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Local weather

Forecast for the Big Spring area: Mostly cloudy and cold north through tonight with areas of light snow or freezing rain. Otherwise partly cloudy and cold through Friday. Lows tonight low 30s. Highs Friday middle 30s to lower 40s. The high for Wednesday was 69 and the low was 32.



Rescue teams depart Armenia

By ANDREW KATELL
Associated Press Writer

YEREVAN, U.S.S.R. — Some foreign rescue teams have given up hope of finding more survivors in the rubble left by the Armenian earthquake, and they are heading home, the top U.S. disaster relief official said today.

However, Soviet officials said the rescue effort would continue and denied reports that stricken cities would be bulldozed to prevent an epidemic.

Voices and other signs of life in the ruins dropped sharply after Monday night, when temperatures plummeted to below freezing, said Julia Taft, director of the U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance office, at a news briefing in Moscow.

"The hope of finding any more (survivors) is ended," she said.

The official news agency Tass reported that rescuers were still searching. On Wednesday, Soviet Health Minister Yevgeny Chazov vowed to continue the effort because 60 survivors had been found in the previous 24 hours.

Soviet media reported looting of fur coats from the rubble, tents from relief supplies at the Yerevan airport, and even jewelry from corpses. Tass said cargo is now being shipped from the airport under guard.

Soviet officials say the Dec. 7 quake killed 55,000 people in northwestern Armenia and left about 500,000 of the area's 700,000 people homeless.

Tass said Wednesday that 48 villages had been destroyed, in addition to the city of Spitak. The larger cities of Leninakan and Kirovakan suffered major damage, and Taft said another 52 villages also were damaged. Tass reported Wednesday that 21,755 bodies have been counted and identified so far.

Rescue teams with search dogs from Italy and West Germany told Jeff Sallot of the *Globe and Mail* of Toronto that Soviet authorities had ordered them home, saying they were ready to blast the ruins of buildings in Spitak and bulldoze the rubble to prevent decomposing bodies from starting an epidemic.

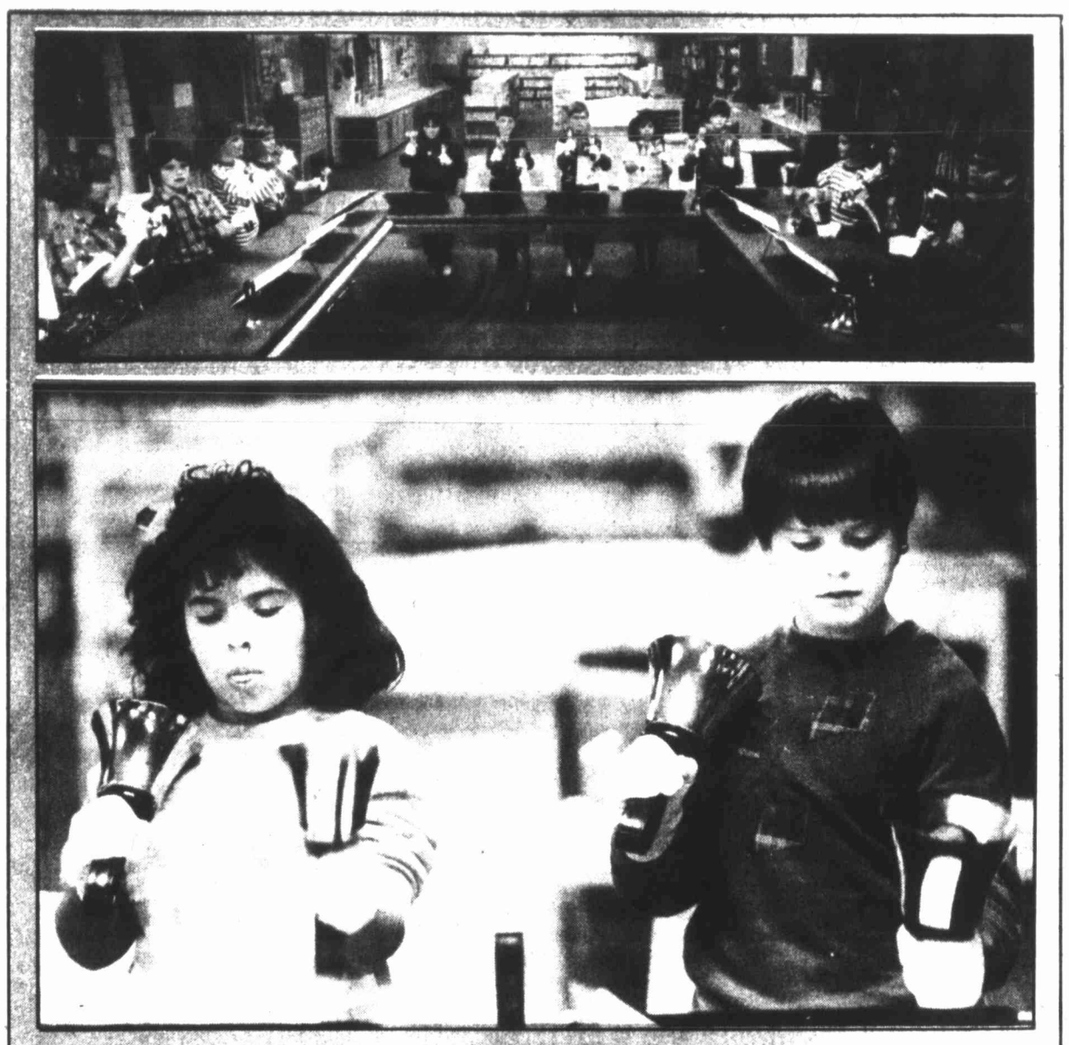
The Soviet Embassy in France denied similar reports from French media on Wednesday, Tass reported.

Some foreign rescue workers said they planned to keep combing the crumbled buildings for life, despite fog and rain that was turning to snow.

"We continue to look for people, especially with dogs," said Dr. Georges d'Allemagne of the relief organization Doctors Without Borders. "We think there are chances for about another week to find a few people."

However, Taft said the dogs' sense of smell becomes overwhelmed with the stench of death after several days, and they can no longer find survivors.

Michael Tamillow of Virginia said his team found two survivors Tuesday but none on Wednesday, Tass reported. "But the house where we dug Tuesday also seemed hopeless."





Christmas bells

The Bauer Magnet Elementary extended day music class has been busy the past few weeks, having performed several programs for various groups around the city. In the top photo, the group practices in the school library Tuesday afternoon. Fifth grader Allison Alcantar, left, and fourth grader Gabriel Rubio concentrate on the music as they practice a song to be played at a program in the photo above. After practicing old songs, Gabriel Rubio examines a new sheet of music in the photo at left photo. The group will perform at 7 p.m. tonight at the school during a PTA program; the community is invited.

U.S. reverses PLO position

By BARRY SCHWEID
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration has reversed its historic policy toward Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization by declaring it is ready for "substantive dialogue" with the group the United States has long denounced as a terrorist outcast on the world scene.

The announcement Wednesday night left Israel in diplomatic isolation and came just a few hours after President-elect Bush had taken a tough line against the PLO, declaring that it had not met U.S. conditions for direct dealings.

But President Reagan and Secretary of State George P. Shultz said that Arafat, in statements made in Geneva about the same time that Bush was speaking, had met the U.S. conditions for a "substantive dialogue" — a form of diplomatic acceptance long sought by the Palestinian group.

Opening meetings will be conducted in Tunis, where the PLO has its headquarters, by U.S. Ambassador Robert H. Pelletreau Jr.

Only a day earlier, the State Department had said Arafat failed to meet the U.S. conditions. And less than three weeks ago, Shultz had accused the PLO of terrorism and said Arafat was "an accessory to such terrorism."

Shultz, asked Wednesday if he had changed his mind on that subject, said the PLO had issued a statement Wednesday that "was clear; it was not encumbered."

He said Arafat's group had accepted U.N. Security Council resolutions 242 and 338, recognized Israel's right to exist in peace and security, and renounced terrorism.

"As a result," Shultz said, "the United States is prepared for a substantive dialogue with PLO representatives."

Bush just a few hours earlier had demanded that the PLO satisfy U.S. demands.

"I want a clear statement on renunciation of terror," Bush said. "I want a very clear, unambiguous statement on the right of Israel to exist as a state, and I want a clear endorsement of Security Council resolution 242."

Bush's spokesman, Stephen Hart, said late Wednesday night "the vice president feels that Arafat met the conditions and he supports the decision."

"I want a clear statement on renunciation of terror," George Bush said. "I want a very clear, unambiguous statement on the right of Israel to exist as a state, and I want a clear endorsement of Security Council resolution 242."

The U.N. resolutions, adopted in 1967 and 1973, affirm the right of all states in the Middle East to live in peace. Israel is not specifically mentioned.

Reagan's decision put to an end decades of U.S. isolation of the Palestinian group and shocked the Israeli government. The Israeli embassy called it regrettable and said it would not advance the cause of peace in the Middle East.

"Israel will pursue its policy of searching for peaceful solutions to the conflict through direct negotiations with Palestinian Arabs and with Jordan," an Israeli statement said.

Later, the Israeli ambassador, Moshe Arad, said he did not detect anything new in Arafat's statement, and did not see how it differed from previous statements by the PLO chairman that had been found inadequate.

Arad also said he hoped the U.S. decision did not lead to recognition of the PLO. He said Arafat's remarks at a Geneva news conference did not supersede the PLO's covenant, which calls for Israel's destruction.

In Geneva, Arafat had said: "I repeat for the record that we totally and absolutely renounce all forms of terrorism, including individual terrorism, group and the state terrorism."

In response to a question, he

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Capital murder, robbery cases' trials scheduled

By MICHAEL DUFFY
Staff Writer

Two capital murder defendants and a robbery defendant who has been a less-than-ideal prisoner for Howard County deputies will stand trial during January, District Judge James Gregg confirmed today.

Joe Hernandez and Arthur Islas Jr., who are both 21, will stand trial the week of Jan. 23 on capital murder charges in connection with the April 1987 slaying of Grand Prairie resident Noe Perez, 39, Gregg and Howard County District Attorney Rick Hamby confirmed this morning.

Jesse Torres, 30, represented by Big Spring attorney Wayne Basden, was indicted on a charge of robbery for the April 9 holdup of Burger King restaurant, located in the 200 block of FM 700, will stand trial Jan. 9, Gregg and Hamby stated.

Torres was returned to Big Spring Monday by Howard County deputies after Vernon State Hospital officials declared he was mentally competent to stand trial, Gregg said.

Torres was evaluated for three weeks by hospital psychiatrists, who informed Gregg Monday that he was capable of understanding the charge against him and assisting in his defense, the judge said.

He added that he is reviewing psychiatrists' written evaluation of Torres' mental stability.

Sheriff A.N. Standard said Torres has caused no problems since he was returned and is taking no medication.

Gregg said he and Hamby discussed the January trial docket in detail Wednesday and finalized dates.

Joe and Frankie Hernandez were released on $50,000 bond each on Sept. 20 after spending nearly 11 months in jail since they were arrested Oct. 27, 1987.

Joe Hernandez is being represented by Big Spring attorney Don Richard, according to courthouse records.

A Howard County jury found Frankie Hernandez guilty of murder Nov. 11 in Perez's death and ordered him to serve 50 years with the Texas Department of Corrections.

The Hernandez brothers were released after 116th District (Eastland) Court of Appeals overruled Gregg's ruling on June 21 not to reduce the $125,000 bond the men were being held on.

Islas was released in June after Gregg reduced his bond from $125,000 to $50,000. He is being represented by Lubbock attorneys Eduardo Canas and Ricardo Martinez, according to courthouse records.

Asked if there was a possibility a guilty plea from both men may be accepted prior to the scheduled trial dates, Hamby responded: "That's always a possibility."

Hamby declined comment on whether negotiations with the murder defendants' attorneys on possible plea agreements have been initiated.

Although she was originally scheduled to stand trial Nov. 28 for capital murder for the April shooting death of longtime radio personality C. Vance Kimble, 61, no new trial date has been set for 22-year-old Pamela Newton, Hamby said.

Basden said "there's always that possibility" when asked Wednesday night if Newton will enter a guilty plea in Kimble's death.

Bank officer bruised, battered



CATHERINE THOM

By SUZANNE GAMBOA
Associated Press Writer

ARLINGTON — The father of a woman found naked, bruised and battered at the door of an east Fort Worth pizzeria a month after being abducted says he had almost abandoned hope his daughter would be found alive.

"It's certainly going to be the best Christmas present we ever had," said John France.

Catherine Thom, a bank officer, was found shortly after midnight Wednesday leaning against the door of Tenery's Pizza, which already had closed, said Arlington Police Sgt. Sharon War

"She wouldn't say anything. She looked to me like she was in shock," said restaurant assistant manager Tammy Brewer. "It took about five minutes to convince her she should come in."

Thom, 31, was treated at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth and later was sent home after being treated for a cut over her right eye and bruises on both arms, said Fort Worth police spokesman Doug Clarke.

Although France said he was losing hope for his daughter's return, Thom's 10-year-old son, Daniel, remained steadfast in his faith.

The boy said he believed his mother was still alive because

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Meek named to banking post

By STEVE GEISSEN
Staff Writer

Kelsay R. Meek, a Big Spring native, has been named staff director of the U.S. House Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs.

Meek was named to the position Dec. 7 by U.S. Representative Henry B. Gonzalez, who was elected chairman of the committee by House Democrats the day before.

As staff director, Meek will aid in the drafting of legislation affecting banks, savings and loans, and housing and urban affairs.

Meek — the son of local resident Elizabeth Meek and the late C. Meek and a 1958 Big Spring High School graduated — said his appointment presents him "with an enormous challenge."

"The banking committee faces the most difficult agenda it has had in several decades," he said.

Meek added that the troubled savings and loan industry will be "the most immediate, if not the most difficult problem we will confront."

He estimated that a remedy to the problem could cost the government as much as $60 million.

A 1961 graduate of Trinity University, Meek has been Gonzalez's staff expert on banking since 1963. He directed the staff of the House Subcommittee on International Development Institutions and Finance from 1971-81, under Gonalez's leadership.

T.C. Frost, chairman of San Antonio-based Cullen/Frost Bankers Inc., told the *San Antonio Light* that Meek's appoint-

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KELSAY R. MEEK

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Briefs

Drug lab seized, 17 arrested

WACO (AP) — A series of raids across Central Texas netted 17 people accused of running a methamphetamine manufacturing operation, authorities said.

The raids, which started Wednesday morning, ended a year-long investigation, said John Murphy, first assistant U.S. Attorney for the Western District. A federal grand jury in Waco had issued indictments against the 17 people arrested.

The alleged methamphetamine operation was based primarily between Austin and Waco, Murphy said.

"But there were other locations," he said. "No drugs were seized. Numerous weapons were seized, however. We encountered no resistance. It went smoothly."

Murphy said a lab was seized at the Flying M Ranch, on 92 acres in Hays County, southwest of Austin, where five of the 17 people are suspected of manufacturing methamphetamine.

Federal officials provided few details about the origin of the methamphetamine investigation. The indictment alleges that the conspiracy to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine began in 1982.

Woman charged on false report

GARLAND (AP) — An Oklahoma woman who told authorities she was abducted and held captive for five days last month has been arrested and charged with making a false police report.

Lana Jeanine Myles, 18, of Sand Springs, Okla., told police in this Dallas suburb that she was abducted by two men Nov. 25 while visiting relatives during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Garland police say they determined that the woman, a Tulsa Junior College student, was not kidnapped.

Peck said that during the five days Ms. Myles and two men spent two days in Fayetteville, Ark., and the rest of the time in the Dallas area.

The fact that Ms. Myles was returned had made investigators skeptical.

Relatives told police the woman vanished after walking from their home to a nearby supermarket.

The charge filed against Ms. Myles is a Class B misdemeanor carrying maximum punishment of 180 days in jail and a $1,000 fine. The woman was released after posting $200 bond.

Texas prisons to reopen today

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — State prisons are scheduled to reopen today after a two-day shutdown due to overcrowding, say Texas Department of Corrections officials.

David Nunnellee, TDC spokesman, said the Wednesday population count of 38,919 inmates amounted to 94.94 percent of capacity — or 24 beds under the federal court-mandated 95 percent capacity limit — meaning prison doors could reopen.

Nunnelee said the prison system released 105 inmates Wednesday with another 50 slated for release Thursday.

It was the third shutdown of the year.

Official says dinosaur discovery significant

FORT WORTH (AP) — The bones that seven-year-old Thad Williams and his father found on a Parker County ranch in August are the remains of a species of dinosaur that roamed North Texas 115 millions years ago, an official says.

Thad Williams and his father, Ted Williams, found the bones on the James H. Doss Ranch, about 10 miles west of Weatherford. They weren't certain what they were, but the younger Williams was right in his theory.

"He was saying all the time it was a dinosaur," Ted Williams told the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*.

The bones turned out to be the skeletal remains of three tenontosaurus dinosaurs, and at least one complete skeleton will be displayed in about two years at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History.

Doss and his wife, Dorothy, gave the bones to the museum, but its directors didn't announce the find until yesterday because the area still is being excavated.

"These dinosaurs are significant because they represent a new kind of species that lived in this area 115 million years ago," said Louis Jacobs, director of the Shuler Museum of Paleontology at Southern Methodist University. "None of the specimens found before have been good enough to show us what kind of dinosaurs were here."

Ted Williams, a biology teacher at Millsap High School, leases part of the Doss Ranch for hunting. He took his son to the site Aug. 5 to look for fossils and other specimens to show his students.

The young boy found some bones at first and then found a complete skull of a dinosaur. He and his father took the bones home during the weekend and then called the ranch's owners.

Dorothy Doss said she had no idea about the remains on her ranch until Williams told her. She said she and her husband want digs at the site to continue, because more skeletal parts may be found.

The skeleton of at least one dinosaur will be complete because many parts were found in their anatomically correct positions, Jacobs said.

Jim Diffily, the museum's chief assistant science curator, identified the remains with help from paleontologists from SMU and Tarleton State University at Stephenville.

Mexico stalls Nicaragua-bound convoy

NUEVO LAREDO, Mexico (AP) — A 21-vehicle convoy bound for hurricane-ravaged Nicaragua sailed through U.S. Customs officials, but was stalled by Mexican authorities who demanded the convoy take paid guards or pay a bond for some of the vehicles.

"It's a total bureaucratic holdup," said Tom Hansen, one of the organizers for the convoy carrying 70 tons of food, medicine and clothing for the victims of Hurricane Joan.

The 48-member "Pastors for Peace" caravan easily cleared U.S. Customs Wednesday, but Mexican officials delayed it by requesting a hefty bond or payment of $250 each for three guards to protect the caravan through its travels in Mexico.

Nuevo Laredo Customs Chief Arturo Cortes also said some of the 48 members of the group needed transmigrant, instead of tourist, visas."We don't know how much they need to pay. The problem is not with us. It is with immigration," Cortes said. "We are trying to help them. We don't want to close the doors on them, but they don't want to pay."

Hansen, who helped organize a similar veterans peace convoy last summer, said he hoped the problems would be worked out early so the caravan could get on the road and reach its destination just before Christmas Eve.

"They won't make a decision on it," Hansen said about Mexican officials. "I'm just surprised we experienced any kind of problems at all."



Associated Press photo

TOPEKA, Kan. — Jim Waddell of Topeka loads a truck with medical supplies as part of the "Pastors for Peace" convoy going to Nicaragua. The convoy is stalled at the Mexican border by customs officials, who want the group to pay for guards through Mexico.

The convoy was spearheaded by the New York-based Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization and its executive director, the Rev. Lucius Walker.

Walker was conducting a study tour on a Nicaraguan river boat in August when he was wounded in an attack by Contra rebels.

He said the convoy is both a response to the U.S. trade embargo on Nicaragua and to help victims of Hurricane Joan, which devastated much of the agriculture industry along the Atlantic Coast in late October.

"Other caravans will come. This is part of a movement now."

"As long as the embargo exists and if there is a need for reconstruction, one of the responsibilities of the American people will be to assist in the reconstruction," Walker said.

The group made last-minute vehicle repairs and conducted a prayer meeting before leaving Laredo, Texas.

"I am sure that were we prevented from going through the border the response and outpouring of support, morally and legally throughout the country would have been great," Walker said.

The pastors' caravan follows the Veterans Peace convoy that was stopped several times by U.S. Customs officials at the border last summer.

That convoy finally crossed in Mexico and to Nicaragua, with paid Mexican guards, and a U.S. federal judge later ruled that a U.S. trade embargo to Nicaragua did not include humanitarian aid.

No decision by Bush on defense secretary

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Sen. John Tower talked Wednesday with President-elect Bush's legal adviser about the results of an extensive FBI investigation into his background as transition aides said the suspense over the Pentagon post could end this week.

Bush told reporters he hasn't decided whether Tower will be the new defense secretary but he was confident the former Texas senator would do an excellent job "if I decide to go that route." Bush said he has not seen the FBI report.

For weeks, Tower has been the rumored front-runner for the Pentagon job but the post has remained vacant while the FBI completed its investigation, which includes probing allegations of womanizing and drinking that arose during Tower's 1987 divorce.

Other areas of interest to the FBI were Tower's relationship with defense contractors he represents as a private consultant, and his use of campaign funds after he retired from the Senate in 1984.

Craig Fuller, the transition's co-director, said the FBI "has just about concluded" its probe. "I would expect by the end of this week we will reach a final conclusion about whether we can go forward with a final recommendation," he said.

Tower met with C. Boyden Gray, Bush's legal counsel, to discuss the FBI's report. Gray said the probe hasn't been concluded, but refused to say anthing further.

Fuller said he and transition co-director Robert Teeter will review the FBI's findings this week and then provide Bush with a report. So far, there is nothing in the FBI investigation to disqualify Tower, he said.

Some members of Congress have said Tower's effectiveness, if he is chosen, may be crippled by the lengthy selection process.

But Fuller disputed that view, calling the FBI check prudent.

"You have to admire Sen. Tower's willingness to go through this," Fuller said.

Tower, a former chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee and a one-time arms control negotiator in Geneva, Switzerland, is known to want the Pentagon job, though he has not spoken out publicly since speculation about his appointment began last month.

Fuller also dispelled any notion that Tower would be denied a hand in picking his top aides. Some reports indicated that Bush intended to unveil an entire team of Defense Department officials at the time he named the new secretary.

"I've heard the talk about the slate, but it didn't come from me because there was never any determination made that we would present to either Sen. Tower, should he be selected, or any other Cabinet member, a complete slate of office-holders for the other positions in the department," he said.

Several people from industry are known to have rejected overtures to serve in the No. 2 job at Defense, typically a post filled by a manager.

Houston students are chosen for exchange

HOUSTON (AP) — Fifteen advanced Russian-language students at a Houston high school have been selected to participate in the first nationally sanctioned exchange of Soviet and U.S. high school students.

The academic and cultural exchange was proposed by President Reagan at the Moscow summit this year and met with immediate agreement by Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

Bellaire High School officials learned Wednesday that the school was one of 24 chosen for the program, ending weeks of suspense for the students.

"President Reagan has said that this is a pivotal exchange, first of all because it's young people," said Russian teacher-sponsor Elizabeth McLendon.

"It's the most meaningful thing I've ever done in my life," Ms. McLendon said.

In January, 10 Soviet students will arrive in Houston and families of the Bellaire students will be their hosts. In March, the Soviet students' families will act as hosts to the Houston students.

Ms. McLendon is one of 15 Americans who traveled to the Soviet Union in 1986 as part of a teacher exchange that was the first of its kind. She will accompany the students on their trip in March.

The students will attend Moscow School No. 40, an intensive English language school, and the Soviet students will attend Bellaire.

Nuke workers call for health surveillance

AMARILLO (AP) — Citing "conscious neglect" of workers in weapons production plants, nuclear workers have called for the formation of a union-supported health surveillance system separate from that of the U.S. government.

Delegates to the third annual meeting of U.S. nuclear workers, sponsored by the AFL-CIO Industrial Union and Metal Trades departments, passed the measure, which calls for the formation of a program to oversee health concerns of workers at Department of Energy nuclear plants such as Pantex here and Rocky Flats in Colorado.

Business

Economic expansion predicted for Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston-area economy is expected to generate 32,000 new jobs in 1989, continuing a pattern of growth experienced this year, according to a forecast by Rice Center economists.

The report released Wednesday by the independent research and development organization projects an 11.6 percent increase in jobs through 1993, with an expected 150,000 additional jobs during the five-year period.

The biggest gains are expected in services, retail trade and manufacturing, reflecting some diversification of an economy heavily dependent upon the energy industry, said Jim Gaines, director of the Rice Center.

Calling 1988 the "Year of the Survivor" in Houston, Gaines said next year may well be dubbed the "Year of the Survivor II."

About 31,000 jobs is expected to have been created by the end of 1988, following significant losses since the crude prices plunged in 1986.

The Houston area lost about 101,00 jobs after the 1983 drop in oil prices and an additional 102,000 between 1986 and 1987.

"The major factors influencing our year-end outlook for Houston are softer energy prices and slower national growth," Gaines said. The study bases its 1989 projections on $15-per-barrel oil.

The Rice Center is forecasting an improvement in 1991 and 1992 as energy prices improve and the country works through its surplus stock of drilling rigs.

Improved rig use rates will prompt an increase of about 40,000 jobs in each of those years, the center predicts. The long-term conclusions in the study are based on an increase in oil prices to $22 per barrel in five years, along with an increase in natural gas prices.

Gaines said that low energy prices or a national recession would likely reverse the figures, accounting for decreased employment.

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If you're one of the growing number of wives who work in business or industry, here's a message for your. You can retire as early as 62 and still get retirement benefits even if your husband continues to work. And when your husband does stop working you can continue to get benefits on your record or your husband's, whichever amount is larger. For details contact your Social Security office.

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Reagan decision caps diplomatic ping-pong over PLO

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's decision to open direct talks with the Palestine Liberation Organization capped a month of intense debate over recent PLO overtures, a period in which the United States stood virtually alone in the court of world opinion.

The historic decision announced Wednesday came 18 days after Secretary of State George P. Shultz refused to allow PLO chairman Yasser Arafat to enter the United States to address the U.N. General Assembly. Shultz said Arafat was kept out because his organization "engaged in terrorism against Americans and others."

Shultz made clear Wednesday that he was not forgiving the PLO for its past but said Arafat's statements earlier in the day recognizing the existence of Israel and renouncing terrorism had met standards set in 1975 for U.S. dialogue with the PLO.

Many nations attacked Shultz's Nov. 26 decision not to allow Arafat to come to New York. Shultz made the decision just 11 days after the Palestine National Council, the PLO's governing body, had accepted U.N. Resolutions 242 and 338 as the basis for peace talks and world leaders were eager for Arafat to elaborate.

The criticism of Shultz came from all quarters and included assertions the United States was violating the agreement under which New York serves as the organization's headquarters. Even Pope John Paul II, without specifically referring to the decision, said "every obstacle" to the peace process should be removed.

U.N. delegates passed a resolution denouncing the decision, and only the United States and Israel voted against it. Britain abstained. President Reagan and President-elect Bush stood by Shultz.

The U.N. then took the unprecedented step of moving its debate to Geneva, where on Tuesday Arafat made his long-awaited speech and declared, "Come, let us make peace." He recognized Israel's right to exist, condemned terrorism and said peace negotiations should be based on Resolutions 242 and 338 — the three U.S. conditions for opening a dialogue with the PLO.

Shultz had received advance word Arafat might meet the standards and had, according to sources, informed Israel that he was prepared to announce that the United States was ready to talk to the PLO.

But, after a close examination of the speech, the State Department said Arafat's language was ambiguous and "did not meet our conditions."

Arafat then called a Wednesday news conference in Geneva and, carefully choosing his words as advisers whispered to him, read a statement that called for a Palestinian state to co-exist alongside Israel, said resolutions 242 and 338 should serve as the framework for peace talks and that "we totally and absolutely renounce all forms of terrorism, including individual terrorism, group and state terrorism."

At virtually the same time Arafat spoke, Bush was applauding the PLO leader's Tuesday speech but repeating the standard Reagan administration line that it had not gone far enough.

"I want it clear, I want it unambiguous, I want is so nobody can argue with what's been said," said the president-elect, apparently unaware of the clearer statements just made by Arafat.

But at the White House and the State Department, where again advance word had been received that Arafat was ready to meet the U.S. conditions, the day was spent determining whether he had.

At 9:30 a.m. Reagan was briefed by Lt. Gen. Colin Powell, his national security adviser, and told Arafat planned a news conference at which he might use the "right language."

Four hours later Reagan met with Shultz, Powell and White House chief of staff Kenneth Duberstein and reaffirmed that he was ready to authorize dialogue provided Arafat met the conditions, according to White House aides.

At 4 p.m. Shultz and Powell spoke again: Shultz had a copy of Arafat's statement and indicated Arafat had met the conditions.

Less than a half-hour passed when Powell briefed Bush and gave him a copy of Arafat's statement.

At 5:12 p.m., according to the White House, Powell and Dubberstein called Reagan and told him they believed Arafat had met the conditions. Reagan immediately authorized the dialogue. The administration notified Israel and others of the decision.

Even before Shultz made the formal announcement, Israel issued a statement saying it regretted the move.

Shultz made it official just after 6:30 p.m.

Spring board

How's that?
CBS

Q. What is the address for CBS Network?

A. Write to: CBS Network, 51 West 52nd, New York, N.Y. 10019.

Calendar
Band Concert

TODAY

- The Forsan Band Concert will be at 7 p.m. in the Forsan High School auditorium. Sixth grade, seventh grade and high school bands will perform. Coach White will be the special guest with a trombone solo.
- The National Association of Retired Veteran Railway Employees will meet at 5 p.m. at the Kentwood Older Adult Center, 2805 Lynn Dr.
- College Heights Christmas program will begin at 7 p.m.
- The Big Spring High School Choral department invites the public to share in the Christmas spirit by attending their 1988 Christmas concert at 7 p.m. in the Big Spring High auditorium. Goliad and Runnels choirs will also perform.

FRIDAY

- The water will be shut off from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Kaylor Street in order to replace a fire hydrant.
- The Girl Scout Daddy-daughter dance will be from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.
- The Ho Ho Hotline, sponsored by Golden Plains Care Center, will take calls to Santa from 6-8 p.m. Call 263-7635.

Man robbed at gunpoint

Police have only a limited description of a male suspect who wore a blanket to cover his face, forced his way into a Big Spring man's residence at gunpoint, and robbed a Big Spring man Wednesday night of a Satellite descrabler and an inexpensive wallet, Lt. Juan Palacios said.

Kenneth L. Hart — an employee of Union Pacific Railroad Co. — told investigators he heard a knock at his residence, 1704 Yucca Road, about 6:15 p.m. and when he answered the door the man pointed an automatic weapon at him, forced his way in and stole the descrambler valued at $1,350, Palacios said.

The wallet that the unknown suspect demanded was valued at only $10 and apparently contained no cash, according to police reports.

Palacios said Hart told police that based on voice inflection he believes the suspect is a white male, but investigators have little other information to base an investigation on.

The lieutenant said the assailant could possibly sell the descrambler on the black market, but was unsure of its value.

The robbery is currently under investigation, Palacios said.

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Bank officer

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he believed her captors would want to keep her alive for her money.

"I have to admit that I guess Danny was the only one that was still convinced that his mother was being held captive," said France. "As the time wore down, I guess our hopes wore down too. We didn't lose our faith. (But) we were sure diminishing by leaps and bounds as the days wore by. After 30 days, it's a long, long time to wait."

Investigators said they are unsure whether Thom escaped or was released by her captors because the woman has been alternately emotionally distraught and withdrawn.

"Her emotional state is such she really hasn't been able to tell us anything about the last 30 days," said Arlington police spokesman Dee Anderson.

Three men were arrested Wednesday morning in Fort Worth and questioned by FBI agents and Arlington officials in connection with Thom's kidnapping, but were released five hours later.

Thom, an assistant vice president at First City Bank in Arlington, had last been seen on the morning of Nov. 14 in her car at a drive-in window at First City Bank Central.

Arlington police Detective Helen Schilling-Wallace theorized Thom was trying to signal bank employees she was in trouble when she wrote a check for $1,000.

Thom, who had previously worked as a bank teller supervisor, asked the teller how much she could withdraw and included her driver's license in the transaction for identification, even though she was well-known by her bank's tellers.

"There's a good possibility that someone was in the car with her, but we haven't been able to confirm that," Schilling-Wallace said.

She was reported missing by her family the next day. On Nov. 16, her car was found abandoned in a K Mart parking lot in Euless.

"This is the best Christmas present I ever had, having my mom back," Daniel said. "And we're gonna catch those guys that did that to her because there's probably other people that the same thing has happened to them, so we want to catch them."

The boy had been staying with France and his wife, Nan France. Danny's reunion with his mother was "cheerful and joyful," France said.

David Israelson, an agent in the FBI's Fort Worth office, said a woman had called Fort Worth police early Wednesday morning to report that she had seen a woman matching Thom's description in a car with three men and had seen the vehicle a second time parked at a residence.

Meek

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ment was one benefit of Gonzalez being named chairman of the committee.

"Kelsay is a knowledgeable person on banking matters," said Frost. "He understands what's been happening."

Frank Anderson, banking analyst with Stephens Inc. in Little Rock, Ark., agreed with Frost, saying that Meek commands respect within the banking and S&L industries.

"He'll do a lot of the grunt work . . . on areas to be addressed," Anderson said. "He'll be well informed on the issues on both sides."

Of the selection of Gonzalez as chairman of the committee, Anderson said, "He's going to make the meetings a lot more interesting. He's going to add some color to a rather staid atmosphere.

"I know he's had some problems punching people in the snout, but maybe the people of Washington need to be awakened to the problems in the Southwest."

Gonzalez has attracted attention in the past for such acts as trying to impeach president Reagan and punching a man in a San Antonio restaurant.

Meek said the Democratic representative is "a very open-minded person who will bring an enormous amount of good will to the committee."

Gonzalez's "considerable sense of humor" should also add some life to the committee meetings, said Meek.

Arafat

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said, "I do expect and hope that the United States will drop its veto so that the Middle East can be discussed."

The U.S. decision was hailed by James Zogby, executive director of the Arab-American Institute, who called it an "important step forward in movement toward a real peace process."

"The dialogue should throw into sharp relief the failure of Israel to say yes to the very issues that the PLO has now acceded to. Our hope is that the dialogue is productive and that peace is now possible."

George E. Gruen, director of Middle East affairs of the American Jewish Committee, said the United States should insist that the PLO "match words with deeds. Specifically, we call upon them to end their attacks on Israeli civilians and all other forms of terrorism ... and formally to change the PLO's Charter, which still calls for the dissolution of the state of Israel."

Shultz said the United States would not push Israel to open similar diplomatic channels to the PLO. "It's totally for Israel to make its own decisions," he said.

Shultz also said the United States does not recognize the independent Palestinian state that was declared recently by the PLO's parliament.

Markets

West Texas light crude oil 16.35 a barrel, up .02, and cotton futures 57.99 cents a pound, up .19, at 11:25 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

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Volume	48,279,020

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AmericanPetrofina	68½	+⅛
Atlantic Richfield	79½	+⅜
Bethlehem Steel	21½	+¼
Cabot	37⅞	-⅛
Chevron	46¼	+¼
Chrysler	26⅞	-⅛
Coca-Cola	44⅜	+⅜
De Beers	10⅝	nc
DuPont	83⅝	+¼
El Paso Electric	13⅜	-⅛
Exxon	45	nc
Ford Motors	51¾	nc
GTE	44⅜	nc
Halliburton	26⅞	+⅛
HCA	43	-¾
IBM	121¼	+¾
JCPenney	53⅝	-¼
K Mart	35¼	nc
Lorimar	11¾	-⅛
Mesa Ltd. Prt. A	12¼	-⅛
New Atmos Energy	16¼	+⅛
Mobil	46	+⅛
National Health Care	¼	nc
Pacific Gas	17½	-¼
Phillips Petroleum	19⅞	+⅛
Sears	40¼	nc
Southwestern Bell	41½	+⅛
Sun	32⅛	-¼
Texaco	51¾	-¼
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Texas Utilities	28⅛	nc
USSteel	28½	+¼

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New Economy	19.49-20.68
New Perspective	9.74-10.33
Van Kampen	14.17-15.46
American Funds U.S. Gov't.	13.42-14.09
Pioneer II	17.07-18.66
Gold	416.00-416.50
Silver	6.09-6.12

Noon quotes courtesy of Edward D. Jones & Co., 219 Main St., Big Spring, 267-2501. Quotes are from today's market, and the change is market activity from 3 p.m. the previous day.

Sheriff's log

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

- Elvin Greathouse Jr., 41, 400 N. Gregg St., was released on $1,500 bond. He had been arrested by city police on a charge of felony driving while intoxicated.
- Debra Ann Lewis, 23, 1708 S. Main St., was sentenced to six years in the Texas Department of Corrections after pleading guilty in 118th District Court Wednesday to charges of revocation of probation and forgery by passing. Lewis was credited with 33 days served.
- Richard Martin Von Hassell, 27, Forsan, was arrested after pleading guilty Wednesday in 118th District Court to charges of theft by check. Von Hassell pleaded to an information and was not indicted, according to a deputy district clerk. He was sentenced to three years' probation.
- Michael Terry Pruitt was released Sunday on $1000 bond after being arrested by city police. Pruitt, 30, 1607 E. Sixth St., was charged with DWI.
- Lelton Hoyle, 39, 2909 Old Hwy. 80, was released on $500 bond after being arrested by city police on Tom Green County charges of class B theft.
- A Colorado City man reported the theft of two sets of elevator tools, a six-inch flange and a safety collar from the Walsh & Watts Well on the Dodge lease.

Value of the items was not determined; one set of elevators reportedly was owned by Walsh & Watts, one by Lain Well Service.

Body of funeral home owner found in field

LAMESA — Funeral home owner Tom C. Branon was found dead Wednesday morning beside a cotton module near FM 2053, about 20 miles north of Lamesa near Welch, according to the Dawson County Sherrif's Office, reported by the *Lubbock Avelanche Journal*.

Branon, 59, is believed to have died from insulin shock, according to Deputy Becky Norton. However, an official ruling is being withheld by Justice of the Peace Denise Dyess pending autopsy results.

Deputies reported that there were no visible wounds on the body, and that foul play was not suspected.

Branon was reported missing Saturday morning by his family members and was last seen at 3 p.m. Friday at Branon Funeral Home, she added.

According to Deputy Kent Smith's written report, Welch resident Richard Beaty telephoned law authorities late Tuesday afternoon reporting a white Chrysler New Yorker parked in the center of a county road northeast of FM 2053 near Welch.

Beaty told the sheriff's office he had seen the car on Sunday and thought it had become mired in mud. After spotting the car again on Tuesday night, he called the sheriff's office.

Smith went to the scene oat 8:45 a.m. Wednesday, but found the car abandoned and no keys in its ignition. A license check showed the car's owner to be Branon, according to the report.

The deputy discovered a pocket knife, a pair of sunglasses, a handkerchief and a shoe about a quarter of a mile south of the car.

A short distance from there, the reports indicate, Branon's body was discovered crouched beside a cotton module.

According to Dawson County Sheriff Bill Horton, Branon is believed to have started walking south after his car became stuck. Horton said no one knows what Branon was doing out in the country, although his family said he liked to get out and look at the crops.

According to the report, it appeared Branon had fallen before continuing on to the cotton module. The victim appeared to have been trying to dig a hole into the cotton module, according to the report.

Dyess pronounced Branon dead at the scene shortly after 8:52 a.m., according to the report.

Services for Branon will be at 10 a.m. Friday in First United Methodist Church with the Revs. Hugh Daniel, pastor, and Newton Starnes, Lubbock, officiating.

Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

He was born in Lamesa, graduated from Lamesa High School, attended Texas A & M and Sul Ross universities and graduated from Dallas Institue of Mortuary Science in 1950. He was president of Funeral Directors Life Insurance Co. and Branon Funeral Home Inc.

Deaths

Don A. Collins

WHITE HALL, Md. — Don A. Collins, 49, Whitehall, Md., formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1988 at York Hospital, York, Pa., after a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the Gunpowder Baptist Church, Freeland, Md. Burial will be at Middletown Cemetery, Freeland, under the direction of J.J. Hartenstein Mortuary, New Freedom, Pa., with Rev. James H. Hammond, officiating.

He was born Aug. 25, 1939 in Big Spring and married Karen Thacker.

He and his wife owned and operated the Medicine Shoppe in York, Pa. He was the recipient of several Good Neighbor awards for community service.

He was a 1971 graduate of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, a member of the York County and Pennsylvania Pharmaceutical Associations, was a member of the Gunpowder Baptist Church.

He was a past Cub master of Cub Scout Pack 468 in Parkton, Md.

He is survived by his wife, Karen, Whitehall; one son, Brian Collins, one daughter, Erin Collins, and son, Adam Collins; one sister, Mary Armistead, Houston; two brothers, Dr. Reed Collins, Midland; and James M. Collins, Austin.

Viewing will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home, or from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday at the church.

The family suggests memorials to the Gunpowder Baptist Church, Middletown Road, Freeland, Md. 21053, or to the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy Scholarship Fund, 20 North Pine St., Baltimore, Md.

Eleno Chavez

Eleno Chavez, 44, Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1988 in a local hospital.

Rosary will be at 7:30 p.m. tonight at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel, Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. James P. Delaney officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born Feb. 28, 1944 in Big Spring and was a lifelong resident of Big Spring. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and worked for R.M. Moore Construction Co. as a bricklayer.

Survivors include one son, Simon, Big Spring; his mother, Benigna Chavez, Big Spring; one sister, Eva Sanchez, Midland; two brothers, Simon Jr., Lubbock; and Julian, Big Spring.

Pallbearers will be Freddie Sanchez Jr., Joe Angel Gonzales, David Gonzales, Salvador Trevino, Bobby Gonzales and Jose Diaz.

Honorary pallbearers will be Eddie Terrazas and Joe Vela.

Ella Moore

Ella Moore, 74, Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1988 in a local hospital.



Services will be at 3 p.m. Friday in Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Major Bob Hall and Major Elaine Hall, Salvation Army of San Angelo, officiating. Burial will be in Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born Aug. 17, 1914 in Rosebud and married Henry M. Moore in 1934 in Rosebud. He died Sept. 29, 1971. She was a member of the Salvation Army Church and was active in the Salvation Army Home League. She was a homemaker. She and her late husband came to Big Spring in 1943 from Odessa.

Survivors include one son, R.M. Jimmy Moore, Big Spring; two daughters, Josie Moore and Mary Ann Thornton, both of San Angelo; two sisters, Josie Mae Merrell, Rosebud; and Elnora Maricle, Salinas; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

MYERS & SMITH
Funeral Home and Chapel
267-8288
301 E. 24th St., Big Spring

Family suggests memorials to the Salvation Army.

Eula Wrightsil

Eula Mae Wrightsil, 86, Big Spring, died Monday, Dec. 12, 1988 in a local hospital.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with the Church of God in Christ District Superintendent, Kenneth Witherspoon; the Rev. Frank Nelson, Powerhouse Church of God in Christ; and the Rev. Earnest Wilson, Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 31, 1902 in Marlin and married Lonnie Wrightsil in Marlin. He died in 1981. She came to Big Spring in 1937 and was a member of Church of God in Christ McGee's Chapel and was a homemaker.

Survivors include one son, Edward, Amarillo; three brothers: Ulysses White, Forenzo, Calif.; R.L. White, San Angelo; and Samuel White, Houston; three sisters: Letha Rhinehart, San Antonio; Fanola White, Houston; and Ollie T. Wilson, Marlin; three grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Delores Johnson.

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Opinion

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

Views of other Texas papers

Bush should address problem

The environmental practices that have been permitted at 16 nuclear weapons plants and laboratories are nothing less than shameful. When President-elect George Bush assumes office, he will need to make cleanup and repair efforts at those federal facilities a high priority if he is to protect the public's health and safety.

The government maintained for years that the pollution from its weapons production and research facilities posed no public health threat. . . . The government now acknowledges that harmful materials regularly oozed and wafted beyond its property.

. . . Environmental and public safety concerns should not have to be compromised in the production of nuclear weapons. Besides undertaking the costly cleanup around the plants and laboratories . . . the Bush administration will need to make sure that recent reforms in the management of the nation's bomb-making complex are adequate to prevent further abuses.

The Dallas Morning News

FAA crackdown paying dividends

Two points should be made about the Federal Aviation Administration's crackdown on lapses by airlines at airport security checkpoints. The first is that the FAA, by imposing sizable fines, makes it abundantly clear that it intends to reduce the security breaches. The other is that the FAA crackdown is getting results; security lapses have been declining.

. . . The airlines, which are responsible for passenger-screening at airports, are detecting more of the mock weapons being passed through airline checkpoints by FAA undercover agents. In 1987, 78.9 percent were detected. In the latest security-check period, detection was 88.9 percent.

Transportation Secretary Jim Burnley . . . is still not satisfied with the failure rate of more than 11 percent, and he should not be. Achieving 100 percent success in security checks is his goal, as it should be. Even if not realistically attainable, as some believe, that must always be the FAA's goal.

The airlines must aim for it, too; not because of the threat of heavy fines but because air travelers should be assured that everything that can be done to provide for their safety is being done.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Praise for Mosbacher selection

Robert A. Mosbacher Sr. is just the kind of man for secretary of commerce this country needs. He is an experienced buisnessman, a hard bargainer, knows how to encourage growth and will work hard to expand the U.S. share of overseas markets.

From the Texas viewpoint, it will be a blessing to have a man in the Commerce Department who knows what a rig count is and is aware of our national energy requirements.

From President-elect Bush's viewpoint, he has in Mosbacher a man he has worked with for three decades, a man who shares his background and his beliefs. As a Houstonian, Mosbacher shares this city's dynamic views of the future.

Bush is building his economic team. Carla Hills, who was housing secretary in the Ford administration, has been picked as special trade representative. Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady will stay in that post. Richard Darman, former deputy Treasury secretary in the Reagan administration, will be budget director. It's a strong team, a tough team, one that will be ready to act.

Houston Chronicle

Dredging a two-sided issue

A Rice Center study says that over the next 30 years, some 47,000 Houston-area jobs may depend on widening and deepening the Houston Ship Channel. This implies a lot economically: higher retail sales, more housing, robust tax bases.

But as a Rice Center official pointed out, this was only an economic study. On the countervailing side are environmental worries that such a project could wreak havoc with Galveston Bay's ecology, possibly reducing oyster yields as much as 80 percent.

We want seafood — and the dollars to pay for it. Can we have both? Is there an ideal compromise point? The only thing that's clear is that at present there's not enough information to decide.

The Houston Post

Resistance imperils apartheid

Under attack from the international community for its brutal system of racial apartheid, the white-minority South African government also faces what authorities evidently view as increasingly dangerous internal resistanc_.

This year, 143 South African white men have refused to be drafted into the army. The government vigorously prosecutes these resisters, as in the case of Charles Bester, 18, of Johannesburg.

South African law allows conscientious objection to military conscription on religious grounds, accompanied by alternative, non-military service, but prosecutors said Bester's refusal was politically motivated. A South African court agreed and sentenced him to six years in prison.

Still, Bester points the way to a better future for South Africa. As long as like-minded young men are willing to sacrifice their freedom to protest an evil system they cannot in good conscience condone, apartheid will fall from within. The sooner the better.

San Antonio Express-News

Time now for new helmet law

Wearing a helmet while driving a motorcycle is as necessary as wearing a seat belt in an automobile. Both save lives.

Texas law now requires motorcycle riders under the age of 18 to wear helmets. But young people can be seen zipping along . . . without them. The same is true of seat belts and safety seats for tots.

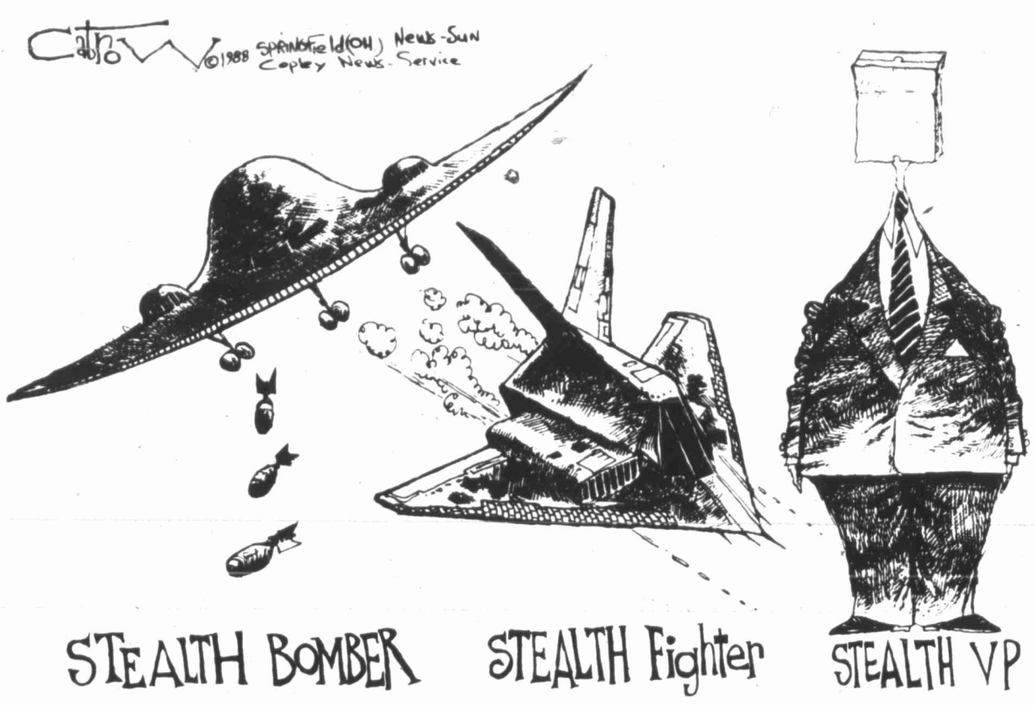
Last year, 8,382 motorcycle accidents were reported in Texas, 9,039 people were injured and 297 were killed. Of those killed, 81 percent were helmetless and of those injured, 63 percent did not have helmets. The most common injury was to the head.

Some say the seat belt law is an invasion of rights. Some motorcyclists believe the same, saying the thrill of motorcycling is feeling the wind in one's hair.

But laws are required when an individual's perceived rights infringe on the rights of others. In accidents caused by motorcyclists, the other drivers should not have to bear the guilt of having been part of a killing, especially when the cyclist was not wearing a helmet.

...The Texas Legislature, in its next session, should pass a law requiring all motorcyclists to wear helmets.

El Paso Times



Keeping the in-laws happy a perennial Yuletide problem



By ART BUCHWALD

It's the age-old yuletide problem that has no solution. When a couple has four parents, maybe five or six, depending how many divorces there are in the family, how do they decide where to go on Christmas Day?

Dr. Victor Template, who specializes in Christmas mental diseases told me, "Fear plays an awfully important role in this decision. If the couple is more afraid of the wife's mother, they would be smart to go with that side of the family. On the other hand if the husband's mother is the strong figure then you opt to go to her house."

"Suppose both mothers are very strong?"

"Then you try to get the two of them to come to your house. I can't guarantee this will work because mothers do not feel they are contributing anything to the holiday if they don't cook the dinner. When they are guests on Christmas Day they usually sulk a lot."

"Is it better to have two sulking mothers rather than one happy one, and one who is really ticked off?"

"It depends how close the ticked-off mother lives to you. You have to remember that Christmas is the time when everyone gets insulted. There is nothing that wounds the mother of a nuclear family as much as when the role of cook is taken away from her. We're not talking about cooking as much as holding onto power. The last vestiges of power for a mother are in the roasted turkey and pecan pie. There is no hurt greater than her daughter going to the in-laws on Christmas Day — just as there is no greater wound a son can inflict on his mother than to inform her the family is going to his wife's parents in Minnesota for the holidays."

"How about splitting up the couple — the husband going to his parents' and the wife going to her folks' home on Christmas Day?"

"That's no good because the husband's mother or the wife's mother will spend all her time telling the children what terrible spouses they married because they won't spend Christmas with each other."

"Suppose the couple visits one mother on Christmas Eve and the other on Christmas Day."

"This is fine unless one of the mothers lives in Florida and the other resides in Michigan."

"We're sort of running out of combinations," I said.

Dr. Template said, "The most sensible solution is to have both parents come to the couple's house. But sometimes this can't be done because the mothers are entertaining their other loved ones for dinner. No one can fault young marrieds if they insist on staying home and serving their own Christmas meals. But at the same time they're not going to get any kudos for it from their parents. We're talking about an insult that will last forever."

"Fathers don't seem to take much offense over all this."

"Most fathers don't care where they eat dinner as long as there is enough gravy and mashed potatoes. The power struggle we witness at Christmas is almost always between the women. It was Nietzsche who said, 'She who has her hand on the chestnut stuffing controls the world.' "

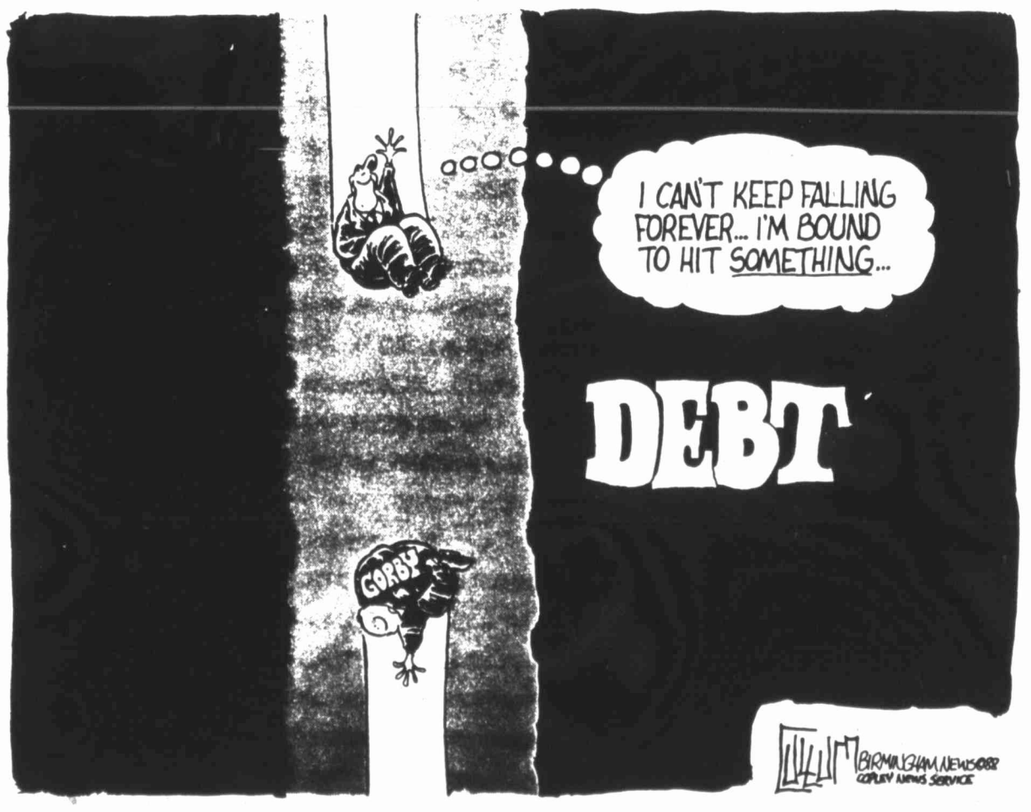
"How do these women control the world?"

"Through tough love. It was Confucius who said, 'The journey of a thousand miles begins with one call from your mother making sure the entire family is coming to her house for Christmas dinner.' "

"No one should ever have to decide between a mother and a mother-in-law," I said.

"Whoever said that Christmas was easy."

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Mailbag

Thanks, deputies

To the editor:

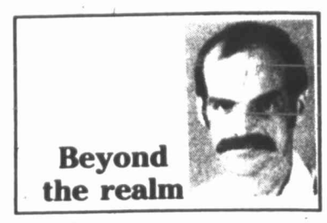
On Aug. 2, my home was burglarized. Since my residence is located just outside the city limits, the robbery was reported to the Sheriff's Department, which responded immediately.

The investigation was assigned to Sheriff's Deputy Wallace, who did a thorough, and professional job. Sheriff A.N. Standard exhibited great interest in the case and was very active in the investigation, coming to our house on at least two occasions to secure information, and check the scene.

Because of the diligence of the sheriff's department, a major part of the items stolen were recovered, and the thief was caught, tried, and sentenced. I take this opportunity to commend all of the officer's who worked on this case, and brought it to a successful conclusion, and to express our appreciation for a job well done.

It is my opinion that our law enforcement people do not get the support and credit they deserve for doing a difficult, and sometimes hazardous job. My hat is off to the ladies and gentlemen of our law enforcement agencies of Big Spring and Howard County.

JAMES E. CAPE
2518 East 24th St.



Beyond the realm

Once more; this time with feeling

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Hello, again, boys and girls. Do you know what time it is?

Oh, no, Reagan. Please tell us you're not going to do what we think you're going to do.

Oh, yes I am.

Please, Reagan, we'll do anything you want. Just don't say those words again.

That's right, kiddos, it's time once more to take a stroll in . . .

It's money you want, right, Reagan? Well, we'll give you $5 to call the whole thing off.

. . . Uncle Stevie's . . .

How about women, huh? I'll fix you up with my sister. She's a real sweet gal; you'll love her.

. . . Garden of Grammatical . . .

P-P-Pleeeease, Reagan, nooooo!

. . . Delights!

AAAAAGGGHHHHHH!!!!

There, that wasn't so bad, was it?

Depends on your point of view, we'd say.

Once again, dear friends, it's time to turn the pages of dear Uncle Webster's dictionary and see what kind of fun, neat words we can find. And — what's even more fun — we'll try to decide what these strange-sounding words actually mean. What could be better?

We could think of a few things — like playing golf, and pulling our teeth, and giving all our money away to Jim and Tammy, and . . .

Now, now, now. Quit your moping. Think of it as a challenge. Surely you're not going to let some harmless words get the best of you, right?

Listen, Reagan, we give up. You're going to do this darn thing, anyway, so why don't you get on with it? Maybe this way, we can get back to sleep pretty soon.

That's the spirit, folks. So, if there's no other interruptions, let's get down to cases. The first word, sent in by a faithful reader, is . . . **contumacious**. Wouldn't you agree that there is a strange word? What on earth could it mean?

Sounds like some sort of stomach ailment to us, Reagan. OK, we give up, what does it mean?

Snappish, aren't we? Oh, well, since you're obviously stumped, I'll give you the definition. Contumacious describes anyone who is stubbornly disobedient. Gee, that sounds like someone I know.

Sticks and stones, Reagan; sticks and stones.

Well, let's get on to the next word — which, by courtesy of Mr. Webster, is **unctuous**. Definition, class?

Let's see. It sounds sorta like anxious, but it begins with un. That means it's someone who isn't anxious, right?

Wrong, dear hearts. A person who is unctuous is characterized by excessive piousness or moralistic fervor; someone who is excessively smooth, suave or smug.

Gee, that sounds like someone we know.

Excuse me for breathing, folks. Oh, a look at the clock says it's time to bring this stroll to a close. Bye for now, kiddos.

Bye-bye, you unctuous boob.

Same to you, you contumacious furball.

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— White pine … doves.

— Candles, b… and carousel ho…

— Blue and g… white candles.

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Christmas gift guide

"Twelve Days" gifts less costly this year

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Buying your true love the gifts in the "Twelve Days of Christmas" will cost you more than a song but less than last year.

The 12th day would cost $13,785.63, down 0.6 percent, said Robert Christian, director of economic and fixed income research at Provident National Bank.

If you were to buy or hire each item every day it is mentioned in the popular carol, you'd spend a total of $67,745.74, down 1.4 percent from last year.

"This may be due to a decrease in the price of five gold rings, which are down $125, or 20 percent, from a high of $750 in 1987," Christian said. "People just aren't buying them in groups of five anymore. These days, usually one will suffice."

Besides gold rings, the real deal this year is a partridge in a pear tree — $39.95, down $5 because of lower pear tree costs. Pipers piping and drummers drumming cost more this year, and all other gifts remained unchanged.

Swans-a-swimming remained the big-ticket item: $7,000 per day for seven of them, or $42,000 for the six days they're named in the song.

This is the fourth year Christian has compiled his CPI, or Christmas Price Index. He consults zoos, importers and the entertainment industry for figures.

Here are the 1988 prices:

—A partridge in a pear tree, $39.95, down $5.

—Two turtle doves, $50, unchanged.

—Three French hens, $15, unchanged.

—Four calling birds, $280, unchanged.

—Five gold rings, $625, down $125.

—Six geese-a-laying, $150, unchanged.

—Seven swans-a-swimming, $7,000, unchanged.

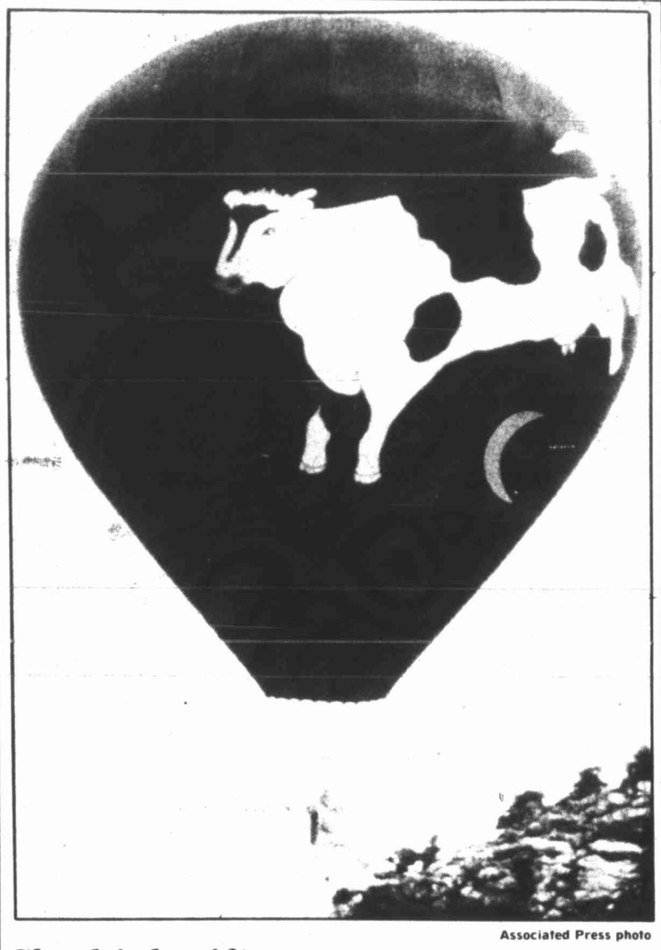
—Eight maids-a-milking, $26.80 a day, unchanged.

—Nine ladies dancing, $1,800 a day, unchanged.

—Ten lords-a-leaping, $2,000 a day, up $220.

—Eleven pipers piping, $863.46 a day, up $21.26.

—Twelve drummers drumming. $935.42 a day, up $22.82.



Associated Press photo

Sky high gift

DALLAS — This year's special Christmas gift from Neiman Marcus is an "Over the Moon" clodhopper balloon for $18,000.

Pick toys that do more than entertain children

When shopping for children this holiday season, avoid the fad toys, suggests an association of early childhood professionals.

Fad toys often bore children quickly, says Susan Bredekamp of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

"There is a reason the same toys are played with generation after generation — wooden blocks, crayons, puzzles, trucks, dolls, and so forth," she says. "It's because they meet the need that young children have always had and will always have."

She has some other ideas:

— Know the age of the child you're buying for, especially up to age 3. "When in doubt about what a child might like," she says, "pick something he or she will grow into within six months."

— Buy toys that involve the child, not that only entertain.

— Price has no bearing on the interest a child will have in a toy. "Many favorite activities of children involve inexpensive articles — packsts of colored construction paper, a box of chalk, plastic stacking cups, harmonicas," she says.

Christmas decorations need extra precautions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The annual crop of holiday greenery is sprouting in American homes. Enjoying those decorations also means using some care to avoid fire and keep children from poisoning themselves accidentally.

Some of the most popular plants used for holiday decorations are poisonous, according to the National Clearinghouse for Poison Control Centers.

Holly is popular because of its bright green leaves and red berries, but the berries can be dangerous if eaten.

Swallowing the berries can lead to diarrhea, vomiting and depression of the central nervous system, the Poison Control Center says.

Mistletoe berries are another danger, containing chemicals that can cause abdominal pain, diarrhea, vomiting, high blood pressure and even collapse of the circulatory system, medical authorities say. In addition, diarrhea, weakness, low blood pressure and other problems can occur from eating any part of the yew plant.

Those lovely red poinsettias can be troublesome too. Health officials say that if any part of the plant is swallowed it can cause abdominal discomfort, while the milky sap from the leaves can cause an irritation or dermatitis in some people.

Another decoration danger is fire, with Christmas trees and other greenery a major problem.

Try to keep the tree as moist as possible, the Consumer Product Safety Commission urges. After bringing it home cut off a few inches of the base and place it in water. And keep the tree well watered when in use.

Buyers should avoid dry trees, of course. A good test is to pull on some needles and see if they resist. The harder they are to pull off, the better.

If the cut part of the tree is sticky with resin, that's a good sign.

Try bouncing the tree on the ground a bit: a shower of falling needles tells you that it's too dry.

When going to bed or leaving the house turn off lights on trees and other decorations, the commission said. And never use candles on trees or near greens.

Check all lights for broken bulbs and frayed wires before installing them, and discard any damaged strings.

Never use lights on a metallic artificial tree. A faulty string can cause the entire tree to become charged, potentially causing an electrocution. This type of tree can be brightened by a spotlight shining on it.

Other safety suggestions from the Safety Commission include:

—Artificial snow sprays can irritate the lungs if inhaled. Read the directions carefully and follow them.

—Wear gloves when decorating with spun glass "angel hair" to avoid irritation to eyes and skin.

—Use plastic "tinsel" rather than the leaded kinds which could be hazardous if ingested.

—In homes with children be especially careful of using fragile decorations or items with sharp points or which resemble candy.

Holidays are everywhere

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Holidays are here, the Holidays are there, the Holidays are, in fact, nearly everywhere.

America must love its holidays, at least judging by the files of the federal government, since the nation has no fewer than 110 places called Holiday.

From Holiday Hills, Ark., to Holiday Acres, Del., and from Holiday Shores, Mo., to Holiday Resort, Tenn., these festive appellations sprinkle the land.

And that's not all. A look at the U.S. Geological Survey's Geographic Names Information System shows 89 Christmases across the country, along with seven places called Santa Claus, three Yules (all in Colorado) and even one poinsettia — Poinsettia Park in Polk County, Fla.

The U.S.G.S. names information system, which has collected more than 2 million names of places and geographic features for use in federal mapping and data programs, shows Texas is tops in Christmas country with 10 places using that name, while there are three Christmases in Florida and seven each in Arizona and California.

Presiding over Christmas are the seven Santa Clauses, including the community of Santa Claus in Toombs County, Ga.

Unusual decorations are fun to do

A twist on the traditional is suggested for holiday tree decorations this year.

"Part of the fun in decorating for Christmas is doing the unexpected," says Bette Rosenberg, home fashions director for Spiegel, catalog merchandiser and marketer.

"For example, a twist on the most traditional Christmas decoration of all, the tree," she says, "will surely catch everyone's eye."

Some ideas for decorating the tree:

— Dolls with checkerboard dresses, stuffed animals and miniature wooden rocking chairs.

— Snowmen, gingerbread teddy bears and wood crayons.

— Birds-of-love ornaments and hand-painted angels.

— Clowns in black and gold lame costumes and twinkling glass ornaments.

— White pine cones, sleighs and doves.

— Candles, baskets of flowers and carousel horses.

— Blue and gold ornaments and white candles.

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Ninja turtles threaten to steal Christmas

NORTHAMPTON, Mass. (AP) — Four turtles wielding Ninja weapons, the brainchildren of a sandwich maker and a self-described hack cartoonist, are threatening to move into the top 10 of the Christmas toy market.

"They are just flying off the shelves," said David Valentine, a toy industry analyst for Standard & Poors.

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles have hit No. 11 in the Toy & Hobby World charts of best sellers just four years after they were conceived by Peter Laird and Kevin Eastman during a late-evening sketching duel.

Stores report they can't keep up with demand for the goofy turtles with their slice-and-dice arm action and their silly one-liners ("One good turtle deserves another").

"It's insane," said Eastman, 26. "Pete and I really had no idea what we were unleashing. We were just two wild-eyed kids who just wanted to do comic books."

They keep shop in a run-down building on a back street of this college town.

Eastman, then an occasional student at the University of Massachusetts, said he tracked down Laird, who scraped out a living by drawing illustrations for local newspapers, in 1982 because their cartoons looked alike. They became fast friends, joined by a love for Marvel Comics illustrator Jack Kirby.

The turtles were created after what Eastman called a heavy dose of "T.J. Hooker" and "Love Boat" at an apartment the two men shared while Laird's fiancee finished her studies at the University of New Hamsphire. Laird was still free-lancing cartoons. Eastman got by making sandwiches at a restaurant.

"We had been watching a bunch of horrible TV and we started drawing and throwing the stuff at each other," Eastman said last week. "We found we had this little beastie that we really fell in love with."

The beast soon had three brothers, all named after Renaissance painters, and a weird history involving a pool of goo in a New York sewer and a rat with the powers of a Ninja master.

As the story goes, the turtles were covered by the muck through a random series of odd accidents. They mutated and grew up under the rat's tutelage, evolving into superturtles with a taste for pizza and for doing battle with the Shredder, leader of the most feared assassins in Japan.

Valentine considers the turtles the natural descendants of the tin soldier with appealingly distasteful roots in radioactive gunk.

"Kids are into slime," he said. "Anything to gross out their little sisters."

Their creators scraped together $1,200 and printed 3,000 copies of the first Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles comic book. The comics sold out in three weeks and Leonardo, Donatello, Michaelangelo and Raphael were propelled to fame on T-shirts, cereal boxes and Saturday morning TV.

Even avid fan Tom Selleck was filmed reading a turtles comic in the farewell episode of "Magnum, P.I."

"It goes way beyond luck," Eastman said of their success. "We had one of the best black-and-white comics around. We worked hard to get it to the point where Mark Freedman picked up on it."

Freedman, a New York licensing agent, managed to entice a California company, Playmates, into investing $2.5 million in an animated television show and launching a line of 10 figurines.

The turtles were helped by the phenomenon of specialty comic book stores that have sprung up in the last five years, which have opened a market for the offbeat.

"Everybody says, 'You guys must be zillionaires now.' Far from it," said Eastman. He said, however, that the collaborators' annual income is in the six figures and they now have eight artists working on the comic strips and other ventures.

The turtles have long since moved their comic book haunts from the New York City sewers to the town where their creators have settled.

"They can still get into the city easily from here," Eastman said. "And we can use people we know for characters."



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BOSTON — "Raphael" is one of the four Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles that have hit No. 11 in the Toy and Hobby World charts of bestsellers. The turtles, created by PeterLaird and Kevin Eastman, are threatening to close ranks on G.I. Joe at the top of the Christmas toy market. The turtles are also featured in comic books and animated cartoons.

Popular songs become Christmas traditions

Forty years ago, when the late songwriter Johnny Marks penned his first draft of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," he was unhappy with it — so unhappy he thought it was the worst song he ever wrote.

In fact, Marks' dissatisfaction was such that he put the song aside and didn't get back to it until the following year.

But in 1949, while humming the melody during a walk near his home in New York's Greenwich Village, the composer hit upon a solution:

Instead of having the notes in the unsatisfactory opening bars dropping down the scale, he reversed the progression and had them go up.

Since then, "Rudolph" has been a spectacular success.

According to one record industry source, it has been translated into nearly every language and sold approximately 150 million records, more than 8 million copies of sheet music and 25 million copies of 200 arrangements for orchestras, bands and choral groups.

Marks, who died in 1985, often was called "Mr. Christmas of the music world." Among his other holiday compositions were "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" and "A Holly Jolly Christmas."

Perhaps the most memorable of Christmas songs, however, is "White Christmas."

Sung by Bing Crosby in the 1942 movie, "Holiday Inn," it became Irving Berlin's greatest hit and resulted in the 1954 movie "White Christmas," starring Crosby, Danny Kaye, Rosemary Clooney.

Written during World War II, Berlin has said "it was nostalgic for a lot of boys who weren't home for Christmas." It's been a lot more than that, perhaps the second most popular Christmas song ever.

In 1973, the International Society of Santa Claus gave its first award to Marks, for "Rudolph," and Berlin, for "White Christmas," in recognition of their contribution to the spirit of Christmas.

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Santa school teaches students to ho-ho-ho

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — If would-be Kris Kringles have a love for children, a twinkle in their eye and a desire to spread holiday cheer, Santa school teacher Dick Lewis can teach them the rest.

"Screaming kids, shin-kickers, hecklers," Lewis said. "We teach them to deal with everything."

Everything from the proper way to wear their Santa hats to how to chortle like a pro, said Lewis, who trains Santas for Western Temporary Services.

Retirees, character actors and a 19-year-old college student donned red velveteen suits and ersatz beards at the John Wanamaker department store and got the how-tos of ho-ho-ho-ing from Lewis on Tuesday, three days before the start of the Christmas shopping season.

A Santa himself before he joined Western, Lewis has an eye for the compassion and demeanor that makes a good Claus.

"We want people with a sincere desire to make children happy at Christmas time," he said.

Despite the professional, almost production-line approach to training Santas, and the commercialism of the department-store Kringles, Lewis advised his 10 students to remember their responsibility to uphold the spirit of the holiday.

"These days and times there are going to be a lot of children who are not going to have a happy holiday," Lewis said. "At that point in time, we need to be that special moment."

The temporary help company trains and employs 2,500 to 3,000 Santas each year for department stores, promotional and community events throughout the country.

Tuesday's training program, which lasted less than an hour but usually runs longer, gives the basics of being Santa:

—How to dress the part. Cap tassle always in front, beard hooked around the top of the head, so it doesn't slip, two pairs of white gloves, to be washed each day.

—How to laugh in Santa's deep voice without scaring the child. No loud ho-ho-ho's, but a low chortle coming from the stomach.

—How to deal with difficult questions. Little girls often ask for a little brother, Lewis said, and "some kids are going to ask for a bed." One child in Pittsburgh asked "for Daddy to stop beating me," he said.

—A reminder to protect the shins (when kids come flying up to the chair, but always say "ouch!" when they tug on the beard.

—And one of the cardinal rules — always stay in character. "No matter what happens, you, each one of you, are the real Santa."

There were also tips from St. Nicks like Larry Dowd, who after 30 years as a Santa no longer needs artificial padding to play the role.

"I think I fill the suit out more," he said when asked if he'd become a better Claus over the years. "I used to use a pillow."

The kids, however, haven't changed at all, which is why Dowd will come in before his regular night job supervising a custodial crew and work a six-hour shift, talking with as many as 200 children.

"The kids really light up your life," said Dowd, 50. "That's the part of Christmas I really like."

Dowd and another Claus, Ned Holbrook, agreed Santas are born, not made.

"I just think that you either have the natural training to be one or you don't," said Holbrook, a character actor from Philadelphia.

But Holbrook, who said he prepares for being Santa as he would for a dramatic role, is sometimes caught off-guard, such as the time a retarded woman sat on his lap and asked him to bring back her dead father.

She gave him a kiss after his best attempt to deal with her wish.

"Now that's faith," he said.



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Edible home?

On the front porch of a life-size gingerbread house, Mrs. Santa Claus rocks her way through the Magic Kingdom in Walt Disney World's Very Merry Christmas parade.

T'is the season for new video adventures

Parents who've finally gotten used to their kids firing light guns at the television or being lost for hours in electronic labyrinths may want to brace themselves for this year's Christmas offerings from the video game makers.

Among the gadgets being introduced this season are game sets that can sub for home computers, game cartridges with memories that rival business computers, and a rug that plays music when you dance on it.

The mainstays, however, are still the fantasies that let youngsters believe they can outshoot, out-fight, out-drive and outwit the bigger bad guys.

Home video games were the hot seller among toys last Christmas, with 1987 total sales reaching about $1.1 billion, says market leader Nintendo of America. But this year, Nintendo and its competitors say, total sales should more than double.

Just a few years ago, video games were considered an outdated fad. While consumers had paid $3 billion a year for games and game cartridges in the early 1980s, industry experts say that by 1985, sales had fallen to about $100 million, with manufacturers letting $35 game cartridges go for $5 or less.

That year, however, Nintendo, a subsidiary of Nintendo Co. Ltd. of Japan, began test-marketing a new game system that had been a runaway success with the Japanese. The Nintendo Entertainment System, essentially a small computer, control panels, and game cartridges containing computer chips, offered more intricate games.

Folks in this country liked it, too, and Nintendo, manufacturer of such hit arcade games as Donkey Kong and Mario Bros., led a comeback for the video-game market.

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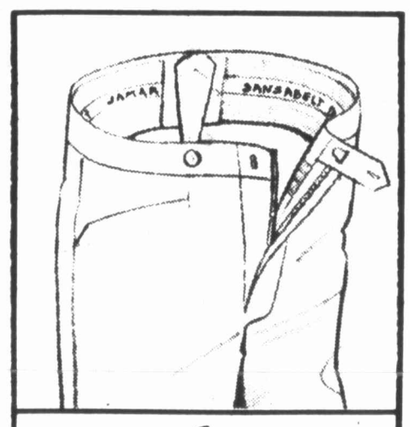
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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — A lucky 1,750 lottery winners delight each Christmas to the toasts and tastes of the annual Bracebridge dinner at Yosemite National Park, complete with snow if you're even luckier.

The toasts are echoed by the Andrea Fulton Chorale and the Bracebridge cast from the San Francisco area, some of them having been involved with the dinner for more than 30 years. The tastes are those of a sumptuous seven-course dinner in the high-ceilinged, log-beamed Ahwahnee Hotel.

Five seatings of 350 revelers each are held yearly, two on Dec. 22, one on Christmas Eve and two on Christmas Day. The four-hour pageant is set amidst Squire Bracebridge's Yorkshire Christmas celebration adapted from Washington Irving's "Sketch Book" account of Christmas at Bracebridge Hall, a fictional English country estate in the late 1700s.

Naturalist-photographer Ansel Adams helped start the lavish feast in 1927, the year the hotel opened. Adams was the first jester, the Lord of Misrule, and, in 1929, assumed the role of director. Four years after his death, Adams' spirit still pervades the period-dress gathering, ironically with a ban on cameras.

Once a guest has beaten the greater than 10-1 odds of being chosen in the $100 dinner lottery, he or she is advised by letter to keep in line with long-standing tradition. "We insist that all Bracebridge Dinner guests refrain from bringing cameras into the dinner room," Bill Wymore, general manager of the Ahwahnee, says. "This policy was established at the request of Ansel Adams to preserve the atmosphere of Bracebridge Hall."

Each course begins with a whimsical prelude. When the boar's head and the Baron of the Beef are presented to a lavishly dressed Squire Bracebridge, played by a stout local actor, the baron is knighted Sir Loin. The diners, seated at large round tables, get more into the spirit of the evening as the courses progress at the base of an altar-like head table. The squire and his cast of characters, including the jester and a dancing bear, lead the revelry and are presented each course for approval, with song.

The dinner, billed as semi-formal to formal, grows more effervescent as it progresses from peacock pie (crepe of goose with juniperberry sauce) to boar's head (roast sirloin of beef) to plum pudding with hard sauce.

To be eligible for the dinner drawing, one has to plan ahead. The deadline for the 1988 Christmas dinners was Jan. 15. To receive an application for next year, call or write Reservations Dept., Attention: Bracebridge Dinner, Yosemite Park and Curry Co., 5410 E. Home Ave., Fresno, Calif.

Give a special gift at Christmas

The Salvation Army and the Northside Community Center are asking for extra help this Christmas season to meet the needs of the poor and the homeless of Big Spring.

The Salvation Army is seeking money donations from the community to help with Christmas expenses. The Salvation Army operates an emergency shelter and provides emergency food baskets for those in need. They also give toys to children who might otherwise get none. Donations of money or non-perishable food items can be mailed to P.O. Box 1248, Big Spring, or taken to 811 W. 5th St. Offices hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Lt. Tex Ellis said response to the Salvation Army's mail appeal is running about half of last year's rate. This money is used to pay for seasonal expenses.

The Northside Community Center provides "Comfort Kits," consisting of necessities that are not purchasable with food stamps. They need items such as soap, tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo, soap, razors, shaving cream, toilet paper, disposable diapers, and baby oil.

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Young firefighter

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State orders full review for project

BOSTON (AP) — Government is best that governs least, according to Henry David Thoreau, but a state order for a full environmental review of a proposed project near his beloved Walden Pond may keep development of the area at bay.

"We are Walden Pond's caretakers," said John DeVillars, the state's newly named secretary of the Environmental Affairs Agency, which called for the lengthy review on Wednesday.

"Our responsibility is to ensure that we take every reasonable measure to avoid or minimize damage to this historic area. Nothing short of a full review will fulfill that responsibility," DeVillars said.

At issue is a proposed Concord Office Park by the developer Boston Properties, which wants to build a 148,000-square-foot office building and a 518-car parking area.

The land is near where Thoreau worked on his masterpiece, "Walden," while living there in solitude beginning in 1845 for two years in a hut on land owned by Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Orphanage to receive seized sugar

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — Chefs at an orphanage are cooking up visions of dancing sugarplums after learning they will get two tons of sugar seized in a federal moonshine raid.

"We'll go through this sugar rather quickly," said Bobby Cobbs of Virginia Baptist Children's Home and Family Services, adding that orphanage workers planned to pick up the 4,400 pounds of Dixie Crystal sugar today.

"We've been doing a lot of dreaming, figuring out what we can do with it."

The sugar, along with moonshining apparatus that included 576 plastic one-gallon jugs, was seized in September when agents broke up an alleged Franklin County moonshine operation.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Karen Peters filed a motion in federal court Monday asking that the government give the sugar to the orphanage in Salem.

Judge James C. Turk agreed in an order filed Wednesday. The order also allows the government to use the sugar as evidence when defendants William Gray Stanley, Ricky Lee Dent and Michael Keith Crook stand trial Jan. 18 on charges they ran a still and possessed mash and untaxed liquor.

Santa Claus saves choking child

PHOENIX (AP) — Five-year-old Jamie Clouse believes in Santa Claus. Kriss Kringle, after all, saved his life.

The boy's mother, Robin Clouse, had stopped at a traffic light Tuesday when Jamie began choking on the food he was eating.

"I was Christmas shopping and I was in the middle lane of traffic," said Ms. Clouse, 29. "My little boy was choking and I didn't know what to do."

Ms. Clouse jumped from the car and pulled Jamie out of the passenger side.

"He couldn't breathe and I was ready to turn him upside down," she said.

Suddenly a man dressed in a Santa suit got of the van stopped in the next lane and took the child from her arms.

"He performed the Heimlich maneuver," Ms. Clouse said.

The food caught in Jamie's throat dislodged and he was able to breath again. But traffic was backed up, and Santa Claus ambled back in his van and drove away.

"I didn't get a chance to thank him and I don't even know who he was," Ms. Clouse said.

Jamie does. It was Santa Claus, who was in the van "on his way to the North Pole to get his reindeer for Christmas Eve," Jamie said. "He saved my life."



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Slush hour

YORK — Commuters heading towards New York City creep along Wednesday morning in the aftermath of a storm which dumped as much as nine inches of snow in some areas.

Mail handler shoots three, takes hostage

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — An angry mail handler shot and wounded three fellow workers, then eluded police for about five hours before holing up with two hostages early today in the main New Orleans post office, officials said.

The gunman, armed with a shotgun loaded with birdshot, chased off FBI agents with gunfire when they cornered him in a room used for coffee breaks on the first floor of the block-long building, said Volney Hayes, spokesman for the FBI office headquartered in the adjacent building in the city's business district.

Hostage negotiators and relatives of the gunman, identified as Warren Murphy, spoke by telephone with him trying to persuade him to surrender. One of the negotiators was Murphy's cousin, a New Orleans police officer, authorities said.

Cesta Ayers, a spokesman for the post office, said officers had heard a woman's voice in the room with him. However, he said they had heard nothing from the second hostage Murphy claimed he was holding. The rest of the 500 night shift workers were evacuated.

As dawn approached, the negotiations were going "back and forth, back and forth," Ayers said.

He called them friendly, but said Murphy fired one shot about 3 a.m. He said he did not know why.

Murphy had made no demands, Ayers said.

Murphy, who is about 40, was a six-year mail handler who had recently been promoted but was rumored to be suffering marital problems, Ayers said.

"The information we have at this time ... is that his wife did leave him and left the city," Ayers said.

World

Philippine's torture cases increase

LONDON (AP) — Amnesty International said today that torture cases in the Philippines have increased as the government has escalated its fight against communist insurgents.

"Military intelligence agents are reported to have subjected detainees to severe beatings, electric shocks, stabbings, near suffocation with plastic bags or water, and sexual abuse," said the report by the London-based group.

This "pattern of torture" has re-emerged even though President Corazon Aquino's government enacted constitutional and legal measures to outlaw brutality, Amnesty International said in the report.

In Manila, Mrs. Aquino said today, "I am in touch with the progress of these cases. The final reports are not yet in as not all witnesses have been heard." She urged human rights organizations to submit reports of violations to a new committee she created this week to investigate alleged abuses.

Last Saturday, Mrs. Aquino acknowledged violations were continuing but blamed most of them on the communist rebel New People's Army. She said human rights abuse was not a policy of her administration.

Mexico proposes driving limits

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Color-coded registration stickers soon will determine which day of the week private vehicles will be allowed to circulate in this smog-plagued metropolis.

The plan to issue stickers in five different colors was one of several anti-contamination measures announced late Wednesday by the federal government.

Officials also said holiday school vacations that began Wednesday would be extended until February in the city in a bid to cut down childrens' exposure to health-threatening winter smog.

In addition to the restrictions on private vehicles, Mexico City also will try to battle its critical air pollution problem by increasing vehicle inspections, prohibiting the burning of tires, plastics and other contaminating wastes in open areas, and setting hours for cargo loading and unloading in the city during the smog season.

The announcement did not mention sanctions against violators of the new regulations. Generally, enforcement of most regulations in Mexico is lax.

Soviet emigre convicted of spying

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — A Soviet emigre with close links to Israeli politicians and army officers was convicted today of spying for the Soviet Union and sentenced to nine years in prison, his attorney said.

Shabtai Kalmanovich, 43, was convicted in a closed Tel Aviv district courtroom of espionage and having contacts with a foreign agent, said attorney Amnon Zichroni. The charges carry a maximum penalty of 30 years in prison.

The three-judge panel dropped a third, more severe charge of aggravated espionage which carried a life sentence, Zichroni said.

He said Kalmanovich would be credited with the year he already has spent in prison and would serve another eight years in jail.

The trial was held behind closed doors since Sept. 5.

The conviction came during a gradual thaw in relations between Israel and the Soviet Union. Moscow severed ties with the Jewish state after the 1967 Middle East war.

Israel and the Soviet Union have exchanged consular delegations, and relations were boosted earlier this month when Israel cooperated with Soviet authorities in returning four armed Soviet hijackers who landed in Israel.



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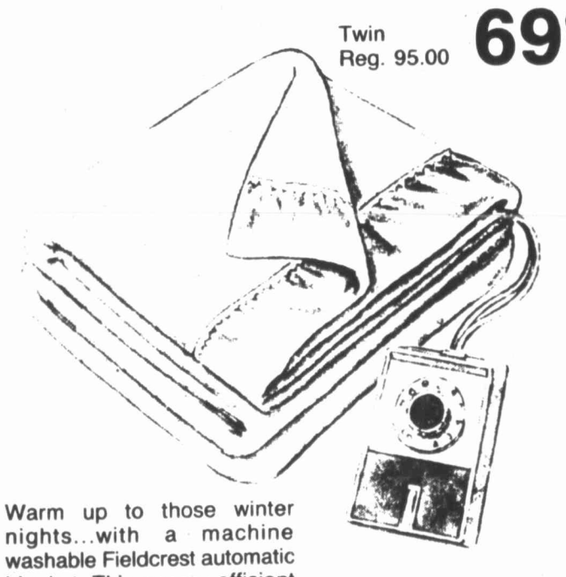


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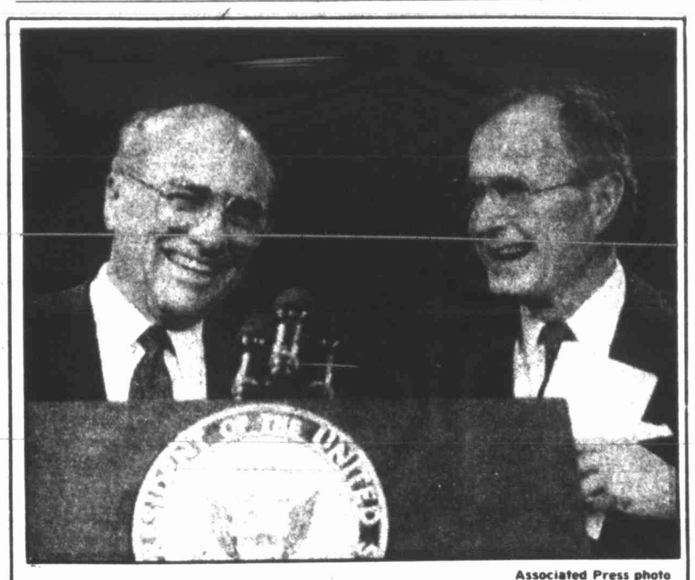
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WASHINGTON — Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter, left, is named by President-elect Bush as his choice to be agriculture secretary.

Bush taps Yeutter for agriculture secretary

WASHINGTON (AP) — President-elect Bush, recruiting again from the Reagan administration, named Clayton Yeutter as secretary of agriculture Wednesday. He also said "it would surprise me" if an FBI check had turned up anything to preclude John Tower from being defense secretary.

Bush said he was confident Tower could do an excellent job "if I decide to go that route." The former Texas senator met with Bush's counsel, C. Boyden Gray, to review material developed by the FBI during an extensive background check, and Bush officials said the investigation was at an end.

While Bush has promised to bring in a new team of players when his administration takes office Jan. 20, Yeutter is the fifth holdover from the Reagan administration, where he served three years in the Cabinet-level post of U.S. trade representative.

Yeutter's selection delighted farm-state lawmakers and others. "Clayton is a pro," said Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont. "His experience and knowledge on trade issues will be a big plus." American Farm Bureau Federation spokesman John Lewis said Yeutter was an outstanding choice who "understands agriculture and its problems."

Bush, in a news conference, also said he expected to name a black to his cabinet. Louis Sullivan, president of Morehouse College School of Medicine in Atlanta, who is black, has been touted as a leading candidate to head the Department of Health and Human Services.

The *Washington Post* reported in Thursday's editions that another black, Julius W. Becton Jr., a retired three-star Army general who now heads the Federal Emergency Management Agency, is the leading candidate to head the Department of Veterans Affairs. The *Post* also quoted sources as saying that Federal Trade Commissioner Patricia Diaz Dennis, who is Hispanic, is a candidate to head the Labor Department.

Bush's freewheeling news conference focused heavily on foreign policy issues. Fielding questions, he appeared relaxed and confident.

He hinted his administration would seek a delay in February's resumption of arms control talks with the Soviet Union. "There is no way that we are going to have by Feb. 15 or 16 a detailed point-by-point program on arms talks," Bush said. "We're not going to have it."

"We are going to start working vigorously and I will send whatever signal it takes" to convey that message, Bush said. "I am interested in progress but I want it to be prudent. I want whatever steps we take to be lasting."

Bush said his advisers still have not completed assessing Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's announcement of a 500,000 cutback in Soviet forces, a reduction of about 10 percent in Red Army troop strength.

On another matter, Bush said there was "some movement forward" toward moderation in Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat's speech this week, but "not enough" to warrant direct dealings with the PLO by the United States.

Bush said he wants "clear, unmistakeable, unambiguous" declarations that the PLO renounces terrorism, recognizes Israel and will work within key United Nations resolutions.

On other issues, Bush:

—Said Vice President-elect Dan Quayle's role would be "very much like the Reagan-Bush relationship." He said Quayle would be a "key player" in national security affairs if he wants to be and that there may be specific assignments in other areas.

Vietnam releases remains of MIAs

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — A U.S. military team flew today to Vietnam to pick up 38 sets of suspected remains of missing Americans in the largest such turnover since the Vietnam War ended, officials said.

During the repatriation ceremony at Hanoi's Noi Bai Airport, the Vietnamese also were to turn over information on 12 other cases of Americans listed as missing in action, or MIA, said Lt. Col. Thomas J. Boyd, a spokesman for the U.S. Pacific Command.

U.S. officials said the remains were not part of a group of 80 remains that U.S. forensics experts have been examining in Hanoi. The United States anticipates that any of those remains appearing likely to belong to missing Americans also will be repatriated soon, they said.

During the airport ceremony, a U.S. military honor guard solemnly loads the remains, each in metal caskets topped with a folded American flag, onto a U.S. Air Force plane for the flight to Guam and then Honolulu. In Honolulu, the Army Central Identification Laboratory analyzes the remains to determine if they belong to any of the 1,474 Americans missing as a result of the war.

Vietnamese officials usually do preliminary analyses, but the army laboratory sometimes finds among the remains those of Vietnamese individuals.

"The U.S. government appreciates the initiative taken by Vietnam to repatriate these remains and hopes to continue the increasing cooperation to resolve this long-standing issue," Lt. Col. Keith Schneider, a Pentagon spokesman, said Wednesday in Washington.

The Pentagon said it had not received any information from Vietnam on precisely where the latest remains to be exchanged had been recovered or the circumstances surrounding their discovery.

Schneider added, however, "We understand the remains as well as the information are related to incidents that occurred (during the war) in the northern provinces."

Most missing Americans in the north were airmen shot down on bombing or reconnaissance missions.

All told, the remains of 172 Americans have been repatriated to the United States from Vietnam and subsequently identified by the Army laboratory since the end of the war.

The previous largest turnover of remains believed to be those of MIAs involved 27 sets handed over April 6. The most recent turnover involved 23 sets repatriated Nov. 3.

Today's repatriation will be the seventh since retired Gen. John W. Vessey, acting as a special U.S. envoy, reached agreement with Vietnam's Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach to end months of deadlock on the MIA issue. In all, 138 sets of remains have been returned since the August 1987 agreement in Hanoi.

The first American combat troops in Vietnam landed in Danang, then in South Vietnam, in March 1965. The Paris Peace Accords in January 1973 halted U.S. fighting in the conflict, which claimed the lives of about 58,000 Americans and ended in the communist victory over the U.S.-backed South Vietnamese government in April 1975.

Bitter political bickering between Hanoi and Washington has often blocked accounting for the U.S. missing since.

Currently, 2,383 Americans are listed as MIA

Soviet refusenik to emigrate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Yuli Kosharovsky, a 47-year-old radio electronics engineer and the longest-standing Jewish "refusenik" in the Soviet Union, has been granted permission to emigrate to Israel, an official of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry said Wednesday.

Kosharovsky, his wife Ina, 42, and their two children plan to leave Moscow in about six weeks, Deborah Strober, spokeswoman for the Jewish group, said after a telephone conversation with Mrs. Kosharovsky.

Kosharovsky had been seeking permission to emigrate since 1971, but without success.

Two weeks ago, in a policy shift, Soviet authorities told Kosharovsky and more than 40 other Jews who wanted to emigrate that their past involvement in work with security implications no longer would prevent their departure.

Shoshana S. Cardin, chairman of the national conference, said "we are very encouraged that after so many years of torment inflicted upon them because they sought to leave for Israel, the Kosharovskys finally will be able to fulfill their Jewish destinies."

The family plans to settle in Israel, said Jerry Strober, a spokesman for the conference.

The vast majority of Soviet Jews who emigrate with exit permits for Israel change their destinations once they reach Vienna or Rome. Most wind up in the United States.

Kosharovsky was considered a leader in the Jewish refusenik movement. He represented Soviet Jews wishing to emigrate in a meeting last spring in Moscow with President Reagan.



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Christmas party

WASHINGTON — As a child aims a camera, first lady Nancy Reagan sits on the floor with the children of Washington's diplomatic corps during a Christmas party given for them at the White House Tuesday.

Economists see end of trade rebound

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government said Wednesday the U.S. trade deficit for October was a slightly narrower $10.35 billion, a report cheered by the Reagan administration but which left private economists glum about prospects for rekindling major gains.

The Commerce Department said that the gap between the amount of merchandise the United States imports and what it sells overseas was 3.1 percent smaller than September's deficit of $10.67 billion.

U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter, named by President-elect Bush on Wednesday to become secretary of agriculture, said the report was "good news on which to close out 1988." The October deficit was the lowest since July's $9.47 billion, which was the smallest since December of 1984.

But financial markets found the figures disappointing, even though they were not unexpected. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 9.24 points.

Analysts said investors were concerned because the new report indicated the trade improvements had stalled with the deficit still at a very high level.

"These trade numbers are disturbing because they confirm a slowing in export growth while imports continue to flood in," said Jerry Jasinowski, chief economist of the National Association of Manufacturers.

The improvement this year has come from a 28 percent surge in export sales as American manufacturers have benefited from declines in the value of the dollar which made their products competitive once again on overseas markets.

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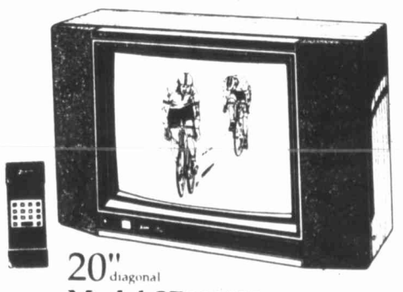
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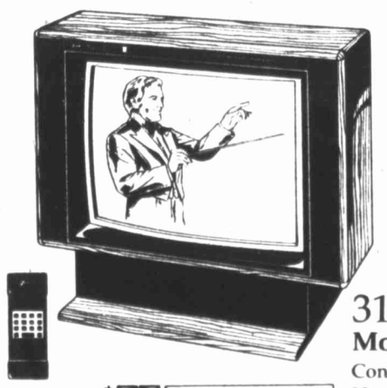
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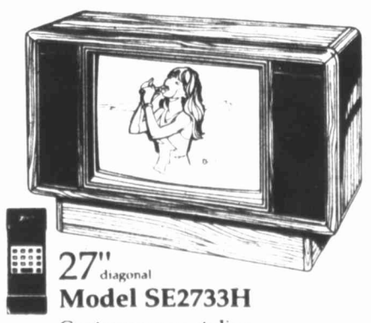
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LOS ANGELES — When Marlo Thomas accompanied her husband, Phil Donahue, to Moscow last year, she had more in mind than sightseeing in Red Square.

The trip gave her the idea for what will be the first Soviet-American co-production of an entertainment show, her special "Free to Be . . . A Family," airing Wednesday on ABC.

"It's an entertainment exchange between kids and superstar performers from this country and the Soviet Union," Thomas said. "We present our favorite performers and they present theirs. It's a fun show of comedy and song, but the show also challenges destructive stereotypes about families.

"Our goal is to show children that every family, no matter who's in it or where they live, is a real family as long as its members nurture and love each other.

"We also talk about the global family. It's no longer 'we' and 'they,' we have to start thinking of 'us.' Steve Martin talks about feeding the entire world with one turkey and how big it was would have to be. Carly Simon sings the song that became our theme, 'Turn of the Tide.' It says we are the turn of the tide and we have to speak up."

The one-hour special is a sequel to "Free to Be . . . You and Me," which won Peabody and Emmy awards in 1984.

Thomas made arrangements for the special while her husband was taping a week's worth of his syndicated talk show "Donahue" in the Soviet Union.

"Free to Be . . . A Family" was put together later by means of a satellite hookup between the Hard Rock Cafe in New York and Gosteleradio Studios in Moscow.

Thomas is host of the special in New York and Tatiana Vedeneyeva is host in Moscow. Among the American performers are the rock group Bon Jovi, actress Whoopi Goldberg, comic magicians Penn and Teller, singer-songwriter Carly Simon, comedians Lily Tomlin and Robin Williams, and Muppets Kermit the Frog and Miss Piggy.



Associated Press photo

Host Marlo Thomas, left, and guest Whoopie Goldberg take part in the filming of ABC's "Free To Be . . . A Family," an "entertainment exchange between kids and superstar performers from this country and the Soviet Union," Thomas said.

"We started work on the special last September," said Thomas. "It was very complicated to put together. This is the first jointly produced American-Soviet entertainment program. . . . We have 40 Soviet kids and 40 American kids, and we sing over the 'space bridge' satellite. The kids were selected a year ago and got to know each other by exchanging letters and photos."

A "Free to Be . . . A Family" book was published in 1987, and half a million copies have been sold. An album featuring many of the stars on the special was issued last month.

"Soviet rock star Vladimir Prezhnikof is on the show. I was surprised to learn the Russians dance to the same dance steps we do and know more about us than we know about them. They know all of our rock stars and see our movies."

Thomas said the first project, "Free to Be . . . You and Me" was an attempt to rewrite children's literature to eliminate sexual and ethnic stereotypes.

"There were too many stories about Prince Charming coming along and carrying the girl off," she said. "I wanted to liberate the definition of boy and girl the way we had liberated the definition of men and women. The new book liberates the definition of the family and expands its meaning."

With the special completed, Thomas is now on to other things. She's just completed a comedy-mystery called "In the Spirit." It co-stars Elaine May, Peter Falk and Olympia Dukakis.

"Elaine plays a Hollywood wife, and I'm a New Age health food store owner who thinks all the world's problems would be solved if people would just stop eating meat," she said. "We're being chased by someone who thinks we know about a murder."

Next, she will star in a feature film for 20th Century Fox called "A Point of Light." It's a story of a rural family and probably will be filmed in Vermont.

She will also co-star with her father, Danny Thomas, in a CBS drama called "Deception." She said, "We play father and daughter," he said. "We look alike so what else could we play?"

Elsewhere on television:

NEXT EMMYS — The Academy of Television Arts & Sciences will present "The 41st Annual Primetime Emmy Awards" on Sunday, Sept. 17 from the Pasadena Civic Auditorium and will be televised by Fox Broadcasting Co. The nominations will be announced Thursday, Aug. 3. ...

WHOOPI AFTER SCHOOL — Whoopi Goldberg will star in a "CBS Schoolbreak Special" about two youngsters who dream they return to 1961 and get caught up in the civil rights movement. Goldberg plays charismatic Aunt Mariah Johnston, whose visit prompts the dream. The kids get to see her in 1961 as leader of a non-violent sit-in. The special is currently in production for airing sometime in the future.

Hendrickson to Area Band tryouts

Heather Hendrickson, a junior clarinetist with the Big Spring High School Steer Band, has qualified for Area Band tryouts to be held Jan. 7 in Lubbock at Texas Tech University.

Hendrickson, the daughter of Fred and Wanda Hendrickson, competed against more than 25 other clarinetists, in classifications 1A through 5A, from Permian Basin high schools to win one of 11 area competition openings.

She will compete with 54 other students from Area A, ranging from the Panhandle to San Angelo, and from El Paso to Wichita Falls. Students are required to perform three selections that examine technique, musicality, range and tone quality. The top 11 from the Area Tryouts will be selected for the Texas All-State Band.

Hendrickson is first chair clarinetist with the Steer Band, and has been a member of the All-Region Band for three years. She has also been a Texas State Solo and Ensemble participant and is the only member of the Steer Band to qualify for the Area Tryouts in the past two years.

First seven mural lithographs sold

HERALD STAFF REPORT

The first seven of the numbered, limited edition lithographs of the mural at the corner of Gregg and Third streets were sold Friday, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce reported.

Bidding on the lithographs numbered 1-10 opened Dec. 8 at the chamber's community luncheon and closed Friday at 1 p.m.

Coy McAnn, a Big Spring artist, painted the mural on the wall of Big Spring Carpet.

The first seven of the framed lithographs were sold to the following individuals or businesses: numbers one and two — Strickland and Knight; number three — Lanny Hamby; number four — Wayne Henry; number five — Jim DePauw; number six — Clyde McMahon Jr.; and number seven — Ralph McLaughlin.

Lithographs numbered 8-10, which were not orginally framed, will be framed and offered for sale at an auction during the chamber's annual banquet Feb. 4.

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At the movies

The following movies will be showing at local theatres this weekend:

"Oliver and Company," rated G; "Tequila Sunrise," rated R; "Twins," rated PG, and "Naked Gun," rated PG-13, will be playing at Movies 4.

● "Oliver and Company," a Disney production, tells the story of Oliver, an orphaned cat in the street of New York City, is saved by Dodger, a hip mutt with "street savoir faire." Based on Charles Dicken's novel "Oliver Twist," this animated musical features many well-known voices, including Bette Midler, Billy Joel and Dom DeLuise.

● "Tequila Sunrise," starring Michelle Pfeiffer, Mel Gibson and Kurt Russell, features a love triangle between two former high school friends. The plot is further complicated by their professions — one is a cop (Russell) and the other is a drug dealer (Gibson) desperate to get out.

● "The Naked Gun" is a production from the creators of "Airplane" and "Ruthless People." The movie, inspired by the short-lived TV series "Police Squad," tells the story of a visit to Southern Califonia by the Queen of England and a Los Angeles businessman (Ricardo Montalbon) who is hired to assassinate her.

● "Twins," stars Arnold Schwartzenegger and Danny DeVito who play less than amicable siblings. Years earlier, the twins were part of a backfired experimental genetic operation — one brother got the looks, strength and intelligence; the other, fed up with second place, decides to rid himself of the fraternal comparison.

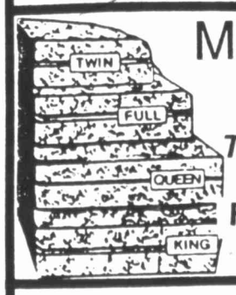
"Scrooged," rated R, and "Land Before Time," rated G, will be showing at the Ritz.

● "Scrooged," starring Bill Murray and Karen Allen, tells the story of Francis Xavier Cross, a ruthless TV executive whose idea of Christmas week is showing films like "The Santa Slayer." When Cross plans a cynical remake of Dicken's "A Christmas Carol," with Buddy Hacket playing Scrooge and gymnist Mary Lou Retton as Tiny Tim, he is confronted by his own past in a series of outrageous adventures.

● "Land Before Time," from executive producers George Lucas and Stephen Speilerg, is an animated film set in pre-historic times. It tells the story of four young dinosaurs.

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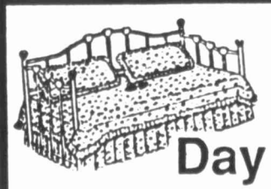


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Straight talk for teens-agers is high on Grandma's gift list



DEAR ABBY: I am a grandmother, widowed and living on a fixed income, so you know I don't have a lot of money to spend on Christmas gifts. I have nine grandchildren — five girls and four boys, ranging in age from 11 to 18. Last year, just before Christmas, I saw an ad for your teen booklet. It said, "Every teen-ager should know the truth about sex and drugs and how to be happy." Thinking it might make a nice Christmas gift for my grandchildren, I sent for one, and all I can say is I'm sorry your booklet wasn't around when I was a teen-ager. First, I showed it to my sons and daughters, and they approved, so I sent for eight more booklets and gave them to my grandchildren for Christmas.

Abby, they all said it was the best gift I could have given them! Parents still have a hard time talking to their children about sex, and they're usually too late with the information when they finally get around to it, so you would be doing your readers a favor to tell them about "What Every Teen Should Know," and how to get it. — **GRATEFUL GRANDMA IN ENID, OKLA.**

DEAR GRANDMA: What every teen should know is obviously a universal problem because I have had requests for my teen booklet from Canada, Korea, Brazil, Egypt and even Japan!

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DEAR ABBY: I am writing this with the hope that parents of small children will see it and be careful of what they give their little ones to eat.

My 3-year-old nephew, Chad, was eating a large marshmallow. Nobody paid much attention to him until he suddenly started turning blue! The marshmallow had become lodged in his throat and formed a glue-like seal in his throat!

The poor child could not breathe. They applied the Heimlich maneuver, but could not dislodge the marshmallow. Chad was then rushed to the hospital and was actually pronounced "dead," but they revived him by using a heavy suction pump to remove the marshmallow from the base of his trachea.

Chad is now severely brain-damaged. Abby, please print this. Until this happened, no one in our family ever dreamed that such a tragedy could occur because of a marshmallow. — **CHAD'S AUNT**

DEAR AUNT: Thank you for warning others. Who would ever dream that the innocent marshmallow could harm (or kill) a child? The information I glean from writing this column boggles the mind.

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Lifestyle

Area briefs

Council hosts Christmas party

Howard County Extension Homemakers Council hosted its annual Christmas party in the youth hall at First United Methodist Church.

According to a club report, 16 members were present, and all clubs were represented.

Jowili Etchison spoke on the "Legend of the Robin."

Members conducted a white elephant gift exchange.

Club hosts Christmas luncheon

The 1955 Hyperion Club Christmas luncheon was hosted recently at the home of Mrs. Carl Small, 1800 Brent.

Twenty members answered roll call. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. James Killion. James is minister of music at Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Mrs. W.A. Moore Jr. introduced Mrs. Tommy Dodson, Mrs. Rocky Harrell, private instructor of wind instruments; and Mrs. Rick Lee, choir director at Goliad Junior High School.

Mrs. Killion played the clavinova, an instrument which can produce musical sounds of bells, harps, pipe organs, pianos and hardsichords.

Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Harrell played a Mozart composition on the flute.

Silver Bells was sang by Mrs. Dodson, Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Killion.

James sang "The Virgin Mary Had a Baby," and "Oh Holy Night." The Killions sang "We Were the Reason."

Mrs. John Ritenour read the Collect.

Minutes of the Nov. 1 meeting were read by Mrs. Robert F. Penner, secretary. They were approved as read.

The treasurer's report was made.

Several members volunteered to donate sandwiches to the Big Spring State Hospital.

Members exchanged Christmas tree ornaments.

Mrs. James Cowan and Mrs. Jimmy Morehead served as cohostesses.

The next meeting will be Jan. 3 at the home of Mrs. Walter Wheat, 901 Mountain Park.

RSVP schedules orientation

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program will conduct its quarterly orientation Friday at 10 a.m. for recently enrolled volunteers, and others who have not had an opportunity to attend.

The meeting will be in the conference room of the Senior Citizen Center, Building 487, Industrial Park.

The RSVP film, titled, "What You Do Speaks So Loud," will be shown and refreshments will be served.

For more information, please call Joy Decker at 267-2589.

Chappell directs program

Women of First Church of God met Dec. 5 in the parsonage, with Glenda Hendrickson hosting the Christmas program.

Virginia Chappell directed the program titled "Guests in the Inn," written by Hollis Pistole, retired seminary professor.

The dramatic presentation depicted a pageantry surrounding Christ's birth.

Members discussed how some who were close to the event could have missed the signs of God's presence.

The group discussed Christmas memories of refelections and family sharing.

The next meeting will be Jan. 2. The winter program on "Health and Wholeness" will be projected.

Turner joins VA medical staff

Richard H. Turner, D.O., has been appointed as staff physician in medical service at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, according to Conrad Alexander, medical center director.

Turner comes to this assignment well prepared academically and profesionally, Alexander said.

He graduated Cum Laude from Northeast Missouri State University, Kirksville, Mo., in 1952, and received his medical degree as doctor of osteopathy from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in June 1952.

Turner performed both as a rotating intern and as a resident in internal medicine at Detroit Osteopathic Hospial, Detroit, Mich., later serving as assistant medical director.

From 1958 to 1962, he worked with acute care patients at Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine while serving as assistant professor of medicine.

As a self-employed physician, he served as chief of staff and member of the board of trustees at Epp Memorial Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio.

While at Epp Memorial, his area of interest was general internal medicine with emphasis in cardiology.

From May 1970 until November 1983, Turner served as president of Eastmoreland Internal Medicine Associates, Portland, Ore., serving the hospital as a consultant in internal medicine with special interst in non-invasive cardiology.

He organized and implemented the coronary care unit for the hospital and was actively involved in the development and overall supervision of the Community Health Care Services.

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Boxer suffers his first pro defeat

By STEVE BELVIN
Sports Editor

Former Big Spring boxer **Juan Baldwin** has had a hectic two months in his professional career.

Last month Juan, a 126-pound featherweight, lost his first bout, but it was a very controversial decision. Baldwin lost a four-round split decision to Les Fabri of Las Vegas, Nev., at the the Showboat in Las Vegas.



Thursday notes

Mel Greb, the promoter of the fight, definitley didn't like the decision. "The decision was not a popular one with the crowd of 1,500," said Greb. "The decision was heavily booed. It's a sin. I think it's an injustice that it was taken away from Juan."

How bad was the decision?

It was so bad that George Michael, host of Sports Machine on NBC, called it the "Rob of the Week" on his Sunday show. It was very dishearting to Juan. "It was a shock to me," said Baldwin. "I took it bad. I knew I whipped him for four rounds. Even the commentators said he (Fabri) needed a knockout to beat me. I felt like I let eveybody down."

Baldwin's manager, Marc May of Odessa, said that a rematch may be held, and hopefully it will take place in Big Spring or Odessa, where Baldwin currently lives. May said their first perference was Big Spring though.

Baldwin rebounded from the loss by knocking out Roman Delgarza of Mexico last Friday in Las Vegas. This runs Baldwin's record to 5-1, all wins were knockouts.

May said no concrete plans have been made for Baldwin's next bout. "There is nothing definite," said May. "The boxing world kind of comes to a halt between now and Christmas. The next fight may be in Fort Worth sometime in January."

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The YMCA is conducting **Youth basketball registration** through Dec. 18.

There will be two leagues for boys and girls — Instructional League, for ages 6-8; and Junior League, for ages 9-12. The goal for Instructional League is 8'6" tall while the Junior League will shoot at regulation-sized 10-foot goals.

Entry fee is $22.50 for Y members and $27.50 for non-members. For more information call 267-8234.

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The recent **Western Junior College Athletic Conference stats** are out, and the **Howard College Hawk-Queens** rank sixth in the conference in team offense, scoring 67 points per game. The Queens rank fifth in team defense, allowing 65 points per game.

Frank Phillips is the leader in team offense, scoring 86 points per game. South Plains leads in defense, allowing 53 points per contest.

Individually, Howard's Shannon Lawson ranks sixth in blocked shots (1.0); fourth in scoring (17.2); fourth in rebounding (10.3); eighth in steals (3.3); fifth in field goal percentage (59 percent) and eighth in foul shooting (70 percent).

Former Big Spring Lady Steer Teresa Pruitt, a sophomore forward at South Plains, is the league's second leading scorer, averaging 19.7 points per game.

HC guard Candice Boyd is seventh in foul shooting (71 percent).

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The **District 4-4A boys basketball stats** are in and Big Spring senior guard Abner Shellman is the third leading scorer in district, averaging 23.0 points per game. Senior guard Doug Young is sixth, averaging 14. 2 points per game.

Armando Trevino is the district's leading scorer, averaging 30.4 points per contest. He is followed by Gym Bice of Andrews at 28.8.

Shellman is sixth in field goal percentage at 48.1. The most accurate shooter is David Pipes of Andrews at 69.4 percent.

Shellman is also ranked fifth in rebounding, averaging eight boards per game. Thane Russey is seventh, at seven rebounds per contest. The leader is Sweetwater's Louis Rose, averaging 10.5 rebounds per game.

Young ranks fifth in the league in assists (3.4). He is followed by Shellman (3.3).

Joe Downey is fifth in free throw percentage, shooting 71.8 from the line. Mike Williams is second in three-point field goal percentage at 37.5. The leader is Bice of Andrews (37.8).

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Local golfer **Bill McClendon** made a hole-in-one Dec. 2 at the Big Spring Country Club.

McClendon aced the 13th hole, 165 yard using a three-iron.

Witnesses were Sam Thurman, Harold Davis, H. Schwarzenbach and Bob Rogers.

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Here's one for the **Steve Belvin I Blew it Department.**

In Monday's paper we listed the 8-A All-District football team. We had Eric Sidenberger making the honorable mention team as center and linebacker. Actually Eric, a freshman was HM linebacker and brother John, a junior, made HM center.

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The **Coahoma Bulldogs'** basketball game Friday with Lubbock Cooper has time changes.

Originally the junior varsity game was to start at 6:30 p.m., followed by the varsity game at 8. Now the times have been changed to 4 and 6:30 p.m.

The games will be played at the high school gym.

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The **Coahoma Youth Basketball League** got underway Saturday and here are the first week results: Blue Jays 10, Falcons 8; Mavericks 25, Celtics 17; Owls 12, Hawks 10; Spurs 27, Rockets 14; Queens 10, Blue Jays 7; Celtics 22, Warriors 7; Owls 20, Falcons 9.

The winners of the Hustle and Sportsmanship Awards were Jamison Ward and Denese Austin.

Pro Bowl

Vikings, Bengals head NFL selections

NEW YORK (AP) — Winning gets teams to the NFL playoffs and players into the Pro Bowl, according to the voting patterns displayed by the league's players and coaches.

The Minnesota Vikings, 10-5, and Cincinnati Bengals, 11-4, led the NFC and AFC, respectively, in players named to the squad for the Jan. 29 all-star game at Honolulu. The Vikings had nine players picked, including six as starters, while Cincinnati had seven representatives, including five starters.

Vikings named as starters on offense were wide receiver Anthony Carter and tackle Gary Zimmerman, while end Chris Doleman, tackle Keith Millard and backs Carl Lee and Joey Browner will open for the NFC defense.

On the AFC side, Cincinnati will provide wide receiver Eddie Brown, tackle Anthony Munoz, guard Max Montoya and quarterback Boomer Esiason on offense, and tackle Tim Krumrie on defense.

Others NFC starters on offense are wide receiver Jerry Rice of San Francisco, tackle Jackie Slater of the Los Angeles Rams, guards Tom Newberry of the Rams and Bill Fralic of Atlanta, center Jay Hilgenberg of Chicago, tight end Keith Jackson of Philadelphia, quarterback Randall Cunningham of Philadelphia, and running backs Roger Craig of San Francisco and Herschel Walker of Dallas. The kicker is Morten Andersen of New Orleans.

The NFC defense also includes end Reggie White of Philadelphia, linebackers Lawrence Taylor of the New York Giants, Mike Cofer of Detroit, Mike Singletary of Chicago and Sam Mills of New Orleans, and backs Jerry Gray of the Rams and Ronnie Lott of San Francisco. The punter is Jim Arnold of Detroit.

John Taylor of San Francisco is the NFC's return specialist and Ron Wolfley of Phoenix is the special teams selection.

The AFC starters on offense also include wide receiver Al Toon of the New York Jets, tackle Chris Hinton of Indianapolis, guard Bruce Matthews of Houston, center Ray Donaldson of Indianapolis, tight end Mickey Shuler of the Jets, and running backs Eric Dickerson of Indianapolis and John Stephens of New England. The kicker is Buffalo's Scott Norwood.

The AFC defense features ends Bruce Smith of Buffalo and Lee Williams of San Diego, linebackers Cornelius Bennett and Shane Conlan of Buffalo, Andre Tippett of New England, and John Offerdahl of Miami, and backs Albert Lewis and Deron Cherry of Kansas City and Frank Minnifield of Cleveland. The other starter at safety will be selected after the end of the regular season on Sunday.

Mike Horan of Denver is the AFC punter, Tim Brown of the Los Angeles Raiders is the return specialist and Rufus Porter of Seattle is the special teams selection.

Yea! Hoyas beat Div. I school

By The Associated Press

Now that Georgetown has gone and played a real Division I team, the rest of college basketball has lost a little glimmer of hope.

Drats, they're saying today, the Hoyas are just as good as everybody feared they would be.

After beating up on Hawaii-Loa, Hawaii Pacific, St. Leo and Shenendoah, Georgetown had its coming-out party Wednesday night against Oral Roberts. The competition was stiffer — in fact, Georgetown led by only two points at one juncture in the second half — but the margin ended up being comfortable.

"From here on in, a lot of the games will be tight, so it's good to have a close game at this point in the season," Coach John Thompson said after the Hoyas, 5-0, dispatched the Titans 91-75.

In other games involving Top Twenty teams, No. 3 Syracuse ran away from outmanned U.S. International 135-93, No. 4 Iowa buried Central Florida 102-68, No. 12 Florida State shaded pesky South Alabama 87-82 and No. 14 Ohio State battered Nebraska 103-76.

Georgetown played in spurts against Oral Roberts, roaring to a 23-7 lead in the opening minutes and leading 45-31 at the half.

Oral Roberts came back to trail only 65-63, but Georgetown quickly ended any thoughts of upset.

"We weren't concerned," guard Mark Tillmon said. "We've been down before, but we didn't get worried. We just played defense."

Georgetown went on a 10-1 run to lead 75-64 and Oral Roberts was finished.

Charles Smith and Jaren Jackson scored 23 points apiece for Georgetown, while Greg Sutton scored 23 for the Titans, 2-7 after a sixth straight defeat.

"Their aggressiveness bothered us," Oral Roberts coach Ken Trickey said. "Their press was effective, too much for us."

"We need to improve every game," Thompson said. "We've played well so far, but we know any team we play can beat us if we don't play our best."

No. 3 Syracuse 135, U.S. International 93

Matt Roe, who scored 24 points, tied his school record by hitting six 3-pointers, all in the first half. His shooting destroyed the zone defense that U.S. International used because of it couldn't match up in a man-to-man defense.

Syracuse, shooting 70 percent, led 70-48 at the half, the most points ever for the Orangemen in the first 20 minutes of a game. The school record for points in a half is 75, set in the second half of a 1979 game against Siena. It was in that game that Syracuse set a school record by scoring 144 points.

"We just had too many horses for them," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said following his team's ninth straight win without a loss. Paul Wilson scored 30 points — 18 on 3-pointers — for U.S. International, 3-6.

No. 4 Iowa 102, C. Florida 68

B.J. Armstrong scored 24 points and Roy Marble 20 for Iowa, which strolled to its eighth win in as many games after leading 61-28 at the half.

Iowa scored repeatedly on inside shots, getting several breakaway baskets off steals. Ed Horton was the beneficiary, particularly in the first half, when he scored 16 of his 17 points and hit all seven of his shots from the floor.

The Knights, 0-4, were led by Ken Leeks' 22 points.

No. 12 Florida St. 87, S. Alabama 82

George McCloud scored 30 points and Tony Dawson 25 for Florida State, 5-0, which saw a 13-point first-half lead wiped out by persistent South Alabama. Junie Lewis, who scored 20 points, hit a 3-pointer to give South Alabama a 73-71 lead with 4:48 to go and a Neal Smith layup made it 75-71.

Florida State battled back to the lead at 77-76 on Derrick Mitchell's baseline drive and layup with 2:53 to play.

"Our kids think now that every time we get a big lead early, it will just get bigger," Florida State coach Pat Kennedy said. "We lacked mental intensity tonight. South Alabama is an experienced road team and they gave us a good game."

Jeff Hodge, Lewis' running mate at guard, had 21 points for the Jaguars, 3-3.

No. 14 Ohio State 103, Nebraska 76

Tony White, a 6-foot-7 senior forward, surpassed 20 points for the first time in his career in pacing Ohio State to its fifth straight victory after a season-opening loss. White scored 21, Jay Burson added 20 and Jerry Francis 18 for the Buckeyes.

Ohio State led 8-0 in the opening minutes, but Nebraska was within 40-34 when the roof of St. John Arena figuratively fell in. Burson scored six points in a 12-1 run for a 52-35 halftime lead and the Cornhuskers, 4-3, were finished.



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SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Syracuse forward Derrick Coleman seizes this rebound under the US International basket in first period play Wednesday night. Syracuse's Stephen Thompson is lower left, and US International players Matt Judd and Mike Sterner is at right. Syracuse won the game 135-93.

Cowboys' fullback says he'll retire

IRVING (AP) — Dallas Cowboys fullback Timmy Newsome, hobbled by injuries that forced him to miss the last six games, says he will probably retire at the end of the season.

Newsome had missed the last six games because of a strained calf muscle and aggravated it in Wednesday's practice, prompting him to tell the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that he likely won't be back next season.

He will remain on the sidelines for the final game Sunday against the Philadelphia Eagles.

But Newsome said his decision to retire is not based on the injury. He simply said it's time to leave and made it clear that he doesn't anticipate returning for a 10th season.

"I just think at this point, it's time for me to go on and do other things," Newsome told the Fort Worth newspaper. "Football has been good to me. I've had a good time playing the game.

"But like anything else, it has to come to an end."

Newsome said he hasn't told coach Tom Landry or anybody else about his plans. Some players said Newsome has talked about retiring from time to time, but none of them took him seriously.

Landry said he hasn't had a chance to talk to Newsome. But he said he hoped Newsome would reconsider before making a final decision.

"Timmy has been a good football player for us through the years," Landry said. "I would love to have him back. He's the type of guy you like to have on your football team because he's going to help you try to win."

Newsome, a sixth-round pick out of Winston-Salem State in 1980, played sparingly at both backfield positions until earning the starting fullback job with four games remaining in the 1984 season.

Blocking was his strength and he had been asked to clear the way for Tony Dorsett and Herschel Walker. His other contribution to the Dallas offense is as a receiver. Newsome is ninth on the team's all-time reception list with 212.

Newsome started the first nine games this season and caught 30 passes for 236 yards. He carried the ball 32 times for 75 yards and three touchdowns.

Asked why he would chose to retire at 31 with one year remaining on a contract that would pay him $341,000 in 1989, Newsome said, "Why not now?"



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Dallas Cowboys fullback Timmy Newsome (left) congratulates kicker Roger Ruzek after Ruzek made a field goal in a game earlier this season. Newsome says he'll retire after this season with one year remaining on his contract.

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Blue collar Bucks win; Heat snap losing streak

By The Associated Press

Milwaukee coach Del Harris wanted a happy ending, so he changed the script from a high-speed chase to more of an Archie Bunker blue-collar-type story.

"The way they started the game off was really their tempo," Harris said of the fast-breaking Detroit Pistons. "I took two timeouts early because I didn't want to see the end of that story."

It worked, and the Bucks defeated the Pistons 119-110.

"We earned this one the old-fashioned way," Terry Cummings said. "We went out and worked for it."

Cummings was a key actor for Milwaukee, scoring seven of his 19 points in the final 4:04.

"After the first six minutes, I thought our players did a tremendous job of maintaining a livable tempo," Harris said.

Bill Laimbeer gave Detroit its last lead, 98-97 with 6:45 remaining. But Jay Humphries, who led the Bucks with 21 points, put Milwaukee in front to stay, Jack Sikma sank two free throws and Cummings converted a three-point play.

In other games Wednesday, the Miami Heat ended its record 17-game losing streak by edging the Los Angeles Clippers 89-88, Atlanta defeated Philadelphia 103-96, Charlotte beat Indiana 115-106, Boston downed Utah 112-104 and New Jersey defeated the Los Angeles Lakers 118-113 in overtime.

Detroit committed 13 turnovers in the first half, resulting in 18 Milwaukee points.

"If you don't capitalize on a team like Detroit's mistakes, you might as well pack it in and go home because they're going to take over eventually," Cummings said.

The Pistons shot 80 percent in the first quarter, hitting their first seven shots and 16 of 20 for the period. But Detroit led only 37-32 going into the second perod.

Heat 89, Clippers 88

Miami finally ended its 5½ weeks of futility and frustration after los-

NBA

ing its first 17 games, the longest in league history from the start of the season.

"I'm just thrilled to finally get a win we deserved," Heat coach Ron Rothstein said. "I'm just sorry the first win didn't come for the fans in Miami."

Pat Cummings scored 15 points and Jon Sundvold 14, the bulk of them in the second half as the Heat built a 12-point lead, then held off the Clippers in the final two minutes. Grant Long and Billy Thompson also scored 15 points for the Heat, whose losing streak began at the hands of the Clippers on Nov. 5.

Nets 118, Lakers 113

Rookie Chris Morris hit a 3-point shot with three seconds to go to send the game into overtime and New Jersey's defense led the Nets past the Lakers, who twice turned the ball over in the overtime on 24-second violations.

The Nets were led by Roy Hinson's 31 points and Buck Williams' 22 points and 13 rebounds. Magic Johnson had 35 points and James Worthy 26 for the Lakers. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, making his final regular-season visit to the Brendan Byrne Arena, scored only five points in 28 minutes.

Celtics 112, Jazz 104

Danny Ainge scored 22 points and Robert Parish added 21 while grabbing 15 rebounds to lead Boston over Utah. It was only Boston's second win in its last six games, but the Celtics' 18th consecutive Boston Garden victory over the Jazz since the Jazz joined the NBA in 1974.

Hawks 103, 76ers 96

Dominique Wilkins scored 30 points as Atlanta snapped a two-game homecourt losing streak by defeating Philadelphia. The Hawks snapped a 73-all tie on a Reggie Theus basket with 2:56 left in the third quarter and led the rest of the way.

Hornets 115, Pacers 106

Kelly Tripucka scored 28 of his 40 points in the second half to lead Charlotte over Indiana. Reggie Miller's baseline layup with 4:37 left gave Indiana a 99-98 edge before the Hornets scored eight straight points, capped by Tripucka's jumper that gave Charlotte a 106-99 lead.

Georgia coach resigns

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Now that the speculation has ended and Vince Dooley has resigned as coach of the Georgia Bulldogs after 25 mostly glorious years, the school turns its attention to the hunt for a new coach.

Dooley announced Wednesday he would quit as football coach following the No. 19 Bulldogs' Jan. 1 date with Michigan State in the Gator Bowl.

School President Charles Knapp told hundreds of spectators, including the media and Bulldogs followers that Dooley would stay on as athletic director temporarily.

Dooley said he would probably stay until a new coach is hired and possbily until Feb. 8, the first official signing date for high school recruits.

Knapp said he had appointed an eight-member search committee to screen candidates and would meet with the committee in his office today.

He said the school would have a separate head football coach and athletic director. Dooley had held both positions since 1979.

"As soon as a new football coach is chosen, I will move expeditiously to appoint a search committee to recommend a new athletic director to me," Knapp said.

As for hiring a new coach quickly to help in the recruiting process, he said:

"We all feel a sense of urgency because of the onset of the recruiting season, but it is more important that we make the right choice. I would like to make it as soon as possible."

Among those rumored as possible successors to Dooley are Dick Sheridan, head coach at North Carolina State; Erk Russell, whose Division 1-AA Georgia Southern Eagles seek their third national title in four years on Saturday, Denver Broncos coach Dan Reeves and Georgia assistant head coach George Haffner.

"It has all moved pretty fast in the last 24 hours," Knapp said. "I'm not aware that we have contacted any individual."

Russell, an assistant under Dooley for 17 years before going to Georgia Southern, said he also had not been contaced. He said he did not know what decision he would make if the job were offered.

Haffner, however, said he was "very interested."

"I've conveyed my feelings to Coach Dooley and he told me to tell the selection committee," he said. "In 1985, he told me I would have been the man he would have suggested then (when Dooley had fleeting thoughts on running for the U.S. Senate). I was interested then and I'm definitely interested now."

"As you can imagine this is the most difficult and painful decision I and my family have ever made," Dooley said in his resignation letter, which he read at the news conference. His wife, Barbara, sitting next to him, tried to fight back tears but failed.

Dooley said recruiting was the main reason he announced his resignation at this time.

As for his future, he said there were several possibilities, including politics.

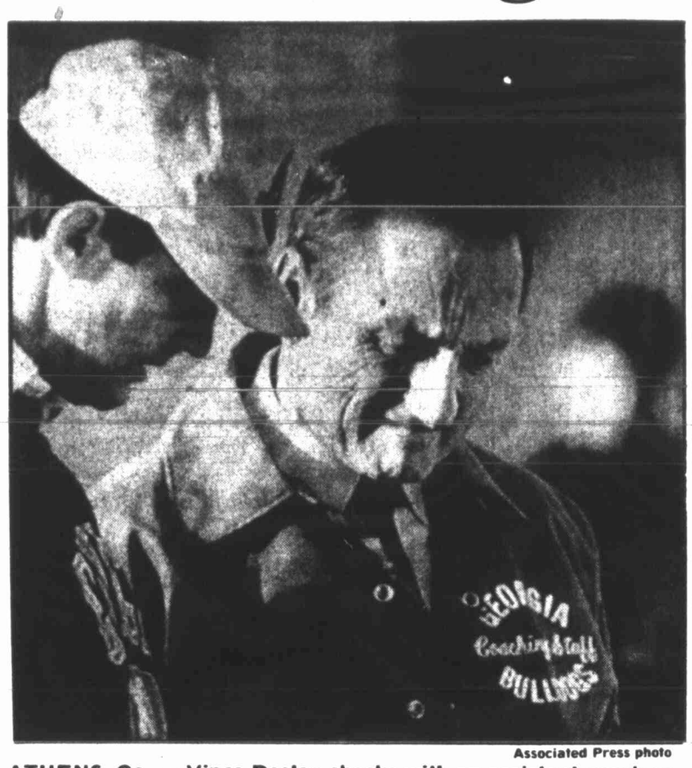
Dooley's name has been mentioned as a possible gubernatorial candidate in 1990.

"It's obvious I'm not a politician," the 56-year-old Dooley said. "However, I do have a strong interest in government and history. Before I would consider it (a run for governor), I would go around the state, talk to people, more importantly, listen to them and find out what the issues are.

"Then I'll see if it's a possibility for me," he said.

Dooley indicated a decision would come after February.

"I think I have a deadline here in early February (to leave as athletic director). Then I'll think of the future and should make a decision within a reasonably short time," he said.



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ATHENS, Ga. — Vince Dooley checks with an assistant coach on the practice field as his Bulldogs work out for their Gator Bowl date with Michigan State.

Longhorns break century mark again

By The Associated Press

The Texas Longhorns took their scoring machine to California and scored more than 100 points for the fourth time this season and boosted their winning streak to six games.

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Alvin Heggs scored 31 points and teammate Travis Mays added 26 Wednesday night to lead the Longhorns to a 117-86 victory over Long Beach State.

In the other game involving a Southwest Conference team, Roger Fernandes and Craig Upchurch scored 17 points each to lead the Houston Cougars to a 73-58 victory over Toledo to give the SWC a 2-0 mark for the night.

Lance Blanks had 20 points and Joey Wright added 17 for the high-scoring Longhorns, now 7-1.

It was the third highest point total ever for Texas.

Long Beach State, 2-6, was led by Brian Jones with 25 points, 19 in the second half.

Texas, which made 56.9 percent of its field goals compared to 44.9 percent for Long Beach State, built a 48-28 halftime lead and was never seriously threatened afterward.

The Cougars shot 63 percent during the game and boosted their record to 4-2. Toledo also stands at 4-2.

The 17 points was a career high for Fernandes. Fred King paced Toledo with 16 points, including four three-point shots.

Toledo's Chad Keller scored seven of his nine points as Houston fell behind 15-12 early in the game, but a 23-12 surge gave the Cougars a 35-27 halftime lead.

Washington St. proves it costs to go bowling

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — Washington State University officials should be ready to explain Aloha Bowl travel expenses when they request $900,000 for the athletic department funding next year, legislators say.

"I think it is just great that WSU is going to the Aloha Bowl, but they have to be careful they don't get carried away in the celebration," said Sen. Dan McDonald, R-Bellevue, chairman of the Senate Ways and Means Committee. "I guess all I can say is ... they had better have their facts and figures lined up."

Washington State will play Houston in the Christmas Day bowl game in Honolulu.

Athletic director Jim Livengood dismissed the issue Tuesday as "making mountains out of molehiills," adding that he had no problem justifying the cost of taking 258 people to Honolulu.

"Look, we are making the trip on $100,000 less than UCLA made it on last year," Livengood said. "There is no way we could make money on the Aloha Bowl on our budget, because of the fixed costs involved."

In only their fourth bowl game in the school's 93-year history, the 18th-ranked Cougars, 8-3, face No. 14 Houston, 9-2, in the Aloha Bowl on Christmas Day.

The university is picking up the tab for 102 players; 37 coaches, trainers, athletic department officials and family members; 13 cheerleaders; most top school administrators and their spouses; the faculty senate chairman and officials of two student associations.

Livengood said it would cost little to bring the administrators because the space was available on the 350-seat chartered plane. Washington State is taking fewer people than most other schools that have appeared in the Aloha Bowl, he added.

"I just got back from four days of Pac-10 meetings, and some of the schools in our conference laughed when I told them how much heat we are taking over this," Livengood said. "It is absolutely ludicrous.

"If we were spending money like drunken sailors then I could understand it, but that is not the case."

A $500,000 guarantee from the Aloha Bowl should cover the trip, but little if any will be left to reduce the athletic department's projected $466,000 deficit this year, Livengood said.

During the season, Washington State received about $150,-000 for its televised game against UCLA, and the Pacific-10 Conference share of UCLA's Cotton Bowl appearance will bring the school at least another $150,000.

Washington State plans to ask the Legislature for $900,000 next year to cover the cost of adding three women's sports to comply with a court order.

House Higher Education Committee chairman Ken Jacobsen, D-Seattle, and House Republican caucus chairman Eugene Prince of Thornton said the school's bowl expenses will not affect the debate over women's sports funding.

"I don't think I would see the Legislature punishing athletes for an administrative decision," Jacobsen said.

Prince said UCLA and the University of Washington, which make frequent bowl trips, make money every year, while Washington State's athletic department usually runs a deficit.

"Basically, it's just that money comes a lot easier in places like Los Angeles and Seattle than it does here, and that explains a lot of this (controversy)," Prince said.

Others said the university faces an uphill battle to get state funding for athletics, and it won't help if legislators have the impression that administrators squandered a bowl bonus on travel expenses.

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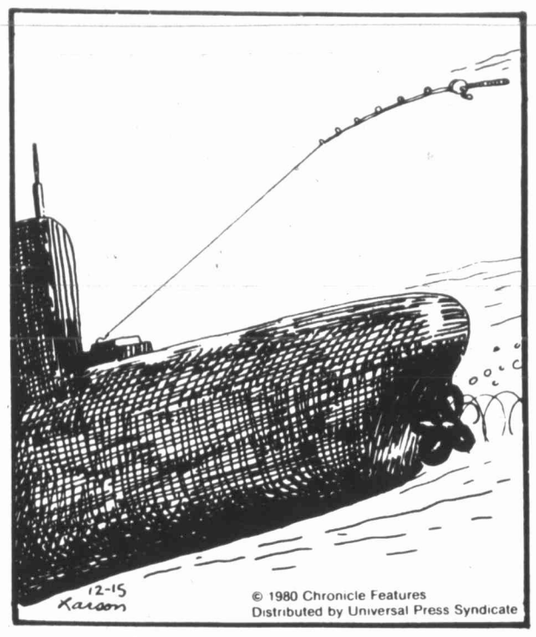
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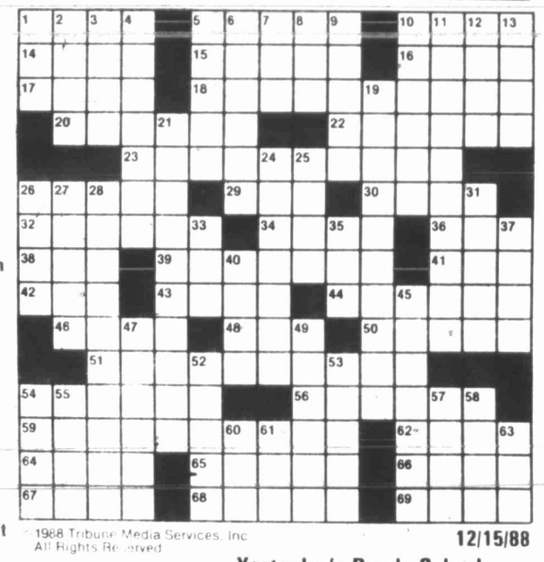
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Pet Grooming 515

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LOST: GRAY/ white tom cat. Langley Drive. Reward! 263-5271 before 5:00. 263-6754, 263-4200 after 5:00.

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Sporting Goods 521

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Musical Instruments 529

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Garage Sale 535

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Garage Sale 535

TWO CHINA CABINETS, solid wood table, 6 chairs, Sears washer and dryer, side by side refrigerator, electric range, chest of drawers, bikes, dishes, pans, many miscellaneous. LL Trading Post, 2 miles Andrews Hwy.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS! Heaters, box spring and mattress, drop leaf table and 4 chairs, bicycles, toys, lots of odds 'n ends. Thursday thru Sunday, 2207 Scurry.

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Produce 536

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Want To Buy 545

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AMERICAN CONFE

East	W	L	T
x-Buffalo	12	3	0
New England	9	6	0
Indianapolis	8	7	0
N.Y. Jets	7	7	1
Miami	6	9	0
Central			
y-Cincinnati	11	4	0
Houston	10	5	0
Cleveland	9	6	0
Pittsburgh	4	11	0
West			
Seattle	8	7	0
L.A. Raiders	7	8	0
Denver	7	8	0
San Diego	5	10	0
Kansas City	4	10	1

NATIONAL CONFE

East	W	L	T
N.Y. Giants	10	5	0
Philadelphia	9	6	0
Washington	7	8	0
Phoenix	7	8	0
Dallas	3	12	0
Central			
x-Chicago	12	3	0
Minnesota	10	5	0
Tampa Bay	4	11	0
Detroit	4	11	0
Green Bay	3	12	0
West			
y-San Francisco	10	5	0
L.A. Rams	9	6	0
New Orleans	9	6	0
Atlanta	5	10	0

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

Saturday's Gan
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Philadelphia 23, Phoenix
Sunday's Gam
Houston 41, Cincinnati 6
Dallas 24, Washington 17
Chicago 13, Detroit 12
New York Giants 28, Kar
New England 10, Tampa
Buffalo 37, Los Angeles F
Green Bay 18, Minnesota
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San Diego 20, Pittsburgh
Los Angeles Rams 22, At
Seattle 42, Denver 14
Monday's Gan
Miami 38, Cleveland 31
Saturday, Dec.
Washington at Cincinnati
New England at Denver,
Sunday, Dec.
Atlanta at New Orleans,
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 1
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 1
Houston at Cleveland, 1 p
Miami at Pittsburgh, 1 p
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Kansas City at San Diego
Green Bay at Phoenix, 4
Los Angeles Rams at Sa
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Monday, Dec.
Chicago at Minnesota, 9
END REGULAR SEASO

NBA

All Times ES
EASTERN CONFE
Atlantic Divisi

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New York	14
Philadelphia	12
Boston	10
New Jersey	9
Charlotte	6
Washington	5
Central Divisi	
Detroit	16
Cleveland	13
Atlanta	14
Milwaukee	11
Chicago	10
Indiana	5

WESTERN CONFE
Midwest Divis

	W.
Denver	14
Dallas	12
Utah	13
Houston	12
San Antonio	6
Miami	1
Pacific Divis	
L.A. Lakers	16
Portland	12
Phoenix	10
Seattle	10
Golden State	8
L.A. Clippers	7
Sacramento	4

Wednesday's G
Boston 112, Utah 104
New Jersey 118, L.A. La
Charlotte 115, Indiana 1
Atlanta 103, Philadelphi
Milwaukee 119, Detroit
Miami 89, L.A. Clippers
Thursday's Ga
Utah at New York, 7:30
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:
Golden State at Houstor
San Antonio at Seattle,
Miami at Sacramento,
Friday's Gam
Philadelphia at New Je
Dallas at Charlotte, 7:3
Milwaukee at Atlanta,
L.A. Lakers at Boston,
Indiana at Chicago, 8:3
Portland at Phoenix, 9:
Denver at L.A. Clipper

NBA boxe

At Auburn Hills, Mich.
MILWAUKEE (119) ...
Cummings 7-14 5-5 19, 5-6 13, Sikma 3-13 4-4 10, 16, Pressey 4-7 1-2 9, Hum Pierce 6-12 7-8 19, Breuer 1-4 0-0 2, Mokeski 2-3 2-2 6. 119.
DETROIT (110) ... ..
Dantley 8-11 6-8 22, M Laimbeer 6-9 7-7 19, Dur Thomas 7-20 6-8 20, Edv Salley 2-5 1-1 5, Johnson 2 0-0 0-0 0, Rodman 5-6 1-1 29-36 110.
Milwaukee ... ...
Detroit ... ...
3-Point goals—Humpl Fouled out—None. Rebou 43 (Cummings 8), Detro 12). Assists—Milwaukee 6), Detroit 22 (Thomas 1 Milwaukee 29, Detroit Krystkowiak, Sikma, 1 21,454.

At Charlotte, N.C.
INDIANA (106) ...
Miller 5-13 5-6 16, Will Smits 7-11 5-5 19, Flemin 4-17 1-1 9, Tisdale 7-17 5-5 Frederick 4-5 2-2 10, Skile ing 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 41-89
CHARLOTTE (115) ...
Tripucka 13-22 13-14 40, 12, Hoppen 1-3 0-0 2, Holt 9-19 0-0 18, Chapman 2-3 0

SCOREBOARD

NFL

All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
x-Buffalo	12	3	0	.800	315	220
New England	9	6	0	.600	240	263
Indianapolis	8	7	0	.533	337	301
N.Y. Jets	7	7	1	.500	345	333
Miami	6	9	0	.400	295	340
Central						
y-Cincinnati	11	4	0	.733	428	312
Houston	10	5	0	.667	401	337
Cleveland	9	6	0	.600	276	265
Pittsburgh	4	11	0	.267	296	397
West						
Seattle	8	7	0	.533	296	292
L.A. Raiders	7	8	0	.467	288	326
Denver	7	8	0	.467	306	342
San Diego	5	10	0	.333	207	319
Kansas City	4	10	1	.300	241	296
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
N.Y. Giants	10	5	0	.667	338	277
Philadelphia	9	6	0	.600	356	312
Washington	7	8	0	.467	328	367
Phoenix	7	8	0	.467	327	372
Dallas	3	12	0	.200	258	358
Central						
x-Chicago	12	3	0	.800	285	187
Minnesota	10	5	0	.667	378	206
Tampa Bay	4	11	0	.267	240	340
Detroit	4	11	0	.267	210	292
Green Bay	3	12	0	.200	214	298
West						
y-San Francisco	10	5	0	.667	353	256
L.A. Rams	9	6	0	.600	369	277
New Orleans	9	6	0	.600	302	274
Atlanta	5	10	0	.333	235	305

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

Saturday's Games

New York Jets 34, Indianapolis 16
Philadelphia 23, Phoenix 17

Sunday's Games

Houston 41, Cincinnati 6
Dallas 24, Washington 17
Chicago 13, Detroit 12
New York Giants 28, Kansas City 12
New England 10, Tampa Bay 7, OT
Buffalo 37, Los Angeles Raiders 21
Green Bay 18, Minnesota 6
San Francisco 30, New Orleans 17
San Diego 20, Pittsburgh 14
Los Angeles Rams 22, Atlanta 7
Seattle 42, Denver 14

Monday's Game

Miami 38, Cleveland 31

Saturday, Dec. 17

Washington at Cincinnati, 12:30 p.m.
New England at Denver, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18

Atlanta at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Houston at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Miami at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
New York Giants at New York Jets, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Los Angeles Raiders, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Green Bay at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Los Angeles Rams at San Francisco, 8 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 19

Chicago at Minnesota, 9 p.m.
END REGULAR SEASON

NBA

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
New York	14	6	.700	—
Philadelphia	12	10	.545	3
Boston	10	11	.476	4½
New Jersey	9	14	.391	6½
Charlotte	6	13	.316	7½
Washington	5	14	.263	8½
Central Division				
Detroit	16	5	.762	—
Cleveland	13	5	.722	1½
Atlanta	14	8	.636	2½
Milwaukee	11	8	.579	4
Chicago	10	10	.500	5½
Indiana	5	15	.250	10½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Denver	14	7	.667	—
Dallas	12	7	.632	1
Utah	13	8	.619	1
Houston	12	9	.571	2
San Antonio	6	12	.333	6½
Miami	1	17	.056	11½
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	16	5	.762	—
Portland	12	9	.571	4
Phoenix	10	9	.526	5
Seattle	10	9	.526	5
Golden State	8	11	.421	7
L.A. Clippers	7	14	.333	9
Sacramento	4	14	.222	10½

Wednesday's Games

Boston 112, Utah 104
New Jersey 118, L.A. Lakers 113, OT
Charlotte 115, Indiana 106
Atlanta 103, Philadelphia 96
Milwaukee 119, Detroit 110
Miami 89, L.A. Clippers 88

Thursday's Games

Utah at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Houston, 9:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Miami at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Friday's Games

Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Boston, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Denver at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

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At Auburn Hills, Mich.

MILWAUKEE (119)
Cummings 7-14 5-5 19, Krystkowiak 4-7 5-6 13, Sikma 3-13 4-4 10, Moncrief 5-13 6-6 16, Pressey 4-7 1-2 9, Humphries 8-14 4-4 21, Pierce 6-12 7-8 19, Breuer 2-3 0-0 4, Roberts 1-4 0-0 2, Mokeski 2-3 2-2 6. Totals 42-90 34-37 119.

DETROIT (110)
Dantley 8-11 6-8 22, Mahorn 3-8 3-4 9, Laimbeer 6-9 7-7 19, Dumars 6-11 5-7 17, Thomas 7-20 6-8 20, Edwards 1-5 0-0 2, Salley 2-5 1-1 5, Johnson 2-7 0-0 4, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Rodman 5-6 1-1 12. Totals 40-82 29-36 110.

Milwaukee ..... 32.33.24.30—119
Detroit ..... 37.21.30.22—110

3-Point goals—Humphries, Rodman. Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 43 (Cummings 8), Detroit 56 (Laimbeer 12). Assists—Milwaukee 26 (Humphries 6), Detroit 22 (Thomas 12). Total fouls—Milwaukee 29, Detroit 28. Technicals—Krystkowiak, Sikma, Humphries. A—21,454.

At Charlotte, N.C.

INDIANA (106)
Miller 5-13 5-6 16, Williams 7-14 2-2 16, Smits 7-11 5-5 19, Fleming 3-6 1-2 7, Long 4-17 1-1 9, Tisdale 7-17 5-5 19, Gray 0-0 1-2 1, Frederick 4-5 2-2 10, Skiles 3-5 1-1 7, Dreiling 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 41-89 23-26 106.

CHARLOTTE (115)
Tripucka 13-22 13-14 40, Rambis 6-14 0-4 12, Hoppen 1-3 0-0 2, Holton 2-4 0-0 4, Reid 9-19 0-0 18, Chapman 2-3 0-0 4, Kempton 6-9 9-10 21, Green 4-10 2-2 10, Cureton 0-2 0-0 0, Lewis 2-8 0-0 4, Tolbert 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 45-95 24-30 115.

Indiana ..... 27.21.36.22—106
Charlotte ..... 30.26.32.27—115

3-Point goals—Miller, Tripucka. Fouled out—Long. Rebounds—Indiana 41 (Williams, Tisdale 7), Charlotte 46 (Rambis 13). Assists—Indiana 19 (Skiles 6), Charlotte 27 (Holton 11). Total fouls—Indiana 25, Charlotte 19. Technicals—Tisdale, Charlotte illegal defense. A—22,601.

At Boston

UTAH (104)
Malone 8-20 11-14 27, Ortiz 0-0 0-0 0, Eaton 3-4 2-6 8, Stockton 5-9 11-11 22, Griffith 8-18 4-5 21, Bailey 8-17 6-6 22, Les 1-1 2-2 4, Hansen 0-4 0-0 0, Leckner 0-4 0-2 0, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Iavaroni 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-77 36-46 104.

BOSTON (112)
McHale 6-11 7-8 19, Lohaus 4-9 0-0 8, Parish 9-15 3-5 21, Johnson 2-5 0-1 4, Ainge 10-19 0-0 22, Acres 3-5 1-1 7, Shaw 4-8 4-4 12, Lewis 6-11 1-2 13, Paxson 3-6 0-0 6, Grandison 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 47-89 16-21 112.

Utah ..... 18.30.27.29—104
Boston ..... 29.30.30.23—112

3-Point goals—Ainge 2, Stockton, Griffith. Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Utah 55 (Eaton 12), Boston 46 (Parish 15). Assists—Utah 23 (Stockton 16), Boston 30 (Shaw 7). Total fouls—Utah 21, Boston 28. Technicals—Malone, Boston illegal defense. A—14,890.

At Atlanta

PHILADELPHIA (96)
Anderson 2-11 1-2 5, Barkley 7-14 12-13 26, Gminski 9-14 0-0 18, Cheeks 4-12 2-2 10, Hawkins 7-14 5-5 19, Welp 1-2 0-0 2, Brooks 2-5 0-0 4, Thornton 1-6 0-0 2, Henderson 4-7 0-0 10. Totals 37-85 20-22 96.

ATLANTA (103)
Levingston 2-6 5-6 9, Wilkins 11-25 8-8 30, Malone 7-16 8-8 22, Rivers 3-8 4-4 10, Theus 6-15 4-4 16, Battle 3-9 1-2 7, Webb 0-1 0-0 0, Carr 3-5 2-2 8, Tolbert 0-0 1-2 1, Ferrell 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 35-87 33-36 103.

Philadelphia ..... 19.30.26.21—96
Atlanta ..... 22.34.27.20—103

3-Point goals—Henderson 2. Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 51 (Barkley 16), Atlanta 54 (Malone 16). Assists—Philadelphia 21 (Barkley 8), Atlanta 15 (Rivers 6). Total fouls—Philadelphia 30, Atlanta 19. A—15,526.

At East Rutherford, N.J.

L.A. LAKERS (113)
Worthy 11-25 4-5 26, Green 5-10 0-0 11, Abdul-Jabbar 1-7 3-4 5, Campbell 2-5 2-4 6, Johnson 13-20 9-11 35, Cooper 5-9 1-2 14, Woolridge 3-5 2-6 8, Thompson 3-8 2-3 8, Lamp 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-89 23-35 113.

NEW JERSEY (118)
Hinson 9-17 13-15 31, B.Williams 10-13 2-3 22, Carroll 7-10 1-2 15, Conner 4-14 1-2 9, McGee 2-7 0-0 4, Morris 7-14 2-2 17, Hopson 3-6 4-4 10, Bagley 4-10 2-2 10. Totals 46-91 25-30 118.

Los Angeles ..... 29.30.22.25..7—113
New Jersey ..... 27.27.25.27.12—118

3-Point goals—Cooper 3, Green, Morris. Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Los Angeles 49 (Green 10), New Jersey 59 (Carroll 19). Assists—Los Angeles 22 (Johnson 9), New Jersey 22 (Conner 10). Total fouls— Los Angeles 20, New Jersey 25. Technical—New Jersey illegal defense. A— 20,049.

At Los Angeles

MIAMI (89)
Long 3-8 9-12 15, Gray 2-5 0-0 4, Cummings 7-12 1-2 15, Edwards 6-17 0-0 12, Sparrow 2-9 0-0 4, Thompson 7-8 1-2 15, Sundvold 7-10 0-0 14, Seikaly 1-4 2-4 4, Hastings 2-4 0-0 4, Wheeler 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 38-79 13-20 89.

L.A. CLIPPERS (88)
Manning 11-14 1-4 23, Norman 6-11 3-4 15, Kite 0-2 0-0 0, Dailey 6-19 9-10 21, Grant 5-10 0-1 10, Williams 0-3 0-0 0, Nixon 1-6 1-2 3, Benjamin 3-5 6-6 12, Wolf 2-2 0-0 4, Gondrezick 0-1 0-0 0, Garrick 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 34-75 20-27 88.

Miami ..... 23.30.19.17—89
L.A. Clippers ..... 25.19.18.26—88

Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Miami 45 (Long 8), Los Angeles 51 (Benjamin 9). Assists—Miami 22 (Sparrow 9), Los Angeles 23 (Manning, Nixon 5). Total fouls— Miami 22, Los Angeles 18. A—7,703.

College hoops

EAST

Alderson-Broaddus 89, Davis & Elkins 86
Bloomfield 62, Wm. Paterson 61
Buffalo 90, Mansfield 80
CCNY 107, Medgar Evers 73
California, Pa. 78, Shepherd 63
Delaware 59, West Chester 49
Fairleigh Dickinson 75, Cent. Connecticut St. 74
Georgetown 91, Oral Roberts 75
Iona 80, Southampton 40
Jersey City St. 69, Montclair St. 52
La Salle 78, St. Peter's 74
Lock Haven 97, Concordia, N.Y. 71
Massachusetts 84, Lowell 60
Roberts Wesleyan 91, Fredonia St. 78
Salem, W.Va. 87, Lake Erie 69
Syracuse 135, U.S. International 93

SOUTH

Coppin St. 75, Md.-Baltimore County 61
Elizabeth City St. 91, Johnson C. Smith 82
Florida St. 87, South Alabama 82
Florida Tech 75, Coll. of Charleston 60
Furman 97, Newberry 82
Hampden-Sydney 86, Newport News 60
Marshall 104, Ohio U. 93
Tampa 93, Webber 73
Vanderbilt 93, Auburn 77

MIDWEST

Augustana,S.D. 94, Dakota St. 65
Calvin 82, Northwd, Mich. 60
Capital 53, Baldwin-Wallace 49, OT
Chadron St. 97, S. Dakota Tech 77
Chicago 59, Concordia, Ill. 57
Concordia, Neb. 105, Bellevue 95, OT
DePaul 120, American U. 85
E. Michigan 90, Cleveland St. 68
Eureka 92, Iowa Weslyn 62
Indiana 105, Ark.-Little Rock 77
Iowa 102, Cent. Florida 68
McKendree 77, NE Illinois 61
Northwestern, Iowa 71, Sioux Falls 69
Ohio St. 103, Nebraska 76
Shawnee St. 98, Urbana 93
St. Xavier 88, Tri-State 42
Tiffin 70, Bluffton 66
Wis.-Eau Claire 84, Wis.-Riv. Falls 52
Wis.-LaCrosse 83, Wis.-Stout 64
Wisconsin 89, Denver 39
Wittenberg 78, Otterbein 59

SOUTHWEST

Houston 75, Toledo 58

FAR WEST

Montana 86, Montana Tech 53
N.Mex.Highlands 82, Regis 77
Santa Clara 82, Nevada-Reno 78
Texas 117, Long Beach St. 86
Wyoming 81, Colorado 68

AP top 20

How The Associated Press Top Twenty college basketball teams fared Wednesday:

1. Duke (6-0) did not play.
2. Michigan (9-0) did not play.
3. Syracuse (9-0) beat U.S. International 135-93.
4. Iowa (8-0) beat Central Florida 102-68.
5. Georgetown (5-0) beat Oral Roberts 91-75.
6. Illinois (6-0) did not play.
7. Oklahoma (5-1) did not play.
8. North Carolina (8-1) did not play.
9. Arizona (3-1) did not play.
10. Missouri (7-2) did not play.
11. Georgia Tech (4-0) did not play.
12. Florida State (5-0) beat South Alabama 87-82.
13. Nevada-Las Vegas (2-2) did not play.
14. Ohio State (5-1) beat Nebraska 103-76.
15. Louisville (4-2) did not play.
16. Tennessee (4-0) did not play.
17. Seton Hall (8-0) did not play.
18. North Carolina State (2-1) did not play.
19. Notre Dame (4-0) did not play.
20. UCLA (4-0) did not play.

NHL

All Times EST

WALES CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Patrick Division						
Pittsburgh	17	11	2	36	141	131
NY Rangers	16	12	4	36	127	119
Washington	15	12	4	34	108	106
Philadelphia	14	17	2	30	126	121
New Jersey	11	14	5	27	101	120
NY Islanders	7	21	2	16	89	127
Adams Division						
Montreal	19	9	6	44	131	104
Boston	12	12	8	32	103	95
Hartford	13	15	1	27	107	102
Buffalo	12	17	2	26	107	132
Quebec	10	20	2	22	111	149
CAMPBELL CONFERENCE						
Norris Division						
Detroit	17	9	4	38	127	114
St. Louis	12	13	4	28	96	99
Toronto	11	18	2	24	100	133
Minnesota	9	16	5	23	94	114
Chicago	8	19	4	20	125	152
Smythe Division						
Calgary	21	5	5	47	136	83
Los Angeles	20	11	1	41	170	130
Edmonton	18	11	3	39	154	128
Winnipeg	13	10	5	31	122	119
Vancouver	12	15	5	29	109	106

Wednesday's Games

New York Rangers 2, New York Islanders 1
Pittsburgh 5, Los Angeles 4
Edmonton 8, Toronto 2
Chicago 4, Hartford 3
Winnipeg 4, Buffalo 3

Thursday's Games

Washington at Philadelphia, 7:35 p.m.
Edmonton at Boston, 7:35 p.m.
Montreal at Quebec, 7:35 p.m.
Toronto at New Jersey, 7:45 p.m.
Pittsburgh at New York Islanders, 8:05 p.m.
Hartford at St. Louis, 8:35 p.m.
Buffalo at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Vancouver at Calgary, 9:35 p.m.

Friday's Games

Los Angeles at Detroit, 7:35 p.m.
Calgary at Vancouver, 10:35 p.m.

Transactions

BASEBALL

American League

BOSTON RED SOX—Signed Lou Gorman, general manager, to a four-year contract extension, effective Feb. 1. Assigned Zach Crouch; John Trautwein; Dan Gabriele; John Leister and Josias Manzanillo, pitchers; outright to Pawtucket of the International League.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with Domingo Ramos, infielder, one a one-year contract.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Sent Terry Wells, pitcher; Bert Hunter, outfielder; Mike Simms, first baseman, and Cameron Drew, outfielder, outright to Tucson of the Pacific Coast League. Signed Craig Smagstrla, infielder, and Phil Ouellette, catcher, to minor league contracts with Tucson.

New York-Penn League

HAMILTON REDBIRDS—Named Joe Cunningham III coach.

ONEONTA YANKEES—Named Brian Butterfield manager, and Jeff Taylor, Bob Mariano and Dave Kent coaches.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

CHICAGO BULLS—Traded Ed Nealy, forward, a second-round 1989 draft pick and a unspecified amount of cash to the Phoenix Suns for Craig Hodges, guard.

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Waived Shelton Jones, forward.

PHOENIX SUNS—Placed Winston Crite, forward, on injured reserve. Activated Steve Kerr, guard, from injured reserve.

FOOTBALL

Natinal Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed Keith Griffin, running back.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed Steve Slayden, quarterback. Placed Charles Buchanan, defensive end, on injured reserve.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Placed Tony Elliott, nose tackle, on injured reserve. Signed Jon Dumbauld, defensive lineman.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

MINNESOTA NORTH STARS—Recalled Mike McHugh, left wing, from Kalamazoo of the International Hockey League.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Sent Mike Walsh, forward, to Springfield of the American Hockey League.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Sent Jason Lafreniere, forward, and Rudy Poeschek, defenseman, to Denver of the International Hockey League.

COLLEGE

ARIZONA—Announced that Mark Georgeson, freshman baskeball center, will transfer to Pepperdine for the spring semester.

GEORGIA—Announced the resignation of Vince Dooley, head football coach.

HOUSTON—Signed Pat Foster, basketball coach, to a three-year contract.

MISSOURI—Named Bob Stull head football coach.

Texas fishing

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Dec.15:

CENTRAL

BASTROP: Water clear, 68 degrees, 16 inches low; black bass fair to 2½ pounds on dark worms and jigs in 12 feet of water; crappie slow; catfish fair to 3 pounds on stink bait.

BELTON: Water clear, 54 degrees, 6 feet below normal level; black bass good to 5 pounds on chrome Jig-N-Spoons in 20-40 feet of water over tree lines; hybrid striper fair to 7 pounds on white spoons in 10-30 feet of water; crappie good to 20 fish per string on minnows in 10-22 feet of water; white bass fair to 12 fish per string on Rat-L-Traps and L'il Georges with some surfacing; channel catfish good to 9 pounds on trotlines with dough bait, blood bait and shrimp.

BROWNWOOD: Water clear, 4½ feet low; black bass slow; striper slow; crappie fair to 15 fish per string on minnows and jigs in 8 feet of water; white bass slow; catfish fair to 3½ pounds.

BUCHANAN: Water clear, 62 degrees, 12 feet low; black bass fair to 4 pounds on black jigs in 8-12 feet of water; striper fair in the 4-7 pound range in 35 feet of water on white jigs; crappie good with strings to 15 fish on minnows in 14 feet of water; white bass fair to 20 fish per string on black and silver Rat-L—traps in 8-15 feet of water; catfish good to 1 pound on blood bait.

CANYON: Water clear, 60 degrees, normal level; black bass fair to 8 pounds, 15 ounces on Jig-N-Pig in 20 feet of water; striper slow; crappie fair on minnows in the upper end of the lake; white bass good to 2¼ pounds on Jig-N-Spoons to 25 fish per string off the channels early in 50 feet of water and good in the backs of coves in the afternoons; catfish good to 4¾ pounds on shrimp. Rainbow trout have been stocked in the Guadalupe River below Canyon Dam; salmon eggs and small spinners are good baits.

FAYETTE: Water clear, 68 degrees, 1 foot low; black bass fair in numbers with bass to 6 pounds on Rat-L-Traps and worms, many slot sized fish; crappie fair at night, no full strings; catfish slow. Few fishermen out on the lake since the cold weather hit.

GIBBONS CREEK: Water slightly muddy in creeks, lake clear, 55 degrees, 2 feet low and rising slowly; black bass slow to 11 pounds, 12 ounces, many slot and below sized fish with no set pattern on baits; crappie fair to 1 pound each on minnows in 9-12 feet of water; catfish fair.

LBJ: Water clear, to murky, 63 degrees, normal level; black bass fair to 2½ pounds on brown jigs in 10-12 feet of water; striper fair in the 4-6 pound range on deep diving silver shad; crappie good with strings to 15 fish on chrome Hubschub; catfish good to 1½ pounds on shrimp and shad.

SOMERVILLE: Water clear, 62 degrees, 4 feet low; black bass slow; striper slow; crappie good to 25 fish per string on jigs early in 10-12 feet of water; white bass slow; catfish fair on trotline to 3 pounds.

STILLHOUSE: Water clear, 61 degrees, 12¾ feet low; black bass slow; striper slow; crappie good at night under crappie lights in 16 feet of water on minnows to 10 fish per string; white bass good in 15 feet of water on minnows and jigs around the marina and near the bridge during the day; channel catfish fair to 3 pounds on trotline, rod and reel are not productive.

TRAVIS: Water clear, 63 degrees, 12½ feet low; black bass fair to 3 pounds on crawfish colored cranks, black Jig-N-Pigs and smoke colored Tom's Minners in 20 feet of water; striper slow to fair to 9½ pounds around Lakeway; crappie fair in 20 feet of water over brush on minnows; white bass slow; catfish slow.

WACO: Water clear in lake, Bosque flats a little off color, 58 degrees, normal level; black bass fair to 6 pounds on Jig-N-Pig in 4-6 feet of water around fallen trees; striper poor; crappie good in the marinas on minnows with full strings; white bass poor; catfish poor.

WHITNEY: Water clear, 57 degrees, 12 feet low; largemouth bass slow to 3 pounds on cranks and jigs in 6-8 feet of water; smallmouth bass slow; striper slow; crappie good on minnows and jigs with strings to 15 fish to 1¼ pounds each in 20 feet of water; white bass good on Critter Gitters and jigs with strings to 17 fish to 1½ pounds; blue catfish good to 10 pounds in shallow waters; channel catfish good to 5½ pounds.

NORTHEAST

ATHENS: Water clear, 58 degrees, 10 inches below overflow; black bass fair to 5½ pounds on worms, Jig-N-Pig and Bagley Smoo in 12 feet of water; crappie good in 37 feet of water on minnows with full strings of 25 fish; white bass slow; catfish slow to 13 pounds on trotline baited with a big minnow.

BOB SANDLIN: Water clear, normal level; black bass fair to 5½ pounds; white bass good to 25 fish per string on silver or white spoons on both lends of lake; catfish and crappie slow. Few fishermen out midweek.

BRIDGEPORT: Water clear, 15 feet low; black bass slow; striper slow; crappie fair to 10 fish per string on minnows in 6 feet of water; white bass slow; catfish fair.

CADDO: Water clear, normal level; black bass fair to 3 pounds on spinners and Rat-L-Traps; striper slow; white bass slow; crappie good to 1½ pounds in the river bed on minnows; catfish fair to 3 pounds at night with minnows.

CEDAR CREEK: Water clear, 52 degrees, 4½ feet low; black bass fair to 7 pounds on Rat-L-Traps and Bloodline worms off the points in creek structures; hybrid striper good with limits Rat-L-Traps up the major creeks; crappie fair to 15 fish per string in 18 feet of water on minnows; white bass fair with afternoon surfacing under birds; yellow catfish fair to 37 pounds on trotline baited with bream and goldfish.

CYPRESS SPRINGS: Water stained, 55 degrees, 1 foot above normal level; black bass fair to 5½ pounds on Jig-N-Pig and dragging black worms with blue tails; crappie good with limits to 1½ pounds on minnows and jigs in 25-36 feet of water, a couple of clicks off the bottom; catfish fair to 6 pounds on big minnows and shrimp.

FORK: Water clear, 60 degrees, lake full; black bass fair in numbers to 8 pounds on Jig-N-Spoon in 20-22 feet of water; crappie good to 2¼ pounds on minnows; catfish slow. Few fishermen out midweek.

LAKE O'THE PINES: Water clear in the main lake, murky on the upper end, 48 degrees, normal winter level; black bass fair to 4 pounds on spinners and jigs; crappie are fairly good in the dam area on minnows, no full strings; white bass slow; catfish slow.

LAVON: Water clear, 60 degrees, 6½ feet low; black slow; crappie good to 1½ pounds with a few limits on minnows and chartreuse jigs over baited holes, some up the creek and near the power plant; white bass slow; catfish fair to 55 pounds on trotlines with frozen shad.

LEWISVILLE: Water clear, 8 feet low; black bass fair to 4 pounds on plastic worms off points; striper slow; channel catfish fair drifting blood bait; crappie fair in 16 feet of water on minnows.

MARTIN CREEK: Water clear, 65 degrees, 2 feet low; black bass fair; striper slow; catfish fair.

MONTICELLO: Water off color, 65 degrees, normal level; black bass good to 9 pounds on Rat-L-Traps and MiniR's; crappie slow; catfish excellent to 9 pounds on Canadian crawlers and shrimp.

MOSS LAKE: Water clear, 60 degrees, 2 feet low; black bass slow; crappie slow; catfish fair to 5 pounds on rod and reel baited with liver.

MURVAUL: Water clear, 60 degrees, normal level; black bass slow to 3 pounds on worms, few fishermen out midweek; crappie good under 1971 bridge on small minnows with a few limits to 1¼ pounds; catfish fair to 4½ pounds on trotline baited with cut shad and Canadian nightcrawlers. Duck hunting has been fair with a numbers of limits bagged.

NACOGDOCHES: Water clear, 68 degrees, 4 feet low; black bass good to 7½ pounds on white spinners and chartreuse Rat-L-Traps; crappie good with limits during the day with bright colored tube jigs in 20 feet of water; catfish slow.

PALESTINE: Water clear in lake, creeks murky, 2 feet low; black bass fair to 6 pounds on Jig and eel; striper fairly good to 7 pounds on cranks; crappie slow on minnows; white bass slow; catfish good on trotlines to 14 pounds on blood bait.

RAY HUBBARD: Water clear, 51 degrees, 39 inches low; black bass fairly good to 6 pounds on Wacky Worms in 8 feet of water; striper fair to 12 pounds on large shiners; crappie good around barges and around bridges on chartreuse jigs; white bass fairly good to 20 fish per string on Sassy Shad on the surface near the dam; catfish good to 5 pounds drifting shrimp.

TAWAKONI: Water clear, 59 degrees, 18 inches low; black bass fairly good to 5½ pounds on cranks and jig and eel; striper good to 17 pounds 6 ounces on white jig and worm, a new lake record; hybrid striper good to 10½ pounds in good numbers with a couple of limits; white bass good with limits on spoons; crappie slow; catfish good to 5 pounds on shrimp and worms.

TEXOMA: Water clear, 54 degrees, 3½ feet low; black bass good to 5¼ pounds on Jig-N-Pig in 12-14 feet of water; striper good to 18 pounds on jigs, Sassy Shad and live bait; crappie good to 2 pounds with a few limits, most about 18 fish per string on live bait; white bass fair 10 fish per string on slabs and jigs; catfish good to 20 pounds on cut bait with rod and reel.

WELSH: Water clear, 72 degrees, lake full; black bass fair in number to 5 pounds on lizards, topwaters with orange bellies and worms; crappie should be fair in the creeks but few fishermen out; catfish good in the 4-8 pound range, some yellow catfish; bream good to excellent in number.

SOUTHEAST

CONROE: Water clear, 58 degrees, 5 feet low; black bass fair to 11.3 pounds on chrome blue backed Rat-L-Traps; striper and hybrid striper slow; crappie slow; white bass slow; catfish fair to good; no great number of fishermen.

HOUSTON COUNTY: Water clear, 58 degrees, 6 inches low; black bass fair to 6 pounds, 6 ounces on black jig with craw worm; crappie good to 25 fish per string to 2 pounds each on minnows in 20 and in 30-35 feet of water on minnows; white bass good mixed in with crappie to 10 fish per string on minnows also; catfish good to 8 pounds around second island in 12-15 feet of water on live perch.

LIVINGSTON: Water slightly off color from rains, 52 degrees, 5 feet low; black bass improving to 4 pounds in the shallows on white spinners and chrome cranks; striper fair on bream, shad and big minnows with several limits to 18 pounds each on south end of the lake; crappie improving to 18 fish per string on minnows to 2½ pounds; white bass good in the upper end of the lake and in the river; catfish good in number and in size with many limits.

RAYBURN: Water discolored up river due to rains over the weekend, midlake water clear, 12 feet below pool level; black bass fair to 6 pounds on topwaters, worms and jigs; striper slow; crappie fair around the 147 bridge, no fishermen out over the weekend due to rains; white bass slow; catfish fair on trotlines when fishermen can get out. Not much traffic on the lake midweek. Operable boat ramps: Shirley Creek, Hank's Creek, Twin Dikes, Jackson Hill and Powell Park. Weekend rains helped but lake level not rising very much due to dry earth.

TOLEDO BEND: Water clear, 6 feet low; black bass slow; striper slow; crappie fairly slow to 2 pounds on minnows in deep water; white bass slow; catfish good on trotline in the 1-3 pound range on minnows and perch.

Ski report

DENVER (AP) — Colorado Ski Country USA reports the following conditions at major Colorado ski areas on Thursday, Dec. 15.

Arapahoe Basin — 4 new, 35 depth, powder, packed powder.
Aspen Highlands — 4 new, 24 depth, powder.
Aspen Mountain — 4 new, 23 depth, powder.
Buttermilk — 5 new, 20 depth, powder.
Snowmass — 6 new, 25 depth, powder.
Beaver Creek — 1 new, 20 depth, powder, packed powder.
Breckenridge — 1 new, 24 depth, powder, packed powder.
Ski Broadmoor — 11 new, 24 depth, powder, packed powder.
Ski Cooper — 2 new, 23 depth, powder, packed powder.
Copper Mountain — 2 new, 27 depth, packed powder.
Crested Butte — 9 new, 25 depth, powder.

Cuchara Valley — 12 new, 32 depth, powder, packed powder.
Eldora — 9 new, 26 depth, powder, packed powder.
Ski Estes Park — Opens Friday, 11 new, 10 depth, powder, packed powder.

Keystone — 3 new, 22 depth, powder, packed powder.
Loveland Basin — 6 new, 34 depth, powder, packed powder.
Monarch — 9 new, 34 depth, powder, packed powder.

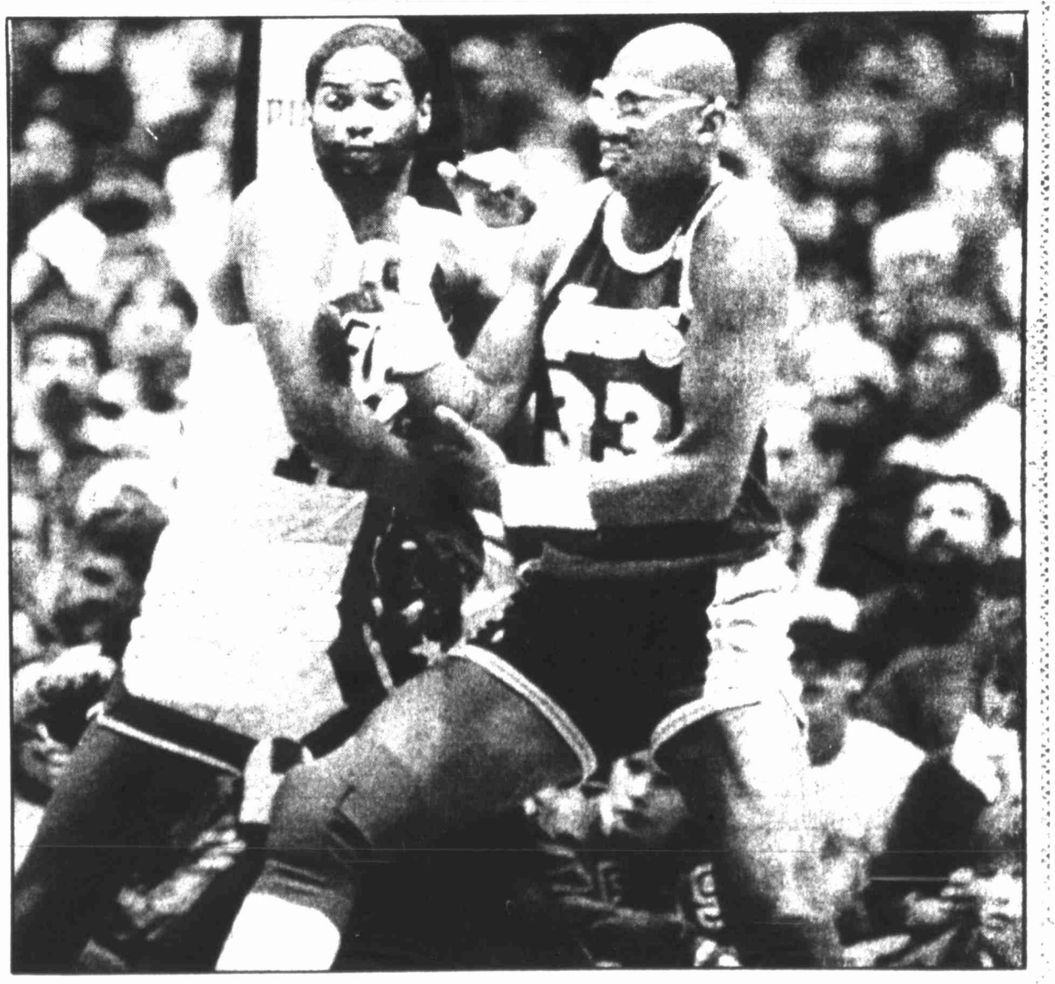
Powderhorn — Opens Friday, 3 new, 21 depth, packed powder.
Purgatory — 0 new, 22 depth, packed powder.
Silver Creek — 2 new, 22 depth, packed powder.

Steamboat Springs — 0 new, 23 depth, packed powder.
Sunlight — 7 new, 26 depth, powder, packed powder.
Telluride — T new, 21 depth, hard packed.
Vail — 5 new, 22 depth, powder.

Winter Park — ½ new, 23 depth, packed powder.
Mary Jane — ½ new, 29 depth, packed powder.
Wolf Creek — 2 new, 44 depth, powder, packed powder.

Snow depth in inches refers to unpacked natural snow at midpoint. Snowmaking means artificial snowmaking equipment in use. New snow refers to snow within last 24 hours. T means trace.

Figures are supplied to Colorado Ski Country USA, a ski-industry organization, by individual areas. For updates, call (303) 831-7669.



Associated Press photo

May I have this dance?

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — New Jersey Nets' Joe Barry Carroll (left) and Los Angeles Lakers' Kareem Abdul-Jabbar jockey for position under the basket during first period action Wednesday night at the Meadowlands Arena. The Nets won the game in overtime, 118-113.

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5	PM	Cosby		Sesame Street	Bonanza	Curr. Affair	News	El Tesoro	(:05) 1 Day	News	Double Dare	Fandango	Dennis	Cover Up	Albert	Stingiest Man		Movie Foul Play	
	:30	ABC News				CBS News	ABC News	Noticiero	(:35) 9 to 5	NBC News	Hillbillies	Be a Star	Don't Sit		Cartoons				
6	PM	News	SportsCenter	Animals	Our House	News	News	Nombre Es Coraje	(:05) Andy	News	Star Trek: Next G.	Crook	Can't TV	E.R.	Miami Vice	Movie Pinocchio	Movie Night Shift		Remote Cntrl
	:30	Wheel	SpeedWeek	News Addit'n		Win, Lose	Wheel		(:35) Sanf'd	USA Today		VideoCntry	Dare	Street					Rock Week
7	PM	Strangers	NFL Greats	D.C. Week	Amer's Top 10 Xmas	Beauty & the Beast	Strangers	Primavera	(:05) NBA Basketball	Something Is There	Movie Bubbaduck	Nashville Now	Mr. Ed	Cagney and Lacey	Murder, She Wrote			Movie Top Secret!	Top 20 Video Countdown
	:30	Full House		Wall $t			Full House						Duke			Mickey Xmas			
8	PM	Belvedere	Great Amer Events	Masterpiece Theatre	S. Walsh's X-Mas	Dallas	Belvedere	Sera Anunciado		Sonny Spoon			3 Sons	Movie An Uncommon Love	Movie Porky's	Prince's Trust	Movie Avenging Force		
	:30	Ten of Us					Ten of Us					New Country	Reed					Cmdy	
9	PM	20/20	Cliff Diving Champ		700 Club	Falcon Crest	20/20	Noticiero	(:20) In NBA	Miami Vice	Airwolf	Crook	Sat. Nite			Manhattan Transfer		Brothers	Friday Night Rock Blocks
	:30			Life Matters				La Virgen	(:50) Audubon			VideoCntry	SCTV					Garry	
10	PM	News	Baseball	MacNeil Lehrer	Remington Steele	News	News	Mala Noche...No		News	Bob Newhart	Be a Star	Laugh	Cagney and Lacey	Night Flight	Ozzie	Movie Cross My Heart	Dave	
	:30	Cheers	SportsCenter			Night Court	ET		(:50) Tracks	Tonight Show	Soap	American Mag	Car 54			Movie Bonanza: The Next Generation		Movie Malone	
11	PM	ET	CBA Basketball	Fresh Fields	Paper Chase	Movie Outland	Nightline	Movie Barbara			Hawaii Five-0	Nashville Now	Mk Room	Dr Ruth			(:45) King of the City		
	:30	Nightline		EastEnders			Ebert		(:50) Tracks	Letterman			Mr. Ed	Street					
12	AM	News		Blake's 7	Straight Talk		Movie Big Cat				Mannix		Duke	Invest. Advisory				(:05) Emily	Music Videos
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Weather

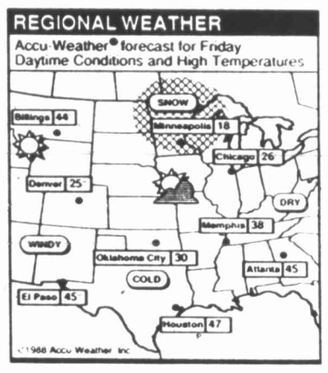
Colorado received the heaviest snow in the West, with up to 7½ inches recorded near Boulder and 3-6 inches in Colorado Springs. Gusty winds reduced visibility and hampered travel in the northeast foothills of the Colorado Rockies, and a winter storm warning was in effect for the area.

A winter storm warning also was issued for the southern mountains of Wyoming. Five inches of snow fell at Lander by late Wednesday and gusts up to 45 mph occurred at Rock Springs.

Western Kansas also had blowing snow, and snow advisories were posted for the northwest Texas Panhandle and east central Nevada.

Light snow also fell in parts of New England and eastern New York state. Eastern Texas and western Louisiana received light rain.

Today's forecast called for snow in much of Nevada, the central and southern Rockies, the western edge of the southern and central Plains, with the heaviest snow on the eastern slopes of the Colorado Rockies, Michigan, the lower Great Lakes, the central and northern Appalachians and northern New England; rain from southeast Texas to the Gulf Coast and the southern Applachians, with a few thunderstorms over the central Gulf Coast; and rain along the Southern California coast.



Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

DECEMBER 17, 1988

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Better defuse things before a relationship blows up. You have a better chance of success if you take a direct approach to a money matter. Use your influence to restore peace within the family.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Try to see the other person's point of view. Your sensitive approach will correct an imbalance in a relationship. Devote some of the weekend to conceptual thinking; it will help you next week.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Emotional ties feel binding. Spiritual revelations today or tomorrow could change your life. Travel for fun, but not for business. Do favors when you can, but do not rob your savings.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You now find the emotional security you crave. You feel more in charge of your life, ready to make far-reaching decisions. Some money comes your way this weekend. Do not squander it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Rein in your enthusiasm a bit before it drives a wedge between you and partner. You are worrying needlessly about a family member. Romantic feelings run deep. Do nothing to rock the boat. Ride with the tide.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Joint financial matters continue to be eventful. Use your energy wisely. Take a sensitive approach to a prickly personal problem. Try to get some much-needed rest this weekend. Limit social engagements.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Hard work will bring gains before the day is out. Your creativity is at a peak. A change of lifestyle gives you a big emotional lift. Get together with that special person tonight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Realize that another person's temperamental outburst is not aimed at you and offer emotional support. A friendship that is formed today could lead to happy romance. Do not reveal too much too soon.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): An exercise program will help you look and feel much better. Show more initiative and you will get what you want. Romantic partner responds to an open display of affection.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Disciplined work ensures success in the not-too-distant future. Your wit and spontaneity attract member of opposite sex. Be ready to make a big move. Curtail unnecessary spending. Build savings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Athletic activities help ease tension. Expect some excitement midday. A letter or message leaves you confused. Investigation will yield some answers you may not like. Bide your time; play a waiting game.

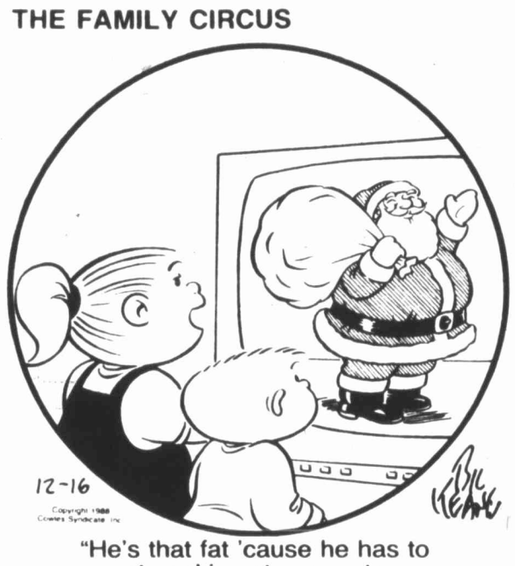
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your judgment is excellent. Make the most of an opportunity to plan your financial future. Participate in group activities tonight and you will find a delightful new companion. Put your best foot forward.

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"He's that fat 'cause he has to eat cookies at every stop he makes."

CALVIN AND HOBBES



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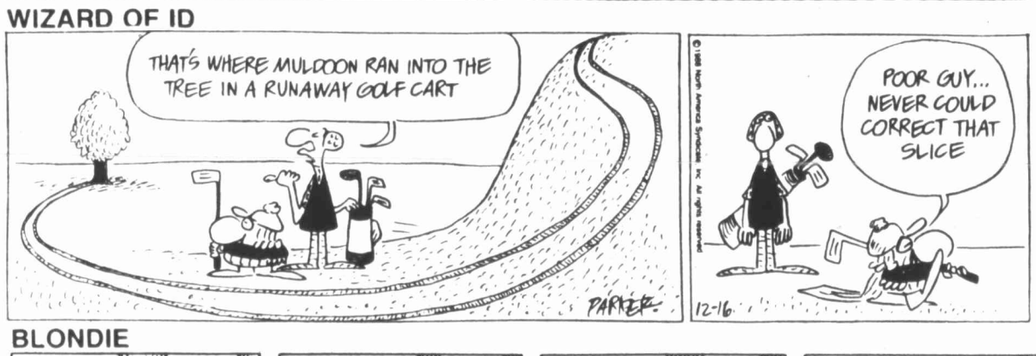
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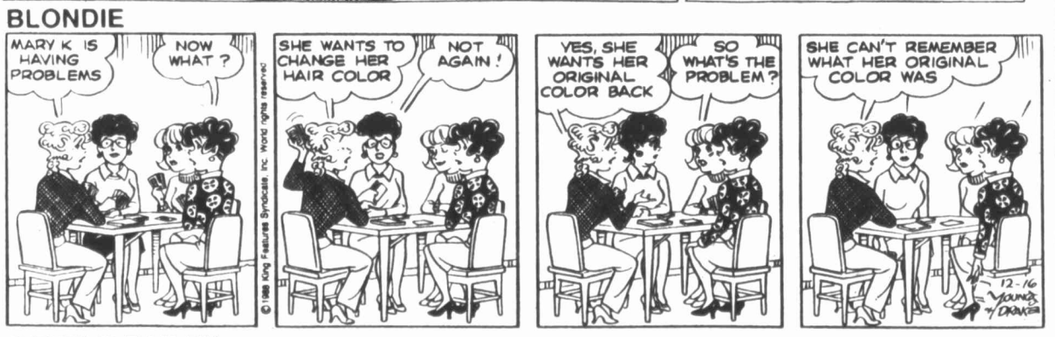
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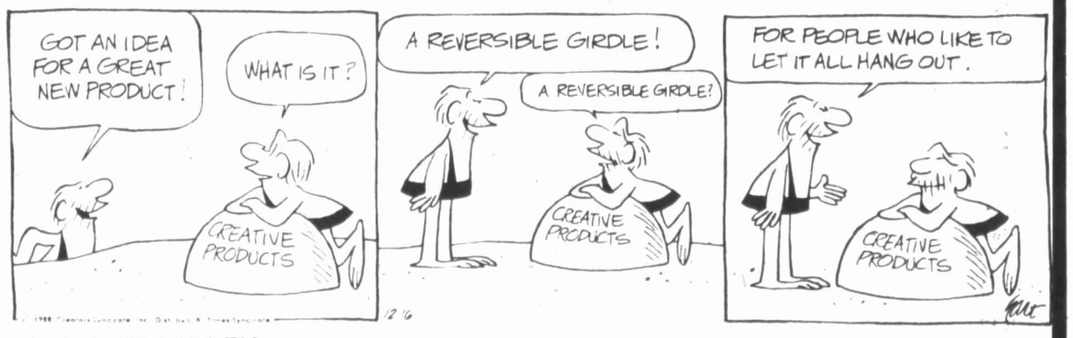
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