/ability to work with troubled youth is imperative! Flexible hours, ie: 4-8p.m., 3-11p.m., 7-11p.m. Please bring proof of education- diploma and transcript- and social security card and photo ID. Apply to: Texas Employment Commission, 310 Owens St., Big Spring, Texas 79720. AA/EOE.

Help Wanted 270

WANTED MATURE young man artistically inclined to work in an exclusive gift and jewelry store. To start part time on permanent basis. College students considered. Apply in person only. Inland Port 213, 213 Main Street.

EXCLUSIVE GIFT and jewelry store wants to hire mature sales lady for part time employment on a permanent basis. Apply in person only. Inland Port 213, 213 Main Street.

POSTAL JOBS \$11.41 \$14.90/ hr. For exam and application information call 800-552-3995 Ext. TX161 8a.m. 8p.m. 7 days.

FULL TIME & Part Time LVN positions available for 6 & 2 10 shifts. 2 weeks paid vacation, paid holidays & sick leave, shift differential. Call or come by Stanton Care Center, 1100 North Broadway, Stanton, or call 756-3287.

EXCELLENT PAY for typing names & addresses from home. No quotas. Call 1-900-896-1666 (\$0.99 min/ 18 yrs +) or Write: PASSE 807L, 161 S. Lincolnway, N. Aurora, IL 60542.

GET CASH today on your income tax refund check! No waiting. Bring 1040, W-2's, ID and SS card. 700 N. Lancaster, M.F. 9-5.

NOW ACCEPTING applications for management position at Burger King Apply in person. 2000 E. FM 700.

FULL OR part time position available to assist in therapy department and help with office duties. This position requires an outgoing, energetic individual who enjoys working with people. Clerical skills helpful but not necessary. Non smoker. Send resume to: P.O. Box 2653, Big Spring, TX 79721.

FOOD SERVICE WORKER II. Salary \$1,018 monthly plus excellent State benefits. Prefer applicant with High School diploma with commercial full meal preparation. Duties: serving, cleaning equipment, washing pots & pans, etc. The job requires lifting 50 lbs. repetitively. Apply with: Human Resources, Big Spring State Hospital, Big Spring, Texas. AA/EOE.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE Billing Clerk. 10 key by touch, light typing, PC experience necessary. Contact Yolanda at 263-7331 ext. 165 to set up interview.

HUMAN RESOURCES CLERK II (Insurance, Workers Compensation Clerk) Salary \$1,212 monthly with excellent benefit package. Requires High School graduation with typing skills at 40wpm. Prefer some college with computer/data entry, plus one (1) year of related personnel experience. This position requires an individual who possesses organizational skills to handle a large volume of work and demonstrate outstanding public relation skills. Apply in person to: Human Resources Department, Big Spring State Hospital. AA/EOE.

DON'S IGA has opening for meat cutter. See Don Payne at Don's IGA.

Help Wanted 270

EXPERIENCED COOKS all shifts. Apply in person. 10 a.m. 5 p.m. daily. Denny's, 1710 E. 3rd.

DELIVERY DRIVER/ Production Assistant. Must have current A, B, or CDL license. Good company, excellent benefits. In person only: Chuck McLean, West Texas Welders Supply, 605 E. 2nd.

Jobs Wanted 299

MOW, YARDS, fill, haul trash, trim trees, remove stumps and odd jobs. Call 267-4827.

WILL CLEAN houses and offices. Call 263-2254.

IRONING WANTED in my home. \$10 a dozen. Call 267-1167.

YARD WORK, lots, alleys, flower beds, trees, etc. Also, houses, fences, painting. Call 263-5609. Thanks.

Farm Equipment 420

DITCH DIGGER 30 HP Hydraulic 4 wheel drive. Digs 4.6 or 12 inch wide. 6 foot blade on front with tilt trailer. Carl Schwab, Brain Road.

Farm Land 426

ACRES, 160 acres, Austin Stone Home. 3000 square feet, mint condition, trees, three barns, another small home. Call Bryan Adams (512)261-4497.

Auctions 505

SPRING CITY AUCTION Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS 079 007759. Call 263-1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

SPRING CITY AUCTION
ANNUAL X-MAS AUCTION
Thursday, Dec. 19
7:00 p.m.
2000 W. 4th

Toys! toys! toys! Dolls, cars, trucks, machine guns, train set, police cars, remote control cars, radio controlled trucks, coloring books, Christmas lights, jewelry, decorative mats, jewelry boxes, lead crystal, mexican bankets, baya shirts, lamps, south west vases, cookware sets, lincoln collection, lots of gift items and lots & lots of other merchandise. 1985 Ford Escort 4 door.

Items Added Daily!!!
Robert Pruitt, Auctioneer
TXS-7759 263-1831

Building Specialist 510

HOME COMMERCIAL Construction Repair, additions, dry wall, painting, roofing. Banks Construction. Phone 263-

Garage Sale 535

INSIDE MINI-FLEA market. New Christmas toys & gifts. All prices wholesale. Saturday, 10 to 7, Sunday, 1 to 6. 2107 Grace.

Miscellaneous 537

BUYING LIVE Rattle Snakes. Paying top prices! Call 737-2403. (Colorado City).

6 PERSON spa repo. Full warranty. Will finance. MORGAN 363-1807.

LADIES!!! Stuck on an idea for that man in your life, come see us, we can help! We have a large selection of gift ideas and we offer free gift wrapping with no lines to stand in. Blackshear Rentals, 3217 East FM 700, open 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Merry Christmas.

CHIMNEY CLEANING & repair. Register for our firewood giveaway. Free in sections. Call 263-7015.

HAIR CLINIC. 2105 South Gregg. Hair cuts, \$7. Perm waves, \$20. Ask for Betty. 267-1444.

SOFA & chair set, love seat, recliner, \$350. Call 393-5309.

FOR SALE: Easy Go golf cart with wind shield, batteries and charger. Call 267-8203.

Telephone Service 549

TELEPHONES, JACKS, install, \$22.50. Business and Residential sales and services. J. Dean Communications, 267-5478.

Houses For Sale 601

RENT TO OWN first month down. 4 BEDROOM, 2 BATH brick East side. Also, 3 bedroom and a 2 bedroom. 264-0510.

HOUSE: 1,932 SQUARE feet. Good condition. For information call 267-5460.

HAVE IT ALL... house and business or three brick houses (4,227 square feet) ALL FOR \$25,000 with financing to qualified borrowers. 906 & 908 W. 4th, Permian Basin Commercial Realty, 263-8350.

Buildings For Sale 603

10x12 OFFICE returned from lease. Free delivery. MORGAN 363-1807.

Business Property 604

PRIME BUSINESS LOCATION. 20,000 square feet, warehouse, shop/retail and office, 2 acres with large paved parking, great visibility and accessibility. 3202 E. 1520, \$135,000, financing available. Permian Basin Commercial Realty, 263-8350.

MANY PURPOSES, LOW PRICE. 3,754 square feet, recent construction, great visibility and access, zoned for office, service, or other business. 404 E. FM 700, \$105,000 attractive financing. Permian Basin Commercial Realty, 263-8350.

Manufactured Housing For Sale 611

FOR SALE: 12x70 3 bedroom, 1 bath, clean, new cabinets, \$4,000. Terms possible. 263-7982.

\$2,995 BUYS 2 BEDROOM home. All appliances and air. Homes of America, Odessa, 915-363-0881. Se habla español.

ONLY \$660 DOWN, \$181 per month, for like new 2 bedroom. New appliances, new carpet and drapes. 120 months at 11.99 APR. Homes of America, 915-363-0881. Se habla español.

\$177 MONTHLY, EXTRA nice 16x80. New carpet, appliances and drapes. 10% down, 180 months, 12.5 APR. Homes of America, Odessa, 915-363-0881. Se habla español.

Furnished Apartments 651

FURNISHED one bedroom apartment, two bedroom house, and mobile home. Mature adults. No children or pets. Call 263-6944 or 263-2341 for more information.

ROOM FOR rent. All bills paid, including cable, refrigerator. Weekly or monthly. 901 West 3rd. Inquire room 22.

NICE, CLEAN apartments. Right price. 3304 W. Hwy 80 or 267-6561.

Furnished Apartments 651

HOUSES/APARTMENTS/Duplexes. 1-2-3 and 4 bedroom. Furnished, unfurnished. Call Ventura Company, 267-2655.

SANDRA GALE Apartments. Nice clean apartments. The price is still the best in town. Call 263-0906.

BEAUTIFUL GARDEN COURTYARD

Swimming Pool - Private Patios - Carports - Built-in Appliances - Most Utilities Paid. Senior Citizen Disc.

24 hr. on premises Manager 1 & 2 Bedrooms

Furnished or Unfurnished Under New Management

PARK HILL TERRACE APARTMENTS

800 Marcy Drive

263-5555 263-5000

LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX

Carports - Swimming Pool - Most utilities paid - Furnished or Unfurnished - Discount to Senior Citizens.

1-2 Bdrs & 1 or 2 Bths

24 hour on premises Manager

Kentwood Apartments

1904 East 25th

267-5444 263-5000

Unfurnished Apartments 655

ALL BILLS PAID RENT BASED ON INCOME

Two Bd. \$325/3 Bed. \$385

Stove, Ref., Air, Carpet, Laundromat

Adjacent to School

Park Village Apartments

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Unfurnished Houses 659

HOUSES: 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath-1706 Laurie. 5 room house-1002 E. 16th. Call 267-6805.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, all brick house located at 4217 Muir. Central heat & air, covered patio and fenced yard. \$400 per month plus \$175 deposit. Call 267-1543.

3 BEDROOMS, 1 BATH, central heat & air, 2410 Carleton. \$400 monthly, plus deposit. Call 263-4367 or 263-6997.

Housing Wanted 675

WANT TO buy 3 or 4 bedroom, 2 bath. With acreage preferably. Call collect 942-8106.

Business Buildings 678

FOR LEASE: Building at 907 E. 4th, 9:00-5:00. 263-6319; after 5:00, 267-8657.

FOR LEASE: Warehouse with offices on 2 acres of fenced land on Snyder Highway. Excellent location for trucking operation. \$600 a month plus deposit. 263-5000.

DOWNTOWN BUILDING to lease 18x100 106 E. 3rd. Available January 1st. \$350 monthly. 267-4954.

Office Space 680

SUITE B. Three large offices, computer room, coffee bar, refrigerator. Utilities paid. Phone system. 263-2318.

Manufactured Housing 682

\$300/monthly, utilities paid, unfurnished 2 bedroom mobile home. Coahoma Schools, Sand Springs. 394-4006.

Lodges 686

STATED MEETING, Big Spring Lodge #1340, AF & AM, 1st and 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., 2102 Lancaster, Carl Condry, W.M., Richard Knous, Sec.

STATED MEETING Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 every 2nd and 4th Thursday 7:30 p.m. 219 Main, Ricky Scott, W.M., T.R. Morris, Sec.

Happy Ads 691

WISH YOUR favorite person a Happy Birthday, Anniversary, or Just say "Hi" by putting a HAPPY AD in the Big Spring Herald Classified Section. For more information call Amy or Darci, 263-7331.

Personal 692

WILD & HOT live girls! Call us at 1-900-820-1177 \$2.50 per minute.

GET IT! 1-900-884-1001 \$9.00 per call.

XET CASH today on your income tax refund check. No waiting. Bring 1040, W-2's, ID and SS card. 700 N. Lancaster, M.F. 9-5.

Too Late To Classify 900

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PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE. Arts & Crafts supplies, 25% off (excluding fabric paints). Hitch N Post.

LARGE THREE bedroom house. Central air, heat, fenced yard, one bath. 1976 Olds '98. 267-3905.

20' ROADMASTER ALL Terrain. 5 speed bike. New \$159 value for \$100. Call 263-2849 after 5:00 p.m.

2 BEDROOM, 2 bath, 304 E. 5th. 263-6062, 270-3466, 267-3841.

BEDROOM, KITCHEN, living room, completely furnished. All bills paid including cable. Prefer senior citizen. 304 Settling.

FOR SALE: Ritz Theater building, land, parking lot and equipment. Ready to go. \$25,000. Serious only please. 267-6450.

WANTED: EXPERIENCED wool presser. Apply in person. B&H Cleaners, 261 Wason Rd. No phone calls please.

VERY CLEAN 1 bedroom, good location, carpet, stove/ refrigerator furnished. \$225 monthly, \$100 deposit. 263-2382, 263-4697.

LITTLE COUNTRY ranchette 1 acre. Includes 3 bedroom, 2 bath home over 1,600 square feet plus large workshop & storage shed, water well, trees and grow anything soil. \$30's. McDonald Realty 263-7615, Laverne Hull 263-4549, Sue Bradbury 263-7537.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION STATE OF TEXAS

To unknown father of Bruce Sinko, and to all whom it may concern, Respondent/s: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of the Texas Department of Human Services, Petitioner, was filed in the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas, on the 13th day of December, 1991, against Ursula Sinko, Respondent, numbered and entitled "In the Interest of Bruce Sinko, a Minor Child," the nature of which suit is a request to appoint a managing conservator of the child and/or termination of the parent-child relationship.

"The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's best interest which will be binding upon you, including, but not necessarily limited to, the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption."

"Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Howard County, Texas, this 13th day of December, 1991."

Clerk of the Court of Howard County, Texas. By: Glenda Brasel

7586 December 17, 1991

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SportsExtra

Bowl games

All Times EST Saturday, Dec. 14 California Bowl at Fresno, Calif.

Bowling Green 28, Fresno State 21

*** Wednesday, Dec. 25 Aloha Bowl at Honolulu

Stanford (8-3) vs. Georgia Tech (7-5), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Blue-Gray Classic at Montgomery, Ala.

Blue vs. Gray, Noon

*** Saturday, Dec. 28 Blockbuster Bowl at Miami

Alabama (10-1) vs. Colorado (8-2-1), 9 p.m. (CBS)

*** Sunday, Dec. 29 Independence Bowl at Shreveport, La.

Georgia (8-3) vs. Arkansas (6-5), 2:30 p.m. (ABC)

Liberty Bowl at Memphis, Tenn.

Air Force (9-3) vs. Mississippi State (7-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla.

Virginia (8-2-1) vs. Oklahoma (8-3), 8 p.m. (TBS)

*** Monday, Dec. 30 Holiday Bowl at San Diego

Iowa (10-1) vs. Brigham Young (8-3-1), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Freedom Bowl at Anaheim, Calif.

Tulsa (9-2) vs. San Diego State (8-3-1), 9 p.m. (Raycom)

*** Tuesday, Dec. 31 John Hancock Bowl at El Paso, Texas

Illinois (6-5) vs. UCLA (8-3), 2:30 p.m. (CBS)

Copper Bowl at Tucson, Ariz.

Baylor (8-3) vs. Indiana (6-4-1), 8 p.m. (WTBS)

*** Wednesday, Jan. 1 Peach Bowl at Atlanta

East Carolina (10-1) vs. North Carolina State (9-2), 11:30 a.m. (ESPN)

Hall of Fame Bowl at Tampa, Fla.

Syracuse (9-2) vs. Ohio State (8-3), 1 p.m. (NBC)

Citrus Bowl at Orlando, Fla.

California (9-2) vs. Clemson (9-1-1), 1:30 p.m. (ABC)

Cotton Bowl at Dallas

Florida State (10-2) vs. Texas A&M (10-1), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

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Penn State (10-2) vs. Tennessee (9-2), 4:30 p.m. (NBC)

Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif.

Washington (11-0) vs. Michigan (10-1), 5 p.m. (ABC)

Orange Bowl at Miami

Miami (11-0) vs. Nebraska (9-1-1), 8 p.m. (NBC)

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Notre Dame (9-3) vs. Florida (10-1), 8:20 p.m. (ABC)

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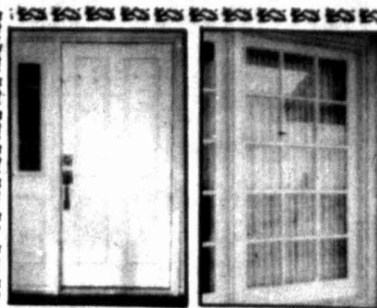
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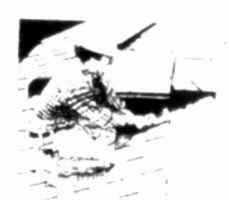
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fair solution? — CONCERNED IN FLORIDA

DEAR CONCERNED: Spend approximately the same amount on each of your children and on each of your grandchildren. For those whose need is greater, give whatever you wish during the year — but for no special occasion.

DEAR ABBY: I've waited almost a year after my mother died to write this letter. I am one of five children, and obviously the only one who even cares if the date gets put on our mother's tombstone.

Is there a polite way of mentioning this to my brothers and sisters? I make minimum wage and can't afford to do this myself or I would. Any advice would be helpful. — NO NAME, CITY OR STATE

DEAR NO NAME: Try this: "Will you all kindly contribute your fair share in order to have the date engraved on Mother's tombstone? There are five of us, and even though none of us is rich, it's shameful that Mother's tombstone is as barren of identification as that of the unknown soldier."

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Find out the most effective way of bringing your plans into being. Sitting on the fence is a waste of time. Subtly pay off in both business and romance. Avoid telegraphing your moves.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Push wishful thinking aside and develop a recently discovered talent. Taking special courses may also serve your aims. Be prepared for romantic thrills!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Settling a debt strengthens an alliance and is good public relations. Strive to resolve a long-standing dispute. Take a gentle approach to romance. Your reward: Your union grows better by the hour!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You feel strongly drawn to a new project or pursuit today. It may be just the fresh beginning you need! Put your ideas in writing and you will quickly spot any flaws.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A day when exciting plans leap off the drawing board. Communication efforts take a strong foothold. Romantic and domestic endeavors have you moving at top speed. Do not overlook the obvious.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Refuse to be rushed into making a financial agreement; it could fall apart under pressure. Creative pursuits are highly rewarding now. Seek the advice of experts on marketing your ideas.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): An out-

of-court settlement is possible. Having an open mind is the key to solving a problem involving an older person. Pursue artistic projects later in the day. Your ideas are excellent!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Shared funds or debts could tax your patience. Neither demand nor give away too much. You need an understanding attitude to hold your world together. A loved one asks a special favor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A day filled with powerful emotions and drama. Be sociable. You and a newcomer could click at a festive event. Nothing ventured, nothing granted. Roll the dice in romance and play your hunches.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You feel like someone inspired, or enjoying a beautiful dream. Other people may find it difficult to hold your attention. The work scene calls for self-discipline.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Put aside a goal that cannot be reached at present. You will have time to study the whole matter shortly. Sign important papers. Buy holiday gifts and send letters overseas.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Go all-out to achieve a financial or production goal. You cannot afford to leave anything to chance. A loved one could be sending you mixed signals. Ask for clarification. Be kind but firm.

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- 8 cinnamon red hot candies
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Secure 1 graham cracker to cardboard base with frosting for bottom of box. Stand remaining graham crackers on edge on sides of base cracker to form box, securing with frosting.

Stack 11 wafers, securing with frosting in between each wafer; stand stack in prepared box. Using frosting, attach 1 gum drop to the end of each licorice piece; attach to wafer stack for arms as pictured. Secure 4 gum pieces on corners of box using frosting. For head, frost top of remaining wafer and secure toothpick to back for inserting into wafer stack. Attach remaining gum drop on head for pom-pom on hat. Ruffle and attach remaining gum pieces for collar. Decorate face and box with red hot candies, graham snacks, colored gels and sprinkles as pictured.



Fuss-free Planning

Planning is the key to a fun-filled afternoon. Start by choosing the gift and ornament projects you want to complete from those shown here. Make a list of what's required to complete the project, then hit the store to stock up on what you need. Take the kids along. They're certain to have decorating suggestions once they see what's available.

Ready-to-decorate packaged cookies save you the time and trouble of baking and ensure no leftovers in January. Capture the spirit of the season by dressing your favorite brands of cookies in festive holiday garb.

Group Fun

These delightful projects will keep the entire family occupied. Even Dad can get in on the fun! Just turn on the Christmas music, set out your supplies and go to it. Capture the moment on videotape with your camcorder so that you can relive these good times years from now.

But don't limit the fun to just family. Scouting troops, play groups and pre-school classes can create one-of-a-kind gifts for the special people in their lives. Designate older children as group leaders to lend a hand to their younger friends. Create an opportunity for interaction between generations by pairing senior citizens' and children's groups.

Match Ages to Projects

Set children up for success. Design each project specific to the age category with which you're working. For pre-schoolers, consider decorating white fudge-covered cookies. Their tiny hands will create bold graphic designs when you supply decorative icing and paint brushes. They'll also enjoy painting with assorted decorations applied to soft white icing.

Children in lower primary grades will enjoy the Made 'Em Myself® cookie decorating kits. For children in upper primary grades, who have the necessary fine motor skills to decorate more intricate ornaments, tiny bear-shaped graham snacks make wonderful holiday ornaments.

Hints For Homemakers

Designer Fabrics To Float On



Bringing new bounce to many bedrooms are these beautiful flotation mattresses covered in fashionable designs and fabrics.

Somma Mattress Co., Los Angeles, has named Francesca Ferretti to style fashion fabrics for its bedding products. The apparel designer has turned to eye-catching fabrics for her new Somma Fashion Folio Collection of mattresses. The designer has opted for three major influences with her first bedding collection.

From the art world she has transferred the inspiration of paintings by Georgia O'Keeffe. Another definitive influence in the collection is the borrowing of colors from the distinctly American painted desert. A third color influence is the injection of opulence from Asia Minor.

Six mattresses make up the designer signature Somma Fashion Folio Collection. These include the Hampton, which features cornflower and coral colors, and the Garden with soft textures in peach and aqua. The Desert Rose and American

Dream mattresses reflect current trends in apparel. Desert Rose, for example, picks up water color pastels ranging from peach blends to soft blues that are bestsellers in daywear blouses. American Dream draws its inspiration from fabrics in the menswear industry.

The Imperial Crown and Royal Pearl mattresses bring a depth and warmth that will be found in autumn apparel ensembles. Paisley with burnished orange is a color hallmark of Imperial Crown while Royal Pearl is a story of winter white.

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Billy Ray Nelson was found guilty of capital murder in the stabbing death of Charla Wheat and sentenced to death?

William Kennedy Smith was found not guilty of sexual assault last week?

Salman Rushdie's book "The Satanic Verses" is to be published in paperback.

Vending machines in the Los Angeles area are selling pre-peeled oranges for 75 cents and grapefruit for 90 cents.

A study shows that one in eight Americans, aged 12-18, smoke regularly.

These and many other stories of interest to you were in last week's Big Spring Herald daily.

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Diner Survey Reveals:

"GREET ME AT THE DOOR, BUT DON'T SING HAPPY BIRTHDAY"

Restaurant patrons want to be greeted at the door, and know the prices of "specials," reports the new "Salute to Restaurant Service Survey" released by American Express. What they don't want is a chorus of "Happy Birthday."

The survey was conducted for "An American Express Salute to Restaurant Service," a nationwide program that allows diners to vote for outstanding service personnel. When American Express Cardmembers are pleased with the level of service shown in a restaurant, they can present the employee responsible with a Thank You Certificate. The employee with the most can win \$10,000 in American Express Traveler's Cheques. And each time the diner casts a vote for an employee, the diner's name can be entered in a sweepstakes where the grand prize is a culinary tour of France.

"Service is the priority in a decade when consumers are returning to more traditional, less status-oriented values," says Bonnie Schwartz, director of restaurant marketing at American Express.

Seventy-nine percent of those surveyed said they want to know the prices of "specials" before ordering. Sixty-three percent said they want to read the "specials" as op-



posed to hear them recited by the waiter.

And, fifty-five percent of those surveyed want to know the waiter's name. Regionally, Westerners most appreciate the name introduction (72 percent), followed by those in the North Central region (62 percent), followed by people in the Northeast (56 percent).

Under "most desirable restaurant services," a greeting at the door ranked first, followed by a complimentary cocktail. Any rendition of "Happy Birthday" ranked last.

In a list of preferred service characteristics, a waiter's "personality" ranked first, with 39 percent of the vote, followed by grace and speed with 22 and 19 percent, respectively. Not nearly as important were menu knowledge and the waiter's appearance, with 10 percent and seven percent, respectively.

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I want to get them something special. Something really different that they would never expect. Have you heard this before?

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The moment one steps into Inland Port it is apparent that this is no ordinary gift shop. You will find the shelves lined with beautiful jewelry, Italian rosewood tea carts, western collectibles by Michael Garman, clowns by Ron Lee and Puc-

ci, Capodimonte music boxes, fabulous handcrafted nativity scenes by Anri and crystal floor and table lamps from Germany and France. Not only is the variety of gifts enough to boggle the mind, but there is also a story behind almost every one of them. Diane, Iris and Roy can enlighten shoppers with stories about the Italian Capodimonte family and their age old craftsmanship. From the lightweight amber jewelry to the Russian chess sets, all have some interesting history behind them.

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Cooking Corner

Pep Up A Party With Chile Peppers

What's hot with America's cooks is a spicy international favorite—red hot chile peppers! Spicy foods of all kinds from Tex-Mex to Thai and Chinese to Caribbean continue to grow in popularity. An exciting new cookbook tells how to make the most of the wide range of chile peppers that can be found in supermarkets across the country.

Called *The Whole Chile Pepper Book* (Little, Brown and Company; \$16.95) by Dave De Witt and Nancy Gerlach, it tracks the relentless migration of the chile pepper around the world from its pre-Columbian origins to global conquest today. Included are some 180 recipes: Mayan and Aztec, updated Latin American and Caribbean, Southwestern, African, Indian and Asian dishes. There is even a chapter on cooking healthfully with chiles. Also featured: a comprehensive guide to chile varieties, including full-color photos; and complete horticultural advice on growing your own chiles.

Planning a party? Why not pep it up with a delicious chile pepper recipe? Here is one that spicy-food aficionados will love:

Roulade of Pork with Green Chile and Cilantro

This simple-to-prepare pork roast makes a dramatic presentation when it is carved at the table. Serve it with applesauce, sour cream—whipped potatoes, and a vegetable of your choice.

3 cups chopped green New Mexican chile, roasted, peeled, stems removed
1 medium onion, chopped
6 cloves garlic, chopped
1 small Granny Smith apple, cored and chopped
1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro
3 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 pound pork roast, boned
flour for dredging
2 cups white wine
2 tablespoons flour mixed with 1/4 cup water

Quality Snapping Every Time

Chances are you've taken one or two fuzzy pictures, not to mention the countless times the lighting wasn't right and your subjects ended up with red eyes.

Children in particular make difficult subjects. Convincing a child to smile for the camera while preparing to take the picture is not an easy feat. Though many of us may be skeptical of our own picture-taking abilities, award-winning professional photographer Patsy Hodge says amateur photographers, too, can learn to take professional quality pictures. Follow the picture-taking tips offered here by Hodge and you'll be able to record those precious moments with your children for memory's sake.

One of the most important picture-taking tips is simply: *be ready*. Know where your camera and film are so that you can quickly have them when a photo opportunity arises.

You'll also need to make sure to have your camera, flash and film in good working order. Remember to keep fresh batteries, test your film advance and exposure meter and keep your lens clean. It's important to test the working condition BEFORE the really important occasions arrive.

In order to become comfortable as a photographer, familiarize yourself with your camera. Even though it may seem tedious to read the instruction manual, you'll be amazed at how much helpful information it contains. Learning the capabilities of your camera will help avoid many costly—and frustrating—mistakes.

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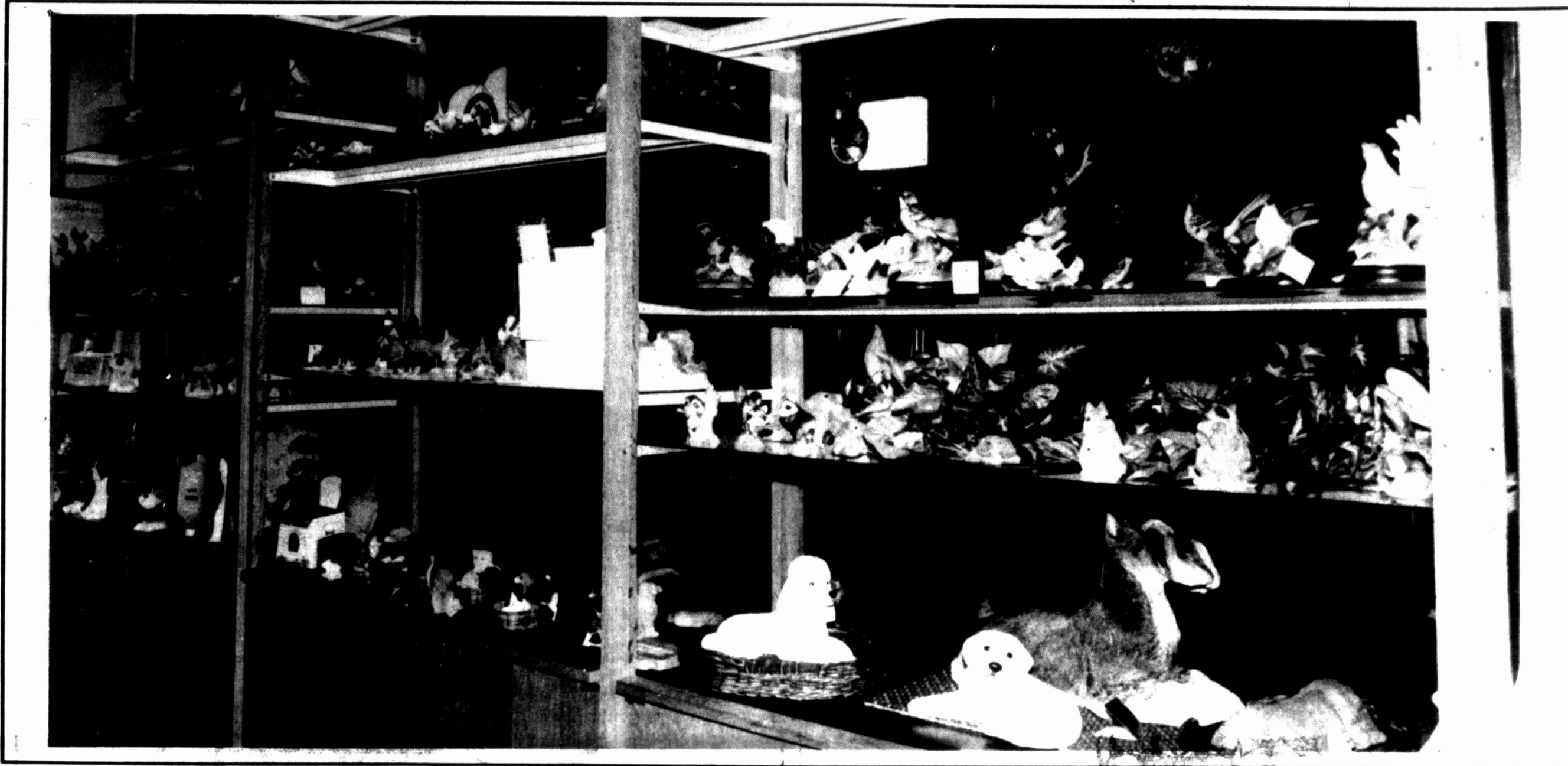
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Members of the First Presbyterian Church in Gainesville pantomime the first Christmas celebration on the lawn of the church near

downtown last year. The ninth annual presentation took place on Dec. 14 and 15 during the city's "Light the Way to Christmas" festivities.

Gainesville church members stage living nativity scene

By DAINAH BULLARD
Gainesville Daily Register
GAINESVILLE, Texas (AP) — In silent wonder they gather in the rough-hewn stable; a trio of wise men, a pair of shepherds, a solitary angel aglow in shining white splendor.

About their fringes, sheep rest placidly, cows chew their cud and a solitary donkey gazes inquisitively at the gathering crowd. At their center, a man stands protectively over a seated young woman whose tender attentions are focused on the hay-filled manger. Overhead, a brilliant star beckons those who search.

For eight years this pantomime of the first Christmas has heralded the arrival of the holiday season in Gainesville. Rain and sleet, biting winds and bitter cold fail to deter members of the First Presbyterian Church who each year stage the spectacle on the sloping lawn outside their 90-year-old sanctuary, located in the heart of the city's Victorian neighborhood.

"It's a lot of fun — everyone enjoys doing it," says Phil Schenk, a member of the church's Worship

and Music Committee who participates in the live Nativity each year. "It's kind of our Christmas gift to the community."

The live Nativity takes place Dec. 14-15 this year, on the same weekend as the city's "Light the Way to Christmas" festivities.

Church members handy with carpentry skills experimented with various shelters for the Biblical characters, improving the model until they created the structure that's now preserved for use each year.

"It really hit home one year when it rained and sleeted real hard," Schenk said. "That's when we realized that we needed plastic on the roof. Now we have a nice, thick plastic tarp built into it. We may be cold, but we're always dry now."

The quiet splendor of the live Nativity has come a long way in nine years, Schenk says.

"That first year, we were a little bit apprehensive at first because we just had a collection of bath robes and other stuff that we thought looked like what they would have worn back then," he

recalls. "It was just a hodge-podge of things."

Buoyed by the success of their first efforts, church members formed special committees to carry out the project in future years. The Women's Association went to work researching the clothing of the period and created two sets of costumes for the eight characters.

"They made them kind of big so we can wear ski jackets," chuckles Linda Newman, who heads up the costume committee.

A few years ago, a brilliant, three-dimensional star was added to the setting, completing the nativity scene.

Over the years, church members have evolved in a small army of professionals who rally their talents to meet needs ranging from lights to cast to animals. And food don't forget the food.

"We eat all evening — all kinds of good food," Newman says.

Armed with Christmas goodies, hot coffee and hot chocolate, the hospitality committee sets up downstairs in the church basement.

Holidays with the environment in mind

By GOOD HOUSEKEEPING
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For AP Special Features

You can give Mother Nature a present this holiday season by celebrating in a way that will help — not hurt — the environment.

Follow these tips, offered in the current issue of Good Housekeeping, and you can cut down on household holiday waste as well as having an ecologically correct Christmas.

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— See if your town composts cut trees, if you have a tree, by calling a local sanitation or recycling office.

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— Give a tree — a real, growing one. With a tree gift certificate, the recipient can choose to receive a tree-starter kit or have a tree planted in a rain forest. Check gift stores.

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2. "No Greater Love," Danielle Steel
3. "Needful Things," Stephen King
4. "The Sum of All Fears," Tom Clancy
5. "Sapphire Rose," David Eddings
6. "The Doomsday Conspiracy," Sidney Sheldon
7. "Remember," Barbara Taylor Bradford
8. "All the Weyers of Pern," Anne McCaffrey
9. "Sleeping Beauty," Judith Michael
10. "Star Trek, the Next Generation: Reunion," Michael Jan Friedman

NON-FICTION

1. "Me," Katharine Hepburn
 2. "Under Fire," Oliver North
 3. "More Wealth Without Risk," Charles J. Givens
 4. "Heaven Is Under Our Feet," Don Henley and Dave Marsh
 5. "The Best Treatment," Dr. Isadore Rosenfeld
 6. "Awaken the Giant," Anthony Robbins
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In focus: video cameras are popular gifts

By JOHN DINGMAN

For AP Special Features

Odds are the largest single purchase many camera fans make this holiday season will be a video camcorder.

Even the bargain units are \$600 or \$700, and the better units are around the \$1,000 mark, a very pricey neighborhood, to be sure.

And that means you should do some serious research before turning over your plastic and getting into debt.

Some research in local camera stores frequently produces ideas that may be helpful. And right at the start, let us recommend a store that really understands the field. As videocams have gained well-earned fame, more and more of them are being sold in stores without qualified personnel.

The videocam is a complicated piece of electronics, and you can easily be led astray by the best-intentioned but foggy-minded clerk. So, look for a real camera store or electronics outlet.

Also, before consulting that expert, decide what you want to do with your videocam.

If you are just after family snapshots, you probably can aim at the lower end of the scale. If you want more professional results, especially in dim light, the best answer lies just where you might expect — more bucks for the better models.

A word of caution here. A cheap model may be okay for now, but as you become more skilled, and more interested, you probably will be looking for more features, features you might not have now.

If so, the cheaper unit may prove more expensive as you seek to step up. Trade-in allowances for video camcorders are not good. You will suffer a loss worse than you can get with a used car. Some extra dollars now may pay off down the road.

The next big decision you have to make is format, or size of the tape. The original models, and their more modern descendants, use VHS size tape, the same size as the movies you rent to watch in your VCR.

The other size is the somewhat newer 8mm tapes, with much smaller and easier-to-handle cameras.

Both sizes will produce good images on your TV screen, although those who claim to be experts say the 8mm cameras and new high quality tapes excel in most uses.

The VHS tapes have one big ad-

By VIDEO MAGAZINE

For AP Special Features

A number of exciting new products were introduced to the video world in 1991.

Sony, Canon, Hitachi, JVC and other manufacturers brought out camcorders that were better than ever in quality, and more compact than ever in size. Included in this group was Sony's \$1,499 CCD-TR81, a high-band 8mm camcorder that weighs a mere 1.8 pounds, yet produces a far greater level of horizontal resolution (400 lines), than regular 8mm models (250 lines).

It was also the year of the big-screen television set. In the first six months, 133,064 rear projection televisions were sold. This represented an increase of 5.1 percent over 1990.

The standard bearers for this group were Pioneer's \$4,300 45" Pro-75, Sony's \$3,299 46" KPR46EX25, and Mitsubishi's

vantage. They can come right out of your camera into your VCR without any fuss, for instant viewing.

The 8mm tapes are a little more complicated to see, but not to any great extent. The 8mm camcorders connect to your TV or VCR with just a couple of cords and play your tapes just as easily as the larger VHS units. In some cases, you can dub right onto a VHS cassette from the camcorder for future viewing.

The important thing is tape size no longer should be a big factor in your decision.

If you are going to do a lot of shooting, give some major consideration to the size of the videocam. The older units are bigger and heavier, and will get even heavier feeling at an event that lasts a couple of hours or so. The 8mm unit is smaller, lighter and easier to handle.

Development in the past few years has seemed to concentrate more on the 8mm units, although there are many fine VHS cameras. But more flexible zoom lenses and other features seem to be concentrated in the smaller cameras. Indeed, the newest super high-band 8mm units are professional units and cost close to \$3,000.

Proof of the change may be seen

Video market

mammoth \$5399 50" VS-50VX1. All three exhibit dazzling picture quality, excellent sound and have the advantage of being able to be easily viewed from almost anywhere in a room, as opposed to the limited viewing angles of their large-screen predecessors.

Another new item was the interactive CD player. Phillips' \$1,000 Compact Disc Interactive (CD-I), looks like a standard CD player, but produces a new dimension of on-screen text, graphics, animation and sparkling digital sound.

A joystick-equipped remote control allows the viewer to simply turn on the CD player and the TV, drop a disc in the drawer and click — they're playing golf at the Palm Springs Open, or selecting a tune from the Golden Oldies Jukebox.

Time-Life's 35 mm Photography disc allows the operator to select from its menu a variety of shooting angles.

in the fact that television stations now accept 8mm offerings for news shots, where only the VHS was used a few years ago.

Surprisingly, the 8mm units get the nod when it comes to picture and sound quality. Without getting into technicalities, they use a different recording system and usually, better tapes.

Cost of operation is nearly equal.

A 90-minute quality tape for 8mm will run about \$9. You will pay about the same amount for a 20-minute tape for the compact VHS-C units. But the price range for the full-size VHS units covers a wide range, because they use the same tapes as your VCR. You can get cheap tapes, good ones, or high quality products.

What brand? In the 8mm, consider Sony, Hitachi and Minolta. Nikon is a clone of Sony.

In the big units, JVC, RCA and Minolta are just some of the good choices.

So sit down and figure what you want to do, and how much you can spend, and then go shopping. Basically, you will get what you pay for.

And considering the family stars you will be shooting, the better you can get, the more famous they will become.

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Gift ideas with personal touch

By KAROL STONGER
Associated Press Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — The perfect gift is hard to come by even in the best of times, but when money is tight what seems just right is just out of reach for most of us.

Maybe it's best, then, to add a personal touch to personal gifts this holiday season: Make a sachet of cedar shavings for him, one of dried flowers for her. Or, with a sewing machine and some time, several lengths of plaid cotton flannel can be turned into unisex wrap bathrobes. Add one-size-fits-most terry scarves from Slippurrs, about \$25 a pair.

If you don't have a machine, work with sewing notions and fabric paint. Fleece sweatshirts in fashion brights, like those for \$26.50 at The Gap, can be trimmed with lace, rhinestones, ribbons, buttons, appliques or fabric paints. Or paint gold or silver swirls on an inexpensive chiffon scarf. The paints from Tulip can even be used on stretch fabrics.

Among other budget-stretching ideas, buy costume jewelry or a less costly version of the real thing. Stacking rings are all the rage. Buy one now and plan to add others later. Or, suggests the Jewelers of America Inc., buy danglers for plain gold hoop earrings she already owns.

You can get into the spirit of the season with silver bells from Terry Mayer Ltd. To wear on Silver chain or silk cord, they're every bit as charming, and less expensive, as those she casts in gold.

For the yuppies in your life, \$50 to \$100 won't go as far for his gift as it will for hers. According to Sanofi Beauty Products research, it'll buy a sleeve of a custom-made dress shirt, one cashmere sock, a single serving of beluga caviar.

So this year, instead of gold and enamel cuff links, buy "Cuff Links." The lavishly illustrated book about the history of links and studs (Abrams, \$35) is by Susan Jonas and Marilyn Nissensohn.

As usual, there are plenty of gift

options for the recession-proof wallet.

The Robb Report claims an annual search for the world's most unique gifts, with the 24 items in this year's guide totaling \$150 million.

Among the magazine's more moderately priced suggestions for him is a \$10,000 rosewood and silver cane that also is a sheath for a 26-inch acid-etched Wilkinson sword. For her, it's a single rose. Priced at \$12,500, it's a hybrid named for her and comes with photographs plus bushes, root balls and all, for planting in her garden.

The to-die-for jewel at Tiffany Co. — if it's not already spoken for — is a 50-karat sapphire stone set in a platinum ring with a half-moon diamond on either side. It'll run you about \$450,000 per square inch, because that's roughly the dimensions of this gem.

Cartier combined Burma rubies and diamonds in necklace, bracelet, earrings and ring. They're sold separately, or \$2.3 million will get the lot.

Hermes has ostrich leather jeans. They have to be special ordered, though, so hurry. They're a mere \$10,300. Less expensive but no less sumptuous are full-quill ostrich Western boots from Justin Boot Co., \$800.

Spinneybeck Design, which tossed us a curve a few years back by introducing collector baseballs in designer colors, now has a baseball glove. At \$395, it is signed and numbered and comes with a certificate of authenticity.

And of course, there's the necktie. This year, the Neckwear Association of America Inc. reports, silk ties are priced from about \$5 to \$85 apiece. The power tie of the 1980s is out. The wider, retro look of the 1930s and 1940s is in.

Tiffany introduced ties at \$85 just this year. The financially flush, of course, can pay more. Hermes' scarf-print silk ties are \$125.

If you're lucky enough to live near a Countess Mara boutique,

you can pick up a tie for him, \$40 and up — and up, and up to \$5,000 for a jeweled tie. But spare some change for yourself and pick out a jacket made of tie silk, \$350 to \$450. With jeans and a white shirt, it'll brighten up the holidays.

If the men on your list aren't into material things, try a gift certificate for a haircut. The Salon Fodera at New York's newly-renovated St. Regis Hotel offers a 90-minute makeover at \$1 a minute. It includes shampoo and styling, scalp treatment and conditioning, neck and shoulder massage, facial, shave or beard trim, manicure and shoeshine. You could probably work out a similar package with your man's favorite stylist.

If he's already done spring training in the big leagues or learned race car driving from the pros, he probably doesn't need another bomber jacket and cap. He'll get one anyway if you shell out \$50,000 for Universal Studio's Mogul-for-a-Day dream package. It also includes two nights at the Beverly Hills Hotel, an early-morning workout with Hollywood trainer Jake Steinfield, breakfast at the Polo Lounge and a limo ride to the studio. There he'll lunch at the commissary and brainstorm with the biggies before dining at Spago.

Presumably, there'll be souvenir photos. Put them in a time capsule from Workman Publishing, \$12.95. The kit, including instructions, a screwtop capsule and I.D. tags, was designed for kids but grownups will find it hard to resist.

For the man who truly has everything, Nothing is for him. For a mere \$5 from E.M.B. Inc. of Baltimore, the eau de cologne imaginaire offers "a subtle blend of scent-free ingredients, fragrant essences and air."

"It pokes fun at the world of fragrances, specifically," says Jerry Weiner, creator of Nothing, "but it is really a satire on the excesses of the 80s and all the products we bought that we never needed."



Santa's helpers—Buzz Ballou, left, and Preston Harris, right, of the Rare Breed motorcycle club saddle up for their part in the Motorcycle Toy Ride Sunday in Los Angeles. Motorcycle clubs from all over Southern California gathered for the ride to deliver toys to under-privileged children at Jesse Owens Park in Los Angeles.

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Gifts for everyone

By The Associated Press

The dilemma of what to get Uncle Charlie or your mother or your best friend can be solved by looking at the thousands of items merchants are hoping you'll buy. But if you haven't time, or your imagination is at low ebb, consider some of these:

- A classic Art Deco personal desk clock from the Cartier Vendome gift collection, set on swivel base with sapphire cabochons. Available at Cartier boutiques.
- The Moravian Star, a brilliant crystal cube interpretation of the Czech-American hospitality symbol, designed by Robert Cassetti for Steuben.
- A talking, digital Mickey Mouse Talking Time Wristwatch from Sounds Fun, Inc. Wristwatch from voice simulation and micro-motor technology, a sculpted Mickey moves his mouth to announce the time when his hands are pressed. The watch can be used as an alarm clock.
- An electronic crossword puzzle solver with over 250,000 words and phrases from Merriam-Webster's Crossword Puzzle Dictionary, from Franklin. The puzzle addict can type in the letters already done and a question mark for the missing ones, and the gadget will come up with the answer. It weighs less than 2 ounces.
- A cosmetics organizer box that looks a bit like a tackle or tool box, from Sassaby. It's deep enough to hold hairdryers and is fitted with swivel and lift-out trays and a mirror. Boxes come in several sizes and in metallic colors.
- A guitar from Washburn, ranging from an easy-play beginner's model to the classical instrument.
- Stuffed, cedar-filled shoe liners to sweeten up your sneakers.

At J.C. Penney.

Crayola color classics for adults, in a special collector's tin. These include the colors that Binney & Smith "retired" last year. The company says protests from adults led them to make a limited edition of the old colors — raw umber, maize, orange-yellow, green-blue, orange-red, violet-blue, lemon-yellow and blue-gray.

— The trusty Swiss Army Knife, interpreted in sterling silver. Two versions — smooth or crosshatch finish — have four implements and five functions in a 2 1/4-inch body. These include a small blade, nail file with screwdriver tip, scissors, and key ring.

— Continuous autofocus binoculars to keep track of moving objects, from Minolta. These work even in very low light and are especially useful for nature study and outdoor sports.

— The 50th Anniversary Citizen Kane Limited Collector's Edition from Turner Home Entertainment includes a video of a recently remastered print of Orson Welles' famous 1941 movie, along with a second video containing a documentary about the film and a print of the movie's original trailer. The set also includes a book, "Citizen Kane: The Fiftieth Anniversary Album," by Harlan Lebo; publicity stills and releases; a copy of an original manuscript, a theater-size anniversary poster, and a color print of the film's original poster. The recipient of this gift furnishes his own popcorn. Available through Feb. 28.

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The annual Big Spring Christmas parade took place Dec. 7. Dressed as Christmas packages, members of Cub Scouts Pack 305 participated in parade. Marie Tompkins, lower right, and her dog attended the parade in the holiday spirit. Rainbow girls, lower left, work on the float they entered in the parade. Winners, from first place to third place in each category, were: Commercial — Lawn Concepts, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Blackshear Rentals; Civic — City of Big Spring, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Clean Committee; School youth — Williams Day Care, Cub Scouts Pack 305, Moss Elementary; Churches — Gospel Lighthouse, Baptist Temple, Evangel Temple.



Holidays: nordic tradition

By DOUG MELLGREN
Associated Press Writer
OSLO, Norway (AP) — When Scandinavians first saw pictures of Santa Claus more than a century ago, it didn't dawn on them that St. Nick might be a big, jolly old fellow.

Most assumed he was tiny, like their own gnome, the tomte, who seems to have been around since the Vikings' pagan midwinter celebration. It was called Jul, which is now the word for Christmas.

Families often leave a bowl of rice pudding on their doorsteps Christmas Eve. Tradition has it that a tomte deprived of his expected Yuletide treat will punish the household.

Midwinter daylight is so scarce that modern Scandinavians, like the Vikings, look forward to a break in "the dark time," says Olav Boe, a Norwegian folklore expert.

"In essence, a modern Nordic Yule is the same as the Jul celebrated by the Vikings: A family event with food, beer and good companionship," says Boe, a professor emeritus of the University of Oslo.

Nordic countries abound in snow, reindeer and evergreen trees, symbols the world associates with Christmas.

Reindeer have long been a favorite wintertime feast dish among Lapp herders. But as Christmas trappings, the tiny deer, decorated trees, Santa and greeting cards are relative newcomers to Norway, Sweden, Finland, Denmark and Iceland.

Some Nordic customs, like gift-giving, stem from the Vikings' Jul and have endured a millennium of Christianity.

The Vikings brewed a strong Jul beer to toast their god Odin. The brew, still called Jul beer, remains popular at Christmas, partly because the Catholic Church — seeking converts 1,000 years ago — encouraged its use in toasting Jesus, Boe says.

Wheat sheaves — called Julenøk — left outside for the birds at Christmas may be a leftover from the Viking custom of making Jul offerings to the gods, according to some history texts.

Norway's first German-inspired Christmas tree arrived around 1820. After townspeople carried it through Oslo, then called Chris-

tiania, they weren't sure what to do with it. So they set it on fire, says Boe.

American-inspired cards and advertisements featuring reindeer have failed to make Christmas celebrities out of most of the 1 million reindeer which roam Lapland, the northernmost part of Scandinavia.

If anything, 'tis the season to be nervous for Rudolph's Nordic kin.

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They face hungry herders or tourists demanding sleigh rides, reindeer skins and antlers.

"Of course, we eat reindeer for Christmas," says Jan Amundsen, a herder in Norway's Lapland.

"It's got to be reindeer. It's the best meat," agrees Juhani Magga, a Lapp herder in northern Finland.

Christmas dinner, served Dec. 24 before families open presents, is based on strong regional traditions, some from Viking times. Outside Lapland, favorites include lamb, ham and fish, including lutefisk — cod turned gelatinous with lye.

Santa Claus figures often share tables with traditional decorations: Candles, wreaths, and the tomte.

"St. Nick is the one you see in the street, but you still see more (decorations) of the old Christmas gnome," Boe says.

The traditional tomte, in rough work clothes, a red hat and demanding Christmas gifts, has little in common with the amiable white-bearded man who hands out presents to children, says Agneta Lilja, a folklore researcher at Sweden's Uppsala University.

The tomte supposedly has an old man's face, a child's body, and watches over the farm.

When Scandinavians claim to see tomte, it is usually at dawn or dusk. "They say they see him pottering around in the stable, or just moving about in buildings," says Lilja.

Santa came to be accepted as a

strange tomte.

But until the early 20th century, most Lapp herders preferred their ancient winter beliefs, often involving witches and supernatural reindeer.

Lapps now embrace Santa. The old fellow attracts around 400,000 tourists a year to Rovaniemi, the capital of Finnish Lapland, where he and his reindeer are on duty year-round.

The growing Santa Claus industry has the Nordic countries squabbling, even at intergovernmental meetings, over which is the real home of St. Nick.

All the countries get letters to Santa, but most — about 500,000 a year — are mailed to Finland.

Greenland, a Danish protectorate, opened a permanent Santa's Workshop in Nuuk, the capital.

This year, Drobak, Norway, erected a "Santa Crossing" warning sign on the highway outside town. It shows Santa's plump silhouette, pack over his back, scampering across the road.

The Finns call him Joulupukki, the Christmas Goat, recalling the pre-Christian days when Jul celebrants wore goat horns. The ancient Yule Goat, also called the Julebuk, still appears in other Nordic celebrations.

In Norway, masked children depicting the Julebuk go house to house singing carols and expecting treats. "It is as close as we come to Halloween," says Boe.

Another pagan belief was that Lussi, a demon woman with fiery hair, wandered the earth on the night between Dec. 12 and 13. That was the longest night of the year before the calendar was changed.

Children were especially careful on Lussi night, because evil Lussi would know if they were naughty, and might come down the chimney after them. Adults also were afraid, Boe says.

When Christianity came to Sweden, Dec. 13 became Lucia Day, a Roman Catholic tribute to St. Lucia, martyred in Sicily in 304 A.D.

Now golden-haired girls wearing crowns of candles parade through offices, schools and streets, singing the Neapolitan song, "Santa Lucia," and Swedes wear glitter in their hair to brighten up the mid-winter darkness.

Holiday shopping without leaving the comforts of home

By The Associated Press

Pull up your chair next to the telephone and get ready to polish off your holiday shopping without leaving the house. Here are some highlights from the catalogs:

— Neiman Marcus. This Dallas institution has long been noted for its flair and sense of publicity in offering exotic or unattainable "His and Her" gifts — this year's is a matched set of all-terrain LTV Hummer vehicles, each for \$50,000 — but there's plenty for less well-heeled customers to choose from in the 1991 catalog. Like ebony wood chopsticks, trimmed in sterling and gold electroplate, or finely beaded sneakers. You also can order an architecturally correct lemonade stand, a safari, a personal totem pole, or a lithograph of a painting by Ruby the elephant, to benefit the Conservation Fund at the Phoenix Zoo. Call 1 (800) 825-8000.

— Rand McNally. Parents concerned about geographic illiteracy can order Geografacts, a board game that teaches the basics about interesting places, landmarks, countries and natural wonders. The holiday catalog also shows world globes in transparent acrylic

or fabric, or used as designs for jewelry, umbrellas, T-shirts and paperweights. Call 1 (800) 234-0679.

— J.C. Penney is into world awareness, too, and its holiday catalog features items like the Smithsonian Environmental Test Kit. There are crystal growing sets and a Capsela Science Discovery System to create robots, cars, boats, etc. The catalog is \$4, used as credit toward a purchase. Call 1 (800) 222-6161.

— The CARE Package catalog has items made in developing countries where the organization works. Among them are terra cotta bowls from the Peruvian highlands, hand-carved angels from Honduras, moisturizing soap from South American rainforests, and silver jewelry from Thailand. Many of the items in the catalog (the organization's first) are handmade. For a copy, call (212) 686-3110.

— Yankee ingenuity and crafts are featured in the Best of Vermont catalog. These include Shaker furniture reproductions, Veronese vases from the Tunbridge Glassworks, handmade quilts,

sweaters, toys, Vermont cheeses and syrups, canoes, ski holidays, and even riding horses from the Danville Morgan Horse Farm. The catalog is \$5.95, with part donated to the Vermont Natural Resources Council. Call 1 (800) 388-3766.

— Lillian Vernon's catalog is full of things you didn't know you needed until you see them — like sturdy plastic bags with holiday designs to wrap bulky things like trikes, sleds, dollhouses, etc., or a vinyl private skating rink to freeze up in the back yard. Call (914) 633-6300.

— The Real Goods Trading Corporation aims its products at environmentally aware consumers, and the holiday catalog offers gifts like a recycler's kit, a solar starter package, and an Earth Monkey, a plush toy that turns inside out to change from a monkey to an earth globe. Call 1 (800) 762-7325.

— Money Magazine recommends ordering from catalogs of museum shops. The November issue says that many of these stores offer exceptional value for money because museum curators work closely with artisans to ensure quality. The catalogs may offer higher-end goods than the shops themselves.

Quick treats

The pumpkin doesn't always have to go into a pie. Here are two no-cook quick pumpkin treats, with recipes from Libby's:

HOLIDAY ALMOND TREATS

2 1/2 cups crushed vanilla wafers
1 3/4 cups toasted ground almonds, divided
1/2 cup sifted powdered sugar
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 cup pumpkin pie mix
1/3 cup almond liqueur or apple juice

In medium bowl, blend vanilla wafer crumbs, 1 cup ground almonds, powdered sugar, and cinnamon. Stir in pumpkin pie mix and almond liqueur. Form into 1-inch balls. Roll in remaining 3/4 cup ground almonds. Refrigerate. Makes 4 dozen.

CHOCOLATE PUMPKIN TRUFFLES

2 1/2 cup crush vanilla wafers
1 cup toasted ground almonds
3/4 cup sifted powdered sugar, divided
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
1 cup (6 ounces) chocolate pieces, melted
1/2 cup solid pack pumpkin
1/3 cup coffee liqueur or apple juice

In medium bowl, combine vanilla wafer crumbs, ground almonds, 1/2 cup powdered sugar, and cinnamon. Blend in melted chocolate, pumpkin, and coffee liqueur. Form into 1-inch balls. Refrigerate. Dust with remaining 1/4 cup powdered sugar just before serving. Makes 4 dozen.

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San Antonio cafe owner offers holiday cheer

By SANDRA GRACIA

San Antonio Express-News
SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Most people go to Dora's Cafe on the corner of Brazos and Tampico streets for good Mexican food.

Instead of just opening for business on Sunday, Dora Arzola opened her heart yet again to the families of the Alazan-Apache Courts housing project.

Just as she has done for the past six years, Mrs. Arzola spread donated clothing, shoes and small bags of candy and fruit in front of her small establishment for parents and children who might not have as happy a Christmas otherwise.

"I love people," Mrs. Arzola, 61, said. "I was raised in this neighborhood. I see the people always struggling."

Mrs. Arzola said she learned to help others from her parents, who always tried to share whatever they had, and even took some people into their home now and then. Her own children, along with

customers and friends, donate all the items she distributes. They help her fill the small paper bags with fruit and candy and also assist in arranging the colorful piles of clothing on the long line of picnic tables set out in front of her yellow cafe.

Terrie Gallegos, Mrs. Arzola's daughter, said the families from the courts know now every year there will come little treasures waiting for them at Dora's. New people hear about the giveaway by word of mouth, she said.

"I deed a young couple with four children who left Sunday after gathering a plastic bag filled with clothing and shoes said they heard about Dora's from their neighbor."

"I bring my kids with me so they can see how these kids appreciate the used toys they're getting," Mrs. Gallegos said. "They (the families) seem to appreciate it."

Mrs. Arzola guessed she and her friends helped approximately 150 people this year.

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