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Midland lights

The residents of Chatham Court — the reindeer bedecked cul-de-sac in northwest Midland — were named the grand prize winners in the Light Up Midland contest.

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Almost perfect

NEW YORK (AP) — Marguerite C. Grotte would have gotten her 75th perfect attendance award at church last year, but that snowstorm in 1917 was a real beaut.

Miss Grotte started attending the Rugby Congregational Church in Brooklyn's Flatbush section in 1914 and has made it in every week since then — except for that one blustery morning 73 years ago.

On Sunday, church officials plan to present her with an attendance pin signifying 75 years in which she has had perfect attendance.

Parade leader

MIAMI (AP) — Don Ameche, one of several celebrities who turned down offers to be the marshal of the King Orange Jamboree Parade this year, has changed his mind, parade officials said.

Ameche, 82, was chosen for his connection to Cole Porter, whose music will set the theme to the Dec. 31 parade.

Finding celebrities old enough to be associated with Porter and his music yet young enough to lead the parade was a challenge for Orange Bowl officials. Turning down the offer were Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Dionne Warwick and Perry Como. Also approached were Leonard Bernstein and Mary Martin, who both have since died.

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War likely soon after deadline, Cheney says

Ferry death toll at least 19 sailors

HAIFA, Israel (AP) — Investigators searched Saturday for clues as to why a chartered ferry capsized in choppy seas, killing at least 19 American sailors who were in the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield.

Survivors said the Israeli ferry went under almost instantly after it was swamped early Saturday while ferrying about 100 crewmen back to the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga from shore leave in Haifa.

"All of a sudden I saw water just come flying in. It was maybe two seconds and the boat rolled right over," said Chief Petty Officer Lance Vickery, 33, of Jacksonville, Fla.

Israeli divers retrieved six bodies from the sunken craft in 65 feet of water. The others were found dead on the surface or died of injuries after being rescued alive, officials said. Three dozen sailors were taken to hospitals, but most were released.

Please see FERRY/2A

■ Defense secretary and Gen. Colin Powell visiting troops.

Associated Press

EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA — Defense Secretary Dick Cheney hopped atop a tank Saturday to tell desert-weary but eager Marines war likely would come soon after Jan. 15 if Saddam Hussein ignores an ultimatum to withdraw from Kuwait.

Cheney did not say whether he meant days, a week or longer but he said he and President Bush would not forget that United Nations deadline in favor of giving sanctions against Iraq more time to

■ Christmas will be just another day aboard carrier JFK/9A

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work.

"With the press here, I can't get too specific about dates but obviously we want to get it over with as soon as possible," Cheney said while standing on an M60-A1 tank in the Saudi desert about 50 miles south of Kuwait.

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Midland, Lubbock airports vie for travelers



Beverly Shilling/Reporter-Telegram

Boardings at Midland International Airport are down slightly from last year through the first 11 months of 1990, but officials aren't taking the declines sitting down. Ambitious expansion and replacement plans

designed to give the local airport greater competitive advantages over a wider market area have recently been formulated.

■ In an effort to attract more passengers, more than \$33.5 million in improvements planned for Midland airport.

By Brian Pearson
Staff Writer

City of Midland officials have decided to go full throttle at a time when Midland International Airport must sink or soar in the competitive aviation world.

More than \$33.5 million in improvements to the terminal, runways, parking lot and gateway area have been inked onto the Midland International wish list over the past year.

While some projects would be paid almost entirely through Federal Aviation Administration grants, others would require the issuance of revenue bonds or certificates of obligation. The debt would be paid off solely through airport revenues.

To understand why Midland International must modernize and become more competitive, one must look at

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Man arrested in 2 stabbings

Staff Report

A Midland man was arrested Saturday in connection with the stabbing of two people, one of whom died, Midland police said.

The 27-year-old man was awaiting arraignment on murder and attempted murder charges, police said.

Abel Tucker Hernandez, 23, 3411 Park Lane, died in his home after he was stabbed in the torso a number of times with a hunting knife, authorities said.

Antrica Bedford Shaw, 20, also of 3411 Park Lane, suffered multiple stab wounds to the head and torso, officials said.

Police said the alleged assailant, accompanied by his brother, came into the Midland Police Department station about 4:50 a.m.

The man told police he had killed two people and then led officers to 3411 Park Lane, where Ms. Shaw and the body of Hernandez were found lying on the floor, authorities said.

Hernandez was later pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace R.H. Pine, police said. Ms. Shaw was taken by ambulance to Midland Memorial Hospital, where she remained in critical condition late Saturday, officials said.

Police said they had not yet determined a motive in the stabbing.



Beverly Shilling/Reporter-Telegram

This tree near Midland International Airport got an unexpected coating of ice thanks to Saturday's bitter temperatures and an unattended sprinkler.

Winter continues assault on Texas

■ Permian Basin temperatures not expected to be as cold.

Associated Press

At least nine people had died on icy Texas roads by late Saturday as a strong arctic system continued its assault, covering the Panhandle with an inch of snow and southern sections of the state with inch-thick layers of ice.

Although most roads remained open, authorities said travel remained hazardous — especially on eastern and central highways — and more precipitation and low temperatures were expected.

In other weather-related deaths, two Wichita Falls men were found asphyxiated Saturday at a machine shop after a furnace apparently malfunctioned.

In Childress, authorities said an elderly woman found Saturday had apparently froze to death in her yard, while a Friday fire left a family homeless.

A neighbor found the 80-year-old woman's body in her yard after she accidentally fell there. Authorities said temperatures were near zero at the time, with a wind chill index of minus 30 degrees.

The cold blast that lingered from the first of day of winter Friday also prompted some cancellations, including that of Sunday's basketball game between Texas-El Paso at Creighton.

Creighton's sports information director in Omaha, Neb., said the UTEP team was unable to get out of Texas because of severe winter weather Saturday.

In the Permian Basin Sunday, not-as-cold temperatures were forecast with today's high expected to reach the low

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WEATHER SUMMARY

Cloudy skies forecast

Staff Report

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and not as cold with a high in the low 30s and northwest winds at 5 to 15 mph, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight will be partly cloudy with a low in the mid-teens. Monday is expected to be mostly sunny with a high in the mid-30s. Christmas day will be clear with a low in the mid-teens and a high in the mid-30s.

The high for Saturday was 22 compared with the record high for that date of 79 in 1933. The overnight low was 9. The record low for this date was -1 set in 1989.

NATION

The cold wave broke more low temperature records in the West on Saturday, and thunderstorms developing ahead of the cold front in the South spawned at least one tornado.

Temperatures plunged below zero late Friday and early Saturday from the Great Basin through the northern and central Rockies to the upper Mississippi Valley.

Temperatures of 20 degrees below zero or colder were reported in Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota and Minnesota.

Wyoming was again the coldest state with lows ranging from 27 below at Sheridan to 45 degrees below zero at Worland, the coldest spot in the nation Saturday morning.

Seven cities in the West tied or surpassed previous all-time record lows. Winnemucca, Nev., reported an all-time record low of 37 below zero.

About 40 cities in the West, including more than a dozen in California and 14 in Utah, reported record lows for the date. The low of 25 below zero at Denver tied the city's record for the whole month of December.

Temperatures were still below zero at midday across the northern and central Plains and the upper half of the Mississippi Valley. Readings were still 20 below zero or colder in North Dakota, Montana and Wyoming. Worland, Wyo., was still 27 degrees below zero at midday.

Thunderstorms over central Mississippi spawned a tornado which damaged a house and took the roof off a building at Pinola, the National Weather Service said.

The thunderstorms also produced high wind which unroofed a house near Brookhaven, downed trees near Mendenhall, and downed a tractor shed and numerous trees near Philadelphia.

Unseasonably warm weather continued in the East. Temperatures remained above 50 degrees last night as far north as the lower Great Lakes, southern New York and southern New England.

Record highs were 53 at Albany, N.Y.; 52 at Binghamton, N.Y.; 62 at Boston; 54 at Bridgeport, Conn.; 67 at Elkins, W.Va.; 58 at Hartford, Conn.; and 61 at Providence, R.I.

The Associated Press also contributed to this report.

Midland statistics

County forecasts

FORECAST
Today: Partly cloudy, high in the low 30s, northwest winds 5-15 mph.
Tonight: Partly cloudy, low in the mid-teens.
Monday: Mostly sunny, high in the mid-30s.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS
Yesterday's High: 22 degrees
Overnight Low: 9 degrees
Sunset today: 5:50 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow: 7:46 a.m.

PRECIPITATION
Last 24 hours: 0.01 inches
This month to date: 0.70 inches
Year to date: 14.17 inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 p.m.	17	6 a.m.	10
7 p.m.	16	7 a.m.	9
8 p.m.	15	8 a.m.	11
9 p.m.	14	9 a.m.	11
10 p.m.	14	10 a.m.	11
11 p.m.	14	11 a.m.	13
midnight	14	noon	15
1 a.m.	12	1 p.m.	17
2 a.m.	12	2 p.m.	20
3 a.m.	12	3 p.m.	20
4 a.m.	11	4 p.m.	21
5 a.m.	10	5 p.m.	20
		6 p.m.	15

COLD: Weather-related deaths include woman who froze in yard

(From 1A)

30s, and warming to continue through Christmas Day.

Tonight's low should be in the mid-teens, according to forecasters with the National Weather Service.

Highs in the mid-30s are expected on Monday and Tuesday.

Two 7-year-old twin brothers were killed and three people injured Saturday morning in a wreck three miles east of Clarksburg on U.S. 82, and a 20-year-old man died and seven others were hurt in a two-vehicle accident on Interstate 20 near Tyler, the Texas Department of Public Safety reported.

A 19-year-old man died after he lost control of his vehicle at an icy bridge on U.S. 59 near Goodrich and hit the back of a parked tractor-trailer rig about 3 p.m. Saturday. Another accident earlier Saturday claimed the life of an 18-month-old girl.

Late Friday night, two men died in a one-vehicle accident 3 1/2 miles north of Eastland, while a 21-year-old woman was killed on Texas Highway 6 earlier in the day, said DPS spokesman Gary Patterson.

A 23-year-old woman died in a two-car head-on collision on Interstate 35 near Waxahachie, Patterson said. One vehicle apparently went out of control on a bridge, then crossed a median and slammed into the other car.

Patterson said other casualties were expected to be reported later. The deaths reported so far were not part of the DPS' count of holiday fatalities that began at 6 p.m. Saturday.

Doctors treated a Dallas woman for hypothermia when her car skidded into White Rock Creek and overturned Friday. A firefighter rescued her after about 30 minutes in the water.

In the Wichita Falls deaths, authorities said a 26-year-old machine shop employee, Pete Thornton Kuykendall, had spent the night in the shop along with another man, 29-year-old Thomas Milton Tarno.

The shop was heated by an industrial propane furnace, which apparently consumed all available oxygen while the men slept, said authorities.

A winter storm warning was posted for the Hill Country

through Monday morning, along with a weather watch for freezing rain, mixed with snow and sleet, for eastern sections of North Texas mainly along and east of a line from Paris through Centerville.

The National Weather Service said a winter advisory also continued for light snow and sleet for along and east of a line from Gainesville through Lampasas.

Patchy snow formed Saturday in the Panhandle, with some of the heaviest activity between Amarillo and Vega. Dalhart and Amarillo reported temperatures of zero, with wind chills in the minus category.

Forecasters predicted occasional freezing rain or sleet, and hazardous ice accumulation was possible. Freezing drizzle continued near Austin and more snow was predicted in the Panhandle.

Light snow continued to fall over much of Central and South Central Texas, with accumulations of one inch possible.

Decreasing clouds were expected from the west Sunday, with clear skies but bitterly cold temperatures Sunday night from the single digits to teens. Highs in South Texas were expected in the 20s and 30s.

Roads throughout the region contained patchy ice, mostly on bridges and overpasses.

"We are not recommending nighttime travel to anybody," said Al Zucha with the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation in Austin. "We recommend daytime travel, but motorists should drive slowly, because speeding has caused some accidents and could block lanes on freeways."

He said one such wreck on Interstate 10 from Houston to Columbus blocked lanes for several hours Saturday. Parts of U.S. 290 just inside Houston were closed because of ice on lanes and bridges, said Zucha.

Up to one-half inch of ice was reported on Kerrville streets, with other heavy accumulations near Tyler in East Texas.

Texas citrus growers, still reeling from a late winter freeze a year ago, again braced for the economic impact of temperatures that were expected to reach below freezing.

AIRPORT: Local facility promoted

(From 1A)

the regional picture, Marcy Blauvelt, airport administration supervisor, said last week.

At stake are an estimated 1 million potential customers in a 41-county area covering West Texas and parts of New Mexico, Ms. Blauvelt said.

The territory includes Abilene, San Angelo, southeastern New Mexico and towns from Midland to the Mexico border and about halfway to El Paso.

It also includes the turf between Midland and Lubbock, a competitive no man's land. Customers there must choose between Midland and Lubbock International Airport, which has two more airlines and more direct flights.

The city set aside \$50,000 this year to promote Midland International.

Part of that effort will focus on potential air travelers who live between here and Lubbock, Ms. Blauvelt said.

"We're in good-natured competition with Lubbock," she said. "We want to get people to think about Midland."

She said the strategy will be to blitz those communities with information about Midland International.

Travel agents and chambers of commerce will be targets for promotional brochures, baggage tags and even miniature balsa airplanes emblazoned with the Midland International logo, she said.

Overall, the promotion campaign is geared to let residents of Andrews, Lamesa, Snyder, Hobbs, N.M., and throughout West Texas know the convenience of Midland's airport.

"We're going to make sales calls," Ms. Blauvelt said. "We're going to be talking to county officials, city officials, city leaders and the Rotary clubs."

Airport officials also are developing a newsletter to keep customers as well as airlines in tune with Midland International happenings, she said.

Rod Paine, deputy director of the Lubbock airport, said his city's

airport marketing campaign is not as extensive as Midland's.

"Midland has done a pretty good job," Paine said. "They've had a real aggressive marketing campaign."

"We really haven't done that much in that regard. Our main focus here and citywide is on improving customer services."

Lubbock officials have earmarked \$30,000 for this year's marketing, he said.

Lubbock Mayor Peck McMinn said he does not view the Midland and Lubbock airports as bitter rivals.

"The Midland airport is vital to its area just like the Lubbock and Amarillo airports are to their areas," McMinn said. "Most people who live in the Midland-Odessa area are not going to drive to Lubbock to use our airport."

Lubbock did slightly more airport business than Midland in 1989 and 1990 through November.

Midland International had 525,756 enplanements through November of this year, compared with 541,507 boardings for the same period in 1989.

Enplanements at Lubbock International through November were 559,666, compared with 563,281 in 1989.

Officials in both cities blamed the economy for a downturn in enplanements this year.

Ms. Blauvelt said the Midland's marketing campaign is critical to not only bolstering business but luring airlines here.

"We're going to market to get the service in here and we're going to market to keep the service we've got," she said.

Southwest, America West, American and American Eagle offer service at Midland International, with Mesa Airlines of New Mexico considering a startup here. Mesa would offer flights between here and Denver.

In addition to those airlines, Lubbock also has Delta and Continental Express, which offers service to Denver through Amarillo.

Although Lubbock appears to have an edge in flight service,

Midland officials said they have decided to unleash another marketing weapon: Odessa.

City officials last week proposed expanding the Midland International board to include members from Odessa.

Under the proposal, the 10-member board would be expanded to 19, with nine members from Odessa and 10 from Midland, including the board chairperson.

Officials from both cities lauded the proposal, which is expected to go before Midland councilmen in the form of an ordinance at a regular meeting next month.

At airport board meetings, scheduled for the third Tuesday of every month, airport staffers outline Midland International needs and concerns. Board members, in turn, relay the information to city management.

Midland Mayor Carroll Thomas said the airport will gain marketing power as well as political muscle by including Odessans on the board and in promotional activities.

In addition to U.S. Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Midland, the airport will now have U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, R-Lubbock working for federal dollars for Midland International improvements, Thomas said.

Odessa Mayor Lorraine Bonner said a cooperative effort is critical to the economic well-being of the entire area.

"No longer can we survive by looking at things as a Midland issue or an Odessa issue," Ms. Bonner said. "The days are over when it's them against us."

But Ms. Blauvelt said the city must put its marketing where its mouth is by overhauling the airport, parts of which are more than 30 years old.

Midland International has been plagued recently by plumbing, air conditioning and other mechanical problems, she said. Because the facilities are outdated, it is more cost effective to replace rather than update them.

"We're going to be faced with doing this sooner or later, so why

refurbish the old part now?" Ms. Blauvelt said.

Airport authorities last week filed for Federal Aviation Administration financial assistance for the project, expected to cost about \$13 million. The proposed terminal replacement is part of a \$20 million airport improvement plan.

Two additional gates, a remodeled gateway area, an expanded security check area, an expanded baggage carousel and a reconstructed driveway and parking area also are in the blueprints.

Renovating the gateway area and expanding it from four to six gates would cost an estimated \$4 million, a Parkhill, Smith and Cooper Inc. study shows. The driveway and parking improvements would cost about \$3 million.

"Right then and there it's going to be a public relations gesture to the public," Ms. Blauvelt said of the parking area improvements. "People say our parking is terrible. It's too congested out front."

The city could start on the proposed improvements by January 1992 and complete them within 2 1/2 years, she said.

It would be the first major airport renovations since the fall of 1987, when about \$2 million was spent to remodel the roof and renovate the gift shop and restaurant area.

To fund the proposed projects, city officials said they plan to take advantage of a federal law creating an enplanement fee of either \$1, \$2 or \$3.

By collecting the fee on Midland International enplanements, the city could raise between \$600,000 and \$1.8 million annually, officials estimated. The revenues would be used to pay off certificates or bonds issued for airport improvement projects, they said.

The fee, which would be added to flight tickets and collected through airlines, could be imposed on all enplaning passengers, regardless of whether they board originating or connecting flights. City officials have not yet decided on which enplanement fee amount to set.

GULF: Cheney says troops will be ready

(From 1A)

Still, Cheney, on his second day of pre-Christmas visits with some of the nearly 300,000 American troops in the region, did escalate the pre-deadline rhetorical war by saying:

"The president is deadly serious when he says the whole crisis cannot be resolved until Saddam Hussein goes back to Baghdad and withdraws his forces from Kuwait. ... I would think that soon after Jan. 15th if he has not withdrawn his forces from Kuwait then we will be in a position to take military action in conjunction with our allies."

As Cheney was visiting the Marines in the desert and then Navy personnel aboard a hospital ship and Aegis missile cruiser in the Persian Gulf, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Colin Powell was making separate visits to troops as well.

Cheney and Powell have been in Saudi Arabia since Wednesday, meeting with senior and field commanders to assess the readiness of the American forces less than a month from the U.N. deadline.

The trip was thrown into controversy the first day when the deputy commander of Operation Desert Shield, Lt. Gen. Calvin A.H. Waller, told reporters U.S. ground forces might not be combat ready

until mid-February. It was his opinion that Bush should put any attack plans on the shelf until the entire deployment, still awaiting the arrival of more than 100,000 Army ground forces, was ready.

Cheney and Powell refused throughout the week to comment on Waller's remarks, but their hawkish pep talks to troops appeared designed to convince Saddam, in case Waller made him think otherwise, that the deadline still carried a military threat.

"We will be ready, whenever the president says go, to do whatever has to be done," Cheney told sailors aboard the USS Bunker Hill after seeing a demonstration of its guns and firing a dozen rounds into the gulf himself. "We're ready today if we have to do something, obviously."

Bush, meanwhile, said that U.S. forces are battle ready.

"If there was some clear provocation 10 minutes from now, the allied forces are ready to respond vigorously," Bush said from Camp David, Md.

Cheney told the Marines who have been in the desert since August, when the American deployment was just beginning, that they now had plenty of help.

"We've got enormous forces deployed here in Saudi Arabia and we're prepared to use them," Cheney said.

Cheney appeared to have the re-

marks of the Army's Waller in mind when a Marine asked him about the readiness dispute and said many homesick Marines "prefer to go to war and get it over with."

Said Cheney: "We always knew the Marines were going to be ready before the Army was."

And again later, when a Navy sailor asked about reports American forces were not ready to fight, Cheney said, "The Army may be a little slow but we know the Navy's ready."

But one of the Marine unit's senior officers, Brig. Gen. Tom Draude, said he concurred with Waller's assessment.

"I don't think you should initiate something as serious as combat until you have got everything you possibly can," Draude said. Cheney watched the Marines practice tank-killing by light infantry, donning chemical protective suits and decontaminating tanks and other armored vehicles.

He promised them that if Saddam used chemical weapons, "our response will be absolutely overwhelming."

After a helicopter trip over the gulf — and past several vital Saudi oil installations being defended by American forces — Cheney toured the USNS Mercy, one of two hospital ships sent to the Mideast, before finishing his day with a stop on the Bunker Hill.

FERRY: Craft may have been overloaded

(From 1A)

By Saturday afternoon, two men were still reported unaccounted for, but Navy officials said they believed they would be located as crewmen reported back to their ships.

The Saratoga and its three escort ships were in the Red Sea as part of the naval buildup in the Persian Gulf region in the wake of Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The accident was the deadliest involving U.S. servicemen in Operation Desert Shield, and it raised the number of Americans who have died to at least 73.

Haifa is a frequent port of call for American sailors. Last year, more than 45,000 sailors attached to the Sixth Fleet visited the northern port city.

Several sailors rescued from the Tuvia said the craft may have been overloaded. One of the two Israeli crewmen, Yossi Shochat, said he believed too many sailors were crowded into the boat's stern.

But Gen. Micha Ram, the commander of Israel's navy, said on Israel radio that the Tuvia had been licensed to carry 130 passengers but took only about 100 because the seas were running high.

"Until the boat is retrieved and can be examined ... we cannot

point to any negligence," he said. He said the craft went down in 15 or 20 seconds and added: "I have never known a vessel to sink so fast."

Survivors told of harrowing moments in the water, clinging to life jackets and debris from the 57-foot-long, double-deck ferry. At least some of the injured were struck by a rescue boat.

Six of the injured remained in Haifa's Rambam Hospital on Saturday night. Matty Inach, head duty nurse at Rambam, said all were listed as slightly wounded, and could be released Sunday.

Cmdr. Craig Quigley, a U.S. Navy spokesman, said 36 sailors were admitted to Haifa hospitals but that most were released immediately after a checkup.

Col. Ranaan Gissen, the Israeli army's deputy spokesman, said more than 30 others were plucked from the waters unharmed in a rescue operation by both U.S. and Israeli forces.

Flares lit the sky over the harbor of the northern city for much of the night, and ambulances rushed victims to three Haifa-area hospitals.

Some sailors rescued from the capsized ferry said they had spent their shore leave having dinner, drinking beer or visiting discotheques.

Israel army radio reported that some of the sailors had been drunk and at least one of the dead victims was handcuffed, apparently after being arrested by U.S. military police for drunkenness.

However, Pentagon spokesman Lt. Commander Alan Dooley said no one aboard the boat was in handcuffs.

The Tuvia capsized shortly after midnight about 200 yards from the Saratoga, which was anchored outside the harbor's breakwater about a mile offshore. The waves were reported at three to four feet and winds at 35 mph when the craft heeled over.

Quigley said, "I would point out that the operation of the boat was completely separate (from Navy operations). There was an Israeli master and crewman. ... The sailors were passengers."

Quigley said all 1,920 sailors who began liberty Friday were ordered to return to the carrier and three escort ships to try to account for all sailors.

The Saratoga task force, based at Mayport Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, Fla., includes the destroyer Sampson, cruiser South Carolina and combat stores ship Sirius. It has 6,200 men, including about 4,500 aboard the Saratoga.

Gas prices up 30 cents since gulf crisis

Associated Press

In its pre-Christmas survey of 5,000 service stations, the American Automobile Association reported Friday the average price for unleaded regular gasoline was \$1.37 a gallon, only 1.4 cents lower than in the week before Thanksgiving, or about 30 cents a gallon higher than before the Persian Gulf crisis began.

Those in the oil industry — from producers to refiners to gasoline dealers — vigorously deny any price gouging. Their prices are dictated primarily by supply and demand, they argue.

"We're returning to our normal margins," said Charles DiBona, president of the American Petroleum Institute, the oil company trade group. "The price of crude went way up, the price of gasoline went up half as much, the price of crude is falling back somewhat and you're back to a normal relationship."

Phillip Chisholm, executive vice president of the Petroleum Marketers Association, said dealers and middlemen were severely squeezed in August and September between rising costs and pressure to keep prices down. "A lot of them are trying to recover the margins that they lost," he said.

According to figures compiled by the American Petroleum Institute, spot crude prices increased 46 cents a gallon in the two months after Iraq invaded Kuwait. Refiners on average passed only 33 of those cents onto dealers who, in turn, passed only 25 cents to their customers.

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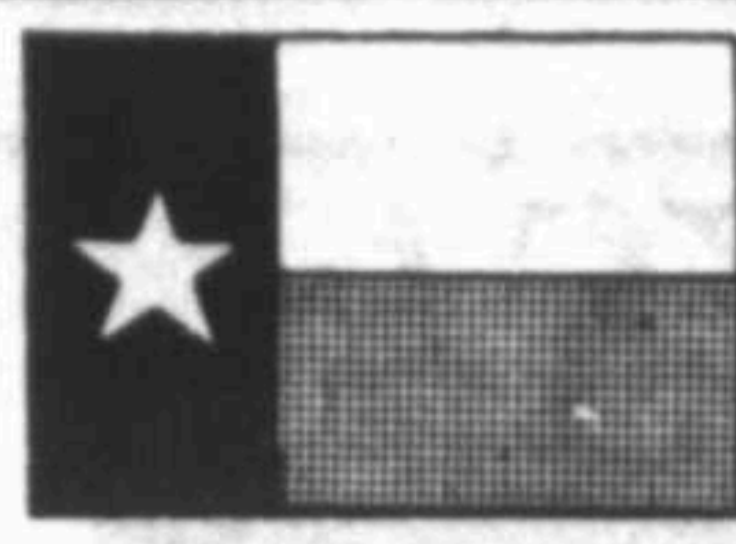
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STATE

Bush lifts ban against importing Iranian oil

HOUSTON (AP) — The Bush administration has quietly lifted the ban against importing Iranian crude and is granting import licenses to Iran on a case-by-case basis. The Houston Post reported Saturday.

Although the Bush administration recently renewed its sanctions against Iran, officials said a "presidential decision" was made in mid-November to allow selective imports of Iranian crude.

A State Department official told the newspaper that import licenses for Iranian crude will be issued "on a case-by-case basis." But she said no applications have been received and no licenses issued so far.

Instead of paying Iran for the oil, importers will make deposits into an escrow account set up in the Netherlands in 1981 to pay claims under the U.S.-Iran claims tribunal.

Industry sources say the Bush administration apparently is willing to circumvent sanctions against Iran to increase potential oil supplies during the Mideast crisis.

But a State Department official said the Iranian claims account is the only reason for lifting the restriction on Iranian oil.

"It's not a major deal," she said. "There was a provision all along in Treasury Department regulations for the licensing of Iranian imports."

She said the claims tribunal has been efficient in payoff \$2 billion in claims so far by U.S. nationals, Iran and other parties stemming from the 1979 Iranian revolution

Industry sources say the Bush administration apparently is willing to circumvent sanctions against Iran to increase potential oil supplies during the Mideast crisis.

that resulted in the takeover of the U.S. Embassy in that country. Meanwhile, Customs Service officials in Houston said they have been investigating for more than a year possible trade irregularities between Coastal Corp. and Libya.

Coastal Corp. chairman Oscar Wyatt and board member John Connolly returned from Iraq Dec. 9 with a plenipotentiary of U.S. and British hostages.

"We're not making accusations. We're investigating the trade practices of several large oil companies," a Customs spokeswoman told The Post.

Another section of the Treasury Department, its office of Foreign Assets Control, also reportedly is investigating Wyatt's recent contact with Iraqi officials to determine if he violated economic sanctions against Iraq imposed since it invaded Kuwait Aug. 2.

Coastal officials have denied the company violated any U.S. prohibitions against doing business with Libya, Iran, Iraq or Kuwait.

Future bleak for department stores

DALLAS (AP) — Vacant buildings, once thriving department stores now waiting for reoccupation and rejuvenation, stand as a reminder of the retail debacle of the 1980s.

Many of Dallas' premier department stores, including Joske's (formerly Titcher's), Sanger Harris and Bloomingdale's show entrances now faded or sealed off.

Sears, the nation's No. 1 retailer, has remodeled two local stores at the Valley View and Town East malls in an effort to boost slipping sales.

Department stores, once powerful entities renowned for fashion and personal service, are collapsing under the weight of heavy debt loads from leveraged buyouts and fierce competition from specialty retailers, discount chains and others.

During the past decade, Texas institutions including Sanger Harris, Joske's and Sakowitz have disappeared, and Neiman Marcus and Foley's have been sold to outsiders.

A consulting firm reported that half of the nation's retailers, par-

ticularly department store chains, will be gone within a decade, and retail experts agree.

"I don't see much to be optimistic about," Jack Miller, former chairman of Sanger Harris, told the Dallas Times Herald. "Department stores are very inefficient. It's hard to tell a shopper that a department store has better prices than Wal-Mart or better service than a specialty store."

But local department stores are optimistic in light of the upswing in Texas' economy.

"For the most part, the shakeup of Dallas retailers is over," said Dennis Van Zelfden, a Dallas retail analyst. "Even an under-performing chain like Sears is doing better in Texas."

Many department stores in Dallas and elsewhere have slashed prices and offered special shopping hours in an effort to attract customers during the holidays.

But David Greenburg, head of Dallas-based Colbert's specialty store chain said, "Christmas is not going to be the healer for nine or 10 months of poor business."

Retail experts list many factors

for department stores' demise. They include:

- Too many stores. Retail space no longer outpaces population growth and consumer spending.
- Sameness. "Merchandise" exclusives don't exist any more," said Miller. "The manufacturers want more outlets for their merchandise."

- Excessive promotions that have diluted the meaning of the word "sale."

- Poor customer service.
- Specialty stores with hot fashions, fair prices and top-notch service helping to capture much of the consumer dollar.

- Power players, or category

killers like Toys-R-Us, The Home Depot and PetSmart, that stock a wide assortment of products at discount prices.

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Austin cabbies 'spooked' by recent murder of 2 taxi drivers

AUSTIN (AP) — Cab drivers are looking out for each other and some are thinking about changing jobs after two cabbies were slain here in less than a week.

"They're all spooked," said James Walton, who has been driving a cab for much of the last 34 years.

On a recent night, he sped to help a fellow Yellow-Checker Cab driver after hearing the radio dispatcher ask if he was in trouble.

It turned out to be only a passenger who had left without paying, but the fear of a third tragedy kept Walton's adrenaline pumping.

"We don't really know who we're dealing with," he told the Austin American-Statesman.

On Monday, the body of Roy's Taxi driver Eleazar Hinojosa, 57, was found in the front seat of his cab. He had been shot three times in the back of the head.

Two days later, maintenance workers at an apartment complex

discovered the abandoned cab of 41-year-old John Mann Parrish II. His body was in the trunk.

Cab companies are offering a reward for information leading to the killer's arrest, calling roll every few hours and sending drivers out to look for other drivers who can't be reached.

Austin police have received hundreds of telephone calls but no firm leads in their search for the killer, said Senior Sgt. Michael Lummus.

The calls were prompted by a composite sketch of the suspect distributed statewide, he said. The suspect is described as an Hispanic man, 20 to 25 years old, 5-foot-7 and weighing 150 pounds.

"Haircutting is looking real good right now," said Walton, who has run or worked for salons and collection agencies over the years.

Larry Luxton, a driver for American Cab Co., said, "I hope that band comes together." He recently returned to Austin after a

Florida band he was in broke up. "Since I got held up, they don't get in my cab unless I know who they are and where they are going," Luxton said.

He has been asking passengers for their driver's license numbers and calling them in to a dispatcher.

"You've got to go to a specific house," not just to a street corner, added John Dempsey, a driver with Harlem Cab Co.

Many drivers are considering arming themselves, said Joe Mar-

rero, who thought he was getting a safer job when he moved from New York City, where he also drove a cab.

That would at least be a visible deterrent, he said. "These guys aren't going to let themselves get killed for \$20."

But Walton said it doesn't make sense to try to out-duel somebody in the back seat.

"He's got the drop on you from the beginning."

Homeless man tries to stay warm

AUSTIN (AP) — As the frigid fingers of winter wrapped themselves around much of Texas sending most Texans scurrying for cover, a homeless man huddled under an Austin bridge trying to stay warm.

Many Texans worried about the antifreeze level in their car or whether the biting cold that

Trying to stay warm is just part of the survival game for a homeless man.

blew into the state on the first day of winter would harm their pipes and plants. But Dan, a homeless man who lives under a bridge that spans the Colorado River, was making few preparations to fight the cold.

There were no pipes to wrap or house plants to move inside. Instead, he had stockpiled a bit of firewood and was holding in reserve a case of Sterno to keep his 'bedroom' warm.

"I've got a nice piece of riverfront property here," Dan said as he rummaged through his pockets for a match.

Trying to stay warm is just part of the survival game for a homeless man, just another obstacle to be surmounted, he said.

Motioning around his camp, Dan said, "I've got everything I need here, but I've got to think about the future. I really would like to get a job, some wheels and an apartment."

Copter company loses license

HOUSTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration has revoked a Pearland helicopter company's permission to fly, accusing the company of sloppy record keeping on wear and tear of aircraft parts.

The revocation of Houston Helicopters' operating certificate represents the most drastic action the FAA can take against a company, spokesman Hugh O'Neill said.

Houston Helicopters has 29 aircraft and flies about 40,000 work hours to and from offshore oil rigs annually.

"The suspension will be in effect until Houston Helicopters Inc. can establish to the FAA's satisfaction (its) airworthiness," said Bill Anderson, another FAA spokesman.

At the same time, the FAA suspended licenses for all 29 of the company's helicopters. That

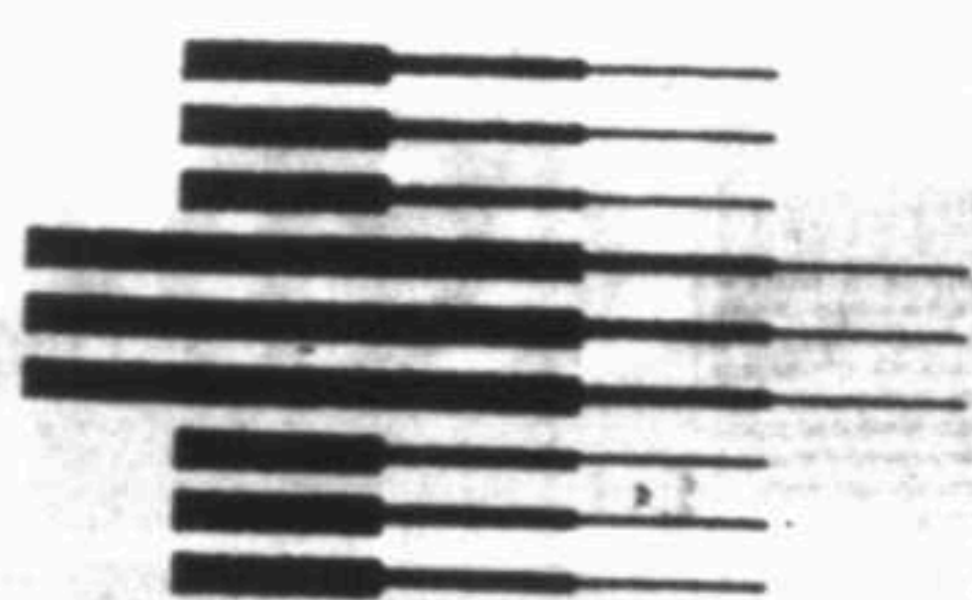
means that even if the helicopters are sold or leased to other companies, they will first have to pass an FAA inspection before they can again be flown.

Last September, the FAA fined Houston Helicopters \$150,000 and ordered the company to change its top management after discovering that a helicopter with cracked or worn landing gear was flown on 96 trips. The FAA said it had instructed the company to replace the parts.

The FAA action could put the company, with 70 employees, out of business.

"We think an injustice has been done," said Paula Hinton, a company lawyer. "We also believe the FAA is engaging in fundamental due process violations."

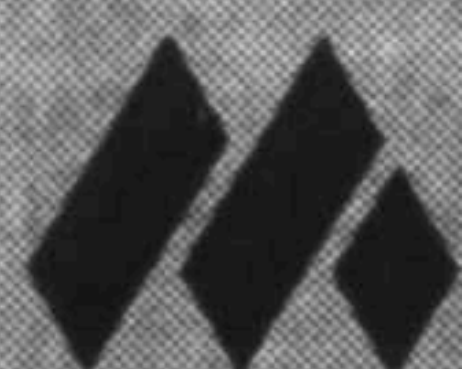
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Objectives 2000 reports available

Copies of the recently published Objectives 2000 report are available in the Chamber offices, 109 N. Main. The Chamber-initiated report lists community goals for the decade of the 1990s, and is the result of months of active citizen participation in planning Midland's future.

Directory, Citylife ads still available

Advertising space in the 1991 Membership Directory is still available, but time is running out soon to reserve your ad. Contact Shirley Childers at 683-3381.

The Spring issue of Citylife Magazine (April/May/June 1991) will feature a travel and tourism theme. Ad deadline for that issue is February 15. Contact Jane Inskeep at 683-3381.

CVB snags tourneys

The CVB and the Midland Softball Association have now successfully recruited a state, a regional and three national tournaments to Midland over the next two years.

Latest successes include the Girls 14 & Under Fast Pitch tourney and the Women's Class A Slow Pitch tourney, both in 1992.

These tournament bids helped the CVB secure 3,755 future delegates and 3,884 future room nights as a result of November's efforts.

Membership Drive

The Chamber's Annual Membership Drive kicks off March 11-23, 1991.

Drive co-chairs Laurie Schwab and Jeff Higgins have vowed to surpass all previous drives in total memberships sold.

This year memberships may be sold as early as January and count in team and individual totals. To get your company involved, call Jane Inskeep at 683-3381.

Chamber staff changes

Two new Chamber employees have been hired and two veterans have left for other opportunities.

Thomas J. Stinson has been hired as an Economic Development specialist. A Port Arthur native, Stinson worked most recently in Dallas with Coldwell Banker Commercial Real Estate Services. He also has experience in advertising and marketing.

Carol McCain is the new secretary for the Economic Development Division as well as executive secretary. She and her husband, Mike, recently moved from Sulphur Springs, where they owned a restaurant. She has 20 years experience in administrative secretarial work.

Eight-year Chamber veteran Amy Burgess, an Economic Development assistant, is leaving for Tallahassee, Florida, as her husband Larry takes a new job there. Mike Strotheide, Economic Development specialist, left earlier this fall to take a position in Marshall, Texas.

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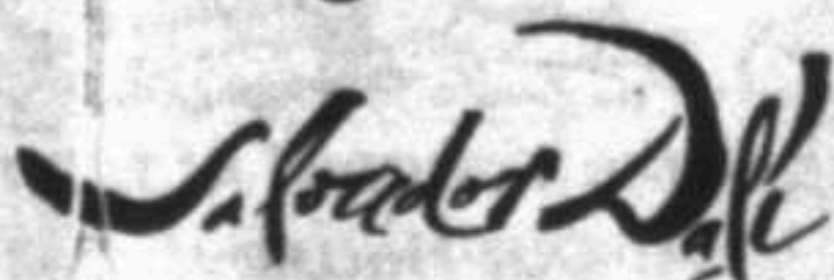


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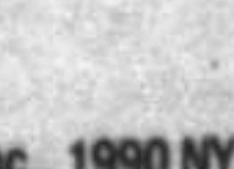
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The glasses of David Meyer, left, of San Jose, Calif., fly after he was hit by the unidentified man behind him and to his right. The fight broke up during a Ku Klux Klan rally Saturday morning in Cincinnati's Fountain Square.

Seven arrested as Ku Klux Klan jeered

CINCINNATI (AP) — About 1,500 people jeered and threw things at six robed Ku Klux Klan members who staged a rally downtown Saturday, resulting in one injury and seven arrests.

Hecklers at Fountain Square shouted obscenities, waved "Smash the Klan" signs and hurled bottles that shattered on the square's stage as helmeted police formed a barrier to hold back the crowd. "It's a damn shame the city's protecting them," one protester said. Police Chief Lawrence Whalen said at least one fistfight broke out among people in the angry crowd that had gathered in the plaza, where two months ago thousands had gathered to honor the World Series champion Cincinnati Reds.

One fire captain was slightly injured by an object hurled from the crowd, Whalen said. No other injuries were reported.

"I think you've seen an exhibition here of one of the most difficult jobs that public safety has, of maintaining strict neutrality between two or three or four factions that have some very significant points of view," he said.

The Klansmen, wearing white, purple and black robes, erected a 10-foot cross in the square which was decorated with Christmas trees. One Klan member held up a Bible and yelled "Life, life through Jesus." But when he grabbed a bullhorn to make a speech, jeers and taunts drowned out his words.

"It was getting ugly real quick," said Edward Ammann, the assistant police chief.

Those who were arrested were charged with disorderly conduct. Other protesters, angry over the arrests, went to the Hamilton County Justice Center and chanted while the seven were booked.

Ammann said police recovered 40 to 50 objects the protesters threw during the rally, including rocks, ball bearings, pieces of machinery and a two-pound can of sliced pineapples.

The Klansmen, members of the U.S. Knights of the Ku Klux Klan based in nearby Hamilton, had obtained a city permit to hold a one-hour rally, but left 15 minutes early.

Police escorted them to a nearby building after they ended their event and used chemical Mace to repel some protesters who had charged toward the Klansmen.

The Klan obtained the rally permit after U.S. District Judge Carl Rubin allowed a Jewish congregation to put a menorah on the square for the eight days of Hanukkah.

Inquiry finds no CIA link to S&L scandal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional investigators found no evidence to support published allegations that the CIA was involved in several savings and loan failures, the chairman of the House Intelligence Committee says.

"We came across no evidence of CIA involvement," Rep. Anthony Beilenson, D-Calif., said Friday in a telephone interview. "We do not suspect, we have no reason to suspect at all, that any of these allegations is true."

But the newspaper that initially published the claims reported Saturday that the committee relied on the CIA to provide information about itself.

The Intelligence Committee on

Friday released results of a nine-month investigation that included a hearing and dozens of staff interviews. The inquiry was undertaken at the request of the House Banking subcommittee on financial institutions.

The subcommittee sought the inquiry following reports in the Houston Post that the CIA was involved in the scandal that has overtaken the S&L industry.

In a two-page letter to subcommittee Chairman Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., Beilenson said his panel did identify five individuals who "at some point in their lives" had an association with the CIA.

Beilenson said, however, there was nothing to show that those as-

sociations "were used in any way to facilitate fraudulent activities at financial institutions."

But the Post Saturday quoted the committee's chief counsel, Michael Sheehy, as saying that all the CIA-related information in the committee's report came from the agency.

Sheehy also told the Post that the panel's staff had not attempted to track any of the S&L money obtained by CIA operatives to determine if it had been used for illegal CIA-related purposes.

The newspaper said Sheehy could not answer questions about how the staff found evidence of unauthorized CIA activities.

Beilenson said that in some cases, individuals claimed to know sources with information about CIA involvement in savings and loan failures. But he said they "either refused to identify the source or the source refused to be interviewed."

"In short," he told Annunzio, "the evidence uncovered during the course of the inquiry did not support a conclusion that individuals connected in any way to the CIA obtained loans from financial institutions because of those connections or that funds obtained by individuals were used to support unauthorized activities in which the CIA was involved."

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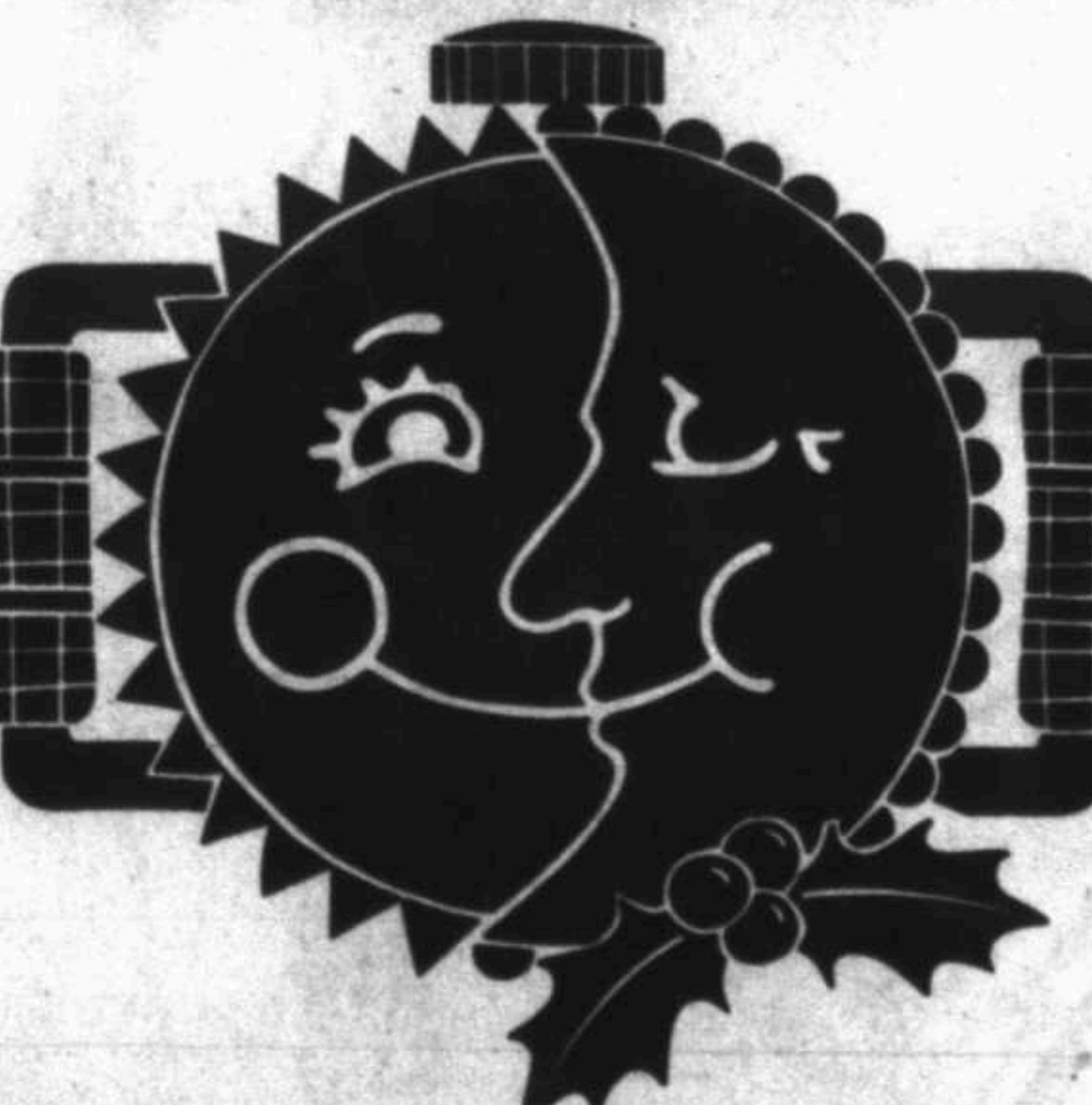
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Church leaders back Cruzan's decision to let daughter die

MOUNT VERNON, Mo. (AP) — Religious leaders urged prayers for Nancy Cruzan and her family Saturday and called on anti-euthanasia groups to stop trying to force the state to resume feeding the woman, who is in a vegetative state.

She remained officially listed in deteriorating condition Saturday, eight days after a judge authorized her parents to have a feeding tube removed. Doctors expected the 33-year-old woman to die within two weeks of the tube's removal Dec. 14.

Anti-euthanasia activists were stymied last week in asking various courts to force the state to resume feeding Ms. Cruzan.

Those legal setbacks, snow and bitterly cold weather have lowered morale among some 15 demonstrators camped outside the Missouri Rehabilitation Center where Ms. Cruzan is cared for. But spokesman Andrew Burnett said, "They're planning on keeping the vigil up to the end of this ordeal."

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the United Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations joined in issuing a statement supporting Joe and Joyce Cruzan and their other two daughters, Donna and Christy. The Cruzans are Methodists.

"We urge that those who are attempting to disrupt the ruling of the court and the wishes of Nancy Cruzan and her family end their activities and join us in respecting the judgments of the courts, which have thoroughly examined the questions involved in the Cruzan case and have concurred in the Cruzan family's decision," the statement said.

Demonstrations at the rehabilitation center and the 19 arrests there Tuesday only further burdened the Cruzans, said Kay Dowhower, director of the Evangelical Lutheran Church offices in Washington.

On Friday, Joe Cruzan presented demonstrators huddled outside the hospital in 15-degree weather with a new coffee maker, filters, cups and an extension cord.

"We are doing what we feel God has directed us to do, and that is to carry out what we believe," he told them. "We believe we are in the best position to know what would be Nancy's wishes."



Stuck duck

John Jones, left, offers a piece of bread to a duck that was stuck to the ice of frozen Laurelhurst Park pond in Portland, Ore., Friday. Jason Vasquez, right, lends a comforting hand. The two, along with a group of several friends, crawled out onto the ice to rescue a dozen ducks that had either become stuck in the ice or were unable to move on it.

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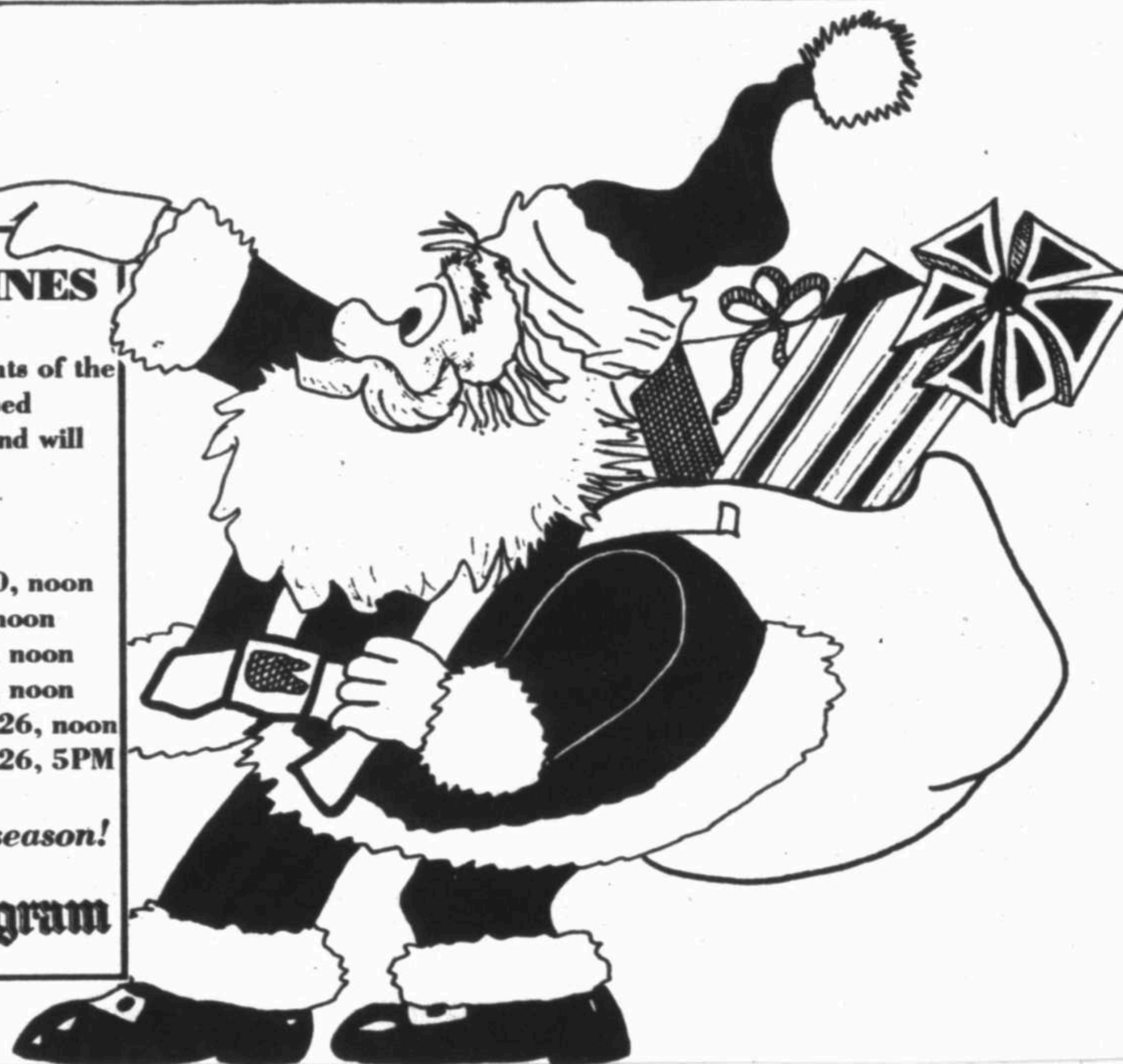
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'Big Brother' is watching you, the store

By Peter T. Kilborn
N.Y. Times News Service

CHICAGO — Now and then, Harriette Ternipsede stands up, defying the stream of calls pouring into her telephone.

When she does, she said, her supervisors at the Trans World Airlines reservations office in Chicago call across the rows of sales agents and tell her to sit down.

Although standing up slows production, it gives her relief from two-hour stretches of sitting at a computer terminal, and, she says, "It's a way to show I'm a person."

But it is not just the supervisors across the room who are watching Ms. Ternipsede. Through her telephone and video display terminal, Ms. Ternipsede's employers constantly monitor the speed and efficiency with which she makes plane reservations and sells tickets.

Ms. Ternipsede, 55, a veteran agent at TWA, is among millions of workers, women mostly, in the back offices of airlines, government agencies, insurance companies, mail-order houses and telephone companies who are the cogs in what some employees call an electronic sweatshop.

Through the telephones and computer terminals they use, the workers and their performance can be watched, measured and analyzed in microchip detail.

Some companies use the systems openly and rather benignly to track their business and help laggards among workers improve.

And some TWA agents say the company's intensive monitoring is understandable.

"YOU'RE NOT getting trustworthy, smart people," said Joseph Garza, 38, who was shifted last month from selling reservations to the low-pressure desk where agents work out fares for complicated itineraries.

"You're getting more 18-year-olds, not college-educated, not creative. So naturally, TWA says this is the only way to get something out of these people."

But advocates for workers, like the organization Nine-to-Five, say other companies run dehumanizing pressure cookers, relegating management prerogatives to electronic taskmasters.

They say the companies program high performance goals into computers and push employees to work faster to meet them, much as manufacturers speed up assembly lines.

And as a result of listening in on calls, they say, the companies make judgments about workers without letting the employees defend themselves.

Because computers can measure quantity better than quality, critics of the monitoring systems say employees who do the fastest work often reap greater rewards than do those who do the best work.

They complain of invasions of privacy, of managers who are oblivious to human needs and of stress-induced illnesses or injuries.

IN OCTOBER, a study of 762 telephone workers nationwide by Michael J. Smith, chairman of the industrial engineering department at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, and the Communications Workers of America, said 81 percent of those who were monitored had symptoms or complaints of depression, as against 69 percent of those who were not monitored.

Fifty-one percent of the monitored workers cited stiff or sore wrists, as against 24 percent of the other workers.

Three years ago the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment estimated 6 million to 10 million workers were regularly monitored electronically at their computers. Smith said the number has probably doubled since then.

At hundreds of companies, the performance of data-entry clerks is judged by the speed of their computer-measured keystrokes. Directory-assistance operators at

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telephone companies are allotted 25 seconds or less to root out a number, however vague the request, and computers record their times.

In supermarkets, computers measure the speed with which the checkout clerks sweep purchases over the optical scanners.

In response to employee complaints, the Social Security Administration this year relaxed its eavesdropping practices for its telephone workers who take calls from the public.

Carol Fehner, a representative of the administration's field office employees, said management agreed to listen in on no more than 15 calls a month to employees with more than two years' experience and to disclose when it would listen. But newer employees are subject to listening on up to 40 calls and, without warning.

Early this year Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., chairman of the Senate Labor Committee's Subcommittee on Employment and Productivity, and Rep. William L. Clay, D-Mo., proposed legislation to prevent invasions of privacy.

Under the measure, companies would be required to inform both employees and the consumers who telephone them when their conversations are being monitored. The bills found wide support but were overwhelmed in the crush of other legislation. Brian

Kennedy, an aide to employment and productivity subcommittee, said they would be reintroduced next year.

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Agents here and at TWA's other telephone reservation offices in Manhattan, St. Louis and Los Angeles get weekly and monthly report cards based on the computer's measurements of the time they spend on the phone and on the supervisors' assessments of their phone conversations.

Grades run from 1 (very bad) to 5 (very good). Workers earning 5s are awarded certificates that entitle them to an hour off with pay. Ones and 2s bring days off without pay and the possibility of eventual dismissal.

"Supervisors don't know whether they're there to make money or run a prison camp," said Paul C. Theile, an agent here who helps other employees lodge grievances. "As an educational tool, monitoring is probably a good thing. But they don't train you, they control you."

Turnover is high here, employ-

ees say, and would be higher if workers were not constrained by their pay and pensions. Older, experienced employees make more than \$20,000 a year. Instead of resigning, some employees say, they fight the system by doing less work.

"I'm a 3," said a longtime agent in her late 30s who said she feared letting her name be used. "I could do better. I've been a 5. But I don't care. You don't get fired for a 3. I'm just biding my time."

AT THE CHICAGO office, on the 17th floor of a black-and-glass tower on North Michigan Avenue, about 300 sales agents assigned staggered shifts enter a large open room to be briefed on changes in fares or routes. They can be up to 30 seconds late before they are docked.

Once at their desks, the agents enter individual passwords into their computers and phones.

A few years ago, agents were allowed seven seconds between calls, Ms. Ternipsede said, but now all computer-calculated time between calls is weighed against them in determining their grades.

The computer also records when employees sign in, when they sign out and whether they exceed their 30 minutes for lunch, their two, 15-minute breaks and the 10 minutes they are allowed in the restroom a day.

The company keeps a monthly record of each worker's sales performance, called a monitor. To earn 5s on the monitors, workers must be patient and courteous.

Supervisors prepare the monitors by listening in on calls. They

tick off how faithfully the agents comply with eight criteria of the airline's programmed sales pitch.

While at their desks, agents cannot make or receive outside calls. Supervisors deliver messages to the agents, and the company provides three free phones in the lounge for local calls. But to use them, agents must sign off their machines, risking cuts in their grades.

TWA declined to let a reporter interview management in Chicago or to visit the office. But Donald C. Morrison, company vice president for public affairs, said that many employees like the computer monitoring system, and that, indeed, some of the best workers like being assessed by a system that is free of human bias.

"The company is not inhuman," Morrison said. "We understand that there are snowstorms. All we're saying is absences are grounds for dismissal."

When the company has what it deems an emergency, like a discount fare promotion that prompts a lot of calls, it can require agents to work beyond their normal quitting times.

The company first asks for volunteers, and if it does not get enough, it sets a green light on the walls flashing. The light is a signal to agents to look for a bulletin in their terminals, and the bulletin orders them to stay at their desks.

"They can come tap you on the shoulder and force you to work, one hour, two hours," said Richard DeVito, an agent at TWA's office at Penn Plaza in Manhattan. "We've had women going out of there almost hysterical."

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Impossible shopping quest has gone to the Go Go dogs

By Larry Neumeister

NEW YORK (AP) — Don't ask Macy's. Don't ask Hasbro. Don't even ask Santa Claus. And don't make any promises to the children. "Go Go, My Walking Pup" is sold out.

Without the furor that accompanied the Great Cabbage Patch Kid Shortage, the \$40 walking dog has become the hot, impossible-to-get toy of the Christmas season.

"It is a product that is impossible to find. There's not enough of them," said Thomas R. Kully, a toy industry analyst for William Blair & Co. of Chicago.

Nobody knows that better than Hasbro Industries, the Pawtucket, R.I., company that markets the 18-inch, battery-operated white Maltese on a leash.

"Go Go has run out. If there are a handful across the country, I'd be surprised," said Wayne Charness, a company spokesman.

He said about 300 people a day call the headquarters in search of the dog.

They are told that it will be January or February before the company has more Go Gos, which are made in China.

"It's very flattering when a product of yours takes off, but on the other hand, it's frustrating because we can't meet the need," Charness said.

He would not say how many of the dogs were sold, but Kully estimated sales at between \$15 million and \$20 million, compared with the \$500 million in sales that Teen-Age Mutant Ninja Turtle figures should do.

In most parts of the country, it has been difficult to find the dog since November. Lines formed early outside a Lionel Kiddie City Toys store in New York when a late shipment of the dogs arrived about a week ago. They were sold out as quickly as the purchases could be rung up on the cash register.

"We had lines in other stores in 16 other states," said Joel H. Weiner, a spokesman for Lionel Leisure Inc., the parent company of Lionel Kiddie City Toys and Lionel Playworld.

Still, he said, Go Go has not caused the kind of stir that the Cabbage Patch Kids made in 1983.

The dolls, which are now also marketed by Hasbro, received a rush of media attention early in their first holiday shopping season when they became hard to find.



AP Laserphoto

An unidentified girl takes a stroll with "Go Go, My Walking Pup." Without the furor that accompanied the Great Cabbage Patch Doll Shortage, the \$40 walking dog has become the hot, impossible-to-find toy of the 1990 Christmas shopping season.

The Go Go dog shortage has gone relatively unnoticed, except by parents trying to find the toy.

A spot check of about 20 stores in the New York and northern New Jersey area found that none had the dog and all knew about the shortage.

Karen Kraus, a saleswoman in Macy's toy department, said the store gets dozens of calls a day asking about the pup.

Of all the new toy products, "the hottest is Go Go, I guess because it does something — it walks," she said. "It's cute."

Stores placed orders in June for the dog, which sells for about \$40. It reached the shelves by August and a commercial featuring a young girl walking the dog made it high on the list of toys wanted by girls.

Hasbro pulled the advertising two weeks before Christmas.

"It's unusual," Charness said. "You don't see products that are

as incredibly hot as this one is. The toy industry is a fashion industry. I don't think you can ever really predict what is going to be the hot product going in."

He suggested parents stuff their children's stockings with IOUs.

"There will be plenty of Go Gos next year," he promised.

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Christmas will be just another day aboard carrier JFK

By Edith M. Lederer

ABOARD THE USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (AP) — Instead of getting married over the Christmas holidays, Navy Lt. Dan Turner will be practicing combat tactics in his A-7 light attack aircraft.

Petty Officer 2nd Class Joseph Roberts desperately wants to spend Christmas with the 3-month-old son he's never seen. But he'll be repairing jet engines.

Trying to cope with his first Christmas away from his family, Fireman Apprentice Deval Sanders will spend the day helping to run the generators on the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy, a prospect he finds "very depressing."

Eight Christmas trees have been flown to the carrier in the northern Red Sea. The catapult shuttle that hurls the attack jets and fighters into flight has been painted with the words "Merry Xmas." The American public has overwhelmed the ship with Christmas cards and goodies.

But even with the trimmings, much of the traditional holiday spirit will be missing for the 5,200 sailors and fliers on the Kennedy who know they could be at war with Iraq within weeks.

Capt. John P. Gay, a decorated Vietnam War combat pilot who took command of the 82,000-ton carrier earlier this month, has decided that Christmas is going to be a regular working day.

That means most of the 70-odd strike aircraft on the carrier will be flying, which will leave few sailors much time to dwell on war, peace or family celebrations back home.

Capt. Jim O'Connor, the carrier's chief chaplain, said it would be a low-key Christmas.

"You don't want to overdo it because guys are trying to work through being away from their families," he said.

Since the Kennedy is in international waters, Christmas services can be held openly — unlike in Saudi Arabia, where only Moslem religious observances are legal. The U.S. military said religious services for troops in the desert will be held privately.

There will be a Christmas Eve candlelight service for Protestants on the Kennedy, midnight Mass for Catholics, a Christmas Day service and a band of roaming troubadours singing carols from table to table in the mess halls.

"There's a certain intensity at

this time because of the possibility of war and there's that matter of separation," said O'Connor, a 51-year-old Lutheran minister from New Port Richey, Fla.

"I myself think this is a time to take Christmas seriously ... and ask Jesus to be the Prince of Peace," he said.

From the boiler room in the bowels of the huge carrier to the bridge overlooking the flight deck, there is a sense of unease. Nobody knows when they're going home. Everybody's life is on hold.

For Turner, a 29-year-old pilot from Jacksonville, Fla., Christmas was supposed to be spent with his parents in San Diego and four days later he was to walk down the aisle with his fiancée, Jodee.

"We're trying for March 23, but I don't know if we're even going to make that," he said.

Instead of pre-wedding festivities, Turner will take a break from flying and join fellow pilots to open stockings sent by the wives' club of VA-72 Squadron. Their "ready room" is adorned with a Christmas tree, decorations, and a huge card on the wall with photos of wives, girlfriends, children and pet dogs peeping out of Christmas

ornaments.

For Roberts, a 31-year-old aviation maintenance technician from Boston, Christmas is going to be "lousy" because he still hasn't seen his son, Ryan Thomas, though he's seen pictures of him.

Sanders, a 22-year-old damage control apprentice from Michigan City, Ind., said he knows he's going

to be "a little homesick."

"I've got to block it out," he said.

Other members of the crew are trying to cope in different ways.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Janofsky Herrion, 21, of Essex, Mo., a mechanic, said he's glad Christmas won't be a holiday here.

"If we (weren't) flying, we'd just be sitting around wondering what

our families are doing, wishing that we could be there. Our reality is we're out here and we've got a job to do," he said.

"It's going to be a special Christmas for me, just because of all the support we've gotten from back home," said Lt. Cmdr. Val Diers, 33, of Norman, Okla., the maintenance officer for an A-7 squadron.

Families await word about accident

MAYPORT NAVAL STATION, Fla. (AP) — Families of sailors aboard the aircraft carrier Saratoga nervously awaited information Saturday about the deaths of 19 sailors in a boat accident along the coast of Israel.

Families were asking "Why didn't this happen some other time?" not as close to Christmas, said Cmdr. Jerry O'Connor, senior chaplain at Mayport Naval Station, the Saratoga's home port. "We don't have answers for that. We just don't."

O'Connor said a memorial service will be held Sunday aboard the Saratoga and another service would be held in Mayport.

At least 19 sailors from the Saratoga died when a ferry taking them back to the ship from shore leave capsized early Saturday off the Israeli coast.

The Saratoga, in the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea since mid-August as part of the Operation Desert Shield forces, has been alternating duty with the carrier Kennedy, based at Norfolk, Va. Names of the victims were not

immediately released.

At Mayport, the gymnasium was opened up for families wanting counseling or just needing to talk. About 50 families used those services Saturday, said Lt. Myrt Yarbrough, director of the Family Services Center.

"They want to know: Is it my husband? Is it my brother? Is it my son?" she said.

The hard thing about dealing

with the families, she said, is "You can't make it go away — the reality that this is happening."

"We want to be honest with the people, but we don't want to raise their fears — maybe unnecessarily."

Long said community support had been the brighter side of the accident, with food and services flowing into the base from nearby Jacksonville.

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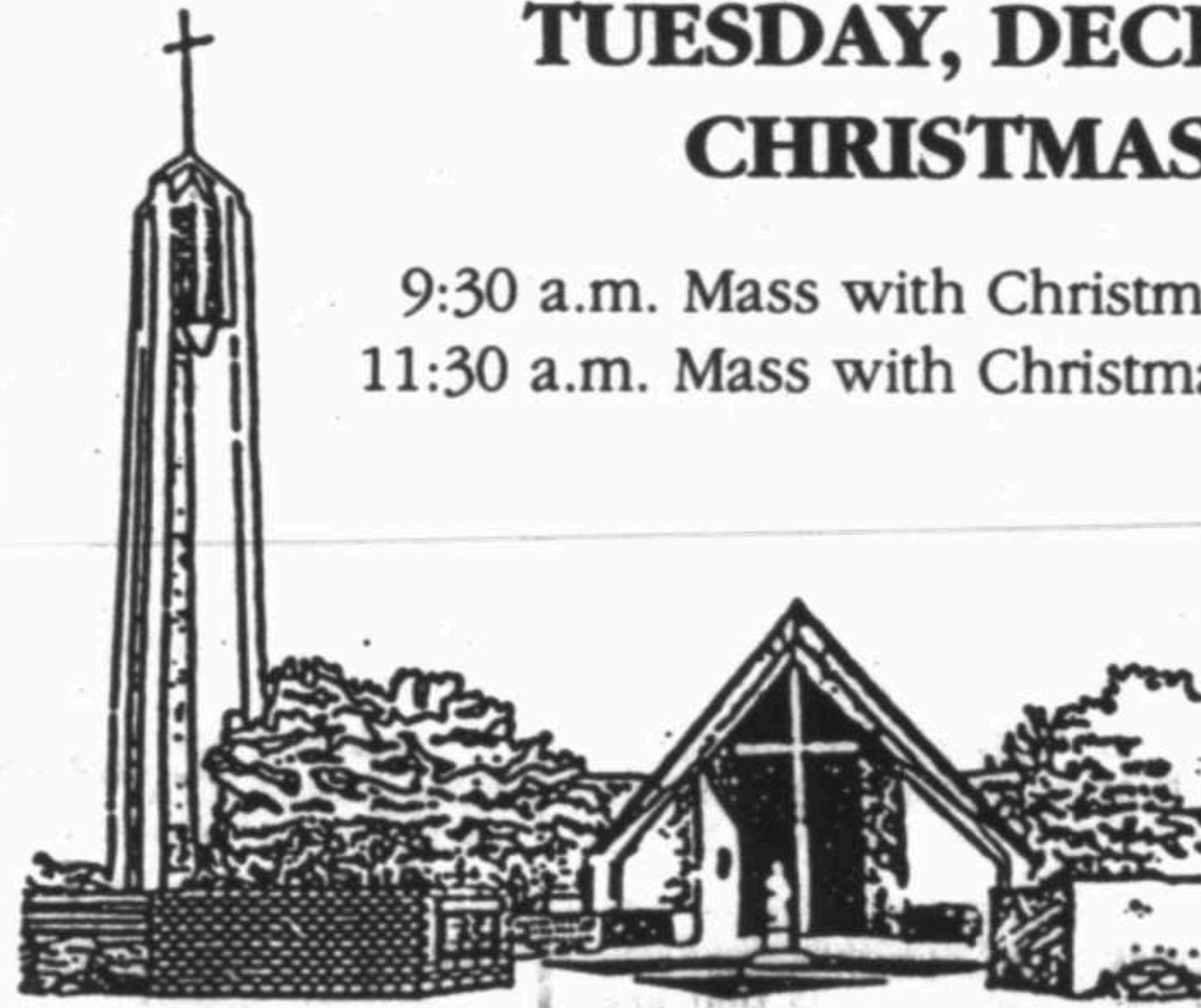
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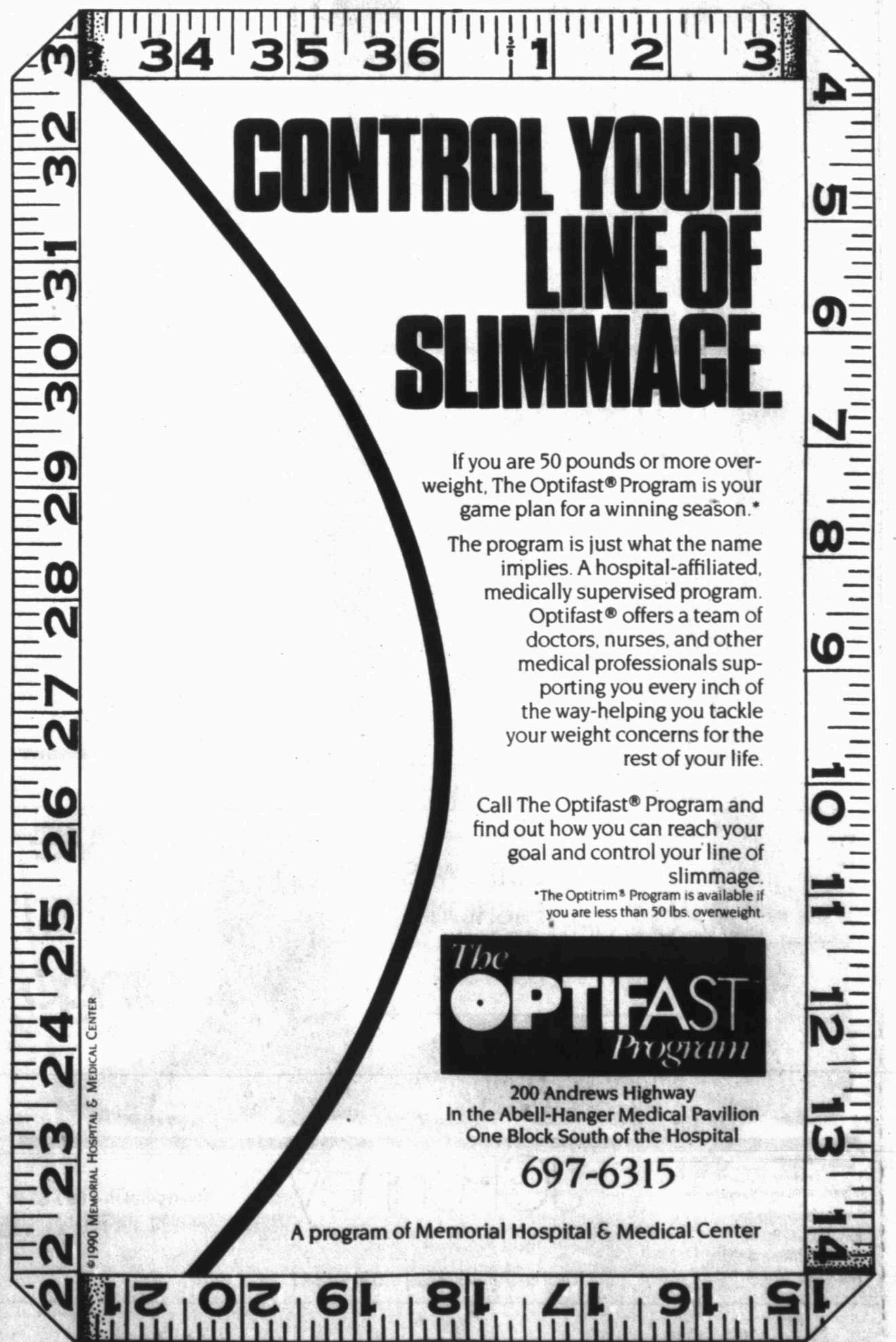
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Walesa president of Poland

WARSAW, Poland (NYT) — Lech Walesa, the 47-year-old shipyard electrician and founder of the Solidarity movement, was sworn in as Poland's president on Saturday in a day of pageantry that evoked this country's centuries of struggle against dismemberment and domination.

Blinking back tears, Walesa took the oath of office at noon at the lectern of Parliament and promised to shake this nation of 38 million from "passivity and discouragement."

"With this moment, the Third Republic of Poland is solemnly beginning," Walesa told the legislators. "Nobody, nothing can lessen this fact. The bad time, when the authorities of our state were elected under pressure from aliens or in effect of imposed compromises is coming to an end."

Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, the departing president and last of Eastern Europe's old-guard Communist leaders, did not attend the ceremonies.

Walesa assumes his office against a backdrop of deepening political disarray in Poland.

He has not yet found a candidate for prime minister who can assemble a government and last week offered the post to Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, the former Solidarity ally whom he defeated in the first round of presidential voting.

Walesa was elected on a platform of accelerating the pace of political and economic change in



Polish President Lech Walesa, who is also commander-in-chief of the Polish Army, kisses the flag of the military guard of honor shortly after a presidential swearing-in ceremony in Warsaw Saturday.

Poland. But even before assuming office, he has been applying the brakes.

Last week he proposed that Mazowiecki and his government retain their jobs through next spring's parliamentary elections. Alternatively, he suggested that a new prime minister take office but with parliamentary elections delayed for a year or more.

It appeared that Walesa was trying to heal the Solidarity coalition that he divided in the presidential campaign.

The moves were seen by political leaders as implicit acknowledgement that Walesa could not assemble a sufficiently powerful team from within his camp. Still, aides to Mazowiecki said they were not enthusiastic about serv-

ing under Walesa.

The new president is scheduled to spend Christmas in Gdansk, his home, and is to return to Warsaw this week to piece together a government.

One focal point of the problems in forming the Government appears to be the amount of autonomy Walesa is willing to grant his prime minister.

Walesa's first choice for prime minister was Jan Olszewski, a respected lawyer.

Olszewski had understood that he had carte blanche in forming a government. But at the end of the process, he received a fax from Walesa specifying 10 people who should be given jobs in the Cabinet. Olszewski pulled out of con-

tention on Tuesday.

Another reason for the collapse of Olszewski's efforts, an associate said, was a dispute over the future role of Leszek Balcerowicz, the finance minister and vice prime minister.

The architect of Poland's ambitious economic-reform program, Balcerowicz is highly regarded by U.S. officials and international economic institutions. But in Poland, he receives a mixed reception, with some Poles blaming him for the economic hardships that have accompanied the plan.

Supporters of Walesa decided to demote Balcerowicz from his position as vice prime minister, a move that would end his unchallenged leadership of economic policy.

Walesa rejected that proposal and made it clear that he believed Western help hinged on retaining Balcerowicz's pre-eminent position.

Saturday, the new president mentioned Balcerowicz by name in his inaugural address, declaring that the economic plan would be continued with "modifications."

Asked whether the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw had urged Walesa to maintain Balcerowicz's position, Olszewski said: "I was in Warsaw. Walesa was in Gdansk. I don't know exactly what was going on. But I'll not be revealing any secrets if I say there were such pressure on everyone around Walesa."



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Important events in Walesa's life listed

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Here is a brief chronology of important events in the life of Lech Walesa, who was sworn in Saturday as the first popularly elected president of Poland:

December 1970 — An electrician at Lenin Shipyard in Gdansk, Walesa helps lead his first strike when protests over food price increases sweep the Baltic ports. Dozens are shot by security police. Walesa is arrested and temporarily dismissed from his job.

1976 — Shipyard again dismisses Walesa for criticizing Communist-linked union.

1978 — Unemployed because of his activism, Walesa begins

organizing free trade unions independent of the Communist Party.

August 1980 — Walesa jumps the fence of the Lenin Shipyard to take charge of a strike, eventually signing agreements with the Communist government creating Solidarity, the first independent trade union in the Soviet-bloc. Leads the union through tumultuous months as new freedoms sweep Poland and discontent with the Communist regime grows.

Dec. 13, 1981 — Is interned under martial law. Released in November 1982.

December 1983 — Is awarded Nobel Peace Prize but does not go to Oslo to collect it for fear

he will not be allowed to re-enter Poland.

May and August 1988 — Waves of strikes combined with rising social discontent and a collapsing economy force the Communist regime to make its first overtures to Solidarity.

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Dec. 9, 1990 — After a volatile campaign, Walesa wins the presidency by a 3-1 margin.



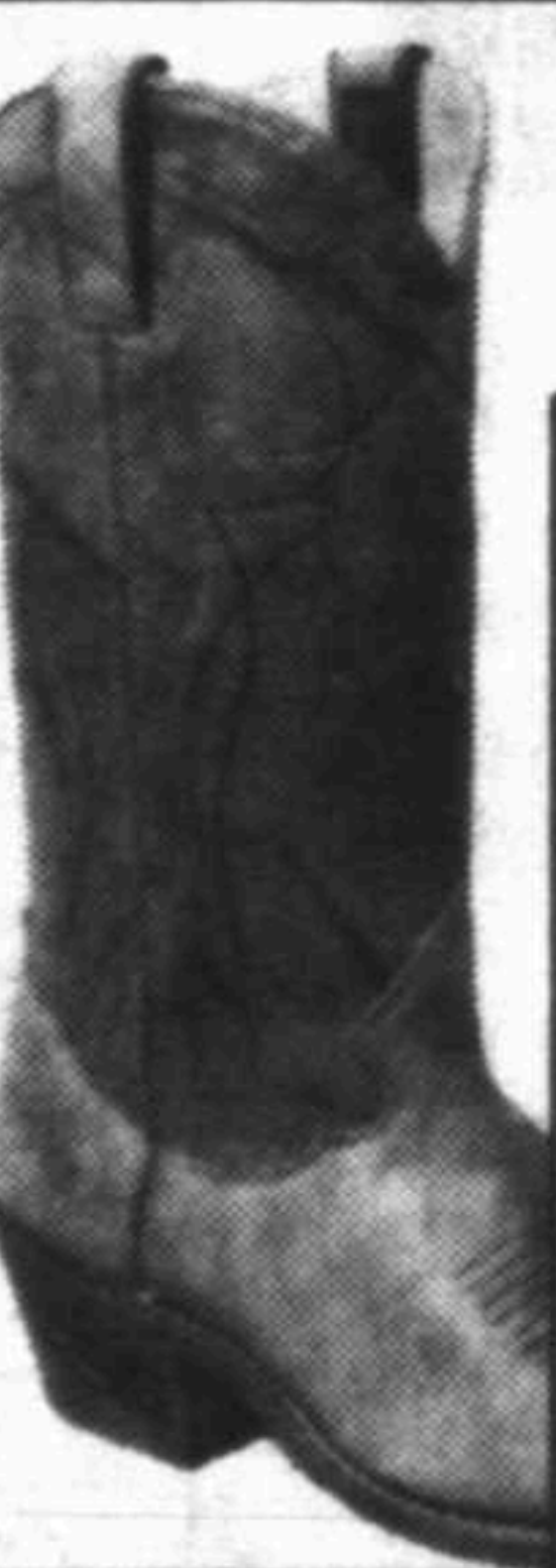
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Lawmakers shelve Gorbachev's request for power

MOSCOW (AP) — Soviet lawmakers, still reeling from last week's sudden resignation of their foreign minister, on Saturday put off a controversial vote on granting more power to President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

KGB chief Vladimir Kryuchkov, meanwhile, warned the country to brace for potential bloodshed in ethnic and separatist conflicts. He told lawmakers the KGB needs more authority to combat economic sabotage and militant nationalism.

Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's parting warning that



Kryuchkov

hard-line lawmakers were pushing Gorbachev to create a "dictatorship" apparently struck a chord, forcing deputies to think carefully about giving Gorbachev emergency presidential powers.

The 2,250-member Congress of People's Deputies decided to begin preliminary voting on the issue on Monday. Anatoly Lukyanov, chairman of the commission that drafted the amendment on presidential

powers, said lawmakers disagreed on some provisions and wanted more time to make changes.

The official Tass news agency quoted Lukyanov as saying some deputies wanted to "build anew the whole structure of state power."

Gorbachev is seeking direct control over a reorganized executive branch of government to deal with a worsening economy and fragmenting union.

"If parliament trusts the president, it should untie his hands and not hold him on a rope of parliamentary debate," said Lukyanov, who is also a deputy in the Congress.

Lawmakers did give preliminary approval to a law setting down rules for holding nationwide referendums. The law would require the signatures of 2 million citizens before holding votes on any subject except changing national or republic borders.

Gorbachev has said he wants referendums held this winter on whether to allow private property and on whether the 15 republics should remain in a union. All 15 of the republics have declared some form of sovereignty or independence.

The KGB chief warned that the restiveness could lead to violence.

"Today, if we undertake decisive actions to restore order, we have to accept the fact that there could be bloodshed," he told lawmakers.

The KGB chief accused U.S. intelligence of gathering information on workers' movements in the Soviet Union "for its purposeful masterminding" and of funding "anti-Soviet formations" such as radio stations that attack the Soviet Union.

Kryuchkov did not say what kind of ideas he thought foreigners were trying to impose on the Soviets.

He said some suppliers of humanitarian food aid were contributing to problems faced by the country, saying that 40 percent of a recent grain shipment contained spoiled or inferior quality seeds.

Reformist lawmakers played down Kryuchkov's speech.

Russian Federation President Boris N. Yeltsin told reporters in the lobby: "Yes, there is sabotage, yes there is corruption... We have heard all this before."

Algimantas Cekuolis, spokesman of the self-declared independent Lithuanian government, accused Kryuchkov of using scare tactics that have failed before.

Soviet's economy in shambles

By Michael Putzel

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the Soviet Union, 15 million people are on a waiting list for a telephone. Per capita income in this crumbling superpower is roughly that of Mexico, and about one-tenth what it is in the industrialized democracies.

The Soviet Union is the world's largest producer of wheat, yet loses a fifth of its crop — 10 times higher than U.S. losses — and must buy grain from the rest of the world to feed its people.

Their cows produce only half as much milk as those in Western Europe.

The Soviet Union is an utterly backward nation, as portrayed by the first Soviet-sanctioned international investigation of its economy. It lags far behind the West in virtually every facet of life, while squandering its rich natural resources and poisoning its environment.

The dispassionate, dryly-written report by the International Monetary Fund, World Bank and two major European development organizations presents a portrait of worsening and inescapable hardship for the Soviet people.

More astounding statistics from the long-awaited report, released Friday:

— A Soviet household pays only about 3 percent of its income for rent, which has remained essentially the same since 1928. That's about one-tenth what a family in a major industrialized country would pay. In a graphic demonstration of how the system has failed, the report notes that nearly one in five families has been on a waiting list for an apartment for more than 10 years.

— In some regions, people are being exposed to environmental health risks 10 to 100 times greater than those acceptable in the West.

— A recent consumer survey showed that nearly 90 percent of basic industrial goods were in short supply. But because there is practically no relationship between supply and demand, stocks of machine tools are 10 or more times higher than in countries with market economies.

— As much as 40 percent of perishable crops like fruits and vegetables goes to waste. The problem? Shortages of packaging materials, storage facilities, outdated processing technology and poor transportation. What's more, soil and water are being ruined by environmentally insensitive production methods — and in the process, food is being contaminated.

— The Soviet Union has a large manufacturing sector that amounts to roughly the same proportion of its gross national product as similar industries in East and West Europe. But inefficiency is rampant. The Soviets use 50 percent more energy to produce steel than the Japanese, and many factories employ two workers for every one in a similar Western job.

— The Soviet Union produces more iron ore, zinc and nickel than any other country in the world. It ranks second in production of gold, aluminum and lead; third in copper production. Yet, with the exception of production of gold, diamonds, platinum and nickel for export, the metal and mining industries "are characterized by antiquated machinery and technologies with virtually no computerization" and dwindling resources, the report found.

— It produces 22 percent of the world's oil and 40 percent of global natural gas, but the Soviet Union's coal and oil output is falling and domestic energy shortages are appearing. The report blames "outdated technologies, obsolete equipment and poor maintenance."

The investigators concluded after their six months of study that "the traditional centrally planned system has largely collapsed."

The bleak picture led the investigators to conclude that President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's recently approved economic reform plan is too vague and too slow.

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WORLD in brief

Romania honors revolution dead

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — Romania on Saturday marked the first anniversary of the fall of Communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, and government opponents used the occasion to demand that the current leaders resign.

More than 1,000 protesters held a peaceful demonstration in Bucharest. There were no reports of major disturbances elsewhere.

In emotional ceremonies held throughout Bucharest, government and parliament officials laid wreaths of flowers and consoled those whose relatives were among the 1,039 people who died in the revolution.

Most of the victims were young people, and bereaved parents gathered throughout the city center, clutching funeral candles in stony silence beside plaques displaying pictures of their dead loved ones.

There were similar scenes in Timisoara — where the revolution began — and in other Romanian cities, including Cluj, Tirgu Mures, Buzau and Sibiu.

President Ion Iliescu attended a ceremony held at Bucharest's Heroes Cemetery, the main burial spot of those killed in the capital by police and army bullets one year ago.

Ceausescu fled the building and the capital in a helicopter on Dec. 22, 1989, as hundreds of thousands of people converged on Palace Square to demand an end to his 24-year rule. He and his wife, Elena, were caught and then executed on Christmas Day.

Gorbachev bans drives

MOSCOW (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev on Saturday outlawed attempts by two Moldavian ethnic groups to form new republics. Two bombings were reported in other troubled areas.

Ethnic tension and struggles against the Kremlin have dominated recent events in the 15 Soviet republics, which have all declared some form of independence or autonomy.

Gorbachev gave Moldavia 10 days to dissolve a new national guard and guarantee equal rights for all ethnic groups. Four people were killed in the southern republic last month when government troops clashed with activists seeking independence from the Soviet Union.

Gorbachev also asked Moldavia to reconsider a law making Moldavian the republic's official language.

Language is among issues cited by the two ethnic groups seeking their own republics.

The Gagauz, comprising about 150,000 Turkish Christians, declared a new republic in southern Moldavia. In eastern Moldavia, more than 300,000 ethnic Russians and Ukrainians have joined to declare a new republic along the Dniester River.

Quake panics shoppers

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (AP) — A series of earthquakes shook Costa Rica on Saturday, shattering windows and sending panicked Christmas shoppers into the streets. There were no reports of injuries.

At least six tremors struck, the strongest crumbling the wall of an empty prison and loosening chunks from the facade of a bank building.

That tremor measured 5.7 on the Richter scale and was centered near the Panamanian border about 125 miles south of San Jose, said Bruce Presgrave, a geophysicist at the U.S. Geological Survey's National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo.

The quakes damaged businesses and shattered windows at several points across San Jose. Christmas shoppers rushed into the streets, some of them crying.

88 hurt in Guam typhoon

AGANA, Guam (AP) — Typhoon Russ damaged or destroyed more than 2,000 homes and injured 88 people in this U.S. territory in the Western Pacific, but no one was killed, officials said.

The storm, packing wind that gusted up to 150 mph, swept over the island of 145,000 residents on Friday.

Gov. Joseph Ada on Saturday sent a letter to President Bush, requesting a disaster declaration to release federal funds to help in the recovery.

A disaster declaration from Bush is unlikely for several days, said Bart Stinson, a Civil Defense spokesman. There was no immediate estimate of total damage, he said.

Electricity and water service had been restored to about 20 percent of Guam by Sunday morning, Stinson said.

France claiming war reparations from Germany

BERLIN (AP) — France is asking unified Germany for reparations from World War II that the former East Germany had balked at paying, an official said Saturday.

The official, confirming a newspaper report, said the move was in line with October unification of the two Germanys, which gives the united country the burden of various debts of the former East Germany.

In Paris, an authorized source speaking on condition of anonymity also confirmed discussions were under way, but stressed they involved claims from private citizens, not French governmental claims.

Die Welt newspaper quoted reli-

able sources saying French diplomats had spoken several times with the Foreign Ministry in Bonn about the issue and the French Embassy in Bonn had sent two written notes to the ministry.

A ministry spokesman, who refused to be identified by name, said the issue was a "normal occurrence after unification, about which there must be negotiations." France had previously been in contact with East Germany about reparations, he said.

The Die Welt report said France had put its claim in the currencies of 1945: 37.6 billion French francs and 261 billion reichsmarks, the currency of Nazi Germany. Asked how the claims would be convert-

ed into today's money, the spokesman said it was a technical question for negotiators.

In the West German currency reform of 1948, 10 reichsmarks were converted to 1 mark. At that rate, the German currency part of the French claim would be set at 26.1 billion marks, today worth about \$17 billion.

The French currency also has been reformed since the war; data on its conversion were not available.

According to one estimate, the final claim could rise over \$65 billion.

The spokesman said there would be talks early next year about the issue.

When the two Germanys united in October, the federal government assumed the debts and treaty obligations of East Germany, which unlike West Germany had not paid reparations to the Western allies.

After the war the Big Four allies — the United States, France, Britain and the Soviet Union — assessed reparations against Germany to be paid in assets and capital goods.

But Germany was economically prostrate and collection of reparations was uneven. At the same time, the United States was pouring billions into West Germany and other European countries in

the Marshall Plan, which helped revive war-damaged economies.

The London Agreement of 1953 among West Germany and the four allies permitted the reparations question to remain open until a final settlement of wartime issues, which has finally happened in the past year with the unification of Germany and the Paris summit in November of 34 countries that sought to draw the final curtain over World War II.

Germany is paying reparations to Israel and individual Jews for the Holocaust. That sum so far has totaled about 80 billion marks, about \$53 billion at today's exchange rates.

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Planning ahead can help avoid the holiday blues

■ People who suffer from holiday depression are trapped.

By Erin Blair
Staff Writer

Merry Christmas!
Happy New Year!
Greetings get tossed around a lot at this time of the year, but for many people, the holiday season is anything but a festive occasion.

People who suffer from the holiday blues are trapped between the ideal of Christmas cheer: family togetherness, gift giving, "joyous voices sweet and clear," and its reality: family tensions, stress, loneliness and despair. "People have a preconception of what Christmas should be like, with

family, presents and the holiday spirit, and then they're disappointed when their Christmas doesn't live up to their expectations," said Dr. Ben Hankins, a Midland psychiatrist who works with Clearview Hospital.

Hankins said several emotional conditions are associated with the winter holidays, including depression, panic or anxiety attacks, seizure disorders and seasonal affective disorders.

"People get depressed if they feel they can't provide their families with what others have," Hankins said, describing the situation as a "grass is always greener" syndrome.

"There's the pressure of your children to keep up with the kids next door, your spouse to keep up with the Joneses," he said.

"The depressed person sees people whom he thinks are happier than

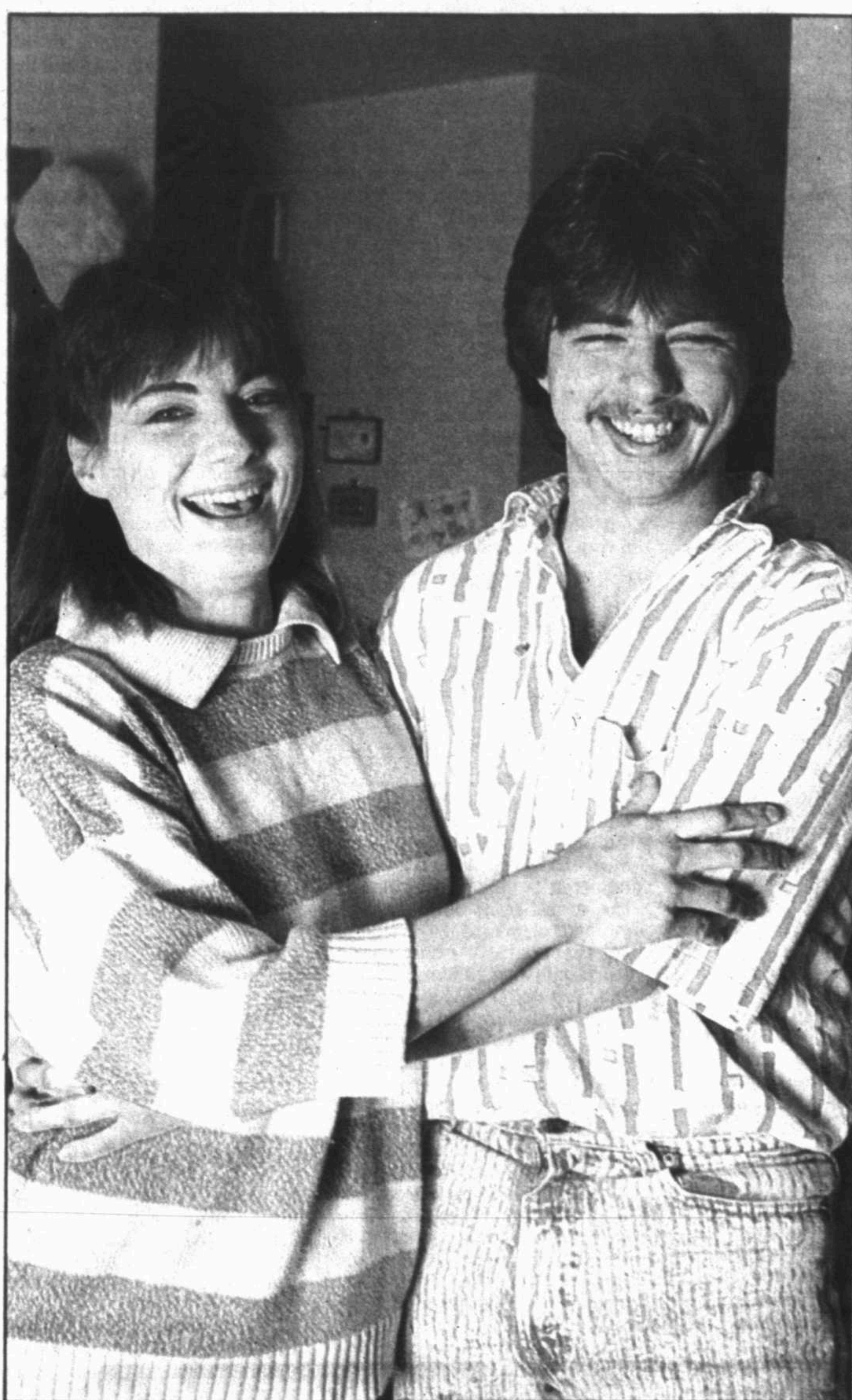
himself and he can't keep up with his expectations."

Just as too much family can wear on the nerves at Christmas, a lack of family at the holidays can also be depressing, Hankins added.

"Another reason for increased depression at this time of the year is that people drink more: they give liquor as presents, they go to parties. Celebrate, to them, means drink," he said.

The hustle and bustle of the holidays also can contribute to anxiety attacks, as the sensitive person tries to complete her Christmas shopping in crowded stores, drive in heavier traffic and juggle conflicting plans and invitations.

Please see **BLUES/2B**



Beverly Shilling/Reporter-Telegram

Maria Boswell and her brother Joseph Horniack are enjoying their first holiday season together in 20

years after being separated when their parents divorced.

Sister and brother reunited in Midland for the holidays

■ Boswell and Horniack were separated when they were children.

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

Like many Midlanders, Maria Boswell, 24, has family visiting for the holidays. Her brother, Joseph Horniack, 23, flew in from New Jersey on Wednesday to celebrate the season with Maria and her husband and children.

Maria and Joey have spent a lot of the time talking about their childhoods.

As a present for her brother, Maria made a sculpture of her and Joey playing together when they were 3 and 4 years old.

That period in their youth is very special to the siblings; it was the last time they saw each other.

"Our parents were divorced and remarried. I went with our father and she went with our mother," Joey said, adding that the two have the same biological mother but different fathers.

"We've always been aware of one another but didn't know where each other were,"

Maria said.

But they always wondered. "When we were little we were able to make a bond that never went away," Maria said.

"It's very strong ... it's a strange feeling," Joey added.

"Especially around holidays you'd wonder, I wonder what they were doing," Maria said, adding that three other brothers were separated, two who went with Maria and another who grew up with Joey.

Joey said his curiosity about his sister was "brushed aside" when he would ask his dad about it as a child. Maria said her mom did not know where Joey and his father resided.

But that didn't douse the desire to be reunited. "A need to know," Joey said, prevailed.

The mystery began to unravel when Joey found a photograph of a houseboat a couple of years ago that had been mailed to his family from his mother in 1974.

Writing on the back of the picture identified it as "Grandma and Grandpa's house-

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Merrill Lynch employee Lisa Spears helps B.H. Duffie look up a relative's telephone number to dial.

Phone calls reach around world

Staff Report

About 125 Midland area senior citizens had the opportunity to call loved ones around the world — free of charge — Saturday.

For the seventh straight year, Merrill Lynch's Midland office participated in the company's national "Christmas Calls" program, which allows seniors to use the firm's phone lines to reach out to distant relatives.

The program began in 1980 at the company's New York headquarters with eight volunteers and 100 callers. This year 80 offices were expected to participate across the United States, London and Berlin.

Coordinated through Midland Community and Services, this year's local program represented an increase of about 35 callers over last year's 90 participants.

The 60 or so volunteers — mostly Merrill Lynch employees and their families — wound up staying beyond the planned 3 p.m. cutoff time in order for all the seniors selected to take part in Saturday's program to have a chance to place their calls.

"Talking with their family and friends really means a lot to the seniors and they're always very appreciative," said Edwin Atkin, Midland office manager for Merrill Lynch.

"It's a wonderful event and gets every one here in the holiday spirit."



Joe D. Williams/Reporter-Telegram

Alice Modkins was among about 125 Midland seniors to take advantage of Merrill Lynch's seventh annual "Christmas Calls" program at the brokerage office at 300 N. Marienfeld.

GARY OTT

Hanging out in grocery store becomes art form

Now that I have given up booze and no longer prowled the streets at night, the question most often directed my way is: "Where do you hang out, these days?"

It is a valid question. For years, "hanging out" was my hobby. I could do it with the best of men. Give me a table, a pack of cigarettes, a group of interesting people and a bottle of Scotch, and I was in my element. No one did it better.

Sadly, though, that avenue has been closed. So the question remains: Where do I hang out, now?

The answer: The grocery store. Don't laugh. It's the truth. Albertson's on Andrews Highway is my newest "in" spot. If I get bored sitting around the apartment, I mosey down to the supermarket.

In fact, I have made it an art form. There is more — much more — to hanging out in a grocery store than just tossing a pound of hamburger

meat and a bag of Cheetos into your cart and making a mad dash to the Express check-out counter.

To properly hang out, one must *linger* in the grocery store. It requires getting a *feel* for the place. This, quite naturally, takes time. Like a fine wine, it can't be rushed. You must study the environment carefully and learn to appreciate it for its assorted values.

People watching, of course, is terribly important. But it is not just a matter of staring at others and speculating about their deep, dark secrets. No, indeed. The key to people watching in a grocery store is trying to figure what kind of items they will buy.

This is where the "art form" enters the picture. You must learn to categorize your fellow shoppers.

Each individual has his own favorites, and, as a result, a certain type of person tends to congregate at a specific location within the store.

Let me give you some examples. We'll journey through the market and I'll describe the people at each stop along the way.

Hang on, because here we go.

■ Fruits and vegetables: An easy one. Two groups immediately leap to the forefront — women in jogging suits and sissy men who sorta float from vegetable to vegetable. I know I should eat more fruits and vegetables, but I'm afraid if I hang out in that part of the store I'll be drawn into a conversation about new ways of cooking zucchini.

■ Cereals: Grubby little children can be found here. Of course, if you're over 30 and still hang out in the cereal section, you should be exposed to grubby little children.

■ Spaghetti, macaroni and other starchy items: This is a very happy section of the store. The people are usually overweight, but they don't care. There is much laughter and whistling as the people merrily toss the items into their basket. You get the distinct impression they are going to eat good tonight.

■ Sunglasses: OK, this one has nothing to do with food, but it does draw a specific crowd. Mr. Cool can usually be spotted here. As he tries on each pair of glasses, he admires himself in that tiny little overhead mirror. He tosses his hair back

ever-so-slightly and curls his upper lip like a young Marlon Brando. This person, in real life, is a geek and should be avoided at all cost.

■ Detergents, steel wool and other cleaning devices: Blue collar people who actually do their own household chores gather here. It tends to be a very depressing section of the store. Though it is good to realize people like this really do exist, it is best to not spend a great deal of time here. It will bring you down.

■ The meat section: Very masculine. This is where your real men hang out. They might let "the little lady" do the rest of the shopping, but when it comes to beef, step aside please. You have entered a man's world. A word of caution, though: When approaching the meat section, be aggressive. If you see a T-bone that looks good, grab it. If you don't, someone else will. And, they'll snarl at you as they make their move.

Be tough. Remember, we ain't talking fruits and vegetables here.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

DEATHS

Jay McWilliams

Services for Jay McWilliams, 80, are set for 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Ellis Chapel North with Waymon Swopes, pastor of Greenwood Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Greenwood Baptist Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Friday at his Midland residence.

McWilliams was born April 7, 1910 in Roby. He grew up in Electra and entered the U.S. Army in 1945.

He married Bessie Jacks in Wichita Falls on Feb. 14, 1946. They lived in Haskell where he worked as a pumper for General American Oil.

McWilliams retired in 1974 and they moved to Pleasanton where they lived until 1989 when they moved to Greenwood.

He was preceded in death by his son, John McWilliams Jr. in 1987.

He was a member of Greenwood Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Bessie McWilliams of Greenwood; one daughter, Dorothy Self of Greenwood; seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Steve Olive, Don Orr, Pete Bryant, Alvey Bryant, Terry Clutter and Henry Zachry.

The family requests memorials be directed to Hospice of Midland.

Addie Underwood

Addie Underwood died Saturday at a local hospital.

A memorial service will be an-

nounced at a later date. Arrangements are with Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 19, 1910, in Minerva where she was raised.

She attended Mary Hardin-Baylor University in Belton.

She married J.T. Underwood Sept. 13, 1926, in Temple. They moved to Thorndale and later to Overton.

They moved to Midland in 1953 where they established Underwood Pump Service.

She was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and the Women's Missionary Society at St. Luke's.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1953.

Survivors include: one son, John Thomas Underwood of Midland; two daughters, Geraldine (Mrs. H.H.) Paterson of Pasadena, and Peggy Lou (Mrs. Jim) Relfe of Denton; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Betty O. Simon

Betty O. Simon, 65, of Midland died Saturday at her residence.

Services are set for 1 p.m. Thursday at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church with Rev. Jon Stasney officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Ruby Ponder

Services for Ruby Ida Ponder are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Friday in Kilgore.

REUNION: Brother travels from New Jersey this week

(From 1B)

boat" in Pocahontas, Ark.

Joey said he called information there and inquired about a Judy Justice, his mother.

No Judy Justice lived in the area but a Luna Justice did.

Thinking it may have possibly been a relative, Joey said he called and talked to a woman.

"I told her who I was and she practically went into shock," Joey said. The woman was his grandmother.

She was able to give Joey a phone number of a brother, Butch, who lived in Rising Star, Texas. Joey said he called but the line was disconnected.

Through the Rising Star police department, Joey said he was able to make contact.

"He called me in New Jersey. We talked five and a half hours ... and he called me collect," Joey said with a laugh.

Shortly after Maria had heard the news.

"I heard through the grapevine that contact had been made. I called grandma, crying, and told her I couldn't make contact," Maria said.

"She tried to calm me down and gave me Joey's phone number and address," Maria added.

Public protests federal plan for captive breeding program

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — More than 300 people have written to the federal government protesting a plan to snare endangered Florida panthers and put them in zoos for a captive breeding program.

Wildlife officials say that may be the only way to save the panther, an endangered species with only 30 to 50 animals remaining.

"Please do not breed them in captivity. What kind of society are we that we would take our state panther and put them on display, in zoos, in captivity?" Greg Ray of Gainesville wrote in a letter to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Many of the 331 letters were mistaken about various aspects of the program, in which up to half the remaining panthers would be

captured. Although the cats might be turned over to zoos, they wouldn't necessarily be on display.

Fewer than a dozen letters were in favor of the project.

The program is designed to increase the number of panthers to a point that a second population could be established in the wild, probably in northern Florida, officials said.

Many of the letters contained emotional pleas to save the tawny cat, Florida's state animal. Eleven letters came from a third-grade class in Bronson.

"How would you like to live in a cage all your life? I would be sad if someone came and took me out of my home and put me in a cage," wrote student Shawn Voorhees.

BLUES: Stress should be avoided

(From 1B)

The stress of it all can cause sleeplessness; fearful, racing thoughts; a pounding heart and an inability to catch one's breath.

In severe cases it can trigger seizures in epileptics.

"We've noticed that seizure disorders, from mood changes to grand mal seizures, are worse around the holidays," Hankins said.

Then there are the people with seasonal affective disorders, who become despondent when the hours of sunlight decrease in the winter months and complain of many of the symptoms that describe depression.

With the return of longer days, or with light therapy — where the patient performs daily tasks in the presence of bright artificial lights, the seasonal affective disorder goes into remission.

Despite the variety of upsetting events Christmas and New Year's can bring, Hankins said December and January are not the top months for psychiatric hospital admissions or suicides.

"The highest month for suicide is April, which I've always thought of as a time of rebirth, a growing season," he said.

"Business actually drops off around Christmas for me. July and August are the months when we see a lot of patients, a lot of adolescents and children."

To avoid the need for crisis intervention, experts in the field of psychiatry have a multitude of suggestions to keep the holidays sane.

Dr. Robert Beck, an assistant professor of psychiatry at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, recommended recognizing longstanding family problems and planning strategies to cope with them.

"Envisioning a storybook holiday can only lead to disappointment if there are family problems," he said. "Understanding how the family works can help to avoid unrealistic expectations."

Keeping incompatible family members apart and timing a visit so that it is comfortable for everyone can help reduce tensions,

Beck said.

He also suggested avoiding discussing politics and the skeletons in the family closet during the holidays.

"Some subjects, even those that are mildly controversial, can bring out the worst in a particular family member. Make it a point to steer clear of them," he said.

Confronting serious family problems like substance abuse should also wait for a non-holiday visit.

"The holidays are times to express love and concern for family members," Beck said. "A holiday visit is to be enjoyed, not just tolerated. Make the most of time together."

Glenwood Hospital's list of "do's and don'ts" for coping with the holidays includes:

■ Participating in the season's activities with family and friends.

■ Avoiding isolation, which can lead to depression.

■ Volunteering time to help those less fortunate than oneself.

■ Keeping to a routine, getting plenty of exercise and rest, and limiting or eliminating sugar, alco-

hol and caffeine — mood-affecting foods — from one's diet.

■ Setting financial limits on presents and avoiding giving gifts out of guilt.

■ Giving oneself permission to not attend or to leave a holiday function if it becomes uncomfortable.

■ Avoiding projecting bad experiences from the past into fears for the future.

■ Thinking realistically, rather than "magically," about one's family situation.

■ Continuing to attend 12-step or Alcoholics Anonymous meetings during the season for moral support.

■ Giving oneself permission to grieve for losses and disappointments.

If all else fails, both Glenwood and Clearview have 24-hour crisis and information lines that will be fully staffed throughout the season.

To reach Glenwood's services, call 563-1200 or 1-800-527-4901.

To reach Clearview's services, call 697-5200 or 1-800-592-5433.

LOCAL/AREA REPORTS

Sexual assault

Staff reports

Midland police said they were still looking for a man connected with the sexual assault Saturday of a 26-year-old Stanton woman.

The man and woman met at a night club in south Midland, police said. After the club closed, the man took the woman to a south Midland residence and sexually assaulted her, officials said.

The man was described as 5-foot-7, 150-pound Hispanic with black hair, police said.

Drug arrest

A 17-year-old man was arrested about 12:24 a.m. Friday for possession of six doses of LSD, possession of marijuana and minor in possession of alcohol, police reported.

The arrest took place in the parking lot of the Junction Apartments, 1902 N. Midland Dr., after police noticed the youth consuming alcohol in the area.

Robbery

The Easy Mart convenience store, 2210 N. Big Spring, was robbed of \$55 about 2:08 a.m.

Friday, police said.

According to reports, a slim black man about 6 feet tall went into the store and brought three pieces of gum to the counter. After the clerk rang up the purchase, the suspect — with no visible weapon — demanded cash from the register, according to police reports.

The clerk complied and the suspect then fled the scene.

Murder charged

ODESSA — One man remained in jail Saturday charged with murder after another man was killed early that morning in the east parking lot of the Odessa Police Department 205 N. Grant Ave., police officials reported.

Willie Charles Roger, 39, was booked into jail about 7:45 a.m. and bond was set at \$25,000 by Municipal Judge Mike Holmes.

According to police, two cars pulled into the parking lot about 2:10 a.m. and an argument ensued between two men. One of the men got out of his vehicle and shot and killed 29-year-old Johnny Harold Pride with a large caliber gun.

Police are investigating the incident and a motive had not been determined late Saturday. An autopsy of Pride was ordered.

Reinstatement urged for fired professor

HOUSTON (AP) — The president of the University of Houston-Clear Lake is recommending the reinstatement of a professor he fired amid allegations of sexual harassment by a student.

President Thomas Stauffer and the University Grievance Committee recommended on Friday to Chancellor Alex Schilt that psychology professor Chris Downs return to his tenured position.

Stauffer fired Downs Aug. 22 for "gross professional misconduct." Student David Register, 21, had accused Downs of offering him sex as a form of counseling.

The recommendation of Downs' reinstatement includes a warning that inappropriate professional conduct will "not be tolerated by the university and that behavior that may lead to the appearing of harming the university's good reputation should be avoided."

Downs had filed the original sexual harassment claim against Register, contending the student visited his office repeatedly and sent him letters seeking a romantic relationship. But Downs said in a recent interview that complaint

was ignored in favor of Register's claim, which prompted hearings by two faculty review panels.

The first panel recommended that Downs be reprimanded, but the second panel ruled in Downs' favor. Despite that report, Downs was fired. The university Board of Regents reinstated Downs in October, but left him suspended with pay until the campus could resolve the firing, which was condemned by faculty at four University of Houston campuses.

The board will make a final decision Jan. 9, based on a recommendation by Schilt.

"He will certainly give great credence to this recommendation (by Stauffer)," said university spokeswoman Becky Barefoot.

"It's a victory for all faculty members," said Downs' lawyer, Truman Dean. "The faculty insisted that Downs be reinstated. They refused to change their minds or buckle under pressure."

Dean said he suggested to Downs and other faculty members that when a professor and student are meeting, a teaching assistant be present.

Light Up Midland entries rewarded for bright ideas

By Michael Kashgarian

Staff Writer

The winners of the Light Up Midland Christmas decorating contest that drew 48 entries were announced Saturday evening.

The grand prize winner was a combined effort of 14 residents along the Chatham Court cul-de-sac in northwest Midland.

The top three place winners were recognized in two categories: lighting and outdoor displays.

First-place winner for best lighting was William Midgley at 1921 English Dr. with a display made up of 2,500 marquee lights.

Second place went to William T. Holiman at 11518 W. County Road 33 West with a 35-foot decorated tree.

Third place was awarded to Paul, Tammy, Hope, Ashley and Paige West at 4116 Springfield Court with a decoration of lights and angels.

In the outdoor display category, first place went to Ron Sartor at 26 Virginia Circle in Greenwood for his display of moving characters.

Second place was awarded to Doug and Claire Heck of 2513 Gulf Ave. for an outdoor village display, complete with snow cover and black light illumination.

Third place went to Nancy Neatherlin and Curtis Roys for the giant reindeer display at 2603 Ward St.

Jann Bash, one of the participants who produced up the grand prize winner, said she and her neighbors have made Christmas decorating a combined effort for the last three years.

"We decided to decorate for Christmas at a Neighbor Watch meeting," Mrs. Bash said.

"We love getting together and

visiting ... everybody wants to go see displays and it's fun for everyone to come by and see ours," she said.

Mrs. Bash said the contest has helped boost the decorating spirit around town.

"I think it's a neat idea and has helped improve everybody's lighting," she said.

The contest incentive was made possible by Gail and Frank Meads who spearheaded the competition, sacrificing most of their own holiday to finance and coordinate the contest.

"It was a great success ... no, better than great," a weary Mrs. Meads said after the judging was completed late Saturday.

The Meads were pleased with the response and "great cooperation" from the contestants and Mrs. Meads said she hopes this year's success can be a stepping stone to greater Christmas activities in the future.

"If one person's idea can get a ball like this rolling, imagine what 90-some thousand people can do," she said.

She encouraged the entrants and other with holiday decorations to "keep their lights burning" into the new year to give more people an opportunity to see the displays.

The contest was open to everyone in the city and county of Midland and all decorations and lighting were allowed.

The Meads videotaped the entries' displays, with several others helping out as judges.

Top prize winners received trophies courtesy of Bill Williams Sports. All participants received an honorable mention certificate and will receive a share of the prizes donated by local merchants, Meads said.

Insurance executive extradited to Dallas

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Former Texas insurance executive Robert H. Walker was extradited from Barbados to face federal charges in Dallas that he defrauded his customers of more than \$50 million.

Walker, 60, was due to arrive at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport Saturday afternoon.

The former chief executive officer of National County Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Dallas was arrested by Barbados police July 4 on a U.S. warrant accusing him of 29 counts of wire and mail fraud.

An extradition order was granted on Oct. 9 in Magistrate's Court,

but Walker appealed.

High Court Justice Sir Denys Williams dismissed the appeal last Friday, clearing the way for Walker's departure.

The former insurance executive had been incarcerated in a Bridgetown, Barbados jail since his July 4 arrest.

Walker was arrested at the Barbados Beach Village, a resort he owns on the Caribbean island, where he had been living for three months.

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Judge finds Webb County budget legal

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — The controversy that's clouded the new Webb County budget and the raises it authorizes for elected officials is over — at least for now. Judge John Dominguez, a visiting state district judge, ruled Friday the current county budget is legal.

Patricia Barrera, a Webb County taxpayer, filed a lawsuit accusing the county of failing to follow a legal timetable for adopting the budget and for failing to properly publicize the budget hearings.

The new budget gives county commissioners, the county attorney and constable salary increases ranging from \$6,700 to \$14,800 a year. Other elected officers will get a five percent raise.

Dominguez's ruling preempted any action by the jury and allowed the county to win the lawsuit without presenting any witnesses in the weeklong trial. The Laredo Morning Times reported.

Julio Garcia, Barrera's attorney, said the ruling would have been different if a jury had decided the case.

"The jury believed that ignorance of the law was no excuse," Garcia said.

Garcia said he isn't sure if Ms. Barrera has enough money to mount an appeal to the judge's ruling. "We've been shoestringing it all along," he said.

Webb County Attorney Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez rejected Garcia's arguments that the county violated the law when it adopted the budget.

"We went over and above what we were required to do," Ms. Ramirez told the judge in her motion for an instructed verdict.

The county attorney maintained that a state statute which requires a 10-day public notice for any budget hearing does not apply to Webb County.

Webb County publicized its budget hearings on Sept. 13 for hearings which began Sept. 20, according to several witnesses.

"I'm elated. I'm glad we finally got it over with. This will resolve a whole lot of controversy," Ms. Ramirez said.

Suit claims son's corneas removed against wishes

AUSTIN (AP) — A slain teenager's parents have charged in a lawsuit that corneas were removed from their son's body for transplant against their wishes.

"The circumstances are very bizarre," said attorney L.C. Meyer, representing Felix and Mary Rodriguez. Their son, 17-year-old Joseph Rodriguez, was stabbed to death in a 1988 gang fight.

The lawsuit alleges Travis County Medical Examiner Robert Bayardo allowed the youth's corneas to be removed after his body was taken to Bayardo's laboratory for an autopsy.

County attorneys said Friday that Bayardo did not act improperly or illegally.

"We are conducting an investigation, but it doesn't appear that any employee of Travis County violated the law or any instructions that the family gave," said Jim Collins, assistant county attorney.

Bayardo said Saturday he could not comment on the ongoing litigation.

Meyer said the Rodriguezes "made it clear as a bell" that they wanted the body to remain intact because of their religious convictions and their son's wishes. They expressed their wishes to an employee of Bayardo's, the lawsuit says.

Named as defendants in the lawsuit are Bayardo, the Lions Eye Bank and its executive director, Daniel Pittsford, who allegedly removed the corneas. He is identified as a doctor in the lawsuit, but said he is a physician's assistant, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

Pittsford said Saturday he could not comment on the lawsuit on the advice of lawyers.

Under the law, corneas cannot be removed from a corpse if a parent or family member raises objections before the procedure, said attorney Michael Young of the State Board of Medical Examiners.

Felix Rodriguez learned of the cornea removal when he went in for a routine eye examination a week after his son died, Meyer said.

When Rodriguez told the physician about his son's death, Meyer said, the doctor replied that he already knew about it because he had transplanted Joseph's corneas into a patient.

"Mr. Rodriguez was shocked," Meyer said. "We have not yet specified damages, but they will be very high. They must be taught that they can't go grave robbing."

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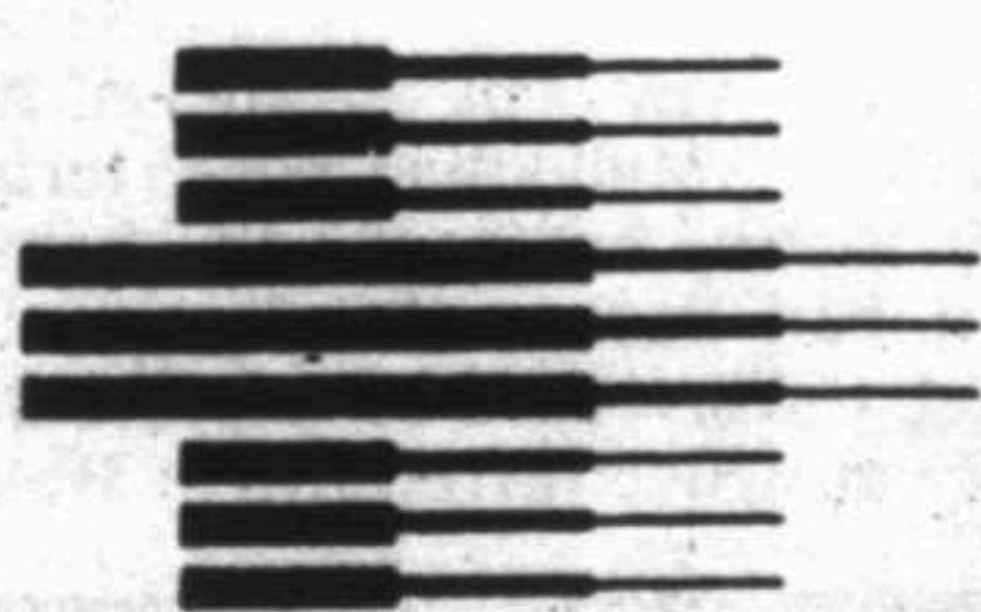
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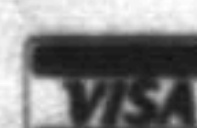
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Christmas joy, spirit tarnished

As Christmas approaches, the thoughts of nearly half million American families turn to the young men and women now in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf region who won't be home for Christmas. This Christmas they're standing bravely in the face of danger and they need the support of those back home.

President George Bush's decision to send U.S. troops to Saudi Arabia has gained widespread support from most Americans, although that resolve has been slipping somewhat in recent weeks.

But even those who view the commitment of troops to the Mideast warily should not let their opposition sway them away from support for the young men and women who are in the Arabian desert only because of their choice to serve their country. They should not be the recipients of ill will because they are doing their duty.

Letters from troops now in the Operation Desert Shield deployment area have underscored their commitment to carrying out their mission. Meanwhile, in the United States various factions are grappling with the legalities of committing troops to Saudi Arabia to oppose Saddam Hussein's aggression and, most recently, Lt. Gen. Calvin A.H. Waller, started a controversy with his comment to reporters that troops yet to arrive in the deployment region may not be combat-ready before late February.

The Bush administration responded by noting that the troops will be ready if needed by the Jan. 15 date set by the United Nations as a deadline for Hussein to pull his troops out of Kuwait. They will, no doubt. It all lends to the confused atmosphere surrounding this particular celebration of Christmas.

There are hundreds of thousands of parents, brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and grandparents in the United States who are anxiously awaiting the outcome of this Persian Gulf showdown. Their Christmas likely will not be as joyous as it might be if the troops were coming home and the threat of war was diminishing.

Our hearts go out to those "home folks" — and to the troops — this Christmas. The threat of war never makes Christmas a joyous time.

JACK ANDERSON

Syria wins in Persian Gulf standoff

DAMASCUS, Syria — So far, the only clear winner in the Persian Gulf standoff is the man who has ruled Syria with an iron fist for two decades — Hafez al-Assad.

The crisis has fit conveniently into his plan to win back the Golan Heights from Israel. Some observers in Syria and Washington are going so far as to predict in classified reports that Assad will have what he wants in less than two years.

That breathless prognostication would be absurd if not for the radical changes in the world over the past



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year — primarily the Gulf crisis, the end of the Cold War and secret talks Israel has already begun with Syria over exchanging property for peace.

Assad has seen his near and dear patron, the Soviet Union, backing away from him, and he needs to make new friends. And the world alliance against Iraq's Saddam Hussein has provided him the entree.

His behind-the-scenes promises to the United States that he will renounce anti-American terrorism have led some intelligence analysts to conclude that Assad's short-term goal is a peace treaty with Israel along the Egyptian model — a promise of peace in exchange for land.

Assad has never been a raving Arab ideologue. He is first and foremost an opportunist. Saddam, his arch enemy, has provided the cur-

rent opportunity to join in a world alliance against the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Assad is tired of isolation and he is broke. So standing up to Saddam was a natural for Assad, and his reward for doing what comes naturally has been substantial.

Last month in Geneva, Assad was rewarded with a face-to-face meeting with President Bush, who knows that Assad sponsored the terrorist attack on the U.S. Marine barracks in 1983, and harbored the terrorists who blew up Pan Am flight 103 in 1988.

Bush was the first president to meet with Assad since Jimmy Carter in 1977. The intervening president Ronald Reagan shunned him for his refusal to renounce terrorism, and he still has not done it.

In addition to a meeting with Bush, Assad has won open and secret promises of the riches of the Gulf. Our intelligence sources say Saudi Arabia has secretly promised Assad at least \$2 billion for sending Syrian troops to the Saudi front and for complying with the economic sanctions against Iraq. Exiled Kuwaiti leaders have promised him another \$1 billion if things go their way.

Several Western nations are also whispering offers of aid, and Assad even has hope for some U.S. aid if he can get his name taken off the list of terrorist sponsors as Saddam once did.

Finally, the United States and Israel murmured not a word when Syria asserted ultimate control over northern and eastern Lebanon in October, destroying the last visible opposition from Christian Gen. Michel Aoun. The current Lebanese government now cannot make a move without asking Assad.

He has sought control of Lebanon for 15 years. Now that his enemy, Iraq, is about to get its comeuppance, it makes sense that Assad will concentrate all his efforts on achieving his goal for the past 23 years, the return of the Golan Heights, taken by Israel in 1967.

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ANOTHER VIEW

Resignation shows USSR ship 'shaky'

Does Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze's abrupt resignation signal an ominous regression toward authoritarian rule in the Soviet Union?

As economic and political chaos engulfs the country, and the prospect of a hungry winter looms vividly, the U.S.S.R. is tottering toward anarchy. Under these forbidding circumstances, the risks of a reactionary backlash and an internal crackdown are greatly magnified.

That appears to be the stark warning behind Shevardnadze's sudden departure.

"Comrade democrats, you have dispersed," he told the Congress of People's Deputies. "Reformers have slunk into the bushes. A dictatorship is on the offensive." One of the Kremlin's most ardent advocates of democratic change, Shevardnadze called his resignation "my protest against a dictatorship."

The departing minister's sober admonition is buttressed by a series of recent developments. During the last few months, Mikhail Gorbachev has come to rely increasingly on the most conservative elements of the KGB and the military to assert his control over the crumbling union of Soviet republics.

Recently, Gorbachev declared his willingness to impose emergency rule as the only means to restore order. Such a step would enable the Kremlin leader to control all levels of government by presidential decree — a move that critics charge would exceed the dictatorial powers of Joseph Stalin.

Earlier, Gorbachev replaced his moderate-minded Interior minister with a KGB hard-liner and encouraged the state security apparatus to be more vigorous in curbing

dissent. Against this backdrop, an influential group of military officers and Communist Party officials this week urged the Soviet leader "to prevent disintegration of the state by all means of power and authority remaining at your disposal."

Shevardnadze, as one of Gorbachev's closest allies, was a leading voice within the Kremlin against these mounting demands for a return to authoritarianism.

For the West, and the United States in particular, Shevardnadze's leaving means the loss of an important friend. He was the sponsor of the Soviet withdrawal from Eastern Europe and of superpower agreements to eliminate short-range nuclear weapons, reduce conventional forces and slash strategic weapons. He also was a strong supporter of American policy in the Persian Gulf.

Shevardnadze's unprecedented level of cooperation with the United States was bitterly opposed by some elements of Moscow's old guard, a factor that contributed to his resignation, as his speech demonstrated.

Secretary of State James Baker appropriately warned the Soviet leadership last week that good relations with Washington would be jeopardized by a reversion to rule by force. Yet the reality is that the United States can exert very little influence over the course of events now unfolding in Moscow.

This nation should remain committed to democratic reform and not tie its policies to any individual. As Shevardnadze's unexpected departure shows, the fate of the current Soviet leadership is highly uncertain.

— San Diego Union

GEORGE WILL

Williams' ruling sets off collision of values

WASHINGTON — It is altogether appropriate that the grandstanding by the civil-rights lobby and the cravenness of the White House regarding racially exclusive scholarships began in connection with big-time college football, an entertainment industry based in no small measure on exploitation — using up and discarding — young black men.

The Fiesta Bowl occurs in Tempe, next door to Phoenix. Both cities have Martin Luther King Jr. holidays, but Arizona recently voted against a state holiday. Bowl officials, as penance for the sin of playing there, pledged \$100,000 to both competing schools for scholarships exclusively for minorities. This is a perverse homage to King, whose dream was an America where people "would not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

Enter Michael Williams. He is 37, black, the enforcer of civil-rights laws for the Department of Education, and George Bush's nightmare — a man who thinks little about politics and thinks — thought — Bush means what he says.

Williams notified Bowl officials that race-exclusive scholarships are illegally discrimina-



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tory. Naturally, the civil-rights lobbies went ballistic. Interestingly, liberal Democrats did not. There is no rush to defend racially exclusive entitlements, for the country really does honor King, really does aspire to color blindness.

But the Bush administration is staffed by Beltway solipists: Nothing beyond the Beltway exists. Furthermore, the administration is marked by a constitutional flippancy.

The White House response to Williams' honest law enforcement was panic, retreat and this ruling: Schools can award racially exclusive scholarships that are funded privately.

In retreating, the President committed three affronts to the rule of the law. He ignored a law, the 1964 Civil Rights Act's Title VI and regulations. He revised a law, the 1987 Civil Rights Restoration ("Grove City") Act which stipulates that all parts of a university are subject to civil-rights laws if any part receives federal funds. And he ignored the Constitution, notably the guarantee of "equal protection." His position is that the Constitution is not for him to interpret. (Bear that in mind when next he interprets the war-powers clause.)

Williams, an honest man sent out to announce the administration's intellectual corruption, said, truthfully, that he had been correct about the law but had been politically naive. Therefore, he said, the law shall be "enforced" differently (not construed differently;

the truth is the truth, but shall be irrelevant), to suit White House dictates. Liberals rejoiced at this triumph of expediency over legality.

Two important values collide in this controversy: the quest for color blindness and the goal of expanding the black middle class by improving access to the professions. But conservatives believe color blindness is not just one among many competing values, it is a constitutional imperative. And race-exclusive scholarships are not necessary for expanding black enrollments. Scholarships targeted to financially needy and culturally disadvantaged young people will go disproportionately to minorities.

The civil-rights lobby, to which Bush has surrendered, understands this. But that lobby also understands that the legal threat that Michael Williams tugged would, if pulled seriously, unravel the entire racial-spoils system, the expansion of which is the sole remaining rationale for today's civil-rights lobby.

Michael Williams gave the nation, and especially conservatives, a tantalizing glimpse of what a Republican administration would be in the 1990s if it were headed by a conservative. This episode revealed, redundantly, the nature of this donut administration: There is fine material in the outer circles, but a hole at the center.

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WILLIAM SAFIRE

At last, a replacement for the term 'weenie'

Asked by Defense News if he had a message for American forces stationed in his country, Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States, Prince Bandar bin Sultan, replied in part: "Don't let the ankle-biters get to you. You are not there to defend material things. ... You are defending your national interest and also you are defending great principles."

Who are these ankle-biters? A few weeks after Prince Bandar's interview appeared, the word popped up in a controversy between Wayne Berman, a lawyer at the Department of Commerce, and F. Michael Maloof, director of technical security for the Department of Defense. The Commerce official was embarrassed by charges that his bureaucracy had approved shipments to Iraq that might have helped its production of weapons of mass destruction; he lashed back at the men who had opposed such shipments, criticizing Maloof as a "low-level clerk" who was part of a group of "ankle-biters."



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sers fashioned after the pants worn by Hussars, the Hungarian light cavalry of the 15th century, with bottoms tucked inside the stockings to avoid contact with the stirrup. This cannot be the current meaning.

In the recent revision and abridgment of Partridge's Dictionary of Slang and Unconventional English, Paul Beale dispenses with the Hussars and defines the term simply as "young children," noting the usage to be "widespread Canadian and U.S. since circa 1980."

That is one sense of the term, noted also in the Collins Concise Dictionary as an Australian term for "young child." For example, in a piece on Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, The Toronto Star reports that "the Turtles were never really intended as anklebiter fare."

And, People magazine also noted the term as two words in British usage, defining it as "a small Sloane, an heir. 'Julia? She's too busy with those two ankle biters of hers.'"

But that is surely not what the annoyed Commerce techno-pusher had in mind. An extended meaning has developed, first noted in the military; Lt. Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster, as West Point superintendent, was described by James Feron in The New York Times in 1981 as "able to make the changes because he had enough prestige to 'keep the ankle-biters away,' according to an aide on the administrative staff."

The legal profession seized the new term of derision. Inc. magazine noted in 1994 that law firms often made huge fees in extended arbitration cases "particularly if they latch onto an 'ankle-biter' — a client who wants to chew up a baited partner no matter what the cost."

Politics, ever sensitive to derisive neologisms, was not far behind: when Rep. John D. Dingell of Michigan criticized Lockheed Corp. as having slipped past accountability checks, National Journal quoted an unidentified industry executive berating Dingell as an ankle biter (two words).

The recent Washington Post account of the Commerce-Defense contretemps drew mail centered on the new usage: "I'd like to bite Mr. Berman's ankle, too," wrote Irmie Bellman of Springfield, Va. Stefan A. Halper of Great Falls, Va., added, "The nation owes a great debt to this ankle-biter for gnawing away at the 'clay ankles' of those at Commerce."

This means that we have a replacement at last for the weenie. That locution of the 80s, related to the reduplication of tiny as teeny-weeny and influenced by Wiener wurst, small sausage first produced in Vienna, was also first applied to a child; later it came to mean "small-minded" as an adjective and "petty bureaucrat" as a noun.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Dec. 23, the 357th day of 1990. There are eight days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On Dec. 23, 1823, the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clem-

ent C. Moore was published anonymously in the Troy (N.Y.) Sentinel.

On this date: Today's Birthdays: Photographer Yousuf Karsh is 82. Actor James Gregory is 79.

Slang dictionaries offer little help. Eric Partridge's classic work defined the term as trou-

A Christmas prayer for peace

By WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST JR.
Editor in Chief, The Hearst Newspapers

SAN SIMEON, Calif. — Day after tomorrow the Christian world will celebrate Christmas. Let each of us say a special prayer on that Holy Day that there will be a peaceful settlement of the war-threatening Middle East crisis created by Iraq's brutal conquest and destruction of Kuwait.

Let us hope the faithful of all religions will join with the Christian world in praying for peace according to their own creed.

Let us pray for peace that will be lasting and not based on an appeasement deal that will lead our grandchildren into a war more terrible than the one Saddam Hussein may force us into in the new year.

Let us pray that if war comes because of the evilness of Iraq's tyrant, our military might, now the greatest in the world, will make it a short one with far fewer casualties than pessimists predict.

Let us remember what is at stake in the confrontation between the world's most dangerous leader and a united international community demanding Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

It is not only Middle East oil, as so many people have been led to believe because that area possesses 65 percent of the world's oil supplies. What is primarily at stake is whether we will reward and tolerate a barbarian aggressor whose repeatedly professed objective is to conquer the Arab world, destroy Israel and create an Islamic empire that could dominate the global economies. What is also at stake is President Bush's hope of creating a new world order to deter aggression by one country against another country.

So let us pray that a new era of Peace on Earth, Goodwill toward Man will come to pass without war.



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LETTERS

Judicial branch doesn't make war

This is in response to the Midland Reporter-Telegram editorial of Dec. 17 entitled, "War-making ruling was on target!"

The problem (among other discrepancies) is that the decision you praised is not applicable to the war-making problem. The judicial branch is not involved in any way with the power to make war.

The branches of government at odds are the Legislative and the Executive branches.

Problems between these two branches are settled in another way — impeachment, which procedure is also spelled out in the Constitution. The exception would be if there were criminal implications such as Richard Nixon's tapes.

Your regarding the court decision as meaningful is misplaced, as they have nothing constitutionally to say about it.

Even so, your statement that President Bush is not clearly committed to war is very incorrect. He has moved almost a million troops into position for battle and it isn't hard to discern that he plans to use them if Saddam Hussein doesn't withdraw from Kuwait! Haven't you heard that Jan. 15th is the day that he is authorized by the United Nations to use force (He obviously reveals in the idea)?

The problem is he isn't president of the United Nations; he is president of the United States and must answer to Congress and the people.

You state in your editorial that "the Constitution is necessarily ambiguous on numerous points, but almost none moreso than that of declaring and waging war. Not true! My copy of the Constitution says, 'To declare war grant letters of marque....' This is a power (this from the explanation of what the founders were thinking) that is not a shared power, as you have said. It relies solely with Congress.

There are instances of the president asking Congress to declare war. Franklin Delano Roosevelt did so. In 1812 Congress declared war. And in 1846 Congress declared a state of war already existed.

This is not ambiguous. You are half correct when you say the framers did not want this awesome power incorporated in one man, but did designate the Congress as the governmental power to declare war. I repeat (contrary to what you have said), it is not a shared power.

If you read in the Constitution where the power is granted to the president, you should print it! Also, there is a constitutional crisis approaching because the Executive, this president, maintains he has the power to go to war without Congress's approval.

If he does do as he has indicated, he will be breaking his inaugural oath to defend and protect the Constitution of the United States and also abusing his power of presidency.

Wayne Harris
Midland

CATA not against care for indigents

No, the former Midland Memorial Hospital board member was not responding to CATA.

CATA is not against indigent persons, care for indigent persons, and are Christians too.

Wayne Harris
Midland

EVANS & NOVAK

Intelligence says Landsbergis a marked man

WASHINGTON — Well-placed U.S. diplomats report that Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis, who visited President Bush in the White House Dec. 10, is a man marked for extinction by Soviet hard-liners.

Intelligence information available here has raised suspicions that Russians living in Lithuania want him, as one official put it, "out of the way." Trouble would be stirred up in connection with a public appearance by Landsbergis, and amid the confusion, he would be gunned down. It is not clear whether this would be orchestrated by the KGB or other Moscow-based state security elements.

Landsbergis did not raise with Bush the question of his possible assassination. During the Oval Office meeting, an offhand remark by Bush that the Baltic states should hold referendums to gain their independence alarmed the Lithuanian leader. That is exactly the device being pushed by Mikhail Gorbachev to force restive republics to stay under Moscow's thumb.



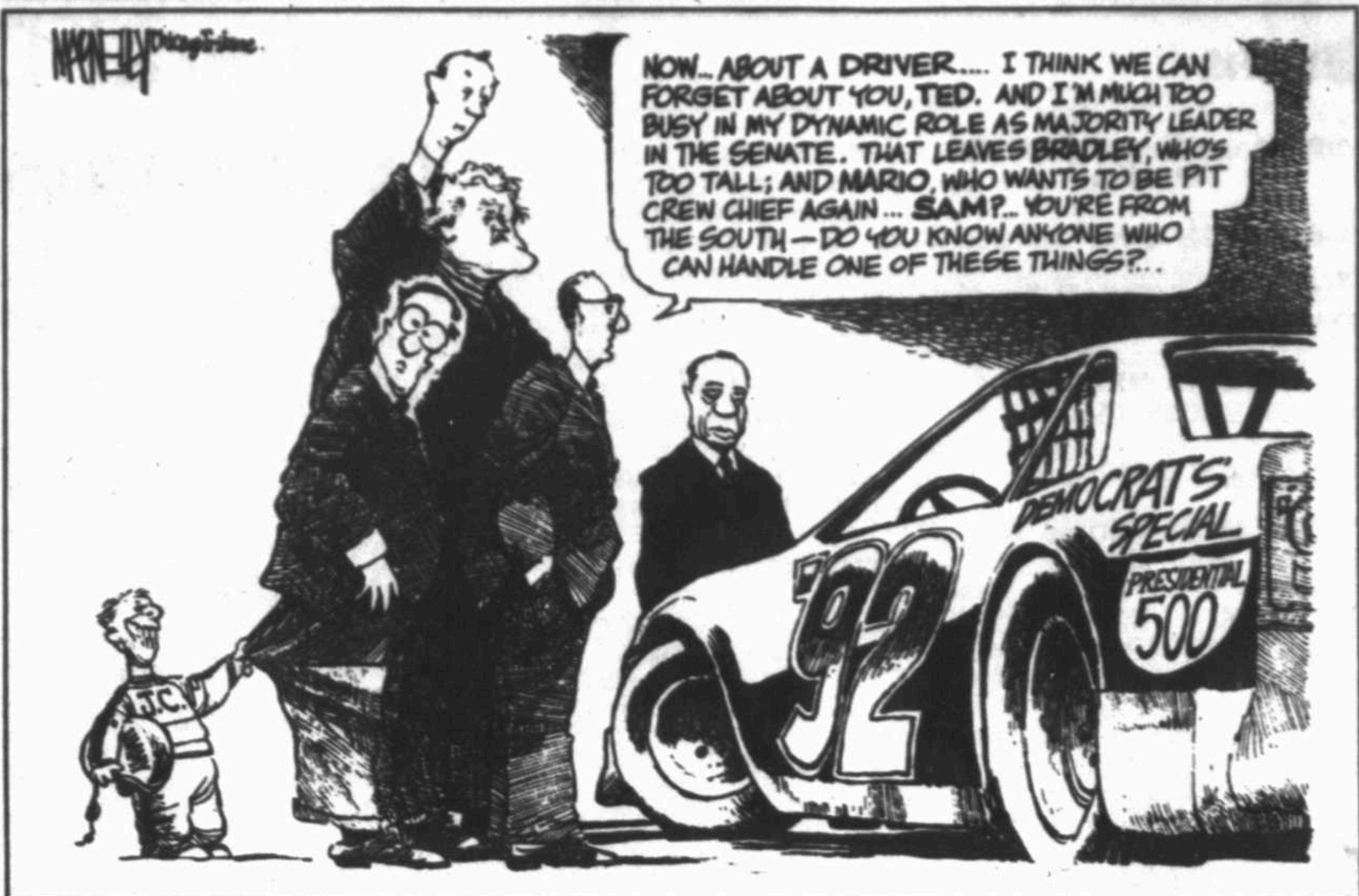
Evans and Novak

ATWATER'S CHOICE

Ailing Lee Atwater has told President Bush that his preferred successor as Republican National chairman is political consultant Rich Bond, a Bush insider dating back to the 1980 campaign.

The president was intrigued by Chief of Staff John Sununu's idea of an eloquent party spokesman, William J. Bennett, to replace Atwater. Bush is reported by aides to still be interested in that concept even after the collapse of the Bennett appointment but cannot find a reasonable facsimile.

That means the leading contender is not a spokesman but political mechanic Bond, who was Bush's deputy campaign manager under Atwater in 1988. Sununu and Bond are far from buddies. But word has been put out in the wake of the Bennett fiasco that the president, not



I too know the face of the indigent, both first-hand knowledge and through my previous employment. Some CATA members are not so far removed from being indigent themselves.

CATA is involved and is trying to collect data — it is from this data we are collecting that we are of the opinion our tax dollars can be used far more effectively than is now being done.

The biggest charity hospital in Texas, 1,218 beds, spent \$17 million for indigent care from 1985 through 1989, an average of \$4,250,000 per year. Midland Memorial Hospital spent \$7,900,000 on indigent care for fiscal year Oct. 1, 1989 through Sept. 30, 1990.

Midland Memorial Hospital purchased Clearview Hospital for \$5 million. Midland County Appraisal District has Clearview valued at \$2,624,270.

University of Texas John Sealy Hospital, Galveston, offers a contract whereby Midland Memorial Hospital could send seriously ill indigent patients there and receive a discount of 67 percent.

Ignorant? For not wanting to pay \$5 for something valued at \$2.62? For wanting to take a 67 percent discount? For comparing MMH to the biggest charity hospital in Texas?

Arrogant? For daring to present a petition to allow the taxpayers a vote before their taxes are raised? For attending a meeting finally scheduled at a time when more working people could attend and ask questions? For asking Midland County Hospital District to look at and consider ways to reduce indigent care cost?

Perhaps it is time for Ms. Mohr and Dr. Wiesenfeld to consider CATA might be right instead of throwing a blanket labeled "arrogant" and "ignorant" over them because they question why our tax dollars are being wasted.

Marge Merckle
Midland

Skin protection needed from sun

When I was growing up I used to tease my grandmother who lived with us about wearing a wide-brimmed bonnet because she would never go in the yard to do her gardening without it. Grandmother would tell me, "Go on ahead and laugh, but someday when you're older I hope you never regret not taking care of your skin."

Well, here I am after years of

golden summer tans and a couple of sunburns later with two noticeable scars on my face because my dermatologist had to remove two "basal cell carcinomas" caused by many years of exposure to U.V.A. and U.V.B. rays from the sun. By the way, I am only 34 years old now.

I am writing this letter because I noticed a lot of children and teenagers sunburning and tanning last summer at area pools.

Parents, please try to get your children in the daily habit of applying sunscreen to exposed areas when they play outside, even during the winter. Maybe your kids will never have to look in the mirror and regret having too much fun in the sun without protection.

Kathy Whitaker
Midland

Article reflected clarity, honesty

I am writing to commend your newspaper on the excellent article about my family that appeared on Dec. 2 in the Midland Reporter-Telegram Arts & Entertainment section. Having done a dozen or so similar exhibitions in cities throughout the Southwest, I have seen many articles written about the exhibitions we bring. Georgia Temple is an exemplary reporter. There is a clarity and honesty in the article that I found most refreshing.

I would like to thank First City Texas Bank as well as the people of Midland. I have never met more nice people in one week.

Merry Christmas to all.
Peter La Fuente (Rogers)
Santa Fe, N.M.

War that wasn't viewed as humor

I am finding more humor in the Gulf Crisis.

Our President George Bush has finally managed to pull an oily trump card out of his deck of 1,000 points of light. However, it is so blacked with black gold "Whos Sane," as I pronounce his name can't even see a glow. So he is in an unorganized and hasty retreat across the slippery desert sand.

This seems to take the press by surprise. "Whos Sane" has released the hostages, just like the president told him to. Not only this, but he will shortly make all other concessions that the president has ordered. And you that looked for a land war on the

shores of the gulf might as well forget it; the president doesn't want it.

"Whos Sane" doesn't fear an air strike against his oilfields, but a strike against his nuclear plants is an Arabian horse of a different color. He still remembers how much Israel set in back before. Now his back is against the oily palace wall. He and the president both know the air strike must come. "Whos Sane" at least sees enough light of his own to salvage that's left of world opinion if he can. He is a peacemaker, you know. Don't take my word for it; just get some sleep and see.

The troops that remain in the gulf area are now just a show of force. They can be removed any time our president wishes. We can depend on Israel again, probably about Jan. 15 or a little later. I'm just guessing, but they don't think much of "Whos Sane" anyway and they like to strike without warning.

We who depend on the price of oil may not find any humor in the gulf crisis at all, but it was great for a little while unless we lost a loved one in the war that wasn't.

And the question is "Now Who's Sane?"

Britton A. Burt
Midland

Gratitude extended to Midland police

We at Sierra Paseo Apartments wish to extend holiday greetings to all members of the Midland Police Department. We also would like to express our gratitude for your hard work in keeping Midland a community we all can be proud of.

Too many times our city's police officers are put to the test in situations which could dramatically change their lives or those of their families. Yet they do these things knowing full well the risks, in order to keep someone else from experiencing tragedy or in attempts to bring to justice those who have infringed upon the rights of others. Our best wishes go to all the ladies and gentlemen and their families who protect our community.

City of Midland, we exhort you to stand up and show your support for our community's Police Department. In our eyes they are the greatest of unsung heroes.

Penny Woods, manager
Sierra Paseo Apartments

BAKER UNINFORMED

Although Secretary of State James A. Baker III was the official publicly knocking Saddam Hussein for insisting on Jan. 12 for their Baghdad meeting, the U.S. decision to hang tough for an earlier date was made by President Bush without much consultation of Baker.

That provides another clue in the mystery of who really makes the Bush administration's decisions on the Persian Gulf. The original proposal for the Baker-Saddam meeting was not hatched by the secretary of state either.

When Baker arrived in the Oval Office Nov. 30 to brief Bush just before a scheduled presidential press conference, the secretary first learned of the decision to send him to Iraq. Baker was told, not asked, about it minutes before Bush made the announcement to the news media.

NIXON'S CIVIL RIGHTS

Richard M. Nixon, not normally regarded as a champion of civil rights, told a small Manhattan dinner party attended by well-connected Republicans that he believes it would be a bad mistake if President Bush puts the GOP on a track attacking racial quotas, as proposed by Sen. Phil Gramm.

Nixon harked back to the '50s and '60s, when he said the civil rights label on the Republican Party was indelible. In strictly political terms, the former president contended, there is no reward for going after the anti-quota vote.

A footnote: Nixon also told the diners he thought the "New Paradigm" conservative reform was a good program with a bad title. The elevator operator in the apartment building where they were dining, he said, could relate to the Square Deal, the New Deal or even the New Frontier, but surely could not digest the New Paradigm.

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TOM WICKER

Who's in charge at the Capitol?

Who, if anyone, is minding the store at the White House? What kind of administration is it that could allow the minority-scholarship flap, without even a high-level review, to flare into fiasco?

Such ineptitude has not been seen at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

since Donald Regan, then chief of staff to the Great Communicator, described Ronald Reagan's staff as being "like a shovel brigade that follows a parade down Main Street cleaning up."

True enough, but infelicitous; and for that and other offenses against the first family, Regan soon thereafter got the gate.

This time the victim may prove to be President Bush himself. It's his administration, after all; and the political climate he fostered led a second-level bureaucrat in the Department of Education to proclaim a major policy decision that embarrassed Bush and may have destroyed any lingering hope for a bigger Republican share of the black vote.

In extricating itself, or something, from this dilemma, the administration not only floundered between conflicting courses, giving new evidence of its inability to guide itself, let alone the country; it further alienated the Republican right wing, which already was holding its nose. That could be disastrous for a Republican president seeking re-election.

This unwanted and unnecessary rumble came along just when other developments had made Bush look like the Incredible Shrinking Man: the budget flip-flop that tumbled him out of the approval-rating stratosphere; his inability to make clear the vital national interest that requires 400,000 U.S. troops on the Saudi border; such unseemly intramural bouts as Richard Darman vs.

Newt Gingrich and John Sununu vs. Ed Rollins, all topped by William Bennett's on-again, off-again, gone-again Finnegan performance in re the chairmanship of the GOP.

Now, in recognition of the larger political realities, the president again has had to give the back of his hand to conservative theology. He repudiated the belief, which his administration had seemed to foster, that no deviation can be allowed from the strictest color-blindness, even in a good cause or to correct obvious evils.

It need not have happened. No one was agitating for an end to scholarships for minorities; the charge that "affirmative action" sometimes disadvantages some whites — which might occasionally be true of college admissions policies — almost never applies to minority scholarships.

Nor should any competent administration permit a policy of such profound social and political implications to be decided anywhere but at the top.

But if the administration is looking weak, and if the Republican right threatens an insurgency against Bush in 1992, where is the Democrat to take advantage of the situation? Testimony from Iowa and New Hampshire, where would-be nominees usually are a dime a dozen, suggests that this time around no one aspires to fill the shoes of Walter Mondale and Michael Dukakis.

Gov. Mario Cuomo of New York, who leads the speculation, did make a campaign-sounding speech to a campaign-like forum, the National Press Club in Washington.

He accused Bush of being more worried about Kuwait than the U.S. economy, which could be a potential campaign theme; but Cuomo is not confessing to presidential ambitions and has nasty budget problems of his own.

In view of the President's mounting troubles, no doubt Iowa and New Hampshire soon will receive visits from some of the usual Democratic suspects — Sens. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas and Al Gore of Tennessee, for example, and certainly Jesse Jackson.

The first signs can be seen, however, of the internal warfare that characterizes the Democrats. An unnamed spokesman for the Democratic Leadership Conference — the organization led by Sen. Charles Robb of Virginia, Sen. Nunn of Georgia, and other "moderates" — said the conference hoped to be able to counter the "money and publicity" the Northeastern liberal Cuomo would receive if he became a candidate.

With the economy in decline, the administration in disarray, the right-wing conservatives in high dudgeon and the Middle East situation in doubt, Republican prospects for 1992 might seem dubious at best.

But with the Democrats in their usual muddle, the oldest rule of politics may nevertheless apply: You can't beat a horse with no horse.

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Mr. and Mrs. Randall Wayne
Newsom, P.O. Box 10741, girl

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Schwartz, HC63 Box 85, Garden
City, boy
Delana Shanette Jenkins, 1006
W. Indiana, girl

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Mr. and Mrs. Felipe DeJesus
Garcia, HC64 Box 78, Big Lake, boy
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Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dean Laray,
1405 Rankin Hwy., girl
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drews Hwy. #21, boy

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Mr. and Mrs. Rory Lynn Frazier,
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General Dynamics
reassigns A-1 head

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The director of the troubled A-12 Avenger bomber program has been reas-
signed in a major reorganization of its Fort Worth Division an-
nounced by General Dynamics Corp.

The St. Louis-based defense con-
tractor said Friday the reorganiza-
tion will emphasize five business
groups considered vital to the divi-
sion's future. One is the A-12 pro-
gram, which the Pentagon has
threatened to scrap because of
cost overruns and schedule prob-
lems.

The company said Charles An-
derson, the A-12 program director,
was reassigned as division vice
president of a new unit called Special
Programs and Other Business.

His replacement is Ted Webb,
the former head of the F-16 fight-
er jet program, who retired last
year.

Company spokesman Mike Hat-
field said Anderson's transfer was
part of an overall restructuring of
the A-12 program. He said the re-
organization had been in the
works for several months and was
not tied exclusively to the pro-
gram.

General Dynamics and McDon-
nell Douglas Corp. are the prime
contractors on the troubled \$4.8
billion bomber program.

On Thursday, the companies an-
nounced they were sending no-
tices to 8,000 workers warning
they could be laid off if the Navy
scrapped the program. A decision
is expected as early as Jan. 2.

Last week, Defense Secretary
Dick Cheney ordered the Navy to
justify the project or kill it. De-
fense Department audits allege
that hundreds of millions of dol-
lars in excess payments have been
made to the two companies.

Both General Dynamics and Mc-
Donnell Douglas have said they
are cooperating with reviews of
the A-12 and believe they have
solved major technical problems.

Under General Dynamics reor-
ganization announced Friday, a
number of related electronic prod-
ucts were combined in a Military
Electronics business group. Special
projects and other separate
business elements were combined
in the Special Programs and Other
Business unit.

Each group will be headed by a
division vice president, who will
have expanded authority and re-
sponsibility and will report direct-
ly to company president Herbert
Rogers, who is also general man-
ager of the Fort Worth Division.

The changes are effective imme-
diately and will be followed by
other realignments within the divi-
sion to focus resources on the
five key business areas, the com-
pany said.

General Dynamics said Dain
Hancock would continue as divi-
sion vice president and F-16 pro-
gram director and D. Randall Kent
as division vice president and di-
rector of the Advanced Tactical
Fighter program.

COURT RECORDS

Criminal Cases

Texas State District Courts
142nd District Judge Pat Baskin
238th District Judge John Hyde
318th District Judge Dean Rucker
District Attorney Al Schorke
COUNTY ATTORNEY MARK DETTMAN
DWI Misdemeanor Convictions
Alfonso Figueroa Guviera, sentenced to 15 days in
jail, a 180-day driver's license suspension and fined
\$300.
Julio Jesus Portillo, sentenced to two years proba-
tion, a 180-day driver's license suspension and fined
\$500.
J.W. Barber, sentenced to six months probation and
fined \$300.
Anne Marie Henderson, sentenced to six months
probation and fined \$300.
Stacy Suzanne Owens, sentenced to two years proba-
tion, a 180-day driver's license suspension and fined
\$400.
Estelito Molina Pando, sentenced to two years proba-
tion, a 180-day driver's license suspension and fined
\$600.
Bruce Carlton Davis, sentenced to six months proba-
tion and fined \$500.
Tony Craig Campbell, fined \$200.
Anastasio Roman Garcia, sentenced to one year pro-
bation and fined \$500.

David P. Allen, sentenced to one year probation and
fined \$400.
Luz Maria Gonzalez, sentenced to one year proba-
tion and fined \$400.
Howard Leon Ramsey, sentenced to nine months proba-
tion and fined \$350.
Jaime Mesa Villalobos, sentenced to one year proba-
tion and fined \$400.
Christina Ortiz, sentenced to nine months probation
and fined \$250.
John Allen Lusk, sentenced to six months probation
and fined \$350.
Michael Byron Brown, sentenced to six months proba-
tion and fined \$200.
Melody Lynn Branch, sentenced to one year probation
and fined \$300.
Oscar Armando Gonzalez, sentenced to one year proba-
tion and fined \$500.
Salvador Arcega, sentenced to five days in jail, a 90-
day driver's license suspension and fined \$300.
Tony Leronda Swopes, sentenced to five days in jail,
a 90-day driver's license suspension and fined \$300.
Sergio Vasciano Hernandez, sentenced to 15 days in
jail, a 180-day driver's license suspension and fined
\$300.
Rickey Lawrence Brown, sentenced to 15 days in jail,
a 180-day driver's license suspension and fined \$300.

Thirteen semifinalists vie
for Dallas chief vacancy

DALLAS (AP) — Thirteen law
enforcement officials, including
acting police chief Sam Gonzales,
are semifinalists for the position
of Dallas police chief.

The list, pared from more than
90 candidates by an executive
search firm, includes six white,
four black and three Hispanic ap-
plicants. No women were selected,
according to the list released Fri-
day by City Manager Jan Hart.

Semifinalists include Miami
chief Perry L. Anderson; Sylvester
Daughtry, chief in Greensboro,
N.C.; Austin police chief Jim F. Ev-

erett; and William M. Rathburn,
deputy chief of the Los Angeles
Police Department.

Gonzales said he does not feel he
is a shoo-in for the job, which has
been vacant since September.

"I'm not sure I'm the leading
candidate," he said.

Former chief Mack Vines was
fired by Ms. Hart on Sept. 12,
hours after being indicted on a
misdemeanor perjury charge. He
is accused of lying to a special panel
investigating the 1989 firing of a
police officer who fatally shot an
unarmed man.

Horsing around on highway
leads rescuers to discovery

BROWNWOOD, Texas (AP) —
Some motorists on the Brady
Highway may have thought a
horse was trying to hitchhike, but
it was really looking for attention.
All the horsing around Friday
evening could have been meant to

draw searchers to a second horse
trapped in a creekbed, authorities
said.
"I don't know," said Brownwood
resident Glynn Franklin. "I guess
that animal on the highway had
plenty of horse sense."

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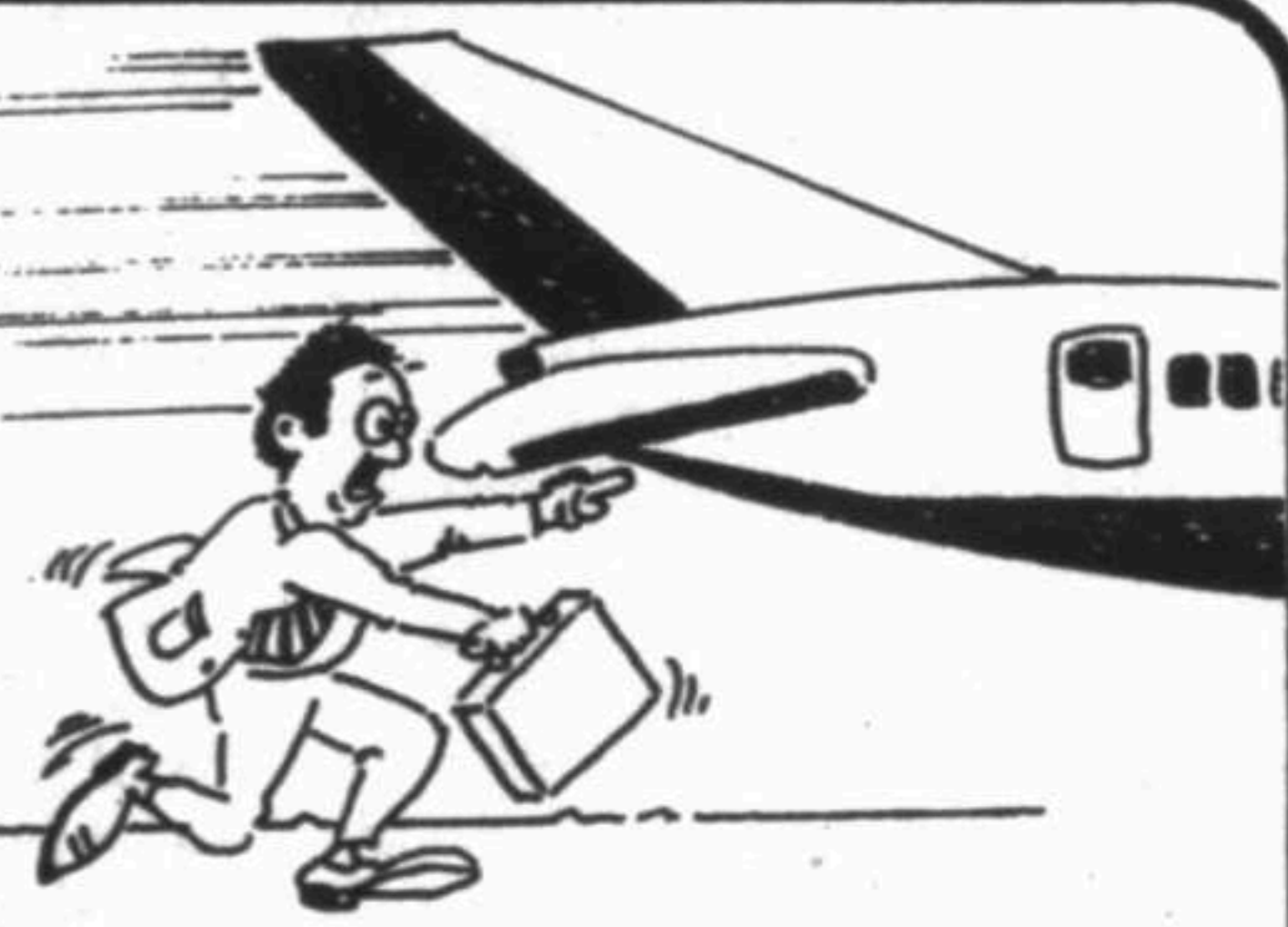
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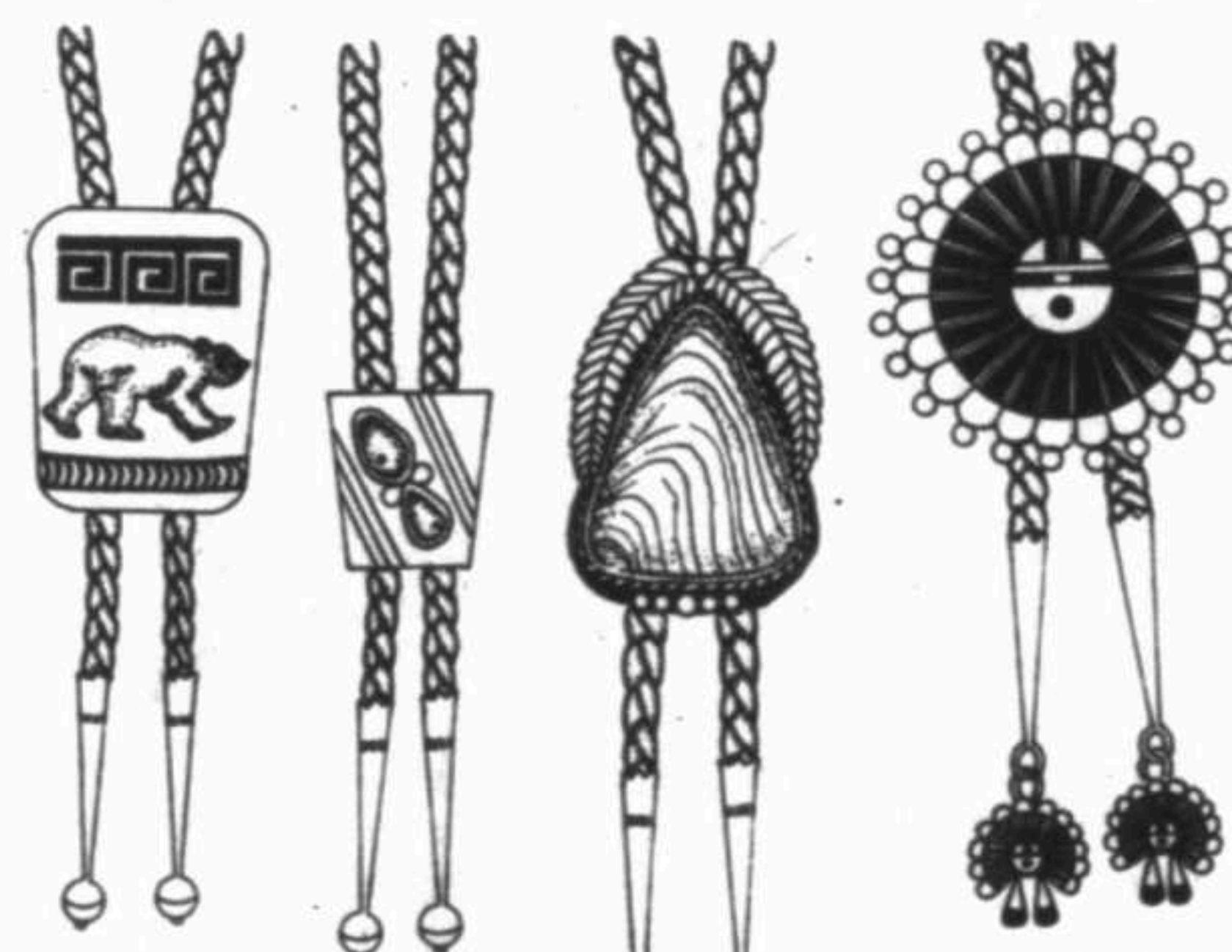
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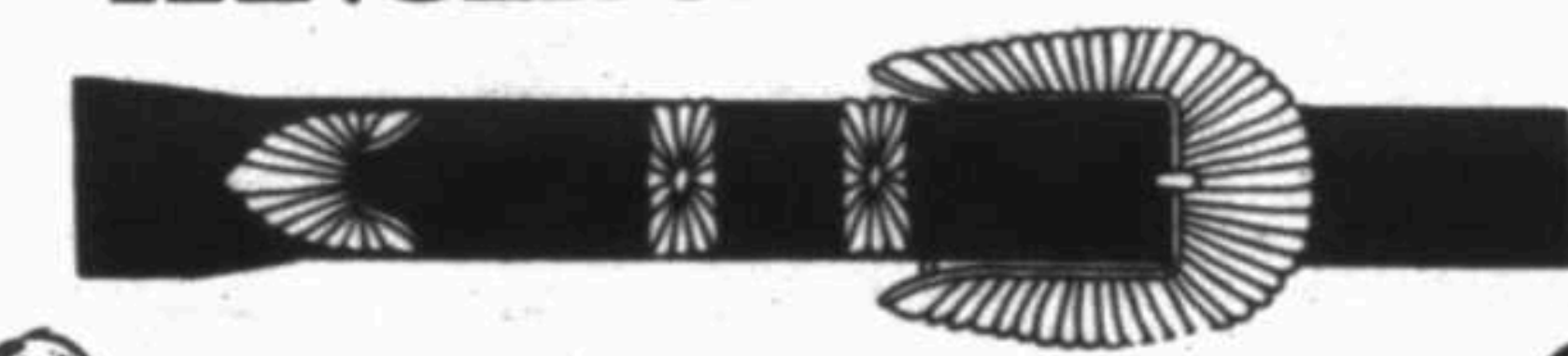
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ARMED FORCES NEWS

Navy Master Chief Petty Officer Donald D. Spraws, son of Granvil D. Spraws of Midland, recently reported for duty with Commander, Naval Surface Force, Atlantic, Norfolk, Va.

He joined the Navy in January 1988.

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Jeffrey S. Moore, whose wife Karen is the daughter of Wayne and Linda Rector of Midland, recently reported for duty at Trident Refit Facility, Kings Bay, Ga.

He joined the Navy in April 1986.

Marine Pfc. Shaun K. Savas, a resident of Midland, recently reported for duty with 4th Force Service Support Group, Lubbock.

A 1989 graduate of Midland Senior High School, he joined the Marine Corps Reserves in March 1990.

Navy Seaman Recruit Piper M. Johnson, daughter of Henry E. and Johnny M. Baskett of Big Lake, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Orlando, Fla.

During Johnson's eight-week training cycle, she studied general military subjects designed to prepare her for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

Her studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1988 graduate of Reagan County High School, she joined the Navy in August 1990.

Marine Pfc. March C. Woolsey, a resident of Midland, has completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

During the 13-week training cycle, Woolsey was taught the basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.

A 1988 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School, he joined the Ma-

rine Corps Reserves in July 1990.

Navy Seaman Recruit Michael W. Trinaystich, son of Jean O. Stanfield of Midland, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During Trinaystich's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

His studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

He joined the Navy in August 1990.

Pvt. 1st Class Corey C. Neal has deployed to the Middle East with American military forces participating in Operation Desert Shield.

Operation Desert Shield is the largest deployment of U.S. military forces since Vietnam. The operation is in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and threat to Saudi Arabia.

The soldier is an infantryman at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Neal is the son of Danny Neal of Midland, and Warrenetta Neal of Brownwood.

He is a 1988 graduate of Brownwood High School.

Air Force Airman 1st Class Steven J. Bailey has been named airman of the quarter. The selection was based on the individual's exemplary duty performance, job knowledge, leadership qualities, significant self-improvement and other accomplishments.

He is a communication systems maintenance specialist at Moody Air Force Base, Ga.

Bailey is the son of Peggy K. Bailey of Midland, and Jerry D. Bailey of Vista, Calif.

The airman is a 1988 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School.

Navy Seaman Recruit Roger M. Boyd, son of Roger B. and Janis L. Boyd of Midland, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During Boyd's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

His studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

He is a 1990 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School.

The Army's special enlistment bonus for applicants ready to leave for basic training without a long delay has been expanded from \$1,000 to \$2,000, according to Lt. Col. Clyde L. Long, commander of Army recruiting activities in New Mexico and West Texas.

"This seasonal offer, which was

scheduled to end on Dec. 31, has also been extended through Feb. 25, 1991," Long says in a news release.

Qualified high school graduates who enlist for this option must select one of 27 Army job specialties that have extra classroom seats available. The job specialties chosen for this bonus from the Army's 260 job areas vary from year to year depending on the needs of

the Army.

The \$2,000 seasonal bonus is in addition to any other cash bonuses available with each job, but the total cannot exceed \$8,000. As with normal enlistment bonuses, the Army College Fund cannot be combined with the cash bonus offer.

For more information contact U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion Albuquerque, 300 San Mateo NE,

Suite 420, Albuquerque, NM 87108-1520, or call 1-505-266-1644.

Marine Cpl. Larry K. Adams, son of Agripina Adams of Midland, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

A 1981 graduate of Wink High School, he joined the Marine Corps in April 1968.

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SAN DIEGO†	\$91	\$65	\$95	\$65
SAN FRANCISCO†	\$142	\$85	\$152	\$89
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TULSA†	\$48	\$39	\$58	\$45

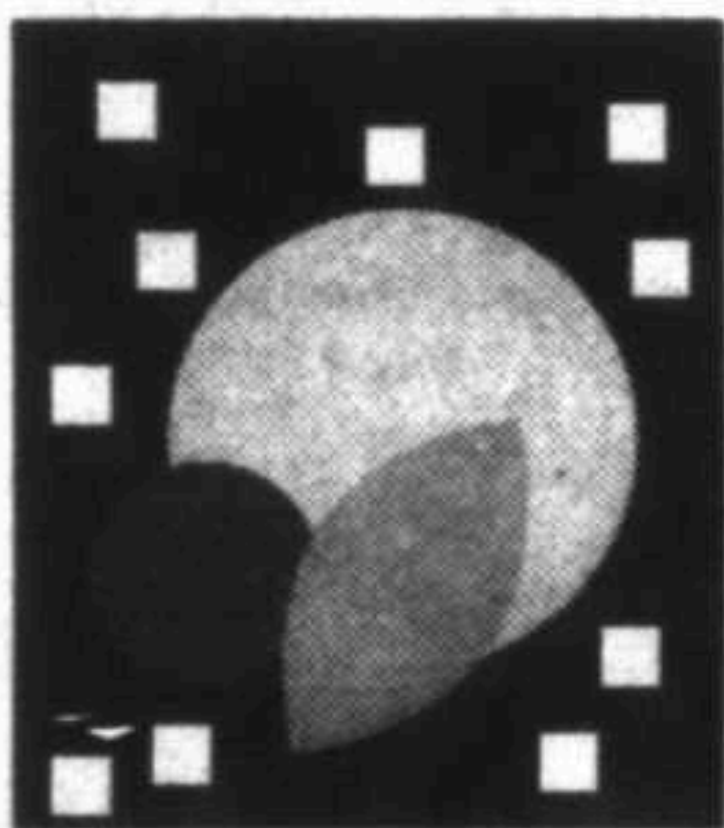
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Mexican bus crash kills 48

SAN JOSE ITURBIDE, Mexico (AP) — A bus plunged over a cliff along a mountain road in the central state of Guanajuato, killing at least 48 people and injuring five, police said Saturday.

The daily newspaper El Universal reported that 60 people were aboard the Green Arrow line bus when it overshot a turn and fell 36 feet Friday afternoon.

A spokesman for judicial police in San Jose Iturbide, about 150 miles northwest of Mexico City, said all of those who died appeared to be Mexican citizens.



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EDUCATION

LETTER FROM COLLEGE

Scholarships help many students attend college

By H.A. Tuck

At this season of giving, we'd like to share with you a little about how many students at Midland College are able to enroll because of the generosity of others.

There are general scholarships, given for academic achievement in high school and/or while at MC. There are financial aid grants given solely for the need of the stu-



Tuck

dent. There are special scholarships given for students enrolled in specific programs such as nursing, music, journalism, accounting. There are grants given for athletes.

For some, receiving a scholarship means the difference in being able to attend college or not attending college. For others, it provides an incentive or a cushion.

For the 1989-90 academic year, there were 61 different scholarships given. The number of students receiving them totalled 2,061 and the total dollar amount given was \$2,000,484. Since some students receive more than one grant, the number of grants given

reached 2,859.

Since the enrollment was about 3,800 during each semester last year, more than 50 percent of the students received some type of financial aid.

The amount of individual assistance was as little as \$81. The average was about \$1,000. These scholarships and grants come from local foundations, from area businesses, from clubs, organizations, special interest groups, and from individuals. Federal and state programs also assist many students. Gifts to the college are tax-deductible; many persons in the community give memorials or annual gifts to the college's general schol-

arship fund.

While we won't try to list all of them, the Abell-Hanger Foundation Scholarships are utilized by more students than any other. The Pell Grants and College Work Study Program help more than 600 students. The Fasken Top Five Percent Scholarships help MC attract some of the brightest young people from the Permian Basin to Midland College.

Each of these scholarships is important. If you were able to visit with the recipients, you would hear many different stories. But the final word is that thousands of people are able to educate or re-educate themselves with help

from others.

For those thousands currently at MC and the tens of thousands who benefitted in other years, we say thanks to all who have helped and who continue to help.

... Don't forget to bring your guests to the campus to see the holiday lights, which are turned on each evening, and to hear the Hodge Carillon tower. The carillon at Christmas is especially lovely to hear. You can hear the Christmas music pealing from it daily at 12 noon, 4 p.m., and 8:20 p.m.

The campus is closed, except for some maintenance work which is being done while classes aren't in session. All administrative offices open

again at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Time permits for registration will be issued Jan. 24 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Student Services area of the Student Center. Registration is scheduled Jan. 9, with classes starting on Jan. 14.

... Don't forget to listen to Midland College information service through Cityline by dialing 560-2400, then 1835 at the appropriate time to access nine lines of information about the college.

From all the students, faculty, staff, and administration at Midland College: Merry Christmas and best wishes for the holiday season!

H.A. Tuck is public relations director at Midland College.

MAKING THE GRADE

Michelle Garcia, daughter of Miguel and Martha Garcia of Midland, has been chosen by the Midland West Rotary Club as their Student of the Week.

Miss Garcia, a senior at Robert E. Lee High School, serves as vice-president of the French Club, treasurer of the UIL Math/Science Team, and cabinet member of the Student Council. She is a member of the National Honor Society, has earned a Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Academic Achievement in foreign language and physical education, and was awarded Outstanding Student by the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Her future plans include attending either Rice University or Texas Tech to study biochemistry.



Garcia

Students earning a place on the second six-week grading period Honor Roll at Greenwood are:

Sixth grade, all 'A': Deandra Crabtree, Melinda Hamilton, Brandon Hunnicutt, Amy Kenrick, Heather Kunkel, Shannon Marrow, Daniel Powell, Tony Robbins, Jeremy Watkins, Sally Yarborough; 'A-B': Melinda Browder, Jennifer Cherry, Kathryn Edwards, Josilyn Fitzpatrick, Shayd Martin, Sara Mayo, Gena McMillan, Rebecca Moody, Melinda Ramirez.

Seventh grade, all 'A': Cody Compton, Breanna Dornier, Monica Graham, Lupita Guebara, Rachel Guess, Karis Hodges, Joshua Jones, Carmie Pierce; 'A-B': Lola Centeno, Lacey Hamilton, Daniel Harris, Kristy Keller, Sarah Moorehead, Alma Rubio, Jeff Schneider.

Eighth grade, all 'A': Cindy Fortson, Sunny Howard, Joanne Pallanez, Jim Sanders, Salvador Villalobos; 'A-B': Allen Dennis, Zane Honeyfield, Justin Jones,

Allen Mays, Rhonda Mebane, T. Stewart, Ginger Strait, Andy Watzl, Allison Worley, Claudine Wright.

Ninth grade, all 'A': Troy Brown, Jessica Stewart; 'A-B': Brent Boecking, Trisha Bryson, Huson Hanks, Lewis McElrath, Tomi Pheil, Sacha Stanley.

Tenth grade, all 'A': Chris Bauer, Cheryl Clanton, Jenny Davis, Gena Hodges, Robert Reed, Stacy Thornton, Lei-Lani Wood; 'A-B': April Curry, Misty Evans, Ted Flowers, Rusty Gunter, Charles Kilgore, Christy Rhodes, Lisa Welch.

Eleventh grade, all 'A': Jennifer Jackson, Marnie Daniel, Sally Moody, Janelle Jones, Clint McDonald, Julie Park, Brian Ridgell, Travis Simmons; 'A-B': Adam Harris, Heather Haun.

Twelfth grade, all 'A': Christina Bjork, Joe Burnett, Darendra Hodges, Fernando Ochoa, Rebecca Schraer, Jim Bob Stewart, Lindsay Stewart, Jennifer Strait, Kendra Underwood, Chuck

Boecking, Richard Dennis, Cindy Dunn, Rachelle Ham, Heather Hughes, Cody Mebane, Becky Stanley, Mary Taylor, Michelle Wise, Dana Wright; 'A-B': Kim Brown, T'Auna Cook, Danny Mayo, Brodie Miller, Amy Shuman, Damon Stalvey, B.J. Busie.

Clarence King, son of Fayrene King of Midland, has been chosen by the Negro Business and Professional Women as their Student of the Month.

King, a senior at Lee High School with a 3.8 grade point average, is a member of the varsity football team and participates in theater arts and choir. He has already joined the United States Marine Corps and will begin training to become a pilot with the Marine Corps after graduation



King

Bankruptcy judge casts doubt about Southland

DALLAS (AP)—A federal bankruptcy judge says Southland Corp's bankruptcy reorganization plan won't be confirmed and needs to be resubmitted to creditors.

"As of now, I don't see an accepting class, I don't see a plan that's worthy of confirmation," U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Harold Abramson said Friday, the third day of hearings on Southland's bid to restructure \$1.8 billion in debt. Dallas-based Southland, owner of the 7-Eleven convenience store chain, filed to reorganize under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in October, saying it was overburdened by debt from its 1987 leveraged buyout.

The company filed a "prepack-

ged" plan, one already approved by creditors, in hopes of getting through the bankruptcy process sooner.

Lawyers for dissident bondholders have argued the poll on the bankruptcy plan was conducted too quickly and many individual investors weren't able to cast their ballots because their bonds were held by securities houses that voted in bulk.

Abramson did not make a final order on a new vote. But he said, "We will have a mechanism to find out very quickly what the vote is. And everybody wins or loses by that vote."

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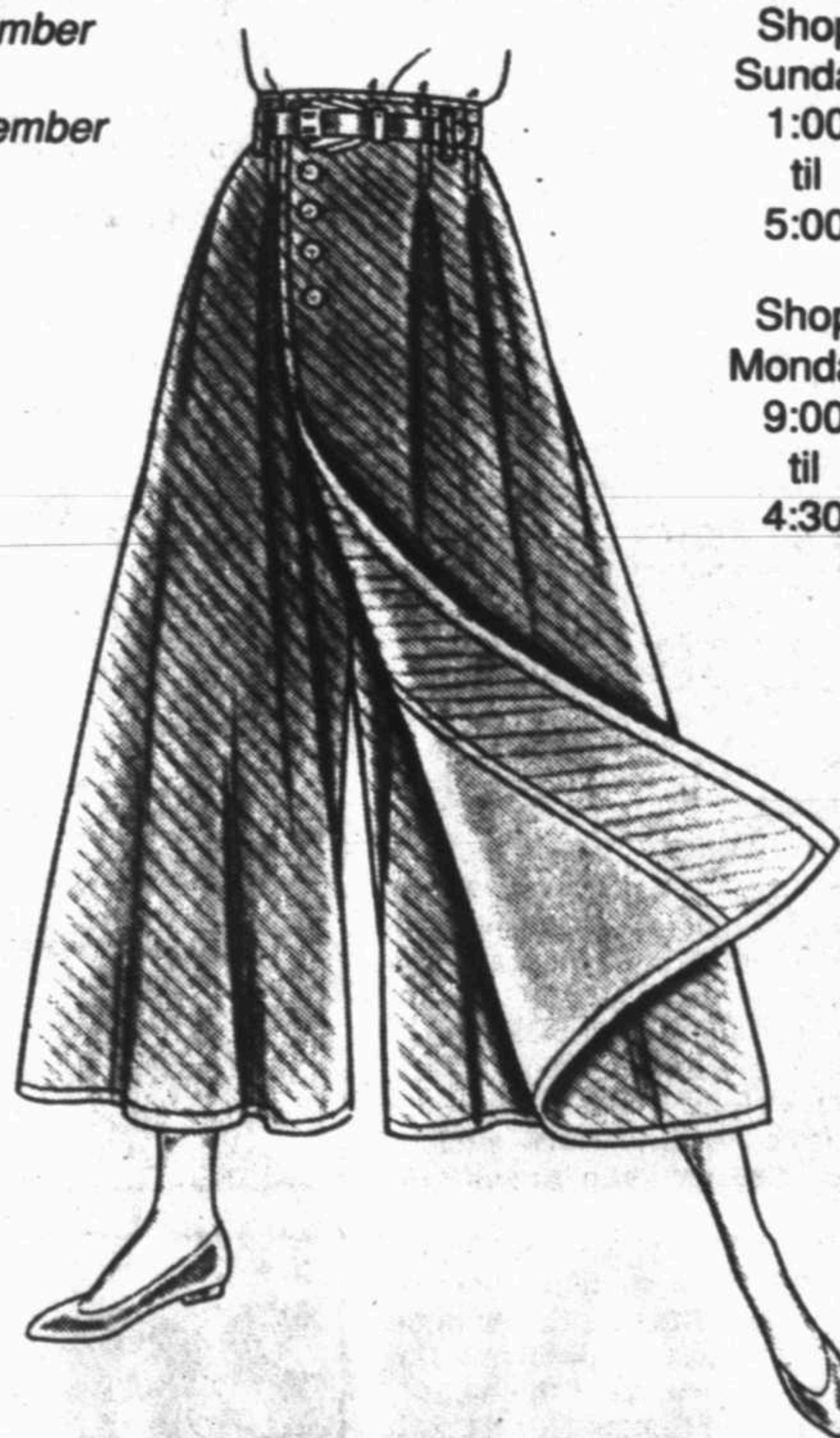
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Manson family member wants parole

COPEVILLE, Texas (AP) — He was a star athlete and attended the Methodist church regularly. He was a Farmersville High School senior class favorite.

He was a brutal killer who murdered seven people, one of whom was pregnant and pleaded for the life of her unborn child.

Divergent as these two people may seem, they are the same person: a young man who grew up in the Collin County hamlet of Copeville and now is serving a life sentence for murdering seven people in one of the most horrifying serial killings in this country's history — the Tate-LaBianca murders.

But now, Charles Denton "Tex" Watson says he has found Christ and is a reformed man.

He wants out. Two people stand in the way of his fight for freedom: filmmaker and researcher Bill Nelson, a former newspaper editor, and Doris Tate, the mother of Watson's most famous victim, Sharon Tate.

His next parole hearing is in 1993, and Doris Tate vows to be there, just as she has for the previous 11.

"My mind will not accept the possibility that he might get out," Mrs. Tate said. "I will fight that forever, until I can't move anymore."

Watson is again seeking parole after serving 18 years for a crime that is beyond comprehension to most people in this quiet corner of North Central Texas.

"He is more dangerous than (Charles) Manson," Nelson said. "He didn't have to do what he did. He made the choice to kill — seven times."

"The idea that the killings were done to start a race war intrigued me, and I was intrigued that Doris was the only one trying to keep these people in jail," Nelson said. "No one was helping her."

Soon Nelson had produced two video tapes: "Sharon Tate — the Victim" and "Serial Killer Denied" which covers Watson's May 1990 parole hearing.

Nelson also plans a book entitled "Tex Watson, the Man, the Madness, the Manipulation." The book will be dedicated, in part, to the people of McKinney.

Until recently, Watson had not expressed much remorse about those crimes, referring to Sharon Tate as "that pathetic blonde pleading for her life."

When asked in his May 4, 1990 parole hearing why he killed the seven people, he replied, "I guess I didn't consider them human."

But now, he wants out and wants to become a Texas television evangelist.

"He wants to be the Jim Bakker of Texas," Nelson said. "He is making \$1,400 to \$2,500 per month by selling tapes of religious music and sermons to a mailing list of about 500 people."

"I believe nothing he says," Mrs. Tate said. "He says he is a Christian, that is something that is between him and his God."

"You don't open the doors for someone who murdered seven — if you count the baby, eight — people. They have no excuse, they weren't on drugs that night."

Watson and others, many from the McKinney area, believe that because he is a professed born-again Christian, he should be paroled from prison.

Letters sent to the parole board

in hopes of gaining Watson's freedom attest to the strong following that he has in Collin County.

From Bruce Webb of Lavon: "I have known Charles since he was a very young boy, and he was raised in a fine Christian home and environment ... I think Charles would be an asset to many young people who are now experiencing drugs and alcohol if he was given the opportunity to tell them what end results await them."

From Watson's aunt, Pauline Montgomery: "I have known him all his life and have found him a good sweet boy; when he went off to college, he just got in with the wrong crowd and got him on drugs."

And from his wife, Kristin Svege Watson: "I feel the state of California and this nation needs to hear from Charles on the issue of drugs. What better example of the fruit of drug abuse do we have?"

That fruit came into full bloom on Aug. 9, 1969, when Watson and three other members of the Manson family set out to kill whoever lived in the house at 10050 Cielo Drive.

"Manson was the lieutenant for the murders," Nelson said. "He told them to get changed into dark clothes and get the knives — that it was 'time.'"

Arguments abound as to what the group's motive was. Some say it was because Terry Melcher, son of actress Doris Day, had once lived there and Melcher had declined to publish some music Manson had written.

Others say both Manson and Watson were familiar with the layout of the house, making it a perfect murder site.

The next night, Watson and the others killed a wealthy grocer and his wife in their home.

As they had the night before, the murderers wet their fingers in their victim's blood and wrote on the door and walls of the LaBianca house — "Death to Pigs," "Healer Skelter" (sic) and "Rise."

Later testimony in the Manson trials revealed that of the 156 stab wounds that were inflicted in the two-day killing spree, Watson wielded the knife in 90 percent of them.

Watson returned home in October, and his sister immediately insisted he get a haircut.

Once back in the fold in Copeville, Watson began dating some of his old high school girlfriends and generally kept a low profile.

But not low enough. On Nov. 16, 1969, he was arrested by his cousin, Sheriff Tom Montgomery, at the gas station-grocery store his parents owned in Copeville. He denied all the charges.

Watson was taken to the Collin County Jail in McKinney where he stayed for 10 months while attorney Bill Boyd fought his extradition to California. During those 10 months the other members of the Manson family, including Manson, were tried and found guilty of the murders.

Finally, in the spring of 1971 Watson was convicted of seven counts of murder and sentenced to death.

After California's death penalty was overturned, Watson's sentence was altered to life imprisonment. By 1979, he was married and enjoying conjugal rights while in California Men's Colony, fathering three children.



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Elizabeth Watson and oldest son James sit in their Copeville, Texas, home recently. James holds a photo of his brother Charles Denton "Tex" Watson, who remains in a California prison after 21 years for his involvement in the celebrated 1960s Tate-LaBianca murders detailed in the book "Helter Skelter."

After his claimed Christian conversion in 1975, Watson became an associate pastor of the prison chapel. On his marriage license, he listed minister as his occupation. Another one-time Manson follower, Bruce Davis worked closely with Watson at the chapel.

"Watson said he became a Christian and converted in 1975 and founded the 'Abounding Love Ministry' which has a mailing list of about 500," Nelson said.

"He says that because he has been behind the scenes, his story needs to be told, but he can't give his testimony behind the bars as well as outside."

"He's pretty stable now, smarter than most ordained ministers," said Watson's father, James Watson. "He knows that he can't do anything about what he has done, but he wants to help people that are having the same problems that he is having."

"He is trying to do what any dedicated minister would do," he said.

"I don't know if he will ever get out," said his mother, Elizabeth Watson. "If he doesn't, we will meet him in heaven."

Mrs. Tate, however, said, "If he has given his soul to God, I say 'Praise the Lord,' but that doesn't mean that we should turn him loose."

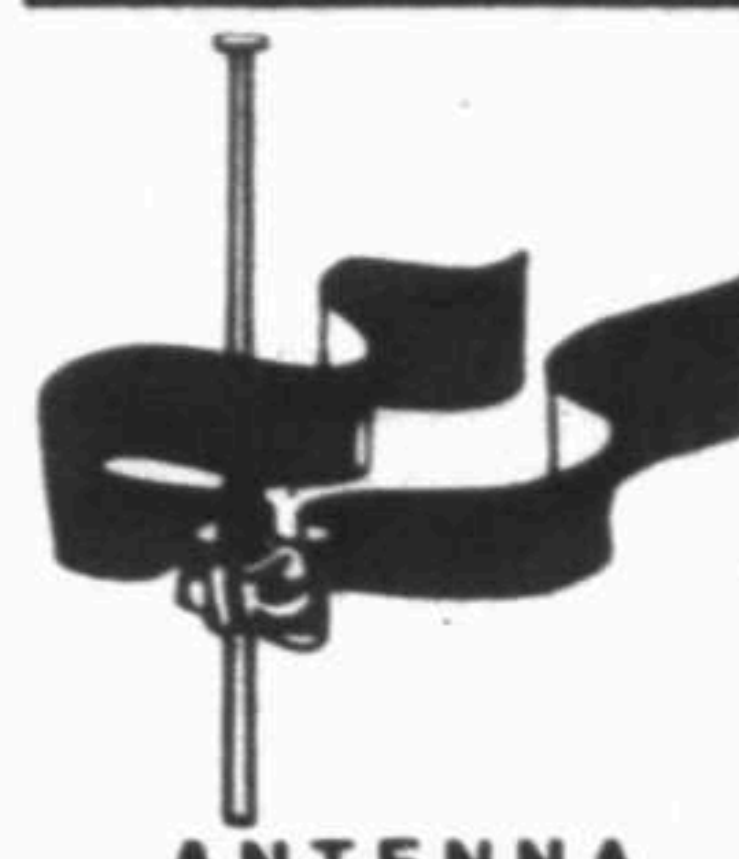
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Fraternity suspended at SWTSU

SAN MARCOS, Texas (AP) — A fraternity at Southwest Texas State University has been suspended for a year by the school after its pledges were accused of assaulting two students, officials said.

Kappa Sigma also must apologize in writing to the victims and pay their medical bills, student justice director John Angell said Friday.

"I think that the university wants all of its student organizations — including its Greek organizations — to be a positive influence on our campus," he said.

It is alleged that on Nov. 11, two students bombarded a fraternity keg party with rocks, eggs and tomatoes, then were beaten by some of the party-goers.

During the suspension, Kappa Sigma cannot participate in official university activities, sponsor socials or recruit new members.

When the suspension is over, the fraternity will be on probation for one year, university officials said.

There was no answer at the fraternity house Saturday morning. Fraternity president Darron Gross has said Kappa Sigma was unjustly implicated in the alleged assault because many party-goers, who were not associated with the fraternity, ran into its house when police arrived.

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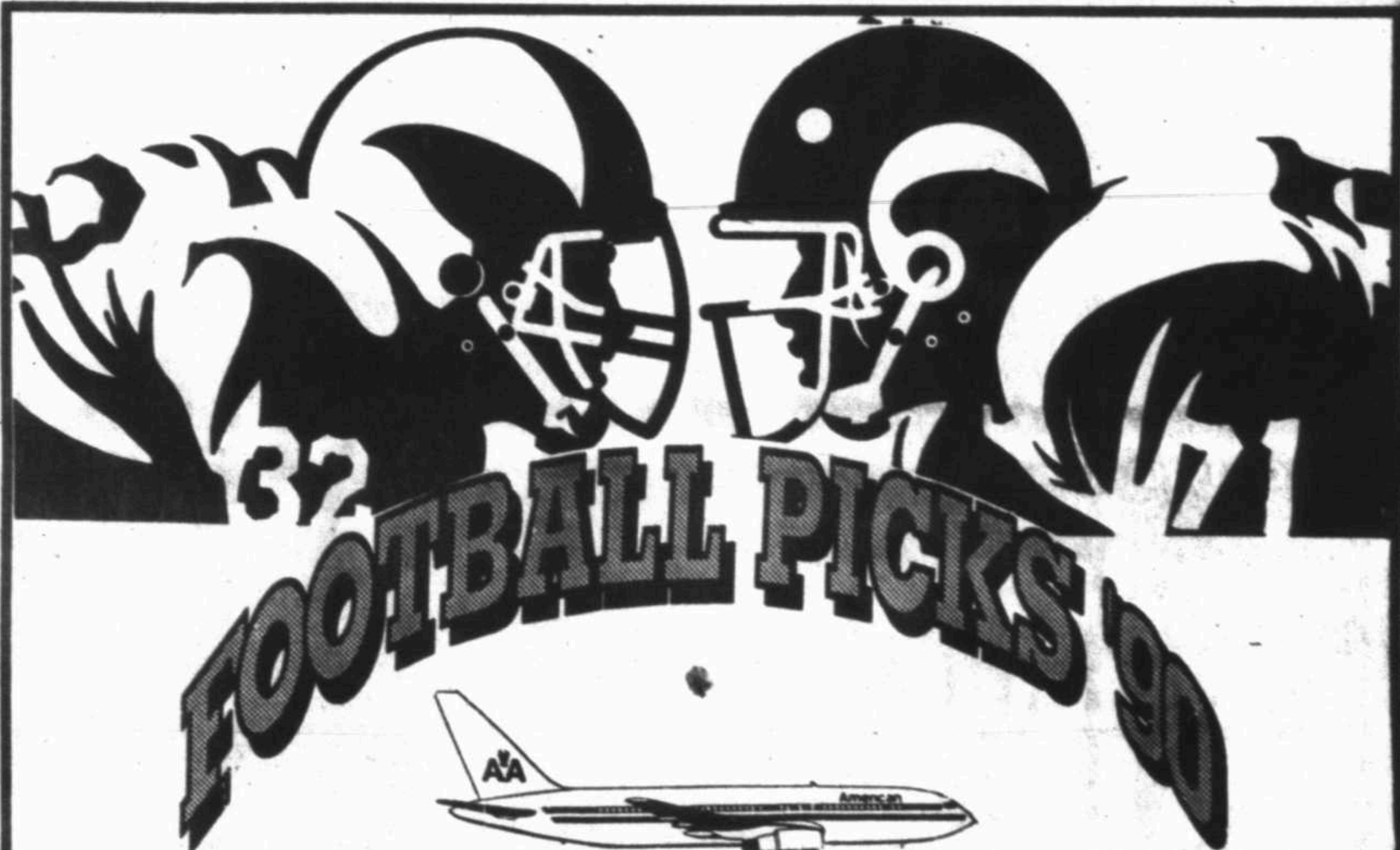
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Fonda, Turner picked as 'Power Couple of 1990'

NEW YORK (AP) — She's an Academy award-winning fitness queen, he's a billionaire businessman. Combine Jane Fonda and her media mogul fiance Ted Turner and you have "People" Magazine's "Power Couple of 1990."



Turner

The couple topped a list of megamates the magazine named in its Dec. 31 issue.

Fonda and Turner went public with their wedding plans recently, saying they would be married in about a year.

The top couple rated highest in the survey based on categories including joint net worth, altruism, long-term relationship potential, public displays of affection, sex appeal, and career ups and downs, the magazine said.

Fonda and Turner scored especially high in the big bucks category — she's a multimillionaire and he has a net worth estimated at \$1.3 billion. Also included in the list of 19 powerful pairs: Arnold Schwarzenegger and Maria Schriver, Connie Chung and Maury Povich, Jane Pauley and Garry Trudeau, Don Johnson and Melanie Griffith, Mick Jagger and Jerry Hall, Johnny Depp and Winona Ryder and Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Country singer-songwriter Steve Wariner says his Dec. 25 birthday has always been lost amid Christmas celebrations, but not this year.

Wariner, whose middle name is Noel, says he's never had a birthday party.

"I've been ripped off," Wariner said recently. "I've had cakes made and stuff like that, but if it's Christmas, your birthday is always going to take a back seat."

"You can't top Christmas," he said.

So Wariner, 36, says he's planning a Christmas release date for his new album "Christmas Memories."



Fonda



Wariner

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michael Corleone, meet Father Guido Sarducci.

Well, not exactly. Don Novello, without the black cape and large black hat he made famous as the irreverent priest on late-night television, is Corleone's public relations man in "The Godfather, Part III."

Novello's character in the mobster sequel is named Dominick Abbondondo. Abbondondo serves as the confidante and image maker of Corleone, played by Al Pacino.

Although he still does Sarducci on TV and live shows in Las Vegas and Lake Tahoe, he's been stretching to other characters such as a huckster in "Tucker" and a butler and guardian to a child in "New York Stories."

Novello has another persona: Lazlo Toth, the obsessively patriotic penman of "The Lazlo Letters." The book is in its 11th printing.

PARIS (AP) — French filmmaker Roger Vadim, Brigitte Bardot's ex-husband who launched her career in "And God Created Woman," has married for the fifth time — this time, to yet another famous actress, Marie-Christine Barrault.

Vadim, 62, once known as the talented playboy who took beautiful women and turned them into stars, was also married previously to Jane Fonda and Annette Stroyberg.

He is the father of Miss Fonda's daughter, Vanessa, and actress Catherine Deneuve's son, Christian. He and Miss Barrault, 42, exchanged vows Friday.

Miss Barrault earned international fame for her role in the 1975 film "Cousin, Cousine," in which she flees a stuffy, bourgeois family wedding to pursue a love affair with a relative.

Vadim and Miss Barrault met while serving on the jury at the Cognac Film Festival two years ago. They were married in a private ceremony outside Paris.

"Marie-Christine represents the exact, delicious synthesis of everything I've been looking for until now."

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The 1960s rock group the Soul Survivors, best known for the hit "Expressway to Your Heart," deserves \$51,164 in royalties from an record company, a federal judge has ruled.

U.S. District Judge Raymond J. Broderick decided Friday that Collectables Inc. of Ardmore failed to pay the group \$204,347 since 1969, but

since the members didn't sue until last year, the statute of limitations eliminated all but four years' worth of royalties.

The company and its predecessors "unquestionably have ignored their ongoing contractual obligations," Broderick said. It broke "its most fundamental promise to the former members of the Soul Survivors."

The band, which broke up in 1969, consisted of Joseph Forgione of New York and Paul Venturini, Charles Ingui and Kenneth Jeremiah, all of New Jersey.

From 1960 through 1964, songs by the group appeared on at least six albums, and the foreign market for such music "is vast," the judge said.

Gary M. Perkiss, attorney for Collectables, declined to comment.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Charlie Smith once turned down a

chance at life on the road with the father of bluegrass music for electrical engineering, but Bill Monroe isn't a man to hold grudges.

In fact, Monroe has a standing invitation for Smith to join him whenever he's in town. And Smith, 52, has taken up him up on that by performing with Monroe's Blue Grass Boys one night a year for the last 34 years including Friday night.

"It's always great to have Charlie on with us," Monroe said. "He is a really great bluegrass player and not everybody is cut out for it. Bluegrass has its own school of music."

Smith's break first came as a teen-ager when he filled in for fiddlers too tipsy for the late show. He joined Monroe's band during weekends in college, but he preferred to use his Vanderbilt University degree after graduation.

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BALTIMORE — The Orioles, strange as it may seem, are on a quest to pull off one of the bigger trades of the winter. They have been talking to Houston about Glenn Davis, the first baseman, who can be a free agent next year and who has asked the Astros for \$5 million a year.

The Orioles' effort is strange because they had the lowest payroll in the majors this year and they don't like to pay players \$2 million a year, let alone \$4 million or more.

Trivia Teaser

Sunday's Question — Name the conference with the most teams in last week's TOP 25.

Saturday's Answer — Keith Byars gained 577 yards in 1986. Randall Cunningham has led the Eagles in rushing each of the last three seasons.

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■ The Marshall Mavericks give Dennis Parker a state title in his last game as a high school football coach.

Associated Press

Chad Fox threw three touchdown passes and D.D. Turner fueled Marshall's running attack with 194 yards on 35 carries, leading the Mavericks to the Class 5A big school state championship with a 21-19 victory over Converse Judson on Saturday.

The Marshall defense intercepted three passes by Judson's David Zunker, two of them setting up first half touchdown passes, leading the Mavericks to their first state title.

Marshall (14-2) reached the quarterfinals in 1988 and the semifinals in 1989 under coach Dennis Parker, who has been named head coach at the University of North Texas.

The Mavericks survived a late scare

when Judson's Darnell Stephens returned a fumble by Turner 76 yards to the Marshall 22, setting up a 1-yard touchdown run by Randy Morgan with 10 seconds left in the game.

Judson (14-2), which won the 1983 state title, narrowed Marshall's 15-3 halftime lead in the third quarter on a 5-yard run by Kyle Arnell, who skirted left end untouched for the score with 8:26 left in the third period.

Arnell, Judson's leading rusher with 179 yards on 23 carries, ran 32 yards to the Marshall 35 and a personal foul moved to ball to the 25 before his touchdown run.

Fox, who completed 6 of 11 passes for 102 yards, put the Mavericks back in command late in the quarter with his third touchdown pass, a 26-yarder to Daily Johnson, who was left uncovered in the Rocket secondary.

Turner, who rushed for 160 yards and three touchdowns in last week's 21-0 semifinal victory over Arlington Houston, rushed 8 times for 42 yards prior to Johnson's touchdown catch.

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Dennis Parker celebrates his last game as head football at Marshall with the Class 5A Big School state championship trophy.

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By Denne H. Freeman

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — Sooo-iiii-eeee SEC! The Arkansas Razorbacks' defection to the Southeastern Conference rattled the windows of the Southwest Conference's office in Dallas and triggered fears Texas A&M and Texas were soon to follow.

Analysis

The Hogs, charter members of the league, announced in August that they would take away their sports teams. As it turned out, Arkansas asked permission to keep playing football in the SWC through 1991. The basketball team is out of the SWC as of March 1991.

The decision was voted the top Texas sports story of 1990 in a survey of state newspaper editors and broadcasters.

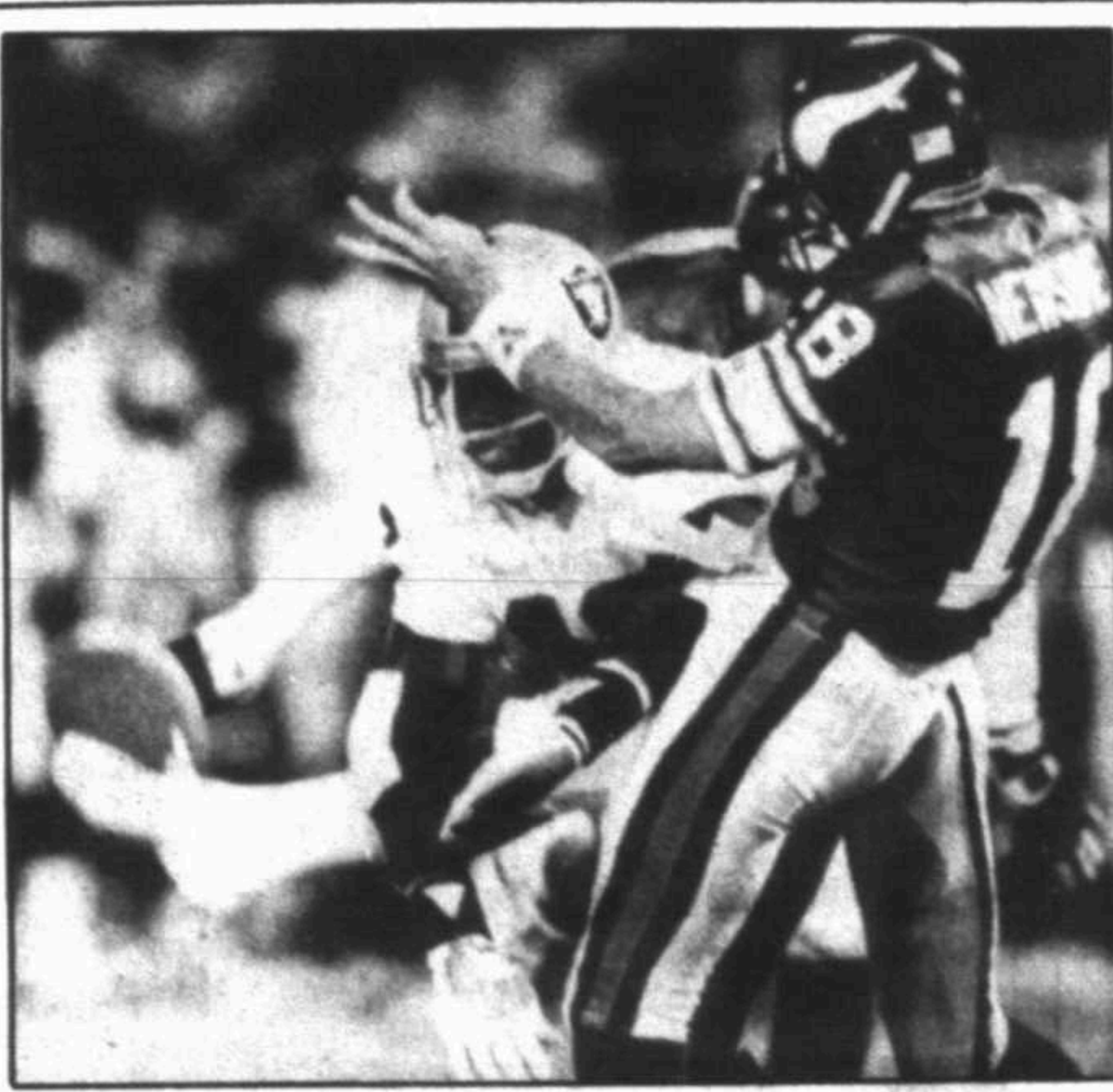
Weeks of speculation followed the announcement by Arkansas athletic director Frank Broyles. Would the Aggies and Longhorns also jump ship?

Both schools announced later they were dedicated to the SWC.

The story didn't end there. Texas teams took it out on the defending champion Hogs, handing them eight consecutive whippings before Arkansas defeated probation-crippled Southern Methodist in the last game of the season.

Next in favor with the voters was Nolan Ryan's continued march through baseball's record books. The 44-year-old Ryan pitched his sixth no-hitter against Oakland in June and the Texas Rangers' wondrous right-hander notched career

Please see **HOGS/6C**



Minnesota punter Harry Newsome gets roughed up by Los Angeles Raider Elvis Patterson.

Raiders take fourth straight

Associated Press

Jay Schroeder passed for four touchdowns and 234 yards as the Los Angeles Raiders defeated Minnesota 28-24 Saturday, moving within one game of their first AFC West title since 1985 and eliminating the Vikings from the playoff race.

The Raiders (11-4), who have won four straight, can win the division with either a victory against San Diego next week or with one loss by Kansas City, which plays at San Diego on Sunday and at Chicago next week. Los Angeles is already guaranteed a

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NFL Roundup

BILL PRICE

Cowboys' record can be deceiving

I'll believe it when I see it, and frankly, I haven't seen it yet.

Yes, I'm talking about the Dallas Cowboys' 'comeback' from 1989's 1-15 season.

I hate to burst Dallas' bubble, but when the Cowboys march on the field at Veterans Stadium today in Philadelphia to take on the Eagles, the true test will be at hand. Sure, the Cowboys own the National Football League's longest winning streak at four games. And I'll admit that the 7-7 record they hold going into today's game is, in an understatement, preferable.

But let's look at how Dallas got to 7-7:

SEPT. 9: In the season opener, the San Diego Chargers held a 14-10 lead when they inexplicably attempted a fake punt with a fourth-and-six on the Dallas 46-yard line and 5:15 to play. Dallas stopped the fake, and drove in for a touchdown when quarterback Troy Aikman sneaked into the end zone with 1:58 on the clock.

SEPT. 16: Even though Dallas ran its 1990 training camp in sultry Austin, the New York Giants crushed the Cowboys 28-7 in 104-degree heat at Texas Stadium.

SEPT. 23: Leading 19-6 early in the fourth quarter at RFK Stadium, the Washington Redskins held on to win 19-15, as rookie running back Emmitt Smith scored Dallas' first offensive TD in seven quarters (against the Giants, Alexander Wright ran a kickoff back 90 yards to score).



Price

SEPT. 30: In East Rutherford, N.J., the Giants jumped to a 17-3 half-time lead and cruised to a 31-17 win.

OCT. 7: The Cowboys moved to 2-3 for the season with a 14-10 win, as Smith had first 100-yard game as a professional, running for 121 and scoring the game-winning TD over the hapless Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Sure, entering the game the Bucs were 3-1. But as of this morning, they're 6-8.

OCT. 14: In what was Dallas' worst performance of the year, the Cowboys managed just 100 yards total offense and were stuffed 20-3 by the Phoenix Cardinals, who were 1-3 going into the game.

OCT. 21: As a result of the league's creative, parity-creating schedule, the Pokes were given a second chance against a weak non-division foe, and downed the Bucs in Tampa 17-13.

OCT. 28: Eagle quarterback Randall Cunningham, who has bedeviled plenty of NFL defenses, guided Philadelphia to a 21-20 come-from-behind win. After Smith gave Dallas a 20-14 lead with 4:02 to play, Cunningham marched the Eagles 85 yards in 13 plays for the victory.

NOV. 4: Another bleak day. The New York Jets (4-10) entering today's game against New England beat up on Dallas for a 24-9 win.

NOV. 11: Against the defending world champion San Francisco 49ers, Dallas extends another streak without an offensive TD to eight quarters, as the Pokes fall 24-6 to Montana, Rice, et al.

NOV. 19: THE STREAK begins. A meeting of Dallas' offensive players early in the week yields three first-half touchdowns, as the Pokes held on for a 24-21 win over the Los Angeles Rams in Anaheim to move

'Pokes seek an end to absence from playoffs

■ Dallas hopes to turn another underdog role into a playoff berth when the Cowboys battle the Eagles in Philadelphia.

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — The Dallas Cowboys are within a victory of completing the greatest one-season turnaround in NFL history.

The Cowboys, 1-15 last year under first-year coach Jimmy Johnson, can earn a wild-card playoff berth if they beat the Philadelphia Eagles Sunday.

Dallas (7-7) is a 7-point underdog against the Eagles (8-6), who will play a wild-card game against the Washington Redskins. The Cowboys end their regular season against the Atlanta Falcons.

To win the home-field advantage in the wild-card game, the Eagles have to win their last two, closing at Phoenix, and the Redskins need to lose one of their final games, against Indianapolis and Buffalo.

The Cowboys have won four straight, the longest current winning streak in the league, and could accomplish a few other things Sunday when they put aside the Buddy Ryan-Johnson show and play football.

They can forge their first five-game winning streak since 1983.

They can boost their record to 8-7, best since the 1985 team was 10-6 and won the NFL East for the Cowboys' last trip to the playoffs.

They can end a seven-game losing streak against Philadelphia. Not counting the 1987 strike games, the last time Dallas beat the Eagles was 1986.

They can assure their first winning season since '85.

They can remain undefeated in December for the first time since 1979.

They can give Johnson his second career road victory over an NFC opponent.

Please see **DALLAS/8C**

their record to 4-7.

NOV. 22: At home on Thanksgiving against a Redskin team playing its third game in 11 days, Dallas won 27-17 as Smith went over 100 yards (132) for a second time.

DEC. 2: On nine days rest, Dallas dropped the New Orleans Saints 17-13 as Aikman went without an interception for the first time all year and led the Pokes to a pair of second-half TDs. Dallas went to 6-7 for the year, New Orleans to 5-7.

DEC. 16: After its open date the week before, a refreshed Dallas team drubbed Phoenix 41-10 in Irving. Smith scored four touchdowns and rushed for 103 yards.

Now, I'll concede that the Cowboys looked pretty good against the Cardinals, but it was the 5-9 Cardinals they were playing. And Phoenix is far from the only bad team Dallas has played.

The points is, outside of games against fellow NFC East Division teams (against whom the Pokes are 2-5), Dallas' opponents have a combined record of 40-44. Take away the 49ers' 13-1 mark, and the overall numbers come to 27-43.

So it's final exam time for head coach Jimmy Johnson's crew today. Can the Cowboys overcome cold and possibly wet weather, a hostile crowd, the Eagle defense, Cunningham and the slings and arrows of Eagle head coach Buddy Ryan? If they can, and complete the NFL's most dramatic year-to-year turnaround ever, then I'll believe.

Bill Price is a sports writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

PLAYOFFS: Groveton wins second straight 2A crown

From 1C

Fox had touchdown passes of 32 yards to Bo Survia and 9 yards to Trency Clough in the second quarter. Each followed Marshall interceptions and helped the Mavericks take a 15-3 halftime.

Shawn Anderson returned Zunker's first interception to the Maverick 49 to set up Fox's touchdown pass to Survia, who circled behind defender Pat Johnson for the touchdown.

Judson reached the Marshall 3-yard line on its next drive, and facing fourth down, Zunker passed into the end zone for Corey Montgomery. Terrance Shaw intercepted the ball and returned it 69 yards to the Judson 31.

A face mask penalty gave Marshall a first down at the Judson nine, and on the next play, Clough beat Judson defensive back Darrell Stephens to the end zone.

Fox then passed to Daily Johnson for the 2-point conversion.

Judson took a 30-yard first quarter lead on a 37-yard field goal by John Shepard. Randy Morgan's 28-yard run to the Marshall 18 set up the kick.

Judson got a safety with 7:54 left in the game when Marshall's punt attempt was centered out of the end zone.

Class 4A

Wilmer-Hutchins 19
Austin Westlake 7

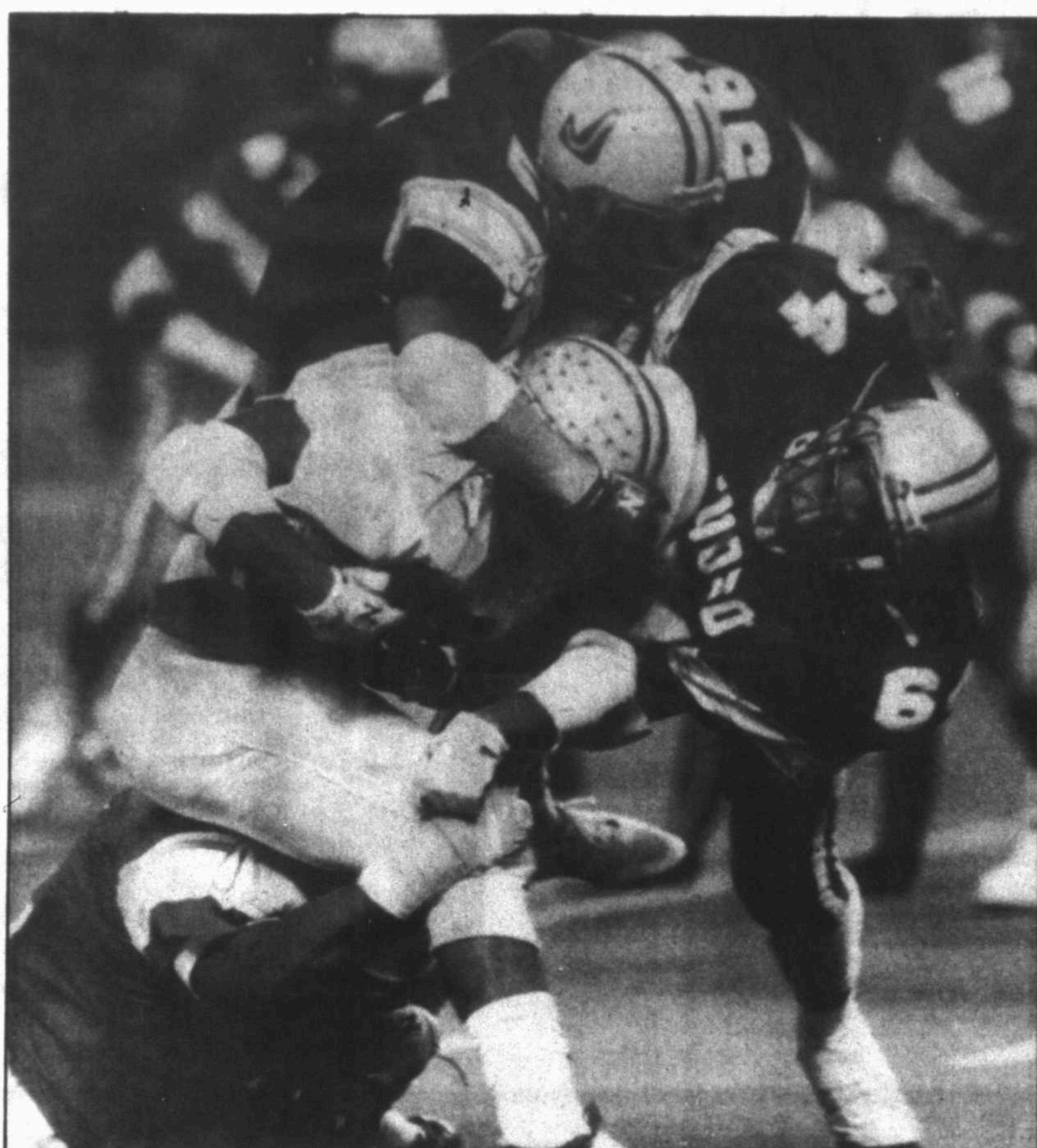
Wilmer-Hutchins quarterbacks Brian Kirk and Rod Hill completed three passes and they all went for touchdowns as the Eagles earned the Class 4A state championship with a victory over Austin Westlake.

The wind was 17 mph out of the north and the temperature was 10 degrees at kickoff as some 2,000 fans huddled in frigid Floyd Casey Stadium.

The Eagles, winning their first state football title, led 13-7 at halftime on two touchdown passes by Kirk, his only two completions in the game.

Tight end Emmanuel Brown caught a 22-yard scoring pass in the first period and Terrod Lilly snared a 42-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter to build a 13-0 Wilmer-Hutchins lead.

But the Chaparrals struck late in the second quarter when Gar-



Even though Marshall running back D.D. Judson defense, he ripped the Rockets for Turner (7) is wrapped up here by the Converse 194 yards.

AP Laserphoto

rett Clark completed passes of 21, and 10 yards before hitting Michael Bremer with a 10-yard scoring pass with 1:06 left. Chad Smith kicked the extra point on his second try. He missed his first attempt, but the Eagles were offside.

Kirk was injured on a 21-yard run in the fourth quarter. On fourth-and-2 from the Westlake 8, Hill chased down a ball that was snapped between his legs, picked it up at the 11, and threw a touchdown pass to David Jones.

Austin Westlake, which dropped

down to Class 4A from 5A this year, ended the season at 13-3.

The Chaparrals beat No. 1-ranked A&M Consolidated 24-14 to get to a state championship final for the first time.

Wilmer-Hutchins, which lost its opener to Dallas Roosevelt, fin-

ished 14-1. The Eagles beat Stephenville 35-18 to get into the finals.

Bailey Marshall, director of the University Interscholastic League, said the conditions "are the worst I've ever seen for a playoff game. We've never had one with this combination of cold and wind. It was pretty tough out there."

Class 3A

Vernon 41, Crockett 20
Derrick Richardson carried 27 times for 147 yards and three touchdowns, leading the Vernon Lions to a rout over the Crockett Bulldogs in the Class 3A state high school football championship.

Vernon (16-0) won its first title in two state final appearances. The Lions lost last year's championship game 22-21 to Mexia. Crockett finished 15-1.

Vernon's running game, led by Richardson's touchdowns of 8, 2 and 20 yards dominated Crockett on a snowy, 15-degree day. Vernon had 248 rushing yards.

Crockett led briefly in the first quarter when Kevin Merriweather ran for a 72-yard score on the third play of the game. The 2-point conversion run failed, leaving Crockett with a 6-0 lead.

Merriweather led the Bulldogs with 7 carries for 75 yards.

Vernon's Aaron Williams scored on the 27-yard run with 4:09 remaining in the first quarter, capping a four-play, 42-yard drive. Williams' kick put the Lions ahead for good, 7-0.

The Lions struck again on their next drive with a 22-yard touchdown pass from Ken Collums to Ivory Daniels for a 14-0 lead.

Daniels caught five passes for 89 yards and Collums was 6-of-10 passing for 92 yards and one touchdown.

Richardson scored his first touchdown on an 8-yard run with 10:11 to go in the second quarter.

Crockett made it 21-12 with 8:30 left in the first half on Alvin McCulloch ran for a 2-yard score.

Lonnie Bess capped a 12-play, 75-yard drive with a 2-yard touchdown run, giving Vernon a 27-12 halftime lead.

Richardson scored his 2-yard touchdown with 4:59 to go in the third quarter, and added his 20-yard score with 7:08 remaining in

the game.
Crockett added a score with 2:12 to go on Tony Sulewski's 6-yard run. Jamie Driskell completed a pass to Jeff Ainsworth for the 2-point conversion.

Class 2A

Groveton 25, De Leon 19
Rodney Thomas scored two touchdowns in 20 seconds and Gerald Farley got the game winner on a 46-yard run as the Groveton Indians successfully defended their Class 2A state title with a victory over the De Leon Bearcats in numbing cold.

Thomas, the Associated Press Class 2A offensive player of the year, rushed 35 times for 220 yards at Floyd Casey Stadium in light snow, 16 degree cold and a minus 8 degrees wind chill factor.

It was Groveton's 32nd consecutive victory.

Thomas scored on a 20-yard run in the third quarter only to see De Leon's Greg George dash 62 yards for a touchdown on the next play after the kickoff.

Thomas, who had 3,483 yards rushing and 47 touchdowns this year, then took a De Leon kickoff and broke three tackles on an 82 yard kickoff return.

George, who had 133 yards on 15 carries, answered back on a 2-yard scoring run. De Leon then seized a 19-17 lead when Brandon O'Donnell caught a tipped pass from Aaron Saldivar and went 76 yards for the Bearcats.

Farley scored the game winner with 7:40 to go when he faked a pitch to Thomas and went 46 yards untouched.

The only first half points came on a 32-yard, second-period field goal by the Indians' Joey Newberry after a De Leon fumble.

Terry Roberts recovered George's fumble at the Bearcats 29 to set up the field goal which was aided by a 17 mph north wind.

The Groveton defense held De Leon to no first downs and just 27 yards offense in the first half.

Thomas rushed 19 times for 81 yards in the first half but the determined Bearcats kept him out of the end zone.

De Leon got into the finals with a victory over Pilot Point while Groveton downed Schulenberg to make into the championship game for the second consecutive year.

Fight results in UIL rules examination

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The University Interscholastic League may re-examine rules governing extra-curricular sporting events in the wake of a fight between players and fans at a high school basketball game in Baytown.

A basketball game between Baytown Lee and Houston Clear Lake high schools ended with 22 seconds to play in the third period Thursday when spectators joined a fistfight between two players.

Two Clear Lake players were injured during the four-minute altercation.

"I feel sure this will be a matter that will come before the state Executive Committee because it was a stands-clearing situation and it was among members of two different districts," UIL Executive Director Bailey Marshall said in The Houston Post's Saturday edition.

"If we did have fans joining in, the fight, it is the worst incident we've had this year," he said.

Marshall said the incident at Baytown Lee will be heard by the UIL's Executive Committee in January. Penalties could range from reprimand to the suspension of the players or

teams involved, Marshall said. The host team is responsible for security and crowd control under UIL rules.

Game officials asked for assistance from Baytown Lee administrators to clear the gym, but were told there was none available. There was only one uniformed Baytown policeman working security.

Clear Lake forfeited because coach Bill Krueger refused to let his team continue without proper security. Clear Lake was leading 55-53 when the scuffle began.

The altercation could prompt UIL Legislative Council members to approve legislation proposed last year which would require the presence of at least one school administrator at every sporting event.

"I wish we didn't have to have those kind of rules," Marshall said. "But what we have to be concerned about is education. I'm concerned that what kids are learning is more negative than positive."

"We've got three or four cases already in front of this one to be heard by the Executive Committee. We had one coach with a doll dressed like an official. The coach turned to the crowd and pulled the doll's head off."

Knight would rather see Iowa State in Big 10

Associated Press

AMES, Iowa — If Indiana coach Bob Knight had his druthers, the Big Ten Conference would add Iowa State instead of Penn State as its 11th member.

Iowa State coach Johnny Orr says he'd welcome that arrangement, and he's sure football coach Jim Walden would, too.

Penn State last season agreed to become the Big Ten's 11th team. Knight opposed the move because of the difficulty of getting to Penn State, which is located at State College in the mountains of central Pennsylvania — far from any major commercial airport.

"I'd love to have had Iowa State join the Big Ten," said Knight, whose sixth-ranked Hoosiers beat

the Cyclones 87-76 Friday night. "I felt that they should have been the team to come into the Big Ten. It would have been great to have had Iowa State."

Knight's teams have played Iowa State, a member of the Big Eight, four times since his good friend Orr left Michigan to become the Cyclones' coach in 1980. The Hoosiers have won all four games, two in Ames.

Although no more games are scheduled, Knight said he wouldn't mind playing the Cyclones again.

"The facilities, the people — we really enjoyed the contact we have had with Iowa State," Knight said. "And it will continue as long as John is here."

Orr said he thinks Iowa State

Colorado linebacker misses plane

Associated Press

MIAMI — All-American linebacker Alfred Williams missed Colorado's team plane to Miami for the Orange Bowl, had two flights canceled and finally arrived more than 12 hours late and with an upset stomach.

"I don't think flying is his favorite thing to do," Coach Bill McCartney said.

Williams, who was vomiting when he finally reached the Bufaloes' hotel Saturday afternoon, was sent to bed and missed their first workout. McCartney said he

hopes Williams will be able to practice on Sunday.

Top-ranked Colorado will play No. 5 Notre Dame on New Year's night in a game that could decide the national championship. The Fighting Irish, who beat Colorado in last season's Orange Bowl, will arrive Christmas night.

While Williams finally arrived, another player was sent back to Boulder. Eric Hamilton, a backup safety and the team's leading tackler on special teams, will miss the game for disciplinary reasons. McCartney said Hamilton was

would be a logical school for the Big Ten. That would put the Cyclones in the same conference as their major state rival, the University of Iowa.

Iowa is one of the few areas where its major state universities belong to different leagues.

Big Ten presidents have said they plan no further expansion at this time beyond Penn State. Orr would like them to reconsider.

"I wish they'd put us in there," he said. "That'd be a nice thing. It'd be great for Iowa State because it would be a couple more million dollars. And Walden wouldn't have to play Nebraska and Colorado and Oklahoma anymore. I'd like that. I'd like to see us make a push on that."

If Iowa State joined, Orr said the

Big Ten could be split into two divisions. He suggested one division having Iowa State, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Northwestern.

"That'd be even better, wouldn't it?" Orr said with a laugh. Someone then asked, "Where's Indiana?"

"Well, Indiana could play Purdue and Ohio State and Michigan and Michigan State over there and Penn State," Orr replied. "You like to go to Penn State, don't you?"

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Maverick backcourt leads late charge

Associated Press

Rolando Blackman scored 31 points and backcourt partner Derek Harper had 27, and the Dallas Mavericks outscored Denver 41-21 in the final 10 minutes and beat the Nuggets 119-110 on Saturday night.

NBA

Michael Adams had 27 points and 13 assists and Marcus Liberty had 19 points in relief of injured scoring leader Orlando Woolridge for the Nuggets, who rallied from a 58-50 halftime deficit to lead 83-76 going into the final period.

Denver increased the margin to 89-76 with 10:08 left in the game with the help of Liberty's 6-footer and dunk. The Mavericks then scored 20 of the next 22 points, with Harper scoring 11 of those, as Dallas took the lead for good, 98-91, with 6:22 remaining.

Liberty, Adams and Blair Rasmussen scored the next six points to make it 98-97 with 5:09 left, but that was as close as the Nuggets got as Blackman followed with two free throws and an 18-footer, helping the Mavericks rebuild the margin to 104-98.

Denver closed to 108-106 with 1:53 left, but Dallas made nine of 10 free throws the rest of the way to seal the victory.

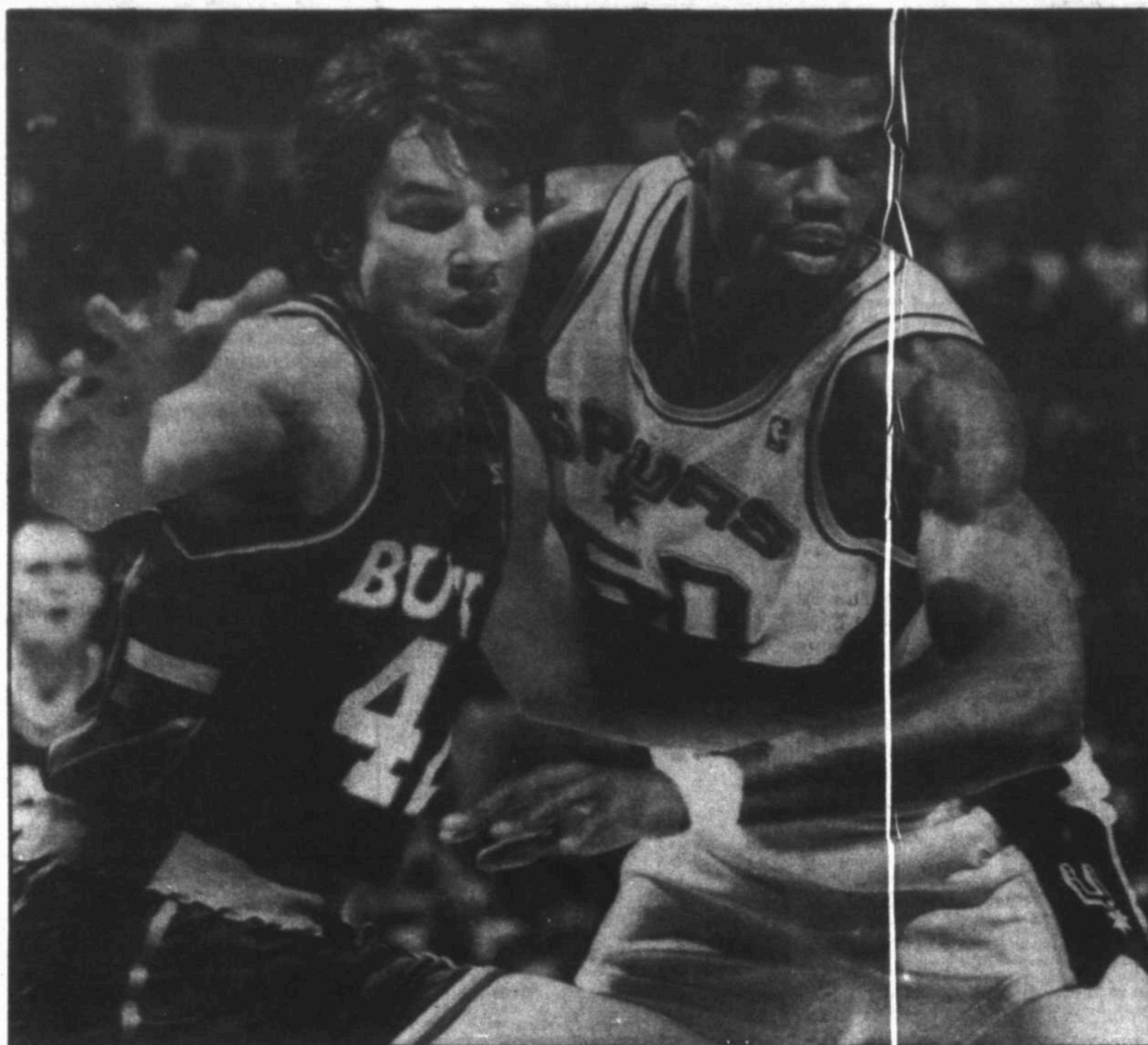
Alex English, in his first game in Denver after playing here for 10 years, scored 20 points for Dallas, which won for only the fourth time in 12 road games.

Both teams played with depleted rosters, and Denver's injury woes got worse on Saturday, with Todd Lichti and Chris Jackson both injuring ankles.

Woolridge, No. 3 in the NBA in scoring with a 29.0 average, underwent surgery for a damaged retina on Friday and is expected to miss the next two months. Bill Hanzlik has been on the injured list all season after back surgery and Jerome Lane has been out for two weeks with an ankle injury.

The Mavericks are missing Roy Tarpley, Fat Lever and Herb Williams, all with injured knees.

"It's hard to comment on our injuries," Westhead said. "We had



San Antonio's David Robinson battles Milwaukee's Frank Brickowski for position during Saturday's game.

a roll going and then Todd went down and Chris had to come out. We didn't have enough guys to keep up our level of play."

Denver had four more field goals than the Mavericks, who outscored the Nuggets 29-12 at the free-throw line.

Bulls 128, Pacers 118

Michael Jordan scored 29 points and John Paxson 23 as Chicago won for the 12th time in 15 games.

The Pacers trailed by 20 points in the first half, but consecutive baskets by Chuck Person, Vern Fleming and LaSalle Thompson at

the beginning of the fourth quarter closed the gap to 100-98.

The Bulls rebuilt the margin to 115-108 before Indiana made another run with baskets from Person and Detlef Schrempf to make it 115-112 with 3:08 left. Chicago countered with eight straight points, four by Paxson, to regain control.

Person and Fleming each scored 25 points and Schrempf added 20 for the Pacers, who are 1-13 on the road. Chicago's Scottie Pippen finished with 18.

In the third quarter, the Pacers

crept within two points four times, the last at 4:17 when Schrempf scored on a 17-footer to make it 85-83.

But with Paxson scoring 10 points in the quarter, the Bulls held a 100-92 lead after three periods.

Bucks 114, Spurs 98
Jack Sikma scored 29 points, including six 3-pointers, and San Antonio missed 12 of its first 14 shots in the fourth quarter as Milwaukee snapped the Spurs' eight-game winning streak.

The Bucks, who trailed by as

many as 14 in the first half, rallied for a 57-57 tie at halftime.

Milwaukee continued its hot shooting and stingy defense in the second half, building a 91-83 lead after three quarters. Sikma, 6-for-8 from long range in the game, had two 3-pointers as the Bucks opened the fourth period with a 16-7 run to take a 107-90 lead with 5:01 remaining.

The Spurs closed to 109-96 with 2:21 left on a dunk by Willie Anderson, but that was as close as they got.

David Robinson led the Spurs with 25 points, while Anderson scored 21. Ricky Pierce had 20 points, Jay Humphries 16 and Frank Brickowski 15 for the Bucks.

Rockets 122, Suns 102
Vernon Maxwell scored six of his 11 points in the final two minutes of the third quarter when Houston took command of the game.

Akeem Olajuwon led Houston with 24 points and 19 rebounds, followed by Sleepy Floyd with 24 points and Otis Thorpe with 15.

Cedrick Ceballos was the top scorer for Phoenix with 27 points followed by Tom Chambers with 18 and Xavier McDaniel with 15. Houston outscored Phoenix 13-2 in the final two minutes of the third quarter, with Maxwell contributing two 3-point plays.

The Rockets outscored the Suns 33-19 in the third quarter with Maxwell and Olajuwon each scoring 9 third-quarter points.

Knicks 106, Nets 93
Patrick Ewing scored 25 points and Kiki Vandeweghe had six of his 19 during a 13-2 fourth-quarter run that lifted New York.

The Knicks, 5-5 under new head coach John MacLeod, were leading 84-80 before Vandeweghe started the decisive streak. Charles Oakley ended the run with 4-40 left with a three-point play, giving New York a 97-82 advantage, its largest of the game.

Rookie Derrick Coleman topped the Nets with 16 rebounds and a career-high 30 points, and Mookie Blaylock and Derrick Gervin scored 20 points apiece. Oakley had 23 points and 15 rebounds for the Knicks.

76ers 106, Pistons 99
Rickey Green had a season-high 25 points and Hersey Hawkins scored all of his 21 in the second half for Philadelphia.

Charles Barkley scored 22 points for Philadelphia, which improved its homecourt record to 13-2. Isiah Thomas scored 30 points for the Pistons, who won their two previous games after losing seven of eight.

Jazz 104, Magic 96
Karl Malone scored 15 of his 34 points in the fourth quarter and keyed a decisive surge in the last four minutes for Utah.

Malone's three-point play gave the Jazz a 94-89 advantage with 3:40 remaining, keying a 9-2 spurt that enabled Utah to pull away from a 89-89 tie and spoil a career-high 34-point performance by Orlando's Scott Skiles.

Bullets 109, Cavaliers 89
Bernard King scored a season-high 46 points and Washington used a collapsing defense to thwart Cleveland's inside game.

The win was the Bullets' third straight and fourth in the last five games. It was their first at Cleveland since April 4, 1987.

Cleveland has lost eight of its last nine games.

Sonics 121, Kings 93

Eddie Johnson scored 25 points as Seattle romped over Sacramento, the SuperSonics' second blow-out of the Kings in three days.

Eight players scored in double figures as the Sonics won their fourth straight game. They beat the Kings 110-75 Thursday night.

Seattle led 59-33 at halftime. The Kings trimmed the margin to 61-41 but the Sonics went on a 20-9 run to ensure a rout. Michael Cage scored six points as Seattle built an 81-50 lead.

Warriors 115, Timberwolves 102

Chris Mullin, Tim Hardaway and Mitch Richmond combined for 36 of Golden State's 38 points in the third quarter.

Mullin scored 11 of his 39 points, Hardaway 12 of his 32 and Richmond 13 of his 22 in the third period when the Warriors extended a three-point halftime lead to 91-77. Mullin completed the quarter with a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

NBA rookies make few waves

By Bill Barnard

AP Basketball Writer

No rookie is turning a bad team into a good team this year the way David Robinson did for San Antonio last season. This year's group of first-year NBA players comes as advertised — solid but unspectacular.

His late signing and a recent leg injury have slowed the progress of the head of the class, New Jersey's Derrick Coleman, but he's played enough for the Nets to realize they aren't sorry they took him. He's the early favorite for Rookie of the Year.

The 6-foot-10 Coleman is averaging 15.3 points and 10.2 rebounds, and his 28 points and NBA season-high 23 rebounds in a 98-92 victory over Philadelphia on Nov. 27 was a rookie highlight show.

"He's going to be unbelievable," Pistons assistant Brendan Malone said. "He does it all — scores, blocks shots, rebounds. He's outstanding."

"I am the franchise," Coleman said. "If you want somebody who is versatile and can play any position on the court, then I'm the man." That versatility also has made a valuable player of Sacramento's Lionel Simmons, one of four Kings' first-round picks.

Simmons has started at both forward positions and also at guard in recent games as rookie teammates Travis Mays and Anthony Bonner moved into and out of the lineup with injuries. Rookie center Duane Causwell also is

starting for the Kings.

Both Simmons and Mays are averaging 15 points per game, and Bonner scored 16 and 18 points in two of Sacramento's three victories that gave the Kings their first three-game winning streak since 1989.

"Simmons is one of the top three rookies in the league," Minnesota coach Bill Musselman said Tuesday after Simmons scored 24 points in Sacramento's victory over the Timberwolves.

"He's a much better defensive player than we were led to believe," Jerry Reynolds, the Kings' director of player personnel, said of Simmons, the No. 3 scorer in Division I history. "He's very smart and deceptively quick, and he's doing a great job defensively."

Kings coach Dick Motta has said Simmons, the seventh player taken in the 1990 draft, and Mays, No. 14, should be All-Stars within two years. Mays, in 15 games, has five 20-point games.

Gary Payton, the No. 2 pick by Seattle this year, has started every game for the SuperSonics and already is among the league's best in steals. But he's averaging just 8.3 points on 43.5 percent shooting and this week was on a streak of scoring 10 points or less in nine consecutive games.

"Defensively he's doing a super job," coach K.C. Jones said. "He's quick and instinctive and knows how to stick with a guy. He penetrates extremely well, he has great vision and knows how to get the ball to people."

Chris Jackson of Denver, the No. 3 pick, started fast in Nuggets coach Paul Westhead's fast-paced system, averaging 19.3 points in his first six games, then trailing off to 7.8 in his next 10 outings.

That prompted general manager Bernie Bickerstaff to suggest Jackson should "stop bitching and work and play basketball." Bickerstaff said his advice to Jackson is to "focus on what Paul Westhead wants. You can't feel sorry for yourself."

On Wednesday night, Jackson responded with a season-high 27 points.

Similarly up and down in the first quarter of the season were Orlando's Dennis Scott and Miami's Willie Burton.

Scott, the No. 4 pick, is leading the NBA in 3-pointers, including a league-high six against Golden State on Nov. 30.

But typical of his season were Orlando's opening four games. He scored a total of nine points on 3-for-18 shooting in the first three, then scored 28 in the fourth.

Since then, Scott has had five more games with 20 or more points and three games with two or less.

Burton, the ninth pick in 1990, scored 25 and 24 points as Miami won two of the first four games he played, then added 21 against Houston on Nov. 17. At that point of the season, he was the Heat's leading scorer with a 17.5 average.

In his next 14 games, Burton averaged 8.6 points on 34.8 percent shooting.

Kansas drops UT-San Antonio

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Adonis Jordan scored 16 points, Terry Brown 15 and Alonzo Jamison 14 as Kansas cruised to its 20th consecutive non-conference home-court victory by thumping Texas-San Antonio 101-69 Saturday.

Mark Randall added 10 points and joined with Jamison, Jordan and Brown to power Kansas (5-2) on a 32-3 first-half run that culminated with 21 consecutive points.

Texas-San Antonio (7-3) went scoreless for nearly five minutes and managed only one basket in an 11-minute stretch as Kansas built its lead.

The loss snapped a five-game winning streak for the Roadrunners, who came into the game averaging 98 points.

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Leonard Porter is a veteran of Midland Special Olympics. Over the years Leonard has participated in Special Olympics Bowling, Softball and Track. He has had an outstanding year in 1990, winning gold medals at the softball and bowling state tournaments. Leonard is employed at the Community Living and Evaluation Workshop where he is currently working on a contract for Ford Motor Company. Leonard also serves as President of Midland Self Advocates and last year served on the board of directors of Texas Self Advocates.

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Year of year

By Ben Walker

AP Baseball Writer

The Year of also the Year of season for seniors.

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Foreign investors eye Major League Baseball

N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — During a recent tour of Japan by major league all-stars, both management and union executives went along eagerly looking for ways to expand baseball's business horizons to the Far East.

But if trade winds of the times blow as consistently as they have in other industries, the Japanese can be expected to seek new baseball outlets not only on their own soil, but also right in the lap of the American pastime as well.

Rumors of Japanese interest in major league clubs surfaced last year, when the Seattle Mariners reportedly attracted some interest when they were on the open market.

This summer, two limited partners of George Steinbrenner, the Yankees' principal owner, were reportedly exploring the possibility of selling their minority shares to Dai-ichi, one of Japan's largest supermarket chains.

The reality of global markets and the buying power of both the

dollar and the yen have not been lost on officials on either side of the Pacific. How such issues will be handled was a popular topic of conversation during the major leaguers' eight-game tour.

"It is a more complicated question than just baseball," Commissioner Fay Vincent said. "We're part of a larger organization and we have legal restraints. It is not the policy of the United States, nor is it in its best interest, to inhibit economic activity with Japan. So baseball has to fit its own activities within those standards. I don't know if the government standards really limit us, but we are not going to impose artificial restrictions on Japanese capital coming into this country."

Vincent pointed out, however, that adherence to major league baseball's relatively new local ownership regulations made it all but impossible for majority interest in any club to be assumed by absentee owners, be they out of state or out of country.

There are no rules barring minority interests or minor league

ownership.

And Suntory, the giant Japanese entertainment and food conglomerate, became part-owner of the Birmingham Barons, a Class AA Southern League team reportedly purchased for \$2.5 million to \$4 million before the 1990 season.

The president, chief executive and managing partner of Birmingham is Marty Kuehnert, an American who first proposed buying the team along with a former Stanford University schoolmate. That friend, Gary Shail, happens to be the son of Suntory's chairman.

Kuehnert, who has business interests in Japan, resents inferences that it is somehow wrong to sell to the Japanese, pointing to negative publicity that invariably follows sales like those of Rockefeller Center, MCA and Columbia Pictures.

Now, said Kuehnert: "There's this concern about Japanese business buying America's pastime. But what people don't know is that American brokers, American owners come to Japanese companies all the time and ask them to

please buy this, please buy that. Then the Japanese take the flak. Look, everyone knows that Japan is a very wealthy country. And when people need money for investment, they see an economic opportunity and they come and ask for it."

Vincent, who found himself denying unsubstantiated rumors that he had toured Japan to cultivate buyers, is also concerned about the potential for ill will.

Acknowledging concerns on both sides, Vincent has appointed an ownership committee to deal with the so-called Japanese question.

"I wanted a systematic way to think through any and all questions that might arise," Vincent said. "Such as, do we have strong position on minority interest? The Japanese are starting endeavors in the Dominican Republic. If they are going to do that, does it mean we're going to have to compete for kids?"

Citing an increasing Japanese presence at winter meetings, Vincent also said: "The Japanese are

there to compete for players and talk about signings. Do we have any policy on that?"

Vincent said these were not exclusively "Japanese" questions, but rather questions that would apply to any foreign baseball entity.

"But," he said, "at the moment the Japanese currency is so strong and the baseball ties are so strong, it's the only system that is powerful enough that it can and does take away players who could play at our level."

Players, of course, see absolutely nothing wrong with that. "The best of all possible worlds is to have opportunities for players, no matter where they originate from, worldwide, the way it is in other sports," said Donald Fehr, the executive director of the Major League Baseball Players Association.

Fehr added, "The clubs have agreed that Japanese efforts to sign free agents is appropriate."

Are such policies reciprocal? Japanese players impressed the major leaguers by winning the all-

star series. But if they wanted to play here, it's doubtful they could.

"Japanese players are indentured servants," Kuehnert said. "They are still pre-Curt Flood-type of players. Their contracts have reserve clauses and they have no freedom."

As for Japanese teams, Vincent said: "I once asked the Japanese commissioner a hypothetical question. 'What if I owned Coca-Cola and I wanted to buy a Japanese baseball team?' He said, 'No!'"

The fact that Americans may not be able to buy Japanese teams has not deterred interest in buying into that burgeoning market in other ways.

While other countries are just starting out in baseball, the Japanese are already there. Not only do they have the economy, but a longstanding love for the game, a combination viewed as too valuable to pass up by major league executives, who market hats, jackets and other equipment, and the union, which markets trading cards, posters and other items.

Baseball rewards cities with foresight to build

N.Y. Times News Service

When Peter Ueberroth was commissioner and announced baseball's expansion plan, he discouraged prospective cities from building stadiums before they were awarded a franchise.

Last week, when the National League's short list of six cities was announced, Douglas Danforth of Pittsburgh, the expansion committee chairman, said the cities on the list were the best of the applicants in "terms of market size, government commitment to support base-

ball and stadium facilities in place or planned."

In other words, suddenly cities like St. Petersburg, Fla., were being rewarded for having ignored Ueberroth's oft-repeated caution.

"Those already built we can't do anything about," Danforth said when asked about the change in approach. "I wouldn't recommend that anybody go out and build one now without a franchise."

But isn't that what Ueberroth said?

Western teams unable to shake hurlers

N.Y. Times News Service

A strange development involving two West Coast teams and free-agent pitchers occurred last week. The pitchers want to pitch for the teams, but the teams don't really want them.

The Dodgers had offered Fernando Valenzuela salary arbitration and the Oakland Athletics

had done likewise with Scott Sanderson. Both clubs, however, hoped the players would not accept the offers because they didn't really want them back.

Why, then, did they extend the offers? In both cases, the clubs wanted to preserve their chance to get draft-choice compensation if the players signed elsewhere. Additionally, the Dodgers didn't

want their fans to think they were trying to get rid of the popular Valenzuela.

Both players, however, wanted to stay with their teams so they accepted arbitration. Both teams already had taken steps to replace the unwanted pitchers, Valenzuela with Bob Ojeda and Sanderson with Eric Show. Now Ojeda may find himself in the same situ-

ation he hated with the Mets this year, drifting between starting and relieving, depending on the need for a starter.

Sanderson should have little trouble beating out Show for his starting spot, from which he produced 17 victories this year.

The Athletics already are virtually assured of having the highest payroll next season.

Year of the no-hitters also year of Fielder's dreams

By Ben Walker
AP Baseball Writer

The Year of the No-Hitter was also the Year of the Fielder. And a season for seniors, as well.

In 1990, there were good buys and goodbyes, bad buys and bad guys. A lockout, a blowout and some chewing out. The hot Reds and the red-hot Roger Clemens.

Big trades, big injuries and big bucks for collusion. More trouble for Pete Rose and George Steinbrenner, lots more free agents and one weird batting race.

Everything, it seemed, except a pennant chase. But no one seemed to miss one as the final decade of the 20th century began, especially after such a dark 1989 in which Bart Giamatti, Billy Martin and Donnie Moore died, an earthquake shook the World Series and Rose was banned from baseball.

Back in January, though, it didn't look like this would be such a good year, either. Yet another labor dispute interrupted the game, this time when owners shut down spring training before it began, and the sound of clanging padlocks replaced the crack of bat and ball.

Eventually, management and players figured out how to split baseball's new \$1 billion pie and we all learned about salary arbitration eligibility and then the games began. Sure, there was talk about putting an asterisk next to this season, what with the possibility of pitchers getting three-inning victories and such, but that soon subsided.

Because in the first week of the season, Mark Langston and Mike Witt combined on a no-hitter. At the time, it looked like an aberration; there hadn't been any no-nos in 1989, so one seemed like plenty.

By the end, not even eight were enough. There were a record nine no-hitters, and that doesn't even include the one Randy Johnson and Chuck Finley combined to pitch in the absolute last game of the year, in Japan during a tour by a major league all-star team.

The no-hitters took all shapes and sizes. Nolan Ryan, the true king of the hill who also got his 300th victory in 1990, extended his own record with a sixth no-hitter, against the World Series champion Oakland Athletics, no less. Melido Perez pitched a rain-shortened version and Andy Hawkins pitched a no-hitter and lost.

Dave Stewart, who wound up with his fourth straight 20-victory season but another shutout in the Cy Young department, pitched a no-hitter yet still managed to get overshadowed when Fernando Valenzuela pitched one the same night, marking the only day this century there had been two complete-game no-hitters, and finish-

ing off a string of four no-hitters in June.

Terry Mulholland, once seen on highlights films throwing his glove with the ball still in it to first base, became the first Phillies pitcher to get a no-hitter in Philadelphia. He did it against San Francisco, the team that traded him away. Earlier, Johnson pitched the first no-hitter in Seattle history, beating Detroit.

Then there was Dave Stieb. In his final two starts in 1989, he lost no-hitters with two outs in the ninth inning, once on a bad-hop single in Cleveland. Back in Cleveland on Sept. 2, Stieb finally finished what he started, pitching the first no-hitter in Toronto history.

Not everyone was so lucky. In April, Brian Holman was within one out of a perfect game when pinch hitter Ken Phelps homered. Later, soon-to-be Cy Young winner Doug Drabek's bid was spoiled with two outs in the ninth by Sil Campusano's flare single.

For all the no-hitters, there were lots of good hitters. But only one Cecil Fielder.

Fielder had been a prospect in Toronto's system, someone who was long on power but short on playing time. So he went to Japan, hoping a good showing there would give him a good chance at the show over here.

Fielder hit 38 homers in Japan in 1989, but didn't make much of a dent in the North American market. So when Detroit paid more than \$1 million to sign him, a lot of people snickered.

"I heard what everyone was saying about Cecil Fielder and it hurt," he said. "They didn't know what I could do."

Probably not even Fielder knew exactly what he could do. Fielder hit 51 home runs, the first major leaguer to reach the 50 mark since George Foster in 1977 and the first American Leaguer since Roger Maris and Mickey Mantle in 1961.

Fielder did it dramatically, saving his best for last. He hit No. 50 in the final game of the season, and then added another for good, and tape, measure.

On the day the AL's MVP award was to be presented, Fielder was all dressed up at Tiger Stadium, hoping to win it. He led the majors with 132 RBIs and also batted .277 with 90 walks.

But, that wasn't enough to catch Rickey Henderson. The Oakland ace batted .325, hit 28 home runs, stole 65 bases to move within three of breaking Lou Brock's all-time record, scored 119 runs and drawn 97 walks.

"In the past, when I thought I should've won it, I felt I got cheated," Henderson said. "But if they'd given it to Cecil, I wouldn't have felt cheated this time."

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Georgia downs 'Horns

Associated Press

Coach Hugh Durham of No. 17 Georgia got what he wanted Saturday night — a victory on the heels of a triple-overtime loss.

Marshall Wilson's 24 points and Litterial Green's 21 carried the Bulldogs to a 79-71 victory over No. 23 Texas in the opener of the Kuppenheimer Classic doubleheader.

The victory came three nights after Georgia had dropped a 112-105 decision in three overtimes to archrival Georgia Tech.

"This was a very important game for our team for two reasons," Durham said. "It was a test against a tough, nationally ranked team and, coming off a loss in our last game, this was a test of our ability against adversity."

"We forgot about Tech," Wilson said. "We were concentrating on Texas."

The Bulldogs (7-2) built an 18-point lead 6½ minutes into the second half and withstood a rally keyed by Benford Williams that saw the Longhorns (4-3) cut the lead to 62-56 with just under seven minutes remaining.

The Longhorns played the second half without leading scorer Joey Wright, who went out with a sprained right ankle with 3:48 left in the first half. Wright scored only two points, 23 below his average.

"Our team didn't fold," Texas coach Tom Penders said. "They

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kept coming back and they kept scratching, and that was without our All-American and best player."

"Down the stretch it was kind of scary," Georgia's Antonio Harvey said. "We played well enough to win, and that's all that counts."

Rice 78, SW Texas St. 69
Kenneth Rourke scored 24 points and Brent Scott added 20 points and a game-high 14 rebounds as Rice broke away in the second half for a victory over Southwest Texas State University.

The Owls (4-3) of the Southwest Conference opened the second half with a 19-5 scoring run and the Bobcats went cold from the field.

Southwest Texas (3-5), a member of the Southland Conference, jumped out to a 9-2 lead and was up 33-25 with 6:36 remaining in the first half when Rice began chipping away at the lead.

Tied 43-43 at the half, Rice held the Bobcats to just 5 points over the first 10 minutes of the second half. Southwest Texas hit just 9 of 35 shots from the field in the second half and hit only 24 of 69 for the game for a .348 shooting percentage.

Rice hit 30 of 63 shots from the field for the game.

Vanderbilt 68, SMU 65
Steve Grant hit a pair of free throws with 26 seconds to play

and Vanderbilt weathered four SMU 3-point shot attempts in the final seconds as the Commodores eased past the Mustangs.

Vanderbilt (6-3) led 56-47 with 9:41 remaining after a 3-point jumper by Scott Draud but the Commodores saw that lead shrink to 4 points twice before SMU (1-6) made a futile push in the final two minutes.

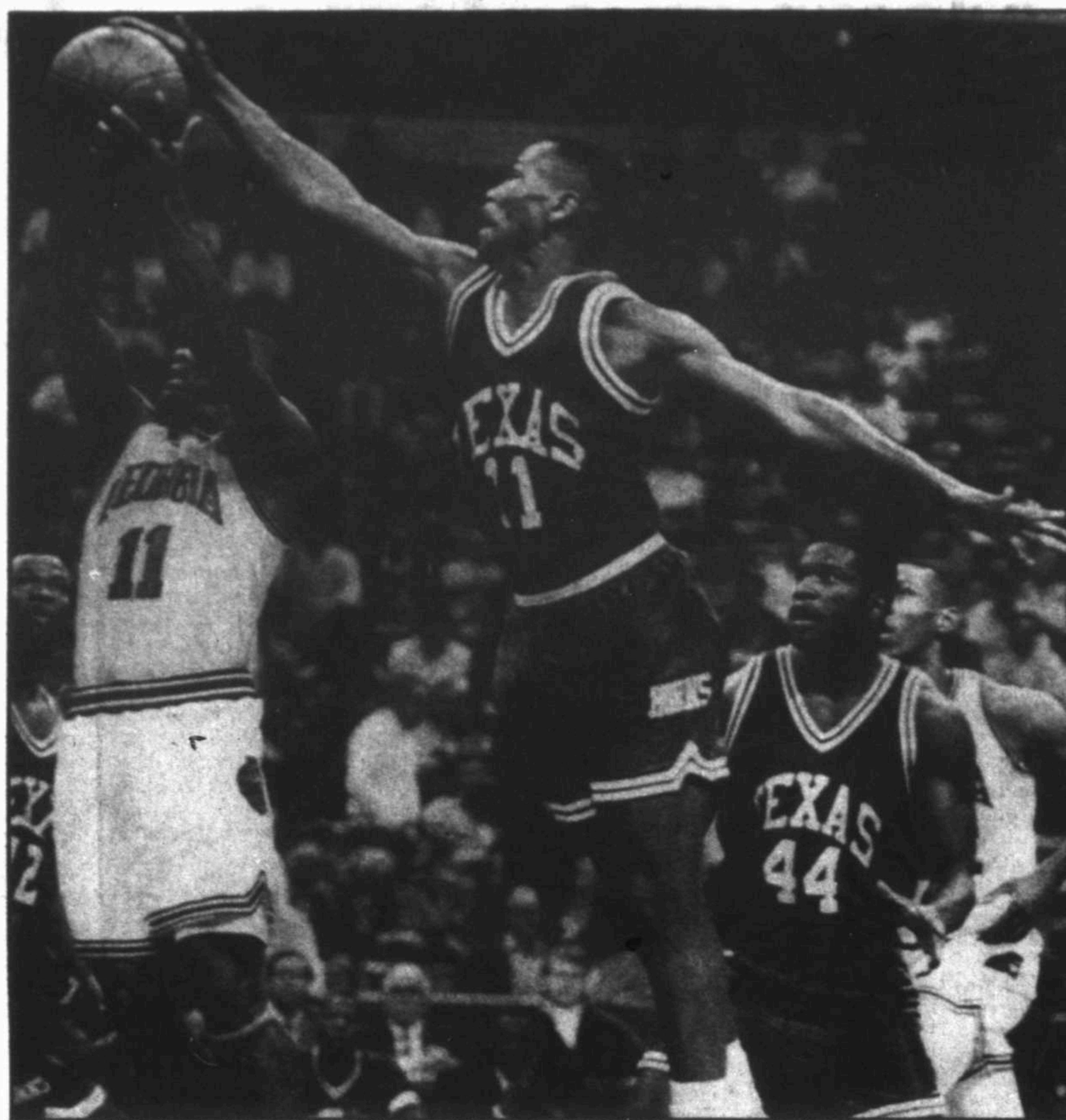
New Mexico St. 79, Tx. Tech 58
Reggie Jordan, Tracey Ware and William Benjamin each scored 15 points and New Mexico State held Texas Tech without a field goal for nearly seven minutes in the second half to take a 79-58 win.

New Mexico State (7-1) erased a 39-37 Texas Tech lead with 15:55 left by outscoring the Red Raiders 18-1 over the next six minutes. The lone point for Texas Tech came on a technical foul on Jordan for taunting the Red Raiders after he scored on a dunk.

No. 2 Arkansas 71, Oregon 68
Lee Mayberry scored all 12 of his points in the second half and made the game-clinching steal in the final seconds as No. 2 Arkansas survived a major scare to beat Oregon.

Todd Day led the Razorbacks with 22 points but missed two of three free throws in the final 12 seconds.

Arkansas (9-1) led most of the game, but never by more than 10 points over Oregon (3-5).



Courtney Jeans (11) of Texas blocks a shot by Litterial Green of Georgia.

New SMU grid coach needs luck of the Irish to be winner

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — Tom Rossley obviously doesn't believe in bad omens.

He's not concerned that he just became the 13th head football coach at NCAA-crippled Southern Methodist University. He agreed to do it on a Friday.

Neither did he wear a shamrock nor dangle a rabbit's foot off his key chain.

But this is a man in dire need of every crumb of good luck he can muster.

And it was a handshake deal no less. If ever you needed job security, it's for the head football coaching job at SMU which hasn't won a road or Southwest Conference game since the NCAA death penalty kept the school from the playing field for two years.

This is one job you should insist on contract terms chipped in stone. This is what some experts call the worst Division I-A football job in America. The program is dying, they say, and don't get involved if you are allergic to losing and the sharp blade of the alumni ax.

Forrest Gregg reluctantly stepped aside at president A. Kenneth Pye's insistence. Choose either athletic director or head football coach, he was told. Gregg tearfully handed the job over to the 44-year-old Rossley.

Rossley knows the score at The

Analysis

Hilltop. He was the offensive coordinator two years ago when the Mustangs stunningly defeated Division II Connecticut and Division I-AA North Texas. SMU moved the ball under Rossley but wasn't enough to stave off some embarrassing defeats.

Without Rossley, SMU defeated Division I foe Vanderbilt this year before taking 10 consecutive drubbings, one by North Texas.

Rossley read the scores in The Atlanta Journal while he coached the Falcons' quarterbacks.

Now he's back to try to cross the Atlantic in a birch bark canoe. Rossley talked as if he could do it.

"I think it's the greatest job in America," Rossley said. "Once we get to where we can, well then it will snowball into becoming the greatest job. I think we will be very competitive next year. If I had handicapped a coaching job this would be the one."

Rossley's enthusiasm was dismissed by some as being the dazed comments of someone who just got his first head coaching job after being an assistant for 22 years. But you've got to give him credit for pure grit and bravado not seen since John Wayne's final movie.

"The groundwork has been done and I just hope I can make us a winner and eventually take us to

a bowl game," Rossley said. Since Coach of the Century ballots have yet to be issued, there is still time for Rossley, provided he can do either of those.

Rice hasn't had a winning season since the 1960s nor have the Owls been to a bowl game. And Rice never has been as low as the Mustangs are now.

The speed and the size just aren't there for SMU. It will take some world class recruiting by Rossley to find high school athletes who can pass the school's tough academic requirements and still want to play for the Mustangs after the college football powerhouses get through with their pitch.

Pye said Rossley comes aboard understanding "the demands of a challenging university curriculum as well as being a successful head football coach."

Pye wouldn't reveal the contract terms with Rossley. "I don't release mine either," he said. This could be a mistake. Recruits might like to know Rossley is going to be around five years when they sign on with the Mustangs.

Rossley's Run-and-Shoot offense will be built around strong-armed Mike Romo who underwent knee surgery this week. Romo was expected to be able to play next season, but it's just another headache for the enthusiastic new coach.

You wonder if his first head coaching job won't be his last.

Barnes appeals TAC to have suspension lifted

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Shot put world record holder Randy Barnes on Saturday asked a panel of The Athletics Congress, which governs American track and field, to lift his suspension for steroid use.

In his appeal, the 1988 Olympic silver medalist said the Aug. 7 drug test that led to the halt in his career was mishandled from start to finish by officials in Sweden.

If the three-member panel rec-

ommends his suspension be lifted and TAC accepts the ruling, Barnes could compete in American meets while awaiting appeal of his suspension by the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

"In six years of competition I have never taken any prohibited substance," Barnes said in an affidavit to TAC. "I have been subjected to dope tests on approximately 30 occasions since 1985 and have always tested negatively."

Barnes, 24, was suspended by

the IAAF this fall after authorities said he tested positive for use of methyltestosterone at a meet in Malmö, Sweden. He won that event with a put of 74 feet, 11¼ inches, three months after he set the world record of 75-10¼ in May at Los Angeles.

Washington lawyer John M. Dowd, who investigated Pete Rose for baseball and represents Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., in the savings and loan case before the Senate Ethics Committee, is handling Barnes' appeal.

HOGS: Permian problems rank sixth

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victory No. 300 in July against the Milwaukee Brewers.

Next in line was the Texas Longhorns first outright SWC football championship since 1983 after back-to-back losing seasons.

Coach David McWilliams went from a possible firing to getting a new five-year contract for his efforts as the 'Horns stormed through the league unblemished, wrapping a nice ribbon on the year with a 28-27 victory over Texas A&M in the finale.

Texas ended the regular season ranked third and will meet No. 4 Miami in the Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day.

The meeting between Texas and Arkansas in the Midwest Regional finals in March at Reunion Arena drew the fourth most votes. The

SWC could boast of two teams in the NCAA final eight. Arkansas beat Texas before losing to Duke in the NCAA Final Four.

The sudden firing of veteran Texas A&M basketball coach Shelby Metcalf after nearly a quarter of a century at the school was picked the fifth best story of the year.

Odessa Permian's problems with the University Interscholastic League and the unwelcome spotlight focused on the school by the publication of the book "Friday Night Lights" was sixth.

It was followed by the Dallas Cowboys sudden playoff surge in just the second year under Jimmy Johnson. The Cowboys stand a chance to become the first team since the 1975 Baltimore Colts to making the playoffs after being dead last the season before.

Other top stories were: Tom Landry's selection to the Pro Football Hall of Fame, San Antonio's Ty Detmer winning the Heisman Trophy for leading Brigham Young and Lee Trevino winning over \$1 million on the senior PGA tour.

Other stories getting votes included Troy House of Ingram Moore and his assault on the Texas and national schoolboy scoring records, nationally known tennis power Trinity dropping the sport, San Antonio's performance in the NBA playoffs, David Klingler's record-setting season at Houston, Baylor's Michael Johnson winning track athlete of the year, the Houston Oilers revival under Jack Pardee and Warren Moon's amazing year, and SMU's Forrest Gregg quitting as the head football coach.

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Duke snaps Sooners' home court win streak

Associated Press

Ninth-ranked Duke, getting 19 points apiece from Grant Hill and Christian Laettner, snapped No. 11 Oklahoma's 51-game home winning streak with a 90-85 Saturday.

Top 25

Oklahoma's last home loss was against Kansas State in the final game of the 1987 regular season. The Sooners (8-2) hadn't lost to a non-conference opponent since Tulsa beat them in 1982.

The home winning streak matched Arizona's as the longest in the nation.

Thomas Hill had 16 points and Bobby Hurley had 13 — 12 in the second half — as Duke (8-2) overcame a five-point halftime deficit.

The loss spoiled an outstanding effort by Oklahoma's Jeff Webster, who scored 32 points. At one point in the second half, he scored 20 of the Sooners' 29 points.

Terry Evans, who made five 3-pointers in the first half, was held to just one basket in the second. He also committed 11 turnovers. Brent Price, the team's leading scorer with a 25-point average, scored just 11.

Hurley made a pair of driving shots as Duke opened the second half with a 10-4 spurt to take a 55-54 lead. Hurley also made a 3-pointer later in the half to start an 11-2 spurt that put the Blue Devils up 78-70 with 7:44 to play.

The Sooners, who saw their perimeter offense evaporate, got no closer than 83-79 with 2:46 left. Duke was able to respond to that brief flurry by scoring six straight points.

Oklahoma only shot 42 percent in the second half after having shot 60 percent in the first.

Evans had three 3-pointers in the opening 4½ minutes as Oklahoma took a 19-12 lead. Then Laettner scored seven straight points for the Blue Devils, pulling them to 22-21 with 11:56 left in the half. But a 14-5 Oklahoma surge made it 36-26 with 6:19 left.

Laettner had 12 points by the time the game was 11 minutes old, but didn't score the rest of the half. But Grant Hill and Thomas Hill picked up the slack. Grant Hill had 12 points at halftime and Thomas Hill 8.

No. 1 UNLV 101, Florida St. 69
Anderson Hunt scored 21 points as top-ranked UNLV blew the game open early in the second half in a rout of Florida State.

UNLV, winning for the fifth time in as many games, led by as many as 46 points midway through the second half before coach Jerry Tarkanian substituted freely and emptied the bench in the blowout.

The Runnin' Rebels opened the second half with a 21-4 run that built a 46-30 halftime lead to 67-34. UNLV's tenacious defense held the Seminoles without a field goal the first six minutes of the second half.

Stacey Augmon added 15 points and 12 rebounds for UNLV and Larry Johnson had 13 points.

Aubrey Boyd had 12 points for Florida State, and Derrick Myers, Ron Miller and Rodney Dobard added eight points apiece.

UNLV, which had been winning its games by an average of 36 points a game, used two big runs to put away Florida State (4-3), which played the defending national champions evenly through the first 10 minutes.

Florida State, which led the last time 16-15 with 13 minutes left, was down only 21-20 when UNLV scored the next 10 points, part of a 20-3 run that put the Rebels on top 41-23 with two minutes left in the half.

Florida State climbed back to 46-30 at halftime, but Hunt scored on a steal to open the second half and UNLV was off and running again.

UNLV held Florida State to 37 percent shooting, while the Rebels made 52 percent of their field goal attempts. UNLV outrebounded Florida State 50-34.

Center Elmore Spencer, playing his first game since becoming eligible for UNLV, scored 12 second-half points.

It was the 22nd straight home victory for UNLV.

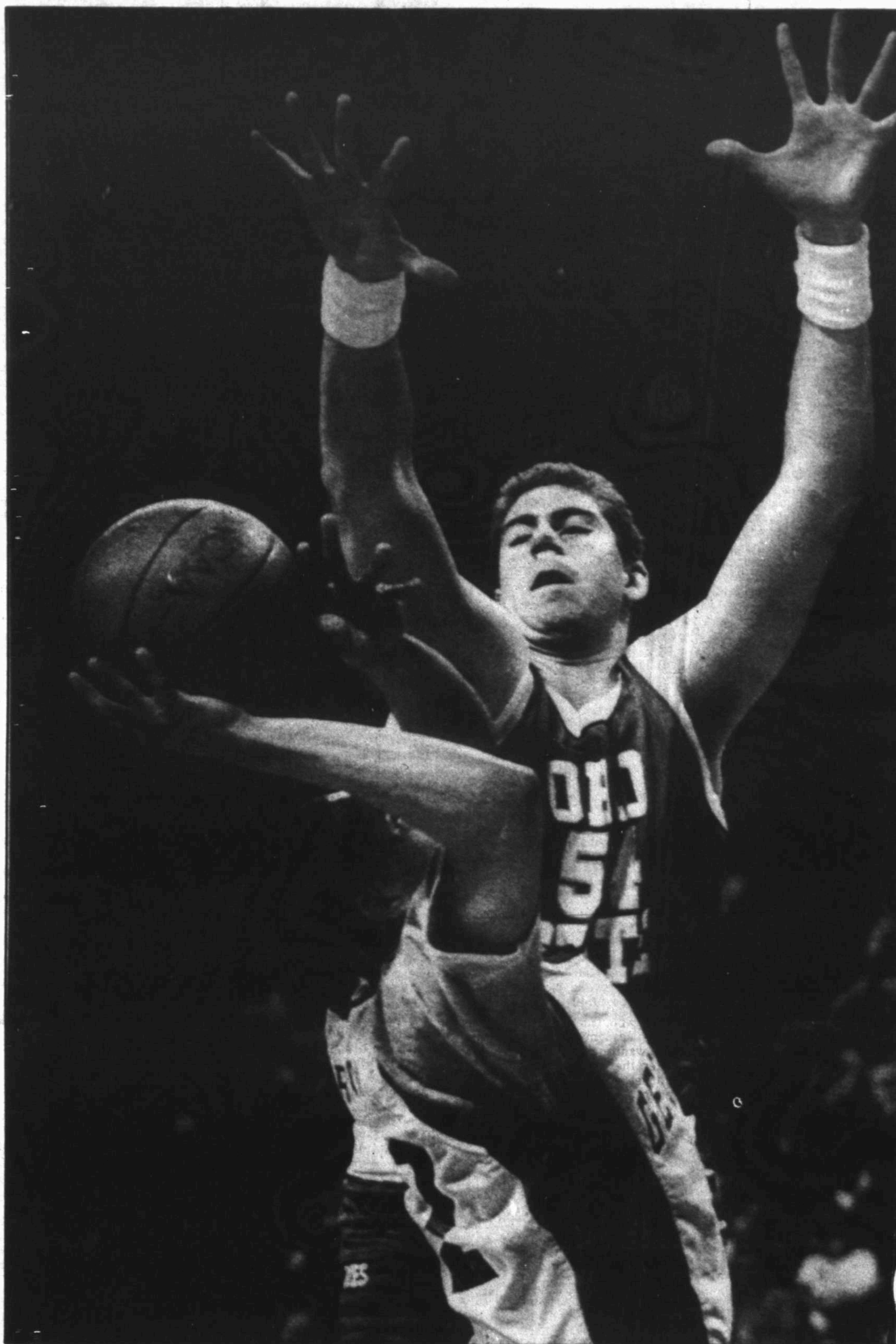
The game was the second of a doubleheader at the UNLV campus arena. In the first game, No. 7 Ohio State beat No. 12 Georgetown 71-60.

No. 3 Syracuse 110, Ill.-Chicago 66

A fullcourt press sent No. 3 Syracuse on a 21-2 surge in the first half as the Orangemen rolled over previously unbeaten Illinois-Chicago behind junior Dave Johnson's 26 points.

Billy Owens added 23 points for Syracuse and senior LeRon Ellis finished with 19 after sparking the Orange with 16 in the opening half.

Syracuse (11-0) came out in the trance-like state in which they played Thursday night when they barely got past unheralded Towson State 78-73 following published reports the program may have broken several NCAA rules.



Ohio State's Bill Robinson give Georgetown's Charles Harrison a face full of arm in first-half play Saturday as the

seventh-ranked Buckeyes dropped the No. 12 Hoyas in a 71-60 battle.

Illinois-Chicago (7-1), looking like the team that upended Illinois earlier this season, jumped to a 6-0 lead and took a 14-11 advantage on a pair of free throws by Sean Buchanan with 13:14 to play in the first half.

After Johnson sank a pair foul shots, Syracuse went to the press. Owens stole an inbound pass and connected with Johnson on an alley-oop dunk to give Syracuse its first lead, 15-14, at 12:16.

The only points the Flames managed during the next six minutes came when guard Adrian Autry was called for goaltending on a breakaway by Kenny Williams at 11:48.

Syracuse then reeled off 15 consecutive points, 10 coming from Ellis, for a 32-16 cushion. The Flames' Brian Long interrupted Syracuse with a 3-pointer, but then the Orangemen came right back with another 11 consecutive points.

The Flames cut into Syracuse's 56-27 halftime lead by scoring the first 7 points of the second half and pulled to 70-50 with just over 10 minutes to go.

But Syracuse derailed the rally with a 10-point burst and the Orangemen went on to top 100 points for the third time this season.

The Flames were led by Brian Hill's 14 points. Buchanan finished with 11.

Iowa 88, No. 5 UCLA 71
Acie Earl scored 18 of his 30 points in the second half and Iowa slowed down UCLA, winning its eighth straight game in an upset of the fifth-ranked Bruins.

Iowa (9-1) won by shutting down the vaunted UCLA running game. The Bruins (8-1) had averaged 109 points coming in.

UCLA, which trailed 39-31 at halftime, overcame a 54-46 Iowa lead at the 13:18 mark to tie the score at 66 on Tracey Murray's 3-point shot.

But Earl helped ignite a 10-5 run with a leaping jumper followed by a three-point play and a foul shot as the Hawkeyes opened a 76-71 edge with 2:39 remaining. UCLA missed repeatedly down the stretch and the Hawkeyes scored the final 12 points, eight on free throws.

James Moses scored 14 points for Iowa, Val Barnes finished with 12 and Jay Webb had 10. Don MacLean led UCLA with 18 points, Murray had 15 and Darrick Martin finished with 10.

No. 7 Ohio St. 71, No. 12 Georgetown 60

Treg Lee scored 11 second-half points as seventh-ranked Ohio State survived its first major test of the season with a victory over No. 12 Georgetown.

Ohio State, which trailed the entire first half, used a 12-0 run midway through the second half to improve to 8-0. The victory gave the Buckeyes their best start since 1962, when they opened 22-0.

Georgetown (6-2) was playing without leading scorer Alonzo Mourning, out with a strained arch in his foot. It was the second straight loss for the Hoyas.

Lee had 13 points, while teammate Jim Jackson led all scorers with 17. Jamaal Brown added 14 points for the Buckeyes.

Dikembe Mutombo and Charles Harrison each had 15 points for Georgetown.

Ohio State was held well below its 107-point average, and managed only 27 points in the first

half. The Buckeyes, playing a ranked team for the first time this season, had won their previous seven games by an average of 44 points a game.

The Buckeyes trailed by five points at halftime and were still behind 40-35 with five minutes gone in the second half. They then went on a 12-0 run to go ahead for good.

Six Ohio State players scored during the streak, which finally ended when Robert Churchwell made a basket with 9:45 left, pulling Georgetown to 47-42.

A free throw by Joey Brown made the score 47-43 before Ohio State scored the next seven points and was never headed.

Georgetown opened the game with a 12-2 run against the cold-shooting Buckeyes, who didn't score a field goal until Mark Baker's jumper with more than five minutes gone.

Ohio State closed within two points twice in the first half, the last time at 23-21 with about five minutes left. But Georgetown scored the next two baskets and led 32-27 at halftime.

Ohio State, which came into the game shooting 59 percent from the field, shot only 39 percent. Georgetown managed only 38 percent.

No. 8 North Carolina 86, Purdue 74

Forward Rick Fox scored 22 points in something of a homecoming, pacing a balanced attack that carried No. 8 North Carolina to a victory over Purdue.

The 6-foot-8 Fox, who grew up in the Bahamas and played one year of high school basketball at Warsaw, Ind., got 18 points in the sec-

ond half to rally North Carolina (7-1) from a 5-point deficit.

Woody Austin led Purdue (7-2) with 21 points.

Five points by Fox keyed an 11-0 run and wiped out a 46-41 Purdue lead. Then the Tar Heels turned up the defensive pressure to break a 58-58 tie.

North Carolina's run-and-jump press held Purdue scoreless for 5½ minutes, forcing five turnovers without a shot. North Carolina took the lead for good at 59-58 on a free throw by another former Hoosier high school all-star, Eric Montross, with 10:43 left.

A free throw by King Rice, Brian Reese's fast-break basket, and two free throws by Pete Chilcutt completed a 6-0 run and gave the Heels a 64-58 advantage with 6:36 remaining.

Austin's 3-point basket broke Purdue's drought, but Fox scored North Carolina's next eight points on a pair of 3-pointers and a reverse layup.

A free throw by Lynch made it 73-63 with 3:33 left, and Purdue got no closer than seven points again.

Lynch scored 16 points for North Carolina, which also got 15 apiece from Rice and Chilcutt and 12 from Hubert Davis.

Jimmy Oliver had 18 and Ian Stanback 11 for Purdue.

Purdue center Cornelius McNary and Stanback, a reserve forward, combined for 13 of the last 14 points in a 16-6 run in the first half that gave Purdue its biggest lead of the night, 30-24.

Stanback also contributed a key defensive play, taking a charge on Fox to give the Tar Heel senior his third personal foul.

The Boilermakers lost the lead as quickly as they had built it. McNary picked up his third foul when he climbed Chilcutt's back for a rebound 3:16 before intermission.

With McNary on the bench, the 6-10 Chilcutt promptly popped in a pair of short-range jumpers, and North Carolina outscored Purdue 11-3 in the final three minutes for a 35-33 halftime lead.

Illinois 102, No. 10 LSU 96
Freshman Rennie Clemons scored 17 second-half points, including a crucial three-point play with 50 seconds left, and Illinois beat No. 10 Louisiana State.

Illinois (9-3) led 94-92 when Clemons drove to the basket for a layup and was fouled by Shaquille O'Neal, who picked up his fifth personal foul on the play. Clemons sank the foul shot to make it 97-92.

Andy Kaufmann sealed the win with two free throws with 18 seconds remaining to put the Illini up 100-94.

Kaufmann led Illinois with 25 points, Clemons added 19 and Larry Smith 17. LSU (6-2) was led by Mike Hansen's 31 points and O'Neal had 28.

The Illini made up for 45 percent field-goal shooting by outrebounding the Tigers 55-34 and hitting 35 of 41 free throws.

The score was tied 43-43 at halftime and the lead seesawed through most of the second half.

LSU's last lead was at 73-72 after a basket by Hansen basket with 7:50 remaining. The Illini went in front for good on consecutive baskets by Kaufmann, Andy Kpedi and Tom Michael that made it 78-73 with 6:11 to go.

The Tigers got as close as 94-92 on a pair of O'Neal free throws. No. 13 St. John's 74, Fordham 62

Malik Sealy scored 25 points and No. 13 St. John's beat Fordham, the undefeated Redmen's 22nd consecutive victory over their crosstown rival.

St. John's (9-0) struggled early, trailing 28-27 with 3:05 to play in the first half. The Redmen closed the half with a 10-2 surge over the final 2:31 with Terence Mullin scoring seven of the points.

The Redmen started the second half with a 7-2 spurt for a 44-32 lead over the Rams (6-4) and they extended it to 61-44 with 6:11 to play on two free throws by Mullin, who finished with 11 points, 9 in the first half which had been the junior guard's career-high.

No. 14 Pittsburgh 88, Toledo 68
Jason Matthews and Brian Shorter scored 13 points and all five starters scored in double figures as No. 14 Pittsburgh defeated Toledo.

Darrell Porter added 12 points and Sean Miller and Bobby Martin 10 each as Pitt (9-1) won its fifth straight.

Toledo (7-3) was led by Keith Wade's 21 points. Craig Sutters added 13 and Tom Best 11.

The Rockets, who were bidding for the school's 1,000th basketball victory, stayed close for a half before a 21-8 run at the start of the second half stretched the Panthers' advantage to 21 points.

Martin had scored Pitt's first four points of the game, then missed the rest of the first half because of a finger laceration on his shooting hand. He returned in the second half after getting five stitches and seemed to ignite the Panthers.

South Carolina 73, St. Joseph's 61
Joe Rhett scored 17 points, including 13 in the second half, as 16th-ranked South Carolina overcame a sluggish first half to beat St. Joseph's.

The Gamecocks (8-1) led 33-29 at the half but used a 16-3 surge early in the second half to take control and post their seventh consecutive victory.

The Hawks (1-6) lost their fifth straight game.

St. Joseph's cut South Carolina's lead to 33-31 in the opening moments of the second half. But the Gamecocks answered with an 11-1 spurt with center Jeff Roulston making it 44-32 on a dunk with 13:06 left.

Roulston, who finished with 14 points, had half of those during the spurt.

South Carolina added an 8-0 run moments later to move to a 52-35 advantage with 10:54 left in the game.

No. 21 E. Tennessee St. 90 Cincinnati 79

Keith Jennings scored 19 points as No. 21 East Tennessee State used a balanced outside shooting game to overcome a cold start and beat Cincinnati.

East Tennessee (8-1) fell behind 10-0 in the first four minutes, then used its outside shooting to catch and eventually overwhelm Cincinnati (6-4).

East Tennessee hit 12 of 24 3-point shots, confounding UC's trapping defense by finding the open man in the corner. East Tennessee had five players in double figures.

Calvin Talford added 16 points, Alvin West and Jerry Peiphrey had 14 apiece, and Major Geer scored 13 for East Tennessee.

AFC East on the line in Buffalo

By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

Miami enters this week's AFC showdown at Buffalo with Dan Marino at quarterback. The Bills have Frank Reich.

So who do you think has the edge. Miami coach Don Shula thinks it's Buffalo, which beat the Dolphins 31-17 at Rich Stadium last year. With Frank Reich at quarterback.

"All we have to do is to go back to the game there last year," Shula says. "They didn't have him and they completely handled us. It wasn't a contest."

Reich, in fact, was 3-0 in his starts for the Bills last season, when Kelly was out with a shoulder injury.

But none of the games he started was of this magnitude for the Bills, who before Kelly's injury had emerged as perhaps the best team in the AFC. It has eight Pro Bowl players, more than any other team in the league, to prove it.

If Buffalo (12-2) wins, it clinches both the AFC East title and the home field throughout the playoffs, a big advantage considering the weather in Rich Stadium in January. But if the Bills lose, they fall into a tie with the Dolphins (11-3) and lose any tie-breaker because they lost the first meeting, 30-7, at Miami in September.

Moreover, the Bills have a tough closer, at Washington, while the Dolphins play host to the Colts.

So a victory without Kelly is imperative. "I'm just trying to take it the same as I would any other game," Reich says. "To say that I would prepare differently for this game than I would for playing another game, then I would be saying I'm taking it easy some weeks. In the NFL, you've got to get ready 16 weeks out of the season."

Meanwhile, the final two weeks of the NFL's first 12-team playoff season begin with just four berths still to be decided — one in the NFC and three in the AFC.

On Saturday, Detroit beat Green Bay 24-17, eliminating the Packers from the playoff picture. Also, it was the Los Angeles Raiders beating Minnesota 28-24 and Indianapolis posted a 35-28 win over Washington.

In Sunday games, Houston is at Cincinnati; Cleveland at Pittsburgh; Dallas at Philadelphia; New England at the New York Jets; the Los Angeles Rams at Atlanta; Tampa Bay at Chicago; Kansas City at San Diego; New Orleans at San Francisco; the New York Giants at Phoenix, and Denver at Seattle.

Houston (8-6) at Cincinnati (7-7)
Cleveland (3-11) at Pittsburgh (8-6)

Just what everyone expected when the schedule was drawn up — the AFC Central head-to-head in the next-to-last week. Only Cleveland's demise detracts from the division showdown.

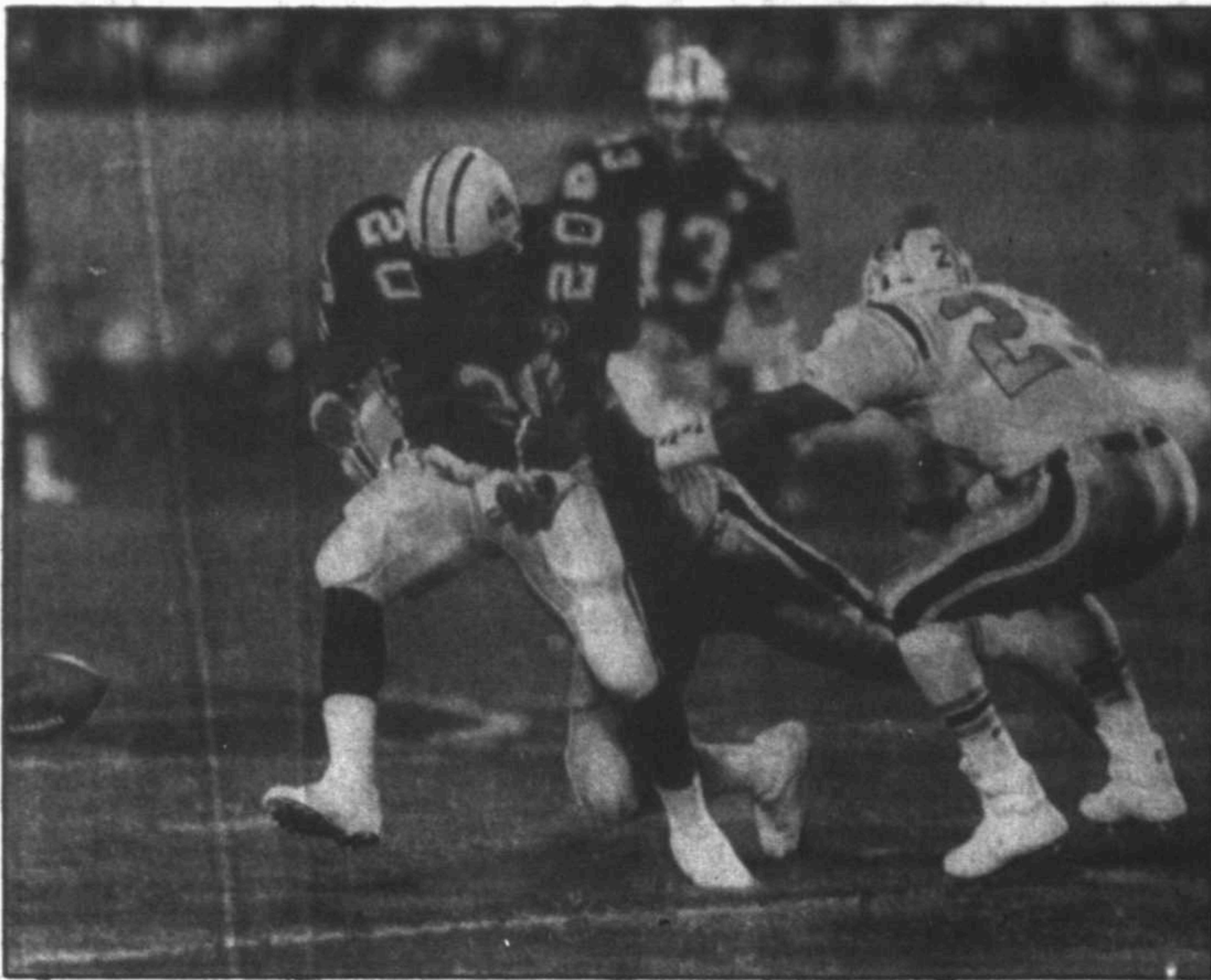
Houston and Pittsburgh have the most direct path. If each wins this week, its game next week would be for the division title. Pittsburgh also can clinch a wild card this week if it wins and Seattle and Cincinnati lose.

Cincinnati has been erratic and quarterback Boomer Esiason remains hobbled by a pulled hamstring, although that didn't keep Sam Wyche from playing him at wide receiver for a play in the 24-7 loss to the Raiders last week.

Wyche, whose team could win the division if it wins its last two games and Pittsburgh loses, is looking at the bright side after Warren Moon's near-record 527 passing yards for Houston last week.

"You figure they're not going to have two 500-yard days in a row," he says.

Pittsburgh, which lost to Cleveland 13-3 on opening day, is in position to make the playoffs despite going without an offensive



Miami's Marc Logan (20) and his Dolphin teammates will try to keep turn-

overs like this fumble from being their undoing in Buffalo.

touchdown in seven of its 14 games, including last week's 9-6 victory over New Orleans, in which Gary Anderson's three field goals beat Morten Andersen's two.

But the Browns, who snapped an eight-game losing streak by beating Atlanta last week, probably will be without quarterback Bernie Kosar, who bruised his right thumb.

Dallas (7-7) at Philadelphia (8-6)

Normally, the schizophrenic Eagles would let down for this one after having clinched a playoff berth last week.

But Buddy Ryan and Jimmy Johnson aren't exactly best buddies so you can expect the Eagles to play like the Eagles instead of the sparrows they sometimes seem to be. Particularly since the Cowboys have won four straight and can make the playoffs with one win over Philadelphia or Atlanta and a loss by Green Bay.

"You know me," Ryan says. "I want to beat Dallas. The players know that. We're going to win. I don't know how yet but we're going to win."

And Johnson on Ryan: "He may be getting senile. I think he enjoys needling people and getting under their skin. Especially when he has the upper hand."

New York Giants (11-3) at Phoenix (5-9)
The beginning of the Jeff Hostetler era for the Giants, who need one win or a Chicago loss to ensure themselves a first-round bye and home field in the second game.

The Cardinals are the one team that knows Hostetler and vice versa. He beat them 20-13 last season in one of his two starts in seven years, and came off the bench for the injured Phil Simms earlier this year to lead the Giants to a last-second 20-19 victory.

"You've got to prepare for him like you prepared for Randall Cunningham because scramblers are the ones who kill you," Cardinals coach Joe Bugel says of Hostetler, whose legs may be more dangerous than his arm.

Tampa Bay (6-8) at Chicago (10-4)
Chicago, which beat the Buccaneers 26-6 in Tampa, is one of those M-A-S-H ward teams — not only is quarterback Jim Harbaugh out (Mike Tomczak starts), but so is running back Neal Anderson, the team's MVP this year.

Still, the Bears more or less know their position — unless they win two and the Giants lose to Phoenix and New England (1-13), they'll play a wild-card game at home the first week. There's even a chance — a long one — that that wild-card team will be the Buccaneers, whose 26-13 victory over Minnesota last week in interim coach Richard Williamson's debut kept them marginally alive.

Kansas City (9-5) at San Diego (6-8)
The Chiefs may not know until game time if their quarterback will be Steve DeBerg or Steve Pelluer — DeBerg broke a finger on his left hand in last week's 27-10 loss to

Houston last week.

If Kansas City wins, it clinches a playoff berth. It also needs two victories plus a loss by the Raiders to win the AFC West — if the two teams tie, the Chiefs win because they won both games.

San Diego, on the other hand is out — the 20-10 loss in Denver last week did that. New Orleans (6-8) at San Francisco (13-1)

George Seifert insists the 49ers will play hard, even though they've clinched home-field advantage for the playoffs.

"We can't be going into these games afraid somebody is going to get hurt," he says, although Steve Young will relieve Joe Montana some at quarterback in the last two games.

New Orleans probably wouldn't mind playing San Francisco without Montana, who rallied the 49ers in the last minute to beat the Saints 13-12 the first week of the season. New Orleans has one task — to win its last two games, then hope the right teams lose to allow it into the playoffs.

"The last two years we were 10-6 and 9-7 and didn't get in, and here we are 6-8 with two games to go and we still have a chance," coach Jim Mora says. "That's unusual, but crazy things happen in this business."

Los Angeles Rams (5-9) at Atlanta (3-10)
Now that the Falcons are at their customary spot in the standings, Jerry Glanville isn't so cute any more. Not only has Atlanta lost 18 straight on the road, but it's not doing very well at home either.

With Chris Miller out and Scott Campbell a question, the Falcons may start Hugh Milen at quarterback and activate Gilbert Renfro, who's been cut four times this season. "One way or another, we have to have two quarterbacks ready," Glanville says.

The Rams will have Jim Everett, who is several levels above those two. But all he can do is try to bring a satisfactory ending to a dismal season.

New England (1-13) at New York Jets (4-10)

If the NFL wanted to, it probably could call off this game for lack of interest. In fact, it may be Tommy Hodson against Troy Taylor at quarterback for at least part of the game — the Jets' Bruce Coslet says he may use his rookie for the first time.

One other note — if New England loses, as it did to the Jets 37-13 at Foxboro, Mass., 12 weeks ago — it will wrap up the first pick in next year's draft.

Denver (4-10) at Seattle (7-7) (Sunday night)

The Seahawks remain in contention for a playoff berth, although they need to pass Pittsburgh and perhaps Houston to qualify. Denver is long gone, although it broke its six-game losing streak last week by beating San Diego 20-10.

Ironically, it might pay for the Broncos to lose — they could drop as many as seven places in next year's draft with consecutive victories.

DALLAS: Ryan needles enemy when he had edge

From 1C

Almost lost in the daily exchange of needling between Ryan and Johnson is Randall Cunningham's bid to break the league record of 969 yards rushing by a quarterback, a record set by Bobby Douglass for the Chicago Bears in 1972.

Cunningham has 828 yards and needs 141 in the last two games to erase Douglass' record. Douglass set his mark on a 14-game schedule. Teams now play 16 games.

Cunningham, the leading passer in the NFC and fourth in the league, has completed 242 of 418 passes for 3,150 yards and 27 touchdowns. He's been intercepted only 10 times.

Dallas' Troy Aikman ranks 13th overall and last in the conference, but the second-year quarterback has completed 62 percent of his attempts during the four-game winning streak, going 62 of 102 for 866 yards and six TDs.

Eagles running back Heath Sherman returns after missing a week with back spasms, and defensive tackle Mike Pitts is expected to see his first action since undergoing knee surgery after the second game of the season.

Cunningham still is nursing a deep thigh bruise. Safety Wes

Hopkins is sidelined with an Achilles problem.

Tight end Rob Awalt is listed as doubtful for the Cowboys. Ryan and Johnson continued their feud last week.

Ryan referred to Johnson as "whatshisname."

"If he can't remember my name, he might be getting senile," Johnson retorted.

"I only remember important things," Ryan snapped back. "I saw him with some head phones on. He must be coaching now."

The Ryan-Johnson confrontation started last year when, after losing 27-0 to the Eagles, Johnson accused Ryan of placing bounties on Aikman and kicker Luis Zendejas. Commissioner Paul Tagliabue cleared Ryan of the charges.

When Dallas came to Philadelphia later in the season, the game was billed as "The Bounty Bowl." The Eagles won, 20-10, and the Philadelphia fans pelted Johnson and his players with snowballs.

"He (Ryan) enjoys needling people and getting under your skin when he has the upper hand," Johnson said last week. "You didn't see a lot of quotes early in the season when he was losing. He clinched a playoff spot and now you hear him."

NFL SATURDAY: Detroit eliminates Pack from playoffs

From 1C

wild-card berth.

Schroeder, who completed 10 of 15 passes, has more TD passes in his last three games (10) than he had in his first 12 (eight). Before throwing three in each of his previous two games, he had gone 20 straight quarters without a touchdown pass.

The Vikings (6-9), who have lost three in a row, will miss the playoffs for the first time since 1986. The Vikings were 8-0 at home last season when they won the NFC Central, but have slipped to 4-3 in the Metrodome this year.

Minnesota quarterback Wade Wilson separated his shoulder midway through the third quarter after being sacked by Scott Davis and had to leave the game. Wilson, who completed 11 of 19 passes for 162 yards, was making his first start since a Sept. 23 thumb injury put him on the disabled list.

Schroeder's 61-yard pass to Willie Gault in the fourth quarter set up a 3-yard TD toss to Ethan Horton, giving the Raiders a 28-10 lead.

Wilson's replacement, Rich Gannon, threw a 4-yard TD pass to Hassan Jones with 5:49 left in the game and added a 3-yard scoring toss to Steve Jordan with 15 seconds remaining to make it 28-24. The Vikings tried an onside kick after the Jordan touchdown, but the ball was recovered by the Raiders.

Lions 24, Packers 17
Barry Sanders ran 6 yards for the winning touchdown with 3:37 left as the Detroit Lions rallied in a sub-zero wind chill to beat Green Bay and eliminate the Packers from the playoff chase.

In the coldest game at Lambeau Field since the 1967 "Ice Bowl" for the NFL championship, Detroit used two fourth-quarter turnovers and a 74-yard drive on a slippery field to send the Packers to their fourth straight loss.

Green Bay (6-9) dropped out of the running for the third NFC wild-card slot. The Lions, already out of the playoff picture, also are 6-9.

Ray Crockett's 22-yard return of a fumble recovery — after Green Bay's Ed West caught a pass and then lost the ball while on his back — tied it at 17 with 10:42 remaining.

Green Bay's Michael Haddix then fumbled at the Detroit 26 with 7:32 left and Detroit's Chris Spielman recovered. Sanders ran 50 yards to the Packers 13 and three plays later, got loose around the right side for the go-ahead touchdown.

Green Bay, behind third-string quarterback Blair Kiel, who was making his second NFL start in six seasons, then moved the Packers to the Lions' 14. But Crockett intercepted with 1:51 to go to end the threat.

Sanders carried 19 times for 133 yards to pass San Diego's Marion Butts as the league's leading rusher.

Colts 35, Redskins 28
Rookie defensive back Alan Grant returned an intercepted pass 25 yards for a touchdown with 50 seconds left, lifting the Indianapolis Colts over the penalty-plagued Washington Redskins.

The Redskins (9-6) had already clinched their first NFC playoff berth in three years. The Colts (7-9) remained alive for a possible AFC wild-card berth.

The Redskins appeared to have

the game under control after two touchdown passes by Mark Rypien and four field goals by Chip Lohmiller, including a career-best 56-yarder.

Lohmiller's fourth field goal, a 27-yarder with 4:15 to go, put the Redskins up 28-21. The Colts had to punt on the next possession, but got the ball back with two minutes to go after Clarence Verdin returned a short Washington punt to the Redskins' 37.

Washington was called for encroachment, one of 14 penalties on the Redskins, putting Indianapolis at the 32. After an incomplete pass, rookie Jeff George then completed three straight, including a 12-yarder to Bill Brooks for the tying touchdown with 1:21 to go.

Rypien, who completed 18 of 37 passes for 249 yards, started the next drive at the Redskins' 21. Twenty-five seconds later, Grant picked off the pass and ran untouched into the end zone.

George hit 18 of 33 passes for 252 yards, including two earlier touchdowns to Stanley Morgan.

The running of Washington's Earnest Byner, whose 154 yards marked his fourth straight game of at least 100 yards rushing, set up Rypien's first touchdown pass, a 12-yarder to Art Monk in the first quarter. Washington took the lead with two field goals by Lohmiller in the final minute of the first half, and the Redskins got a safety when Monte Coleman sacked George in the end zone on the second play of the third quarter.

Washington padded its lead to 25-14 early in the fourth quarter on a 53-yard touchdown pass to Gary Clark.

The Colts countered on their next possession with an 8-yard TD pass from George to Morgan, his second scoring catch of the game, before Lohmiller hit his fourth field goal.

The Redskins' first-quarter touchdown pass from Rypien to Monk marked the 12th time this season that the Colts' opponent had scored first.

Washington couldn't hold the lead, however, and Indianapolis started its first scoring drive after Keith Taylor intercepted a pass by Rypien. The Colts used six Redskins penalties to keep alive two touchdown drives in the first five minutes of the second quarter.

Offside penalties on consecutive plays gave Indianapolis the ball at the Washington 32. Eric Dickerson ran six yards to the 26, then penalties for pass interference and holding took the Colts to the 4, and Dickerson ran in for the touchdown on the next play.

Indianapolis started its next drive from its own 17. After an 8-yard pass to Albert Bentley and a holding penalty on the Colts, the Redskins were penalized for unnecessary roughness and for grabbing Dickerson's face mask. George then hit Morgan on passes of 23 yards and 42 yards for the touchdown.

Washington drove to the Indianapolis 36 late in the period, and a 53-yard field goal by Lohmiller, who earlier missed a 50-yard attempt, tied the longest ever made against the Colts. He broke that record, first set against the Colts by Miami's Pete Stoyanovich earlier this year, with a career-best 56-yarder as the half ended, cutting the Indianapolis lead to 15-14. Lohmiller's best previous kick was a 55-yarder against Dallas earlier this season.

History of backup QBs in playoffs tainted

By Dave Anderson
N.Y. Times News Service

In the military jargon of pro football, it's as if quarterbacks were jet fighters. Quarterbacks don't get hurt; they go down. "My quarterback," a coach will say as he waits for the X-ray report, "went down."

As if his quarterback crashed in a tailspin or in flames. And usually, those quarterback teams have crashed with them.

In the National Football League, the hard lesson of history is that no team has ever won the championship with its backup quarterback in command when the title game began.

Yes, the 1970 Baltimore Colts won Super Bowl V, 16-13, with a backup, Earl Morrall, after Johnny Unitas suffered damaged ribs before halftime. But Unitas had started.

As the Super Bowl XXV playoffs approach, that history lesson has haunted the Giants, the Buffalo Bills and the Chicago Bears ever since Phil Simms, Jim Kelly and Jim Harbaugh went down last weekend.

That history lesson has also alerted all the other Super Bowl contenders, especially the reigning champion San Francisco 49ers and Joe Montana.

Maybe a backup quarterback will prevail as a Super Bowl starter this time. If the rush of X-rays continues, maybe two backup quarterbacks will be starting in Tampa, Fla., five weeks from Sunday.

But if history prevails, forget about winning the Super Bowl if your starter is really a backup. Forget the Giants if Phil Simms doesn't return. Forget the Bills if Jim Kelly isn't ready. Forget the Bears without Jim Harbaugh, lost until minicamp with a dislocated shoulder. And forget any of the other contenders whose No. 1 quarterback goes down.

To win the Super Bowl, a team needs all, if not most, of its best players healthy. Especially its best quarterback.

But if Simms or Kelly does return, each might have an opportunity to do what Bob Griese did for the 1972 Miami Dolphins.

Through the years, only one backup quarterback, the same Earl Morrall, generated a Super Bowl winner for most of its campaign: the 1972 Dolphins who had a perfect 17-0 record despite Griese's dislocated left ankle in the fifth game.

Griese didn't return until the second half of the American Conference championship game, rallying the Dolphins to a 21-17 victory

in Pittsburgh. Griese then worked the Dolphins' 14-7 triumph over the Washington Redskins in Super Bowl VII.

In many ways, Griese's damaged ankle was similar to Simms's sprained right foot, which will keep the Giants' quarterback out until at least the NFC championship game.

"But there's one big difference in Phil's situation," Griese said from his Miami home. "Phil doesn't have the luxury of as much time to recuperate as I did."

Griese remembered that when his cast was removed, his foot was stiff and the muscles had atrophied, as Simms' will. For a right-handed quarterback, his right foot is the one he plants in passing. Kelly, with a damaged left knee, might be able to plant easier.

"The thing you try to do," Griese said, "is backpedal a little slower and when you plant, not put so much weight on your right foot. You put more weight on your other foot, or on both feet. But that means you can't throw the ball as far or as hard."

As those Dolphins completed their 14-0 regular season, Griese was out of his cast and practicing. "One thing about the injury," Griese recalled. "On returning, my arm was fresh. My legs were fresh."

Morrall, then 38, moved the Dolphins through a 20-14 victory over the Cleveland Browns in the playoff opener. But when the Dolphins were tied with the Steelers, 7-7, at halftime of the AFC championship game, Coach Don Shula didn't hesitate.

"As soon as we went into the locker room," Griese remembered, "Shula told me, 'You're going the second half.'"

By the time the Dolphin offense got the ball, the Steelers had a 10-7 lead. But in his first third-down crisis, Griese found Paul Warfield for a 52-yard gain.

Griese completed three of five passes for 70 yards to set up Jim Kiick's 2-yard and 3-yard touchdowns. As the Super Bowl VII starter, Griese completed 8 of 11 passes, including a 28-yard touchdown to Howard Twilley.

"That's another thing in Phil's favor if he gets back," Griese said. "The Giants are like those Dolphins were, a team with a good running game that likes to control the ball."

Morrall, as a replacement for Unitas throughout the 1968 schedule, established himself as the Colts' starter that year. Morrall threw for 26 touchdowns while Unitas, bothered by a damaged elbow, threw only 32 passes all season.

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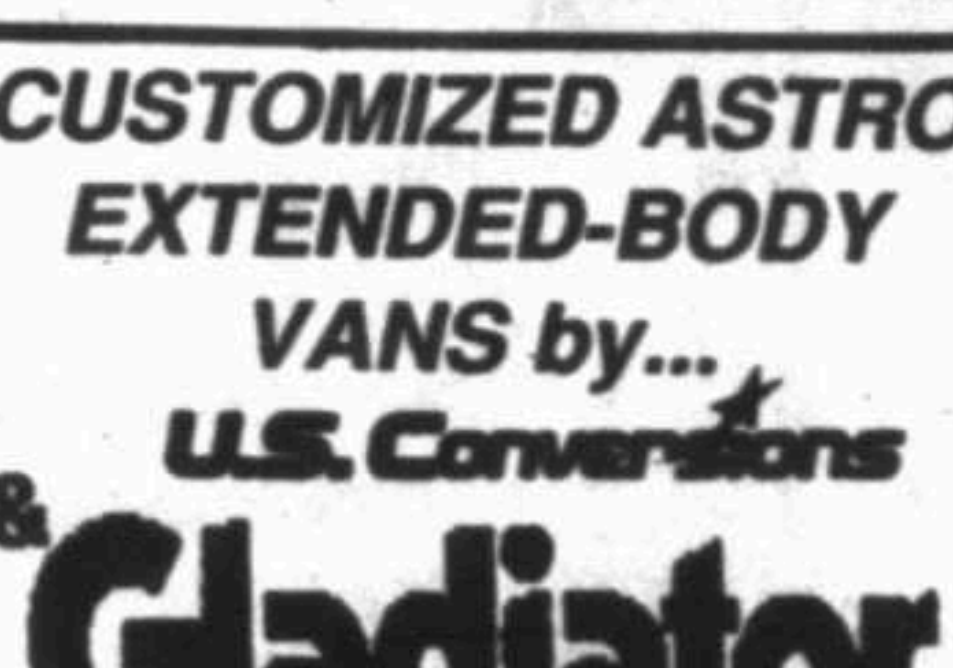
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As Mr. Claus enters a certain Polo Park home this Christmas Eve, he will be surprised by the interior design. It features a plan which is very unique, yet is perfect for a busy, active family.

The home is centered around a spacious family room — complete with an entrance for Santa — and a functional kitchen. Both the formals, a living and a dining room, are adjacent to the informal areas. Three spacious bedrooms are ideal for children due to the roomy closets and easy access to two full baths. A second fireplace in the cozy master bedroom also provides a second entrance for Santa into this four-bedroom home.

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The master bedroom features a brick fireplace.

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The formal living room is situated between the entrance hall and the family room.

Leaded glass windows with plantation shutters in the formal living room view the front yard.



This brick fireplace in the family room provides a spacious entrance for Santa Claus. The windows frame the front yard.



Beveled mirrors line one wall in the formal dining room.



A bar with a small sink separates the kitchen and the breakfast room. A garden window above the sink is one of the highlights.

SURPRISE: Unique interior adds to four bedroom home's appeal

(From 1D)

This red brick home is situated on a corner lot. The glass front door opens onto a tile foyer. The walls are painted satinwood and are accented by taupe trim. The formal living room is located to the left of the door. A leaded glass window frames the front yard. Plantation shutters can be closed for privacy. The tall ceiling features beams in a crisscross pattern.

The foyer extends into the formal dining room. The back wall is lined with plantation shuttered windows which views the back yard. Beveled mirrors along the left wall reflect the other appointments — a chandelier and mould-

ing placed at mid-wall.

The family room is situated to the left of the living area and formal dining room flows in the breakfast room. The design of these four rooms create a square. The openness and flow between these rooms is perfect for any type of activity, from family gatherings to socializing with friends.

A brick fireplace is placed at one end of the family room. A plantation shuttered window is placed on each side and provides lots of light into this area. An entertainment cabinet lines the opposite wall. It has an area for a large television, cabinets for storage and bookshelves for family

pictures and best sellers.

Access can be made into the kitchen two ways — either from a doorway in the dining room or a corridor off of the family room. A bar separates the kitchen and the breakfast room. A sliding glass door in the breakfast area opens onto the back patio. The well-planned kitchen features Whirlpool appliances that include a double self-cleaning oven, a microwave, a dishwasher and a cooktop. A sink is placed below a plant window that also views the back yard. A small sink is placed on the bar. The kitchen has a cabinet that is designed for food storage, as well as a small appliance center. Doors can be closed to hide

the toaster and food processor when they are not being used.

The corridor that is situated to the left of the kitchen also leads to the utility room, a guest bath and the rear-entry, two-car garage. The large utility room has a built-in desk, a sink, an area that can accommodate both a refrigerator and a freezer and a closet. A door can be closed to hide this well-used area.

A peach wallpaper colors the half-bath and this location is perfect for guests and children. The paneled garage also has an area that can be used as a work shop.

A hall to the right of the entrance leads to four bedrooms.

Each of the children's rooms have spacious closets and large windows with blinds. The two bedrooms that have windows that overlook the front yard share a full bath. The bath has a marble vanity and a shower.

The third bedroom views the back yard and it has access to a large hall bath. A mauve paper colors the bath and a small window brightens the area.

The master bedroom is situated at the end of the hall. A fireplace is centered along one wall and has a vertical window on each side. This cozy room provides a wonderful retreat for parents. A third window views the back yard.

A short hall leads past the cus-

tomized walk-in closet into the bath. A paper in a multitude of hues adorns the walls. Two marble vanities are placed on two walls. One even has a make-up area. A separate bathing area features a tub and a shower.

A glass door in the bath opens onto a private courtyard. It has a landscaped flower bed and a hot tub. A gate provides access into the back yard.

This five-year-old home was built by Kelly Young Construction and it has over 2,500 square feet. Other amenities include a sprinkler system and an alarm system. Don Harvey, Realtors is offering this home for \$149,000.

MBR elects new officers, agents receive awards

The Midland Board of Realtors installed Sandy Scott as president for the 1991 year and awarded the top producers in real estate for 1990. Looking to the new year and the exciting challenges she will face, Ms. Scott, said she was looking forward to working with the executive officers, committee chairman and their members in advancing education, in addition to expanding the services of the Midland Board of Realtors.

"We always look forward to being involved in the community with projects which are so rewarding to our members," stated Ms. Scott.

The top Multi-Million Dollar Sales Award went to Lori Lanier of Lanier & Co. The other agents who received a multi-million dollar sales award were: Dene Kelly, Kay Pederson, Ruth Young, Jerry Holt, Norma Pine, Jan Melton, Karen Foster, Pat Paxton, Marilyn Jo Smith, Kay Sutton and Roberta Aldridge.

The agents receiving a Million Dollar Sales Award were: May Adelaide Barber, Marlene Groce, Mary Jo Drury, Jana Tucker, June Martin, Dennis Rambo, Helen Mason, Cheryl Parrish, Connie Powell, Fay Baum, Kaye Horchler, Nona Orr, Jeannie Printz, Carolyn Boyd, J. Frank Nall, Dana Chandler, Ruth Brooker, Anita Noles, Alice Howard, Beverly Bullen, Lavonne Johnson, Sarah Collins, Marilyn Wier, JoAnn Gaddy, Sandra McGill, Peggy Strong, Jo Braden, Louise Culver, Joyce Brickey, Joanne Langston, Clemmie Sorge, Laura Manulik, Sandy Scott, Vicky Garrett and Norma Barnes.

The top Multi-Million Dollar Listing Award went to Don Harvey of Don Harvey, Realtors. Other agents who also received an award for a Multi-Million Dollars in Listings were: Marilyn Jo Smith, Patsy Brice, Vicky Garrett, Laura Manulik, J. Frank Nall, Sandy Scott, Karen Foster, Lori Lanier, Louise Culver, Jo Braden, Ruth Young, Norma Pine, Dene Kelly, Kay Sutton, Pat Paxton and Joanne Langston.

Million Dollar Listing Awards were awarded to: Sandra McGill, Jan Melton, Marilyn Nunez, JoAnn Gaddy, Joyce Brickey, Marlene Groce, Jeannie Printz, Anita Noles, Cheryl Parrish, Pat Carl, Randy Pittman, Jerry Holt, Brian Cooper, Bea McGrath, Kay McDonald, Roy Proctor, Kay Pederson, Roberta Aldridge, Bill Jackson, Dana Chandler, Clemmie Sorge, Peggy Strong and Marilyn Wier.

Don Harvey of Don Harvey, Realtors was awarded the 1990 Top Volume Principal Broker and Kay Sutton, an associate of Don Harvey, received the 1990 Top Volume Associate award. The 1990 Co-op Champion award was presented to Marilyn Jo Smith of RE/MAX of Midland. Carleton Stephenson of Stephenson, Realtors was awarded the 1990 Million Dollar Commercial Sales Award and the 1990 Million Dollar Commercial Listing Award.



The Executive officers of the MBR for 1991 include, seated, from left: Roy Proctor, past president; Sandy Scott, president; Pat Paxton, president-elect. Back row: Kathy McCain,

executive vice president; Kay Pederson, second vice president; and Conner Culver, secretary/treasurer.



The Midland Board of Realtors recognized the following Realtors with special awards recently. From left, Don Harvey of Don Harvey Realtors was awarded the 1990 Top Volume Principal Broker and the Unit Listing Award; Kay Sutton of Don Harvey, Realtors was

named the 1990 Top Volume Associate; Marilyn Jo Smith of RE/MAX of Midland was named the Co-op Champion; and Lori Lanier of Lanier & Co. was awarded the 1990 Unit Sales Award.



The Board of Directors for 1991, front row, from left, are: Kathleen Owen, Anita Noles, Colene Cowan and Suellen Nall. Back row: Brian Cooper, Cheryl Parrish, Vicky Garrett,

Neil Scott, Mike Lewis, Dana Chandler and Betty Taylor. Not pictured are: Darrell McDonald and Jerry Holt.

RE/MAX welcomes new agent with outstanding performance



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RE/MAX of Midland is pleased to welcome Fran Henderson as an associate. After ten years in real estate, Fran felt that she needed to make a change in her real estate office. She is a dedicated agent who believe in giving back to a community that has been so good to her and her profession.

When Fran was a baby, the Garrison family moved to Monahans and still reside there. Little did Fran know when she entered the first grade at Brown Elementary School that six of the students would remain her classmate and friends, as well as graduate from high school with her. Even today, they remain in close contact.

Fran was active in sports, a cheerleader and she especially loved to play tennis. Her senior year, she won state in tennis singles in her division. Being native Texans, all of her family has remained in Texas.

After graduating from school, Fran moved to Corpus Christi and went to work for the U.S. Naval Air Station. Two years later she moved to San Antonio and worked for the U.S. Air Force at Kelly Air Force base. While in San Antonio, Fran did volunteer work for the United Way, the Visually Handicapped, Adopt a Child for Christmas program and an orphanage for unadoptable children.

Returning to Monahans, she went to work for Sid Richardson Oil Company as a secretary in the exploration and geological departments. For the next fifteen years she was involved with the Beta Sigma Phi sorority, Desk and Derrick Club of Odessa, a volunteer in the special education for handicapped children and a Sunday School teacher in the South Side Baptist Church.

During this period, she met a young, handsome engineer with Gulf Corporation, Jim Henderson. Soon after this meeting, Jim's company transferred him to Midland. Their friendship remained in tact and seven years later they were married in Amarillo. They established their home in Midland.

After moving to Midland, Fran worked for W.R. Grace Company and worked there until their son, Curt, was born. She then retired to become a full-time mother and housewife.

Curt entered Trinity School when he was three-years-old. Fran became a full-time volunteer and started playing tennis again. She was a volunteer for the United Way, Community Theatre, Meals on Wheels and at the Midland Cerebral Center. She was also involved with the Midland Tennis Association, in addition to numerous activities with her son.

While Curt was in junior high, Fran realized she would be facing the empty nest syndrome in just a few years. After much discussion, Fran and Jim decided it was time for Fran to return to the work force. Real estate was the chosen profession.

Curt graduated from Trinity School in the tenth grade, attended Woodbury Forrest School in Virginia and returned his senior year to graduate from Midland High School.

Fran is now entering the most challenging and fascinating phase of life — the real estate profession. After careful consideration she choose the broker who offered the best training program with continual updating for its agents. She became one of his top agents and a consistent top producer. During this period, she completed educational requirements for her Graduate Realtors Institute (GRI), Certified Residential Specialists (CRS) and her Leadership Training Group (LTG) designation. She recently completed courses to obtain her referral and relocation certification through the Women's Council of Realtors. She is also certified by Home Pool to assist their employees in relocation to new locations.

Fran is currently serving on the National Association of Realtors Referral Systems Committee, Referral Roster Subcommittee and the Chapter Achievement Subcommittee through the Women's Council of Realtors. She has served on numerous other local, state and national committees. Fran takes great pride in achieving the highest level of education available in her chosen profession of real estate. She is also very active in politics and has served as a president of the Republican Women's Club and as chairman for many of their committees.

She is also a long time member of the Petroleum Engineers' wives, Midland Cerebral Palsy Center, the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity and the Midland Community Bible Study.

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Lori Lanier and Billie Lanier bring to Midland 27 years combined experience in the Midland real estate market. Lori has been a Realtor since 1962 and obtained her broker's license in 1984. She has obtained her GRI (Graduate Real Estate Institute) designation. Lori has been named by the Midland Board of Realtors as Top Producer in Sales for 1989 and 1990, as well as a multi-million dollar producer in listings and sales for many years. She was the Co-Op Champion of Midland for 1988 and 1989. As an active member of the Midland Board of Realtors, Lori has served on the board of directors and is a supporter of the Texas Real Estate Political Action Committee which advocates for



Lori Lanier

homeowners rights. She was also named to the RE/MAX 100% Club for 1988 and 1989. Lori is a graduate of Leadership Midland. A native Midlander, Lori is married to Randy Blansett.

Billie Lanier has been in real estate for 19 years and is able to assist Lori at a moments notice. She has been a multi-million dollar producer for many years during her real estate career. She has

served on the MBR board of directors in 1984-85. Billie has also served or chaired many of the MBR committees throughout the years. She is involved in TREPAC, where she was a director and chaired the committee in 1989.

Lanier & Co. is very proud to start the New Year and to announce the association of Bill Lanier, Lori's brother and Billie's son. Bill has just obtained his real estate license and is actively listing and selling real estate. Though new to the Midland Board of Realtors, Bill is not new to the business. Both Bill and Lori are third generation Realtors. Bill is married to Jana and he is employed by Texaco, Inc.

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Chaparral, Realtors award agents at annual Christmas celebration

Chaparral, Realtors annual Christmas celebration was held recently at Venezia's where warm hugs and good cheers, including exchanging gifts and sharing in beautiful caroling, took place. Also highlighting the evening was the recognition of several of the associates with special honors.

The Rookie Award which was a brand new category this year was presented to Chuck Goodrich. To qualify for this award, an associate must be new to real estate and to Chaparral, Realtors, in addition to being a licensed agent for less than one year. Only one rookie is selected and the qualifications for this award include good production, professional appearance, cooperative attitude and an overall quality of what a Chaparral Realtor should be.

The Referral Champion award this year was presented to Patti Wallace. To qualify for this award, an associate has to send the greatest number of



Norma Pine

outgoing referrals through our Relocation Department.

The Best All Around was awarded to Alice Howard for the second time. This award is given to the person who exhibits outstanding qualities with fellow associates and perfor-

mance in every aspect of working together on a day-to-day basis. This award, noted Pine, is voted on by her peers.

The Production Awards were as follows:

Jana Iverson and Alice Howard — production over one million in volume.

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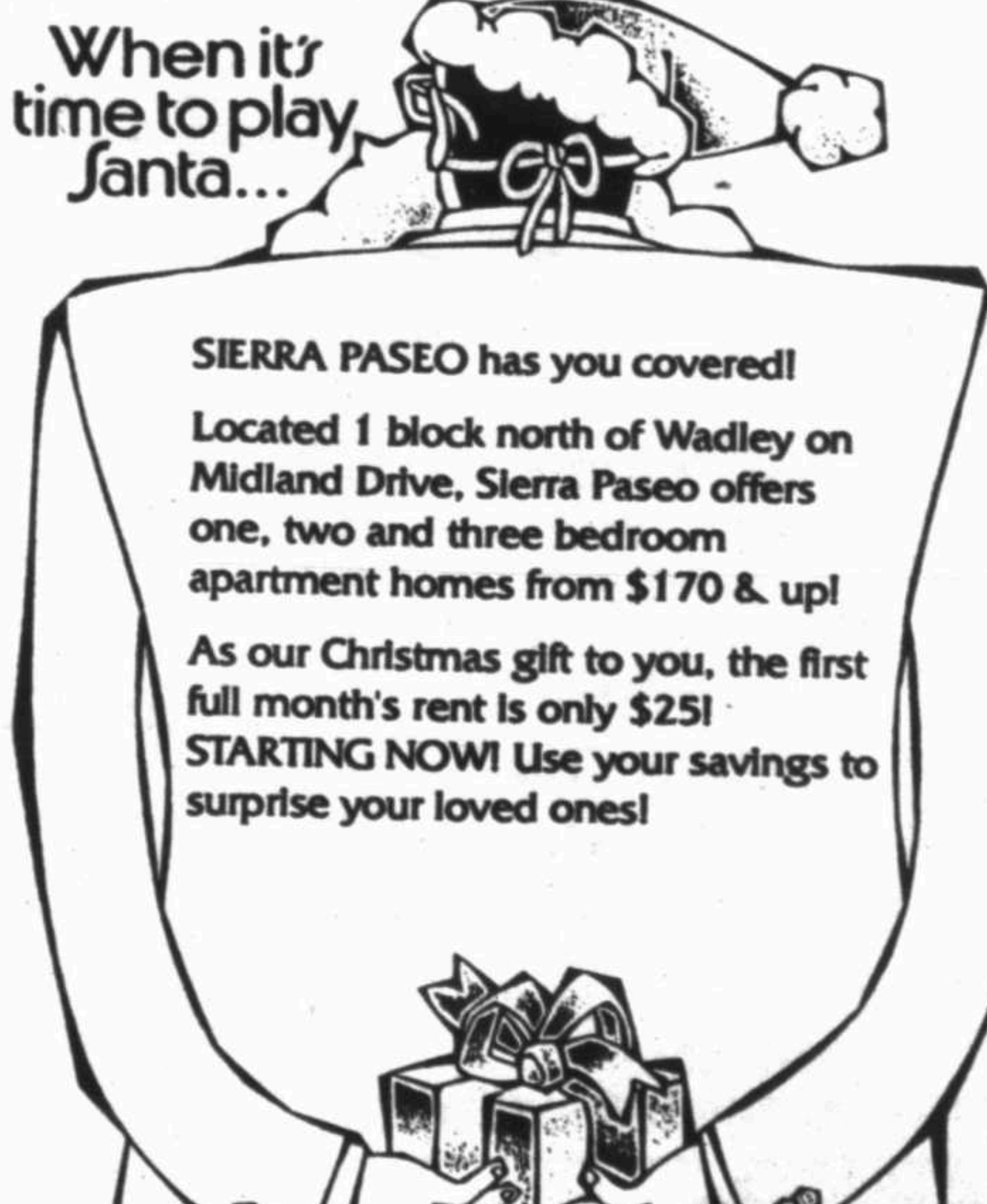
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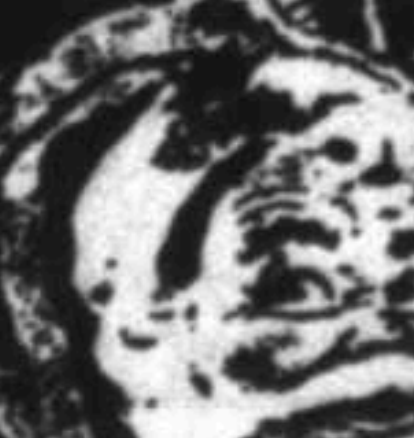
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RESIDENTIAL - CITY

ISLAND CIRCLE-NEW CONST in Green Tree N, 5 br, 4 ba, 298,000	
ISLAND CIRCLE-Lovely new Orleans French traditional, 4 br, 1 1/2 ba, formal, garden room, 3 car gar, 238,500	
TEAKWOOD-Builders own custom w/3br, 4 ba, heated pool, 200,000	
ST ANDREWS-Trinity Estates, 4br, 3 ba, workshop, 185,000	
NORTHFIELD-Custom built, pro landscaped, 4 br, 4 ba, 179,500	
MEADOWIDGE-Beautiful NEW plan by Bill Allen, 4 br, formal, 3 car garage, 165,900	
WOODHAVEN-Trinity Meadows w/4br, 3 ba, POOL, spa, water well, Price Reduction, 142,500	
WINDRIFT-Grandland Estates, quality 4 br, 3 ba, 137,000	
NORTHFIELD-Bill Allen Court, lovely 4 br, 3 ba, 129,500	
LEHIGH-4000 sq. ft. NEW construction, brick flower beds, formal dining, 129,500	
LEHIGH-Beautiful Clyde White Court, lg open flow floor plan w/3 br, huge closets, 129,500	
STUTZ PLACE-Large POOL, 4 br, 3 ba, 3 liv. areas, great for entertaining, 95,000	
COUNTRY CLUB-Spectacular 4 br, 4 ba, gameroom w/whirlpool, 95,000	
WEDGEWOOD-Comfortable patio home w/4br, 3 ba, 92,000	
GREENTREE BLVD-Spacious townhouse w/3 br, 2 ba, 3 car, fireplace, 90,000	
SENTINEL-Lovely 3 br, 2 ba home w/whirlpool, brick & hardwood floors under carpet, 87,500	
CAMARIE-Genesee sized 4br, 2ba, owner says lots of new, 85,000	
SEABOARD-Excellent 4 br, 2 ba, 3 living areas, sprinkler sys, water well, 82,500	
ELMA-Wedwood, hot tub in patio, 3 br, 3 ba, 3 liv, 80,000	
HUGHES-Heated pool, 2 br, 2 ba, hot tub, 2 patios, 80,000	
CIMMARON-Good location, FHA assumpt, 3 br, 2 ba, 74,353	
LINDORA-Absolutely beautiful 3 br, 2 ba, sprinkler, fr, formal dining, 73,500	
NOEL, 51,000	
CIMMARON-Lovely home w/whirlpool, 3 br, 2 ba, lots of new, 66,100	
APPERSON-Nice neighborhood, 4 br, 2 ba, 2 liv. areas, 66,000	
NEELY-New paint & carpet, huge closets, 3 br, 2 ba, outside storage, 65,000	
CIMMARON-Qualifying assumption, 3 br, 1 3/4 ba, ref, a/c, sprinklers, 65,000	
BOYD-Unique home, good location, 3 br, 2 ba, garage & carport, sprinklers, 62,500	
WARD-Three bedroom home w/hardwood & tile floors, 2 ba, ref, a/c, pool, 62,500	
BENTWOOD-Must see inside! Gorgeous master & very lg den w/tp, 4 br, 50,100	
PRINCETON-New paint & carpet, 3 br, 1 ba, workshop, 55,000	
DENGAR-Duplex - each side has 2 br, 1 ba, non-qualifying FHA assumption, 53,000	
PRINCETON-Fannie Mae assumption, 3 br, formal dining, 2 car gar, 51,000	
SHANDON-"As is", 3 br, 1 3/4 ba, formal dining, 2 car gar, ref, a/c, 51,000	
EISENHOWER-Lovely 3 br home, 2 ba, hobby room, ref, a/c, 2 car gar, 48,000	
ERIE-Open plan, stn bldgs & gas lines, 3 br, 2 liv, 43,000	
AVONDALE-Very nice & attractive home w/3 br, 2 ba, ref, a/c, 1 car gar, 43,000	
LEDDY-Looks like new, 3br, 2ba, outside storage, 42,900	
ROOSEVELT-3 br brick w/whirlpool, 1 3/4 baths, hardwood floors, storm cellar, 42,000	
ROOSEVELT-Lovely 2 br patio home, 2 ba, 2 car, fr, sprinklers, 40,500	
PARKDALE-Low move in w/affordable monthly payments, 3 br, 1 3/4 ba, new carpet, 39,500	
PRINCETON-Qualifying assumption, 3 br, 2 ba, sprinkler system, ref, a/c, 39,500	
PRINCETON-New carpet, paint & roof, 3 br, 1 3/4 ba, 2 liv. areas, ref, a/c, 39,000	
MICHIGAN-Owner wants quick sale! Roomy home with 2 liv. new carpet, 39,000	
COLLEGE-Three br, 2 ba house w/guest quarters w/kit, 34,900	
CIRCLE DRIVE-Duplex each unit has 2 br, 1 ba, refrigerator, 32,000	
MARIANA-Immaculate 3 br home, updated, much new, 1 1/2 baths, 31,500	
ANETTA, 29,600	
COLLEGE-Nice older area, 2 br, 1 ba, 2 liv, new roof, 28,000	
WILSHIRE-Needs a little TLC, 3 br, 1 3/4 ba, ref, a/c, workshop, 1 car gar, 27,500	
KENTUCKY-Just remodeled - lots of new including paint, 3 br, 1 ba, 2 car gar, 27,500	
COLLEGE-Super condition, attractive 2 br, 1 ba, ref, a/c, nice carpet, 25,000	
CIRCLE DRIVE-Two br, 1 living area, 2 car carport, rental unit in back, 25,000	
ANETTA-Recent carpet & fresh paint, 3 br, 1 ba, ref, a/c, 23,991	
W. WASHINGTON-Pride of ownership shows in this home, 2 br, 1 ba, 1 car gar, also guest house, 21,500	
HOLLOWAY-Vinyl siding new needs paint, 2 br, 1 ba, 1 car gar, 16,500	
SPRAYBERRY-Great starter home w/2 br, 1 ba, 1 carport, 15,000	
CIRCLE DRIVE-Two br, 2 living areas, 1 car carport, refrigerator, 15,000	
LIDDON-2 Sutton Place condos - each has 1 br, 1 ba, ref, a/c, 12,600	
FRANKLIN-One br, 1 ba, refrigerator, owner may carry, 10,000	
SCHARBAUER-2 Sutton Place condos - efficiencies - each has 1 br, 1 ba, 10,000	
MAGNOLIA-Frame home with 2 br, 1 ba, 1 car carport - "as is" - cash only, 6,500	

RESIDENTIAL - COUNTRY

CO. RD. 1185-Very comfortable property, recent carpet, 3br., 18.74 ac., 165,000	
JUDY LANE-Beautiful tri-level in Greenwood, 4 br, 2 ba, 2 car gar, on 1.5 ac., 88,000	
ANN-Skyview Addition, unique 3 level home, 4 br, 2 kitchen, 1.25 ac., 85,000	
CO. RD. 11285-2.5 acres, heated & cooled workshop, 3br, horse stalls, GREENWOOD, 65,000	
CO. RD. 1185-Assume FHA loan, 3 br, 2 1/2 ba, 2 story, 16x24 stor. bldg., 5.96 acres, 69,000	
CO. RD. 1185-5.19 acres, 3 br, 2 ba, 1 car garage, ref, a/c, outside storage, 65,000	
GREENWOOD TRAIL-1/2 acre, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, 38,950	
CO. RD. 11285-Restricted Greenwood area, remodeled 2br, 1ba, 2.5 acres, 35,000	
CO. RD. 145E-2.97 acres, very nice Mark V mobile home, steel bolted into concrete, 2 br, 25,000	

LOTS AND LAND

ISLAND CIRCLE-Green Tree Residential Lot, 65,000	
CARDINAL LANE-3.2 acres w/pond and stor bldgs., 3 br, 1 3/4 ba, 60,000	
OFF HWY 80E-17.75 acres w/great commercial potential, 49,700	
W. WADLEY-6 lots zoned for office, 35,000	
CO. RD. 85 & 86 E-14 mobile home lots - single lot \$2350, 4+ \$2000 or all, 32,900	
CO. RD. 1244-4.42 acres, 31,000	
CO. RD. 84 E-11 mobile home lots - single lot \$2350, 4+ \$2000 or all, 25,500	
DEVONSHIRE-Residential lot in Polo Park Addition, 25,000	
CO. RD. 56W-2 1/2 acres w/approx 1200 sq. ft. combination gar/stor bldg, w/electricity & plumbed for bath, 22,500	
CO. RD. 1241 N-3 acres, 21,000	
CO. RD. 1244-2.25 acres, 17,500	
CO. RD. 85 E-7 mobile home lots - single lot \$2350, 4+ \$2000 or all, 17,500	
CO. RD. 59W-971 acres, residential home site, 12,000	
WESTERN DRIVE-2.006 acres, will owner finance, 10,500	
CO. RD. 52W-918 acre, ready for mobile home, 8,500	
MARK LANE-19 residential lots, each lot is 5,000, 5,000	
OFF CO. RD. 1138 S-5 ac, Greenwood Sch, mobile home hookup, 5,000	
30 RANCH ESTATES-25 lots - residential - buy 1 or all from, each 2,500 to 3,000, 800	
JAX-Residential lot, 800	

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LAFORE BLVD-SKYWAY MOTEL-3/10 of a mile from airport entrance 36 rooms and 16 apartments \$75,000	
ILLINOIS-Resal building w/10,000+ sq. ft., burglar alarm sys., window guards, 200,000	
NORTH "C"-Presently doctor's office, over 4000 sq. ft. high traffic, 150,000	
W. MICHIGAN-Can be used as day care or office, 150,000	
RANKIN HWY-Good high traffic location, over 800 sq. ft. on 3 acres, 90,000	
W. WALL-Sheet metal bldg w/lock front, 50,000	

U-MARKET

CULVER-FHA non-qualifying assumption, 3 br, formal dining, storm cellar, 697-4271	
S. BENTWOOD-Non-qualifying assumpt, 3 br, 2 1/2 ba, ref, a/c, 694-5043	
CYPRESS COURT-spacious 4 bd, beauty in Green Tree, 694-9433	
CRENSHAW-Fairway Park Addition, 3 br, 2 ba, 2 car gar, ref, a/c, 694-9433	

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NEW LISTINGS

ASPEN (02B)-Nice floorplan in Wyndwood, 3 bedroom townhome, fireplace, \$69,500	
CANEMONT (07)-Rustic built 3 BR in Fairmont Park, great buy! \$63,800	
CAROL DR. (08A)-Great warehouse location, fenced yard, bring offers \$55,000	
GULF (32)-Super nice 3 bedroom with workshop, great trees! \$84,500	
SHELL (59B)-Super nice area, perfect for young couple, townhome, \$55,000	

REDUCED

CRESTLINE (17B)-4 BR, 2 LA located in Crestline on cul-de-sac, spacious \$109,500	
ST. ANDREWS (61A)-Great area, workshop/office, energy efficient, \$84,500	
STANOLIND (58A)-Lovely 3 BR, 2 LA home in covered MaMar, fresh paint, new carpet & vinyl, \$89,500	

FEATURED HOME OF THE WEEK

4719 PRINCETON - \$36,950
Reduced again! This great 3 bedroom home will not last long at this price, so get out to see today! New carpet, paint and vinyl - looks like new!

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3206 MAMAR \$94,500 What a beauty! Exquisite condition inside and out! 3 bedroom, 2 living area with formal dining in MaMar addition. Perfect area for the family, corner lot, quiet area.	2207 WARD \$63,900 Lovely 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home with 2 car garage. Lots of new, plus a backyard you will not believe! Beautifully landscaped. Call today to see a great buy!	3207 STANOLIND \$89,500 Extremely nice 3 bedroom, 2 living area home with formal dining, fireplace, 2 car garage and located in MaMar addition. A big bonus is the price has been reduced to sell quickly - so make the trip to see today!
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CORPORATE

REDWOOD (04A)-Priced for quick sale, 3 BR, 2 BA, 1 car garage, \$39,000	
CHEERY LANE (19A)-4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 story, room for horses & riding, new vinyl, carpet and paint, \$89,900	
PRINCETON (54)-Cute 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, formal living/dining, \$37,500	
WARD (70B)-Lots of new, beautiful landscaping, 3 BR, 1 3/4 BA, 1 garage, \$63,900	

GREAT INVESTMENT PROPERTY

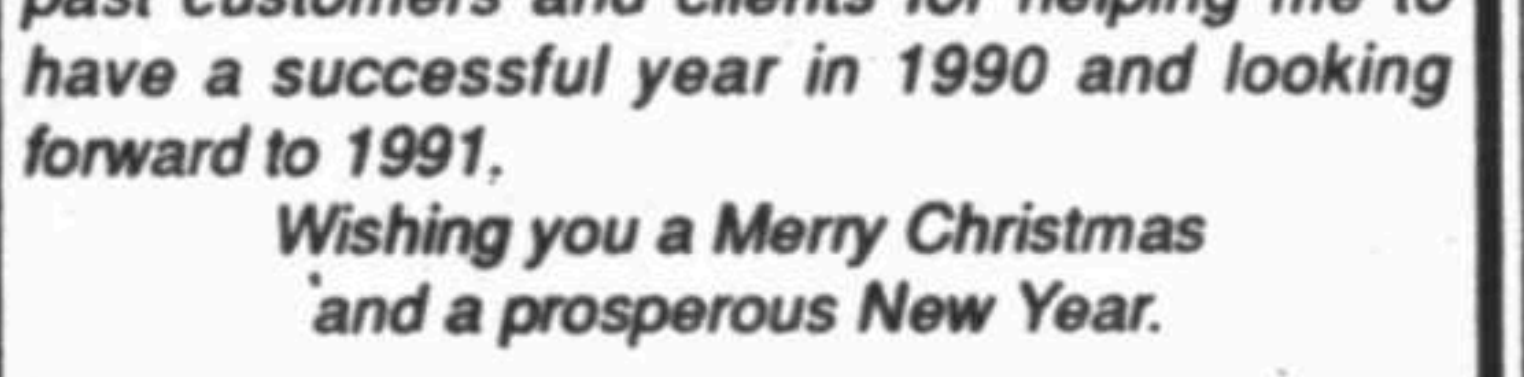
BERMUDA COURT (04)-4 lots in Crestline, great area and investment, \$48,600	
BIO SPRING (03B)-Great commercial location, high traffic and visibility, \$65,000	
BISHOPS CASTLE (04)-Polo Park addition, lots suitable for building, \$350,000	
C.R. 152W (10B)-2.2 acres tract, nice area, bldg. site, each, \$7500	
C.R. 116W (13B)-Pecan orchard with over 600 trees! Great investment, \$39,900	
C.R. 160W (07A)-Residential lots, 5 acres each, good potential, \$39,900	
C.R. 1140 (10)-Commercial potential, 1 BR home, off Loop 250A, Offers! \$35,000	
C.R. 1208 N (08A)-10 acres north of I-20, paved road, 2 water wells, \$30,000	
C.R. 1241 (11B)-Excellent building site, 5+ acres, call for details, \$19,000	
FM 715 (28A)-31+ acres for farm, commercial/residential potential, \$66,000	
HIGHWAY 34E (24A)-Good business location, new cyclone fence, call details, \$66,000	
HWY. 80E (32B)-17.75 acres, great commercial potential, \$49,700	
LOOP 150/LAMBDA (40A)-Great development location, good for retirement community, \$119,000	
POLO PARKWAY (52A)-Great lot located in Polo Park Addition only, \$19,000	
TEXAS (68)-1200 square foot office building, includes retail, \$125,000	
WOODHILL BUILDING (74)-Office building located on Garfield, lots of extras, \$3,100,000	

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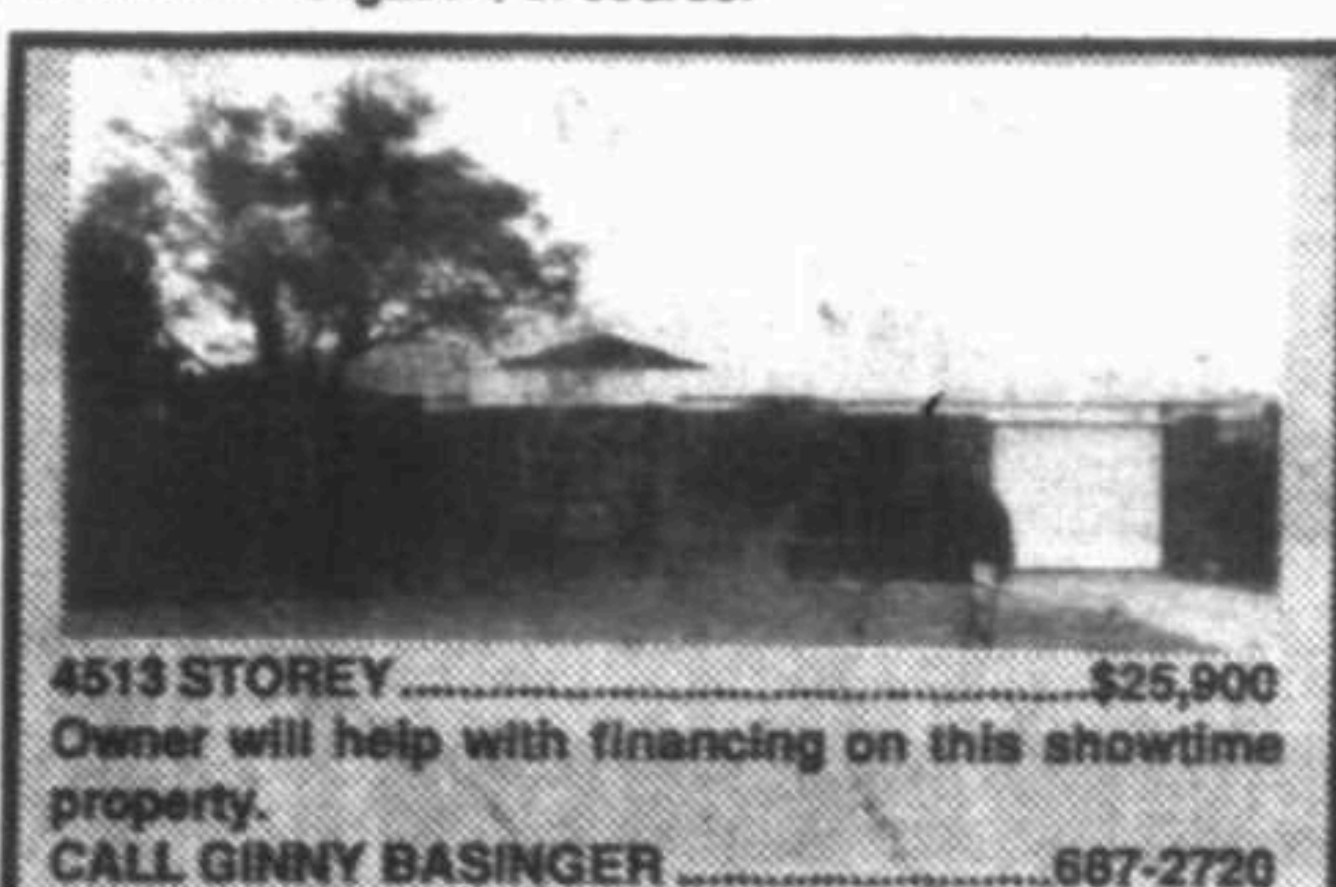
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- Imperial-Wonderful family home, nice large rooms, flowing plan, sprinklers... **104,500**
- Humble-Completely redecorated custom built 105,000
- Chatham-custom quality, meticulous... **106,000**
- Pinemeadow-Lovely New Leonard Home... **SOLD**
- Meadowpark-New Jim Leonard home... **SOLD**
- Westminster-pro landscaped, many built-ins, lovely area for a large family... **109,000**
- Western-parquet floors, much new... **109,500**
- Noel-Ig. patio home, sauna, low maint... **109,500**
- Castleford-Shows beautifully... **SOLD**
- McClinton-Gret family home, 5 bdrms, 4 baths, pool, new roof, new oak kitchen... **110,900**
- Princeton-brick floors in living/dining/hall... **124,500**
- Lovely Thome-Xpnsion possibilities... **124,900**
- Old Midland-loads quality, beaut. lite/brite kitchen, sunroom, cabana... **129,900**
- Emerson-Cul-de-sac with great space... **130,000**
- Meadowpark-Price reduction-Special lovely kitchen w/island & Jenn-air... **132,000**
- Rustic-Lovely custom Jerry Young home... **SOLD**
- Haynes-Unbelievably spacious & elegant. Fabulous garden room plus lovely kitchen... **135,000**
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- Hodge-Best kept secret in Old Midland-Great space, little care w/it updating... **137,500**
- Springmeadow-Charm abounds in peaceful surroundings... **139,000**
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- Coleman Court-terrific new Hickey home-coveted area. Cozy study... **SOLD**
- Normandy-Better than new with super family plan on a quiet street... **139,500**
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- Centerview-Unique one of a kind home... **SOLD**
- Seaboard-Large home with lots of extras and lots of new... **147,500**
- Pine-Spacious TH 3/3, den, workshop... **148,500**
- Castleford-2 Master bedrooms, 3 car garage, 2 yards... **149,500**
- Princeton-Beautiful Old Midland, plant shirs... **149,900**
- Illinois-ideal home/etc.-close to hosp... **149,900**
- Harvard-Heart of Old Midland, quality built w/great living areas... **152,000**
- Santa Fe-Gorgeous custom built... **155,000**
- Stanford-new carpet/paint, 5/6, Pool... **160,000**
- Castleford-Professionally decorated Bill Brown beauty with all the extras... **162,000**
- Foxboro-Custom features from head to toe. Gourmet kitchen... **165,000**
- Greentree-lovely home, 3/5, study with 2 living areas & formal dining... **174,900**
- Castleford-Delight to entertain in huge main LA w/adjacent den/2 fireplaces... **179,000**
- Harvard-Lots of room & exceptional location for lg. family & entertaining. Pool... **179,000**
- *Culpepper-Spacious, unusual plan with 2 master suites and a study... **179,500**
- Texas-Gorgeous yard, quality older home... **185,000**

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- Howard-Cute! Cutel lg mstr, patio rm... **23,000**
- McKenzie-Roomy kitchen, pretty bath, great buy... **23,900**
- Comanche-Adorable starter home... **SOLD**
- Pleasant-Bring offers on this 3 br... **24,900**
- Sycamore-Lots for the money... **25,000**
- Waverly-Love those beautiful cabinets... **SOLD**
- W. Storey-Cute starter home in A-1 cond... **26,500**
- Co. Rd. 125-3 ac, pipe fence, corral... **SOLD**
- Waverly-Super clean, non-qual. assmp... **33,500**
- Erie-Wonderful starter home, 1 owner... **34,500**
- W. Ohio-wonderful buy! Neat & clean... **34,500**
- N. Dallas-Nice home, large trees/lovely yard... **35,000**
- W. Co. Rd. 154-2 acres, lovely trees... **38,900**
- *Chickasaw-Clean/Neat-Ready for new owner... **39,500**
- Bentwood-Foreclosure, renovated!... **39,900**
- Sycamore-Fine starter home on corner lot... **42,000**
- Shell-Owner will pay closing cost... **42,600**
- W. Ohio-Neat & sparkling w/mrny trees... **42,700**
- W. Shandon-Good investment property... **45,000**
- Princeton-Sparkling clean, 3 br, 2 ba... **46,200**
- Co. Rd. 1130-Greenwood 33.84 ac 3/1, 2 wells... **49,000**
- Ridglee-Darling 3br home! 2 LA's... **49,000**
- Indiana-Charming Old Midland 3/2... **49,600**
- Co. Rd. 1297 N-Great property w/ready built... **49,900**
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- Co. Rd. 1070-Lovely suburban w/acraage... **50,000**
- Sinclair-Sell on non-qualifying assmp... **54,000**
- Concho-Kelly Young home with lovely yard... **54,900**
- Apperson-Lots of house for the money... **SOLD**
- Sunnyside-New all over-enclosed patio... **55,700**
- Lanham-Great hm-Ig family, nice yard, wtr well... **56,000**
- Princeton-Well-kept home/yard. Much new... **57,900**
- Ridglee-big kitchen! parquet floors in study... **59,000**
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- Gulf-Well maint. patio home... **SOLD**
- Co. Rd. 52W-Great country property... **59,000**
- Aurora Ln-Coveted area, nice location... **62,500**
- Gulf-Owner needs to sell... **63,500**
- S. Glenwood-Beautiful home com up date... **64,000**
- Fannin-Wonderful 4 br. plus workshop... **SOLD**
- Princeton-House needs a little "TLC"... **64,900**
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- Abbey PI-Nice quiet cul-de-sac... **64,900**
- Boyd-Great house with lots of updating... **69,900**
- *W. Michigan-Immaculate home w/pool... **69,900**
- Camarie-darling home! large master... **69,900**
- St. Andrews-Live on one side/rent the other... **69,500**
- Contemporary-home-spacious! 4/3, xtras... **69,500**
- Frontier-4 Br. Fannin Area. New carpet/roof... **71,500**
- Haynes-Nicest home in the area... **73,000**
- St. Andrews-Good income property... **74,000**
- W. Golf Course-Beautiful home in Old Midland... **75,000**
- Co. Rd. 54W-Suburban with country kitchen... **76,000**
- Cessna-Skylites, RV Pad, Guest House... **76,900**
- Flare Ct-Nice floor plan on cul-de-sac... **78,500**
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- Marlinor Ct-lovely home on cul-de-sac... **81,900**
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- W. Storey-Lovely custom one owner... **88,500**
- Ventura-Lovely twinhouse, hot tub... **89,000**
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- St. Andrews-Pretty breakfast area... **91,900**
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- Dawn Circle-Lovely home, lots of new... **96,500**
- Marmion-Kimberlee, 5 br, 3 1/2 ba, plus extras... **97,500**
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- Oaklawn-Magnificent spacious townhome, quality everywhere, wonderful sunroom, 3 car gar... **228,000**
- Seaboard-fabulous executive home in coveted area with many extras, a must to see... **235,000**
- Robin Ln-Country luxury-close to city in this 6 brs, 4 1/2 ba, 3 LA's w/drm & workshop... **237,000**
- Gulf-Classic Old Midland Charm-Exquisite decor, quality throughout... **259,500**
- Country Club-stunning 5/6, spacious, better than new, totally remodeled!... **273,500**
- Saddle Club-Lots of new in custom, one-owner home-gorgeous pool & patio... **280,000**
- Greentree-Best view of golf course and lake with fantastic master suite/bath... **290,000**
- Club Dr.-magnificent estate, many additions, architect designed. Reduced!... **294,600**
- Hialeah-Bermuda style architecture, spacious, dream of a plan... **324,900**
- Saddle Club townhome-brick floors, Jacuzzi tub, balcony, gameroom... **349,500**
- Sinclair-gourmet kitchen, 4/4, pool Heart of Warwick family home... **349,500**
- Hanover Ct-Exciting home in coveted Racquet Club... **299,500**
- Hialeah-Very gracious/comfortable, lovely appointments... **385,000**
- FM 1788-Wonderful investment-large home plus 47.5 acres w/pecan trees... **425,000**

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WHAT'S NEW

- W. Storey-Owner will help with financing on this Showtime property... **25,000**
- W. Michigan-Great starter home. Bring offers!... **31,500**
- Co. Rd. 130W-Two houses for the price of one brick house-Good investment!... **35,500**
- Lanorah, Te-Lovely home in Martin City. Call for photo and map for location... **46,000**
- Kansas-Picture perfect with lots of extras plus warm and comfortable... **54,500**
- Princeton-Lots of charm and character with a 18 x 24 workshop in back... **55,000**
- E. Florida-400 sq. ft. bldg. in LRS zone for office, retail or shop... **60,000**
- Cimarron-Darling house in Fannin lots of update with bonus room + outside storage with workshop for that handyman... **65,000**
- Goddard-New Carpet Two LA's 5 Fans! Tons & Tons of cabinets & storage... **65,000**
- Belton-Non-qualifying-Low Equity 3 br, 2 ba-Owner says "Bring offers"... **71,500**
- McDonald-Perfect condition w/lots of update. Priced right and great to show... **74,000**
- Lockheed-Home completely remodeled and ready to be occupied... **76,000**
- W. Spruce-Updated drive with a fabulous marble entry and fireplace... **80,000**
- Shandon-Wonderful olive w/ appeal in much desired Fannin area... **83,000**
- Black-Lots of new in the last 2 years in this lovely 2 story... **85,500**
- Kingsboro-New Jim Leonard Home with all the extras... **SOLD**
- Goddard-Lovely home on cul-de-sac with spacious closets and large room... **112,000**
- *Hustle! Trail-Pick your own coins in this lovely 4 bdr LA Greentree Home... **135,000**
- Woodhouse-Wonderful custom by McPherson w/den large enough for pool table... **168,800**
- Trinity-Homes-Terrific 5 BR custom with 4 Living Areas and tons of upgrades... **239,000**

COMMERCIAL/LAND

- BUILDINGS**
- Lee-good business, lot & small etc... **7,800**
- Big Springs-Close to downtown w/1/2 zoning... **20,000**
- Rainbow-zoned c-3, 212 house... **24,500**
- Oliver-Immaculate office/shop on corner... **58,900**
- N. Midland-retail or office, terms... **64,000**
- W. Frank-18 offices, large recp area... **66,000**
- S. Johnston-Easy access to I-20... **79,900**
- Seaford-Restaurant very popular... **135,000**
- Co. Rd. 129W-Prime office & warehouse spaces... **180,000**
- W. Frank-18 offices, large recp area... **225,000**
- Indiana-high security bldg, lg etc... **229,000**
- N. Main-perfect plan-professional firm... **300,000**
- N. Big Springs-3 bldgs, 3 vacant lots... **475,000**
- N. Midland Dr-High profile business location-prime real estate... **600,000**
- LAND**
- Shannon-Land in Ranch Estates, paved roads... **3,500**
- Co. Rd. 1070-96 Acres-Greenwood... **4,500**
- Carol Lane-201 Acres-Midland w/public access... **5,000**
- Co. Rd. 133-2.165 acres with shed... **5,500**
- Co. Rd. 1185-6 ac-to be sold w/adjacent... **24,000**
- Co. Rd. 1180N-10 ac adjoining 8.03 acres... **25,000**
- Highway 159-10.626 acres in Ector City... **37,000**
- IL-property zoned PD, valuable land... **49,900**
- Rd. 1245-great bldg, site, 7 ac... **49,900**
- N. Midland Dr-zoned neighborhood serv... **120,000**
- N. Loop 250-1/2 parcel-prime locale... **282,778**
- N. Scharbauer-buy all or part, 4 ac... **520,431**

LOTS

- Meadowpark-54 residential lots in wonderful area, access to pool, tennis courts... **5,000-15,000**
- S. Marshall-lot zoned C-2... **1,500**
- E. Nobles & Parker-2 lots zoned IF2... **2,500**
- Siesta Ln-2 lots, nice area... **2,500**
- Co. Rd. W55 & 1278-Near 1788-good spot of mobile... **2,950**
- Stonewall-2 lots zoned C-3, each... **3,500**
- Ranch East-3 lots-own or lease... **4,500**
- N. Lee-zoned L-1, ready to sell... **4,500**
- S. Baird-zoned MR2-ready to sell... **4,500**
- Plantation Hills-5 resid. lots... **7,300-8,000**
- Woodcrest-2 lots, covered area... **15,000**
- Polo Park-3 choice lots in... **16,000-19,000**
- Industrial-Lot on busy street... **23,800**
- Island Circle-covered Greentree North... **25,900**
- Candle Tree Cove & Melville-3 lots... **45,000**
- Austin-3 lots in coveted area... **45,000**
- Lamesa Road-3 lots-good location... **47,000**
- N "W" St.-Forced w/lot on wonderful lot... **75,000**
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- CALDERA**-beautiful yard on spacious corner lot. Sparkling POOL & HOT TUB... **\$99,500**
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- SOUTH "H"**-Much new in HUGE HOME. Sparkling pool, 5 bedrooms, 4 baths, guest apartment, 2 living areas and wonderful hardwood floors... **\$239,000**
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- WEST KANSAS**-3 bedrooms, 3 baths - guest quarters! Completely updated. Room with hot tub. Charming hardwood floors & Mexican tile... **\$85,000**
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- "L" STREET**-NON QUALIFYING ASSUMPTION! Bowie school district. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, great neighborhood. Lease or Lease purchase... **\$59,500**
- MAMAR**-Large executive home w/much updating! Inviting pool, private yard for kids. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, remodeled loaded kitchen... **\$169,000**
- ALPINE**-SUPER home and wonderfully equipped guest house! Pool & inside hot tub, 3 living areas, study, family & entertaining home... **\$118,000**
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'Hall' Kelujah

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Holidays are synonymous with tradition. Rich in legacy and history, we celebrate by tradition. Although it's easy to get caught up in the commercialization of the holiday season, the tinsel and glitter of the mall, holiday M&M's, Snickers and every other type candy — more and more people are longing to get back to the real traditions of Christmas.

"People need to feel there is some continuation with the past," Marjorie Procter-Smith, associate professor of worship at Southern Methodist University's Perkins School of Theology, said. "There's something about Christmas that brings the longing for tradition to the forefront — a longing for a time that was simple, that involved basic human needs such as love, family, comfort and shelter."

For one Midland family, Christmas encompasses all these human needs. The family — which includes Gary and Carol Hall and daughters Becky Billingsley, Carrie Hall and Krissy Hall — gathers with friends and other family members every Christmas Eve to partake in games, music and food.

Although this celebration might sound like that of many families, the Halls' Christmas Eve is anything but typical. While the family celebrates other holidays festively — Hall said he was the victim of jalapeno pancakes (not buttermilk) one April Fool's morning — Christmas Eve is regarded as "special."

"When Gary and I first married, we decided to have family over for Christmas Eve," Mrs. Hall said adding, "I brought the tradition of celebrating into Gary's close family and it kind of meshed."

Maggie Artley, a close friend of the Halls, has attended the celebration at least 17 of the 20 years she's lived in Midland. "The Halls' Christmas Eve is unique to the extent in which they do it," Ms. Artley said. "We used to get together with two other couples on

Christmas Eve, but we never went to the extent the Halls do."

Most often the celebration begins in the late afternoon. Friends and family shuttle into the two-story house, decorated in red and green, carrying season's greetings and some type of food. "We've had as many as 70 people here. We probably have at least 35 relatives attend, and about that many friends that aren't relatives attend," Mrs. Hall said.

The afternoon is full of visiting and games. The games consist of anything from cards to ping-pong, to dominoes. "One tradition the Halls always have is one new difficult jigsaw puzzle," Ms. Artley said. The puzzle is set on the kitchen table and people can come and go as they complete portions of the puzzle.

AS FOR THE FOOD, the Halls put out a grand spread. A tradition that has grown out of the Christmas Eve celebration is the "baking of the sugar cookies." Typically the whole family gets together the day before Christmas Eve and bakes the sugar cookies. Mrs. Hall said generally this means a lot of fun and a lot of flour. "We have a kitchen island that is about four feet by eight feet — it's generally covered with flour," Mrs. Hall said.

"And you never what's going to show up on the cookie plate," added Becky, reminiscing about previous cookie designs.

Although the cookies, the visiting and the games are definitely part of the Christmas fun, the music is a treasured part of the evening. Mrs. Hall, who is accompanist for the Lee High School choir, organist for First United Methodist Church and member of the Texas Ding-A-Lings (a handbell choir), helps turn the singing of traditional Christmas carols into a musical festival.

Highlights of the musical portion of the evening include singing

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Christmas Eve is a special evening filled with time-honored traditions for the Hall family of Midland. Pictured clockwise from top:

Becky Billingsley, Krissy Hall, Gary Hall, Carrie Hall, Carol Hall, Taylor Billingsley, Nathan Billingsley, and Cary Billingsley.

HAVE YOU HEARD?

1990 Minuet Club
debs are presented

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

Fourteen young Midland women made their bows Saturday evening at the Petroleum Club when the Minuet Club held its annual Presentation Ball.



McKnight-Harrison

After the debs were presented by their fathers on the grand staircase, the assemblage moved upstairs to the ballroom for dancing. Music was provided by The Family Tree.

The 1990 debs are Anne Embrey, Heather Ferguson, Meredith Geiselman, Marisa Gibson, Julie Greaves, Kristen Henry, Caroline Hissom, Kristine Kelly, Emily Kleine, Leslie Lamb, Meredith Secker, Sheri Sport, Catherine Staley and Smyth Swanson.

Festivities for the girls began Tuesday when Verneta (Mrs. Dedrie) Baxter hosted an informal luncheon in honor of Leslie Lamb at Midland Country Club.

All the debs and their mothers were honored Wednesday with a luncheon at the Racquet Club. The hostesses were Lynda Kay (Mrs. Carty) Beal and daughters Cristina and Helena; Sarilyn (Mrs. Bill) Black and daughter, Amy; Nadine (Mrs. Tom) Craddock and daughter, Christi; Gayle (Mrs. Doe) Dodson and daughters, Kelly and Jamie; Denna (Mrs. Allen) McGuire and daughter, Edie; and Linda (Mrs. Rodney) Satterwhite and daughter, Leslie.

Meredith Secker was honored Wednesday evening with a dinner at the home of Charlene and Doug Bunnell.

On Thursday, a brunch at Venezia Restaurant was given in honor of the debs, their mothers and grandmothers. The hostesses were Kay (Mrs. Ralph) Arrell and daughter, Nancy; Mary (Mrs. Barry) Beck and daughter, Alexis; Ann (Mrs. Richard) Dunbar and daughter, Shannon; and Gloria (Mrs. Bill) McGovern and daughter, Catherine.

A manicure party followed at Backstage to honor Marisa Gibson. Hosting the event were Dyan (Mrs. Kip) Agar, Paula (Mrs. Frank) Cahoon, Marty (Mrs. Jim) Conine, Betty Rae (Mrs. Paul) Davis, Joann (Mrs. John) Foster, Sherry (Mrs. Herschel) O'Kelley and Karen (Mrs. Roy) Williamson.

Later that day, Heather Ferguson was honored by Sherry and Jerry Hewett and Charlene and Doug Bunnell at the latter couple's home. Following the drop-in affair, a dinner was given in Heather's honor at the Petroleum Club by Mary and Dick Anderson.

On Friday, a father-daughter brunch honoring all the debs was held at Midland Country Club. The host couples were Norma Jean and Bud Boles, Jane and Gary Garlitz, Betty and Bill Gilmore, Joy and Bill Seltzer, Betty and Don Ewan, Bonnie and Orman Hubbard, Susie and Gary Burnett, Caroline and Perry Bolger, Judith and Jim Devenport and Susie and Charles "Bro" Seltzer.

A Holiday Cheer Party that evening honored Smyth Swanson at the home of Elle and Bill Kerr. Immediately following, the Minuet Club's board of directors hosted a waltz dinner for the debs, their parents and escorts at the Petroleum Club. Parties will continue today and throughout the holidays in honor of the girls.

FORMER MIDLANDER Linden Heck became the bride of Bill Howell on Dec. 1 in the First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis, Md. Linden is the daughter of longtime residents Katie and Bill Heck.

It was good to see Linden while she was in town for a brief visit recently and to hear about the couple's plans.

After spending the holidays in the United States, they will make their home in Tokyo, Japan, where Bill is head of IBM's Asian Group. Linden's goal is to become proficient in the Japanese language while living there.

IT WAS AGAIN TIME to celebrate the season when Frank Petty hosted his annual Christmas party at his home last weekend.

A large number of guests turned out for the event, which through the years has become synonymous with holiday time.

Among those enjoying the good food and good cheer were Pat and Tom Rattan, Christy Koch, Brenda and Ron Hughes, Margaret and John Rhea, Julia Stinson, Helen Cuppy and Barbara and Bill Larsen.

BRAVING LAST WEE-KEND'S "monsoon," a large crowd attended the annual Christmas sing-along hosted by Susan and Ron Britton and Susan's mother, Gertrude Alstrin.

Held at the Brittons' home on Weeping Willow Lane, the party featured carol singing with Darryl Knap at the piano, nonstop visiting as old friends greeted one another and a delicious cocktail spread for which the hosts are noted.

Conversation pieces were the gingerbread house gracing the serving table and which was made by the family and a marvelous St. Nicholas figure, one of three made by Austin artisan Barbara Adams. The figure of the patron saint of little children, about three feet tall and on a revolving stand, was a gift to Gertrude from the Brittons and features porcelain face and hands, a Persian rug coat and a yak beard, alongside a miniature chest filled with antique toys.

Joining in the festive occasion were the Brittons' children, Andrew, a banker in Dallas; Carolyn, a teacher in the Grady school system, and Elizabeth, an eighth grader at San Jacinto Junior High School.

Among friends present were former Midlanders Theima Box and her daughter, Melinda Western of Dallas, Tommie and Dean Strack, Wanda and Brian Mohr, Sharon and Goss Yeager, Georgia and Carroll Thomas, Pat and Dan Black and Julie and Allen Harvey.

Marilyn McKnight-Harrison is social columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

Christmas traditions have historical origin

By Tina Stewart
Staff Writer

Christmas traditions are easily recognized. The hanging of the holly and the mistletoe, the decorating of the tree, the serving of wassail punch and the roasting of the chestnuts are past traditions that still warm our households today.

Even though we know the significance of being caught under the mistletoe and know the Yule log is a sign of good luck, the meaning and the origin of time-honored traditions may have been lost.

Evergreens used for decorations were originally a pagan custom. Because the evergreens were always green, they were thought to possess magic and represented immortality. Originally the Church forbade them to be used, but because the custom was too deeply rooted, evergreens were finally accepted as decorations.

Wreaths were historically a symbol of victory and glory used by the early Romans and Greeks. It was first thought to become a part of Christianity when Christ was crowned with thorny holly branches. The berries were thought to change from white to blood red. Because of this legend the wreath became popular at Christmas time.

With the addition of the lighted candle placed in the center, the

wreath symbolized the new Light of the World and a promise that the Lord would come as the Light of the World and bring promised days of glory.

Holly, ivy and mistletoe were symbols of life because of their evergreen qualities and because they could bear fruit in the winter. Ivy was considered feminine and holly masculine. Both were necessary in the house to bring blessings of good luck and fertility. Holly was believed to protect from witches, thunder and lightning. Moses' "Burning Bush" of Biblical fame was thought to be holly.

The mistletoe was thought of as sacred in Scandinavia. It was a plant of peace and was believed to bring good luck, fertility, protection from witchcraft and an antidote for poison. During the Yule season enemies resolved their differences under the mistletoe as symbol of fidelity to the promise of friendship.

The English started the kissing under the mistletoe. Tradition has it that girls standing under the mistletoe cannot refuse to be kissed.

The Yule log is another custom with roots more pagan than Christian. The name is Scandinavian and the word "Yule" comes from the word "wheel" meaning the changing of the season as the

sun turned in its course. When ancient people celebrated the return of the sun, the lighting of the Yule log was a ceremony celebrated with great significance.

The Yule log, which is often the whole trunk of a large tree, was lit with a piece of the wood carefully saved from last year's log. This would ensure good fortune for the household during the coming year.

The wassail bowl actually originated with the early Norsemen when the beautiful Saxon maiden Rowena presented a bowl of wine to Prince Vorgigen and greeted him with "Waes hael" — "Be thou well." The Christmas drink was a mixture of hot ale, spices, sugar, eggs and roasted apples. Sometimes a thick cream would be added and French bread or toast.

Mince pies and plum pudding originate from England. Plum pudding is said to have been created when an English king and his hunting party were lost in a blizzard the day before Christmas. Meat, flour, apples, eggs, ale, brandy, and sugar — a combination of the meager provisions of the party — were collected and tied in a bag to be cooked. The result was satisfying to the hungry hunters and refined later to become a national dish.

Mince pies during the 16th century were known to be edible sym-

bols of the wise men because of their spice content. The superstition, although known as pleasant, was that whoever ate one such pie on each of the Twelve Days of Christmas would have 12 happy months in the following year.

Poinsettias are traditionally thought of as Christmas symbols. The Mexican name for the flower is "flower of the holy night." They were popularized in the United States and Canada in 1828 by Dr. Poinsett.

The Christmas tree is originally said to come from Germany. Although the origin is not known, several legends surround this tradition. In medieval times the tree was said to have stemmed from two religious symbols: the Paradise Tree and the Christmas light. In various countries it was also known as a custom to build a small pyramid like frame, usually decorated with glass balls and tinsel with a candle on top.

Another legend of the Christmas tree centered around Martin Luther. It is said that one evening Martin Luther was out during the holiday season and was so impressed by the beauty of the landscape and sky that he cut down a fir tree to bring the outside beauty to his wife. Once inside he put lighted candles on the branches and explained to her that it was a symbol of the Christmas sky. He called it a Christmas tree.

HALL: Holiday traditions represent family security

(From 1E)

Pleasant. Mrs. Hall first invited Pleasant, who is studying voice in opera in New York, to the Christmas celebration when she accompanied him in high school. "Eddie always shows up at the right moment. He blesses us with a few songs, but always sings 'O Holy Night,'" Mrs. Hall said.

Pleasant makes a lasting impression on those who attend the Hall's Christmas Eve. Ann Atchison, who's been a guest of the Hall's for at least 20 years, said Pleasant's presence is felt by all. "As soon as he comes in the door, everyone grins ear to ear," Ms. Atchison said.

Of all the traditions, the reading of the Christmas Story from the Bible is the Hall's favorite. With guests seated on the staircase and around the Christmas tree, Becky reads the story. Sons Nathan, 7, and Taylor, 3, are usually seated on her lap.

"We eat and have fun and sing, but we also get down to why we are here and that has a lot of meaning," Mrs. Hall said.

The traditions of the Halls are more than likely to be passed down generation to generation. Putting the fun and festivity aside, the Halls said the traditions represent a type of security.

Becky and her husband, Cary

Billingsley, are already passing down Hall traditions — as well as creating new ones — to their two sons. "The important thing is the tradition has represented security. It is something you can count on every year. We've tried to create traditions every year to get that (security)," Becky said.

Billingsley agreeing said, "And as a result we're starting to create our own traditions."

"The nice part of the tradition is we never got away from it," Mrs. Hall said, adding that universally people have a need to get back to the traditions of Christmas. "It may be true all in life, but it's a need that people have now."



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Laser surgery provides fast cure

Copley News Service

Until only recently, children who developed disfiguring vascular tumors shortly after birth have had to "tough it out." They usually had to learn to live with such tumors until they disappeared of their own accord sometime around 8 years old.

But then laser's role in treating this affliction was discovered and now some of these benign tumors can be treated successfully as they develop — sparing the child and parents the emotional trauma of years of disfigurement.

Now, a clinic designed to offer treatment for this affliction has opened at University Pediatric Associates on the medical campus of the University of California Medical Center in Sacramento, Calif.

Until recently, says Dr. Seth Thaller, a plastic and reconstructive surgeon at the Medical Center, "expectant waiting" was the treatment normally used for hemangioma, the medical term for the benign tumors that can appear anywhere on a child's body and in some cases can become quite large and disfiguring.

However, he said, waiting often caused as much anxiety for par-

ents as it did for the child.

"Usually the tumors disappeared when the child was between 6 and 8 years old. Now laser surgery can eliminate waiting and any problems the child may suffer as a result of disfigurement."

Hemangiomas are the most common and rapidly growing tumors in infancy, Thaller said. They appear at birth, or shortly after, in one out of every 1,500 infants and enlarge during the first year of life. Girls are twice as likely to develop hemangiomas as boys.

Non-surgical therapies such as X-rays, steroids, compression, injection, sclerosing agents and embolization have been used with varying success. But, Thaller said, it is the laser that has become the most valuable tool in the treatment of this ailment.

The new clinic will combine the skills of otolaryngologists, neurosurgeons, geneticists in addition to plastic and reconstructive surgeons.

"Tumors can be located anywhere — below the larynx, around the trachea or even in the brain," Thaller said, "so they often require an interdisciplinary approach to care."

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CLUB NEWS

PROGRESSIVE STUDY CLUB
Progressive Study Club met for a Christmas salad luncheon in the home of Donnie Weiner. Carolyn Jones, Frances Levin and Frances Thomas were co-hostesses. Charlene Younger presided and Helen Reid reported on the club's service project. Twenty-two members attended and guests were Raylene Smith, Ginger Floyd, Billie Franklin, Pat Schneider, Chan Driscoll and Margaret Gaines.

YUCCA GARDEN CLUB
Yucca Garden Club met for its annual Christmas Tea in the home of Mrs. Charles Neuhardy. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. James A. Foster and Mrs. W.D. McAlpine. Mrs. Chesley McKenzie welcomed the 16 members and guest, former member, Mrs. Barney Munson, and Mrs. Richard Corley. Mrs. Neuhardy, program director, introduced Mrs. David Alldredge of Alldredge Gardens who presented a program on "Making Christmas Wreaths."

Mrs. McKenzie conducted a short business meeting. Each of the members who responded to roll call brought a handmade gift for club members exchange and an unwrapped gift for the Big Spring State Hospital.

Mrs. John Crosby, treasurer, gave her report. Mrs. Billie Gilbert, director to Midland Woman's Club, made announcements. The business meeting was adjourned and the members and guests had a gift exchange and refreshments.

TRINITY TOWERS
Recently several residents attended Midland Community Theatre's production of "Alone Together." Donna Lough Wilma, Maley and Barbara Larsen accompanied the residents. The Bridgewater Room was the scene of the annual Christmas Tea. Entertainment was provided by Monta Jo Johnson and the "Ding-A-Lings" — a bell ringing group.

EN AMIE REVIEW CLUB
En Amie Review Club met at the Woman's Club for Christmas luncheon and entertainment. Daryl Ann Beeghley played a collection of Christmas music and songs. Hostesses were Jean Thomas, Betty Simpson, Connie Mumman, Kay Sterett, Beverly Lutton and Alta Henderson. Guests were Britt Holster, Mary Robinson, Tess Latham, Pauline Peay, Sancy Harris, Betty Jo Morgan, Barbara Farris, Marguerite Reed, Judy Warren, Joan Bell, Betty Sadler and Ann Hargis.

TWENTIETH CENTURY STUDY CLUB
Twentieth Century Study Club met at the Museum of the Southwest for a tour of the Children's Museum. Ruth Thompson introduced Jean Hagman, museum director, who led the group on a tour of the Children's Dinosaur Exhibit and the Waste Reduction Exhibit. The members then had a luncheon meeting at the Midland Woman's Club. Hostesses were Mary K. Ewbank, Wanda Ramsey, Nita Dill, Theta Redding and Jean Adams. Olga Banks presided for the business meeting. Jackie Hendricks gave the federation report. JoAnn McClurg presented a mini-workshop on club reports. Jackie Hendricks announced Tressa Elig, a Midland College nursing student, as recipient of the Twentieth Century Study Club scholarship. Marie Hinkle was guest. Camilla McLaughlin, Martha Moore and Cathryn Lair were announced as new members.

CHAPTER GD, P.E.O. SISTERHOOD
Chapter GD of the P.E.O. Sisterhood met in the home of Donna Martin. Jean Deffenbaugh was co-hostess. The meeting was presided over by Charlotte Thurston. Carolyn Welton, Frances Terry, Beth Buster and Debbie Owens were guests. A Christmas luncheon followed the meeting.

MIDLAND RETIRED TEACHERS
Midland Retired Teachers met for Christmas tea at the home of Printus and Doris Burkhart. Cans of food were brought to be donated to Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Hostesses were Cleo Johns, Mary K. Rattan, Martha Preston, Jane Ramsoure, Fannie Reeves, Lois Rogge, Madeline Van Ness, Francine Weaver and Lucille Everett. Approximately 60 guests attended.

XI ALPHA MU CHAPTER, BSP
Xi Alpha Mu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Beverly Rothwell with Margo Hill presiding. After discussion of chapter business, secret sister Christmas

gifts were exchanged. The meeting program was "The Magic of Christmas" through music. A Christmas and potluck dinner were also shared. The chapter recently participated in two service projects that included delivery of "Stay at Home" baskets for the Multiple Sclerosis Society and conducting a "Christmas store" for residents of Terrace West Nursing Home. Attending the meeting were Nancy White, Judy Jehring, Gloria Grunenwald, Francine Hudgens, Tori Baca, Gayle Smith, Jane Weldon, Jan Acker and Cathy Sherman.

MIDLAND COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB
Over 200 members and guests of the Midland County Republican Women's Club attended its annual membership and Christmas brunch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Pollard. Guests were greeted by club president, Billie Ross and president-elect Halie McCarter and Mrs. Pollard. Hostesses were members of the board of directors who provided gourmet finger foods. Special guests were Wynona Riggs, president of the Fort Stockton Republican Women's Club; and Mrs. Clayton W. Williams, Mrs. Pollard's mother.

AARP
Midland Chapter #256 of the American Association of Retired Persons met for a pot luck supper in Dellwood Senior Center with Leta Brown presiding. Four guests and 82 members attended. Paul Genry gave the invocation and Ms. Brown led the pledge of allegiance. Ms. Brown read a poem, "The Night After Christmas." Bertha Toon read the minutes.

Gentry, assistant state director of AARP, conducted installation of officers. Installed were Ms. Brown, president; A.C. "Shorty" Reeves, first vice-president; Martha Dwyer, second vice-president; Ms. Toon, secretary; and Marie Knight, treasurer. Directors installed were Chester Hines, Raymond Smith and Lloyd Harlan. Berylene House, accompanied by Helen Jenkins, led a sing-along of Christmas carols. Birthdays were observed and Lavell Kee led the birthday song. Volunteers for kitchen help were Gertrude Kidwell, Ave Lee Fultz and Fern Thurston.

MIDLAND SOCIETY OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
Midland Society of University Women met at Manor Park. The Sonshiners, under direction of Doris Bruce, associate director of music at First Baptist Church, presented a variety of sacred and secular music. Twenty-one members attended with 30 residents of Manor Park as guests. Goldie Glascock was also a guest. Hostesses were Elinore Chase, Mim Curry and Anne Josefy. Members brought gifts for residents of Permian Basin Center for Battered Women and Their children. The club sponsored a party at DeZavala Elementary School. Hostesses were Ms. Curry, Sue Hardwick, Frances McCasland, Dolores Seery and Ruth Unger.

PRECEPTOR ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER, BSP
Preceptor Alpha Omega chapter of Beta Sigma Phi had a couples' Christmas party at the home of Eunice and John Dersch. A Christmas dinner was served followed by games. Attending were Jean and Dick Wilson, Elaine and Bill Conrad, Lois and Ed Heath, Dot and Bob King, Myrtle Russell, Maimie and Carl Miller, Nancie and Jack Nunan and Kathleen and Henry Wurtz.

The chapter met at the home of Dot King for a Christmas dinner and secret sister exchange. Mrs. Wurtz presided at the business meeting. The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Nunan. The chapter made a donation to the food bank. Members brought gifts to be given to the children at the Permian Basin Center for Battered Women and Children. The hostess gift was won by Mrs. Russell. Also attending were Mrs. Conrad, Mrs. Dersch, Mrs. King, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Heath and Mrs. Wilson.

THETA CONCLAVE, KKI
Theta Conclave of Kappa Kappa Iota met in the home of Kathie Hobbs with Margaret Lambeth serving as co-hostess. The group traveled to homes throughout Midland to sing Christmas carols and give treats. Members participating were Bess Barnett, Sandy Burns, Greta Elmore, Ms. Hobbs, June Hunt, Ms. Lambeth, Emma Mints, Mildred Purvis, Judy Schmidt and Gay Watkins.

Cookbooks are gifts in good taste

By Nancy Harmon Jenkins
N.Y. Times News Service

Our sober national mood seems to have permeated the world of cookbooks, for the book list this holiday season looks as restrained as anything in recent memory.

Gone are the expensive, all-encompassing, how-to-cook books like Julia Child's and Anne Willan's that delighted gift givers and recipients last year.

Gone too are the picture-packed coffee-table books that said more about the depth of the giver's pockets than they did about the recipient's needs or desires.

Still, even without the glitter, there are solid and worthy offerings available, possibly even something for everyone on your list.

For Sinophiles, "The Taste of China" (Simon & Schuster, \$29.95) by Ken Hom, is a laudable exception to the usual coffee-table gift book.

The indefatigable Hom, well known as an authority on Chinese food, set out to discover the state of Chinese cuisine today, after decades of upheaval.

He takes us into private homes; state-run, big-city restaurants; village eating halls, and market stalls.

Along the way we are introduced to good chunks of Chinese history and culture, both ancient and modern.

The book is handsomely produced, with photographs that are both evocative and frank about Chinese food habits.

Nothing is prettified here: hunks of meat displayed in the market, spare, dusty kitchens, waiters with stained and dirty aprons.

But the distinctive current of delight, even joy, that pervades pictures and text creates enchantment from the humbled of scenes.

FOR THE DEDICATED GRILLER, the one who's out in the backyard under an umbrella, turning hamburgers while the snow drifts down, there is "The Thrill of the Grill" (William Morrow & Company, \$24.95) by Chris Schlesinger and John Willoughby, full of wonderful ideas and recipes from grilled tuna steaks with a do-ahead nectarine-red-onion relish to instructions for different types of barbecue (North Carolina, Texas, etc.).

The tone is as relaxed as if Schlesinger, co-owner of the East Coast Grill in Cambridge, Mass., had pulled up a chair next to the cook: "You have to figure out your own personal refueling policy," he advises. "The one I like is one handful of coals or wood chunks to every beer."

Not all recipes require a grill, and many can be adapted to an oven broiler. My only quibble is the book's format (recipes and commentary are displayed side by side on the same page), which can cause confusion.

For Italophiles: The Italian food book category grows every season. This year's is a particularly fine crop.

One of the most exciting is Carol Field's "Celebrating Italy" (Morrow, \$24.95), a look at Italy's still vibrant traditions of festivals and celebrations and the foods (and recipes) that form a significant part of them.

These include Christian festivals like Christmas and Easter, as well as more obscure holidays like the Feast of the Redeemer in Venice



Recipe features grilled shrimp

N.Y. Times News Service

The following recipe is adapted from "The Thrill of the Grill" by Chris Schlesinger:

GRILLED SHRIMP WITH GREENS, BACON AND SWEET POTATO

16 medium-size shrimp (about 1 pound)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
1/4 pound slab bacon, cut into small cubes
1 cup cooked sweet potatoes (about 1/2 pound, diced)
1 pound chicory, cleaned, washed and dried
1/2 pound mixed greens, cleaned, washed and dried

1/4 cup balsamic vinegar

Pinch of sugar

Peel and devein shrimp but leave tails on. Thread on skewers, season with salt and pepper, and grill over medium fire, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Remove and set aside. Sauté bacon over medium heat until crisp, about 5 minutes. Remove from pan. Do not pour off bacon fat. Add sweet potatoes and cook for 2 minutes. Add chicory and greens; turn furiously, just until leaves are well covered with bacon fat. Remove greens mixture from heat; add vinegar, sugar and salt and pepper; toss. Place portions on individual plates and put skewer of shrimp on each.

in July.

THERE ARE ALSO regional festivals, many with strong, if unstated, pagan origins: the Festa dei Serpanti, a snake festival in an Abruzzese village east of Rome, or the magnificent Carnival battles in Ivrea in the Piedmont, in which bands of youths spend the days before Lent pelting each other energetically with oranges trucked in from Sicily, until the whole town reeks of fermented orange juice.

There are plenty of ritual dishes in the book, however, from breads and sweets to robust bean and lentil stews, pastas of all shapes and sizes and baked, roasted, grilled and braised meats, fish and sausages, all characteristic of one part or another, and of one season or another, of this country that is still as remarkably and intimately connected with its past as any place on earth.

Nancy Verde Barr's "We Called It Macaroni" (Alfred A. Knopf, \$21.95) is a celebration of the Italian community in Providence, R.I., where the author grew up.

Many of the recipes are "classic" Italian-American adaptations of traditional southern Italian foods, while others were developed from her trips back to the homeland. There are period photographs and interviews with members of this still very strong community.

"La Cucina di Lidia" (Doubleday, \$24.95) by Lidia Bastianich and Jay Jacobs, is similar in tone, an affectionate memoir of the cooking of the author's youth in Istria, a remote region northeast of Venice where Italy and Yugoslavia meet.

Ms. Bastianich is the chef and co-owner, with her husband, Felice, of Felidia, an esteemed New York restaurant.

HERE SHE records the robust and rustic preparations of her home, where sauerkraut and soft-shell crabs are considered as authentically Italian as risotto and balsamic vinegar.

The recipes are delightful, though sometimes rather laborious and time-intensive. Many are unusual regional preparations not found in standard Italian cookbooks.

Also in the Italian category is Giacomo Castelvetro's "Fruit, Herbs & Vegetables of Italy," written in 1614 and translated into English for the first time by Gillian Riley (Viking, \$29.95), with handsome illustrations from period art.

As a Venetian exile in England, Castelvetro set himself the goal of persuading the British, even then known as prodigious consumers of meats and sweets, to eat more fruits and vegetables.

There are no recipes as such, but his good humor and good sense are attractive, and his attitude toward food would not be out of place in Italy today.

For the culinary scholar who wants a cookbook that goes beyond recipes to tell an enthralling story, there is Jennifer Brennan's "Curries and Bugles" (HarperCollins, \$25), subtitled "A Memoir and a Cookbook of the British Raj."

With obvious affection and wit, Ms. Brennan, raised in India in the last days of Britain's empire, shares memories of prodigious hunt breakfasts, Christmases, birthday parties, regimental teas and ladies' nights, along with more everyday fare.

RECIPES ARE both Anglo and Indian, with dishes like peshawari pasande (lamb marinated and simmered in yogurt and spices, cardamom, turmeric, saffron and coriander) sharing space with Karachi

Club champagne cup and Granny Whitburn's Scottish whisky marmalade.

The recipes are not as clear as one might wish and should be read with care before proceeding.

For fish-lovers, "Fish: The Basics" (Simon & Schuster, \$24.95) by Shirley King, is possibly the last fish cookbook you'll ever buy.

Even expert cooks will find this useful, while beginners who follow the book's wise and measured guidance will quickly feel comfortable with seafood, in the fish market, in the restaurant or at the kitchen stove.

The book includes advice about buying and storing different types of fish; an intelligent discussion of seafood's health benefits; basic cooking methods and individual recipes with variations. The book may appear dauntingly encyclopedic at first, but anyone with even a slight interest in fish should press on.

For irrepressible meat lovers there is "The Useful Pig" (HarperCollins), by Roberta Wolfe Smoler, a collection of traditional and unusual pork recipes from around the world, with a few of the author's own devising — pork with Moroccan preserved lemons, for instance.

This is a savory compendium with one disappointment; I would have liked an acknowledgement that pork is peculiarly a subject on which the world is divided between adorers (Chinese, Europeans) and abhorers (Jews, Muslims). No one has ever satisfactorily explained why.

FOR LOVERS OF African-American food, an increasingly difficult cuisine to define, there is "Family of the Spirit Cookbook" (Simon & Schuster, \$24.95) by John Pinderhughes, a compendium of recipes from black cooks, along with portraits taken by the author, a New York photographer.

Some of these are familiar: Verta Mae Grosvenor from National Public Radio and Leah Chase, chef and co-owner of Dooky Chase's Restaurant in New Orleans. Others are obviously much-loved relatives and friends.

What makes the food African-American seems to be simply that African-Americans cook it.

From crab cakes to bread and butter pickles, this is more or less the traditional good food of country folk in the eastern part of America — which is, to my mind, as fine a definition as any.

There are two books for bakers: Susan G. Purdy's "As Easy as Pie" (Collier Books, \$14.95) details all manner of pies, sweet and savory, cream pies, fruit and berry pies, dumplings and cobbles, meat and fish pies, a few pizza recipes and even that old suburban standby, grasshopper pie, without a trace of the dreaded frozen whip.

Recipes are clear, and there are enough basic pastry instructions to turn the most fumble-fingered neophyte into an expert pie maker.

"Ken Haedrich's Country Baking" (Bantam, \$24.95) is a down-home book with recipes for breads and muffins, pies and tarts, pizzas, cakes, cookies and crackers.

This is a back-to-the-land sort of book, with plenty of whole-grain preparations but not at all hortatory in tone.

Reading through it, you might dream of installing Haedrich in your own kitchen; his recipes are the next best thing.

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WEDDINGS

SMITH-SEAY

Rebecca Suzanne Smith of Midland became the bride of John Gray Seay, also of Midland, 2 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church Chapel in Midland. The Rev. Dr. Kenneth Patraick of Big Spring officiated.

Parents of the bride are Judy Smith of Big Spring and the late Jimmy Ray Smith. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Seay Sr. of Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Nancy Dunnam of Midland was matron of honor for her sister. Best men were Michael Seay of Georgetown and Matthew Seay of Annapolis, Md., sons of the bridegroom. The bride also was attended by her brother, Stephen R. Smith of Big Spring.

The bride earned bachelor of business administration and master of business administration degrees from Texas Tech University. She is vice president of ClayDesta National Bank. Her husband, who graduated from the University of



Mrs. John Gray Seay

Southeast Missouri and earned his master's degree from Ohio University, is president of Seay Exploration Inc.

After a wedding trip to Barbados, British West Indies, the couple will live in Midland.

WITTE-STRICKLING

OKLAHOMA CITY — Tina Marie Witte of Guthrie became the bride of Joseph Dodd Strickling of Oklahoma City 6 p.m. Nov. 30 at Christ the King Church in Oklahoma City. The Rev. Gerald K. Mayfield officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Don Farr of Mangum, Okla. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Alfred Strickling Jr. of Midland, Texas.

Sarah Richardson of Irvine, Calif., was maid of honor. Bridesmaid was Diane Elizabeth Strickling of Irving, Texas, sister of the bridegroom. Alexis Anne Strickling of Midland, niece of the bridegroom, was flower girl.

Benjamin Alfred Strickling III of Midland was best man for his brother. Stephen Michael Strickling of Midland, brother of the bridegroom, was groomsmen. Ushers were Troy Don Farr of Blair, Okla., brother of the bride, and John Coffman of Midland. Ring



Mrs. Joseph Dodd Strickling

bearers were Kelly Michael Strickling of Midland, nephew of the bridegroom, and Seth Farr of Blair, nephew of the bride.

Following a wedding trip to New Orleans, the couple lives in Oklahoma City.

HILLGER-LOTT

Kerry Ann Hillger of Greenwood became the bride of Jeffery Dale Lott of Midland 2 p.m. Saturday at St. Luke's United Methodist Church. The Rev. Ron Colwell of Greenwood United Methodist Church officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Hillger of Greenwood. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Lott of Midland.

Kimberly Pulse of Greenwood was maid of honor. Cindy Hammond of Midland, sister of the bridegroom, was bridesmatron. Bridesmaids were Stacy Hillger of Greenwood, sister of the bride, and Landi Orr, Jamie Evans and Renee Foster, all of Midland. Flower girl was Genie Lee Hammonds of Midland, niece of the bridegroom.

Chad Gammage of Denton was best man. Groomsmen were Keith Deramus and Kevin Deramus of Benton, Ark., and Brent Hammonds, Brett Watkins and Shawn



Mrs. Jeffery Dale Lott

Grandy, all of Midland. Ushers were Joey Sims of Midland, Scott Gant of Midland, Dee Lott of Ackery, and Travis Lott of Big Lake. The couple lives in Midland.

MARTINEZ-JOHNSON

LUBBOCK — Ford Chapel at First Baptist Church in Lubbock was the setting for the 7 p.m. Saturday wedding of Maria Clara Martinez of Medellin, Columbia, South America, and Mark Edwin Johnson of Midland. The Rev. Dr. John Ballard officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Horacio and Emma Maria Martinez of Medellin. Parents of the bridegroom are Bill and Nelda Johnson of Midland.

Rita Lappen of Lubbock was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Teresa Narey and Jenny Waddell, both of Lubbock.

Sam Driskill of Houston served as best man. Groomsmen were Mike Johnson of San Antonio and Basilio Lakas of Panama City, Panama.

The bride is a graduate of Texas Tech University. Her husband



Mrs. Mark Edwin Johnson

graduated from Angelo State University. The couple will live in San Angelo.

RAGAN-PAYNE

NEW ORLEANS — Anita Louise Ragan of West Virginia and Terry Dean Payne of Midland, Texas, were married in New Orleans.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lee Goforth of Bluefield, W. Va. The bridegroom is the son of Betty Nell Payne of Midland and the late Jerry Dewayne Payne.

The bride earned a master of science degree in speech pathology from West Virginia University. She is employed with Jefferson Parish Public School System. Her husband graduated from the University of Texas with a bachelor of science degree in petroleum engineering. He is a petroleum engineer with Chevron USA.

Following a honeymoon in Hawaii, the couple lives in New Orleans.



Mrs. Terry Dean Payne

WOLF-HOUSTON

WICHITA FALLS — Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church was the setting for the 1 p.m. Dec. 15 wedding of Carla Kay Wolf and David Samuel Houston. The Rev. Bill Winaski officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Wolf of Burkburnett. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Terry Houston of Midland.

Jayne Elliott of Lamesa was maid of honor. Arlene Childress of Wichita Falls was bridesmaid.

Jim Duddleston of Denver, Colo., served as best man. Keith McDonald of Denton was groomsmen. Ushers were Keith Craig, Jay Fluit, Heath McGehee and James Wolf, brother of the bride.

After a wedding trip to Orlando, Fla., the couple lives in Fort Worth.



Mrs. David Samuel Houston

BEARD-PARKER

HILLSBORO — Barbara Lynn Beard of Fort Worth became the bride of Robert Dean Parker, also of Fort Worth, 7 p.m. Saturday at First Presbyterian Church of Hillsboro. The Rev. Bob R. Moon officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom H. Beard Sr. of Hillsboro. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Price Parker of Midland.

Londa Beard of Hillsboro was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Sandra Parker and Sara Parker of Midland, sisters of the bridegroom, and Carol Beard of Fort Worth. Bridesmatron was Jean Beard of Hillsboro. Stacy Mobley of Houston was flower girl.

Steven Don Parker of Midland served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Robert Beard of College Station, Tom H. Beard Jr. of Hillsboro and Charles Beard of Hillsboro, brothers of the bride; Waymond Holland of Fort Worth; Royce Leeper of Oklahoma City; Brian Wilkes of Plano; and Patrick



Mrs. Robert Dean Parker

E. Clemons of Fort Worth. Ushers were Bill Crist of Waco, nephew of the bride, and Monty Bowers of Fort Worth. Christopher Allman Beard of Hillsboro, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

After a honeymoon in New Orleans, the couple will live in Fort Worth.

Fathers also juggle home, career

By Carol Lawson
N.Y. Times News Service

PRINCETON, N.J. — For the 16 people seated around a horseshoe-shaped mahogany table in their company's conference room here, lunch was sandwiches and park-bench talk.

As they ate, they shared worries about a deep concern in their lives: how to pursue a demanding career yet be an involved parent. Here is what some of them had to say:

"I have so little time with my child. I feel so guilty."

"The stress factor is astronomical. There is so much pressure on my time at work and at home."

"I feel like I'm stretching myself as far as I can. I fear it's going to take a toll on my health."

These were not mothers talking. All the speakers were fathers.

"Fathers are beginning to talk about the same issues that working mothers are struggling with," James A. Levine told the group.

"Men feel torn between juggling their jobs and a commitment to being a father. They feel pulled in both directions."

Levine, who studies and writes about the behavior of the man he calls "the new father," was leading one of the fatherhood seminars he conducts in the offices of major corporations around the nation.

This one was at an office of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, and it drew a diverse group of men from marketing, accounting, international banking and other departments in the company.

TO A PREVIOUS generation, the new father was a bleary-eyed male who struggled to survive his baby's 2 a.m. feedings and get a few hours of sleep before shuffling off to work.

Today the term has taken on new meaning: the new father is perceived as a man who has thrown himself into the total world of child care: the good, the bad and the messy.

Levine, a former vice president of the Bank Street College of Education, defined the new father for his audience as a man who "attempts to make child rearing an important part of his life."

"It does not mean that a man gives up a career or the drive to succeed," said the 43-year-old speaker, who began studying changing patterns of fatherhood in the early 1970s with a Ford Foundation grant. "It means trying to achieve more balance."

As evidence of the emergence of a new father, Levine listed a number of trends: an increase in men who take time off from work following the birth of a child; an increase in men who drop off children and pick them up at day-care centers; the growing visibility of men in pediatricians' offices and parenting classes; the installation

'Fathers are beginning to talk about the same issues that working mothers are struggling with.'

— James A. Levine
leader of seminar on fatherhood

of diaper-changing tables in men's rooms in airports and train stations; the high visibility of fathers with babies in advertisements and an increase in the number of men who attend the birth of their children.

"Thirty years ago it was virtually unheard of for men to attend childbirth," Levine said. "Twenty years ago, less than 10 percent of men did. Today, the number is over 90 percent."

HE ALSO mentioned the small but growing examples of men who turn down employers' requests to relocate because they do not want to uproot their families, or who switch to less demanding jobs so they can spend more time with their children.

Still, Levine was careful to say he did not want to overstate his case.

"There is a tendency today to hype fatherhood, to say that everything has changed dramatically," said the speaker, who has interviewed hundreds of men nationwide.

"We are seeing an evolution, not a revolution. It is a mistake to overdramatize the new fatherhood, but it is also a mistake to say that men are acting the way they always have."

Other researchers who have studied contemporary fathers also take a cautionary view. "Fatherhood is changing more in the media than in reality, but there is some real behavioral change out there," said Joseph H. Pleck, Luce professor of family studies at Wheaton College in Norton, Mass.

In the opinion of Dr. Kyle D. Pruett, clinical professor of psychiatry at the Yale Child Study Center, the emergence of today's father "is not like discovering a new moon around Neptune."

"Still, there are subtle shifts," said Pruett, author of "The Nurturing Father" (Warner Books, 1988). "We are raising a generation of children who expect their fathers to be more than baby sitters in their lives."

Levine said he agreed with the assessment of the sociologist Arlie Hochschild that probably no more than 20 percent of men fully share with their wives the responsibilities and chores of fatherhood.

MS. HOCHSCHILD made that statement in her book "The Second Shift" (Viking, 1989), which argued that "most women work one shift at the office or factory and a 'second shift' at home."

Levine, who is married to his high school sweetheart and is the

father of two children, told the Merrill Lynch audience that changes in fatherhood can best be seen "in a very long-term perspective."

He recalled that when he began writing his 1976 book "Who Will Raise the Children: New Options for Fathers (and Mothers)," (J.B. Lippincott) no state allowed joint custody of children in divorce cases.

"Now over half the states have legislation allowing it," he said.

Paternity leave did not have much support at that time, either, Levine said.

At a 1974 hearing in California, a public official called it "completely ridiculous" for a father to take time off from work to care for a new baby, he said.

That kind of thinking had deep support, according to his book, which presented stories of pioneering men who had chosen to take on major responsibility for the care of their young children.

Many people believed, as Dr. Bruno Bettelheim wrote in 1956, that "the male physiology and that part of his psychology based on it are not geared to infant care."

Another expert, Dr. Haim Ginott, is quoted as saying in his best-selling 1975 book, "Between Parent and Child," that if a father engages in activities like feeding, diapering and bathing a baby, "there is the danger that the baby may end up with two mothers, rather than a mother and a father."

LEVINE BECAME interested in the role of fathers in 1968, when he taught preschool in Oakland, Calif.

"I was constantly being asked, 'What do you really do?'" he said.

"That question never would have been asked of women. I began to realize that people had different expectations for men, that men weren't supposed to connect with young children."

In 1973, he received the Ford Foundation grant to study fathers who were caring for young children. His research became the basis for "Who Will Raise the Children."

As he began his study, he found that little had been written from the point of view of fathers.

It was the norm for studies of parents to be based solely on interviews with mothers, even a 1989 study titled "Father Participation in Infancy."

In 1981 Levine began the Fatherhood Project, which conducts research and acts as a national clearinghouse on issues related to

fatherhood.

He operated the project out of Bank Street until last year, when he moved it to the new Families and Work Institute, a non-profit research organization in New York.

He also runs James Levine Communications Inc., a consulting and literary agency that specializes in developing projects related to childhood education and family life.

The project's current research, financed by the Ford Foundation, is a study of how corporate policy and culture support or inhibit men in balancing their commitments to work and family.

The study centers on samplings of men who work at Apple Computer, Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation and the New York law firm of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy.

"We are slowly bringing fathers into focus as part of the family picture," Levine said.

"It is almost like we have discovered there are fathers out there. The question for the 90s is, how do we allow them to be full participants in family life?"



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Photos should be vertical, black and white, glossy finish, studio portraits. Studio color pictures may be submitted, but quality reproduction cannot be assured. Snapshots generally are not acceptable and Polaroid shots are not accepted. The MRT reserves the right to deny publication of any photo due to quality or content.

There is no charge for publication of photographs and stories.

ENGAGEMENTS

MORRIS-RHODIHE

Sheri Lee Morris and Craig W. Rhodihe, both of Midland, are planning to be married 7 p.m. Jan. 26 at First Christian Church in McKinney. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lee Morris of Lucas. Parents of the future bridegroom are Dr. and Mrs. C.N. Rhodihe of Laramie, Wyo.

Miss Morris earned a bachelor of business administration degree in marketing from Texas Tech University. Her fiancé graduated from the University of Wyoming with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. Both are employed with Texas Instruments.



Sheri Lee Morris and Craig W. Rhodihe

WILLIAMS-POOL

Natalie Anette Williams of Palo Pinto and John Lee Pool of Lubbock are planning to be married 2 p.m. Dec. 29 at Grafado Church of Christ in Grafado. The bride-elect is the daughter of Bobby and Marie Williams of Palo Pinto. Parents of the future bridegroom are Richard Pool of Midland and Betty Higgins of Plano.

Miss Williams is a 1988 graduate of Mineral Wells High School and a student at Lubbock Christian University, where she is an elementary education major. She is a member of Christliche Damen. Her fiancé graduated from Lee High School in 1988 and is a pre-law student at Texas Tech University. He is a member of Pre-law Society and the Texas Army National Guard.

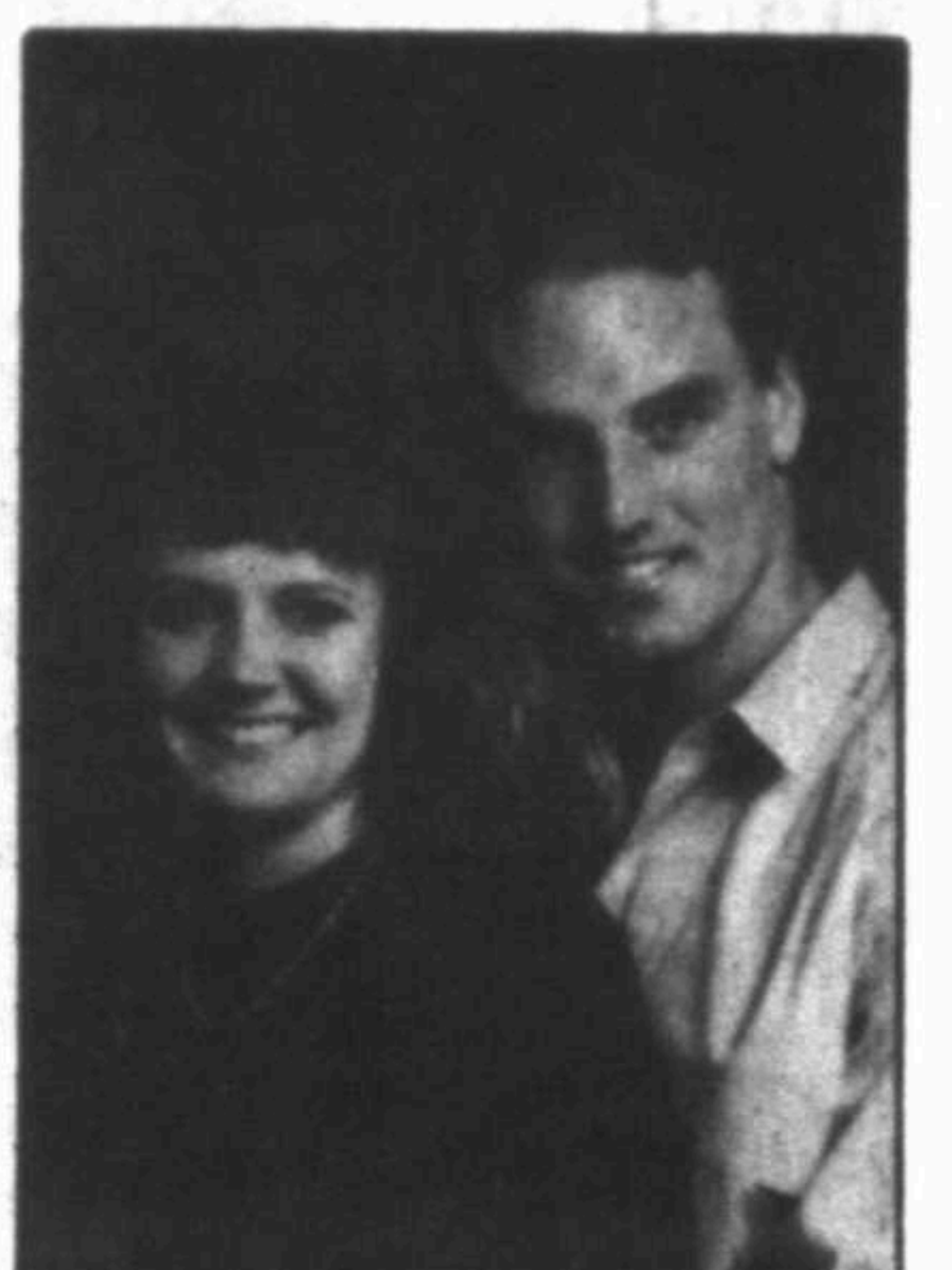


Natalie Anette Williams and John Lee Pool

CUMINGS-TUCKER

Amy Joyce Cumings of College Station and Kevin Daryl Tucker of Angleton are planning to be married 2 p.m. Jan. 12 at A&M United Methodist Church in College Station. The bride-elect is the daughter of Norman and Susan Cumings of College Station. Parents of the future bridegroom are Milford and Elisabeth Tucker of Angleton.

Miss Cumings is a 1987 graduate of Midland High School and a student at Texas A&M University. Her fiancé graduated from Angleton High School in 1988 and attends Texas A&M.



Amy Joyce Cumings and Kevin Daryl Tucker

TURNER-POTTER

J.W. and Joy Turner of Midland announce the engagement of their daughter Deborah Kay to Ronald Gene Potter, also of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Brooks and Juanell Potter of Midland. The wedding is planned for 3 p.m. Jan. 19 at Crestview Baptist Church.

Miss Turner graduated from Piedmont High School in Piedmont, Okla. She is employed with Midland Child Care Center. Her fiancé is a graduate of Lee High School in Midland and is employed with Werner Trucking Co.



Deborah Kay Turner

WHEAT-KAIL

Lee Elise Wheat and Shane Kail, both of Midland, are planning an 8 p.m. June 22 wedding at First Baptist Church in Big Spring. Parents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Wheat of Big Spring. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Kail of Midland.

Miss Wheat graduated from Big Spring High School in 1982, and earned a bachelor of science from Angelo State University in 1986. She earned a master of education degree from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1989, and is an English teacher and varsity volleyball coach with Midland Independent School District at Lee High School. Her fiancé is a 1980 graduate of Midland High School and a 1982 graduate of Midland College. He attended ASU and is employed with Community National Bank.



Lee Elise Wheat and Shane Kail

GOMEZ-REYES

Becky Gomez and Arturo Reyes, both of Midland, plan to marry 6 p.m. Dec. 31 at Living Way Four Square Church. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix R. Gomez of Midland. Parents of the bridegroom-elect are Mr. and Mrs. Julian Reyes of Midland.

The bride-elect attended Midland High School and is employed at Latino's Barber Shop. Her fiancé is a 1987 Lee High School graduate and is employed at Dimension Cable Services.

ANNIVERSARIES

Bryants celebrate anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Bryant of Midland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to the West Coast. Bryant and the former Mary Evelyn Taggart were married Dec. 22, 1940, in Knott.

The couple has two children, Larry Bryant of Alpine and Patty Bryant of Midland, as well as three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The Bryants have spent their married life in Midland, where Bryant was owner and operator of ABC Extermination for 36 years before his retirement. Mrs. Bryant, owner of Tradearama for 12 years, is present owner of Words and Music. The couple attends Greenwood Baptist Church. Mrs. Bryant is active in Midland County Extension Homemakers Association.



Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Bryant

Couple reaffirms wedding vows

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee Matlock of Midland celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a reaffirmation of their wedding vows ceremony 4 p.m. Saturday at Midland Christian Fellowship. Attending the couple were their children and their spouses, Benny and Candy Matlock, Kevin and Tina Matlock, and Rory and Katrina McKinney, all of Midland. The Rev. Dan Schiel officiated. After the ceremony, a reception honoring the couple was presented in Fellowship Hall.

Matlock and the former Sheila (Sam) Allen were married 4 p.m. Dec. 23, 1965, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Finis Martin of Midland. In addition to their three children, the couple has three grandchildren.

Matlock, who retired from the Midland Police Department in August 1988, became Sergeant of Youth Services for Midland County Sheriff's Department that year. Mrs. Matlock, who was formerly employed in the oil industry, is a homemaker and is current president of Midland Sheriff's Auxiliary. Both are active members of Midland Christian Fellowship.

Do-it-yourself wedding feast cuts costs

By Jan Norris

N.Y. Times News Service

Weddings are big business, and a large part of the business is the wedding feast. Catering the affair-after-the-affair can cost a few thousand, not counting the money spent on aspirin for all the headaches involved.

The alternative, preparing the food yourself, is not for those with weak hearts. Culinary perfection on a plate — every couple's dream for their wedding reception — will take some last-minute preparation, a factor lacking in most wedding plans.

A feast for 50 or even 100 can be pulled off, however, by doing much of the work in advance, and relying on the last-minute help of a few friends who boast both a sense of adventure and some kitchen talent.

First and foremost, decide whether you really can do this, said Jan Conger of Great Performances Catering in Tequesta, Fla. In order to make an educated decision about it, sit down and assess the situation from all angles.

"The most important consideration is the number of guests that will be served. Ask yourself, 'Can I logistically do this?' If I were doing my own wedding, I'd keep it to no more than 100 people," she said. With any more than 100, it would pay to hire a caterer, Conger said.

Figure your location, and the number of people willing to help set up and serve during the actual reception.

Barbara Ferrell of Petals and Parties in Lake Worth, Fla., advises home caterers to keep things as simple as possible. "It depends on what time of day, where you're doing it, all sorts of things, but I'd go with cold foods if possible, cold cuts, that sort of thing, that you can just pull out and serve. It depends, of course, on whether you have refrigeration."

Food choices are the other big consideration, Conger said. "Sit down and plan the menu down to the details," she said. Don't forget to include table settings, garnishes, service dishes and trash receptacles. Plan a preparation timetable, and number of people needed to serve the foods. Line up the servers and cooks well in advance.

After you set the menu, visualize your reception, and the food layouts. Include plenty of colorful items for tables, whether in table linens, flowers or food, but keep things simple. Waxy green leaves set off foods nicely.

Baskets of fruits in season add extra color. "There's nothing prettier than just a basket of fresh strawberries. Don't wash them — wipe them gently, and put them out with bowls of sour cream, brown sugar and confectioners' sugar for dipping. Absolutely beautiful," Conger said.

Do as much ahead of time as possible. A week before the wedding is a good time to wrap up the advance work and still have an element of freshness to the foods.

"Pick recipes that freeze well. Most cookbooks indicate whether a dish will freeze. Do the parts of a dish that can be done ahead, and put them in the freezer or in the refrigerator," Conger said.

Some quick food ideas: ■ Stuffed mushroom caps. Make the filling in advance and freeze; prepare the caps for stuffing at last minute.

■ Phyllo-filled pastries. Fill strudel-dough triangles or squares, shape and freeze on trays until hard; put in container and have ready to bake at last minute.

■ Stuffed chicken breasts. Make stuffing in advance, or freeze stuffed, raw breasts, then bake morning of wedding. Watch storage on these; they must be kept either cold or hot — never left out.

■ Meatballs. "There's nothing wrong with a good meatball," Conger says. Use good quality meats, or have some ground fresh. Mix with herbs and seasonings and roll out; freeze on trays until hard, then put in container to keep frozen. Make sauce ahead and freeze if possible. "Bake them off, though. Never fry a meatball," Conger said.

■ Chicken wings. Buffalo-style wings may be a poor choice because of the mess, so instead use a pretty hot-fruit dipping sauce. Melt commercial apricot preserves or orange marmalade, add a pinch of cayenne for a "bite," and serve in dipping bowls.

■ Finger sandwiches. The simplest of all foods can be made elegant, Conger said, by using fancy breads with crusts trimmed, cut into pretty shapes. Cut the bread a day or two ahead, and store with a few damp paper towels in a plastic container in the refrigerator. Make the sandwich fillings in advance.

Conger said the rule of thumb for figuring how much to serve is to figure six pieces of food per person per hour, and 8 ounces of beverage per person per hour, depending on the weather.

If, after planning, you decide you need help but still can't afford a fully catered reception, consider two other options: Pay a caterer to draw up a menu (Conger charges a flat \$100), which will spell out how much food to buy, recipes, and a service plan; or supplement your foods with catered or store-bought foods.

Keep in mind your guests' needs. Many are on restricted diets, and it's smart to include sugar- and egg-free foods for those guests. Make sure other foods are clearly visible; don't hide shellfish, liver, raw onions, or foods that might bother some diners.

A host of good wedding planning books is available at the public library. Good basic cookbooks also have sections on entertaining; consult these for additional recipes.

One last tip: As long as you're cooking, pack a "honeymoon snack basket" for you and your beloved. You probably won't have time to eat at the reception.

Wedding recipes that follow were adapted from the "Crabtree

and Evelyn Cook Book," 1989, Stewart, Tabori & Chang.

ORZO CONFETTI SALAD

4 1/2 cups uncooked orzo (rice-shaped pasta)
6 tablespoons white wine vinegar
1 cup olive oil
3 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
1 cup finely chopped carrots
2 plum tomatoes, seeded and finely chopped
1 cup finely chopped green and red peppers
1 cup finely chopped celery
1 cup finely chopped red onion, optional
1 cup minced fresh parsley
Freshly ground black pepper
2 to 4 heads Belgian endive, leaves separated
2 heads radicchio, leaves separated

Bring large pot of water to boil over high heat; add orzo and 1 tablespoon salt and boil for about 8 minutes, or until pasta is cooked firm. Drain and rinse under cold water to stop cooking; set aside to drain well.

In small bowl, combine vinegar, mustard and pepper to taste, whisk in oil; set dressing aside.

Bring small saucepan of water to a boil over high heat; add carrots and blanch for 2 minutes. Drain.

In large bowl, combine orzo with chopped vegetables. Add dressing and toss well. Refrigerate, covered, up to 2 days in advance.

When ready to serve, place salad in large bowl with freshly washed endive and radicchio leaves on sides for eating with fingers.

Makes 20 cocktail servings.

CRAB PHYLLO PURSES

(Note: Keep phyllo leaves covered with damp cloths while working to prevent drying. Handle with care.)
1/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) unsalted butter
6 tablespoons minced green onion
2 tablespoons dry vermouth
4 teaspoons Dijon-style mustard
4 tablespoons minced parsley
2 tablespoons minced fresh dill, or 2 tablespoons dried
4 drops Tabasco or other hot pepper sauce
1/4 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/4 pound fresh crab meat, picked over to remove shell bits
1/4 cup creme fraiche or sour cream
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
6 sheets (12x16-inches each) phyllo pastry dough — see note
1/4 cup dry bread crumbs
1 tablespoon freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Melt 1/4 cup of the butter in small saucepan over very low heat; set aside.

Melt remaining 4 tablespoons butter in medium skillet, add green onions, and cook over medium-low heat until softened, about 3 minutes. Stir in vermouth and mustard and cook, stirring, about 2 minutes. Add parsley, dill, Tabasco, Worcestershire sauce, crab, and creme fraiche. Season with

salt and pepper and stir to blend thoroughly. Remove from heat and let cool to room temperature.

Preheat oven to 375 if baking immediately.

Spread phyllo sheets out on flat surface between 2 slightly damp kitchen towels. In a small bowl, combine bread crumbs and cheese.

Carefully remove one sheet of phyllo and place on another damp towel on a flat surface (recovering remaining phyllo), brush it with melted butter, then sprinkle lightly with some bread crumb mixture.

Fold phyllo in half to form an 8-by-12 inch rectangle. Brush again with butter. Using a sharp knife, cut phyllo into six 4-inch squares.

Mound about 1 1/2 teaspoons crab mixture in center of each square. Carefully gather up edges of squares with fingers and pinch together in centers to form plump "purses." Brush centers and edges with butter to prevent cracking.

Place on lightly greased baking sheet; repeat with remaining ingredients. Freeze on baking sheets, if desired, until hard, then carefully remove to a tall container so as not to break phyllo. Note: They must be sealed in airtight container to prevent drying.

When ready to bake, remove from oven, thaw slightly; bake at 375 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes or until lightly browned and crisp. Transfer to wire rack to cool slightly.

Note: Phyllo (fillo) dough can be found in the frozen dough section of most grocery stores.

SESAME-CHEESE WAFERS

1/4 cup sesame seeds
1 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons cold, unsalted butter, cut into small pieces
1/4 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese

Spread sesame seeds in skillet and toast over medium high heat, shaking pan, until seeds are golden. Remove to cool.

Combine flour, baking powder, and salt in food processor and pulse to blend. (Or mix by hand using pastry blender or two knives.) Add butter and cheese and process until mixture forms coarse crumbs. Add 2 tablespoons cold water and process until mixture forms a ball, adding 1/4 table-spoons more water if needed to make dough adhere.

Shape dough into log about 1 1/4 inches in diameter. Spread toasted sesame seeds on a sheet of waxed paper and roll log in seeds until surface is covered. Wrap log in plastic wrap and chill for at least 2 hours or overnight. Place remaining seeds in a small dish or jar.

To bake, preheat oven to 425 degrees.

Slice dough into 1/4-inch slices using sharp knife. Dip one side of each wafer in remaining seeds to cover and place seed-side up on ungreased baking sheet. Bake wafers for 7 to 10 minutes or until golden. Let cool on wire racks.

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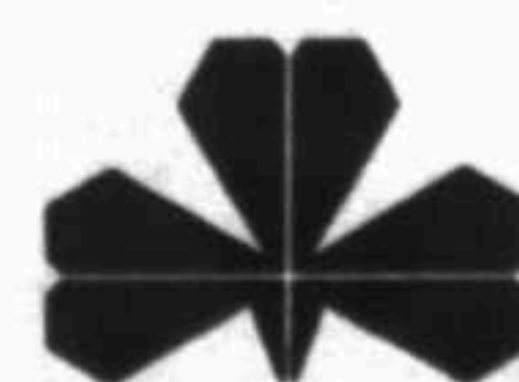
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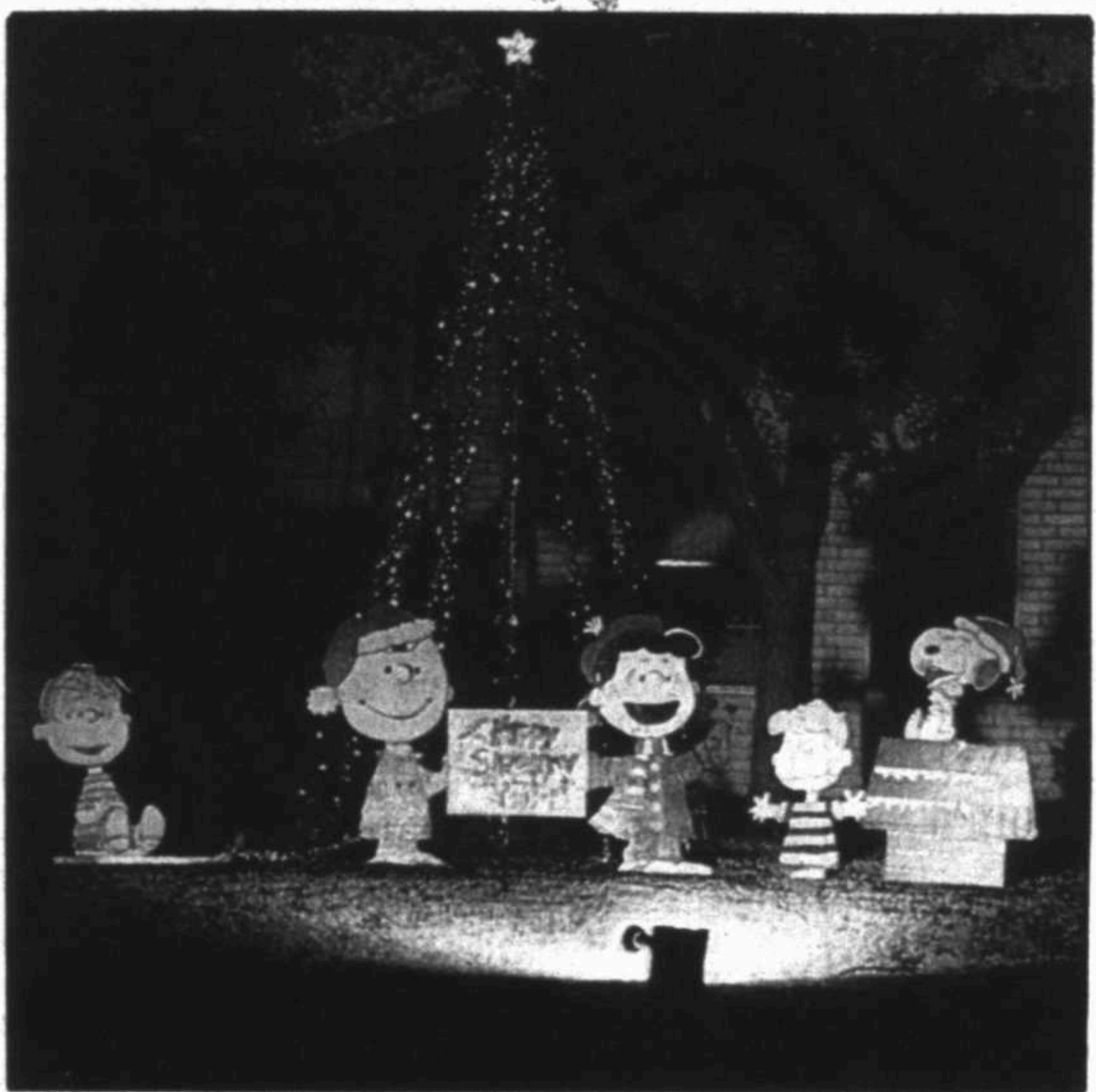
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Christmas Night Lights



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"Light Up Midland" is only the beginning for Missouri transplant Gail Meads, who said response to the first-ever Christmas decoration contest was so encouraging that she wants to do it again and more next year.

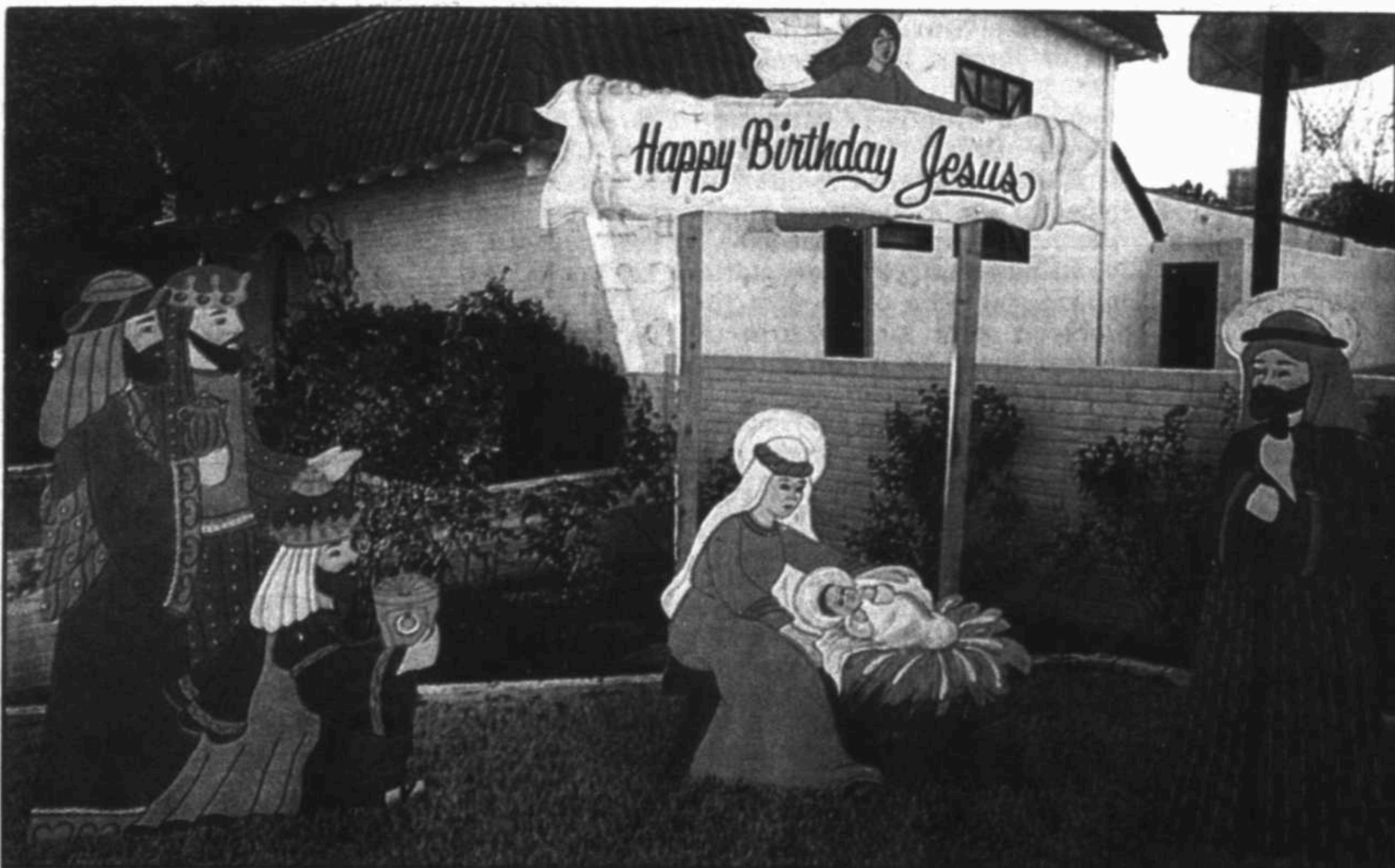
Mrs. Meads said Christmas may be her favorite time of the year. "I can get away with more craziness and be eccentric at Christmas without people looking at me funny," she said.

"But really, I want to be in anything that has to do with happiness, joy and silliness."

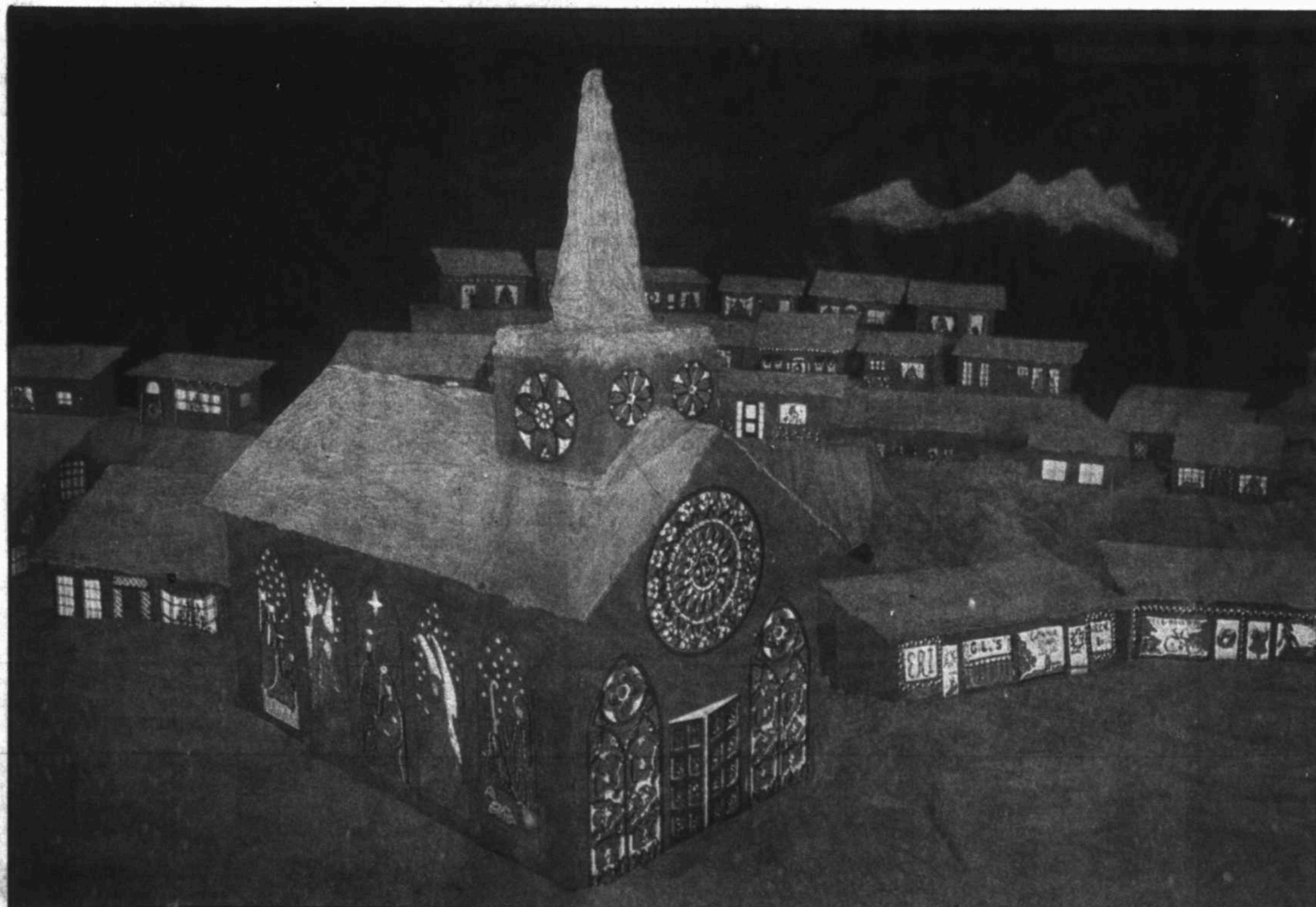
Mrs. Meads and her husband, Frank, came up with the idea of "Light Up Midland" when they found the city and county lacked a contest. They've always gone all out for the season and reckoned others would too with a little incentive.

So she sweet-talked Bill Williams Sports into contributing the grand prize plaque and first prize plaques for all lights and outdoor display. Core Craft Etc. has provided engraved cross-sections of drilling core as the second and third prizes in the two categories.

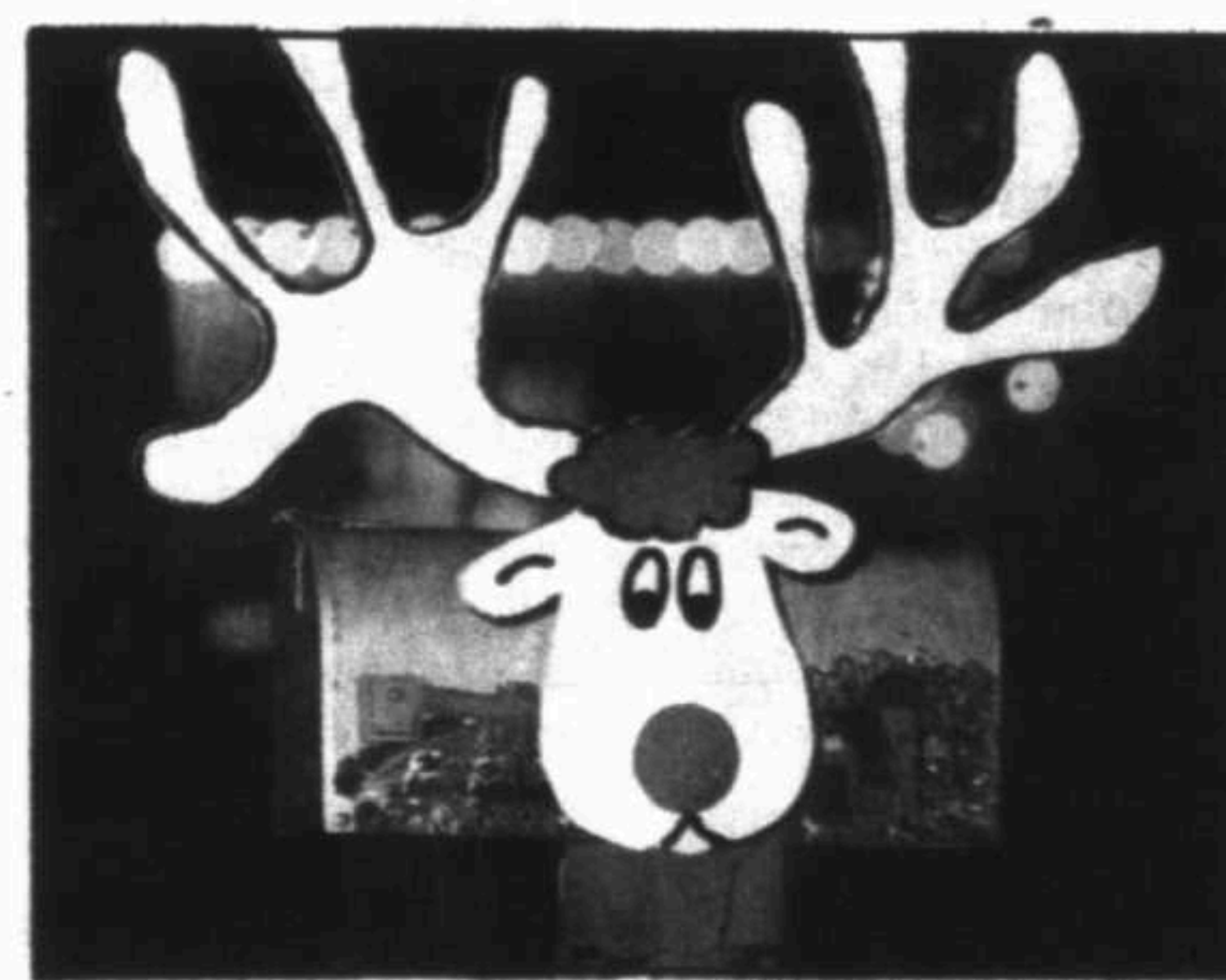
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Many Midland residents enthusiastically joined in the fun of this year's "Light Up Midland" Christmas lights contest. Photos, clockwise from top, are: Santa's sleigh and "moving" reindeer at 4013 Godfrey Street; a manger scene at 3302 Ma Mar; reindeer mailbox at No. 1 Chatham Court; black light snow-covered village at 2513 Gulf Avenue; "Our Troops Need Mail" window display on Stanolind Avenue; and the Peanuts gang wishing "Happy Birthday, Jesus" on Ward Street.

Text by Erin Blair

Last-minute inspiration suggested

By Holly Hanson,
Donna Lemons and
Meda Kessler

N.Y. Times News Service

'Twas the weekend before Christmas, and all through the house — let's face it, it's chaos.

Despite your best intentions, you've still got lots to do. There are presents to buy, cards to address and cookies to bake. You've got company coming, and you still haven't put up the tree. And when will you find time to prepare a Christmas turkey, let alone have the neighbors over for an eggnog toast?

Relax. The holidays are supposed to be fun, not frantic. And although you've only got another day to get ready, don't panic. We've got some tips for last-minute gifts and mood-brightening Christmas music and movies, as well as ways you can pamper yourself and your friends during this festive, busy season.

We guarantee they'll help you make it to the holidays with Christmas spirit intact.

TO GET INTO the spirit of the season, all it takes is a little mood music. Fortunately, no matter what your taste in tunes, it's likely your favorite artist has recorded a Christmas album. Here are our recommendations, from the London Symphony to the Wall of Sound:

■ A classic for everyone — "Christmas with Johnny Mathis." Few can carry a Christmas tune like this man. (Columbia, \$9.99 CD)

■ Bing Crosby's "Christmas Classics." You say you missed "White Christmas" on the tube? Not to fret. Bing is well-preserved here, especially on chestnuts such as "Let It Snow, Let It Snow." (Capitol, \$15.99 CD)

■ "A Very Special Christmas." This 1987 release benefiting the Special Olympics is still a great choice if you want to rock a little. Our favorites? The Boss (Bruce Springsteen) singing "Merry Christmas Baby" and Run-D.M.C. singing "Christmas in Hollis." (A&M, \$15.99 CD)

■ "A Christmas Gift For You From Phil Spector" is what you put on when you need a little soul amongst all the Christmas cheer. The legendary Wall of Sound never sounded better than on "Winter Wonderland" and "Christmas (Baby Please Come Home)." (Phil Spector Records Inc. \$14.99 CD)

■ Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker" performed by the London Symphony. This movie soundtrack not only sounds wonderful, but is beautifully packaged as well. (Telard, \$25.99)

■ James Galway's "Christmas Carols." The master flutist is backed by the Royal Philharmonic and gives Christmas a European touch with lesser-known tunes such as "Ave Maria" and "Sheep May Safely Graze." (RCA, \$15.99 CD)

IF YOUR FAMILY has already had its ritual viewing of "It's a Wonderful Life" (or you've seen it so many times you can recite every line of the dialogue), you may be in the market for a new holiday video. Here's our list of soon-to-be Christmas classics, all available at Blockbuster Video stores:

■ "A Christmas Story." A cute kid longs for a regulation Red Ryder air rifle in Jean Shepherd's



hilarious memoir of a special Christmas in the 1940s.

■ "Scrooged." A slapstick comedy starring Bill Murray as a TV executive who comes to regret his miserly ways.

■ "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation." Chevy Chase invites the family over for the holidays in this comedy.

■ "Ernest Saves Christmas." Another comedy, starring the goofy Jim Varney.

■ "The Gathering." A sentimental made-for-TV movie starring Ed Asner and Maureen Stapleton.

■ "A Christmas Carol." The classic 1951 version, with Alastair Sim as Scrooge.

■ "An American Christmas Carol." Henry Winkler tries out the role of Scrooge in this remake.

■ "Prancer." Santa's reindeer lands in a little girl's barn.

■ "A Dream for Christmas." Hari Rhodes stars as a minister assigned to a poor Southern church.

■ "A Christmas Without Snow." John Houseman plays a dictatorial choirmaster who copes with the problems of his singers as he rehearses them for a performance of Handel's "Messiah."

■ "The Homecoming." The Waltons head home for Christmas in this TV movie that was the basis for the long-running series.

WE KNOW YOU meant to finish your shopping three weeks ago, but don't panic. There's still time to come up with some terrific presents, especially if you shop by phone.

Why not order a magazine sub-

scription, a health-club membership or tickets to a concert, symphony or ballet performance? How about a series of golf lessons or cooking classes?

We also like the idea of gift certificates for those personal luxuries that most of us don't get for ourselves. For example, a makeover at a beauty salon. They often include skin care instruction, color analysis, makeup application and diagram of products used.

Gift baskets are another easy way to give a personal gift. Shop for baskets at Pier 1 Imports, and fill them with such treats as:

■ A rainbow of colored tights, for a fashion-conscious friend.

■ Shaving supplies, including razor, shaving cream, shaving brush and after-shave.

■ A selection of fruit-scented glycerine soaps.

■ Greeting cards, stationery, a fountain pen and postage stamps.

■ The latest videos, plus gourmet popcorn, spiced peanuts and hot cocoa mix.

■ Pralines, picante sauce, tortilla chips, black-eyed-pea dip and other Texas treats.

■ The newest romance novels, plus a box of bonbons and a lacy linen handkerchief (for having a good cry).

■ Coffee mugs, flavored coffee beans and a Gaggia Espresso Coffee maker.

■ Gourmet dog biscuits with personalized feeding dish, for a favorite pet owner.

MAYBE YOU'RE one of those perfectly organized types who

have been ready for Christmas for weeks. Want to do something nice for your less-fortunate friends? Why not offer to:

■ Computerize their Christmas card list. If you're truly selfless, volunteer to address their Christmas cards and take them to the post office.

■ Bake cookies or holiday breads.

■ Order a half cord of wood for their fireplace. Don't forget to arrange for delivery.

■ Walk their dog, feed their cat or amuse their parakeet, so they don't have to worry about rushing home to walk the dog, feed the cat or amuse the parakeet.

■ Baby-sit for their kids. See above. Or take their kids to visit Santa so they can finish up their shopping in peace.

■ Prepare lasagna or your favorite casserole, buy a crusty loaf of French bread and brew some iced tea. Pack in a basket (Ahh, those baskets again!) and deliver to harried family. Beats fast food any day.

■ Wash their car.

■ Decorate their Christmas tree. Even better, volunteer to take it down after Christmas and put away all the ornaments and tinsel.

■ Wrap their gifts (ultimate motive: Maybe you'll get a peek at your own). For environmentally conscious wrappings, use the Sunday comics or brown paper grocery bags painted with bells, trees, holly, Santas or wreaths. Tie with raffia, or make bows out of dried flowers or pine cones. Attach cinnamon sticks or peppermints.

DON'T FORGET to give yourself a present or two in the midst of frenzied holiday preparations. For example, hire a cleaning service so you have more time to enjoy the festivities. You might also:

■ Have a facial.

■ Turn off the lights and do everything by candlelight, even if it's just watching the nightly news. If you have a tree set up, use unscented candles, because nothing should mask the wonderful odor of pine.

■ Take a drive around town and view the terrific Christmas lights and decorations, being grateful all the while that you don't have to put up your own.

■ Buy a new ornament for the tree or a new wreath for the door. For the ambitious: Cut your own tree.

■ Buy a dozen poinsettias. Their cheerful color should be enough to bring on a holiday mood.

■ Work out the kinks with a full-body massage.

■ Make a donation to a seasonal charity such as one that provides toys for underprivileged children.

■ Dress up one night and go out to dinner. Make it someplace unusual, exotic and ethnic.

■ Take in a weekday matinee of one of the season's new films, such as "Havana," "The Bonfire of the Vanities," "Edward Scissorhands" or "The Godfather III."

■ Have a bottle of champagne in the fridge for spur-of-the-moment celebrating. Gloria Ferrer, a Sonoma, Calif., product priced at about \$10 is a good choice. For something a little more exotic (and pricey), try the non-vintage Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin (it costs about \$40).

'Spirit of Christmas' not found in mall

By Celia Rivenbark

N.Y. Times News Service

I love Christmas shopping. The hustle. The bustle. The maiming. You know what I mean. Like when you grab the last Salad Shooter on the clearance table and some guy that looks like John Hinckley tries to slice and dice your hand.

"Gimme that, you clear-eyed psychopath!" I snap.

What a warm and wonderful season.

I hate to tell you what happened on Aisle 4 when there was just one Mr. Coffee Iced Tea Machine left. (And what's Mr. Coffee doing sticking his nose in the iced tea business anyway? Isn't that a conflict of interest or something?)

My husband and I are, luckily, of like mind on the subject of Christmas shopping. We believe it is a job that must be done in one day.

Perhaps because we're both in the newspaper business, we function best when we have a deadline.

"OK," he said last Saturday. "We'll start at the mall at 11 a.m. and we should have the last present wrapped by the opening monologue on 'Saturday Night Live.'"

"Check," I said. "Let's Martinize our watches, or whatever it is we're supposed to do."

"Check," he said.

FIRST STOP: A toy store that insists on spelling its middle name with a backward letter. The goal: three presents for three people under age 6.

There was an unpleasant incident in the GI Joe department, but I don't want to go into it. You'd be amazed how strong some of those 5-year-olds are.

By the time we exited Tensions 'R' Us, I was plenty cheesed because we were already 90 minutes over our allotted toy time, which meant that the 20 minutes designated for lingerie-slash-bath soaps would have to be cut to 5, and the 35 minutes allotted for plaid flannel shirts and chia pets would be cut to 10.

At the mall, I was greeted by a cheery sales clerk wearing reindeer earrings and a necklace that played "Jingle Bells."

"I'm looking for paisley silk pajamas in a size 8," I said, clutching my sweaty little list.

She beamed. "I just sold the last ones in that size not five minutes ago!" she exclaimed. *Jingle all the way*...

Now, why is it that salespeople seem to think it is somehow comforting to know that you just missed the one item you wanted by mere seconds.

"Oh, I had scads and scads of them yesterday," she continued, while her neck screamed *"Oh! What fun it is to ride."*

But you're not mad at her. Or her neck.

By now, you're itching to go find the Hinckley lookalike so the two of you can hunt down that jerk in the parking lot.

You know the one. He sat in his car — engine running, seat belt fastened securely — and tapped the brake light every so often to make you think he might be leaving any second now.

DURING THE holidays, a minimum of 50 of these bozos are positioned in every mall parking lot across the nation.

They are members of the Loyal Order of the Doofus. They never actually leave their cars. They serve eight-hour shifts in mall lots, pretending to back out of valuable parking spaces, which they staked out way before dawn.

If I hadn't wasted precious seconds waiting for a space, I could have silk pajamas out the yazoo.

This depressing episode sent us reeling to Ye Olde Cookie Shack, where we took our place in line with other haggard shoppers. As we clawed our way out of line, the mall Santa walked by, looked me squarely in the eye, and bellowed "Ho! Ho! Ho!"

I ground my cream-filled oatmeal-raisin cookie into his beard. Clearly, the spirit of the season was eluding us.

My husband began to pout.

I know what's next. I've seen it too many times. He starts yawning continuously. His lids get heavy and, finally, his arms shoot out from his sides and he becomes Zombie Shopper. I park him in front of a department store TV tuned to a ballgame — any ballgame — and he returns to life.

It's a miracle. Not the On 34th Street variety, but impressive in its own way.

THUS ENERGIZED, we continued our mission. Did we make the "Saturday Night Live" deadline? Sure we did — if you watch it the way most over 30s do — on videotape, sometime around Sunday afternoon.

Sharkfin suit comes complete with fins

Copley News Service

When does a human resemble a fish? Inside the womb, you say? Well, that's correct, but because of human ingenuity, there's now another instance when homo sapiens can function like amphibians. All that's needed is the all-new Sharkfin Body Surfing Suit and a good-size wave. Sharkfin suits resemble

normal neoprene wet suits, but they come equipped with a flotation device built into the chest and small plastic fins attached to the thighs. Designer Jairo Lizarazu says Sharkfin suits give body surfers more traction and directional control on a wave — a practice that he calls biotechnology surfing, or the making of a human into a fish.

LIGHTS: Contest designed for everyone in Midland

(From 1F)

She also rounded up gift certificates and product donations from Abbey Road, The Bar, McDonald's, Quick Copy, Adobe Wells, Pepsi Cola, M System on Rankin Highway, Guiri-Guiri Restaurant, Midland Angels, Head West, Fast Freddy's, Birds 'N' Things, Wells Boot City, Dellwood Lanes, Furr's Cafeteria, Basin Candy and Tobacco, Venezia Restaurant, Video Coral and Premier Video.

Then the Meads sat back and waited for the entries to come flooding in. All together 45 individual efforts and two groups —

test becomes a bigger production.

The Midland Chamber of Commerce houses on Chatham Court and the 3100 and 3200 blocks of Stanolind Avenue — entered the contest.

After videotaping the displays, the Meads and a small panel of judges agonized over the winners.

"It's hard," Mrs. Meads said. "We're not necessarily going for the biggest one or the one with the most lights — though one house has 2,500 lights on it."

Mrs. Meads talked to most of the families who entered the contest and said she made valuable contacts for next year, when the con-

merce is even willing to help out, she said, adding that lists of the contestants' addresses are available at the chamber.

She would like to add caroling and a big Christmas dance to the 1991 festivities, which would require a board of directors and a fundraiser or two.

She'd also like to buy a set of handbells and get local law enforcement personnel and at-risk children together in a handbell chorus, perhaps even performing on a float in the Shrine Christmas Parade.

"But there's a special way I want the contest to stay," Mrs. Meads said. "It has to be for citizens of the city and the county, it has to be free, and it has to get people out in the community."

It's the reputation Midlanders have for being community-minded that encourages Mrs. Meads in her public-spirited plans.

"It's not the money from citizens that we need — it's that person," she said. "Because if you just invest money in society and not yourself, society crumbles. We need to put ourselves into it."

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1. Jane Myers, Dixie Gifford
2. Lyle Kinsey, Becky Kinsey
3. Bob Byers, Jean Pistole
4. Midge Taylor, Tip Branch

BRIDGE WINNERS

The following are bridge winners for Dec. 9-15

SUNDAY

1. Sue Gardiner, Lenora Slusher
2. Nancy Andrews, Shirley Barragan
3. Linda Warden, Verna Chambers
4. Dorothy Hill, Helen Owen

TUESDAY

1. Jerry Williamson, Ginna Potts
2. 3. and 4. Tie: Kathy Monroe, Betty Norwood, Helen Owen, Ruth Storie, Lib French, Ellie Kerr

Novice:

1. Craig Thompson, Leo Hagler
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Tools replace power lunch

By Thomas Morgan
N.Y. Times News Service

This Christmas, Elaine Greene, a magazine editor in New York, is giving her husband, Larry Weisburg, a hard-to-wrap gift he has wanted for a long time: a table saw.

"If I say I'm going to give him a sweater for a present, he will say: 'Don't give me a sweater. I already have a sweater,'" Ms. Greene said. "He says, 'What I'd really like to have is a good broadax.'"

Man is a "tool-using animal," Thomas Carlyle wrote. "Without tools he is nothing, with tools he is all."

This was Henry David Thoreau's perspective: "Men have become the tools of their tools."

James O'Neil, a psychology professor at the School of Family Studies at the University of Connecticut, sees it another way: "I think men look for activities where they can have some control over an outcome, whether it be growing something or building something."

Juan Liull, a manager of Vercesi Hardware in New York, meets these men every day. "Guys come in here and get lost for hours looking at tools," he said. "You see the guys with suits come in at lunchtime and not take lunch."

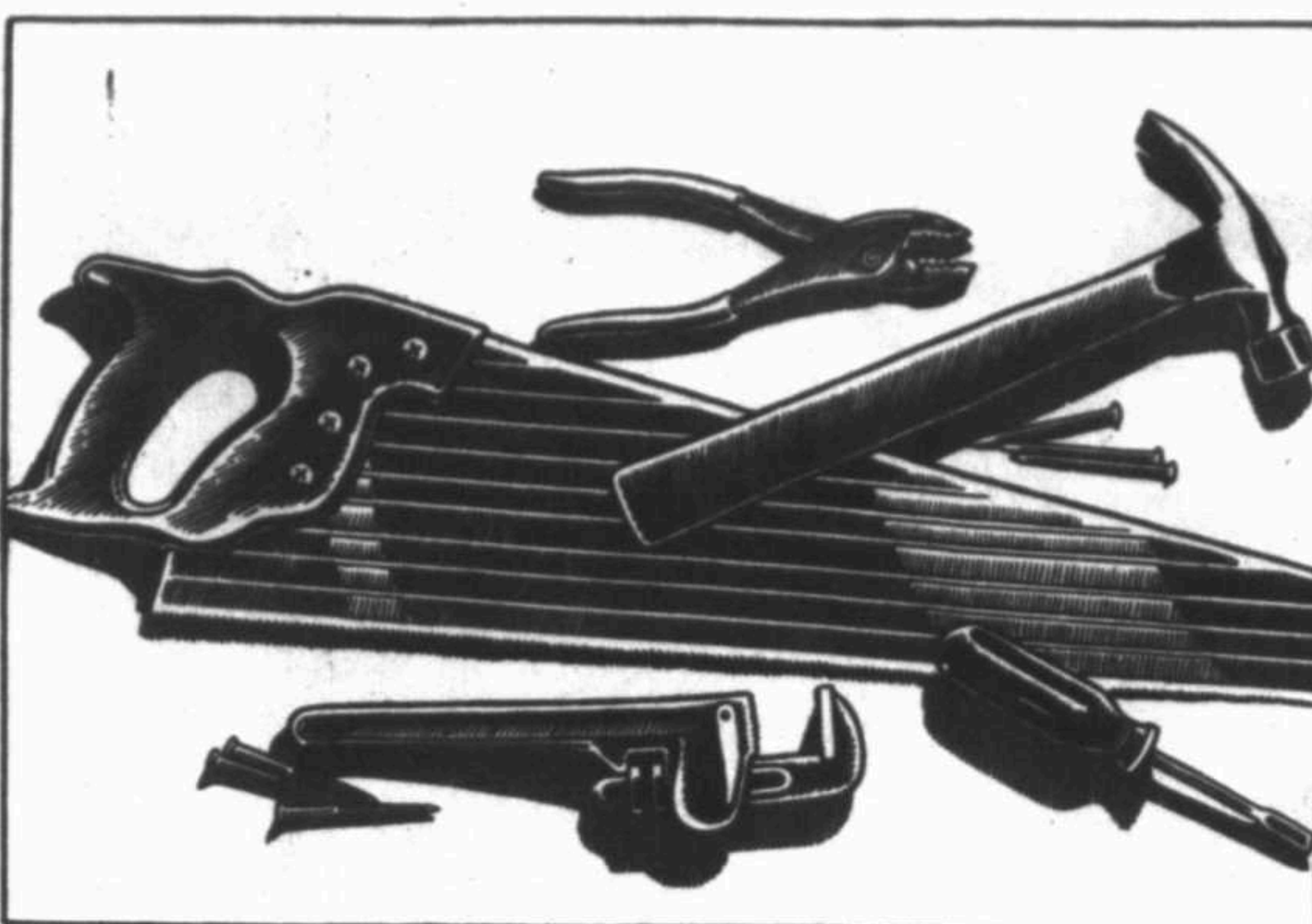
Although some women share the male fascination with power and hand tools, Judy Riggs, the executive director of the Home Improvement Research Institute in Lincolnshire, Ill., said, "Our national research shows that by a wide margin, men are the predominant users."

FOR THESE BELIEVERS, tools are more than the basic accoutrements of routine home repairs. For example, a man who looked like a lawyer or stockbroker walked into Tarzian Hardware in Brooklyn last summer and bought a state-of-the-art electronic micrometer, brushed-chrome callipers and a black circular level, said Willy Tarzian, the manager and an owner. "These are all designer, expensive items," Tarzian recalled, "and the guy said, 'These are so cool.' He said he was going to display them in his toolroom."

Yet understanding the relationship of men to their planes and saws and awls is difficult. Some tools are described with near reverence, as trusted companions. Their owners say they ease the way to creativity, freeing the mind and soothing the soul.

"Certain tools accumulate sentimental attachment the older they are," said Dr. Richard Boothby, an assistant professor of philosophy at Loyola College in Baltimore who is also a sculptor and carpenter.

"I have tools that belonged to my grandfather," he said. "One of



them is a very old saw. The blade is actually black and pitted with age but has been so often oiled and rubbed with steel wool, it has a special patina, and it's beautiful. I often find myself picking this saw out of the toolbox because I feel more comfortable with it. There are stains from body oil and sweat in the handle grip."

BOOTHBY SAID THAT when wood is cut, it produces an odor that is important to the material's esthetics. "This relates to tools as well," he added. "In the feeling of an old tool, the esthetic is apparent on the surface in tiny nicks and scrapes, like old pewter. It has use, familiarity and partnership written on its very surface."

"For someone like me, an academic who spends much of his life with paper and computer screens, you become starved for some of the sensual, tangible stuff," he said. "Tools have colors and odors and patina and heft."

John Murray, a Brooklyn artist who earns a living making architectural models, finds that using tools in woodworking offers a freedom lacking in his regular work.

"I can vent frustration by pounding a hammer," Murray said. "But my favorite tool is a table saw. When it starts up, it has a nasty hum to it. It's not real loud. It has a blade that whistles or screams as you send a piece of wood through it. When I do that, I'm in my own little world, I guess."

John Hope Franklin, a history professor at Duke University and an orchid grower, worries less about the heft or feel of tools than he does about their cleanliness. His greenhouse in Durham, N.C., holds nearly 1,000 orchids from around the world, and one contaminated tool might undo months of painstaking work in the greenhouse.

"THE TOOLS MUST be absolutely sterile because I cannot risk communicating a disease from

one plant to another," he said. "For sterilization, I use a propane torch."

Don't ask Edward J. Reilly, a partner in the New York law firm of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy, to be philosophical about tools or his avocation of making furniture from fine woods. But he does admit that his avocation often helps free him to think about difficult issues at work.

"If you want to ask questions about legal issues of the day, I could talk intelligently," said Reilly, who represented the six children of the late J. Seward Johnson, an heir to the Johnson & Johnson fortune, in the battle for his estate in 1986.

"Woodworking is a mildly intellectual pursuit," he said. "You can't just say, 'I'm going to take a board and make a box out of it.' You want to do something interesting and well done."

For Mort Richter, who owns an investment company and makes 18th-century-style furniture in his workshop in Greenwich, Conn., the motivation is similar. "I do it because one day you are standing there looking at a piece of walnut, and a day or month later it has somehow become something really gorgeous," he said. "If it's made out of hardwood, it's like dealing with a gem."

Stanley Teitelbaum, a supervising psychoanalyst at the Postgraduate Center for Mental Health in New York, said some men use tools to alleviate stress, and society reinforces the use of tools as a benchmark of masculinity and competence.

"In my therapy sessions with some men," he said, "they have mentioned or expressed the sense of comfort or peacefulness that they derive in working with their tools, especially as a counterpoint to dealing with the frustrations and stresses in work and personal lives."

Calendar sales mark what's hot, what's not

By Ruthe Stein
San Francisco Chronicle

It is a decision that will affect your outlook for the entire year: Which of the millions — or so it seems — of 1991 wall calendars do you want to stare at?

The range of choice is eye-opening, everything from the Sistine Chapel to the Simpsons, from the Royal Family to the Chippendales and from Cindy Crawford to Betty Boop.

There are landscapes and sunsets, fruits and vegetables and the perennial cats and dogs.

And, for kids, there's the New Kids on the Block and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. But the real eyepopper is "Operation Desert Shield" — a cheesecake calendar that has topped the name of the U.S. military operation in the Persian Gulf for its own purposes.

A dozen well-endowed models are posed in the process of getting into or out of Army fatigues.

Miss January is sprawled out on the desert sand, some of which has stuck to her behind where her bathing suit should be.

Miss March holds a semi-automatic against the inside of her thigh, while another lethal weapon rests in the sand next to Miss April.

"It's been selling like crazy," said Mark Rhoades, a clerk at the downtown San Francisco B. Dalton. "A lot of people are offended by it, but they can't resist looking at it."

The calendar was the idea of Roy Morales, a Los Angeles entrepreneur, who says his inspiration was a Farrah Fawcett poster that was in the dorms when he was in the Air Force in the '70s.

He said that the photos in the Operation Desert Shield calendar were posed on military bases, including March Air Force Base and Los Alamitos Airfield, with permission, that the calendars are for sale at some base bookstores and that the models have been invited there to autograph them.

"We're trying to boost the morale of the troops in this country," Morales said. "We're not sending any to the Persian Gulf. I'm not even sure they'd be allowed over there."

It states on the cover of the \$12.95 calendar that "a portion of the proceeds will be used to assist hostage and military family support groups."

Morales said, however, this

won't start until after the calendar, which cost \$50,000 to \$75,000 to produce, has been paid off.

What's hot and what's not in calendars points out the vagaries of fame.

Frida Kahlo, the angst-ridden Mexican artist who died in 1954, is a big hit in the Bay Area.

The calendar displays her surreal self-portraits. In one, her heart is literally exposed.

However, a calendar of Madonna (who has expressed interest in playing Kahlo in a movie) with various parts of her anatomy exposed, has not exactly been flying out of area bookstores.

Also, the Simpsons haven't sold as well as predicted.

A calendar has to hit just right.

American Heritage managed with its calendar of battle scenes of the Civil War to capitalize on the interest from the PBS series. Many people have bought it as a gift along with Civil War books.

Anything having to do with the environment or saving the earth also has proven popular.

Because calendars are done a good two years ahead of time — the ones for 1993 are being conceived now — it's hard to be topical.

"I'm always trying to keep ahead on the trends," said Patricia Pompili, president of Landmark Calendars in Novato, Calif.

The firm produces 350 titles every year, making it one of the largest calendar companies in the country.

She said there is some leeway "if someone exciting comes along" to add more calendars later. Many of their calendars are repeats.

Of the new ones for 1991, she said the company did especially well with "Quayle-isms" — unintentionally funny comments made by Vice President Dan Quayle — and a calendar of photos of wrestlers.

"Madonna and Dick Tracy weren't as hot as we had hoped, and I thought we would do a lot better with George Burns and Gracie Allen."

Teddy bears used to be very hot, "but now it is hard to sell anything that has a teddy bear on it," Pompili said.

Her company has done a calendar of England's royal family every year since 1965, using updated photos every year.

"It's always a good seller. The royal family has a cult following."

DEAR ABBY

Lindbergh, Paris in 1927: it was love at first sight

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR READERS: John Zuckerman of Stockton, Calif., asked if anyone else was still around who saw Charles Lindbergh land in Paris in 1927, so I asked my readers. Did I get letters? A sample:

DEAR ABBY: I was 6 1/2 years old when my father took me to Le Bourget airfield to see Lindbergh land. He had to be protected by the gendarmes from the crowd who wanted to touch him. It was a very emotional experience for the French people because two weeks earlier, two Frenchmen, Nungesser and Coli, had attempted to fly from Paris to New York and were lost at sea. — FRANCOIS J. WALTZ, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

DEAR ABBY: I was in Paris when Lindbergh landed. My uncle, Albert Champion, owned Champion Spark Plug Co. in Flint, Mich., and Paris, France, so we

lived in both places. I remember the excitement when Lindy landed. The restaurants and nightclubs stayed open all night, and people were dancing in the streets! I doubt if the French people ever loved an American so much before — or since. — EVELYN DURHAM, PACIFIC PALISADES, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I was a student at the Sorbonne when the radio announced that Lindbergh had been sighted over Ireland and would be landing in Paris in a few hours, so a classmate and I took a bus to the airport. We were among the thousands of spectators restrained behind a wire fence. When Lindbergh landed, the crowd pushed the fence over and ran out on the field. The police had to rescue him from his enthusiastic admirers. I am 85 and an American citizen now. — (MR.) JEAN A. BODIN, HOUSTON

DEAR ABBY: I was a 30-year-old Parisian in 1927 and had not yet been to America. I was at the theater when an announcement was made at intermission that Lin-

dy had landed safely in Paris. Everyone cheered and left the theater to join a wild celebration in the streets, dancing and hugging strangers! The next day, Lindy was honored with a huge parade down the Champs-Elysees. It was one of the highlights of my life. I am 93, and am now an American citizen living in a nursing home in New Jersey. — FLORA J. MAHONEY

DEAR ABBY: We arrived in Paris from Switzerland by train, got a cab and asked the driver to take us to our hotel, but we were soon in the middle of a big traffic jam with everyone yelling, "We're going to the airport — Lindbergh has landed!" We instructed our driver to head for the airport where we joined the crowd. I was

17 at the time and will never forget it. — MRS. W. CALVIN WELLS JR., JACKSON, MISS.

DEAR ABBY: I recall hearing the newsman yelling, "Edition Speciale!" ("Special Edition!") on the streets of Paris. Lindbergh had successfully crossed the Atlantic in a solo flight. The press reported that he had to borrow a tuxedo, formal shirt and shoes to be honored the following evening by the French government in the company of your American Ambassador Merrick. — JEANNETTE FACER, PALM SPRINGS, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I cannot pass up this opportunity to brag that I was 18, living two miles from Le Bourget airport, and I not only saw Lindbergh land, I touched his

plane! — ANDRE GROSS, SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I was a crew member of the USS Mayflower, the presidential yacht that brought Lindbergh from New York to Washington, D.C. (Calvin Coolidge was president.) I am 86 and will never forget the thrill. — TIPTON EILAND, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

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Doll collections captivate adult adorers

By Terry Lee Goodrich
N.Y. Times News Service

For Linda Joubert, Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without a doll.

"I've always played with them and asked for them," said Joubert, 49, of Fort Worth, Texas, who is a human resources manager for Jordan-DeLaurenti Inc. in Dallas. "You can touch them and hold them. They're just unique." She laughed. "I know this sounds silly, but sometimes I talk to them."

It doesn't sound silly to the legions that share Joubert's love for dolls. Those who've been bitten by the doll bug range from little girls to grandmothers — and yes, to men too.

Joubert's doll collection ranges from a sleeping baby named Elizabeth to such storybook characters as Little Red Riding Hood and Goldilocks to little girls with names like Megan and Shelly.

"I thought I'd buy them for myself and pass them down," said Joubert, whose daughter also has a collection — 26 Madame Alexander dolls. For this year's Christmas gift, Joubert bought her granddaughter a bespectacled doll named Molly, an \$80 doll fashioned after a little girl in 1944.

THE 18-INCH-TALL doll is one from the Pleasant Co. of Middleton, Wis. Browse through the company's catalog, and you can outfit Molly with accessories ranging from a \$12 bag lunch (complete with peanut butter and jelly sandwich, a carrot stick and a cookie) to tiny flash cards to a report card. There's doll furniture aplenty — including a \$150 doll trunk — along with a birthday cake, numerous outfits, roller skates and a \$15 puppy named Bennett.

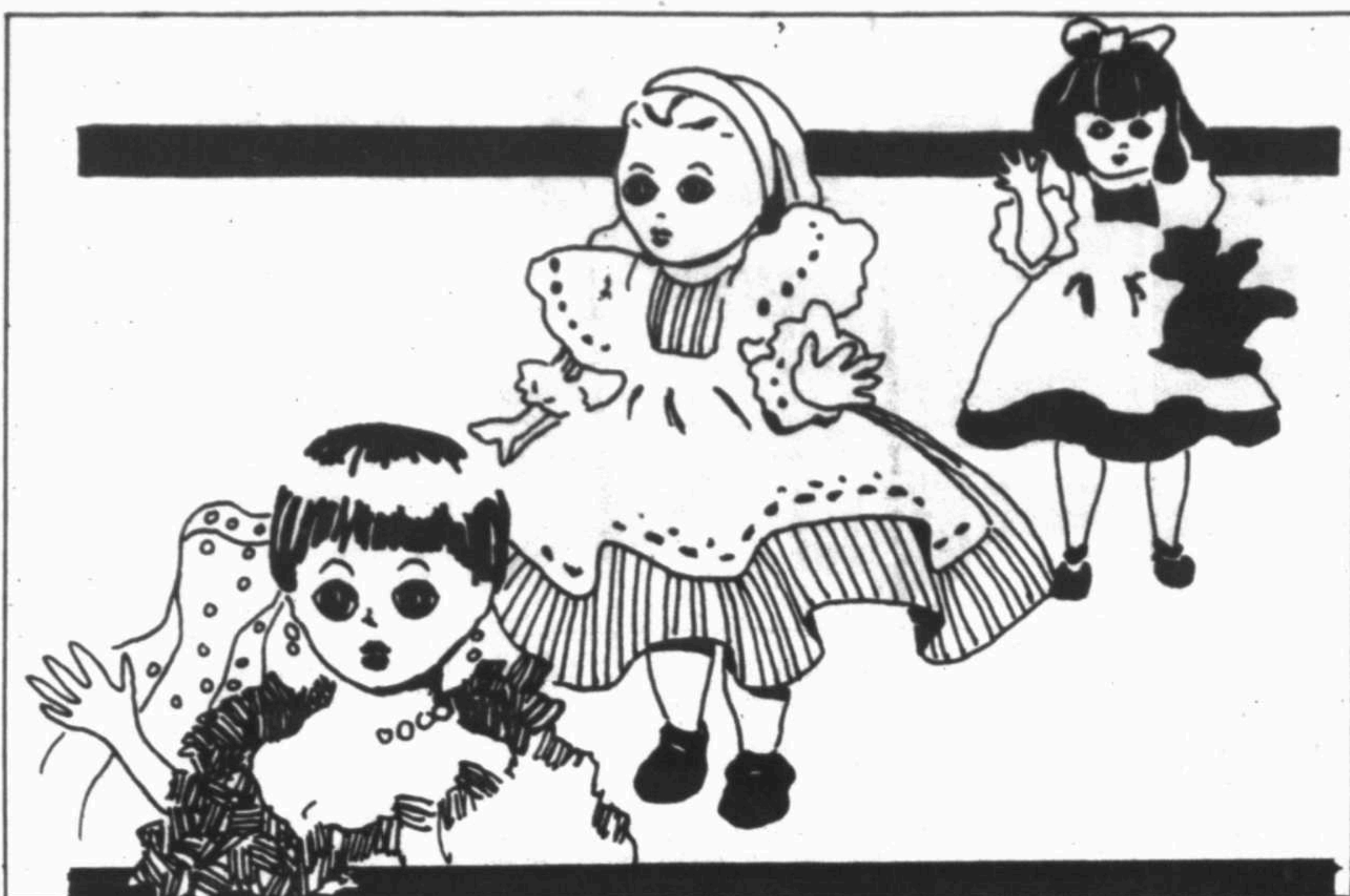
There are even clothes for little girls, so the doll owner can dress like her doll.

Books telling about Molly's life — or those of other dolls the company offers from other periods in American history — also may be bought. The goal is to teach children history, explains Valerie Schaefer, marketing communications manager for the Pleasant Company.

The lessons could be expensive: Buy every item in Molly's collection, and you spend close to \$800.

Molly is just the tip of the doll iceberg this Christmas. Dolls range from \$150 porcelain tots with certificates of authenticity to \$30 baby dolls that shiver to \$8 Barbies. You can spend less than \$10 at Target — or you can spend \$400 at FAO Schwarz for the Cissy doll wearing a dress designed by one of Barbara Bush's favorite designers, Arnold Scasni.

"THERE ARE TWO markets, really," said Rodney Waller of Arlington, Texas, a doll aficionado who, along with wife Suzanne, collects Madame Alexander dolls, among the most revered of the doll collectibles. Waller is treasurer and board member of the Madame Alexander Doll Club, and his



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wife co-owns a toy store in Arlington.

"One market is for the playability of little girls — that's a tradition steeped in American history, and all the manufacturers try to cover that," he said.

Then there's the adult world of doll collecting.

"It's a multibillion-dollar industry, even though it doesn't get a lot of press," said Rodney Waller, senior vice president for Fort Worth-based Snyder Oil Co. "You can collect dolls that cost 25 cents at a flea market — or you can spend \$30,000 on some. There are a tremendous number of manufacturers competing for the collectors' dollar."

For hard-headed business types, the lure of collecting may be investment purposes; more than likely, though, sentimentality fits into the picture somewhere.

"Nostalgia has a tremendous impact on doll collecting," Waller said. "Maybe it's for the doll you never had as a child — or for the one you had, but gave away to Goodwill."

BUT THERE ARE pitfalls in this world of cuddles and nostalgia.

The novice collector is deluged with advertisements and catalogs in which pricey dolls are touted with words like "precious" and "exquisite." And as if it weren't confusing enough to try to figure out which doll of today will increase in value tomorrow, "there are also a lot of forgeries (of older dolls) out there," Waller said. "Some people have even taken dolls and dipped them into tea to make them look as if the material had aged."

None of that matters one whit, of course, if cuteness is one's sole objective in purchasing a doll.

"If you collect purely for pleasure and you don't care what you

spend, order anything you like," Waller said. "But if you want to have some assurance that you can one day sell them, you need to stick with the true-blue proven ones. You have to be very critical of items to be sure they have resale value. ... The more money you're willing to spend, the greater your education and sophistication have to be to make sure someone doesn't take unfair advantage of you."

In general, the serious collector seeks antique dolls — primarily porcelain or bisque from the 1800s — or the modern collectibles, from about the 1920s.

WALLER SAYS THAT Madame Alexander dolls are among the modern dolls with the most likely resale value. They range in height from 8 to 21 inches and in price from about \$44 to \$500 for a new doll. Beatrice Alexander began making dolls in 1923, after World War I cut off the supply of imported dolls. Many are based on characters in literature and the arts.

From a collecting standpoint, those that were least popular with the public are worth more "because they're scarcer," Waller explained.

Others likely to be good investments are dolls by Robin Woods, which sell for \$150 to \$250 each; and limited-edition porcelain commemorative Barbies that cost about \$225 each, Waller says.

He said Robin Woods' "trademark is gobs of hair — flowing, gorgeous — and fabric. There's so much material on the doll it's unimaginable. She is very creative."

Woods recently won a Doty people's choice award for some of her dolls.

A real jewel is the No. 1 Barbie, the doll's first production line. Intended to be a year's supply, it sold out in six months.

"If it's still in its box, never played with, it's probably worth \$2,500 to \$3,000," Waller said. The original price was \$1.98.

FOR DOLL COLLECTOR Maureen Anderson of Granbury, Texas, west of Fort Worth, there's no doll like a Shirley Temple doll — but she says most modern replicas pale in comparison to those of the past, made by Ideal Novelty and Toy Co.

"There hasn't been a nice Shirley since the 1950s or '60s," she lamented. "And if it doesn't have hair that's rooted in its head, don't mess with it."

Dorothy Lorentzen, treasurer of Doll Collectors of America, cautions collectors to exercise care in buying limited-edition dolls.

"I think in many companies, that's a gimmick," Lorentzen said in a phone interview from Westford, Mass. "They'll say, 'After 1991, the mold will be broken,' but they can make tens of thousands of them."

"Your best bet, if you're collecting, is to go to doll shows and sales. And if you're collecting for a youngster, go to the library and get some books on the doll collections. Read up on them."

Two recommended books are *The Blue Book of Dolls and Values*, by Jane Foulke; and *The Collector's Encyclopedia of Dolls*, by Dorothy S. Coleman, Elizabeth A. Coleman and Evelyn J. Coleman.

Many doll-collecting organizations — listed in the *Encyclopedia of Associations* — also provide information on doll collecting, as do dealers.

No matter where they come from or how much they cost, dolls can be addictive.

"This is something we do as a family — even my son, who's real macho," Waller said. "It gets in your blood."

Puberty worse than middle age

By Barbara Klaus
N.Y. Times News Service

The year 1990 is almost over, which makes us think about aging. But there are two things worse than middle age: death and puberty.

In puberty, the first rite of passage for a female is wearing a brassiere.

In the '50s a girl bought a size 30 AA when she needed it. ("Need": 15 minutes after her best friend bought one.) There were few training bras back then.

The only training a respectable young woman was supposed to be doing was training to get into college and become a school teacher.

But first, there was puberty. Modern-thinking mom told you all about it. She called you into her bedroom and closed the door. This was it. The Talk. Then she handed you a pamphlet entitled "Becoming a Woman."

"Read this," she said, "and, if you have any questions..." The voice trailed off as she sent up a prayer that any questions would be handled by that encyclopedic repository of human sexuality, *Health Ed 101*.

(In *Health Ed 101*, teachers — preoccupied with such weighty, provocative issues as "Should you kiss a boy good night on the first date?" — ignored puberty completely. Biology teachers didn't. In a straightforward, matter-of-fact manner, they explained in graphic detail the sexual maturation of the frog.)

AT ABOUT THIS time, teenage girls made a collective decision that shocked an entire generation of mothers (making the decision all the more tantalizing).

They decided to shave their legs. "Are you crazy?" mom would say. "The hair will grow back thicker. You'll be shaving every day!" (We did not shave our legs every day. Our daughters shave their legs every day.)

The epitome of feminine seductivity was high-heeled shoes (which, your mother reminded you, was the sort of item worn only by women picking up sailors in Times Square).

Finally she relented. You pictured the three-inch spike heels that Bette Davis wore in "All About Eve."

YOU SETTLED FOR the Cuban heels that Helen Kimmelbach, your older cousin, wore (with thick glasses and, in March, earmuffs) to the eighth-grade dance she attended with her brother.

On the screen Bette Davis wore false eyelashes, mascara, eyebrow pencil and blood-red lipstick. You wore Woolworth's lip pomade.

After what came to be known as the Lipstick Showdown, you wore "Fire and Ice" to an extended family gathering.

Now, the extended family — those bourgeois innocents firmly entrenched in 1937 — was

somehow to absorb the message that you always wore lipstick, that you were, in fact, born wearing it.

(While, behind you, your mother frantically winked in a "just ignore it" gesture.)

As you entered, all conversation stopped, all eyes riveted on the Fire and Ice stretching from your nose to your chin.

Then your brother screamed, "Look — Sherry's got lipstick all over her teeth!" And, to prove exactly what level of sophistication you had obtained, you touched your lips and put your fingerprint on his eyeglasses.

A true femme fatale, you dressed for your first boy/girl party in makeup, heels and stockings and glanced in the mirror.

THEN YOU TOOK off the makeup, heels and stockings and got into bed.

For there, on your pancaked chin, was a pimple. Citrus growers in Florida didn't grow grapefruit the size of this pimple. Ripley, if he could see it, would put this pimple on the front cover of "Believe It or Not."

(No small honor, considering that, in reality, the pimple was slightly smaller than the period at the end of this sentence.)

Young men going through puberty also suffer with pimples. And that's not all.

There is the voice that changes only during the address to the entire 9th grade assembly.

Or the sudden spurt of growth that turns Romeo's trousers into Bermuda shorts while he is walking home with the class knockout. And the trauma of shaving.

Before Nintendo, a 14-year-old, having watched Dad, knew all about shaving. He wet his face, and to remove exactly three hairs, applied about four pounds of shaving cream.

Shaving his face proceeded smoothly (partly because it contained no hair). Next, the problem area: the upper lip.

IN A PROCEDURE he had seen in 27 Humphrey Bogart movies, he opened his mouth to make the lip taut. Then he took the razor and firmly pulled it down to remove all three hairs.

This clean, swift operation (having also removed huge chunks of the area between his nose and lip) resulted in a cut requiring about seven stitches.

Instead, "Bogie" applied a Styptic pencil, which had all the soothing comfort of a bottle of acid — and about three miles of toilet paper.

Finished, he came downstairs and, his face covered by toilet paper at half-inch intervals, with blood streaming down in between — he said to his mother, "Notice anything?"

She noticed. Puberty is difficult to ignore. There is only one comfort in it: everyone goes through it. But try telling that to a person with a pimple the size of a grapefruit.

Holiday blues have common cause, same solution

By Hap McCrone
N.Y. Times News Service

The holiday season spreads joy and exhilaration. With carols in the air, tinsel and glitter everywhere, and commercials reminding you that only a few shopping days are left, many picture a time of family gatherings and gift exchanging.

For many people, however, the holidays are a time of dread. Most affected are:

- The elderly living alone or without supportive friends or relatives close by. They are forced to spend the days with only nostalgic memories of happier times.

- Singles who are separated from families and places of origin

and who have not formed new friends and acquaintances.

- Newly divorced couples or those who have recently experienced a death in the family — they feel a sense of loss and sadness.

- Homemakers and breadwinners who have exhausted themselves in making elaborate preparations.

- Abused, neglected, forsaken children.

The main causes of holiday stress are:

- Unrealistic expectations about gifts — illogical beliefs that the most extravagant means the best.

- Breaking or unbalancing the budget and facing the debts that

follow.

- Excessive festivities or an overcrowded social calendar causing drinking to excess, eating to excess, spending to excess.

- Fatigue, which leads to frustration and irritability.

But there are ways to avoid the holiday blues.

If you are alone during the holidays, reach out and find someone to share the time. Visit retirement homes, sanctuary houses for the abused and mistreated; remember the mentally ill.

If you are with family members who cause tension, prepare for it. Avoid topics that stir the tempest, be kind to each other, join hands and appreciate the worth of each one.

al trimming.

Here's the good part. For 10 or 15 minutes, the family sits in a dark room illuminated only by the Christmas tree lights. Then suddenly the house lights go up and the Christmas tree lights go off and a voice says, "No sense heating them up."

During the next three days when the tree is up, a "Needle Alert" and "Lights Alert" are in effect.

"Needle Alert" is the responsibility of every person in the house. Every time anyone goes by the tree, he is bound to reach out, grab a branch between his fingers, rub them together and see if needles fall. Dribbling needles must be reported immediately.

"Lights Alert" goes into effect when someone goes by the room

If you are on a tight budget, place the family names in a hat and draw — no need to buy gifts for everyone on the list. Or, if time permits, make a simple gift for someone, provide a service, a promise of help-giving time in the future.

Holidays are a time for personal reflection, participating in traditions, gathering with those who love and for giving. The best gift may be the one you give yourself — sensible spending, moderate indulgence, rest and a search for the spiritual meaning of sharing. Make your holiday a merry one with careful management of time and budget. By careful management of time and budget, the season should be a merry one.

where the Christmas tree is lighted and there is no one in the room. This is a definite no-no. Names are taken.

Every time my husband passes the tree, he feels obliged to rearrange skirts on angels that have sagged toward the lights or feel the bulbs to see if they are warm to the touch. Someone once asked him if he was so worried about a live tree all the time, how come he didn't buy a silver tree.

He put down his watering can full of water and his plant mister and said, "Are you crazy? One electrical storm and it would be all over. I don't want to spend the holidays worrying."

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At Wit's End

O Christmas tree, please don't burn down

By Erma Bombeck

Today is the day when my husband, Smokey the Bear, brings the Christmas tree into the house. It has been sitting in a bucket of water in the garage for three weeks, now propped up between the barbecue grill and an ugly green chair a charity refused to pick up.

Other people have had their trees up for weeks and have basked in the glow of a million lights. Not us. We have been watching training films issued by the city fire department of a tree igniting and burning the house to the ground in seconds.



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A live Christmas tree in our house has the life span of a cricket in my mom's living room. You blink your eyes and you miss the kill.

A site will be prepared for the tree around 8 p.m. (An area used for launching a space shuttle comes to mind.) There will be a tub of water filled with a flame-retardant formula to immerse the tree.

Nearby are watering cans of water and a fire extinguisher. If that doesn't take the joy out of "Joy to the World," there is a large telephone number of the fire department pasted to the phone.

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Vacation in splendor of unspoiled St. Lucia

By Pat Colander
Copley News Service

ST. LUCIA, West Indies — The honeymooners of 20 years ago will say that St. Lucia is like the Virgin Islands used to be.

St. Lucia reminds them of the old Bermuda, or Nassau, or Martinique or some other Caribbean hotspot farther north on the map that they visited in their youth.

"Unspoiled," is the word they all use to describe the current St. Lucia, and that is an apt way of putting it.

Part of the southernmost West Indies, between St. Vincent and the Grenadines to the south, and the French island of Martinique to the north, St. Lucia is 27 miles long and 14 miles wide and covers 238 square miles. It is separated by a channel 25 miles wide from Martinique and is 20 miles away from St. Vincent. In winter temperatures range between 65 and 85 degrees Fahrenheit; in summer between 75 and 95 degrees. Summers tend to be rainy, but winters are dry.

This place is not part of the global village, blessedly free of oppressive connections like media, land developers, traffic and too many people. Roads clogged with cars are inconceivable in St. Lucia. The roads turn to mud on a regular basis, with holes the size of refrigerators and in spots are barely negotiable.

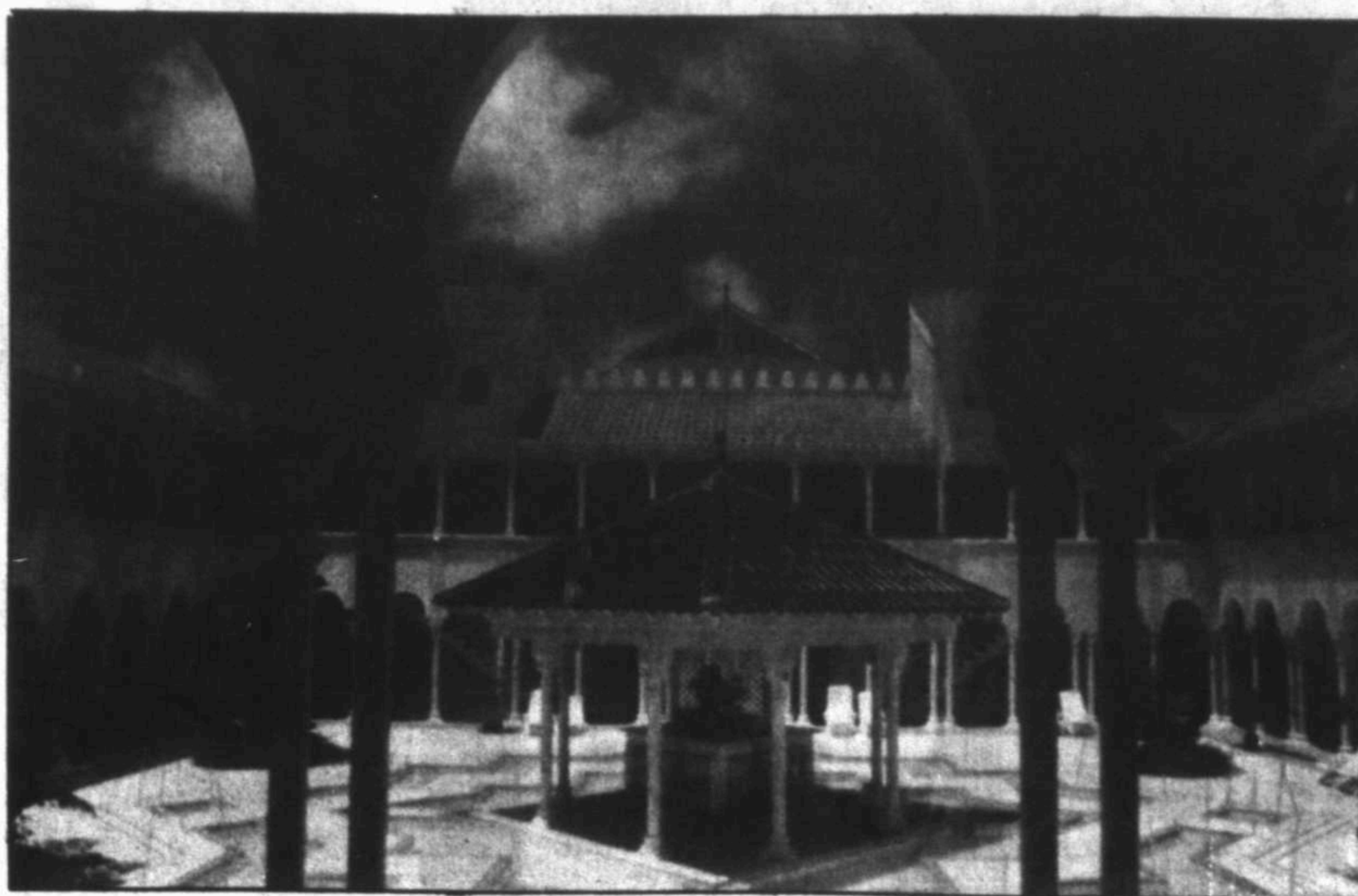
UNSPOILED MEANS AN occasional power outage may occur, and sometimes you run out of this or that. Certain kinds of cheese and meat may not be available if the plane can't get in, but you can always eat the fish, fruits and vegetables that abound on the island.

Unspoiled means the service may not be the swiftest, the climate control is not extensive, and there are bugs and little animals.

Unspoiled also means the foliage is so lush that you have to talk over the rush of the reeds at night; that you soon get used to the high notes of the crickets alternating with low sounds of tree frogs.

A word about transportation around the island: it's slow. It is best to travel by boat if it's feasible. There are two airports, tiny Vigie at the north end Hewannora at the south. Vigie is preferable because it is small and less crowded and hurried. Of course, flights to Vigie are not so conveniently available, although American Eagle does fly into the smaller airport.

Everywhere you turn there seems to be a new pile of gigantic fruit. Many recipes are based on breadfruit or bananas or soursop, a fruit that is white and mango-



The Oasis is a \$3 million European-type spa facility at Le Sport, a Caribbean resort on St. Lucia's northwest tip.

like, very sweet and low in seeds.

St. Lucia hosts tourists — there is a handful of resorts, some smaller hotels and inns, and a condominium development or two — but bananas are still the mainstay of the economy and the interior of the small island is almost entirely composed of banana plantations.

It's probably the cleanest island: there is a \$500 fine for littering and if caught they announce your name on television.

ALSO, THE TRADITIONAL influence of the French and English is stronger than any commercial veneer. The two countries fought over St. Lucia for more than a century and a half, until the English finally won in 1814 and English became the official language.

The towns where the native St. Lucians live — Castries to the north and Soufriere to the south — are quaint and vaguely French colonial. When a boatload of tourists arrives in town, the 8- to 10-year-old boys swim along the pier and dive for coins.

The towns predominantly house the people who work in the resorts and the shops and the restaurants, the rest live in fishing villages and rural enclaves that line the road near the plantations.

In Soufriere, the most famous restaurant is The Still, set in a spacious brick, haciendalike building. Authentic St. Lucian cuisine is served buffet style in the open-air

dining room. Many of the dishes seem to have a potato base; both breadfruit and unripe bananas have similar consistencies. Other dishes include spiced ingredients like rice, beans, noodles, peppers and onions. Service here is somewhat typical of St. Lucia, classically slow and friendly.

The primary tourist attraction on the island is the Sulphur Springs at the Pitons. Visitors who have had a few days relaxation at one of the resorts usually will venture out for a day trip to the lava cone and crater formation.

FROM LE SPORT, the most luxurious spa-resort, at the north end of the island, a boat is the most scenic and expedient way to travel, and the deep sea fishing along the way is worth a try. They fish for dolphin, mako shark, ocean bonito, Spanish mackerel, barracuda, and sailfish in the Caribbean, very near the Atlantic Ocean in St. Lucia.

Traversing the sea, you catch a glimpse of an occasional sugarcane field, a couple of small harbors in some of the villages, and pass a brand-new oil-storage facility as you sail from north to south. But, all of the coastal scenery sits in the shadow of the Pitons, which are at the center of the vista. Petit Piton is 2,619 feet high and Gros Piton is 2,461 feet high, not exactly mountains, they were formed from lava 30 to 40 million years ago.

Visitors get to the Sulphur Springs and what is left of the vol-

cano by driving up a steep slope on the outskirts of Soufriere. The road gets rockier and the sulphur smell stronger. You finally come to a wide path that skirts a pit, which looks like the surface of the moon.

Several miles downstream, the water is bath temperature and it flows into the indoor and outdoor pools at the Diamond Mineral Springs and Botanical Gardens. The baths are interesting historically because they were built for the French soldiers and closed during the French Revolution.

IN THE MID-1980S they were renovated, though some of the original stone bath stalls and a 200-year-old sauna were kept. But even the renewal of the bath pools and buildings is substandard by today's modern, pristine spas.

The gardens, however, are abundant: various strains of banana plant, hibiscus, bird of paradise, spider plants, bamboo trees, cacao plants, coconut trees, soursop and fruit trees, and flowers that are shaped and colored like tiny parrots.

Le Sport, on Caribbe Beach, covers 18 acres at the northwest tip of St. Lucia. Accommodations include 102 rooms and suites (76 ocean-view, 16 oceanfront, six garden-view, and two oceanfront two-bedroom suites).

Nigel Nicol, general manager of Le Sport resort in St. Lucia, is blunt about the secluded island location being a place for adults, not

a family.

"WE EXPECT TO appeal to the modern woman and her man," he said. "We know women make all the decisions about these things," he added and laughed.

At Le Sport, it is apparent, there is respect for the woman's ability to discern. This is a high-concept resort, the work of the Barnard Group, which took a look at the Caribbean and the future of the vacation market and got an idea.

The group saw that vacationers were beginning to shy away from the sun, rich foods and each other, and that recreational activities attract vacationers. In the warm, calm sea, Le Sport offers snorkeling, scuba diving, waterskiing, windsurfing, sunfish sailing and swimming. On land, tennis, cycling, golfing, running and walking are offered.

In Europe and America, "hospitals" or "fat farms" provide a respite for body and mind. Spartan food regimes, rigorous exercise programs and scrupulous skin care applications are provided.

Le Sport takes all the positives from these activities, while rejecting pain and difficulty. It is an oasis where all manner of body massage is available from European-trained masseuses. French chef Xavier Ribot develops a Caribbean version of cuisine legere, gourmet French health food.

IN SHORT, LE Sport has retained the hedonism that always characterized these island vacations, but eliminated the health hazards. Less than 2 years old, Le Sport already notices repeat business.

An initial difference noticed at the resort is the flat-fee package deal, which is strictly enforced. Le Sport residents do not carry around cash. Everything is included: drinks at the bar, towels at the beach, food, massages and other spa treatments, aerobics classes, service charges, tips, taxes, and even the taxi to and from the airport. The rates per day according to room size and view range from \$220-\$400 in season; \$185-\$280 in summer and fall. All inclusive.

Although the emphasis on exercise would seem to make this a very American-style spa, it has a more European feel to it. In the off-season (just before winter) the resort's guests comprise 60 percent European and 40 percent American. In high season, those percentages reverse.

Quite a few of the women go topless on the secluded beach and Europeans are, in general, more relaxed about their bodies. Usually, however, the European attitude has a tendency to relax rather than tighten more self-conscious ways.

Plan ahead when flying friendly skies

By Robin and Patricia Harris
Hearst News Service

NEW YORK — Of the six airline trips we've taken lately, four have been late arrivals. That compares to four on-schedule trips a few months ago.

Something obviously is wrong. We looked into the problem and came up with one general theme: Passenger traffic and costs are increasing while airport capacity is as static as the Rock of Gibraltar. Only one new airport is being built, at Denver, and that won't be operational until 1994.

But there are a number of simple things that travelers can do on their own behalf and we'll list them here.

First, establish a firm relationship with the best travel agent you can find. Use the agent regularly and establish a solid bond.

Book your ticket reasonably far in advance. Use only an agent who has a computer program that enables him or her to check with all competing airlines for cheaper tickets.

Always pay by credit card. If there should be an argument about your accommodations or the carrier should go bankrupt, you can always cancel the charge.

If you are 62 years old or more make sure to ask what senior citizens discounts are available.

When headed for a large city, think about buying a ticket to a less crowded terminal, such as Hobby in Houston, Orange County at Los Angeles, or Midway in Chicago.

As for luggage, if you can pack a small bag and carry it onboard. Each time you let go of your bag chances increase that it will go astray, perhaps forever. When that happens you'd better be prepared with all kinds of documents to prove what you have lost.

Check your bags between an hour and an hour and a half before departure. If you check them earlier, it could wind up on the wrong aircraft.

Don't lose your temper when you make your complaint. Airline employees don't have to interrupt their regular duties to help you. The nicer you are to them, the more cooperative they will be.

Beaver Creek resort sensitive to environment as well as guests

By Janet Wilson
N.Y. Times News Service

BEAVER CREEK, Colo. — Only 10 miles from Vail, Beaver Creek resort caters not only to its illustrious guests, but to Mother Nature as well.

Vail Associates, which developed Beaver Creek, claims it is the most environmentally sensitive and regulated resort in the Rocky Mountains. It is the first ski resort to be designed by a computer, so potential glitches were corrected before the trees were cut.

There is no above-ground parking at the resort; 2,000 acres of land were set aside for an elk and deer habitat, and the amount of dust and other airborne particles is measured 24 hours a day.

Every commercial and residential fireplace in Beaver Creek has a little red light affixed. The light is connected to a central air-quality control station in the valley. Although it has never happened, if the air is polluted by vehicular exhaust or chimney smoke, people are required to douse their fires immediately.

Beaver Creek's ski area had been designated as the 1976 Winter Olympics site for Alpine events, but Colorado voters turned down hosting the prestigious event to protect the mountains from crowds.

This environment-friendly resort is also luxury-friendly. The year-old Hyatt Regency has created the ultimate in luxury and convenience with its first ski-in, ski-out resort hotel.

Just a stone's throw away from a neighborhood of "who's who" of corporate America, this ski-and-beer resort caters to a clientele that expects, and is used to getting, the best.

The top executives of American Express; Shearson, Lehman, Hutton; Safeway Stores; Adolph

Coors; Southland Corp.; and, former President Gerald Ford are only a few of the owners of some of the finest private homes in the Rocky Mountains.

But until the Hyatt opened the doors a year ago to its \$85 million, 300-room hotel, there weren't many options at Beaver Creek for skiers with full, but not bulging, pocketbooks.

Most lodging was limited to pricey condominiums with little night-life or other hotel amenities.

The Hyatt has provided a richly elegant atmosphere without the pretentiousness you'd expect from a resort that hobnobs with the

rich and famous. And the hotel provides plenty of extras that turn a normal trip into a fabulous vacation.

There's a staff of ski valets — young, energetic souls who greet you as you come down off the slopes, dog-tired, cold and sweaty, and ready for something hot to drink. Whether you are taking a lunch break or are finished with skiing for the day, the valets, at no charge, help you loosen your boots and carry your skis and poles inside where they are cleaned, warmed and stored until you are ready to ski again.

Hotel guests are served compli-

mentary cookies, hot chocolate, and coffee. And warm booties are provided for guests who want to shed those heavy ski boots and spend some time in the hotel restaurants or lobby areas.

The indoor-outdoor heated swimming pool, located slope-side with a view of Beaver Creek Mountain, is surrounded by a heated deck and six outdoor whirlpools to help soothe those aching muscles after a long day on the runs.

The Hyatt, with an interior that emphasizes rough-hewn wood and sandstone, is the centerpiece of an Alpine village that has only pedes-

trian traffic, charming restaurants and colorful shops.

It is directly adjacent to two ski

lifts, one of which carries guests to the crest of a 21-plus-mile run laid out, but never used, for the Olympics.



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Texas trails

Austin — Texas Monthly magazine, GMC Truck and the Texas State Department of Highways and Public Transportation have forged a public-private sector partnership to launch a series of Texas Travel Maps which will be bound into each issue of the magazine. The February 1991 edition will premiere the first of ten 12-page magazine format pullouts of Texas Travel Trail Maps.

War bucks

A winding down of the cold war and the U.S. defense budget will have a significant benefit on taxpayers pocket books. The January 1991 issue of Economic Review, a research publication of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas reports that a six percent reduction in defense spending could put an additional three percent extra into business and household budgets, despite some localized downturn.

No gas tax

Retiring Texas Railroad Commissioner Kent Hance says he is opposed to a proposed federal 50 cent tax on gasoline. "Such a tax would be detrimental to consumers and producers," said Hance. Both the Bush Administration and the Department of Energy are currently reviewing options for a 50 cent tax on gasoline. "Instead of relying on the worn out idea of raising taxes to solve every problem, I think that a national energy policy must focus on increasing domestic production."

Coke & smokes

No matter how tough it gets consumers will always want a coke and smoke. At least that's what investors were betting this year. Through December 5, soft drinks and tobacco were the top-performing stock groups for 1990, according to an analysis by Standard & Poor's Corp. The study included 500 companies in the S&P 500 index.

With the economy on the brink of recession, investors hunkered down in defensive, recession-resistant companies that provide everyday goods and services. The list of top-performing industries sounds like a checklist of things you'd store in your basement for an earthquake: soft drinks, cigarettes, medical products, drugs, household products (like soap and toothpaste), food and — since you'd want to look good for those news cameras — cosmetics.

While the S&P 500 was down 6.6 percent for the year so far, these categories were up 5 percent (food) to 24 percent (soft drinks).

That's quite a comedown from 1989, when the S&P 500 was up 27.3 percent for the full year and the top industry — oil and gas drilling — was up 79 percent.

This year's worst-performing industry — hotel/motel — was down 61 percent. Last year's biggest loser — machine tools — was down only 25 percent.



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A ship shaped for the future

Staff Report

What will America's next generation of cruise ships look like? According to World City Corp., a cruise ship firm, they will be floating cities — literally.

World City Corp., has announced plans to build Phoenix World City, a 250,000-ton, 5,600 passenger cruise ship that will be a floating city, three times larger than the SS Norway, the largest cruise ship now on the seas.

Now, under construction by Avondale Industries of New Orleans, the ship when completed, will support three hotels, a convention center, shops, avenues, village squares and restaurants.

Aimed at attracting convention business, the ship will also have a 2,000 seat theater, concert hall, museum, 100,000-volume library, church, educational complex, television production and broadcast center and 92,000 square feet of meeting, convention and exhibition space.

The catamaran type ship will even have its own internal marina that will service a fleet of four 400-passenger daycruisers that will be carried within the hull of the ship. The cruisers will allow passengers to

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Artist Robert T. McCall, famous for his NASA fine arts program and postage stamp art, has painted a futuristic view (top) of the Phoenix World City, coming into its home port. Above, daycruisers would dock within the hull of the ship which is 100 yards wide and quarter of a mile long.

Illustrations courtesy World City Corp.

Taco Bell builds on low-priced fast food

■ Taco Bell is making impressive gains in the fast food market by perking up its low-priced menu.

N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — Twice a week, Kendall Williams, a 26-year-old department store clerk, drives to Taco Bell for lunch from his job at a mall here.

"They have fast service, and the price is good," said Williams, as he handed over \$2.66 for a large burrito and a small Pepsi. "I like a change of pace from burgers, and this is a fast way to get Mexican food."

Taco Bell is winning the fast-food wars on the strength of such reports from the front.

The chain, a subsidiary of PepsiCo Inc., is making impressive gains in sales and profits after cutting menu prices. The intent has been to create the perception that Taco Bell is the chain with the best deals on meals.

Under the ebullient leadership of its

president, John E. Martin, Taco Bell Corp., based in Irvine, Calif., has also spruced up its image in recent years and convinced Americans that tacos and burritos are as American as Big Macs, not to mention less expensive.

Last year, Taco Bell introduced a long-term "value menu" of 59-cent tacos and other items and then expanded it in October.

The pricing strategy has worked extremely well. Taco Bell is the best-performing large chain in the fast-food business, posting strong double-digit sales and earnings growth.

Taco Bell's performance stands out all the more against the sluggish sales growth in the rest of the industry.

According to Restaurant Trends, a market research firm, Taco Bell is generating same-store sales growth of 10 to 15 percent annually, high above the industry average of about 2 to 4 percent.

Growth at many fast-food chains has suffered as competition has increased and consumers have become more wary about higher prices.

Taco Bell's systemwide sales should reach \$2.5 billion this year, according to

PepsiCo, marking a second straight year of 25 percent increases.

But even Taco Bell, which has about 3,200 outlets, may find it hard to maintain its momentum, particularly if there is a strong recession.

The company's pricing strategy is being matched by many competitors, ranging from Wendy's, which offers its own value menu, to Del Taco, a Southern California rival that heavily promotes a 49-cent taco.

Of course the fare at Taco Bell — bland American versions of such Mexican foods as burritos, tostados and tacos — will never appeal to everyone. The chain and the entire Mexican food segment of the industry account for about 5 percent of the \$75 billion spent on hamburgers, chicken and other fast food.

Still, Taco Bell, which says its ingredient costs are comparable to those of other fast-food chains, is making its presence felt.

In recognizing that threat, McDonald's has moved aggressively to protect its turf.

This summer in Denver, McDonald's slashed prices and then obliquely at-

Oil swings back into the saddle

■ For the first time in a long time oil came alive in 1990, reclaiming its prominent role in world affairs.

N.Y. Times News Service

1990 was the year oil suddenly became important again.

Oil prices crashed in the 1980s amid a global glut of crude. Motorists became accustomed to low gasoline prices. Likewise, the business world reaped the benefits of cheap energy.

But when Saddam Hussein ordered Iraqi troops to invade Kuwait on Aug. 2, the world once again was made painfully aware of the enormous role that crude oil plays in the world's economy.

Oil prices, which had wallowed around \$15 a barrel in late June, shot above \$40. Suddenly Americans were paying 35 cents a gallon more for their gasoline, airlines were being crippled by skyrocketing jet fuel prices and the U.S. inflation rate hit its highest level in eight years.

As a result of the third Middle East-induced energy crisis in 17 years, "oil again moved to the forefront of importance to the nation," said Houston energy analyst Dale Steffes.

Energy consulting firm president Daniel Yergin of Boston says in his new book on the oil industry, "The Prize," that "over the previous several years, it had become almost fashionable to say that oil was no longer 'important.'"

"But the invasion of Kuwait stripped away the illusion," Yergin said.

With the Middle East crisis potentially nearing a solution, yet still unresolved, energy analysts say that predicting oil prices for 1991 is hazardous at best.

If the crisis is resolved without a war, crude prices will settle in a lower range, probably somewhere between \$15 and \$25 a barrel, many analysts feel. But if war erupts and disrupts Middle East oil production, oil prices could soar to \$50 to \$100, analysts say.

Oil prices have already dropped substantially in recent weeks as a result of the increasing chances of a Persian Gulf peace settlement. In futures trading Monday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, a barrel of light, sweet crude closed at \$27.05 in contracts for January delivery.

As a result of the surge in crude prices since August, 1990 has been "basically a good year" for the oil industry — indeed, the best it has enjoyed since the first half of the 1980s, said Ted Eck, chief economist for Amoco Corp. of Chicago, one of the nation's largest oil and natural gas producers.

But this year hasn't been a blockbuster one for the industry. Oil prices were only at moderate levels from January through July. And while the major oil companies saw their income from crude oil production spiral as a result of the Middle East crisis, most also saw their profit margins on refining and gasoline retailing shrink.

The Middle East crisis potentially has hurt the industry in other, less tangible ways, said Andrew Lebow, an analyst with the E.D. & F. Man International Futures oil brokerage firm in New York.

The steep spike in crude prices has resulted in reduced oil consumption and rekindled interest in alternative fuels, which could mean a long-term drop in demand for crude oil, Lebow said.

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tacked Taco Bell's food in advertising. A television commercial suggested that Taco Bell had low prices but nothing to eat but beans.

McDonald's will raise the stakes early next year by introducing a new value pricing plan that may include long-term price cuts and other menu changes, a spokesman said.

More common tactics have been short-term discounts like McDonald's selling Big Macs for 99 cents, about 80 cents off the regular price. Fast-food analysts have warned of the dangers of discount pricing, which can cut drastically into earnings.

Prices on Taco Bell's offerings have been reduced for the long term, not temporarily.

Most of Taco Bell's products are offered on a special menu for one of three prices: 59 cents, 79 cents, or 99 cents. So the chain has emerged as the industry's discount leader.

"If you look around in the hospitality industry you see a lack of differentiation and a lot of customer confusion — 99

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Phelan remolded NYSE during tenure

■ Outgoing NYSE President John Phelan managed to redirect the Big Board, but he leaves at a time when the Exchange faces daunting competitive pressures.

By Floyd Norris
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — When John J. Phelan Jr. moved into the top echelon of the New York Stock Exchange 15 years ago, there was talk that the Big Board might soon be gone, a victim of the competition then being unleashed in the once-protected domain of Broad and Wall Streets.

Now, as he steps down as chairman and chief executive of the exchange, Phelan leaves behind an institution that has been remolded and redirected. By forcing automation on the exchange, despite opposition from powerful floor traders, Phelan helped to assure the Big Board's continued existence.

As Phelan has prepared to leave, praise for his tenure has poured in from throughout the industry. But the competitive pressures the Big Board faces are still daunting and appear to be growing more severe as Wall Street's profit famine intensifies.

"We're at the end of the cycle," Phelan said Wednesday in an interview in his office, 12 days before he will step down, at age 59. "Wall Street has always been terribly cyclical, and it's never pleasant when the cycle reverses."

Phelan said he thought the bottom of the securities industry's fortunes would be reached sometime next year, or in early 1992.

IN THE meantime, the New York Stock Exchange is seeing an unprecedented outflow of business, as many brokers divert more and more trades to regional and electronic exchanges, searching for lower execution costs for those trades while still relying on the Big Board for liquidity in more difficult trades.

Only two-thirds of all trades in Big Board-listed stocks this year were handled by the New York Stock Exchange, although it still handles 83 percent of the volume and the bulk of the big orders.



John J. Phelan Jr., outgoing chairman of the New York Stock Exchange, managed to redirect and remold the Big Board during his 15-year tenure.

Those declines reflect the cost squeeze brokers have faced, and Phelan seemed to forecast that the trends would turn around only when the general industry outlook improves, although he emphasized the Big Board's new "competitive spirit" and aggressive pursuit of business.

The New York Stock Exchange that existed when Phelan became a member in 1955 was an inbred, comfortable place, where the new young members, as likely as not, were the sons of older traders.

Phelan was no exception, having gone to work for his father's specialist firm. "It's not a family business anymore," he said Wednesday, reflecting on the changes that have taken place in the securities industry.

THOSE CHANGES snuck up on the Big Board, and it was the impatience of a young man that first got Phelan involved in exchange politics. As a board member from 1970 to 1972, he pushed for the exchange to become a pioneer in listed stock options. He lost.

Phelan left the board when it was reorganized, but returned in 1974, and became vice chairman and de facto chief operating offi-

cer a year later in what amounted to a revolt by members who were worried about the slow pace of change. He was named president in 1980, and chairman in 1984.

Phelan became known to Main Street America in 1987, when he became the television spokesman for a market that had tumbled an unprecedented 22.7 percent in one day. He came across as calm and reassuring without appearing as an apologist for the industry.

But his impact on the Big Board and the industry was fixed in the preceding years, as the exchange spent millions on automation and, in the process, changed its procedures in a way that damaged some powerful floor traders.

It was on May 1, 1975 — "May Day" — that real competition came to Wall Street as negotiated commissions were forced on an industry in which fixed prices had been a staple since 1792, when the exchange was formed by brokers who met under a Buttonwood tree and agreed not to do business with anyone who undercut their rates.

AT THE same time, improved technology and changes in government regulation were making it much easier to trade Big Board

stocks away from the exchange. "For 180 years," Phelan said, "all you had to do was be here and the business came."

In the 1970s, "I was one of the few people who believed in automation and that the exchange had to change to survive," he said. "We had to reduce costs." His solution was to automate the handling of small orders, in the process bypassing floor brokers, still known as "\$2 brokers" for the commissions they used to get. "Nobody liked that change to begin with."

That change was made reflects both Phelan's political skills and the fact that he came from the floor and was therefore entitled to some trust from worried floor brokers. "Having a kind of union card for the market place really helped," he said.

That change preserved the role of the specialists, who make markets in individual stocks and now receive small orders electronically. Nonetheless, in the current Big Board move toward 24-hour trading, the specialists are in danger of being bypassed for at least some parts of the trading. "We're trying to do a hybrid," he said Wednesday. "We're trying to do a balancing act."



THEODORE (TED) WARREN has been named an executive vice president for Grace Drilling Co., a subsidiary of Grace Energy Corp. His responsibilities will include Grace Drilling's drilling technology department and industrial relations department, which includes personnel, safety and environmental compliance; and its long-range business development efforts. He will also be responsible for the company's purchasing and marketing functions.

CLAY GOOD, a Prime Product sales representative for the Corpus Christi office of Energy Industries has accepted a similar position in the company's Midland branch. He is responsible for the sale, lease/purchase and rental of Energy Industries gas compressor packages in the West Texas/southeastern New Mexico territories.

TOMMY JOHNSON has been named salesman of the year at Rogers Ford Sales for 1990.

Midlander **FRAN HENDERSON**, an associate at Re/Max of Midland, has been appointed to the referral systems committee, referral roster subcommittee and chapter achievement subcommittee by the Women's Council of Realtors.

Pogo Producing Co. has announced two promotions. **JERRY A. COOPER** has been appointed vice president, western division manager. He joined Pogo in 1979 and has managed the company's Midland office the last two years. He will remain at the Midland office.

RICHARD WRIGHT has been named division operations supervisor. He will also remain in Pogo's western division office.

CORY SKINNER, manager of Midland Park Mall, has received the Certified Shopping Center Manager certification from the International Council of Shopping Centers.

The certification goes to individuals with at least four years professional experience and who pass a daylong written examination.

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Five hit by S&L crisis develop board game

■ Five Houstonians whose businesses were singed by the S&L bailout have developed a board game based on the crisis.

HOUSTON (AP) — A new board game for the 1990s is the brainchild of five Houstonians who were scorched by the savings and loan crisis.

The game, called "Pentarchy: The Ultimate High-Stakes Game," allows players to assume the roles of businessman, investor, politician, entrepreneur, banker and lobbyist in unfolding S&L scandals.

"I think everyone has been burned by the S&L crisis, but I personally identify with it because I'm a small business owner," said Deborah DuBose, the owner of Wordsmith, a Houston advertising firm she runs with her husband and father.

Wordsmith was left with \$30,000 in unpaid bills and lost a valuable account when federal regulators took over a major Houston thrift in 1988 under the controversial Southwest Plan.

"At the same time, the big guys got breaks to purchase those S&Ls," Ms. DuBose said. "A lot of people are going to pay the debts and know that it's not right. We are really only bailing out a small group of criminals."

Ms. DuBose got involved in developing the game when her friend, Bill Wright, a commercial real estate consultant showed her a few scenarios he'd written from

newspaper headlines of real events.

For example, a politician's network stakes card reads: "As a member of the House Banking Committee, you consider favorably Congressman Buck Head's request to put on hold for three months the investigation into two S&Ls in his district. Collect 10 million IOUs."

Ms. DuBose's and Wright's enthusiasm for the project soon spread to her husband, Gary Allison Morey, her father, Fred DuBose, and Wright's wife, Anne.

Wright and his wife had tried to meet with key legislators in Washington last year as the government set up the Resolution Trust Corp. Wright was representing a broad group of real estate interests and had scheduled meetings with several congressmen. But when he arrived, only aides showed up for the meetings.

"It was really appalling," Wright said. "They weren't really interested in having any interface with the business community."

Since early summer, the five inventors have spent between \$70,000 and \$75,000 to produce the game that pokes fun at the financial world.

The pieces came together last weekend when the game became available at Fountainview Pharmacy and several specialty stores in Houston for \$29.98.

"They just came in yesterday

and we sold out yesterday," Stanley Thomas, an employee at Fountainview Pharmacy, said Tuesday. "We got a new shipment in today and we sold 10 to 12 already this morning."

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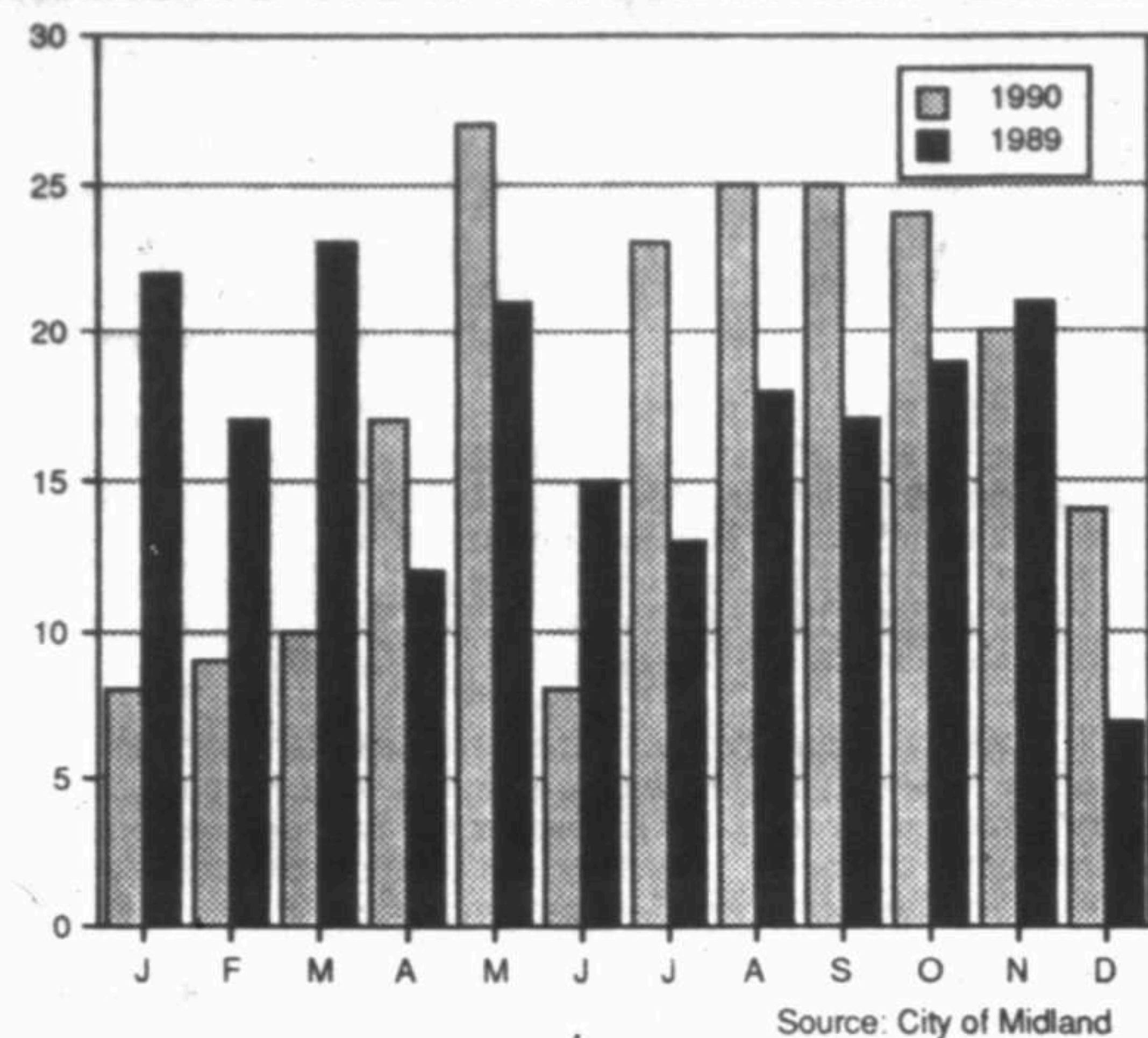
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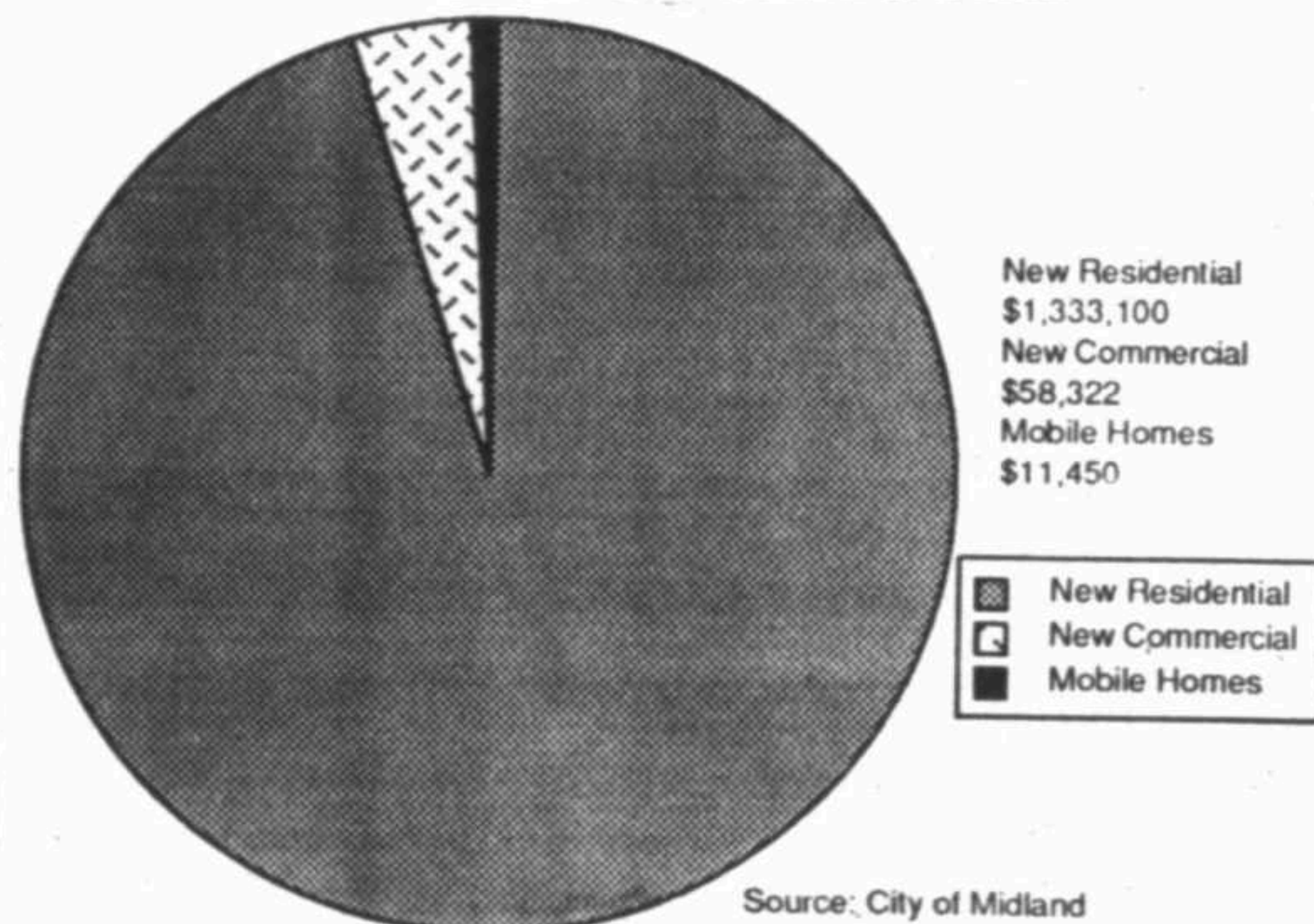
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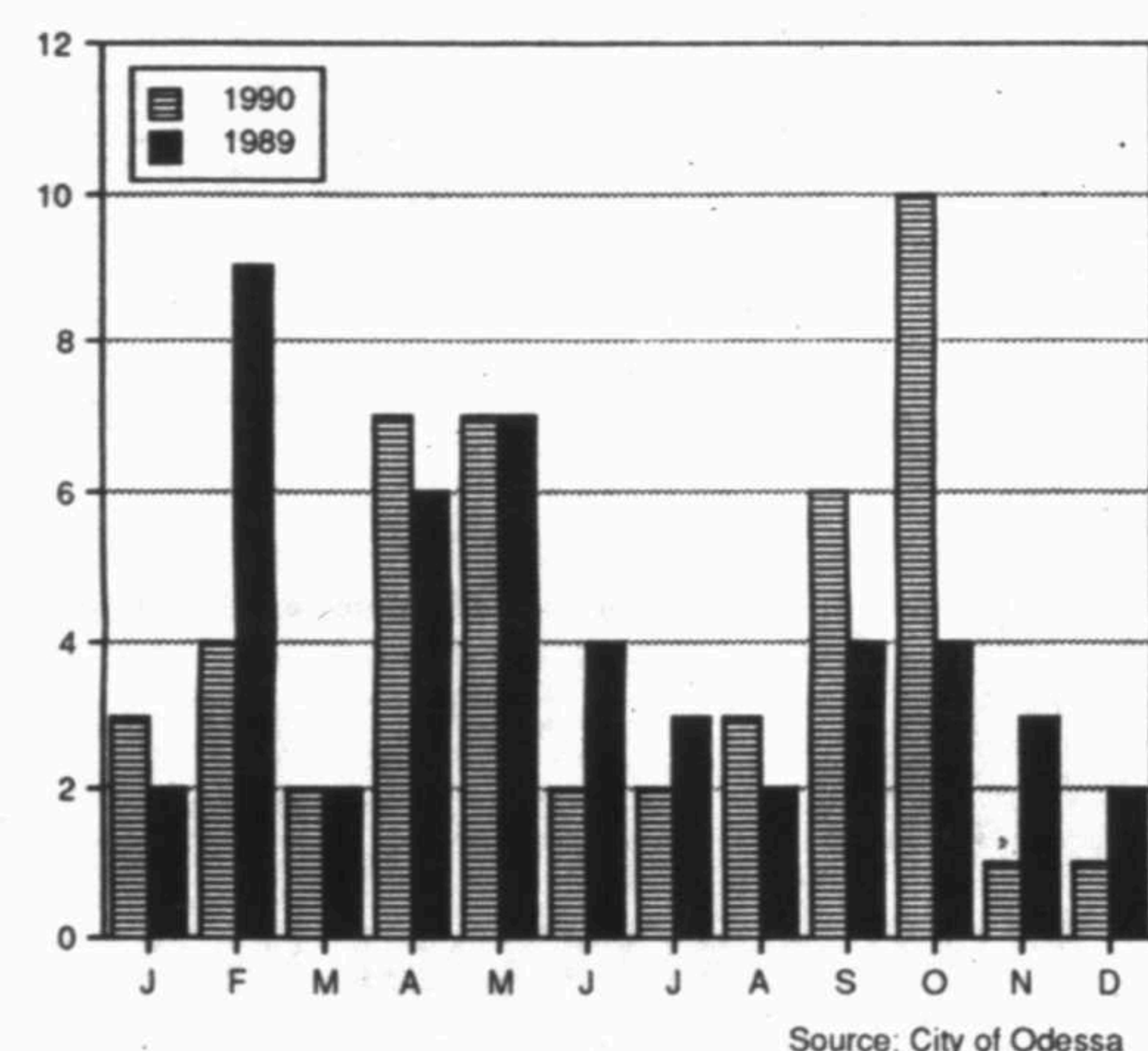
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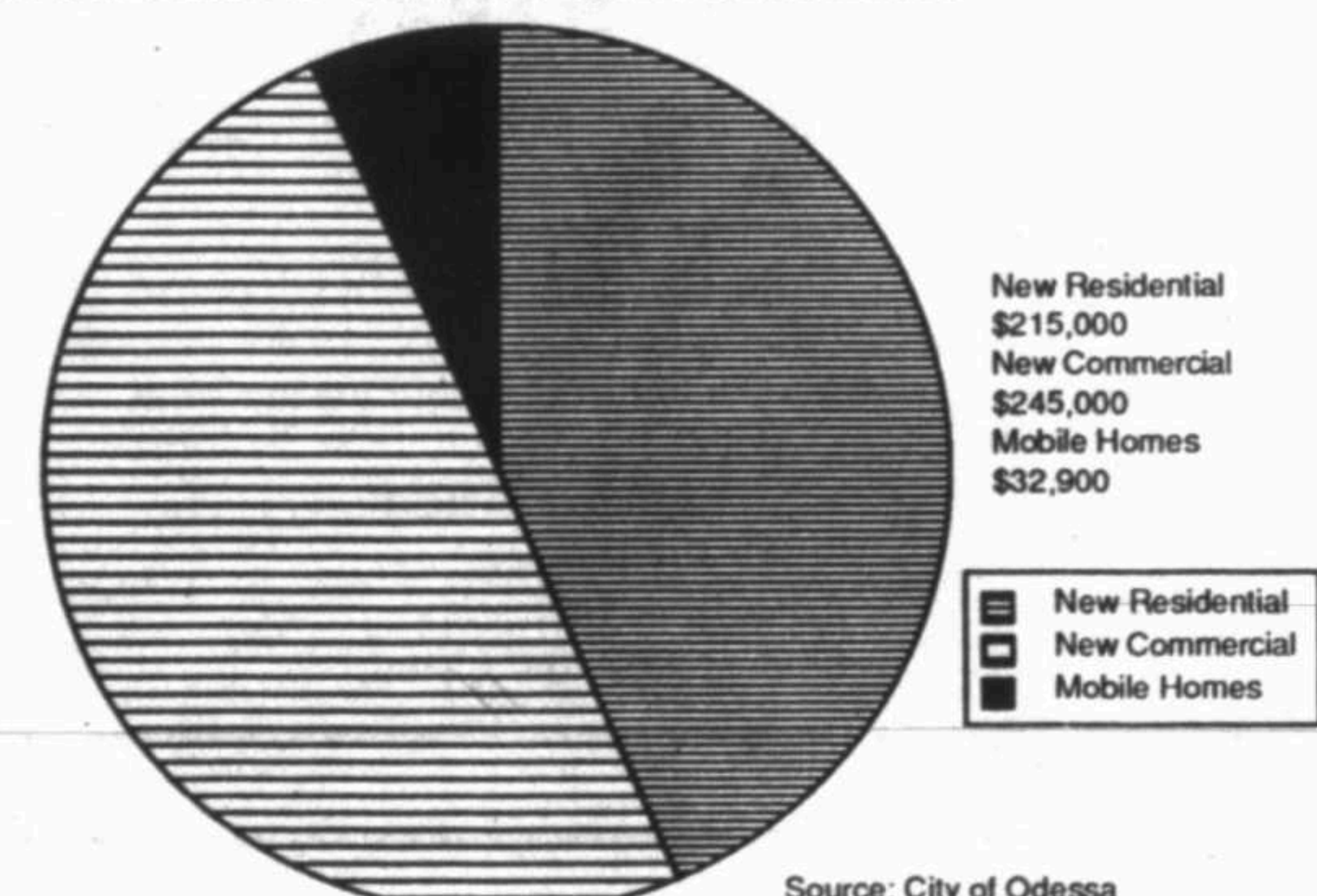
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Intel develops faster version of flagship chip

N.Y. Times News Service

Intel Corp. has developed a version of its flagship microprocessor chip that is up to three times faster than current models and could pose a challenge to backers of a rival technology that has been cutting into its sales.

The Santa Clara, Calif.-based company says that the powerful chip is only about half the size of the Intel 80486 chip used in powerful personal computers and mid-range systems.

Yet it operates at a frequency of 100 megahertz, compared with a limit of 33 megahertz for the 80486 and most other microprocessors.

Trouble is, the new chip may operate too quickly for most computers as they are designed now.

Analysts and competitors add that Intel's factories may not be able to produce such a chip in volume for three years or more.

"We don't expect to see production of this technology until 1993 or 1994," said Thampy Thomas, chief executive of NexGen Microsystems, a San Jose-based company that next year plans to intro-

duce its own hardware compatible with the 80486.

The disclosure of the new Intel chip comes in an abstract to a technical paper scheduled to be delivered by the company in February at the annual International Solid State Circuits Conference in San Francisco.

Conference rules bar companies from discussing details of their papers until they are delivered.

Intel is by far the most influential company in the microprocessor business, designing the chips that serve as the central brain in all IBM-compatible personal computers.

As a result, most PC programs only work on computers based on Intel-designed chips and operating software from Microsoft Corp. of Redmond, Wash.

But a rival technology has begun to blunt Intel's edge.

Called reduced instruction set computing, or RISC, this design technique gets high speed by omitting complex instructions that slow down a chip or computer.

SCOTT BURNS

Management costs diminish returns

By Scott Burns

Let me tell you the story of the Amazing Monkey Portfolios. Nearly lost because it is a discontinued service of Media General, a publishing firm in Richmond, Va., the Monkey Portfolios were an attempt to automate the Dartboard portfolio made famous by Forbes. Alas, the service is no longer offered. What can the Monkey Portfolios do for us?

They can provide a yardstick for investment performance expectations. Here's how:

Noting that the standard bogey for all money managers was hardly a random list — the Standard and Poor's 500 — Media General Financial Services asserted that the real measure of any money manager was how the managers' portfolio performed against a universe of randomly selected portfolios. To provide those benchmarks Media General unleashed its computers, instructing them to select 10,000 portfolios of 40 stocks each. The performance of the portfolios

was then analyzed and ranked from the top 1 percent to the bottom 1 percent. Just to make certain they were dealing with similar conditions, one set of portfolios was restricted to the 500 largest capitalization companies; another was restricted to the 1,000 largest; and another was open to the 1,800 largest.

What did they learn?

Two things.

First, the 50th percentile monkey portfolio selected from 500 stocks consistently outperformed the Standard and Poo's 500 index. In the 14 years the service existed (from 1972 to 1985) the median monkey portfolio outperformed the S&P 500 by an average of 3.37 percent a year. The 50th percentile randomly selected portfolio beat the fear institutional bogey in 10 of the 14 years.

Indeed, over the 10 year period from 1976 to 1985, over 95 percent of all randomly selected portfolios outperformed the S&P 500 index. Message: since money managers have difficulty beating the S&P 500 index but randomly selected portfolios beat the S&P 95 percent of the time, we probably shouldn't pay too much for investment management.

Second, the long term differ-

ence between being in the top 25 percent and the bottom 25 percent of randomly selected portfolios is very small. The average performance gap in each of those 14 years was 6.85 percent.

That's a healthy number and it explains why so many people want to be in the top 25 percent of all investors.

But look at what happens as the time period of investing increases:

Over a long period of time, the difference between the top 25 percent of all portfolios and the bottom 25 percent declines to only 2.2 percent. In the 1976-1985 period, for instance, the 25th percentile portfolio returned a compound 18.7 percent while the 75th percentile portfolio returned 16.5 percent compounded. Message: Long term, being invested in common stocks was far more important than who managed them. This finding is not unique. Other studies show a similar convergence: over time the difference between the top managers and the less talented tends to diminish. Statisticians call this "regression toward the mean."

Whatever you call it, it tells us something very important: if you have two equally talented managers, THE SINGLE LARGEST FACTOR IN THE LONG TERM DIF-

ERENCE IN PERFORMANCE WILL NOT BE THEIR SELECTIONS BUT THE COST OF MANAGING THE PORTFOLIO. The portfolio manager who makes good decisions, once, and does not charge a fee will be in the top 25 percent. The portfolio manager who makes the same good decisions but changes stocks and charges a fee will be in the bottom 25 percent if his fees and other costs are much over 2 percent.

That's right. TWO PERCENT. While the financial community regularly tries to sell us on promises of future returns, what you and I need to look at most carefully is something clear and measurable: the reality of current costs.

How far apart are the top 10 percent and the bottom 10 percent? In the time period studied, 4.1 percent over 10 years.

If it costs much to manage your money, odds are that your long term return will be materially reduced.

Next week: Measuring Different Alternatives

Scott Burns' column is syndicated by King Features, and appears on the Reporter-Telegram business pages each Thursday and Sunday.

Digital buys stake in German computer firm

N.Y. Times News Service

Digital Equipment Corp., seeking new markets in Europe, announced an investment Wednesday that analysts saw as a strong move in that direction.

In its largest acquisition, the computer maker said it had agreed to buy 65 percent of Mannesmann AG's Kienzle Computer Systems division for \$230 million.

The resulting company, Digital-Kienzle Computer System will be based in Villingen, Germany, and Mannesmann, based in Dusseldorf, will keep 35 percent of the company.

In a conference call Wednesday Digital officials said the partnership between the companies would extend beyond computers to the other industries that Mannesmann participates in.

"There is a great deal of synergy between our two companies," said John F. Smith, Digital's senior vice president for worldwide operations.

Industry analysts say the company will be able to take advantage of stronger growth in Europe.

"It's an effective use of their

cash in Europe," said Jay Stevens of Dean Witter Reynolds. "They see that the growth in Europe has been good. And Germany is probably the best launching ground to get into Eastern Europe."

But the purchase is also seen by analysts as further evidence of a deepening crisis for the European computer industry. This year has seen mergers, layoffs and a general retrenching.

Smith said the Kienzle investment would also provide Digital an opportunity to expand into open computing systems that use the Unix operating system.

Digital, which is known for its proprietary Vax computer systems, has during the past two years been moving to open its computing platforms to meet industry standards and add Unix computers to its product line.

Although Kienzle now has proprietary computing systems based on Motorola's 68000 microprocessor, it is in the process of converting to machines based on systems designs by Mips Computer Systems, a Sunnyvale, Calif., maker of computers based on reduced instruction set computing, or RISC, designs.

Digital officials said that they believed that Kienzle's revenues would continue to grow next year even though the company was in transition.

Smith said Digital was getting about 20 percent of its revenue from the sale of Unix-based computers and is investing more than

30 percent of its research and development funds in Unix systems.

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Clothing makers help save rain forests

■ Two California clothing makers will purchase 1 million ivory-like buttons made from a tropical palm, helping the residents support themselves so they won't have to clear rain forest.

By Paul Raeburn

NEW YORK (AP) — Two clothing makers have agreed to purchase 1 million ivory-like buttons made from the fruit of a tropical palm as part of an effort to help save rain forests.

Patagonia, of Ventura, Calif., and Smith and Hawken, of Mill Valley, Calif., said they will purchase buttons made from the tough, white fruit of tagua palms growing in some of the world's richest rain forests in northwestern Ecuador.

The arrangement will help the forest's residents support themselves without clearing the rain forest for agriculture, said Mark Plotkin of Conservation International.

A licensing fee paid by the companies to Conservation International will support conservation and economic development programs in Ecuador, said Plotkin, Conservation International's vice-president for plant conservation and ethnobotany.

"In the past, the harvesters of local products often exploited local people and devastated the environment," Plotkin said. "Patagonia and Smith and Hawken are reversing that legacy of destruction by helping low-income communities benefit financially from the rain forest they inhabit."

The arrangement, which Conservation International calls its Tagua Initiative, is "the cutting edge of conservation," Plotkin said in an interview.

Plotkin said Conservation International hopes to follow the initiative with similar programs using products from other threatened ecosystems.

"The idea is let's do this in the Amazon with other species and let's do it in the Congo with still other species," he said.

"With a little creativity, we might even be able to use it to save

the elephant."

Trade in ivory has been halted worldwide because of the threat it poses to the survival of African elephants.

Tagua buttons were widely used around the turn of the century, before being displaced by plastic, Plotkin said. The purchase of buttons through the Tagua Initiative is an attempt to restore that market. The program will ensure that the tagua is harvested without damage to the rain forest.

"It's our assurance that the biological and cultural integrity of a region in Ecuador will be maintained," said Kevin Sweeney, public affairs director for Patagonia.

Patagonia and Smith and Hawken each contribute 10 percent of pretax profits to environmental groups. Smith and Hawken originally sold gardening products and began selling clothing this year.

"We believe that there is no contradiction between economy and ecology, and that in doing good we can also do well," said William Scranton III, Smith and Hawken's president.

The focus of the program is the tagua palm. Different species of tagua (pronounced TAHG-wah) are found in various parts of the Amazon, Plotkin said. "It is very little known outside of botanical circles, but it's almost as useful as the coconut palm," he said.

The nuts, which harden into ivory-like hardness when they dry, can be eaten when fresh. "It's like a coconut before it hardens into this vegetable ivory," Plotkin said.

The tree produces fiber suitable for roof thatching. The nuts can be made into buttons or can be carved and transformed into jewelry or art works.

"It has advantages over ivory in art work. It can be softened in water, and then it hardens when it dries. And it takes ink better than ivory, so you can paint it," Plotkin said.



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An unidentified woman in northwestern Ecuador cuts tagua nuts into slices, the first step in turning the tropical palm fruit into buttons.

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Shearson aims plan at best brokers

N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Wall Street firms are expanding the use of compensation programs to keep their best brokers. Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. told its employees this past week that it was creating a two-tiered deferred compensation plan to reward the brokers who increased their production while keeping customer complaints low.

The plan will also reward many of the firm's 9,000 brokers for not having left during Shearson's recent years of financial trouble, which ended with the firm being repurchased earlier this year by American Express Co.

The Shearson announcement came shortly after Merrill Lynch & Co., the nation's largest brokerage, decided to restructure its broker compensation system. One aspect is rewarding brokers with \$100,000 if they remain with the firm for 10 more years. The Merrill plan also puts newly hired brokers on salary instead of the traditional commission system.

The Shearson plan differs in many respects. Shearson brokers who pass a screening process will receive a deferred compensation next year of 4 percent on top of their other income.

Brokers who earn above a specified amount will also receive a combination of securities of American Express, Shearson's parent, and money in interest-bearing accounts.

The money, with interest, will be given to the brokers in a one-time payout for a maximum of \$80,000 in five years.

Under the broker-incentive program, which is intended to increase production while maintaining client confidence, brokers who have worked with the firm for five years and have met other criteria would receive 1 percent to 5 percent above other income.

This will also go to an annual maximum of \$80,000 in any single year and will also vest in five years.

The first awards will be granted in December 1991.

To qualify for the incentive program, a broker has to bring in more than \$250,000 a year in sales, which is about average for the firm, according to Joseph Plumeri, the president of Shearson's private client group. The broker must also have few customer complaints or violations of securities regulations.

Finally, to qualify each year for the payout, the broker must increase production by 5 percent over the previous year.

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OIL: Makes comeback

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In addition, the crisis — which helped trigger a virtual overnight increase in gasoline prices at the pump in August — further tarnished the industry's public image, already hurt by the Alaskan oil spill of 1989.

"I think consumer confidence has been shaken," Lebow said.

Nevertheless, 1990 clearly has been an "above-average" year for most oil companies, Eck said. This year's developments have lent momentum to the widely held belief within the industry that it will rebound and prosper in the 1990s after a nightmarish boom-to-bust decade in the 1980s.

Most oil executives say they can make a decent profit in 1991 even if oil prices average only \$20 a barrel. They want to see prices stabilize so that long-range drilling plans can be made with greater certainty — and with a heightened chance of securing financing from bankers and investors unnerved by the unpredictable roller-coaster price movements of the past five years.

Energy producers also say they want to see a rebound in long-depressed natural gas prices, which have averaged only about \$1.50 per 1,000 cubic feet on the spot market in recent years. Producers say an average price of at least \$2.50 to \$3 is needed to trigger a substantial increase in drilling for gas.

In 1991, "if the price of oil would stay around \$20 to \$22, it would be a good year," said Fort Worth, Texas, oilman W.A. "Tex" Moncrief. "It wouldn't be a fantastic year, but it would sure beat \$10-to-\$12 oil."

"I don't think we're going to have a war and I'm praying we don't," Moncrief said. "I think somehow we're going to settle that thing."

Higher oil prices produce a mixed reaction in Texas, the nation's leading oil and natural gas producer.

Texas consumers, just like those in New York, are faced with higher gasoline and utility bills as a result of rising energy prices.

Economists say a jump in oil prices is a net plus for the state's economy — but the benefit obviously is greater in oil-reliant Houston or Midland than in the Fort Worth-Dallas area, where the gain is considered only marginal.

Though most energy analysts are at least moderately optimistic

about the oil industry's outlook, prices could make a sharp plunge under one scenario.

Under that script, a resolution of the Middle East crisis would result in restoration of full-scale crude production in Iraq and Kuwait, bringing another four million barrels of daily oil production back onto the world market.

But countries such as Saudi Arabia and Iran, which have enjoyed a big boost in their petroleum revenues by escalating their production since August, would be reluctant to cut back to their previous output levels. As a result, the world would be awash in surplus oil and prices would nosedive.

Under such a scenario, prices could tumble as low as \$10 a barrel, Lebow said. Prices last sank to \$10 in the oil bust year of 1986, when U.S. drilling activity hit the lowest level in 46 years.

But if a war were to erupt in the Middle East and cause major damage to Saudi oil fields, the world might suddenly be facing the prospect of \$100-a-barrel crude, Lebow said.

Despite the rise in oil prices this year, U.S. drilling activity is up only a modest 7 percent, with 1,151 rigs drilling new oil and gas wells compared to 1,079 a year ago.

The rig count is still at only about one-fourth the level of the oil boom year of 1981. Analysts say drilling activity remains modest because:

— Many oil companies aren't yet convinced that crude prices will stabilize at higher levels.

— Drilling projects take months or even years to implement, so drilling can't be cranked up overnight even if there is a huge jump in oil prices.

— There is an increasing focus on drilling in foreign countries that have been less heavily explored than the United States, where 3 million wells have been drilled in 131 years of exploration.

In Texas, where there has been a boom in horizontal drilling, there are now 425 rigs working, a 22-percent jump from 349 active rigs a year ago. As a result, 37 percent of the wells now being drilled in the United States are in Texas. But the state's rig count is still far below boomtime levels, when there would be more than 1,000 rigs punching holes at any given time.

The grass is not greener in Europe

Hearst News Service

PARIS — It will come as a surprise to many Americans that Western Europe, which is often pictured as booming, has a generally higher level of unemployment than the slumping United States.

In similar vein, America is invariably described as the world's biggest debtor nation.

So it may be in absolute figures. But as a percentage of the wealth that the American economy produces year in and year out, the U.S. budget deficit is less than that of France and Italy and about the same as Germany's, a country invariably cited as a paragon of financial prudence.

The average American's pessimism about the economic future has, by now, become a journalistic cliché.

However, by at least one gauge of economic sentiment — the movement of the stock market — Americans appear less downhearted than other people.

Since July's high on the world's stock markets, Wall Street has dropped by about 15 per cent. During the same period, the decline on other major stock exchanges — Tokyo, London, Frankfurt and Milan — has been 20 per cent or more.

The latest U.S. unemployment figures, released last week, showed an increase to 5.9 per cent, the highest number out of work in three years.

Nevertheless, there are still fewer Americans without jobs than there are Britons (6.2 per cent), French (6.8 per cent) and Germans (7.3 per cent).

As recently as last fall, Western Europe was thought to be on the brink of its biggest economic expansion since the 1960s, fueled by the increasingly integrated European Community market.

Many economists predicted that Europe's surge would easily compensate for a faltering U.S. economy and keep global prosperity going.

But the European boom hasn't materialized. Some authorities blame the Gulf crisis and the consequent rise in oil prices. Others suspect that the great expectations were overblown to start with.

Only Germany is experiencing significant expansion, likely to reach 4.5 per cent this year. Demand has been strongly boosted by ex-communist eastern Germany's crying need for consumer goods.

However, the erstwhile East Germans are paying for what they buy with massive credits from the Bonn government and German banks.

"Presumably, the effects of this internal boom will be durably beneficial to our economy," Stefan Wolfvogel, an economist with the Deutsche Bank told the newspaper Die Welt last week.

"But it must be remembered that, in a sense, we are buying back our own products," Wolfvogel said.

He noted that sales to eastern Germany are partially compensating for declining exports elsewhere.

For instance, Daimler-Benz, the automaker that epitomizes German industrial skills, is facing a drop in its \$2 billion per year sales to the United States.

That's a loss not readily made up in other markets. East Germans are desperately eager to own Western-made cars, but few can afford to buy new ones, let alone luxury models like Mercedes-Benz.

The German car manufacturer's shrinking profits have helped to puncture another illusion — that, with America in recession, European exporters would be able to replace lost U.S. customers with Europeans and Japanese.

But the European market shows no sign of growing enough to compensate for the absent Americans.

Protectionist-minded Japan, meanwhile, remains just as hard to crack open for European exporters as it's been for Americans.

TACO: Gains new ground

(From 1G)

cents for this, 59 cents for that," said Simon Crawford-Welch, an industry consultant, who is also an assistant professor of hospitality at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

"But with Taco Bell, I know what I get," he said. "What they are doing is differentiating themselves very effectively from the pack."

Kevin K. Moriarty, a former Burger King executive who is now president of the Del Taco chain, credits Taco Bell with returning common sense to the industry.

He said that to attract customers many chains had added menu items that cost more and took longer to prepare. That flies in the face of the fast-food precept that chains should stick to selling good, reasonably priced food quickly.

"Taco Bell has structured its menu and operations around speed and volume, and as a result, it's growing at the big guys' expense," Moriarty said.

Martin and Pepsico, already a force in the fast-food business with its Kentucky Fried Chicken and Pizza Hut chains, worked hard to make Taco Bell more efficient.

That value menu was introduced nationally in 1989 and that year the number of customer transactions increased 35 percent. Per-store sales have also jumped considerably to about \$780,000.

Another Pepsico subsidiary, Frito-Lay, developed an inexpensive taco shell that did not crumble easily.

And working with suppliers like IBP, a meat processor, Taco Bell developed a method of cooking and quick-freezing seasoned ground beef for tacos at outside sites to save kitchen space and restaurant salaries.

Taco Bell's systemwide sales for the first three quarters of 1990 are up 14.3 percent, to \$1.6 billion.

Operating profits from 1,900 company-owned stores and other income increased 26 percent, to \$90.6 million, Pepsico said.

Taco Bell's low-priced strategy is linked strongly to efforts by Martin and other executives of Taco Bell and its parent company to turn around a business that was struggling in the years after Pepsico bought it in 1978 from its founder, Glen Bell.

Bell started the chain in Southern California, and Pepsico has expanded eastward.

Taco Bell said there were several reasons for its past problems, the most serious being a shrinking customer base.

Many people were hesitant to try Mexican food, thinking it was strange or too spicy.

The buildings were small and dour and often lacked a drive-through window.

SHIP: For the future

(From 1G)

island hop while making the Phoenix World City headquarters.

To get an idea of the enormous size of the cruise ship, World City Corp. says it is one quarter of a mile long and 100 yards wide. Standing 21 stories tall, it is roughly equivalent to all the real estate in New York City from 49th street to 54th street. It's 2,800 rooms is significantly larger than the 1,697 rooms of the Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

Plans call for the ship to be based at Cape Canaveral, Florida, where a special port side complex would be built. It would have an onboard staff of 1,800, and the company is already in negotiations with the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N.Y. and the Massachusetts Maritime Academy at Buzzards Bay about the

creation of training programs for cadets on board the Phoenix World City.

The brain child of Norwegian cruise pioneer Knut Utstein Kloster, former Chairman of Kloster Cruise Ltd., which owns Norwegian Cruise Line, Royal Viking Line and Royal Cruise Line, the Phoenix World City will be the first cruise ship built in America in decades and could do much to revive a U.S. flag ship cruise industry, if the project can obtain a "level playing field," says the corporation.

Of concern are tax laws that prohibit the deduction of shipboard convention expenses if the ship calls at a foreign port, even though a convention in a foreign country could be deducted. Also of concern, is the fact that casinos are permitted on all foreign flag cruise ships, but not U.S. flag ships.

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"The Bear Facts" are these: during the holiday season the Museum of the Southwest is bearing bears — hundreds of them. In addition to "The Bear Facts Exhibit," the museum has decorated Christmas trees in almost every room. The museum will be closed Monday and Tuesday and again Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. Hours of operation during the holidays are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. No admission is charged.

Teddy bears and more

While most people were taking out the traditional Christmas ornaments to decorate the family tree and making other holiday plans, Museum of the Southwest staff members were debating how to make this year's Christmas exhibit different than last year's.

They had to decide what could follow dolls, miniatures and the North Pole complete with Santa's workshop.

Thus "The Bear Facts of Christmas" was born. Bears?

"We were just throwing around different ideas, and everybody seemed to settle on bears," said Gary Hood, museum curator.

"Of course, there are certain facts about Christmas that everybody knows, and one of those facts is that bears are not necessarily a part of Christmas as are reindeer, Santa Claus and gifts. But, nevertheless, bears are almost always under everyone's Christmas tree."

The next decision was what kinds of bears to include in such an exhibit.

"Normally, when we think of types of bears, we think of teddy bears or stuffed bears," Hood said.

"But what we wanted to show are that there are many different kinds of bears... like polar bears, brown bears and black bears, but also we make bears out of many different materials."

"So we have bears that are made out of porcelain, a form of clay, and we have bears made of crystal and other forms of glass, and we have bears made of wood as well as the many, many different kinds of stuffed bears."

Hood said included in the exhibit are, "Some of the earliest bears that were made dating back almost 50 years. And we have some of the most recent bears that were made, including the miniature bears."

The festive mood of "The Bear Facts" is enhanced by the Christmas trees on display.

The trees were decorated by businesses and individuals including Bob Bradshaw of Bob's Designs, Virginia Rachal, Sharon Spear of Permian Interiors, The Museum Shops, Cynthia Wolfe, Mary Ann Abshire of Petal Patch, Kathy Hale of the Museum Teem Volunteers, Joseph Brunelle, museum master-in-residence, Rafael Amuchastegui and Richard Schwoppe of Connolly & Company Architects and Donna Manning and Cathy Young of Manning's Garden Center.

Unlike the trees, most of the bears on display are protected by glass or walls.

"Many of these bears are very fragile and very tiny, and we don't want anything to get lost or broken," Hood said.

The exhibit includes a bear village in a forest and one of the houses in the village is home to the three bears of storybook fame.

"Everybody knows the story of 'The Three Bears,'" Hood said. "We invite people to enter the

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Whistling as music dying art form

By Anne Stuart

BOSTON (AP) — "You do know how to whistle, don't you? You just put your lips together and blow."

That was Lauren Bacall's husky parting shot to Humphrey Bogart in the classic film "To Have and Have Not." But it seems hardly anybody follows that advice anymore.

Oh, sure, people whistle. You hear those ear-splitting shrieks at football games, the shrill blasts that beckon home wandering pets, the descending note of surprise, the appreciative wolf whistle.

But in many parts of the country it's rare to hear somebody whistling a tune in public. Rarer still to hear it done well.

"It's almost a lost art," says Bill Taylor of Musician Magazine in Boston.

"It's a throwback to a bygone era," adds Harry Lipson, a Boston folk music promoter.

EARLIER in this century, street-corner whistling simply mirrored popular music. Top performers — Bing Crosby, Al Jolson, Sammy Davis Jr., Jack Benny and folk singer Pete Seeger, to name a few — whistled in their acts, and amateurs picked up the tunes.

But the only one of that group still living, Seeger, no longer whistles in performances. "I haven't heard him do it in years," says agent Harold Leventhal.

Fred Taylor, a Boston jazz promoter, says some artists occasionally incorporate whistling into their acts. And a few avant-garde musicians whistle exclusively. "It's in the novelty category," he says. "It's a cult."

Among the faithful is Brad Terry who discovered his unusual talent about 25 years ago while standing in a cavernous Manhattan parking garage.

Terry, a jazz clarinet player

Whistling has place in American musical history

By Anne Stuart

Associated Press

Whistling may be on the wane, but it has had its moments in American musical history.

Whistling figured prominently in several movies, notably "The Bridge on the River Kwai" and "The High and the Mighty." And, of course, Walt Disney's seven dwarfs in "Snow White" whistled while they worked.

Whistling also helped define Disney's oldest and most popular character, Mickey Mouse. Early cartoons depict Mickey strolling along, hands clasped behind his back, face tilted to the sky, lips puckered.

More recently, Jason Serinus of Los Angeles has provided the whistling voice of Woodstock, Snoopy's feathered friend on the "Charlie Brown" specials.

The cheerfully whistled theme song of the 1960s situation comedy "Mayberry RFD" still lives on in reruns.

A few songs celebrate the art: "Whistling in the Dark," for instance or "Whistle a Happy Tune" from "The King and I." Other songs include whistled passages. The 1970s rock 'n' roll song, "Hocus Pocus," consisted only of instrumental music interspersed with yodeling and manic whistling.

Movie and cartoon characters have long used whistling as an obvious disguise for guilt. Ineffective talk is "whistling in the

wind," nonsensical talk is "just whistling Dixie." A gesture of false courage is "whistling past the graveyard."

Whistling also has its superstitions.

Some hold that whistling inside a house is as risky as opening an umbrella indoors. Well into the 20th century, whistling aboard ship was said to summon up a gale. Whistling in a theater was believed to doom the current production, and veteran journalists swear it's bad luck to whistle in a newsroom.

Some cultures have prohibited whistling altogether. Arab countries consider it evil, and Victorian etiquette books pronounced it vulgar, at least for women.

books on the market such as "How To Whistle Like a Pro (Without Driving Anyone Else Crazy)" by David Harp.

MUSICIAN FRED Lowrey performed with big band orchestras, recorded a dozen albums and wrote his autobiography, "Whistling in the Dark." Contemporary whistlers still perform his version of "Indian Love Call."

Not everyone appreciated the art. A 1986 Smithsonian magazine article cited a 1931 complaint from Charles Shaw, a philosophy professor at New York University.

"Whistling is an unmistakable sign of the moron," Shaw said.

Why has whistling faded to a mere echo of its former glory?

For one thing, Drummond says, much current music — rap, heavy metal rock, synthesized pop — doesn't rely on the simple melodies that translate easily to whistling. "Even the Beatles are hard to whistle," she says.

Whistlers acknowledge, reluctantly, that some people find whistling as annoying a habit as knuckle-cracking or pen-tapping.

WHISTLING ALSO carries some negative connotations. Tattle-tales are whistle-blowers; a whistle-stop speech offers little substance. Some people "whistle past the graveyard" to cover their fears; cartoon characters whistle when they're trying to cover something up.

Women have had to overcome additional anti-whistling prejudices. Victorian etiquette books declared the practice vulgar. In Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women," ladylike Meg exhorts sister Jo to stop because "it's so boyish."

Mimi Drummond quotes an old saying of uncertain origin:

"A whistling girl and a crowing hen

"Will surely come to some bad end."

from Brunswick, Maine, had just finished a jam session. While waiting for an attendant to deliver his car, he started whistling.

"It was extraordinary," says Terry. "It had tremendous reverberation. There were 25 or 30 people standing on a platform behind me, and they all started applauding."

NOT LONG after that, he tried whistling with a microphone. "It's been part of the act ever since," he says.

Terry, who has recorded three whistling albums, is among the few professional practitioners of what appears to be a vanishing art.

Downbeat Magazine has called Terry "the finest jazz whistler in the world." Another practitioner is Ron McCroby of Chagrin Falls, Ohio. An advertising executive by trade, McCroby has recorded jazz and classical albums and appeared on the "Tonight" show.

Meanwhile, a group of spare-time whistlers has tried for more than a decade to revive the dying art.

"Each of us had noticed that you don't hear whistling anymore," says Mimi Drummond of Hordsham, Pa., who publishes a newsletter for the International Whistlers' Association. "So we formed the association to promote whistling, especially among children."

The group evolved from a whistling contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce in Carson City, Nev., in 1977.

ABOUT 30 people showed up to that first "Whistle-Off," some whistling a cappella, some accompanied by piano, guitar, banjo, washboards, taped music and even live back-up singers.

Since then, the association's membership has grown to about 200. They try to gather annually for a Whistle-Off but, as further evidence of whistling's fading popularity, this year's contest had to be canceled because they couldn't find a sponsor.

Hard-core whistlers want to elevate whistling to a serious musical form. "We don't do the bird-whistle competition," says Drummond,

a national champion who once performed "The Merry Widow Waltz" at a Whistle-Off.

At the same time, whistlers want to preserve the light-hearted spirit that prompted them to whistle, so they included a novelty category. One year a contestant performed while standing on her head. Others have whistled to the accompaniment of typewriters, kazoo and musical saws.

Whistlers call their art a form of self-expression that's more socially acceptable than bursting into song in public.

"It's nice to walk down the street and see people smiling at you," Drummond says. "If you walked down the street singing 'How Great Thou Art,' you'd get carted away in a wagon."

TECHNICALLY, WHISTLING is the sound produced by pushing air through the rounded lips. Whistlers can control pitch by moving their tongues and changing the flow of breath.

Beyond that, techniques differ. Most make music by blowing air

out; a few, by drawing it in. Most pucker. Some smile widely as they whistle through their teeth. Some produce a reedy sound deep in their throats. Some whistle through their fingers, or their fists.

A few virtuosos can produce two notes almost simultaneously and some boast ranges of two octaves or more.

Whistling, so it is said, began as signaling. The earliest known whistlers were shepherds and sailors, who wanted sounds to carry great distances.

In the United States, whistling was a popular form of music-hall entertainment in the 19th and early 20th century. According to the Oxford Companion to Music, an entertainer named Alice Shaw, known as "La Belle Siffleuse" (The Beautiful Whistler), performed throughout the country as well as for European royalty.

Early in this century aspiring whistlers could study at Agnes Woodward's California School of Artistic Whistling in Los Angeles. It's gone, but there remain text-

Roseanne Cash says new album partly autobiographical

By David Bauder

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — It's tough to tell from her art, but singer Roseanne Cash swears she's been in a good mood lately.

She's late for an appointment to talk about her brooding new album, "Interiors," because she was stuck be-



Cash

hind the easel — painting a picture of a distraught woman with a triangle drawn on her throat.

Even for a woman who says she enjoys "taking flashlights into dark corners" in both her music and painting, "Interiors" is a sharp turn inward.

It's a vulnerable album both lyrically and musically for a woman who, with husband Rodney Crowell, formed one half of a hip royal couple in the Nashville music scene during the 1980s. The largely acoustic disc is a departure

from her warm country sound — even her voice sounds more edgy and brittle.

"It had an autobiographical reference point, although I wouldn't say I didn't use some poetic license," Cash said. "I can only write from my own emotional experience. I can't write from anybody else's emotional experience. That's who I was at this time. This is a window. It's pretty bleak."

The 35-year-old daughter of the "Man in Black" country singer Johnny Cash, said she's always en-

joyed exploring the dark side of life in her work.

Songs of loneliness both in and out of relationships fill "Interiors." The desolation that's a result of a failure to make human connections is striking from a woman who manages a household with children aged 14, 10, 8 and 2 years old.

"It was like, get this damn thing out of my psyche now," she said. "That's what I was doing — housecleaning."

While "Interiors" has no Holly-

wood ending, there's evidence the singer isn't completely consumed by what torments her.

The album's final song, "Paralyzed," ends with this verse: "I've lifted the veil, I've walked through the fire. I'll move on. I'll go higher." Cash's voice lifts upward on the final syllables in a hopeful tone.

And the haunting "What We Really Want" is the album's emotional and musical centerpiece. What we really want, according to Cash, is love.

"A lot of the other songs, they were a warped attempt to connect with another human being, to connect with God," she said. "It's pretty basic to the human condition. It's those warped attempts that get us in trouble."

Cash, who sang about battered women on her most recent album, writes about a baby beaten to death by her father on "Interiors." On "Real Woman," she also sings about a woman who doesn't want to "hide my light" so her man's can keep shining.

BEARS: Trees decorate museum

(From 1H)

house and look around and sit in the big chair, the medium size chair and the little chair.

"We also have an assortment of photographs and information about bears on the wall for people to read so they can add to their knowledge of bears. This is in keeping with the educational function of the Museum of the Southwest — in providing information about every exhibition that we show to add to people's knowledge about art and things related to art."

Hood has learned a few bear facts himself since becoming involved with this exhibit.

"I learned that there are three different kinds of bears. I had al-

ways heard the story about Teddy Roosevelt and his refusing to shoot a bear when he was on a hunting trip, and, of course, that's how the teddy bear got its name. But, I also now know that there is a German stuffed bear, and there is also an English stuffed bear."

The exhibit is divided into three areas — the forest and bear house, the bear village and a traditional family living room setting with a decorated Christmas tree.

Children who are viewing "The Bear Facts" can draw some bears.

"We have a small table for the children to sit at and draw pictures of bears. There is a worksheet with different bear outlines on the sheet. They can fill in the faces."



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South African authors' philosophies different

By Hillel Itale

NEW YORK (AP) — Neither Nadine Gordimer nor J.M. Coetzee spent much time researching their new novels. They are South Africans, and the setting of their books — the world of apartheid, police raids and rebellion — is right in front of them.

To write in South Africa means to have your subjects chosen for you, Gordimer notes, the problems are simply too great to avoid. But she and Coetzee differed greatly in recent interviews on what a writer could, and should, do about them. It's a matter of personalities as well as philosophies, the contrast between the outgoing, committed Gordimer and the shy, more skeptical Coetzee, a debate on the power of art for art's sake between two of South Africa's most acclaimed white writers.

"The creative act is not pure," Gordimer once wrote. "History evidences it. Ideology demands it. Society exacts it. ... One thing is clear: Ours is a period when few

can claim the absolute value of a writer without reference to a context of responsibilities."

Just 5-foot-1, she has high cheekbones, playful eyes and a long, thin nose. Her voice is small, her diction precise.

THE 67-year-old author works in the tradition of such politically minded South African writers as Alan Paton and Athol Fugard. Her characters are adventurers, travelers, participants — people forced to make difficult choices between political commitment and personal responsibilities.

In her new novel, "My Son's Story" (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$19.95), Sonny is a married black man who falls in love with a fellow activist, a white woman.

Hillela, the hero of her 1987 novel "A Sport of Nature," leaves family and friends behind as she comes of age emotionally and politically. "Burger's Daughter," banned for three months in South Africa upon its release in 1979, details the struggles of the daughter of the late South African Communist party leader.

"These are searing experiences," Gordimer said, "and all sorts of things can happen."

"We tend to look down on peo-

ple who are not like us, especially in revolutionary situations. I think sometimes you have people, good people trying to do the right thing but not having the courage to go far enough. On the other side, we have people who tried to ignore what's going on."

While Gordimer writes of collaboration, Coetzee is obsessed with solitude. He is quiet, with a gray goatee and soft eyes. He waits several seconds before answering, his responses coming in full, well-constructed sentences, as if the delay was necessary for last-minute editing.

HIS BOOKS are brief — usually under 200 pages — and intense; the author knows it takes less time to prepare a meal if you turn up the heat. In "The Life and Times of Michael K," "Waiting for the Barbarians" and others, he writes of innocents, outcasts and guilt-ridden government officials, men and women doing their best to duck under history or simply float above it.

"Age of Iron" (Random House, \$18.95) reads like a single, sustained thought. The book is narrated by Mrs. Curren, a classics professor dying of cancer. Her husband is dead, her daughter has

moved away and her closest companion is a homeless man she brings in from the street.

Tragedy pushes Gordimer's characters into action, but Coetzee's people become more withdrawn. Mrs. Curren does not initiate events, she reacts to them. The author writes of Mrs. Curren standing over the bleeding body of her servant's son, who has been shot by police.

"It was blood, nothing more, blood like yours and mine. Yet never before had I seen anything so scarlet and so black. Perhaps it was an effect of the skin, youthful, supple, velvet dark, over which it ran; but on my hands it seemed both darker and more glaring than blood ought to be. I stared at it, fascinated, afraid, drawn into a veritable stupor of staring."

Says the 50-year-old Coetzee, "Our history is such that all of a sudden ordinary people are confronted with major decisions in a way that ordinary people are usually not faced by. I think South Africa in the past 40 years has been a place where people have been faced with really huge, moral debts."

But what is the value of fiction in South Africa, a country where political responsibilities make in-

trospection seem self-indulgent, almost treasonous? Gordimer, a member of the African National Congress, believes fiction has subversive power, that imagining a revolution can make it more likely to happen.

IN "A Sport of Nature," she concludes with Hillela and others attending a joyous ceremony proclaiming the birth of a new African state. The book was written before the release of Nelson Mandela and many other political prisoners.

"It's strange because when all of those prisoners came out in October of last year, for the first time in many, many years there was this enormous rally," Gordimer said. "It was somehow a dress rehearsal for what was in 'Sport of Nature.' There were our leaders parading around in this tremendous surge of exhilaration."

Coetzee is more cautious, wary of predicting any post-apartheid utopia and unsure novels can keep up with current events. He closely follows politics, but does not see fiction as the ideal way to write about it.

"I don't think the novel is the most effective way to intervene in the daily processes of political

life," he said. "Writing a novel takes too long. Publishing a novel takes too long. Novels are read by too few people. They don't have that direct kind of involvement with political reality that newspapers have."

Gordimer sees fiction writers as the best kind of reporters, combining technical skills with political and psychological insight, taking an interest in the news of the day and conducting exhaustive research of their characters' inner lives.

"The writers' powers of observation are more acute. The writers of fiction often see in the behavior of people which way they're probably going to go," she said. "This applies to all societies. If you live there all the time you can see what might happen, and sometimes you're right."

74-year-old Japanese cliffhanger resolved

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's most revered author died in 1916, leaving his final novel incomplete and his readers wondering whether the main character, Tsuda, would win Kiyoko's heart.

A writer who spent part of her childhood in the United States finally resolved the cliffhanger this year with a continuation of Natsume Soseki's classic novel "Meian."

For 74 years, no Japanese author had dared resolve the puzzle left by Soseki, a towering intellect. His face adorns the 1,000-yen bill and his brain is preserved at Tokyo University.

Minae Mizumura's audacity and her success in mastering the idiosyncratic Japanese of the nation's greatest literary figure have made her a sensation in Japan's staid lit-

erary establishment.

"Soseki is so deified that no one can possibly live up to his reputation," Mizumura, a petite woman in her mid-30s, said with a self-effacing laugh. "It's natural that people would react against the book, so no one wrote it."

Her 373-page first novel "Meian Continued" has sold 26,500 copies since its release in August, good for serious literature but small-time compared with hits that sell more than a million.

"I figured many people, like me, would like to know how the story ends, and since Soseki is so famous, I figured that at least libraries and Soseki scholars would buy the book," said Mizumura, a former lecturer in Japanese literature at Princeton University.

Soseki's novel is about newly-

weds who find, after playing the doting husband and wife for about six months, that they aren't happy together.

Tsuda, a white-collar worker from a rich family, has to acknowledge he doesn't really love his wife, whom he met shortly after being jilted by Kiyoko, the woman he does love.

He tries to confront Kiyoko, who is married and appears only in the last few pages of "Meian," to learn why she rejected him. The book ends just as his courage fails.

"Meian" was written in Soseki's gloomy later years and is not among his best-loved novels. Many Japanese read the book in school, however, in addition to his more humorous earlier works.

Even the highly educated consider Soseki's Japanese antiquated

and difficult. It relies heavily on unique uses of the Chinese characters and sets of syllables that form Japan's written language.

"Young people in Japan don't read books written in prewar Japanese," Mizumura said. "It's even rather difficult for college students."

She described her foray into serious literature as a contribution to reviving long-discarded forms of more traditional Japanese.

"Soseki was one of the last Japanese novelists to use Chinese characters to their full advantage to bring a text to life. His use of the language is fascinating, and it's so much richer than that used today."

Most critics applauded her for mastering Soseki's difficult style. Ken Yasuhara wrote in the

monthly literary magazine Gen-daishi Techo that Mizumura's continuation "is more moving than Soseki's original."

She left Japan at age 12 when her father's company transferred him to the United States. Her higher education was in English and French, but she eventually drifted toward her real love, Japanese literature.

She was a doctoral student at Yale University and spent three years teaching at Princeton. In January, she will begin teaching at the University of Michigan.

In "Meian Continued," Tsuda is rebuffed after finally daring to ask Kiyoko why she spurned him. "While I don't dislike you," she says, "you're the sort of person I can't stand."

BEST SELLERS

N.Y. Times News Service

The listings below are based on computer-processed sales figures from 3,000 bookstores and from representative wholesalers with more than 28,000 other retail outlets, including variety stores and supermarkets. The figures are statistically adjusted to represent sales in all such outlets across the United States.

FICTION

1. THE PLAINS OF PASSAGE, by Jean M. Auel (Crown, \$24.95) The experiences of a couple on a trek on horseback across Europe in the Ice Age.

2. FOUR PAST MIDNIGHT, by Stephen King (Viking, \$22.95) Four novellas about horror and terror in late-night hours.

3. THE POLAR EXPRESS, written and illustrated by Chris Van Allsburg (Houghton Mifflin, \$17.95) A small boy's Christmas Eve train ride.

4. THE WITCHING HOUR, by Anne Rice (Knopf, \$22.95) The relationship of a professional woman, the descendant of witches, and a rich man she brings back to life after he drowns.

5. CARL'S CHRISTMAS, by Alexandra Day (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$10.95) A picture story about a dog who takes care of a baby while its parents perform Christmas chores.

6. DAZZLE, by Judith Krantz (Crown, \$21.95) The familial, professional and romantic life of an eight-generation California woman who becomes a celebrity photographer.

7. MEMORIES OF MIDNIGHT, by Sidney Sheldon (Morrow, \$21.95) The destiny of an American woman is haunted by a cunning, vengeful Greek tycoon.

8. JURASSIC PARK, by Michael Crichton (Knopf, \$19.95) A bio-technician's use of genetic engi-

neering to clone dinosaurs for a theme park threatens to become a global emergency.

9. LONGSHOT, by Dick Francis (Putnam, \$19.95) An author of survival guides finds his know-how taxed when he undertakes to write about the world of horse racing.

10. THE BURDEN OF PROOF, by Scott Turow (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$22.95) An attorney tries to unravel the mystery of his wife's death while defending his wheeler-dealer brother-in-law.

11. OH, THE PLACES YOU'LL GO! by Dr. Seuss (Random House, \$12.95) The problems of finding your way through life, as depicted in verse and pictures.

12. LADY BOSS, by Jackie Collins (Simon & Schuster, \$21.95) Lucky Santangelo schemes and maneuvers to get control of a major movie studio.

13. THE WILD CHRISTMAS REINDEER, written and illustrated by Jan Brett (Putnam, \$14.95) Little Teeka responds to Santa's request that she get his reindeer ready for the Christmas Eve ride.

14. THE STAND, by Stephen King (Doubleday, \$24.95) Doomsday brings horrors to America; the uncut version of a novel first published in 1978.

15. POSSESSION, by A.S. Byatt (Random House, \$22.95) A pair of British academics pursue the relationship between two Victorian poets, with surprising results for those past and present.

NON-FICTION

1. A LIFE ON THE ROAD, by Charles Kuralt (Putnam, \$19.95) The memoirs of the itinerant television newscaster.

2. THE CIVIL WAR, by Geoffrey C. Ward with Ric Burns and Ken Burns (Knopf, \$50) From Fort Sumter to Appomattox, in words and pictures.

3. BO KNOWS BO, by Bo Jackson and Dick Schaap (Doubleday, \$18.95) The autobiography of the athlete who plays baseball for the Kansas City Royals and football for the Los Angeles Raiders.

4. MILLIE'S BOOK, as dictated to Barbara Bush (Morrow, \$17.95) The memoirs of the English springer spaniel who lives in the White House.

5. IRON JOHN, by Robert Bly (Addison-Wesley, \$18.95) The passage of the male from boyhood into manhood, as practiced and cherished in various cultures and centuries.

6. ALL I REALLY NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED IN KINDERGARTEN, by Robert Fulghum (Villard, \$8.95) An illustrated gift edition of the popular inspirational essay, with new commentary.

7. THE CAT AND THE CURMUDGEON, by Cleveland Armory (Little Brown, \$17.95) The continuing contentions of two curmudgeons, one feline, the other a writer.

8. AN AMERICAN LIFE, by Ronald Reagan (Simon & Schuster, \$24.95) The autobiography of the 40th president.

9. GET TO THE HEART, by Barbara Mandrell with George Vecsey (Bantam, \$19.95) The autobiography of the country-music singer.

10. FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS, by H.G. Bissinger (Addison-Wesley, \$19.95) A high school football season in Odessa, Texas, and what it

reveals about contemporary culture.

11. YOU JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND, by Deborah Tannen (Morrow, \$18.95) The different languages men and women speak and how the sexes can understand each other better.

12. SUDDENLY, by George F. Will (Free Press, \$19.95) Essays about America's success in the cold war and the strains now developing in its society and government.

13. POWERSHIFT, by Alvin Toffler (Bantam, \$22.95) How the changes currently occurring throughout the world are altering our daily lives.

14. THE DISCOVERY OF THE BISMARCK, by Robert D. Ballard with Rick Archibald (Warner, \$35) A profusely illustrated account of the finding of the wreck of the German battleship.

15. IF I EVER GET BACK TO GEORGIA, I'M GONNA NAIL MY FEET TO THE GROUND, by Lewis Grizzard (Villard, \$17.95) The humorist recalls his Georgia boyhood and newspaper career.

16. LOOKING FOR A SHIP, by John McPhee (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$18.95) A voyage along the South American coast with the United States merchant marine.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. THE GREAT WALDO SEARCH, written and illustrated by Martin Handford. (Little,

Brown, \$10.95) A book of illustrations in which the game is to find a ubiquitous chap named Waldo.

2. FIND WALDO NOW, by Martin Handford. (Little, Brown, \$10.95) A new illustrated book in which the game is to find the ubiquitous chap as he travels from ancient Egypt to the present.

3. WHERE'S WALDO? by Martin Handford. (Little, Brown \$10.95) A new book of illustrations in which the game is to find a hitchhiker named Waldo.

4. THE FRUGAL GOURMET COOKS YOUR IMMIGRANT HERITAGE, by Jeff Smith. (Morrow, \$19.95) Menus and recipes from 35 ethnic groups that immigrated to America.

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Environment
art contest set

Staff Report

AUSTIN — Texas artists are encouraged to submit a full range of visions of the condition and future of Texas' environment to the First Annual Texas Environmental Art, Multi-Media, Juried Exhibition. Deadline for submissions is Feb. 1, 1991.

Color slides (35mm) of photographs, paintings, drawings, prints, sculptures or installations — all media — will be accepted for the jurying process. A written description, no more than 100 words in length including size of work and media used — must accompany each entry.

"Model" releases must be submitted for any recognizable persons in photographs.

A \$5 fee for each entry (maximum of five per artist) should accompany each slide submitted. Include a stamped self-addressed envelope if return of slides is desired.

The exhibition, co-sponsored by Texas Environment Magazine, Citizen Action, Clean Water Action, Earth First!, Environmental Defense Fund, Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club, National Audubon Society, Public Citizen, Texans United, and the United Farm Workers, is scheduled to run at Mexic-Arte Museum, Austin, from April 5 through April 27, 1991. Selected work will appear in the April 1991 issue of Texas Environment Magazine.

Grand prizes in the amount of \$300 (professional category), \$150 (emerging artist category), and \$75 (young artists to age 18) will be awarded at the exhibit's opening on April 5, 1991.

For more information contact: Editor, Texas Environment Magazine, P.O. Box 27303, Austin, TX 78755, or phone 1-512-452-8086.

Nash art displayed

"Willard Nash: Portraits and Self Portraits" is an exhibition on

display at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Avenue, through January 13.

Nash, an important artist of Santa Fe in the 1920s, was well known for his New Mexican landscapes. This exhibition, however, shows Nash's achievements as an artist of strong analytical portraiture.

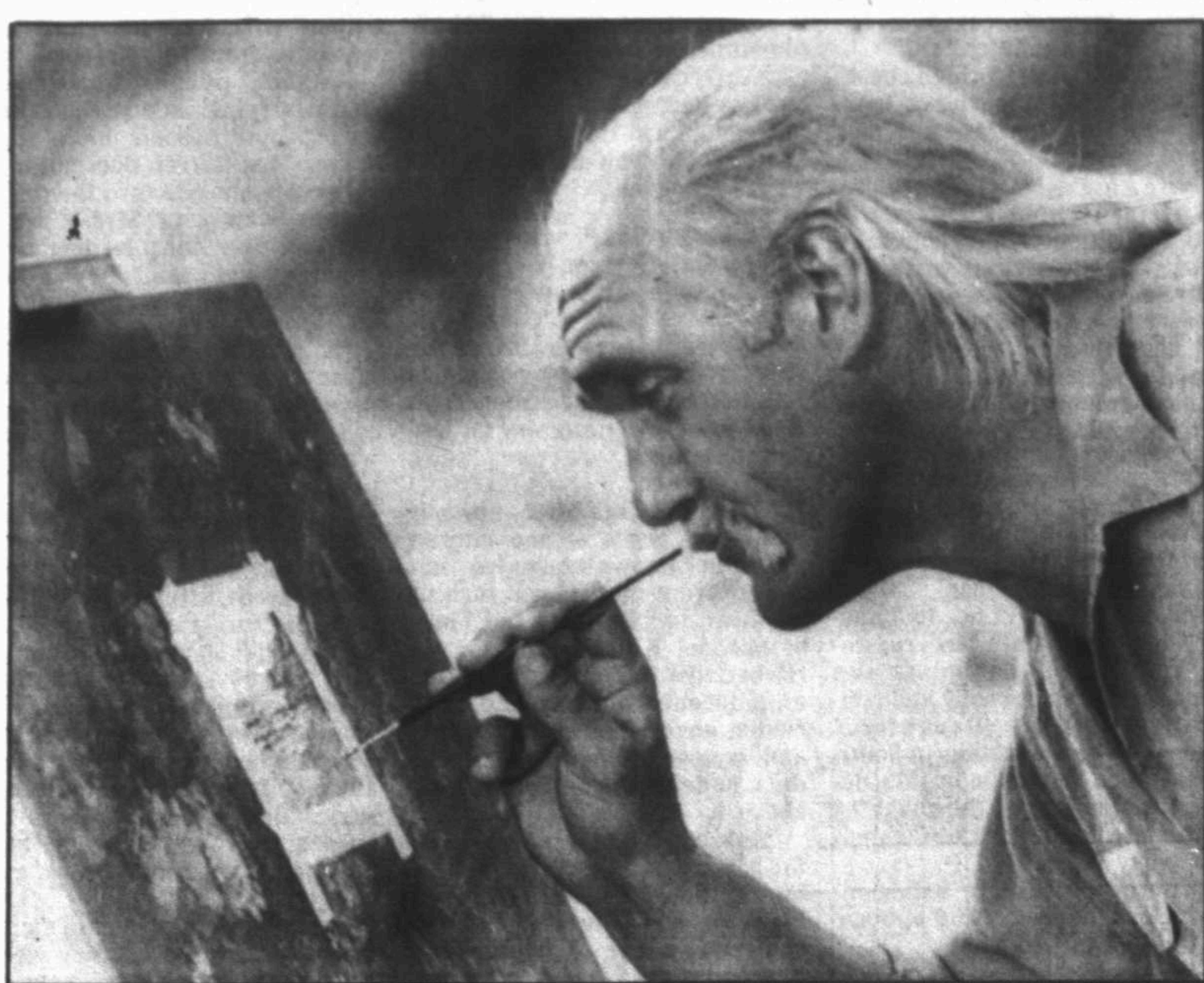
Nash's first trip to New Mexico was in 1920 to collect material for a mural commissioned in Detroit. His acceptance as a visiting artist — a studio in the Governor's Palace, and the addition of one of his paintings to the collection of the Museum of Fine Arts — influenced his decision to return to Santa Fe.

In Santa Fe Nash joined four other artists to form Los Cinco Pintores (the five painters), a group of modernist painters who considered themselves "avant garde." Their purpose was to bring art to the people without giving in to commercialism.

Nash's style of painting prior to coming to New Mexico was academic or pictorial, but his friendship with Andrew Dasburg (one of the Cinco) influenced him in the principles of Cézanne's pictorial structure and use of the contour line as a form of dynamic expression.

The portraits and figure studies being shown are from the collection of James McClary of San Francisco.

Nash works include etchings and lithographs as well as oils, charcoal, crayon, watercolor and gouache. The Museum has a Nash oil painting, "Penitentes" in its collection.



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Painting wrestler

Professional wrestler Hulk Hogan takes a break from body slams and reveals his cultured side as he paints a landscape for

Right Guard deodorant's "Anything Less Would Be Uncivilized" advertising campaign.

Giordano opera to air

Umberto Giordano's "Andrea Chenier" last heard in a Texaco-Metropolitan Opera broadcast during the 1976-77 season, will be broadcast live from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House today beginning at 12 noon over the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Radio Network. The broadcast will be heard locally over radio station KCRS 103 FM.

Aprile Millo is heard in the role of Maddalena, Nicola Martinucci

as Andrea Chenier, and Sherrill Milnes as Gerard. Julius Rudel will conduct and the announcer for the broadcast is Peter Allen.

Sherrill Milnes will be honored on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of his Metropolitan Opera debut, which occurred on December 22, 1965 when he sang the role of Valentin in "Faust." Since that time he has sung 30 roles with the company, most of which have been heard in broadcasts from the Metropolitan Opera.

During the first intermission Ni-met Habachy, who hosts New York radio station WQXR's "New York At Night," will discuss Giordano's "Andrea Chenier."

Photo workshop slated

ODESSA — The Odessa College photo department will host a two-day gum bichromate workshop conducted by Barbara Riley, associate professor photography and design at Corpus Christi State University, on January 18 and 19, 1991. This historical printing procedure involves exposing a negative to a surface coated with gum arabic, potassium bichromate and colored pigments. The workshop will explore both paper and negative preparation and all gum printing techniques.

The non-silver printing workshop is in conjunction with the month-long exhibit Manipulated Photography 1990-1991.

The two-day event has limited seating and is free to OC students. A nominal charge will be assessed to all other participants. Call to reserve a space or for more information 1-335-6497.

Exhibit documents King

HOUSTON — Martin Luther King And The Civil Rights Movement is an exhibition of 30 photographs that document King's role in promoting racial equality in the Civil Rights Movement. The exhibition will present the work of four photographers — Frederick Baldwin, Ben Fernandez, Louise

Martin and Moneta Sleet Jr. — who followed various aspects of King's momentous career beginning with the Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott in 1956 until his tragic death in 1968.

The exhibition will be accompanied by a film series and a lecture. The exhibition is curated by Anne Tucker, curator of photography at The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. The exhibition, scheduled February 12 through July 7, 1991, is funded in Houston by Continental Airlines.

'Cats' to be staged

FORT WORTH — Casa Manana Theatre presents the National Touring Company of "Cats" January 10 through 13 at the Fort Worth Tarrant County Convention Center Theatre. Performance times are Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets range from \$15 to \$30 and can be obtained by calling the box office at 1-817-332-6221 and at all Rainbow-TicketMaster locations.

"Cats," the international musical hit by British composer Andrew Lloyd Webber, is based on T.S. Eliot's "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats," and today is considered one of the most successful musicals in history. It has spawned four touring companies in the United States and over a dozen

Jackson art displayed

Paintings by Mary Jackson are hanging now through January 31 at Bless Your Heart Restaurants.

A vegetable series in oils are showing at the 4410 N. Midkiff Road location, and abstracts in watercolor and mixed media are showing at the 508 W. Wall Avenue location.

Show set in hospital

NEW YORK (AP) — Filmmaker St. Clair Bourne will be story supervisor and artistic consultant for "Bellevue Emergency," a new television cinema-verite series currently in production.

The "reality-based" series, being filmed in the emergency ward of Bellevue Hospital and elsewhere in the New York City area, will have a continuing story but will feature real people instead of actors.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

Art Institute for the Permian Basin: EXHIBITIONS: "Dana Boussard: Fibers and Quilt Exhibition," through Dec. 31, AND: "The Spirit of Christmas," through Dec. 30, AND: "Doll House Exhibit," through Dec. 30, AND: "Christmas Tree Exhibit," through Dec. 30, sponsored by Fiesta del Arte, 4909 E. University, Odessa, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., call 1-368-7222 for more information.

Crestview Baptist Church: First United Methodist Church: CONCERT: Annual Candlelight Service, 3300 Thomas, 7 p.m., FREE, 694-7701.

Fredda Turner Durham Childrens Museum: EXHIBITION: "The World Through the Eyes of Quetzalcoatlus" through March 24, Tuesday-Thursday noon-5 p.m., Friday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., for more information call 683-2882, FREE.

Midland Community Theatre: closed Dec. 24 through Jan. 1 for holidays.

Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBITION: "The Portraits of Willard Nash" through Jan. 13, AND: "The Bear Facts of Christmas," through Jan. 6, AND: "Earth, Sea and Sky: Charles Woodbury 1964-1940," through March 3, 1705 W. Missouri, call 683-2882, Regular hours: Tues-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: EXHIBITIONS: "Recent Acquisitions," through Jan. 27, call 683-4403 for more information, 1500 I-20 West, Monday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., call 683-4403, ADMISSION CHARGED.

Information on Midland cultural groups listed in this column is provided by Arts Assembly of Midland, Midland's umbrella organization for the arts. To be included in the Midland Marquee, call Arts Assembly of Midland, 687-1149. See Directory Listings below for Arts Assembly member organizations' addresses and contacts for events listed in the Midland Marquee.

Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library: BOOKS/EXHIBITIONS: 1805 Indiana, call 682-5785.

University of Texas Permian Basin Art Gallery: EXHIBITIONS: 4901 E. University, Odessa, Hours: Mon.-Thu. 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., call 1-367-2133.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

First United Methodist Church: CONCERT: "Annual Carols and Candles Service," 5:30 p.m., AND: SERVICE: "Christmas Eve Communion Service," 10:30 p.m., FREE, 305 N. Baird.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

Museum of the Southwest: "Earth, Sea & Sky: Charles H. Woodbury 1864-1940," through Jan. 20, 1705 W. Missouri, call 683-2882.

Presidential Museum: EXHIBITION: "Odessa Remembered: Part II, A Photography Project," through Feb. 10, 622 N. Lee, Odessa, Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., call 1-332-7123.

DIRECTORY LISTINGS

American Guild of Organists: contact Anthony Lackland, 682-2541.
Ballet Majorettes: contact Yolanda Velaz, 697-7242.
Ballet Midland: Academy classes held at 2000 W. Wadley, major productions and locations to be announced, for more information call Keith J. Martin, 682-6011.
Calligraphy Guild: Palette Club, contact Mrs. Neil Richmond, 683-5003.
Discovery Chamber Music Players: contact Paige Morgan, 1-367-0479.
Doll Club of the Permian Basin: contact Judy Collins, 683-1367.
Fiesta del Arte: contact Clifford Chapman, 684-6352.
High Sky Squares, Square Dance Club: contact Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fulton, 684-0751.
In Focus, A Photographic Society: Advanced, Amateur and Professional photographers, contact Michael Benschbach, 685-7850.
Kido Kaleidoscope International Fair: call 685-7820.
Marion Blakemore Planetarium: Haley Park, corner of Indiana Avenue and K Street, contact John Hicks, 683-6441.
McCormick Gallery/Alison Fine Arts Building: Midland College, 3620 N. Garfield St. Information on art exhibits contact art department or John Harmon, 685-4652, or the Art Department, 685-4640.
Midland Archaeological Society: Marion Blakemore Planetarium, contact Teddy Lou Stickle, 682-6384.
Midland Arts Association: contact contact Mavis Murphy, 682-7270.
Midland Camera Club: Marion Blakemore Planetarium, contact Ted Battles, 682-5311 or 684-4382.
Midland College Chapel Center: located on MC campus, call Mike Stevens, 685-4654, for details of scheduled events.
Midland Community Concerts Association: concerts held at Midland High School auditorium, 608 W. Illinois Ave., contact Dorothy Perkins, 684-4567.
Midland Community Theatre: Theatre Midland, 2000 W. Wadley Ave., box office, 682-4111.
Midland County Historical Society and Museum: 213 N. Weatherford St., Brown-Dorsey House seen by appointment, contact Nancy McKinley, 682-2821, Museum located in the basement of Midland County Library.
Midland County Library and Historical Museum: 301 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2708.
Midland Dance Theatre: call 682-7820.
Midland Fiber Guild: contact Cheryl Sullivan, 684-5955.

Midland Gem and Mineral Society: Marion Blakemore Planetarium, contact Harold Ervin, 687-2369.
Midland Independent School District: call 682-9611 for information.
Midland Jazz Association: contact Bobby Cruse, 684-2136.
Midland Music Teachers Association: contact Dr. Jose Lucas, 684-4103.
Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorus, Inc.: performances held at Lee High School auditorium unless otherwise stated in Marquee, 3500 Neely St., for season tickets, single admission tickets or information call the symphony office, Terminal, 683-5299.
Midland Opera Theatre: contact Tom Johnson, 685-1308.
Midland Palette Club Art Center, Inc.: 907 W. Wadley Ave., 684-1261, or contact Madara Hallon, 3907 Faircircle.
Midland Quilters Guild: meets at 3500 Golf Course Road, contact Jean Roberts, 683-3683.
Midland Women's Club: Hogan Park, P.O. Box 4974, Midland, 79701, contact Madge Wells, 682-3807.
Museum of the Southwest: 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.
Musicians Club: contact Mrs. Harold Heckathorn, 682-6953.
Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library: 1805 Indiana Ave., contact Yvonne Smith, 682-5785.
Paint Dancers Arts & Crafts Guild: contact Trudy Bateman, 684-2106.
Permian Basin Chapter SPBSOSA, Inc.: barber shop singing group, contact Will Sase, 682-6901.
Permian Basin Petroleum Museum and Library Hall of Fame: 1500 I-20 West, 683-4403.
Permian Basin Square & Round Dance Association: contact Tom and Wilma Fulton, 684-0751.
Piedra Piedra, Unlimited of Midland: Timber Floyd, coordinator, P.O. Box 1852, Midland, 79702, 683-5215.
Rainbow Square Dance Club: contact Jim and Jeane Davis, 682-3047.
Texas Nightwriters: P.O. Box 4038, Midland, 79704, contact Shirley Ails, 685-7094.
UTPB Third Floor Gallery: 4801 E. University Blvd., Odessa, contact UTPB Art Department, Pam Price, 683-2400, ext. 2133.
West Texas Astronomers Club: Marion Blakemore Planetarium.
West Texas Storytelling Guild: contact Anita Gilbreath, 684-7892 after 4 p.m.
West Texas Jazz Society: contact Billie Ross, 685-3902.
Yucca Theatre: 208 N. Colorado Ave., contact Midland Community Theatre, 682-4111.

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Johnny Mathis' hero Duke Ellington

By Mary Campbell

Associated Press

Johnny Mathis has made so many records that he must have difficulty figuring out what to sing next.

He started strong — "Johnny Mathis: A New Sound in Popular Song" in 1956, two albums in 1957 and four in 1958, one of them the first-ever "greatest hits." (It stayed on Billboard's pop chart for 9½ years.)

He's still recording up a storm. He released three albums in 1984, one in '85, two each in '86 and '88, and one in '89.

His 1990 album, "In a Sentimental Mood: Mathis Sings Ellington," contains 17 songs.

"I've always sort of winged it," Mathis says before a recent concert, where his voice sounds just like it does on the old records. "I go with what I think I do best at the time. Somebody says, 'Let's do something,' and you get excited about it and you do it."

Jay Landers, Mathis' liaison at Columbia Records, where he has recorded except for three years at Mercury in the mid-'60s, suggested Americana for this album. Mathis approved. "That's the way I started my career, singing popular music written by American composers."

"He said, 'What do you think about Duke Ellington?' I loved the

music. I thought how nice to celebrate a composer who I think has been slighted a little bit. I think of him in the same breath as I think of Gershwin, creating the finest of music."

"Ellington was one of my heroes because of his intellect. He was a stylish man, sophisticated without being pompous or arrogant, and his music absolutely sounded like he looked."

Mathis included "Prelude to a Kiss" because he sang it on his debut album and "Something To Live For" because he loved Chris Connor's record of it, not realizing that Ellington wrote it.

"I'm hoping that we get a good reaction to this album so that I can do some more," says Mathis. "You get into the mood of the person's music and it just carries you along, and it's wonderful."

Mathis studied classical music as a child. He says: "I wanted to learn to produce the tones properly so that if and when I had to sing over an extended period of time, I would sing properly, so I wouldn't

ruin my voice. That was my father's great challenge for me."

"He and my mother worked on a dude ranch in Silver City, N.M. After that, they lived in Gilmer, Texas, where I was born. They ran a dude ranch. They migrated to San Francisco, where I grew up. My father was desperately looking for one of his (seven) children to show as much enthusiasm for music as he did."

"He bought a piano for \$25. On that piano, he taught me the songs I eventually recorded. He called them 'sweet songs.' That's the beginning of why I sing the music I sing today, because of his encouragement."

Mathis, now 55, sang professionally from the age of 13 and met the jazz greats who performed in San Francisco. He remembers telling pianist Erroll Garner that if Garner ever had words put to his composition, "Misty," he'd love to sing it.

In 1950, he says, "We were recording music from Broadway."

We were in the middle of a song from 'Flower Drum Song' and Erroll came into the studio. We had a 'Misty' arrangement but I think the plan was to shove it aside."

"I had heard it sung by Sarah Vaughan and probably 16 other people. It was a standard by that time. I whispered to Mitch Miller's or somebody's ear that it's going to be embarrassing if we don't do 'Misty.' We did it and it worked out really, really great."

The songs Mathis has sung most often are "Misty" and "Chances Are." "Misty" never was a single.

His biggest-selling single was "Chances Are," with "The Twelfth of Never" on the other side. At the first recording session after his first album came out, he recorded two more singles that fans have loved ever since, "Wonderful, Wonderful" and "It's Not for Me To Say."



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