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Deeper meaning

They say home is where the heart is. Now they're saying if your heart isn't in it, you're not comfortable./**8B**



SPORTS

Fans rights act

Lawmakers plan to introduce legislation to restore some stability to professional sports in wake of the Browns announced move./**1D**

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Midland judge rules against 'Bird Lady'

■ Judge Furgeson supports city's prohibition of bird sanctuary, wildlife rehabilitation center.

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

The city's prohibition of a bird sanctuary and wildlife rehabilitation center operated by a Midland couple was supported by a federal judge Wednesday.

"We tried a long time to work with them and it went to a judge and he made his call," Mayor Bobby Burns said. "We're pleased the city won the lawsuit."

Midge Erskine — known by some as the "Bird Lady" — and her husband, Wood, filed the lawsuit in March to reverse a City Council decree prohibiting the couple's sanctuary and wildlife activities at their 3306 W. Golf Course Road home.

U.S. District Judge Royal Furgeson listened to four days of argument in late September and in a 57-page opinion stated that "the evidence and the law compel that plaintiffs be denied the relief they have sued for."

The Erskines have 30 days to appeal the decision.

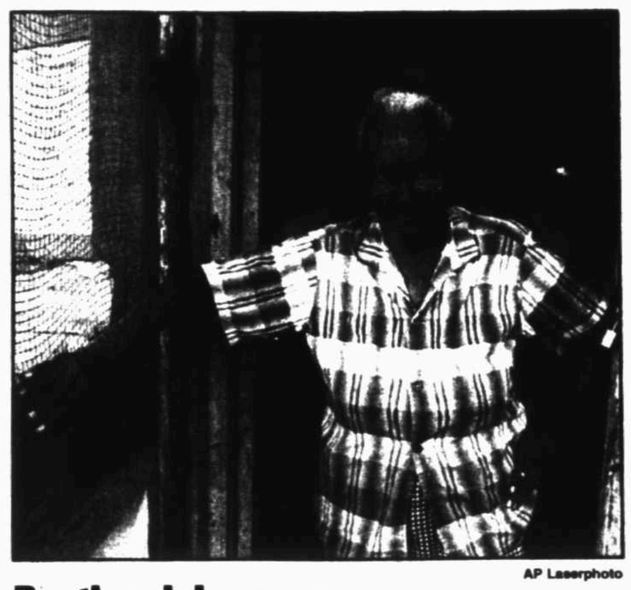
Ms. Erskine declined comment on the judge's ruling pending review by her attorney, Gregg Owens. "I'm not sure that that's correct," she said when asked about losing the case.

Owens needed "a day or two to fully digest" the opinion before making any comment, said his secretary, Jan Mouton.

Meanwhile, the Erskines are legally required to comply with the city ordinances regarding weedy lots and possession of wild animals.

With the exception of a judge's order or a City Council change of heart "there's nothing that

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AP Laserphoto

Bootleggin' granny

Collie B. Brown stands by her home in Whitewrite, where she admittedly ran an illegal bar for 47 years. Brown, 86, began serving a 10-day jail term on Wednesday for a number of liquor violations. It marked the 50th time she's been fined or jailed.

News Watch

THURSDAY



AP Laserphoto

More boat people

Some of the 577 Haitian refugees returned by the U.S. Coast Guard cover their faces while awaiting processing in Port-au-Prince, Wednesday. The tide of U.S.-bound Haitian refugees appears to be surging again just weeks before a crucial election. Story page 5A

Lobbying overhaul

WASHINGTON — Stung by polls that indicate the public still believes lobbyists have runaway influence in Washington, Congress on Wednesday approved the first overhaul of lobbying law in half a century. President Clinton has said he will sign the bill that would require lobbyists to disclose information many would prefer to hide: who their clients are, the issues they are seeking to influence and how much they spend on persuading Congress and the executive branch. "There may be some activities that have been going on quietly, secretly, that will stop because of the light of day," said Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla.

One ticket wins

AUSTIN— One ticket bought in Sealy correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth $4 million. The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: **1, 2, 8, 16, 18 and 47.**

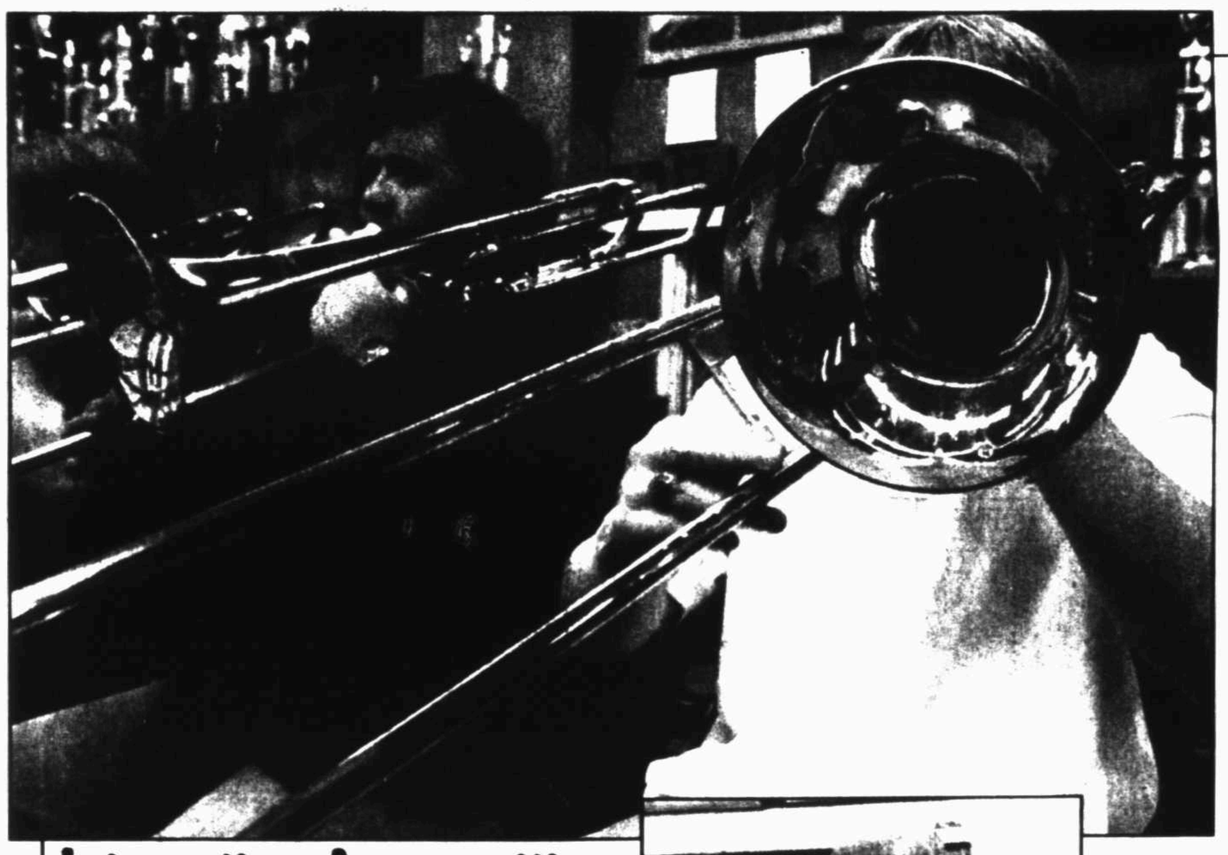
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International recognition

With many successes, Chicago trip is greatest honor yet for Rebel band

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Acclaim for the Lee High School Rebel Band has now gone international, with the Lee band being one of only five high school bands in the world invited to perform at a Chicago clinic.

Called the Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic, many musicians will travel there to study under some of the top names in the world, but the Rebels are going there to perform, explained veteran Band Director Randy Storie.

"We are one of the reasons why they are coming," Storie explained.

The Rebel Band has decades worth of successes in its history, but this is the first time the band has been invited to perform at the Chicago clinic. "It's the first time any band in West Texas has gone," he said. "This is something for the whole community to be proud of."

The band is leaving Midland on a 6 a.m. charter

Please see **HONOR**/4A



Above, Lee trombone players practice for an upcoming band concert. At left, Lee High School band director Randy Storie commands the attention of his band during practice, Wednesday.

Photos by Curt Wilcott

U.S. officers scout countryside where GIs will keep peace

KALESIJA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.S. military experts arrived in northern Bosnia Wednesday to scout the battered countryside where thousands of GIs are to keep the peace.

"We've got a lot to do and very little time to do it," said Col. John Brown, splashing through the mud in a U.N. pickup truck.

Within weeks, some 20,000 U.S. soldiers are to begin arriving, and then will fan out across northeastern Bosnia. French, British and other troops will patrol the rest of the country.

In the meantime, Brown's teams will be bouncing over hundreds of miles of northeastern Bosnia, checking landing strips, pothole-riddled roads, scores of villages and many minefields.



The GIs will face "the same dangers that have been here for several years and will continue. That's why we're down here," said Brown, chief of staff for the 1st Armored Division.

Brown and nine other officers from the division flew from Germany to the Croatian city of Split. They arrived in the northern city of Tuzla in four white armored personnel carriers driven by Norwegian U.N. peacekeepers.

Shortly afterward, the team made its first foray into the smog-shrouded hills around the U.N. airbase at Tuzla.

"We're just taking a look around," Brown, in a helmet and camouflage fatigues, said curtly during a stop in

Please see **OBSERVE**/4A

Girl, 6, had many chances but abusive mother took them all away, police say

By Rick Hampson
Associated Press

NEW YORK — In a city where so many poor children are born and buried with never a chance, Elisa had not one, but many.

Her loving father protected her and, as he was dying, devised a plan to keep her from her crack-smoking, abusive mother.

A Greek prince befriended her and offered a scholarship.

The staff of her Montessori preschool doted on her and stayed alert after early signs of abuse by her mother.

The Family Court judge handling her case had a shown a willingness to deny custody to a biological parent if it was in the child's interest.

But this was a Cinderella even a prince could not save.

The father died the day he was to have sent her to safety. The judge overruled the objections of teachers and relatives and gave Elisa to her mother.

The mother pulled her out of school, tortured her in attempted exorcisms, and

Please see **SAVE**/4A



A cemetery worker grooms the casket as mourners gather at the gravesite of 6-year-old Elisa Izquierdo, for her funeral Wednesday, at Cypress Hills Cemetery in the Queens borough of New York City. Elisa died following a period of abuse.

AP Laserphoto

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U.S., Great Britian come together on Bosnia

LONDON (AP) — After months of quiet tension, President Clinton and Prime Minister John Major swapped support Wednesday for the U.S.-brokered peace treaty in Bosnia and an unexpected breakthrough in Northern Ireland. "This time is full of possibility," Clinton said.

Opening a five-day European trip, Clinton paid a morning call on the British leader at 10 Downing Street, won long applause for a rousing speech to Parliament and with his wife, Hillary, toured Buckingham Palace with Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip.

Clinton sought to lay to rest old differences over Bosnia and Northern Ireland, comparing U.S.-British relations to the way that secret agent James Bond preferred his martinis. "Our relationship can never be stirred nor shaken," the president said in a dinner toast. "It will always be there. It will always be strong."

Warning of the dangers of isolationism, Clinton told Parliament members, "We have gone down that road before. We must never go down that road again." Clinton spoke in Westminster Palace's ornate Royal Gallery, so named for the ancient paintings of British monarchs lining the walls.

In honor of the Anglo-American alliance, Clinton announced that a new American guided missile frigate would be named the USS Winston Churchill after Britain's wartime prime minister. Major said there was no finer tribute.

Stressing the importance of sending 20,000 American troops to Bosnia, Clinton said, "We know that if we do not participate in Bosnia our leadership will be questioned and our partnerships will be weakened."

Clinton arrived just hours after Major and Irish Prime Minister John Bruton — under pressure from Washington — set aside their differences on disarming the IRA in hopes of opening peace talks among all parties in Northern Ireland.

Clinton called the accord "a bold step forward for peace" and said he knew it wasn't easy for Major, sagging at record lows in opinion polls. "Very often, people who take risks for peace are not appreciated for doing so," Clinton said. Political leaders on both sides of the dispute in Northern Ireland criticized the agreement.

Northern Ireland has been a sore point between Major and Clinton. Major refused for days to return Clinton's telephone calls after the president granted a visa to Gerry Adams, head of the IRA-aligned Sinn Fein party.

British newspapers speculated Major was intent on breaking the impasse if for no other reason than to deny Clinton an opportunity to upstage the prime minister with a deal. Major allowed that Clinton's visit "concentrated the mind."

Despite Major's achievement, the Evening Standard newspaper trumpeted, "Clinton Flies In To Triumph."

Clinton will travel to the Northern Ireland cities of Belfast and Londonderry Thursday to laud the peace that has held since terrorists ended a quarter-century of violence 15 months ago. He will be the first American president to visit the province.

"With every passing month, more people walk the streets and live their lives safely — people who otherwise would have been added to the toll of 'The Troubles,'" Clinton said in his Parliament speech.

On another front, Britain has been unhappy about Clinton's policy toward Bosnia, particularly his refusal — until now — to join London and Paris in sending troops to the former Yugoslavia. European allies resented Washington's frequent calls for using more force in Bosnia when Americans weren't on the ground there.

In a joint news conference with Clinton, Major pointedly noted that British forces "have been there now for something over three years, in numbers ranging up to 8,000 at a time." He said Britain would contribute 13,000 troops to enforce the peace agreement initialed in Dayton, Ohio.

Clinton credited Britain with taking "extraordinary risks for peace in Bosnia."

Major offered arguments to help Clinton sell Congress and the American public on the need for sending troops to Bosnia.

"We can look this morning at a realistic prospect of a real and lasting peace in Bosnia," Major said. "But it is still a fragile prospect, and we need to make sure that it doesn't in some fashion slip away from us."

Clinton said NATO's force means the difference between war and peace in Bosnia.

"So long as that fire rages at the heart of the European continent, so long as the emerging democracies and our allies are threatened by fighting in Bosnia, there will be no stable, undivided, free Europe," Clinton said.

White House Press Secretary Mike McCurry said Clinton tentatively plans to attend the formal signing ceremony for the Bosnia treaty to take place in Paris around Dec. 15.

In their private talks, Major and Clinton agreed to explore international sanctions or pressure on Nigeria to protest the execution of nine Nigerian dissidents earlier this month.

Clinton also met with British Labor leader Tony Blair, who praised Clinton for a "magnificient speech" to Parliament as well as for his efforts to bring peace to Bosnia, the Middle East, Ireland and other parts of the world.

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China

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China defies exiled Dali Lama: Panchen Lama chosen without blessing

BEIJING (AP) — Grim-faced monks and official television cameras looked on as Chinese leaders used a 200-year-old ritual Wednesday to name the most important spiritual leader inside Tibet and challenge the authority of the exiled Dalai Lama.

During the ceremony at dawn inside one of Tibet's holiest shrines, a senior monk reached into a golden urn and pulled out an ivory stick bearing the name of a 6-year-old boy: the Chinese government's choice for the new Panchen Lama.

China's official Xinhua news agency said the ceremony was held "strictly in accordance with the rituals of Tibetan Buddhism." But one traditional element was missing: the Dalai Lama's blessing.

In May, the exiled leader named a different boy, also 6 years old, to succeed the Panchen Lama.

The last Panchen Lama, who died six years ago, became the highest-ranking leader to stay in Tibet when the Dalai Lama fled in 1959. China hopes his successor will lend legitimacy to its often harsh 45-year rule in Tibet, which has failed to dampen the Tibetans' fervor for the Dalai Lama and independence.

"It's a truly medieval situation," said Robert Barnett of the Tibet Information Network, a London-based monitoring group. "We have a highly qualified candidate with the official endorsement, and then they have a pretender.

"This is a formula for unrest."

People's Daily, in an editorial to be published Thursday and carried late Wednesday by the official Xinhua News Agency, warned Tibetans to repudiate the Dalai Lama.

"If his actions are followed by people, Tibetan Buddhism will be led in the opposite direction of what benefits the people and the laws of the state, jeopardizing the religion's status in Chinese society and its prospects for development," the Communist Party newspaper said.

Tibetans believe that powerful spiritual leaders can will their reincarnations. In Tibet's traditional theocratic state, the selection of those successors often turned into battles for political control.

After the Dalai Lama announced his choice, Chinese leaders stepped up a propaganda campaign against him and purged the search committee of monks sympathetic to him.

Although officially atheistic, the leaders turned to a ritual China's Qian Long Emperor devised in 1792 to choose senior lamas and resolve disputes over succession.

The ceremony, which according to historical sources has not been used since 1888, confirmed Gyaincain Norbu from northeastern Tibet as the new Panchen Lama, the 11th reincarnation of the Buddha Amitabha, state-run media reported.

On Wednesday at the Johkang Temple, the holiest shrine in the Tibetan capital Lhasa, an urn held three ivory tiles, each bearing the name of a candidate for Panchen Lama. The senior lama selected Gyaincain Norbu.

China Central Television showed rows of monks in burgundy robes and Luo Gan, a member of China's governing State Council, looking on. Yak-butter lamps and TV lights lit up the usually dim shrine.

In a statement released by his office in Dharamsala, India, the Dalai Lama said his selection was made in accordance with "all the necessary religious procedures."

"My recognition of the Panchen Lama cannot be changed," said the 1989 winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

He also appealed for the safety of his candidate, Gedhun Choekyi Nyima.

The boy has not been seen since at least July and was believed to have been held until recently at a guest house in Beijing, according to Barnett and exiled Tibetans.

"Ordinary Tibetans are very concerned for the welfare of this child, but I'm sure the Chinese won't show him in public," Barnett said. "They will think he's the Panchen Lama."

Officials at the State Council, China's Cabinet, and in Tibet refused to answer telephone queries on the boy's whereabouts.

State-run media made no mention of his fate but began a campaign of vilification against him. A Xinhua report accused his family of being deceitful and greedy, citing the government-backed management committee of Tashi Lhunpo monastery, the traditional seat of the Panchen Lamas.

"The boy himself once drowned a dog, and the committee commented that such an action is a heinous crime in the eyes of the Buddha," Xinhua said.

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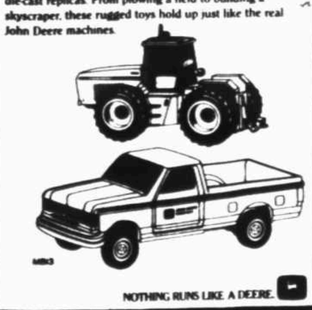
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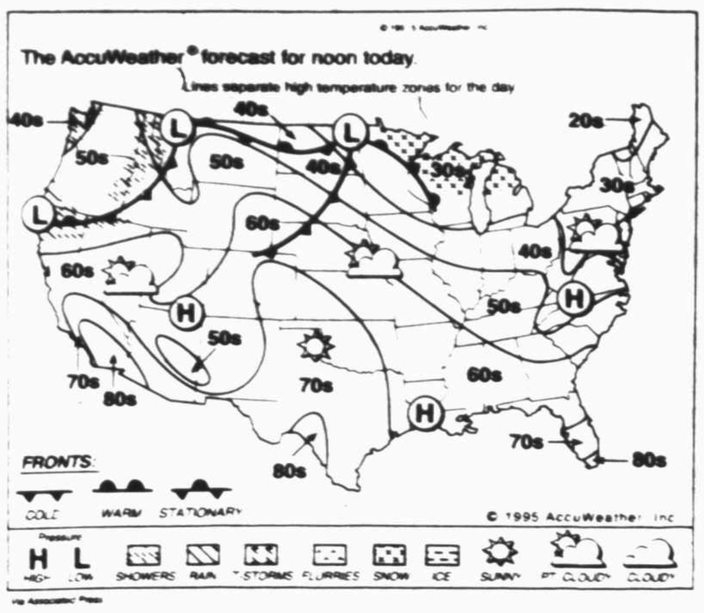
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WEATHER WATCH



Today to be sunny, mid-70s

Staff Report

Sunny weather once again is gracing the Midland area.

The weatherman at the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport is predicting temperatures into the 70s today and Friday.

Tonight's low temperature is to be in the upper 30s.

Today's high reading is to be near 75 degrees, and winds are to be southwesterly at 5 to 15 mph, the weatherman said. Friday's high temperature is to be in the upper 70s.

Wednesday's peak temperature was 70 degrees, and the overnight low temperature was 34 degrees.

The record high temperature for Nov. 29 is 78 degrees in 1975. The record low temperature is 15 degrees in 1976.

STATE

Widespread sunshine across Texas skies helped most of the state warm up quickly Wednesday after a generally chilly night.

Light winds from the south combined with sunny conditions to rapidly increase temperature readings after many points across the state saw below-freezing conditions.

Afternoon temperatures mostly ranged in the 50s and 60s Wednesday afternoon. The mercury neared 70 in the Rio Grande Valley.

Clear skies were the norm except in West Texas, which had very high clouds that did little to impede the sunshine.

The cloudless skies also invited another cold evening Wednesday night, but today's temperatures were expected to break into the 70s statewide. A return to the 80s in South Texas could happen Friday.

Forecasters expect Friday to be much like today, only a little warmer.

Winds are forecast to remain between 5 and 10 mph except in West Texas mountain passes and the north central portion of the state, where gustier conditions will exist.

No weather records of any kind were tied or broken Wednesday as conditions remain relatively seasonable throughout the state.

NATION

More heavy rain fell Wednesday in the Pacific Northwest, where rivers already were out of the banks, and snow fell across much of the Northwest. Temperatures hit record lows below zero around the Great Lakes.

Every major river in western Washington state was over flood stage, forcing evacuation of residents from several rural areas and small towns.

Washington Gov. Mike Lowry declared a state of emergency in 11 counties and the National Guard was activated to help.

Landslides and high water closed roads or restricted traffic on at least 17 highways in Washington, including two of the four east-west routes through the Cascade Mountains.

Flooding probably won't recede enough for all Washington evacuees to be able to return home before Saturday, said Mark Clemens, a spokesman for the state Emergency Operations Center.

Flooding had started to ease in western Oregon, where Astoria got 3.66 inches of rain Tuesday.

In the 24 hours up to 4 a.m. Wednesday, 4.65 inches of rain had fallen at Stampede Pass in the Washington Cascades. Forks, Wash., on the coast, got 2.04 inches.

So far this month, over 24 inches of water has fallen in the form of rain or snow at Stampede Pass in the Washington Cascades. Along the coast, up to 20 inches has been reported at Quillayute, and 6 to 10 inches was common from the Oregon coast to Portland and northward to Seattle.

Snowfall was reported throughout much of the Northeast during the morning, from the central and northern Appalachians to the middle Atlantic and New England coasts. Dozens of Massachusetts schools were closed or opened late.

Up to 8 inches was measured in mountain areas of southwestern Pennsylvania, West Virginia and western Maryland, and 2 to 3 inches fell from Boston to New York City to Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.

Midland statistics

FORECAST

Today Sunny with a high temperature near 75 degrees. Winds southwesterly at 5 to 15 mph.

Tonight Clear with a low temperature in the upper 30s.

Friday Sunny with a high temperature in the upper 70s.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS

Yesterday's High...70degrees
Overnight Low...34degrees
Sunset today...5:45p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow...7:31a.m.
Precipitation:
Last 24 hours...00.00
This month to date...Trace
Year to date...10.46inches

LOCAL TEMPERATURES

6 p.m.	45	6 a.m.	36
7 p.m.	40	7 a.m.	36
8 p.m.	38	8a.m.	38
9 p.m.	36	9 a.m.	44
10 p.m.	36	10 a.m.	52
11 p.m.	34	11 a.m.	58
midnight	35	noon	63
1 a.m.	35	1 p.m.	66
2 a.m.	35	2p.m.	66
3 a.m.	36	3 p.m.	69
4 a.m.	37	4 p.m.	70
5a.m.	37	5 p.m.	68
		6 p.m.	62

Area forecast

WEST TEXAS Permian Basin — Today, sunny. Highs around 75. Tonight, clear. Lows in the upper 30s. Friday, sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. Friday night, fair. Lows in the 40s.

Border forecast

NEW MEXICO — Today through Friday night, sunny and unseasonably warm days with fair skies at night. Highs 50s to mid 60s mountains and northwest with upper 60s and 70s elsewhere. Lows teens to near 30 mountains and northwest with 30s to near 40 lowlands east and south.

OKLAHOMA — Today, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs mostly 70s. Tonight, fair. Lows mostly in the 40s. Friday, mostly sunny and continued warm. Highs in the 70s. Friday night, fair. Lows lower 40s to near 50.

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

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Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $6 million

Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. CDT

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El Paso	67	28	
Fort Worth	58	29	
Galveston	56	44	
Houston	63	34	
Lubbock	67	29	
McAllen	68	44	
Paris	51	24	
San Angelo	67	30	
San Antonio	61	31	
Victoria	64	34	
Waco	60	25	
Wichita Falls	62	27	
Wink	69	24	

Weather Elsewhere

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:31 p.m. EST

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Atlantic City	33	33	.41	clr
Baltimore	39	34	.96	clr
Boston	32	30	.39	cdy
Chicago	33	11	cdy	
Cincinnati	38	24	cdy	
Cleveland	35	30	.02	cdy
Denver	60	36	cdy	
Detroit	33	22	cdy	
Indianapolis	38	25	cdy	
Jackson,Miss.	50	32	clr	
Jacksonville	72	63	1.19	clr
Kansas City	56	17	clr	
Las Vegas	67	40	clr	
Little Rock	48	27	clr	
Los Angeles	67	56	clr	
Memphis	46	29	clr	
Milwaukee	26	10	sn	
Mpls-St Paul	24	7	cdy	
Nashville	43	30	cdy	
New Orleans	61	47	clr	
New York City	37	30	.27	cdy
Oklahoma City	61	23	clr	
Philadelphia	37	32	.66	clr
Phoenix	73	44	clr	
Pittsburgh	34	29	.09	cdy
Sacramento	m	44	clr	
St Louis	41	25	clr	
Salt Lake City	61	40	cdy	
San Diego	80	53	clr	
San Francisco	74	52	cdy	
Seattle	56	51	2.27	m
Shreveport	53	27	clr	
Washington,D.C.	39	33	1.01	clr

Pick 3 Texas

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

9-0-9

SAVE: Many chances don't help abused girl

(From 1A)

finally, police say, killed her by smashing her head against a concrete wall.

On Wednesday, they buried 6-year-old Elisa Izquierdo, one more fatally abused child. Year after year, they die at a rate of more than one a week in New York City. This year, Elisa was No. 58.

Elisa's story is remarkable not because of her suffering, but because so many knew so much yet did so little. And because she had her chances.

Elisa was born poor, with her mother's cocaine in her veins. Her parents were Awilda Lopez, whom crack addiction had rendered homeless, and Gustavo Izquierdo, a worker at a homeless shelter. They met at Izquierdo's shelter.

The city gave Elisa to her father. With help from co-workers and relatives, he mastered diapering and feeding and later enrolled Elisa in a Montessori school in Brooklyn.

She was a lovely child, expressive and clever, with a sweet smile, twinkling eyes and long dark hair. Prince Michael of Greece had asked the school to pair him with a child during a visit. When he arrived, Elisa leaped into his arms and stayed at his side for the rest of the day.

"Love at first sight," said one staffer. A fairy tale come true.

The prince paid Elisa's tuition, sent holiday gifts and offered a scholarship to attend private school through grade 12. She would respond with a simple note — "Thank You!" — or a drawing.

Meanwhile, her mother had gotten off crack and settled down with a new husband, his children and the two kids she had before Elisa was born.

At her mother's behest, Elisa began to stay with her some weekends. During one visit, Lopez was stabbed 17 times by her husband, who was subsequently jailed.

The girl began to seem scared, withdrawn. A teacher noticed a suspicious bruise.

Then her father got cancer. Friends say he planned to obtain sole custody and send Elisa to live with relatives in Cuba to keep her away from her mother. But he died on May 26, 1994 — the day the girl was to leave, according to her godmother.

Lopez stepped forward to claim her daughter.

She was supported by social workers, who found the Lopez home neat and orderly and the other children adequately cared for. Elisa's court-appointed lawyer said the girl — all of 5 — wanted to be with her mother.

The judge was Phoebe Greenbaum, who in 1979 had denied a father custody of his 10-year-old, ruling that the boy's grandparents had become his "psychological parents."

Lopez was opposed by the Montessori staff, by some of Elisa's relatives, by the prince. But the judge gave the child to her mother, telling social workers to keep tabs.

Lopez rejected the prince's scholarship offer and placed Elisa in a public school, even though she had been admitted to the prestigious Brooklyn Friends School.

School staffers noticed the child was despondent and seemed to walk strangely. Again, there were bruises. The school reported suspicions of child abuse; Lopez withdrew her. And somehow, somewhere, social workers lost sight of the peril.

The child had been defecating in her bed, and relatives say Lopez believed she was possessed by the devil, possibly because of a spell cast by the girl's father.

By her own admission, authorities say, Lopez mopped the floor with her daughter's head, forced the girl to eat her own excrement, violated her with a hairbrush.

Lopez has been jailed without bail on murder charges.

Neighbors in the high-rise housing project had heard the shouts and cries. "We thought it was their way of disciplining the kids," explained one, Tony Ng. "That's not unusual, in this building at least."

On the Monday before Thanksgiving, Lopez smacked Elisa into the wall, bursting blood vessels in the child's brain. A city supposedly beyond outrage rose to the occasion.

Dozens of strangers came to her wake and funeral. Lt. Gov. Betsy McCaughey, known for her sober analysis of health-care policy, said she favored executing the mother even if she were found insane.

The Daily News said in a front-page editorial: "Elisa Izquierdo is finally at peace. May her mother never find a moment of it again. ... She will get doctors, medication lawyers — innocent until proven guilty. Damn her."

Elisa was given a wake in an open casket, with a red rose in her hand and a crown of white flowers. Long sleeves covered the bruises on her arms, but makeup could not hide those on her face.

Elisa's mother "didn't give the little girl a chance," said Lopez's niece, Miriam Saeed. "She didn't know what the little girl wanted."

HONOR: Lee band to make trip to Chicago

(From 1A)

flight on Dec. 20. The Rebels will begin their Premier Honor Concert at 1 p.m. the following day, Storie said.

Only the top 90 students at Lee, who comprise the organization's Honor Band, will be making the trip to Chicago. Throughout the year, band members have been working to raise money to help fund the trip.

"We will spend about $600 per kid to do this," Storie said.

At the concert, the Rebels will be playing some of the most difficult orchestral music around, explained Courtney Ratliff, a senior and tuba player for the Lee Band.

"It's pretty challenging, but we've been able to get it down," Ratliff said.

"This is very difficult, big time music," Storie added.

The thought of playing before some of the best talents in the world can be somewhat daunting, but Ratliff doesn't believe nerves will be a factor.

"I think that we've been prepared enough that we're going to represent Midland and the state of Texas very well," Ratliff said.

To be invited to this event is the greatest honor yet bestowed on this much renowned band, Storie explained. "That's the biggest honor that I could ever think of anybody ... getting," he said.

Lee will play 10 pieces in the Premier Honor Concert, including music such as "The Pines of Rome," "Slovanic Rhapsody," "Fanfare and Flourishes," "Enigma Variations," and several new pieces including one called "Tribute to Rudy Wiedoeft." This tribute will include Wiedoeft, a saxophonist and instructor at West Texas A&M University, playing solo with band accompaniment.

The Lee Band has a great history of success, Storie explained. The band has played in two presidential parades, two Texas gubernatorial parades and at one point was Honor Band for the state of Texas, he said.

The band wins a place in the finals at every state contest in which they perform, Storie said. "For 26 years, we have been making sweepstakes with this band," he said, crediting this year's Lee Band as one of the strongest of all the Lee Bands in history.

"We have a great feeder program and an incredible private lesson staff," Storie said. One of the greatest reasons for the band's success is the support of Midland band parents, he added.

Midlanders wishing to hear the selections prepared for this event should make plans to see the Dec. 17 Christmas concert at the Lee High School Auditorium.

That concert begins at 1:45 p.m., and the Honor Band will begin performing their 10 selections, probably beginning around 3 p.m., Storie said.

While in Chicago, the Lee Band will work with several guest conductors, including Gary Garner, director of bands for West Texas A&M, and two former Midland directors, Clyde Wilson and Bill Dean. The band also will work with Harry Begiam, director emeritus for the University of Illinois.

While in Chicago, the students will visit such attractions as the Sears Tower, Planet Hollywood, the Hard Rock Cafe, Medieval Times, the Museum of Science and Industry and will attend a performance of the musical, "Miss Saigon."

OBSERVE: U.S. officers scout out northern Bosnia

(From 1A)

burned-out Kalesija. The town, about 10 miles east of Tuzla, was on the frontlines through much of the war and has been empty since May 1992.

The pickup crunched over shell holes and rubble, a ragged blue U.N. flag fluttering from its antenna. On the rear window was a small sticker of a U.S. flag.

AP reporters who followed the truck saw it turn down one road and stop within sight of former rebel Serb positions, now in government hands. The truck stopped cautiously and turned around to avoid possible mines.

Inside the cab, officers directed the driver using a topographical map and a hand-held Global Positioning System device, which pinpoints locations using satellites.

Just east of the Tuzla airbase, the team hesitated, then plunged into an enormous field once used for small civilian aircraft. Now it's a sea of soggy grass and ankle-deep mud.

Spewing pale muck behind, the truck plowed through as the officers took in the landscape that conceivably could become the Army's staging ground, home to makeshift barracks or a baseball field — or nothing at all.

Minutes later, outside an abandoned warehouse, Brown only smiled when peppered with questions about the use for the field. Finally he answered obliquely: "There are all kinds of options."

As the officers ventured into the crumbling building, they had one of their first encounters with the locals: a half-dozen Muslim boys with curious, wary smiles.

"Hi, how're you doing?" one of the officers said. The boys giggled and one of them mimicked in return, "Hi."

Brown said his team would use their observations during their four-to-five-day trip to decide how many soldiers and supplies to station around Tuzla, and whether to base the U.S. headquarters here or elsewhere.

"We'll ensure that wherever they go, (they) will be secure. And then we'll look at access and other considerations," he said.

"You guys get everything you need?" the team's U.S. Army driver and guide asked at the warehouse. With a polite grunt of assent, Brown and his entourage trudged back up a road, climbed into their truck and drove on.

BIRD: Judge rules against refuge center

(From 1A)

would prevent the city from enforcing its ordinances," said city-hired attorney Terry Rhoads of the law firm Cotton, Bledsoe, Tighe & Dawson.

"I think the Erskines are law-abiding citizens and I expect them to obey the law that the judge set down," the mayor said.

City Attorney Keith Stretcher said the City Council will be advised "about all their options" concerning the Erskines on Dec. 19. Violation of city codes can result in a citation handled through the municipal court.

City officials said the Erskines would probably be given a grace period to comply. The city allowed the Erskines to maintain the sanctuary and continue rehabilitation pending the outcome of the federal lawsuit.

The Erskines have operated the Eos Refuge Center on their 4.4-acre property for about 24 years.

The couple's work went largely without interference until complaints of health and zoning violations were made by adjacent property owners Dennis and Vanessa Baker. The Bakers, who were not living in the house next door, filed a lawsuit in state court against the Erskines in the summer of 1992. Last fall, the Erskines filed a countersuit, and both lawsuits are pending.

The City Council reviewed the Erskine situation and made provisions that would allow city residents to conduct wildlife rehabilitation and maintain a sanctuary. The Erskines applied for the necessary exemptions to city ordinances but were subsequently denied.

That's when the federal lawsuit against the city was filed.

The causes of action alleged by the Erskines included: violation of the Endangered Species Act and the Migratory Bird Act, violation of the United States and Texas constitutions, violation of the Midland city code and Texas local government codes, and violation of the Texas Open Meetings Act in regard to how the issue was posted on the council agenda. The Erskines also claimed the city's ordinances were not applicable because the center was expressly permitted for years by ranking city officials.

The judge ruled on each claim in favor of the city.

Although the city won the lawsuit, the city lost $100,000 spent fighting the Erskines, Mayor Burns said. And the judge denied a request for reimbursement of legal costs.

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Surge in boat people should prove tough test for U.S., Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — The tide of U.S.-bound Haitian refugees, stemmed last year when American troops landed, appears to be surging again just weeks before a crucial election and three months before U.N. peacekeepers are scheduled to leave.

The U.S. Coast Guard has picked up more than 1,000 boat people in the past two weeks, surpassing the total for the previous 10 months combined. No one expects the departures to stop as long as political and economic uncertainty prevails in Haiti.

"Life was mistreating me. Misery was in my bones," said Jackson Dorelus, a 15-year-old orphan who was among 577 refugees returned home Wednesday by two Coast Guard cutters.

His tone did not reflect the hope in a message on his T-shirt — "Operation Uphold Democracy" — a reference to the U.S. mission that restored then-exiled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide to power in 1994.

Instead, his tone reflected the disenchantment of migrants caught in the two largest interceptions of Haitian refugees since the Coast Guard began keeping records in 1981. Officials seized 520 people from a single boat on Nov. 21, and 577 more from another boat on Sunday — Jackson was among them.

"If this keeps on, it will become an issue, as it was in 1994," said U.S. Embassy spokesman Stan Schrager.

That summer, the refugee surge peaked as an estimated 21,000 Haitians were turned away from U.S. shores in less than a month. They braved the passage on makeshift rafts and leaky sailboats, desperate to flee a military regime responsible for the killings of some 4,000 civilians and an economy collapsing under international sanctions.

In September 1994, President Clinton sent troops to Haiti with the twin objectives of stopping the killing and halting the exodus.

The multinational intervention succeeded on both counts, forcing the surrender of the dictators who ousted Aristide in 1991 and paving the way for the president's return.

More than a year later, hundreds of Haitians are fleeing their restored democracy rather than vote in Dec. 17 elections to choose a successor to Aristide.

Former President Leslie Manigat, now in the opposition, suggested that Aristide has been "permissive," perhaps even engineering the new exodus, as a message to the Clinton administration to ease pressure on him to leave office. Many Aristide supporters want him to stay in power for three years to make up for the time lost in exile, but U.S. officials insist he leave.

Schrager did not rule out the possibility that the departures are related to street violence sparked by Aristide's Nov. 11 call for total disarmament. In two weeks of violence, millions of dollars worth of homes and businesses were ransacked and torched, and at least seven people were killed.

The violence boded ill for the elections, which are being boycotted by major political parties and have been overshadowed by Aristide's vacillation on whether he will step down.

Last week, Aristide hinted he wanted to stay on. This week, he once again pledged to hand over power to his successor on Feb. 7, 1996.

Aristide also has been ambivalent about selling state-run enterprises, a condition tied to millions of foreign aid dollars.

The scenario is not attractive for private investors whose wait-and-see attitude has doomed hopes for a quick economic turnaround to improve the lives of Haitians, the poorest people in the Western Hemisphere.

The cost of living continues to rise and more than half the work force is jobless or underemployed.

"There is general discontent throughout the country. Hopes of a better life have been dashed, and patience is wearing thin," said Privat Precil, co-director of the official National Migration Office.

"More people are flowing from the country into town," he said. "As a consequence, they will overflow the town into the sea."

Marthe Elise, the 17-year-old mother of a 2-year-old child, seemed to confirm his prediction as she trudged off the Coast Guard cutter after eight days at sea.

"I left because I had no money to buy food for my child," she said. "I'll leave again if I don't find a job."


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Clinton first U.S. president to visit Northern Ireland

LONDON — President Clinton, the first American president to visit Northern Ireland, will try to sell Protestants and Catholics in the strife-torn British province on the benefits of peace when he arrives there today.

Clinton will use his one-day visit to spotlight the benefits of a 15-month cease-fire that has allowed the province's 1.6 million residents to live with lessened fear of the tit-for-tat warfare that has claimed 3,200 lives since 1969.

Clinton planned to address Protestant and Catholic employees of the Mackie Metal Plant, often cited as a model of cooperation between sectarian groups. He also planned to address the residents of Londonderry, a deeply divided community of 100,000 six miles from the Irish border.

With one eye on the 44 million Irish-Americans who may hold the key to his re-election in 1996, Clinton will inaugurate the Thomas P. O'Neill chair for the study of peace and conflict resolution at Ulster University before returning to Belfast for a reception with Northern Ireland's rival political leaders at Queen's University.

Clinton concludes his day in Belfast by lighting the city's Christmas tree, delivered from Tennessee by a long-range C-141 Air Force cargo plane.

White House Press Secretary Mike McCurry said Clinton's visit and an overnight stay at the Europa Hotel, bombed 37 times in 25 years of sectarian warfare, would highlight the "courage that it requires to make peace."

In his toast at a dinner given Wednesday night in his honor at No. 10 Downing Street by British Prime Minister John Major, Clinton said: "We will not attempt to tell people what peace they should make but only urge on them the need to make peace at the soonest possible date in a fair and honorable and decent way."

Clinton was flying to Belfast after a day-long series of meetings in London Major, Queen Elizabeth II, Labor Party leader Tony Blair and a 26-minute address to the British Parliament.

Clinton and his aides said he will use private meetings with Northern Irish political leaders from both sides of the sectarian divide to make concessions to secure a permanent peace.

After Belfast, the president goes on to Dublin to meet with leaders of the Irish Republic.

Major and Irish Prime Minister John Bruton cleared the way for renewed progress late Tuesday with their agreement to launch a "twin-track" approach toward a settlement that set aside a dispute over disarmament for Catholic and Protestant paramilitary organizations and British troop withdrawals.

The two leaders agreed to refer the feud to a three-person international commission headed by former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, a former federal judge.

Clinton hailed the leaders' action, calling the twin-track process "the best opportunity" to resolve the disputes and one that "should be embraced."

A senior White House official said the accord enabled Clinton to focus his efforts on persuading Northern Irish political leaders such as Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams and Ulster Unionist Party chief David Trimble to negotiate compromises in the months ahead.

"I think it helps engender confidence in the process for them to be able to talk through their concerns with the president of the United States and have us continue to support those who are involved in this process," the official explained.

Clinton's trip to Northern Ireland was designed to bolster the political legitimacy of leaders who are cooperating with peace efforts and to isolate those who are too cautious or seeking to exploit pitfalls in peace negotiations.

Major said Clinton's foray to the Connecticut-sized province of the United Kingdom would "give a huge encouragement to the people in Northern Ireland who have been working for peace."

Clinton called the British-Irish deal "a bold step forward for peace," adding in a well received address to hundreds of members of the House of Commons and the House of Lords in the Royal Gallery at the Palace of Westminster: "It is always a hard choice — the choice for peace — for success is far from guaranteed. ... But it is the right thing to do. And in the end the right will win."

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Government questions former tobacco researcher

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (AP) — A tobacco industry whistle-blower who is said to have "devastating" inside information fielded questions Wednesday from lawyers for the U.S. Justice Department and the state, despite his former employer's effort to silence him.

Government sources in Washington, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Jeffrey Wigand met in private for several hours with lawyers from the Justice Department's antitrust division for an investigation into whether tobacco companies conspired to suppress development of safer, self-extinguishing cigarettes.

Wigand, who was fired in 1993 as vice president of research at Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp., also submitted to questioning by the Mississippi attorney general's office, which is suing 13 tobacco companies for reimbursement of millions of taxpayer dollars spent treating poor people with smoking-related illnesses.

It wasn't immediately known whether federal prosecutors were also asking questions. Two federal criminal investigations are under way into whether tobacco industry executives lied to Congress and regulators about smoking and the addictiveness of nicotine.

"Jeffrey Wigand's testimony will be very devastating to the tobacco industry," Mississippi Attorney General Mike Moore said before the questioning began. "This is a man who had been on the inside for four years, a man who knows where all the bodies are buried, and we just want to see if we can find some of those bodies."

Brown & Williamson, based in Louisville, Ky., sued Wigand last week, saying he violated an agreement binding him not to divulge "competitively sensitive" information when he talked to "60 Minutes." CBS killed the interview before it was broadcast, citing legal concerns.

Later, Brown & Williamson got a restraining order from a Kentucky judge to stop Wigand from divulging inside information.

However, a Mississippi judge ruled that the judge in Kentucky had no jurisdiction in Mississippi and that the taking of Wigand's deposition in the Mississippi lawsuit could proceed.



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Angels deserve national notice

No doubt we're prejudiced, but we believe it's about time the Midland Angels receive the attention they deserve from professional baseball. Of course, the Angels are due to rake in one of those kudos Sunday when they are presented the Freitas Award at the National Association of Professional Baseball Clubs winter meetings in Los Angeles.

The Angels were named the top Double-A baseball franchise in the nation by Baseball America despite the fact that the Midland market is one of the smallest Class Double-A baseball markets.

It isn't necessarily the size of the community in which a franchise is located that determines who receives the Freitas Award and that's good because the size of a city may determine to a degree the total attendance at games, but not what benefits fans derive from attending games, the quality of facilities, quality of baseball played, programs carried out and so forth. Rather, the Freitas Award is presented primarily on the basis of well-run facilities, customer service, creative promotions and outstanding attendance, noted Baseball America publisher Dave Chase.

Although the Midland market's remote location has resulted in smaller attendance figures than those achieved in larger cities, such as El Paso or San Antonio, the Angels' gate counts have continued to climb over the past several years. In the meantime, the Angels' play has become outstanding — as their numerous fans will loudly attest. The fact the Angels made the Texas League playoffs this year, and set a franchise record for attendance in the process, helped cause some of professional baseball's leaders to sit up and take notice. And they should.

Yet the overriding reason for the honor the Midland Angels' will receive is simply that it is a well-run organization, on the field and off, and that is a class act that's difficult to ignore.

Congratulations Midland Angels!

ANOTHER VIEW

System to give New York's poorest on-line access

A recent survey of what the Department of Commerce calls the "information have-nots" revealed that about 20 percent of America's poorest families do not have telephones — and that only a fraction of those who do have phones can afford the computers and peripherals needed to participate fully in the information age.

The New York Public Library struck a blow for equal access last week when it introduced Leo — Library Entrance on Line — a new computer system in local libraries that will allow visitors to keep track of the library's 50 million holdings and search the Internet, free of charge, for the gigabytes of information held there.

On-line time will be limited, and users will eventually have to pay small sums for printouts. They will not be allowed to join chat groups or send e-mail. Even so, tens of thousands of New Yorkers, for the first time, will have access to electronic information banks.

Until now, users in most of the library's 82 branches had to search a printed catalogue to find material. Now, using more than 200 personal computers sprinkled throughout the system, they can find out what is held in any of the library's branches, scroll through special listings of community services or locate articles from 2,600 magazines and journals, of which 1,000 offer their full texts on line.

The new system replicates electronically the spirit of equal access on which New York's library system was founded.

— The New York Times

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Nov. 30, the 334 day of 1995. There are 31 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 30, 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens — better known as author Mark Twain — was born in Florida, Mo.

On this date:

In 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Louisiana to France.

In 1804, the only U.S. Supreme Court justice impeached to date, Samuel Chase, went on trial, accused of political bias. He was acquitted by the Senate.

In 1874, British statesman Sir Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

In 1900, Irish author Oscar Wilde died in Paris.

THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

President's speech fails to make all points clear

WASHINGTON — In his speech Monday night President Clinton needed to accomplish two things: One was to explain why we have to send 20,000 troops to implement the peace in Bosnia, and the other was to explain how our goals there can be accomplished with a limited U.S. military involvement. The president certainly made a strong case for the why, but he left the how disturbingly unclear.

As far as the why goes, it is hard to dispute Clinton's argument: By backing up a Balkan peace agreement that the United States itself negotiated, we will be bringing a halt to the cycle of killing and rape, giving the combatants a chance to reconcile, stabilizing central Europe and assuming the role that an American superpower should assume, which is to lead at a moment when we and we alone can "make the difference for peace." Whatever I thought about Bosnia in the past, the president seemed to say, these are the stakes now and to walk away would be a disaster.

Clinton said the role of U.S. troops when they go in will be to make sure that each side withdraws its forces behind the front lines, and then maintain the cease-fire. This, he argued, will create a secure environment in which elections are to be held and in which programs for reconstruction can begin. The president said that "this mission should and will take about one year."

Sounds reasonable. Just one question: How? Not how are U.S. troops going to accomplish the above missions; but how are they going to accomplish those missions within one year and then withdraw without the whole situation collapsing? There was no exit strategy in that speech.

Is the Clinton plan to give Bosnia a one-year chance at peace and the exit strategy to withdraw in 12 months, whether or not the parties really have reconciled? Is the plan to keep troops in Bosnia until the basic political provisions of the peace accord have been achieved — holding free elections, establishing a federal government and returning refugees — and hope all that can be accomplished in one year?

Is the plan to give peace a chance, but to arm and train the Muslims so that there will at least be a stable balance of power after one year, so we can leave and realistically hope that the peace holds together?

Or is the plan to stay in Bosnia for a year, maintain the cease-fire, do the best we can to achieve the political objectives and then let the Europeans remain there and hold the cease-fire together? What constitutes winning in Bosnia?

Not only was there no clear exit strategy in that speech, but it got very fuzzy whenever the president came to those issues that could involve U.S. troops in something more than limited peacekeeping — in peacemaking and nation-building — such as when he discussed how we are going to get the Serbs and Croats to disarm while we re-arm the Muslims or when he discussed America's commitment to seeing Bosnia preserved as a single state.

In fairness, the president should not be held to unrealistic goals. A stable cease-fire that prevents further killing and gives people a decent chance to rebuild their lives again is probably the best that can be hoped for. It is also achievable.

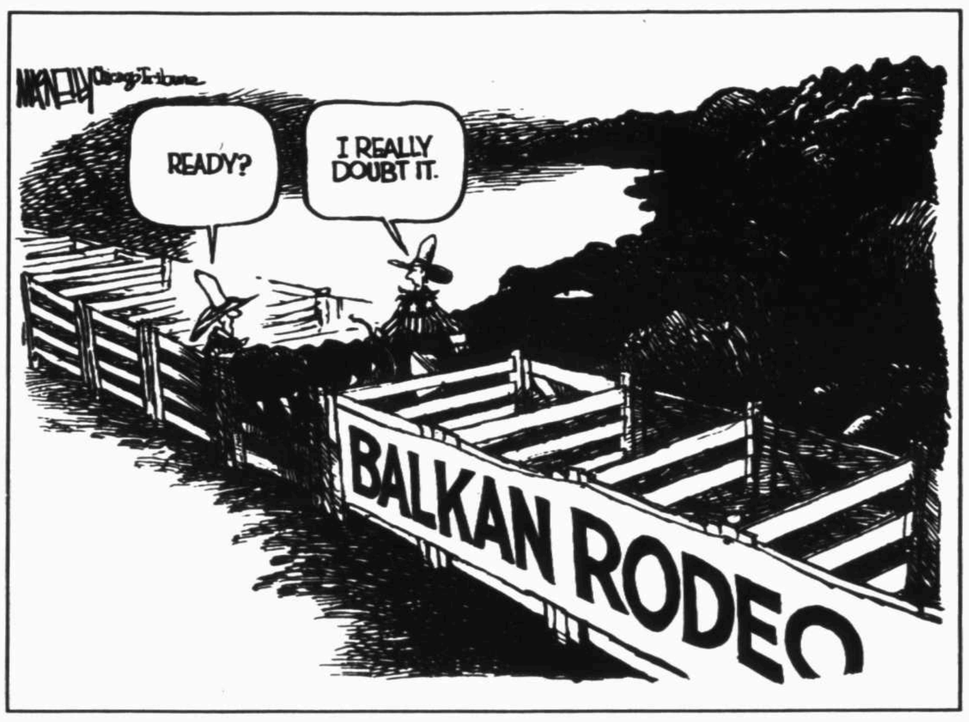
The two big parties to the war — Croatia and Serbia — have what they want, which is their own slices of Bosnia. Now they have an interest in consolidating their gains with peace. It is the Muslims who have suffered the most and come out with the least, but they are also in the weakest position to derail this de facto partition.

It is precisely because the three parties will have different ideas of what America's long-term plan for Bosnia should be and how we should achieve it before we leave, however, that we need to be clear with ourselves going in.

While Clinton's speech soared at times, it was not his best. There was something missing, some level of self-confidence. Was it because in the back of his mind the president knows he has an exit date for Bosnia — but not an exit strategy?

Then again, maybe he has a strategy, but for diplomatic reasons cannot lay it on the table now. Or maybe he is confident that it will evolve as things go along. To some degree, any mission like this is a shake of the dice, and not everything can be specified from the get-go. But we sure increase the odds of winning if we at least start with a clear idea of how we will know when we've won.

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MIKE ROYKO

Volunteer military keeps war more professional

Every time an American president sends troops to some foreign hot spot, Slats Grobnik shakes his head and says the same thing.


Royko

"We shoulda never got rid of the draft."

And I tell him that he is wrong because an all-volunteer army is far more professional and efficient, costs less, and has the public's approval.

And Slats always nods his head and says: "Right. That's why we shoulda never got rid of the draft."

Which doesn't make sense. But I no longer expect logic from his addled brain, so I let him ramble on.

"When you look at the TV, you see any mothers crying and fathers looking gloomy and saying that they don't want their kids dying for Bosnia?"

Of course not. Parents of professional soldiers know full well that danger is part of the job. The job of a soldier is war. And in war, people die. They know that.

Slats nodded happily and said: "Absolutely. And you don't see no college students taking over the dean's office and chanting stuff like:

'President Willie,
Would your ma,
Let you die,
For Bosnia?' "

That's silly. Why would they do that?

"Right. They ain't got no reason to protest and holler. How come?"

Because they don't have to worry about the draft.

"I rest my case," said Slats.

What case? You have no case.

"Hey, how many sons of United States senators are gonna be in Bosnia?"

I don't know, but I would guess very few. Or none.

"That's a pretty good guess. And how many sons of Cabinet members, governors and mayors?"

I assume that if any such prominent offsprings are currently in the military, they are officers and gentlemen, gentlewomen or gentlewhatses.

"Yep. And how many are the sons or daughters of the big cheese dips who run the Fortune 500 companies?"

Probably a total of zero. Why would any child of economic and social privilege choose a career in the military, unless they were offered a slot at West Point or one of the other elite academies?

"That's what I say. So lemme ask you, how many big-time pro quarterbacks and linebackers you figure gonna be in Bosnia?"

What a stupid question. Mike McCaskey isn't threatening to move the Bears to Sarajevo, although it might be safer than Gary.

"Uh-huh. So how many quarterbacks or linebackers are joining the National Guard?"

Why would they do that?

"See? You ain't as stupid as you look."

Thank you. But what are you talking about?

"I'm talking about all the good reasons why we shoulda kept the draft."

You have not given me one good reason.

"Then you ain't been paying attention. See, what made the draft so wonderful was that when it was run on the legit — until the Vietnam War — it gave everybody the same opportunity."

What opportunity?

"To get killed."

What kind of opportunity is that?

"Hey, to die for your country? To get a free body bag, a casket, a headstone and a funeral, with an honor guard, and your wife or mother gets a flag folded up real neat? Any wife or mother would be proud, right?"

Not at all. Many would be seriously distressed.

"What, you saying there are decent Americans who wouldn't want their kids to get croaked for good old Hertey Go Weenie and, what's her name, Sara Yavoo? You mean to tell me that any red-blooded American ma or pa wouldn't feel proud if their kid got shot to pieces to bring peace to Bosnee?"

I'm sure they would be unhappy and confused.

"So you're saying that the average American don't want to die for Bosnia? And they wouldn't want their kids to die for Bosnia?"

I can't read their minds, but that's not what I'd want for my children.

"But what if we had a draft and what if your kids were gonna be called and were gonna go to Bosnia?"

Then I suppose I'd make sure that they had college deferments.

"Yeah, yeah. But what if they didn't?"

I would hope the National Guard was recruiting.

"What if it wasn't? Go on, say it, say it."

What should I say? That I would send them to Canada or Sweden to dodge an unpopular draft, as was done during the Vietnam War? I won't say that.

"Would you do it?"

I said I wouldn't say it, not that I wouldn't do it. Let us be realistic. There is no reason for the children of the privileged and able to be in harm's way.

"But wouldn't a draft make it fair?"

No. The present system is fair because the all-voluntary military gives a working-class youngster an opportunity to die for his country. Why should children of the well-born hog the hero's graves?

"And, like President Clinton says, to save all those innocent lives in Bosnia."

Exactly.

"So how come Clinton wasn't that worried about the innocent lives in Nam?"

Hush up.

"You always say that."

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ART BUCHWALD

Welfare society not responsible for all crime

As the whole country knows by now, Newt Gingrich has many hang-ups. But the one I like the most is when he blames welfare and the Great Society for all the crime problems in America. Newt faulted the welfare state when Susan Smith drowned her two sons in an automobile; he also blamed the heinous crime in Illinois — where an unborn baby was violently cut from his mother's womb — on a "welfare system which subsidized people for doing nothing."


Buchwald

When I read all the blame that Newt was laying on the poor I immediately thought of "Les Miserables" and how the welfare system in Paris had been responsible for the crime of that period. If you recall, Jean is finally released from prison after serving 19 years for stealing a loaf of bread for his starving sister.

His archenemy is Inspector Newt Javert. When Valjean stays with a bishop, he steals his silver candlesticks, which is typical of the way welfare recipients thank their priests. But the bleeding-heart monsignor tells the police that he gave the candlesticks to Jean. Valjean is so grateful he repents his welfare ways and becomes rich and very comfortable.

But Inspector Newt Javert has not forgotten the loaf of bread that Jean stole and has vowed to pursue him no matter how long it takes.

Javert tells a police snitch, "People who steal a loaf of bread wind up stealing chocolate eclairs from the rich. My job is to see that the liberals, who are always asking for a free lunch from the taxpayer, pay for their crimes with bread and water."

When Valjean hears that Newt will move heaven and earth to arrest him, he says to those at the barricades, "Inspector Newt Javert belongs in the sewers."

Everyone fighting on the good side of the French Revolution agrees and bursts into song with an old political refrain, "When Newt Goes Into the Sewer, There Is No Light at the End of the Tunnel."

Unable to stop the welfare rot, Javert feels that he has failed and kills himself, never to see the social reform he so desperately sought.

When Valjean was informed of Javert's death, he said, "He never did get it right."

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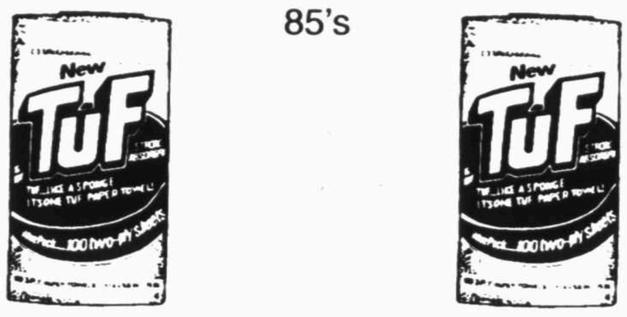
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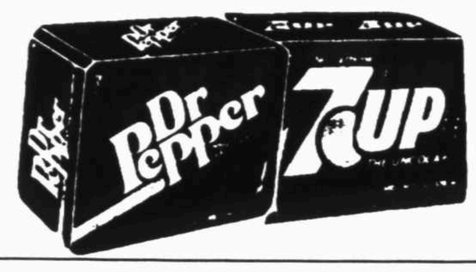
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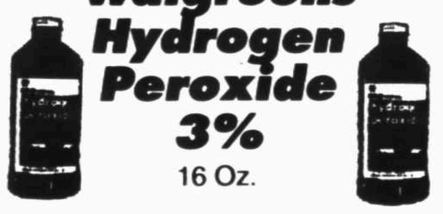
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White House seeks to shrink GOP cuts on two fronts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration tried on two fronts Wednesday to shrink planned Republican spending cuts as budget negotiators held a second, testy day of talks.

In a closed Capitol room, bargainers from the two sides disagreed over a subject that has divided them for months: what it will cost to achieve their goal of balancing the budget by 2002. The White House pushed for a more optimistic view of economic performance than Republicans want, which if accurate would mean federal deficits would be smaller and less savings would be needed than the GOP says.

Separately, the administration and GOP lawmakers sought a compromise under which President Clinton would sign the 1996 defense spending bill. In return, Republicans would ease some cuts they plan in four measures financing education, veterans, commerce, energy conservation and other programs.

Wednesday's budget negotiations lasted less than two hours. Participants discussed their plans for future meetings, but the talks got fractious when they turned to the question of economic forecasts.

"There was a lot of heated argument, debate, sometimes with voices elevated," one of the bargainers, Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M., told reporters. "But I assume that's part of the normal process of bonding."

"It's Italian bonding," joked his fellow Italian-American and the administration's lead negotiator, White House chief of staff Leon Panetta.

Republicans have asked the Congressional Budget Office, which both sides agreed would have final say on economic projections, to provide an updated forecast next week.

Because the economic outlook has improved in recent months, Sen. James Exon, D-Neb., one of the negotiators, said the new figures could show that $50 billion less in savings will be needed over seven years than Republicans assumed when they wrote their budget-balancing bill. Other Democrats say savings could be reduced by even more.

Shedding some light on the extra spending the administration and Democrats are seeking in the budget talks, Exon said $50 billion is "maybe 20 to 25 percent" of what they want restored. That would mean Democrats want to shrink GOP spending cuts by $200 billion to $250 billion, possibly more.

Meanwhile, officials from both sides said Clinton was looking for a way to sign the defense spending bill. He had threatened to veto it because it would give the Pentagon $7 billion more than he prefers, but administration officials don't want to risk antagonizing Republicans whose support he needs for U.S. intervention in Bosnia.

GOP and Democratic officials said the two sides were exploring a deal in which Clinton would sign the defense measure, as long as the expected $2 billion to $2.6 billion price tag for U.S. troops and reconstruction in Bosnia was paid for by that bill.

In addition, the administration wants Republicans to reduce their planned cuts in four domestic spending bills by $7 billion to $8 billion. GOP leaders have offered to restore $4 billion of that amount, and talks are continuing.

In related developments:

—Budget bargainers agreed to boost their negotiating teams to eight for each side. Republicans, who had five negotiators Tuesday, added Sen. Charles Grassley of Iowa, House Majority Whip Tom DeLay of Texas and Rep. Robert Walker of Pennsylvania. Democrats, who already had seven bargainers, were expected to add Erskine Bowles, the White House deputy chief of staff.

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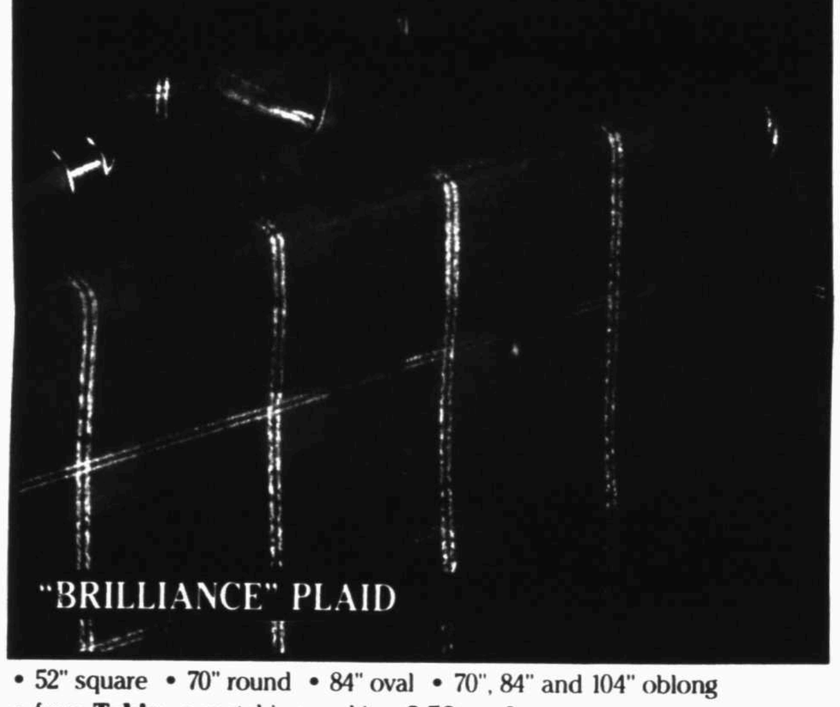


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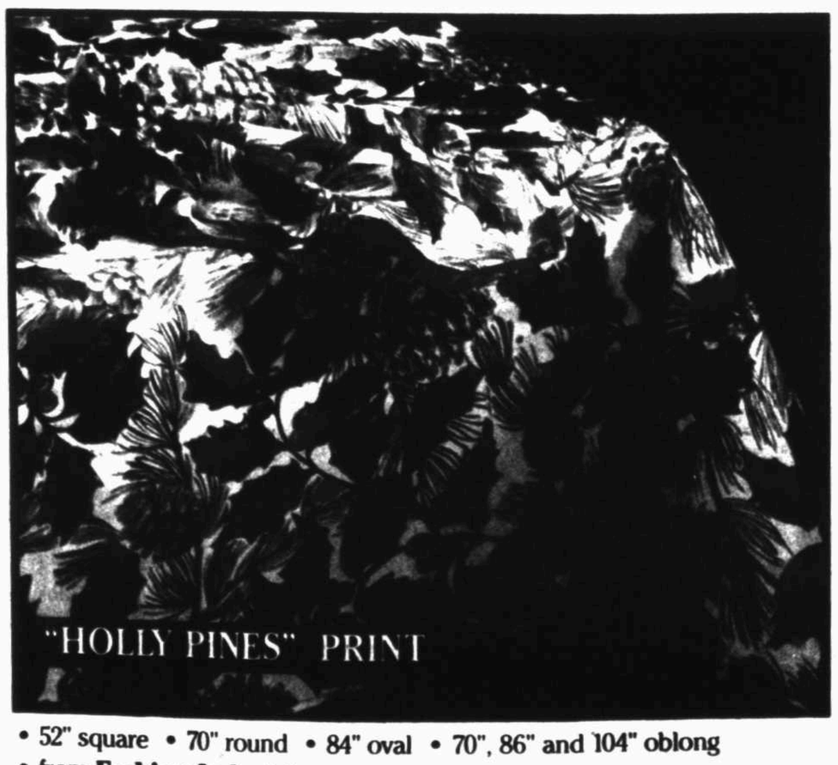


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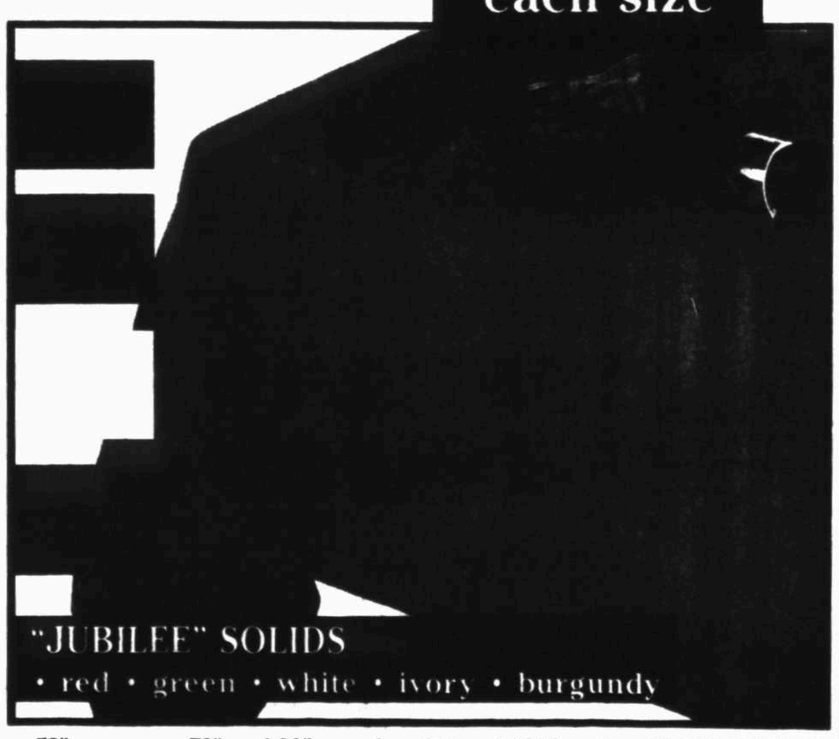
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THURSDAY

DAY WATCH

Sheriff candidate

Mike Kaufman will hold a news conference at 10 a.m. today at Centennial Plaza to announce his candidacy for the Republican nomination for Midland County Sheriff. The incumbent, Gary Painter, also a Republican, stated earlier this week that he will seek re-election.

Manatee sighting

HOUSTON — The city's warm wastewaters have lured an 8-foot-long manatee away from its native habitat along the coasts of Florida and Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. Workers spotted the prehistoric-looking mammal in Buffalo Bayou early Tuesday and called federal wildlife officials. Armed with video cameras, television crews and wildlife officials filmed the periodic surfacing of the slow-moving sea cow, an endangered species. "This is not the area he or she should be," said Graham Worthy, director of the Marine Mammal Stranding Network in Galveston and an expert on manatees. Worthy said the manatee likely stopped near the wastewater plant because its discharge is warmer than the surrounding water.

Boll weevil program

HARLINGEN — Farmers attending the Texas Farm Bureau's annual conference say they continue to support the state's boll weevil eradication program, despite criticism from Rio Grande Valley cotton growers. Delegates to the conference, held Tuesday in Corpus Christi, voted to support the program, which aims to eliminate the cotton-eating pest. "I have been in the cotton business for 20 years, and the (boll weevil) problem has gotten worse," said South Texas grower David Krebbs. The pesticide-spraying effort began a year ago in the Southern Rolling Plains, an eight-county territory around San Angelo.

TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 560-2400, Category 7100.

The Permian Basin Stamp Club will meet at the General Mail Facility, Midland International Airport, 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome. For more information, call Mike Cherrington at 699-0202.

Flatlanders Toastmasters Club, Chevron Bldg., 15 Smith Rd., 11:30-12:30 p.m., 987-7286.

Share Success-Basics of Goal Setting, Mr. Gatti's (party room 1), 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave, noon, 570-4533.

Survivors Group for Sexual Abuse, Rape, Incest Victims, 6 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 South FM 1788, 563-1200.

Post traumatic stress disorder support group for women, 6 p.m., Community National Bank, 601 E. Florida Ave., 570-9412.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., for location and other information, 520-2282.

Blacksheep A.A. group, 8 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 S. FM 1788, Info. 563-1200.

Optimist Club of Midland, noon, Calico Kitchen.

Project ADAM (Alternatives to Domestic Assault for Men) - Support group, 6:30-9:30 p.m., 986-8428 or 520-0277.

Midland Gem and Mineral Society, 7 p.m., Sibley Center by SE entrance of Hogan Park. Call 686-7442.

Toastmasters, Permian Club, noon, Permian Basin Graduate Center, 688-0715 or 694-6397.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., for location and other information, 520-2282.

Survivors of Homicide Support Group, 7:30 p.m., second-floor classroom at law-enforcement building, 400 S. Main St., 688-8909.

Northside Lions Club 7:30 a.m., Plaza Club at ClayDesta, 694-5624.

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Two movie houses get new owners

General Cinema sale affects Midland Park Mall, North Park theaters

■ Moviegoers to see few changes other than different name, some remodeling, Coke at concession stands.

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Two of Midland's movie theaters will be under new ownership effective Dec. 8.

Boston-based General Cinema has sold the four-screen Midland Park Mall theater and the four-screen North Park theater to Dallas-based Hollywood Theaters.

"We're very pleased to be in the Midland market," said Tammy Hurley, director of marketing for Hollywood Theaters, adding that the company intends to retain the present employees of the two theaters.

Moviegoers should see little change from the sale other than a change in name, some remodeling and a switch at the concession stands from Pepsi to Coca-Cola, Hurley said. The theaters will continue to offer first-run movies.

Hurley said the acquisition of the two theaters will not affect the company's recently announced plans to build a 14-screen theater in the new San Jacinto Plaza shopping center on Midland Drive. The movie house will be next to the Target store presently under construction. The new theater will be built in two phases with the first phase comprised of 10 screens and 2,060 seats. The second phase will add four more screens and 600 seats. It will include multiple concession stands, a game room and a 72-seat restaurant. Once approval from the city of Midland is received, anticipated in January, construction is expected to begin in early 1996 with completion in August.

"We feel the town needs some more screens," Hurley said.

Also in the planning stages is an 18-screen theater by GMCI Development of Big Spring. Gary Moore, owner of the Cinemore Four theater in Midland, said the new movie house, Cinema City, will be 55,000 square feet with 12 screens devoted to first-run movies and six screens to second-run movies. One screen will rotate between art-house movies and classic revivals.

The 18-screen Cinema City is part of Moore's planned Midland Forum shopping center to be built on the southeast corner of Loop 250 and Wadley Avenue, a value-oriented center with a good mix of apparel, housewares and entertainment retailers, according to Moore.

Hollywood Theaters was formed earlier this year by a management team that has well over 50 years of movie experience among them. The company operates 120 screens in 70 locations in Texas, Okla-

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Spreading the holiday spirit



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Salvation Army Capt. Harold Tracy Jr. displays some of the games that have been donated to Toys for Tots this year.

Salvation Army hopes to prevent Christmas tears

Midlanders can provide gifts for needy children by participating in Toys for Tots and Dress A Live Doll.

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

Thoughts of Christmas often revolve around children.

Imagine the teary eyes of a child who wakes up Christmas morn only to find no toys under the tree.

The Salvation Army is working to prevent those tears through the Toys-for-Tots and Dress-A-Live-Doll programs.

Salvation Army Capt. Harold Tracy Jr. said that this year the Salvation Army hopes to provide for 1,500 to 1,750 children through the two programs. Last year 800 children received gifts.

"We combined the two programs at the suggestion of my wife, Lois Tracy, so families don't have to apply twice. We wanted to make it user-friendly for both the donor and the recipient," Tracy said.

He said the children in the program were found after letters about the programs were sent home with all the children in the Midland Independent School District. Their families then called to apply for assistance.

The Salvation Army staff follows a process to determine the need and eligibility for the applicants, Tracy said.

The main sources of funds for these projects are the kettles, which are set up in front of local businesses during the holidays. Last

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Executive director of Keep Midland Beautiful to serve on national panel

From Staff Reports

Cindy Botes of Midland has been appointed to the Coordinator Advisory Council (CAC) for Keep America Beautiful.

Ms. Botes, who is executive director of Keep Midland Beautiful, will represent the entire southwestern region for a two-year term beginning January 1996.

The CAC was formed in 1990 and is comprised of KAB coordinators from each of the seven regions and one state leader. Its mission is to assist KAB in planning all aspects of the annual meeting, KAB Month, Public Lands Day and other events.

'The city of Midland will benefit through the knowledge I gain from other communities in our area and across the United States.'
— Cindy Botes, executive director, Keep Midland Beautiful

The CAC also provides input on KAB's National Awards program and to KAB standing committees on current issues and trends affecting the KAB system.

CAC representatives are required to regularly communicate with the affiliates in their region and attend their own regional conference.

"I am very excited to begin working with other coordinators across the nation in promoting Keep America Beautiful programs," Ms. Botes said. "The city of Midland will benefit through the knowledge I gain from other communities in our area and across the United States."

Keep Midland Beautiful has been an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful since 1983. Since that time, the local group has won several state and national awards. It is dedicated to the improvement of Midland through education, waste/liter reduction, recycling and beautification.

Child-cancer organization offers one-of-a-kind cards for holiday

By Tonie Miller-Uzzel
Staff Writer

During the hustle and bustle of the holidays, the focus of many Midlanders shifts toward helping others.

One way to do so is by sending Christmas cards designed by the childhood cancer patients involved in Candlelighters of West Texas (CWT).

CWT is a non-profit organization formed to serve the needs of families of children with cancer or blood disorders, including childhood cancer survivors in West Texas. The main goal of the group is to provide emotional and financial support for these families.

The cards were specifically made for the group as a fund-raising project.

They were first created for the holiday season of 1993 and again for 1994. But no new cards were made this year, said CWT member Tonya Hancock.

Hundreds of sets of cards are left over from the first two years of the project, Ms. Hancock said. So those will be sold this year, and new ones will be made for 1996.

The proceeds of the card sales will be used locally to help area families meet the expenses of battling the disease, Ms. Hancock said.

Various children designed each set of cards. The 1993 set contains designs by six different artists, including Michelle Bolinger, Neal Brenner, Erik Delval, Derrick Pahl, Kristi Thompson and Alexi Whitaker.

Each set of cards includes designs by various children in the Candlelighters of West Texas.

Michelle became blind after suffering a malignant brain tumor and was assisted in her reindeer card designs by her brothers. Another card, created by toddler Alexi, includes her unique scribbles with her parents' help in outlining her small hands.

The 1994 set includes cards designed by the late 14-year-old Dennis Mendez of Midland, who died in July 1995 after suffering

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City to ring in season with tree lighting, annual children's parade

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

The Midland Children's Christmas Parade, the Christmas tree lighting and the lighting up of downtown are set for Saturday.

"I think it will be something the community will enjoy. It looks to be really good," said Denise Burns, with Merry Merry Midland. The organization — which raised money last year for new decorations downtown — coordinated to have the parade and lightings on the same day.

The 15th annual Children's Christmas Parade — organized by the Midland Shrine Club — will begin at 4 p.m. at Dennis the Menace Park and proceed north on Garfield Street, then east down Wall Avenue to Centennial Plaza. Participants will begin organizing at the park at 2:30 p.m.

Organizers expect twice as many participants than last year. In addition to Santa Claus, others in the parade will include an Indian guide group, miniature horse and riding clubs, antique car and motorcycle clubs, the fire and police departments, floats, twirlers, dancers and children's bands. Mayor Bobby Burns will be the parade's grand marshal.

"The response to the parade has been very good. It's going

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ED TODD

Newfangled air blowers are no match for old-fashioned wind

The wind does a marvelous job of doing what it does best: It blows, cleanses and changes things.

Wind carries masses of air — hot, cold, moderate — from yon to here to over there to yon and back again.

Wind is the world's air carrier: On it rides the great clouds, both friendly and ominous, that bring rain, sleet, snow, the tenderness of mist and the alarm of storms.

In its many dramatic forms, wind takes on magnificent but startling phenomena: tornadoes, cyclones, hurricanes, typhoons.

Like rain from above, wind helps to clean up this old world. On its wings, wind disburses the airborne pollution of mankind. Smog from exhausts — automobiles to smokestack — is taken away to be widely scattered in the vast atmosphere, which, by design,


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is cleansed and purified by the rain.

It's like your scrubbing and taking a shower with clean water.

At least, that's the idea.

The system, often tested to unconscionable limits, works wonders.

Inventors have devised instruments of wind for practical reasons: Fans to circulate air to cool man, woman and beast, and wind tunnels to test the flight characteristics of aircraft.

However, mankind can hardly control the direction of wind, save for horrendous fires and monumental explosions, and that is hardly directional control.

Now, somebody with a knack for gimmickry and for some inane reason, surely beyond profit, came up with a device to emulate directional wind. Sort of.

It is a hand-held, engine-powered air-blower that shoots out streams of air presumably to replace the old but versatile straw broom.

The broom, I've noticed, has yet to be replaced by the noisy vacuum cleaner, both old and new.

I've seen workmen, surely in earnest, carry these backpack portable air blowers down sidewalks in shifting leaves, dust, dirt and trash from one plane to another — from the sidewalk to the street.

It's like robbing Peter to pay Paul. The debt is paid but another is created and nothing is gained.

Has the connection between the broom and the dustpan been lost in some quarters?

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DEATHS

Joyce Murphree

Services for Joyce LaNelle (Peddy) Murphree are set for 10 a.m. Friday at Crestview Baptist Church with the Rev. Marlin Hawkins of Council Road Baptist Church in Oklahoma City officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park with Ellis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.



Murphree

Mrs. Murphree died Tuesday in a Midland hospital.

She was born July 9, 1934, to Willis and Edna Blackburn Peddy in Vera, where she was reared and educated.

She married John F. Murphree on Dec. 10, 1955, in Vera. The family moved to Jal, N.M., for a brief time, then moved to Midland in August of 1956.

She was a member of Crestview Baptist Church, where she helped with day care for a number of years.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Orville Peddy and Aubry Peddy; and by a sister, Wanda Murle Shipman.

Survivors include her husband of 39 years, John F. Murphree of Midland; two sons, John E. Murphree of Dallas and Tracy Michael Murphree of Midland; a daughter, Kim Ewing of Pecos; three brothers, Hyder Peddy of Midland, Jack Peddy of Lubbock and Willis Peddy of Frisco; two sisters, Cora Belle Thomas of Clarksville, Ark., and Patsy Hawkins of Oklahoma City; two grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be directed to the Building Fund, Crestview Baptist Church, 3300 Thomas, Midland, 79703.

The family requests memorials be directed to Fannin Terrace Baptist Church, 2800 Mogford, Midland, 79705; or Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1101 W. Texas Ave., Midland, 79701; or Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702

Bernice Seawright

HIGHLAND, Kan. — Services for Bernice B. Seawright, 80, of rural Highland and formerly of Midland are to be held at 10 a.m. Friday in the Highland Mortuary here.

The body is to lie in state in the mortuary from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. today when family and friends are to gather.

Seawright died on Tuesday in a Highland nursing home.

Seawright was born on Aug. 2, 1915, in Mississippi to Leslie and Carrie Brown Seawright.

He graduated from Cleveland High School in Cleveland, Miss., and married Ruby Williams in 1938 in Marigold, Miss. She died in 1968.

Seawright married Mary Ellen Gilmore Ward in 1973 in Midland. The couple moved to Highland, Kan., in 1975.

He worked for the U.S. Postal Service in Cleveland, Miss., and then in Phoenix, Ariz., in 1947 before he moved to Midland the following year. He retired in 1966.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ellen Seawright of Highland; a daughter, Sandra Michener of Shenandoah Junction, W. Va., and Janet Walton of Midland; a stepdaughter, Sue Johnsen of Galveston, and two step-sons, David Ward of Memphis, Tenn., and Jim Ward of College Station; four grandchildren, five step-grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Highland Ambulance Fund or to the Highland Cemetery.

Grace Henry

Graveside services for Grace Tarleton Henry have been set for 2 p.m. today at Resthaven Memorial Park with Dr. Douglas Lamb of Fannin Terrace Baptist Church officiating. Ellis Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Henry died Tuesday at her Midland residence.

She was born Jan. 7, 1925, in McGregor.

She gradued from Belton High School and attended college for two years. She met her husband-to-be at Blackland Army Air Field in Waco, where he was stationed in 1942. They lived in Edmonton, Alberta for a little more than a year during the latter days of World War II.

After the war they lived in College Station, Minden, La., Big Spring, Brady, Pampa and then Midland. In Pampa, she was a member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and the Twentieth Century Cotillion.

She was a member of Fannin Terrace Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Norman Henry; one son, Hank Henry; one daughter, Robyn Byrd; and four grandchildren.

Lenora Johnson

LEVELLAND - Services for Lenora Johnson, 78, of Midland and formerly of Levelland are to be held at 10:30 a.m. today in the First Baptist Church of Levelland with Dr. Steve Vernon, pastor, officiating.

Burial is to be in the City of Levelland Cemetery under the direction of Geo. C. Price Funeral Directors of Levelland.

Mrs. Johnson, who was under the care of Hospice of Midland, died in her Midland home on Monday.

She was born on Dec. 21, 1916, in Peacock and had lived in Hockley County from her birth until February of 1995, when she moved to Midland from Levelland.

She married Ed Johnson on Aug. 29, 1936, in Southland. He died in 1992.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the First Baptist Church of Levelland.

Survivors include two sons, Eddie Johnson of Weatherford and Jimmy Johnson of Port Neuces; a daughter, Karron Pearson of Midland; a sister, Naomi Tucker of Modesto, Calif.; five grandchildren and a great-grandson.

The family suggests that memorials be made to Hospice of Midland or to a favorite charity.

POLICE REPORTS

Robbery

Midland police are on the alert for a slender, 6-foot-2 light-complexioned man with a moustache and dreadlocks in trying to solve the 9 a.m. Wednesday robbery of a Kentucky Fried Chicken employee at 1814 N. Midland Drive. The suspect was wearing blue pants and a teal shirt, officials said.

Police reported that the KFC employee was robbed of the business's bank bags just after the worker had left the business for his car to make a bank deposit.

The suspect, armed with a pistol, approached the worker from behind the building, forced the worker to lie face down on the ground, grabbed the money bags and fled on foot eastbound toward the Junction Apartments, according to officials.

The KFC worker was not harmed in the holdup, police said.

Train fatality

In Odessa on Tuesday, 61-year-old Juan Rivas Rodriguez was struck by an oncoming train and killed when he was attempting to cross the railroad tracks at First Street and the Grant Avenue overpass, according to Midland police.

An autopsy is to be performed in Lubbock.

Police are investigating the death.

Tuesday

Burglary of a residence: Cecilia Garcia at 2:57 p.m. reported a burglary at 2615 Mariana Ave. Entry into the house was by way of a back window.

Vandalism: Vandalism to a 1988 automobile at 400 Cottonwood Ave. was reported at 9:06 p.m. The car's windshield was broken out, the tires were slashed, and the rearview mirror was stolen.

Burglary of a residence: C. Barron at 9:11 p.m. reported the burglary of a residence at 2600 N. Midkiff Road.

TEARS: Midlanders can help provide special Christmas

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year $44,000 was collected.

This year, Tracy said, the goal has been increased to $50,000.

Tracy said there are three different ways Midlanders can help with the projects.

First, citizens can "adopt" a child through the Dress-A-Live-Doll program. He said that this year the project doesn't have any kind of tree from which to take a name, so donors need to call 694-7262 or go by JC Penney's to get the information and first name of the child in need.

Second, a new toy can be donated.

"The Salvation Army isn't being picky, but we're looking at it from the child's perspective ... on the outside they may say 'thank you' (for a used toy), but on the inside they are disappointed.

"The way I feel about it is if I wouldn't give it to my child then I wouldn't give it to another child," Tracy said.

The third way folks can help is to contribute cash in the kettles, in person or through the mail.

Tracy said the money goes toward providing for those children who aren't adopted through Dress A Live Doll so that they get something, too.

"We have already purchased toys and ordered food. We did those things hoping to raise the $50,000, so the expenditures are already there," Tracy said.

The Marine Corps sponsors the nationwide Toys-for-Tots campaign by soliciting the donations, and the Salvation Army distributes them, making for a winning team, Tracy said.

Locally, KWES-TV Channel 9 spearheads the drive, encouraging the community to get involved, Tracy said.

"Toys for Tots is our favorite project. We do projects all year long for a lot of organizations, but this is a big part of us," said Kathy Williams of Newswest 9. "It is important for kids to have toys, and for families without a lot of money this is a hard time of the year."

Viewers can donate a new, unwrapped toy at their local fire station, Sonic Drive-In, Midland American Bank or Newswest 9, Ms. Williams said.

Gifts also can be dropped off at MAB, even at their drive-through lanes, she said.

Sonic Drive-In is a new sponsor this year, Ms. Williams said. She said Sonic will give away coupons for free tater tots when toys are brought there; they are calling it "Tots for Toys."

As toys are collected, the Salvation Army will take them to Channel 9 to be displayed on the news, Ms. Williams said.

Toys for Tots is one of the nation's longest running toy drive campaigns starting in Los Angeles by the late Marine Corps Reserve Col. Bill Hendricks in 1947. That first campaign resulted in nearly 7,000 toys being distributed to the children of servicemen killed in World War II.

Tracy said many of the families who are involved in the program have single mothers whose situations have left them unable to provide new toys, clothes or even a special holiday meal for their children.

Most all of the recipients have more than one child, he said.

"A lot of the people we see have made bad choices in their lives and now, they are trying to make better choices while providing a good Christmas for their children," Tracy said.

"When we distribute, we give to legitimate needs," he added.

Tracy said many children have to do without, and one of the goals of the Salvation Army is to "show people what love really is."

"It goes much deeper than Santa Claus," Tracy said about the Christmas season.

He said the children have no clue about where the gifts the Salvation Army provides came from.

"For all appearances, the children think they are from their parents. That gives the parents some dignity and the kids dignity," he said.

Even though the Salvation Army is a nationwide organization, Tracy said all money contributed locally remains local.

"We must credit the community; we cannot exist without their support through volunteerism, contributions and even calling and asking questions. We are nothing without the community," Tracy said.

Gifts may be dropped off at the following locations: Midland fire departments: 1500 W. Wall Ave., 200 E. New Jersey Ave., 1710 N. Edwards St., 403 E. Solomon Lane, 2210 W. Golf Course Ave., 4217 Thomason St., 3301 Haynes and 6005 N. Midland Dr.; Sonic locations in Midland: 2310 N. Big Spring St., corner of Midkiff Road and Andrews Highway and 2301 Rankin Highway; Midland American Bank locations: Cuthbert Avenue and Andrews Highway, A Street and Louisiana Street and 401 W. Texas Ave.

Lawmakers seek to clarify confusion about gun law

AUSTIN (AP) — With an increasing number of cities and government agencies taking steps to keep licensed citizens from bringing concealed guns on their property, sponsors of the state's new right to carry law set out Wednesday to clarify the issue.

"We have a lot of bad signals being sent and a lot of those are wrong," said Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, an author of the gun law.

Cities — including Austin and Grand Prairie, near Dallas — have approved ordinances restricting where citizens will be able to take concealed guns when state licenses go into effect Jan. 1.

Transit authorities in Houston and Austin have passed rules banning concealed guns. Other transit services, including those in Dallas and San Antonio, are considering similar action.

The Texas Department of Public Safety, which is processing the concealed gun licenses, approved an emergency rule in October that would prohibit concealed guns on its property. The DPS is taking public comment before making it a permanent rule. The Texas Department of Transportation was to consider similar action.

Patterson said local governments are violating the constitution and the legislative intent of the right to carry law by imposing restrictions.

During a Capitol news conference, Patterson got so stirred up that he nearly advocated ignoring the local policies being put in place.

"I would suggest that a citizen do what state laws allow them to do and ignore metro rules," he said before backing off from the statement.

He later said, "You can be right and still go to jail. Citizens should obey the policies until they can be cleared up, most likely through legal opinions from the attorney general."

But Texas Attorney General Dan Morales' office said Wednesday that it stands by opinions issued earlier this year.

Those opinions said transit authorities and businesses may ban the carrying of guns; counties may prohibit concealed handguns within county parks; and local and state officials may ban guns in public buildings.

"We gave good solid legal opinions and there is no reason to revisit those opinions," said Morales spokesman Ward Tisdale.

Patterson said he expected the DPS and Department of Transportation to reconsider their actions.

"The DPS will probably announce a retraction," he said. "The Department of Transportation would be overstepping its bounds."

Sherri Deatherage Green, spokeswoman for the DPS, said, "Any time lawmakers specifically raise questions about something the DPS is doing, we will take another look at it. That's the point where we are with these rules anyway, taking and responding to public comment."

Ms. Green said, "These rules were not intended in any way to reflect on the law. The intent was to maintain safety at DPS offices and driver license offices. People are routinely arrested at driver license offices all over the state when they come in to get licenses renewed."

Eloise Lundgren, a spokeswoman for the transportation department, said she expected the agency to take some action to restrict guns on agency property.

"We are concerned about increased violence against government entities," Ms. Lundgren said. "We have had to get restraining orders against people who have threatened violence against some of our agency field offices."

According to the DPS, roughly 24,000 Texans have applied for concealed gun licenses.

Patterson said the small number proves critics of the law were wrong about their concerns for increased violence.

"All those people who said there were going to be shootouts on every street corner need only to look at that number and realize this is a difficult process that only a few are willing to go through right now," he said.

SEASON: Festivities to be Saturday

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to be very diverse," Ms. Burns said.

Following the parade, trophies for the top three participants will be awarded. Three district court judges are expected to judge the parade entrants.

The 42nd annual Christmas tree lighting festivities — organized by the Midland Jaycees and the city of Midland — will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the actual lighting at 6:15 p.m. at Centennial Plaza, Loraine Street and Texas Avenue.

'I think it will be something the community will enjoy. It looks to be really good.'

— Denise Burns, of Merry Merry Midland

The tree will be decorated with "bird seed ornaments" made by Cub Scout pack 156.

The Midland College Jazz Ensemble will perform at 5:30 p.m., break for the lighting ceremony, then resume playing until 6:30 p.m. The Midland-Odessa Symphony will then perform from 6:30 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive about 6:20 p.m. Children will be able visit with Santa and have their pictures taken with him.

Folks also can take hay rides and will be treated to hot chocolate and cookies.

Not forgetting the meaning of Christmas, the Salvation Army, Toys for Tots and Dress a Live Doll will be on hand to collect donations.

On the same day as the tree lighting and the parade, downtown Midland will begin to light up for the holiday season. "We've had really good response on the building lights," Ms. Burns said.

This will be the second year that new decorations will adorn about 125 poles along Texas and Wall avenues and around the Midland County Courthouse.

MOVIE: General Cinema sells two of its theaters

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homa, Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee, focusing on mid-sized markets. The firm expects to double or triple in size, either through construction of new movie houses or acquisition, by the end of next year.

CARDS: Proceeds to benefit area families

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from neuroblastoma.

A second design in the set was created by the late Kant Walker, 14, of Midland. He died in August 1994 of lymphoma. Both Kant and Dennis had been bone marrow transplant recipients.

Others who contributed to the 1994 set were Naomi Collins of Big Spring and Kyler Davis of Midland.

"These are very special cards created by very special kids," Ms. Hancock said.

CWT volunteers said the sale of the cards not only benefits the organization but also the sender and recipient because of the cards' special nature.

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United States grants political asylum to increasing number of Mexicans

■ Immigration advocates say action reflects acknowledgement of human rights abuses; officials don't necessarily agree.

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The United States is granting political asylum to Mexicans in increasing numbers, a trend immigrant advocates say reflects growing acknowledgement that human rights abuses exist in Mexico.

"People are feeling a lot freer to criticize Mexico," said immigration attorney Monica Schurtman of San Antonio. "There's starting to be a recognition that Mexico is a human rights abuser."

Ana Maria Guillen of Matamoros, Mexico, a client of Ms. Schurtman's who was granted political asylum by a San Antonio judge this week, claimed she faced persecution because of her political activism. Hers is not an isolated case, Ms. Schurtman said.

"The situation has been bad for a long time, and I think it's only now that the United States government has been willing to acknowledge some of that," the attorney said.

But federal immigration officials don't necessarily agree that human rights violations are why more political asylum requests from Mexicans are being granted.

"It is impossible to simply look at the numbers and make that kind of assessment," said Russ Bergeron, spokesman for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service in Washington.

Specifics of each asylum case would have to be compared to determine the reason or reasons for the increases, and the INS cannot discuss individual cases because of confidentiality rules, Bergeron said.

INS granted 54 applications for political asylum from Mexican citizens out of 9,304 received in fiscal year 1995, which ended Oct. 1. That was up from the nine granted out of 9,323 requests in fiscal 1994.

"There's no doubt that that's a significant increase," Bergeron said, but added that 54 is a small number compared to the total requests.

The INS didn't grant any Mexican asylum requests in fiscal years 1990-93.

Immigration judges, who hear asylum requests after an INS officer has rejected them or when a person faces deportation, also have been granting more asylum requests.

Four requests were granted by judges in fiscal 1995, up from just one in 1994 and 1993, according to the Executive Office of Immigration Review.

The most recent ruling came Monday in the case of Ms. Guillen.

Judge Richard Brodsky approved political asylum for the 39-year-old mother of four. She claimed she was retaliated against by Mexican authorities for her role in the Democratic Revolutionary Party and her attempts to expose election fraud.

She fled Mexico after the 1992 elections, when she claimed she was falsely accused of criminal offenses. In her San Antonio hearing, her lawyers called witnesses and presented affidavits from witnesses who testified that some of her political colleagues were tortured by severe beatings.

Ms. Guillen said she feared persecution if she returned home.

Her attorney, Ms. Schurtman, co-director of the Immigration and Human Rights Clinic and St. Mary's University School of Law, said she believes Ms. Guillen's case will call attention to political repression in Mexico.

"We're confident that it's going to make a difference," Ms. Schurtman said. "People are definitely paying attention."

Even a U.S. State Department report this year is more critical than it has been in the past on human rights conditions in Mexico, Ms. Schurtman said.

Dan Kesselbrenner of Boston, director of the National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild, also said he hopes Ms. Guillen's case underscores the repression some political activists face in Mexico. The situation is due partly to increasing political instability and Mexico's economic crisis, he said.

Kesselbrenner said he worries about the political asylum applicants from Mexico who are rejected by INS — as was Ms. Guillen — and don't have access to good legal representation once they go before a judge.

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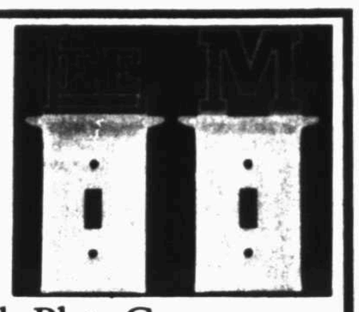
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86-year-old grandmother makes another of many trips to jail for bootlegging

By Kevin O'Hanlon
Associated Press

DALLAS — This isn't the first time 86-year-old Collie Brown's been to jail. Not by a long shot.

When she reported to the Grayson County jail Wednesday to begin serving a 10-day sentence for bootlegging, it marked the 50th or so times that Mrs. Brown has been fined or jailed for running an illegal bar out of her shanty home in Whitewright, a village of about 1,700 people about 60 miles north of Dallas.

In dry Grayson County, Mrs. Brown has operated the speakeasy, dubbed "Collie B's" by townsfolk, since 1947. People come in and chat, listen to jazz or the blues on the jukebox, play pool or dominoes and have a drink.

And, until recently, local law enforcement officials mostly left her alone, writing her an occasional ticket for selling liquor and beer without a license.

But now they have decided to crack down on Mrs. Brown because drug dealers have started gathering outside the shack, where there have been fights, stabbings and, in April, a fatal shooting.

"It used to be peaceable," said Mayor Bill Goodson. "For years, local people just went there ... to sit around. Now, crack and dope dealers from as far away as Houston and Sherman are coming up there. They're not inside her place, mind you, but we're cleaning it up. You've got to just go out and get the soap and brush out and scrub it down."

Mrs. Brown could not take telephone calls or see visitors who were not on a list of people she left with her Grayson County jailers.

But she told The Denison Herald last week that her business is harmless.

"I sold a little whiskey. What I'm trying to do is pay my bills," she said. "I don't take nothing from nobody. I don't do anything to anybody. I don't misuse anybody and I don't steal."

Even though they've had her jailed, local officials speak with a noticeable affection for Mrs. Brown.

"It's a Mrs. Jekyll and Mrs. Hyde thing. You couldn't find a better person," Goodson said. "She's as free-hearted as anybody ... she'll feed anybody that walks in the door. But she's had her place open (illegally) seven days a week all those years."

Said County Attorney Bob Jarvis: "She's just your typical grandma-type person — just a little old lady," Jarvis said. "But I told her very bluntly 'It's getting too rough. We're going to have to shut you down and put you in jail.' "

Goodson, Jarvis and Sheriff Jack Driscoll agreed that Mrs. Brown probably will reopen for business as soon as she's freed.


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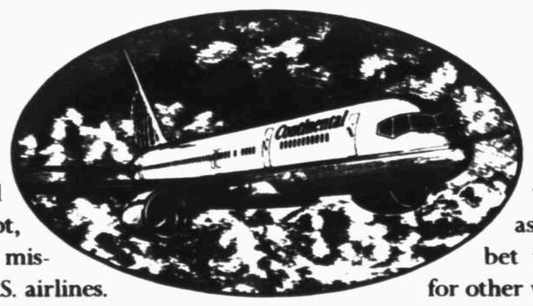
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Government presents records in case to prove wrongdoing by Gingrich

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bolstering its case that a political organization founded by Newt Gingrich violated federal law, the government released court records Wednesday suggesting the group spent heavily on "Newt support" during his tough 1990 re-election battle.

The group, GOPAC, has steadfastly maintained that it did not help any federal candidates before 1991.

But the Federal Election Commission asserted that its new evidence proves the organization was illegally assisting federal candidates before then, particularly the future House speaker.

The FEC's filing in U.S. District Court included internal memos, meeting minutes, tape recordings and notes showing GOPAC paid for consultants "to help Newt think" and to "inoculate Newt Gingrich from Democratic attacks" by producing a pro-Gingrich videotape.

A tape recording from a 1990 GOPAC meeting quotes one of the group's officials as estimating its financial support for Gingrich amounted to more than $250,000 a year.

Another GOPAC official asserted during the same meeting that Gingrich, then GOPAC's executive director, was "probably the most single high priority we've got in dollars."

Peter Derry, GOPAC's lawyer, dismissed the new evidence, saying the group still believes it did not provide Gingrich or any other federal candidate direct, election-related support.

"Our view is that GOPAC didn't support any federal candidates," Derry said. "We're willing to litigate that issue."

"My understanding is those expenses were for legal travel and strategy and planning expenses," said Gingrich spokeswoman Lauren Sims. "This was not for campaign support."

GOPAC was founded by Gingrich in the 1980s to fund Republican party-building activities, which culminated in last fall's GOP takeover of Congress. Gingrich stepped aside as the group's general chairman this year after becoming House speaker.

The FEC has sued GOPAC, alleging the group operated as a federal political action committee long before it registered as one in 1991, and thus evaded federal laws that limit spending and donations and require disclosure.

GOPAC argues its sole purpose before 1991 was the election of state and local candidates.

But the FEC alleges that often GOPAC's support for state candidates was actually designed to assist federal candidates.

In Michigan, Montana and Texas, candidates for local office were targeted for help because GOPAC believed they could deliver more Republican voters for GOP House and Senate candidates, the agency alleged.

And 1990, GOPAC targeted Georgia for seven candidate training seminars, the most of any state, in part "to protect Congressman Newt Gingrich," according to one GOPAC report cited by the FEC.

That year, Gingrich was locked in a tight re-election struggle with Democrat David Worley. Gingrich eventually won by just 974 votes out of 156,000 cast.

At a June 1989 "long-range planning" meeting, GOPAC advisors concluded that "Newt must be re-elected" to Congress, according to minutes from the meeting.

The tape recordings of an Aug. 6, 1990, meeting of GOPAC executives show the group provided what it described as "Newt support," and that other projects were designed "especially for Newt."

"I mean we're supplying, my guess would be, a quarter of a million dollars in 'Newt Support' per year," one unidentified GOPAC official is quoted on the tape as saying.

"If Newt decides he's got a Saturday free in Georgia, he wants people (around) him. And GOPAC pays those bills," another unidentified woman says on the tape. "I mean we pay for them to fly down there."

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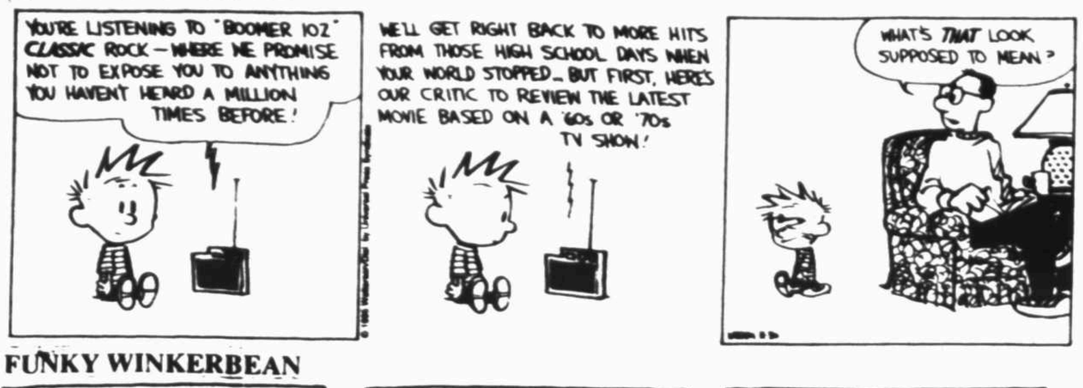


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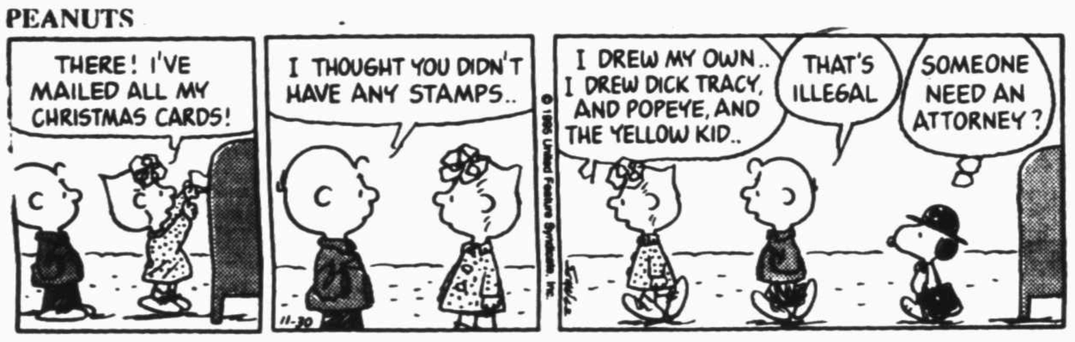
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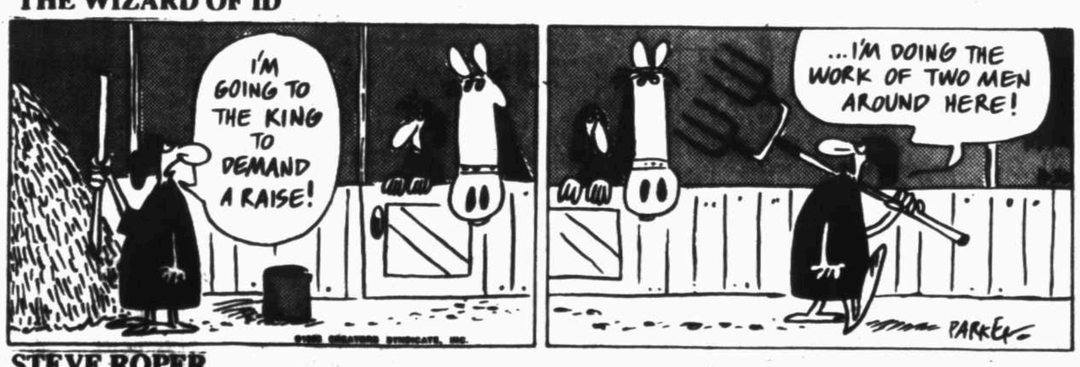
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YOUR HOROSCOPE

By Jeane Dixon

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1995

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: A laid-back approach will not work. Go after the power you seek. Those who sit back waiting for it to come to them will be disappointed. Although your new assertiveness takes friends and co-workers by surprise, the results are terrific! Recent tensions subside. Rewarding new alliances develop when you take positive steps. Show higher-ups you have the courage of your convictions. Romance deepens when you forget about past disappointments.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: author Mark Twain, radio host G. Gordon Liddy, actor Mandy Patinkin, dramatist David Mamet.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your ideas are sound. Move ahead at a good clip. Seek a clearer picture of where you stand financially. Although influential people are impressed by your efforts, certain individuals may envy your success.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your charisma attracts people helpful to your cause. Joining a special group could be a stepping stone for career advancement. Business negotiations are best handled by an accountant or lawyer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will accomplish more by trying to meet people halfway. Do not allow yourself — or an important project — to drift. Think of the future. Decide where you need to make cuts or suggest improvements.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Make private arrangements through legal or foreign channels. A new financial alliance could help you achieve a long-sought objective. Exercise self-control.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Domestic matters can be frustrating today. Rely strongly on your intuition. Keep careful track of expenses for tax records. Participating in group activities could have a favorable effect on your love life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Welcome an opportunity to rediscover the enthusiasm you initially had for a project. Eliminate the word "impossible" from your vocabulary. Patience and persistence are your keys to success.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A coworker who regards you as more than a colleague, invites you to a social event. A local charity campaign pays off as hoped. Work hard if a neighborhood group recruits you as a volunteer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A prospective house guest who proposes a long visit should be reminded of your busy schedule. Stand up for your rights. A former lover gets in touch to share surprising news. Proceed with caution.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A dream that was once your guiding light may now seem obsolete. You have grown as a person and need to move in a new direction. Compromise with your partner where jointly held funds are concerned.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Be receptive to new ideas and methods. Reorganizing your finances will bring peace of mind. Find new ways to pamper the one you love. Your partner will reciprocate. Plan a special trip for two.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Seminars in nearby places give you the opportunity to increase your professional contacts and expertise. Put a romantic relationship on a more equitable footing. A child in need requires immediate attention.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Self-discipline is essential if a business project is to succeed. Resist the temptation to cut corners. Although a romantic partner may seem less perfect now, you are still hooked.

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PUT TRUMPS TO GOOD USE

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♡A74
◇75
♣8653

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♠J10974
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◇A103
♣J7

EAST
♠82
♡32
◇KJ984
♣Q1092

SOUTH
♠AQ
♡K10965
◇Q62
♣AK4

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Pass	2♡	Pass
4♡	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♠

How does an expert plan the play of the hand? Follow the thought process as we take you through a typical deal.

First, note North's decision to raise hearts with three-card support rather than bid spades. The hand is not worth two bids, and it is important to tell partner you have a playable trump suit as soon as possible.

Against four hearts West leads the jack of spades, and your first task is to count possible losers. Assuming a normal 3-2 trump split, South has one trump, three diamonds and one club to concede. However, the club can be discarded on the king of spades and a diamond can be ruffed in dummy.

When you have to ruff, you cannot afford to cash even one high heart lest the opponents are able to remove dummy's last trumps, so after winning the first trick in hand, you must immediately lead a diamond. It does not help the defenders to shift to trumps now, so assume East wins and reverts to spades. You win and lead another diamond.

West takes this trick and perseveres with spades. Since East might be out of spades, withhold your king and ruff in hand. Now take advantage of being in the closed hand to ruff a diamond on the table.

It is not yet the right time to play the king of spades. First draw two rounds of trumps with the king and ace. Now, when you lead the king of spades, it makes no difference whether or not the defenders can ruff with the master trump. You will discard a club in any event, and lose only two diamond tricks and a trump.

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"Would you read this magazine right away, Mommy? I want to cut some things out of it."

DENNIS THE MENACE



"I DON'T HAVE ANY BROTHERS OR SISTERS, SO MY MOM *ALWAYS* KNOWS **WHO** DID IT."

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

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Madonna says experience with rape years ago made her stronger person

LONDON — **Madonna** says she was raped many years ago, soon after moving to New York City, and the experience made her a "much stronger person."



Madonna doesn't want anyone to feel sorry for her.

The superstar who oozes sex in concert, videos and books denied in an interview with New Musical Express that she blurs the line between rape and sexual fantasy.

"I have been raped and it's not an experience I would ever glamorize," she told the British music magazine in the Dec. 2 issue.

Madonna's book "Sex" includes a photo of her in a Catholic school girl's uniform, being attacked by two boys.

"In my photograph it's obviously completely consensual," she said. "Everybody wants to do it. I have a smile on my face because I am having a good time. I suppose it's not really a rape fantasy if the woman wants to do it."

She said she was raped by a stranger. She didn't give a year.

"I don't want to make it an issue. I think that I've had what a lot of people would consider to be horrific experiences in my life. But I don't want people to feel sorry for me because I don't," Madonna said.

"The thing about what happened to me is that ... although it was devastating at the time, I know that it made me a much stronger person in retrospect. It forced me to be a survivor."

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PALM SPRINGS, Calif. — Mail to **Elvis Presley's** desert hideaway will temporarily be stamped "Return to Sender."

Over the weekend, someone swiped the wrought-iron mailbox from the home the king leased from 1966 to 1977. Suspicious minds, such as **Mark Snider**, who lives there now, doubt the theft was the work of true fans.

"Real Elvis fans are the most respectable, middle-American, decent kind of people," Snider said.

He said he found a stump where the box should have been Sunday. He reported it missing Tuesday and has to get a new one for mail.

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CHICAGO — **Mel Reynolds** spent Election Day tutoring fellow prisoners as voters selected a candidate for his vacant seat in Congress.

Reynolds, serving five years for having sex with an underage campaign worker, was assigned to help inmates study for their high school equivalency diplomas.

The former Rhodes scholar who once boasted of having "four or so" college degrees now spends his days tutoring from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Then he's free to pursue whatever he wants to," said Nic Howell, a state corrections spokesman.

Reynolds arrived last month at the Vienna Correctional Center in southern Illinois.

In the first step toward replacing him, voters selected **Jesse Jackson Jr.** in Tuesday's Democratic primary. Jackson, son of the civil rights leader, will face Republican lawyer **Thomas J. Somer** in the Dec. 12 general election.

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PORTLAND, Ore. — **Bob Packwood** is still taking his lumps. This time, he was hit with luggage belonging to a guy who wants his old job in the Senate.

It happened Tuesday on a flight from Portland to Chicago.

Democratic **Rep. Ron Wyden** had rushed onto the plane and stuffed his luggage in an overhead bin a few seats from the former Republican senator. About 10 minutes after takeoff, someone stood up to take something out of the bin and Wyden's luggage tumbled out, hitting Packwood in the chest.

"You could really hear this gasp," said Michael Walker of Vancouver, Wash., who was sitting across from Packwood in first-class. "He grabbed his chest and leaned back. He really looked terrible."

Flight attendants found a doctor. Packwood had the wind knocked out of him but was otherwise OK.

Wyden had gone to the restroom and missed the whole thing. He and Packwood chatted later in the flight but the subject never came up.

"I don't think he knew it was my bag," Wyden said. "It's an amazing world."

Packwood resigned from the Senate amid allegations of sexual and official misconduct.

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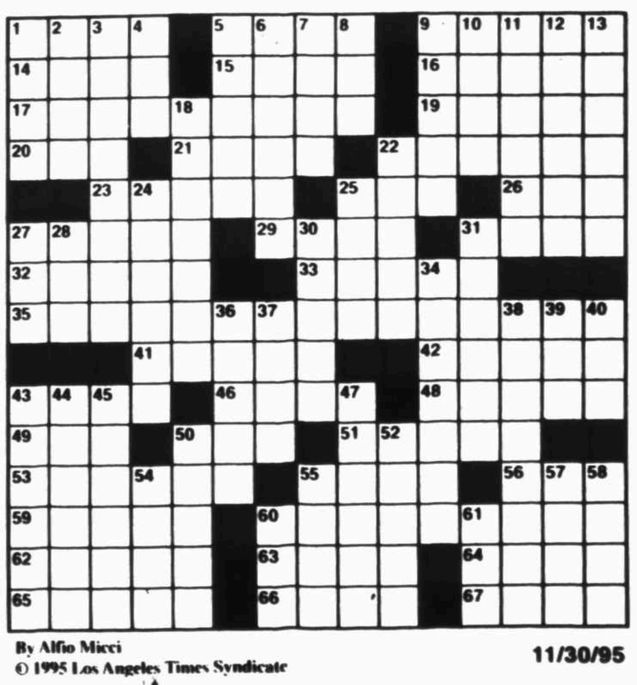
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Spectacular Sleeping



By Barbara Mayer
Associated Press

A spectacular bed — say a four-poster with canopy and yards of fabric hangings — once was the prerogative of royalty. But now beds that Louis XIV would have been proud to number among his 400 can be found at any furniture store worth its salt.

Judging from recent introductions this fall at the North Carolina furniture market, more impressive beds are on the way. Virtually every new furniture collection had its mammoth four-poster bed, as well as additional styles that would be the centerpiece in any bedroom.

"We have found that a spectacular bed sells a lot of furniture," says William Merrill, design director of Hickory Chair Co. "People find a beautiful bed. Then they buy a dresser, chest and armoire to go with it."

His company offers a tall, solid cherry bed with an impressive carved rococo headboard. It is not a direct copy of an antique, but instead is a fantasy of what royalty might have slept on in, say, the 18th century.

Another fanciful faux antique four-poster comes from The Lane Co.'s Marrakesh collection. The bed has tall spiral posts narrowing to a flamelike finial as well as an elaborately shaped headboard and footboard.

Although bed widths are fixed, bed heights are not — and they are getting taller. A bed introduced by Ralph Lauren as part of its Desert Hollywood Collection has a carved, gilded and distressed headboard that stands over 6 feet tall.

Mattresses and box springs also are much taller than they used to be, which makes the bed higher. Years ago, a box spring and mattress were each 7 inches high and bed manufacturers calculated 15 inches for the bedding when creating the bed frame, says Merrill of Hickory.

Today a set of bedding ranges from 20 inches to 26 inches high, raising the bed so high that many people now buy bed steps in order to get into it.

If wood beds do not appeal, consider metal beds. The metal may be braided, twisted or elaborately curved, as in Lane's metal four-poster with a bronze finish that is part of its Marrakesh collection.

With metal beds, too, the watchword is more: more metal and more flamboyant curves and curlicues.

Those who prefer contemporary design have not been forgotten. The bed of choice is a large sleigh bed shape often completely covered with fabric or leather.

Larry Laslo's "Mame" bed for Directional, for example, is wrapped in channeled upholstery from head to foot and along both sides.

With expensive extras like yards of fabric, elaborately turned or fat wood posts, hand carving and gilding, flamboyant beds do not come cheap. Prices can range from the mid- to upper-four figures in queen sizes and larger. There appears to be little resistance on the part of consumers.

"An elaborate bed is a focal point and decorates the bedroom almost by itself, with the simple addition of a few nightstands or skirted tables and a dresser," says John Rosselli, who operates a decorator showroom in New York's D&D Building and designs custom beds.

This faniciful metal four-posted bed is part of the Marrakesh collection from the Lane Co. Tall spiral posts each tipped by a flame finial flank an elaborate headboard and footboard in a broze finish. The bed posts are 7 feet, 4 inches high. Suggested retail price is $1,459 for a queen size.

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LOOKING FOR A DEEPER MEANING OF HOME

"A room that is almost entirely bare is a red flag to me, especially if the person has the wherewithal to decorate. It may mean that this individual does not feel he or she deserves to have a nice place to live."

— Clare Cooper Marcus

professor of architecture at the University of California-Berkeley

By Barbara Mayer
Associated Press

They say home is where the heart is. Now they're saying if your heart isn't in it, you're not comfortable.

"If people feel bad about their home, it is often because of something deeper than decorating or choosing the right colors," Clare Cooper Marcus says.

Marcus, a professor of architecture at the University of California-Berkeley, published the results of 20 years of research in "House as a Mirror of Self: Exploring the Deeper Meaning of Home" (Conari Press, $24.95).

While a home can say a lot about a person, it isn't all psychological, she says. For example, if you need a new rug but are short of cash, you may have to wait to buy it until you're more solvent.

"But," she says, "a room that is almost entirely bare is a red flag to me, especially if the person has the wherewithal to decorate. It may mean that this individual does not feel he or she deserves to have a nice place to live."

She says the home is as important as friends to one's well-being.

"People relate to their home with as much intensity as they do to other people," she says, "especially in times of crisis such as death, divorce, or disaster."

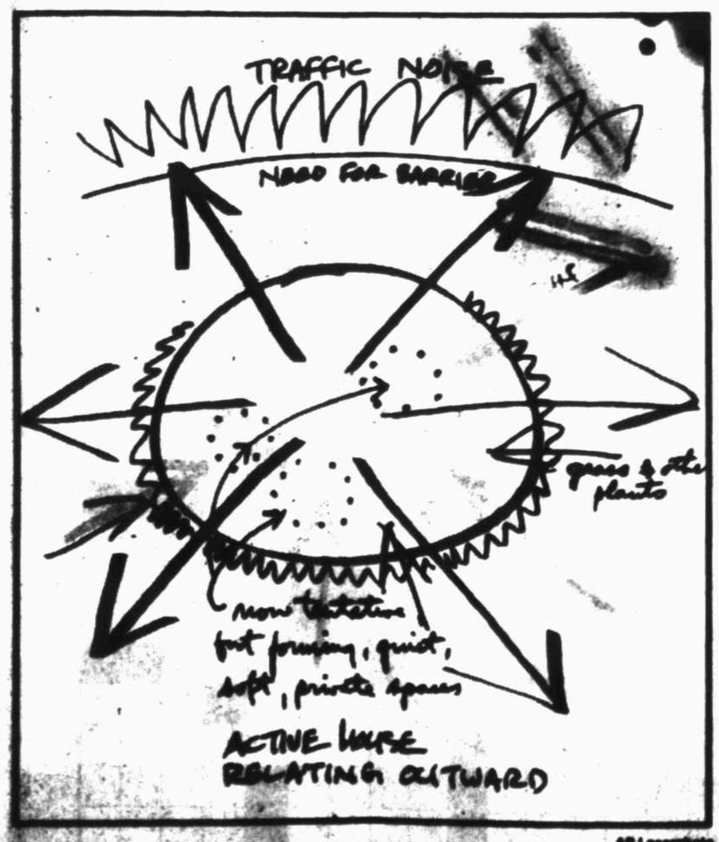
That fits with the findings of environmental psychology — a relatively new field that focuses on how people interact with their environment — that an inborn desire to create a home surfaces early.

"Between the ages of 6 and 10 or 11, children in virtually every culture and every socioeconomic group engage in a form of play in which they make houses, dens, forts or cubbies," Marcus says.



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Claudia, overwhelmed by items she had inherited, hides behind a house plant in a drawing she made for Clare Cooper Marcus, a UC-Berkeley professor exploring the deeper meaning of home.



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Robert's drawing led him to realize that, as an adult, he was trying to escape a childhood home that lacked privacy. He made the drawing for Clare Cooper Marcus, a UC-Berkely professor researching the deeper meaning of home.

BUT THE APPROACH differs with the sexes, she says. Girls lean toward the interaction of family in 'playing house' while boys are more interested in building the 'house' and in establishing territorial rights.

"They're more likely to build a clubhouse where others can't come in," she says.

Gender differences persist later in life, too. Marcus says she found that men often prefer large, open spaces and high ceilings, while women prefer cozier rooms with doors that close.

For her research, Marcus helped people explore the deeper feelings about home by having them draw a picture of their house and then talk to it. When they run out of things to say, she asks them to speak as the house.

"Even the most reluctant soon find they are chatting away, once they get into it," Marcus says. "They tend to be more honest when speaking as the house. Occasionally a house has even told someone that it was time to move on."

Marcus says these monologues can uncover bad feelings about the home that have been swept under the rug. Exploring these feelings may lead to ways to make the home more pleasant or to finding another place to live.

"The great advantage we have over earlier generations is that we live in an era in which exploring your feelings is permitted and even encouraged," she says, "and this allows us to change our lives."

Marcus has an unconventional take on the war parents wage over their teen-agers' rooms.

"Creating a bizarre room is a normal and even laudable thing in teens because it shows that they are revealing themselves," she says.

But when pig-sty living follows young people to college or their first apartment, it could signal a problem.

"This could mean they don't know how to keep their new quarters tidy because they didn't have to do it at home," she says, "or they may be resenting taking on an adult role which calls for straightening up and doing their own laundry."

DEAR ABBY

Parent

By Abigail Van Bu

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Parent, son ties too tight for some

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Irritated in Ohio," who was upset because her 38-year-old husband calls his parents twice a day. What's her problem? If that's the only thing she can find wrong with her husband, she should consider herself lucky. I think any man who thinks that much of his mother would make a wonderful husband.



Van Buren

I'm very close to my parents. Both are in good health, but they live 350 miles away. Since I can visit them only a couple of times a year, I call them almost daily.

If I ever meet a man who thinks I shouldn't be so close to my parents, I would tell him where to go. I would never jeopardize my relationship with my parents to compensate for someone's low self-esteem. Perhaps "Irritated in Ohio" should work on her self-esteem issue and stop feeling threatened when her husband calls his parents. — BARBARA CARROLL, SPRINGFIELD, ORE.

DEAR BARBARA: Although my thinking is along the lines of yours, I was surprised at how much mail "Irritated's" letter generated from readers who disagreed with my answer. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing about the letter from "Irritated in Ohio," the woman whose husband called his parents twice a day. He didn't call when he and his wife went away on vacation, and his parents laid a guilt trip on him.

You said you didn't understand why the wife should be upset. You missed the boat, Abby — big time! A man leaves his parents and cleaves to his wife at marriage. She becomes the most important person in his life when this new core family forms. Contact with parents is not cut off, but it should be reduced.

If the husband has a loving relationship with his parents and calls to check up on them every other day or so (or even once a week), that should be sufficient. If he has to check in with his parents twice a day, something is seriously wrong. At 38, he should have emotionally separated from his parents. (I've been married 21 years and have a good relationship with my in-laws.) — PAULA CUFR, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

DEAR PAULA: Many people agreed with you. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: A man who calls his parents twice a day should not be admired. There's a difference between being devoted and being dependent.

The fact that his parents felt neglected because their son didn't call while he was on vacation for three days suggests that they, too, are dependent. These people need to grow up and get a life. After all, the man in question is married and has a wife who needs him. The parents have each other and should be able to live their own lives without needing their son to call them every day.

You should have told "Irritated" that she should find out why this man is so tied to his mother's apron strings, and to get counseling. This kind of dependent behavior is fine for children, but to admire such qualities in an adult is only to exacerbate the problem. Eventually this man will have to make a choice between being married to his wife, or giving in to his parents' dependent whims. — INDEPENDENT IN DALLAS

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Engineer, inventor designed bombs, swing-wing aircraft

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Proper care keeps chimney safe

Associated Press

If a chimney isn't cleaned regularly, unburned gases and tars that condense inside the chimney may cause fires — a common and serious problem.

If you have a fireplace, your chimney usually has two flues, one for the boiler or furnace and another for the fireplace.

Your chimney should be examined at least once a year. The chimney not only gets dirty from use, but the bricks weather and can become loose with age, and the flues may crack or become blocked.

While a properly maintained furnace or boiler burns cleanly and deposits little soot in its flue, a fireplace flue may need cleaning from one to three times a year. Factors include how much the fireplace or wood stove is used, what kind of wood is burned and how hot the fire is.

INSPECTING OUTSIDE OF CHIMNEY

If your chimney passes through the house, inspect it wherever it's visible. When you inspect the part passing through the attic, have a helper shine a strong light up the chimney. If light comes through, there's a leak.

Because it's best not to walk on the roof, you can examine the exterior of the chimney from the ground through binoculars. Look for loose or missing bricks, serious cracks, a damaged cap or loose or deteriorated flashing at the point where the chimney meets the roof.

Check the top of a chimney, especially, for deterioration of the mortar. It faces the worst weathering problem of all. Exhaust gases from the furnace heat the chimney flue and the bricks a dozen times a day or more. If the outside temperature is low enough, the water in the bricks and mortar freezes, thaws and refreezes each time, causing rapid deterioration.

INSPECTING INSIDE OF CHIMNEY

Shine a flashlight up the flue to inspect the interior of your chimney. You may find a crusty, flaky or powdery residue. If the deposits are gummy, tarry, or hard and glazed, you have creosote.

Creosote is carried by the smoke and deposited in the chimney. It reduces the flue's ability to draw off smoke and, because it's flammable, can cause a chimney fire that may spread to the roof of the house.

CLEANING

Cleaning a chimney is a tedious, dirty job and can be dangerous because you must climb onto the roof. It's safer to call in a professional chimney sweep. A chimney sweep will block off all flue openings in the house, work the soot down the chimney and vacuum it away.

FLUE LINING

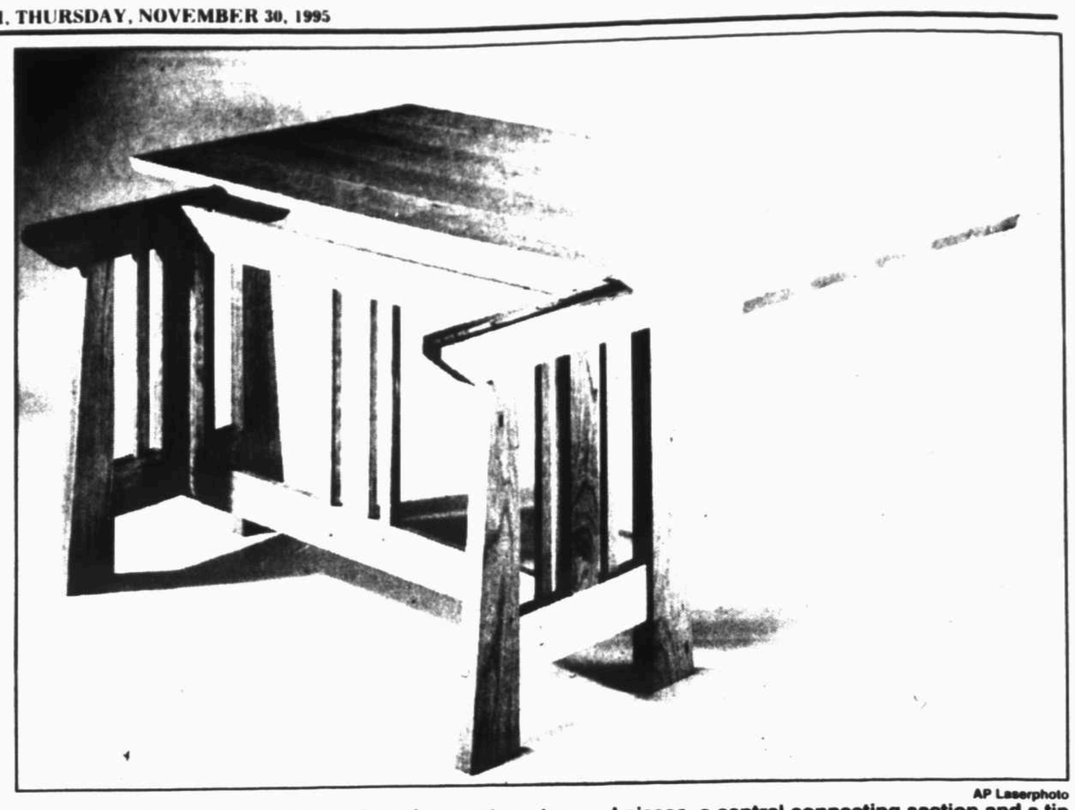
For greater safety, newer chimneys are built with ceramic flue linings. If your chimney is more than 50 years old, it may not have a flue lining and may not be safe. Hire a mason to either add a lining or to lower a prefabricated metal chimney within your unlined chimney.

ELIMINATE POTENTIAL HAZARDS

■ Overhanging trees may cause your fireplace to smoke intermittently, and the tree limbs can catch fire. Trim branches back at least 10 feet from the chimney top.

■ An open-top chimney is an invitation for trouble. Bats, birds, squirrels or other animals may enter. One solution is to make a chimney screen that can be installed by the chimney sweep. Use a square of one-half inch galvanized steel mesh. With tin snips, cut out corners to form a cross with four equal sides. Fold up the sides to make an open-ended box and wire the edges together. Have a screen box, open end down, pushed into the flue.

■ Another solution is to have a spark arrester or weather cap installed to keep embers in and keep out animal visitors, as well as water and snow.



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Shown is a dining table assembled from four parts — two end pieces, a central connecting section and a tip that slides over the rest. The tables is designed so that theses interlocking, sliding wooden parts fit together without hardware or tools, leaving the joinery invisible. It is made by Green Design Furniture Co. Inc. of Portland, Maine, and retails for about $1,850.

Elegant pieces can dovetail nicely

By Barbara Mayer
Associated Press

If the price of "assembly required" furniture appeals to you more than the final product, the Green Design Furniture Co. may have the answer.

The Portland, Maine, company makes solid cherry pieces in parts. Once assembled, the spare, elegant tables, chairs and cabinets exhibit no telltale signs you had a hand in putting them together.

Doug Green, a cabinetmaker and industrial designer, created furniture so that its interlocking sliding wood parts fit together without hardware or tools.

Assembling a piece is a bit like putting together a Japanese puzzle box. Parts are inserted in sequence, and each one locks into place the one that went before it. The final element makes the rest of the joinery invisible. The furniture can be taken apart by removing the pieces in reverse order.

"The concept builds on the dovetail joint, which as a way of attaching two pieces of wood goes back at least to Egyptian furniture," Green says. "Long sliding dovetails are very problematical using traditional tools. A computer-guided router makes it possible to precisely engineer the pieces."

While contemporary, the furniture recalls the Arts and Crafts tradition of the early 20th century. Since Arts and Crafts furniture was mostly oak, Green used cherry "in order to stress that this furniture is not a reproduction."

Green has some 18 designs, including computer tables and printer stands, seating, bookcases and cabinets in cherry, oak, walnut and maple.

Green, a graduate of Pratt Institute in New York, began making knock-down furniture after an unpleasant encounter with other ready-to-assemble pieces. He got a patent for a chair that can be assembled in three minutes. It comes in four parts and without fasteners. Then he designed prototypes for tables and a sideboard.

As a cabinetmaker who once worked in a traditional vein, Green enjoys the process of rethinking established methods. He also believes doing things differently can reward his customers.

"We are telling people," he says, "that putting the furniture together themselves will add to their knowledge and will add to the pleasure of owning it."

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Periodic check of oil, gas burners advised

Associated Press

Chances are that your house has a forced-air heating system, which is by far the most common type.

A forced-air system usually has a furnace that burns gas or oil inside a closed chamber called a heat exchanger. A large blower, in the furnace, forces cool air across the hot outer surface of the heat exchanger to heat the air. The heated air is then blown throughout the house by a system of ducts. Another system of ducts draws cool air back through return-air registers to be reheated and recirculated.

Once a year, have an oil burner and its controls cleaned and checked by a service technician — a gas burner usually needs professional attention somewhat less often.

FILTERS

To keep your furnace operating smoothly and efficiently, clean or replace the air filter monthly, after turning off the power at the safety switch. A clogged air filter causes undue wear on the blower motor and reduces heating efficiency by cutting airflow. You can install a washable filter that whistles when it's clogged — clean it monthly, too.

If you get caught short on disposable filters, you can temporarily recycle an old one to keep the furnace running. Simply remove the dirty filter and vacuum it with a brush attachment. Then hold it up to a bright light. If you can see the light through it, reinstall it, following the airflow arrows.

CHECK BLOWER, BELT

Once a year, remove the blower access panel and vacuum the area around the motor and the blower. Use the brush attachment to clean the blower blades.

If you have an older furnace with a blower driven by a fan belt, check the belt. If it is frayed or stiff, replace it with an exact duplicate. Also check the belt tension. It should deflect by one-half to three-fourths inches when you press on it. If it doesn't, loosen the motor mounting bolts and move the motor to tighten or loosen the tension on the belt.

A blower and motor pulley that are out of alignment may cause belt wear. To determine proper alignment, set a square against the outer faces of the pulleys. If the two pulleys aren't in line, loosen the motor pulley's setscrew with a hex wrench. Then move the pulley in or out as needed. But first make sure that the motor is mounted securely. Loose mounting bolts can allow the motor itself to move out of alignment.

MOTOR

If the blower motor is not factory-lubricated, add three to six drops of SAE 10W30 oil. When you go to oil the motor, you may find that the tip of the extension-type oil container is too thick to fit into the small oil fitting on the motor. If you do, here's a trick to try. Cut off the needle part of a basketball inflation needle with a hacksaw and insert it into the container's plastic tube. If it's loose, wrap a twist tie around the assembly.

Even if the oil container tip is narrow enough to fit, the oil holes in a furnace blower or blower motor can be hard to reach. However, there's no need to get the oil container right to the hole. Just insert a thin wire into the oil hole so that the wire is more or less vertical. Then drip the oil onto the wire — the oil will run into the hole.

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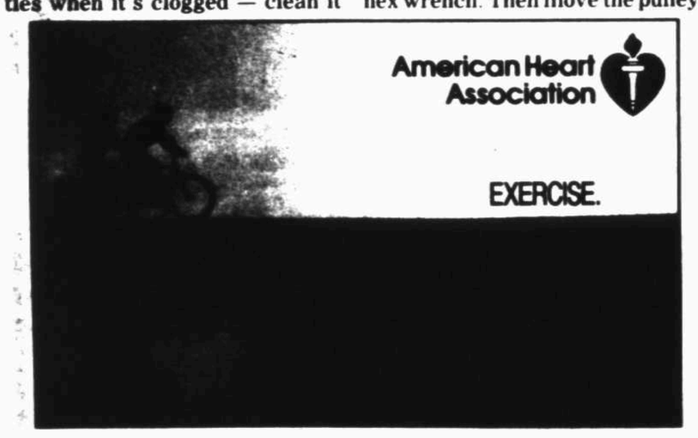
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Brady's condition improves after heart seizure

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Brady, who was shot in the head in the 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan, had been in critical condition and on a respirator when admitted Tuesday morning to Fairfax Hospital but was upgraded to stable and fair condition Wednesday.

The Brady family said in a statement that the former White House press secretary was "conscious and doing very well." His heart stopped while having work done on tooth implants required because of a recent fall.

Brady's wife, Sarah, canceled an appearance Wednesday at a District of Columbia police headquarters news conference, where a study was released indicating that 36 percent of the guns used to kill law enforcement officers since January 1994 were firearms now banned under a year-old assault-weapons prohibition. Mrs. Brady is fighting Republican efforts to overturn the ban.

Reading the family's statement, Handgun Control, Inc. president Richard Aborn said Brady was expected to return home by the end of the week. Mrs. Brady credited the oral surgeon and his staff with saving Brady's life.

Brady, Reagan's first press secretary, was critically wounded during the March 31, 1981, assassination attempt by John Hinckley Jr. Brady kept the title of press secretary throughout Reagan's two terms, although he suffered brain damage, paralysis, short-term memory impairment and slurred speech.

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U.S. industry loses $866 million to Chinese piracy

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. industry lost an estimated $866 million in sales this year because of China's failure to honor an agreement to crack down on the piracy of American movies, records and computer software, the Clinton administration told Congress on Wednesday.

Deputy U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky said that unless China's compliance record improves over the next three months, the administration will be forced to "take decisive action."

She refused to specify what that action could be, but U.S. trade law lets the administration impose economic sanctions on countries found to be violating American copyright and patent protections.

The improvement will have to come before Feb. 26, she said. That's the one-year anniversary of an agreement that had averted a major trade war between the two nations.

The Chinese promised to halt practices that had cost American businesses an estimated $1 billion annually in lost sales in the computer, pharmaceutical, film, recording and publishing industries.

But in testimony Wednesday before the Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Barshefsky complained that China's overall implementation of the agreement had fallen far short of U.S. expectations.

American companies estimate they lost $866 million as a result of Chinese piracy this year alone, she said.

China "has done little effectively so far to attack the heart of the problem — continuing, massive production, distribution and export of pirated products," Barshefsky told the subcommittee. "In particular, we remain deeply concerned that China has not honored its commitment to clean up production of pirated CDs in more than 29 factories throughout China."

The administration's push for a crackdown on copyright piracy is part of a broader effort to boost American exports to China to reduce a soaring U.S. trade deficit that is expected to hit $38 billion this year, second only to America's deficit with Japan.

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■ A pink ballpoint pen with ribbon design ($3) from Avon benefits its Breast Cancer Awareness Crusade, an educational program. A "Take the Pledge" flyer, with information about early detection of the disease, accompanies the pen. To order, call 1 (800) FOR-AVON.

■ The homeless are in mind with gold pendants offered by the Better Homes Fund, which helps families get back on their feet and return to mainstream community life. Each of three 14-karat gold designs n an angel, a cross, a star of David n hangs on an 18-inch gold chain. Cost is $59.95 plus $5 shipping and handling. Forty-two percent of the price goes to the fund, established by Better Homes and Gardens magazine. Order by calling 1 (800) 962-4676.

■ The "Miracle Rose," a four-inch red miniature rosebush from Jackson & Perkins arrives in a galvanized tin and also benefits the Better Homes Fund. Cost is $24.95 plus $6.50 for delivery. $5 will be donated to the fund for each purchase. To order (Dec. 8 through Dec. 20), call 1 (800) 325-5345, Dept. 6002-1.

■ UNICEF's well-known cards and gifts help fund the organization's work for the survival, protection and development of children and women around the world. A doll wreath from Guatemala ($30) is one colorful selection. For a catalog or to find a local UNICEF outlet, call 1 (800) FOR-KIDS.

■ The "Promise Them Hope" holiday card collection, featuring artwork by patients at Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory University in Atlanta, will help fund the cancer center at the hospital. The cards are a project of Twigs, a neighborhood network of volunteers who raise money and provide services for Egleston. Boxes of 20 cards and 21 envelopes are $10, with $7 going to the hospital. For information and orders, call Jackie Kunzer at (404) 315-2009.

■ The "Creative Will" gift series of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society includes a calendar ($7), holiday cards ($6 for 10), blank note cards ($14 for 20, plus postage and handling) and the Creative Will art book ($19.95 plus postage and handling). Sales benefit those with the disease. Calendar and cards are available with check or money order sent to NMSS at 733 Third Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10017. Notecards and art book can be ordered from Pomegranate Publications, 1 (800) 227-1428.

There's more to turkey than just holiday fare

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — There's more to turkey than ending up on your holiday table, says Tom Scott, an expert and source of turkey trivia.

Scott, chairman of the poultry science department at Clemson University, knows a great deal about the bird's pre-roasting pan existence, and offers some odd tidbits to liven up your dinner talk:

■ The red, fleshy thing that hangs from a turkey's nose is called a snood.

■ Turkeys are smart. In the wild, they are wily, using keen senses of sight and hearing to evade predators.

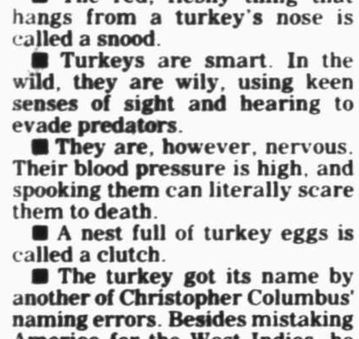
■ They are, however, nervous. Their blood pressure is high, and spooking them can literally scare them to death.

■ A nest full of turkey eggs is called a clutch.

■ The turkey got its name by another of Christopher Columbus' naming errors. Besides mistaking America for the West Indies, he thought the turkey was a peacock and called it "tuka," the Indian word for that other bird.

■ The homey vision of the roasted turkey on the family table is credited to Norman Rockwell paintings and World War II by Scott.

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Traditional fun

Children in Denmark don red caps of Nisser, the country's Christmas elves, as they make traditional cookies for the holidays.

You don't have to look far for gifts with taste, elegance

Associated Press

Some people insist on gifts with taste and elegance for the special people in their lives. These might be some of their selections:

■ Peter Carl Faberge was the jeweler to the tsars of Russia at the turn of the century whose name is synonymous with the jeweled-egg objets d'art he created for them. Today's discriminating gift-giver can pass on this tradition with Limoges china inspired by the originals and made by the Faberge Co. Patterns in the Imperial Egg collection, (each $345 for a 5-piece place setting) features 18-karat gold band borders. The Cameo Egg pattern is in soft hues of rose on white background; Silver Anniversary Egg has a silver platinum design on a deep blue background; Danish Palaces Egg features pink translucent panels within palm leaf borders.

■ A small but complex treasure is Bowl Colorado ($355), an Austrian crystal creation for the Swarovski Selection by French designer Joel Desgrippes. It has a round, smooth bowl nestled within an octagonal frame and surrounded by three color-frosted crystal spheres.

■ Austrian crystal wineglasses for connoisseurs are available as tasting sets from Reidel Crystal of America. The Vinum Tasting Set ($89) has four popular shapes n chardonnay, sauvignon blanc, pinot noir and cabernet sauvignon. The tasting set in the Ouverture design ($35) has one glass each for red, white, champagne, and water.

■ The Moon and Stars Christmas Bowl ($175) from the Metropolitan Museum of Art is a festive lead-crystal bowl based on a period Sandwich glass design. The 9 1/8-inch bowl has ruby red glass applied over clear glass, with star shapes and flat roundels cut away for a sparkling two-color effect. Order from the catalog, 1 (800) 468-7386.

■ For the most important signature in your life, a status pen with pizzazz: Mont Blanc's Meisterstuck Le Grand Rollerball ($185), with steel-tipped roller and long-lasting ink cartridge, in black or bordeaux.

■ The new Fidelio pen collection from S. T. Dupont, finished in lacquer, includes a fountain pen ($240), convertible ($170) and ball point ($135).

■ "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" ($39.90, plus postage, handling, and applicable sales tax) is the first musical collector's plate, from the Bradford Exchange. It features two sculptured angels and plays the traditional Christmas song. To order, call 1 (800) 323-5577.

■ Make your own music with silver bells from Terrymayer. This designer, whose jewelry creations are all types of bells, offers a Christmas-tree bell sterling pendant necklace on a black silken cord ($90) and matching pierced earrings ($170). She also has a sterling silver pendant depicting an angel ringing a mini-bell, on a black silken cord ($75) and matching pierced earrings ($140), and a 1-inch silver star bell, also on a black silken cord ($150). Order direct from Terrymayer Ltd., P.O. Box 384, Murray Hill Station, New York, N.Y. 10156.

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World's Largest Toy Box

Minneapolis-area youngsters gleefully tear the wrapping paper off the World's Largest Toy Box, built by Toys for Tots for this season's toy drive. The toy box is 20 feet tall by 12 feet wide and 15 feet long and is located at Knott's Camp Snoopy in the Mall of America.

Price of '12 Days of Christmas' gifts declines

By Dinah Brin
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Treating your true love to all the gifts in "The 12 Days of Christmas" won't cost as much this year — but it's still enough to make Santa blush.

The annual tongue-in-cheek survey found that the prices of pear trees, swans and gold rings dropped compared with last year, while the costs of maids-a-milking, geese-a-laying and other presents in the song held steady.

Buying all the gifts, from the 12 drummers drumming to the partridge in a pear tree, would cost $12,481.65 — a 21.3 percent decline from last year's prices, according to PNC Bank's annual Christmas Price Index, released Monday.

But the Pittsburgh-based bank calculates the "true cost of Christmas" by adding all the gifts given each day — 364 presents, including 12 partridges in pear trees, 36 calling birds and 22 turtle doves. They come to $51,764.94 — a 29.4 percent decline compared with last year, the bank said.

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The drop was the first since 1988, when the index fell 0.6 percent.

PNC started publicizing the index in 1984. Before that, it was an in-house newsletter intended for fun, "and to prove that occasionally us economists do have a sense of humor," PNC economist Rebekah Fickling said.

Greater supply caused the seven swans to go from $7,000 to $3,500. The Philadelphia Zoo, which supplied figures for all the birds in the song, said the population of the endangered North American trumpeter swan has risen from 73 to more than 14,000 in the past 60 years, thanks to the efforts of breeders.

Five gold rings dropped from $450 last year to $325 for Christmas 1995, while the price of a pear tree went from $19.99 to $12.50 because of a sale at the nursery that supplies PNC with the cost.

Only the price of lords-a-leaping rose, from $3,012.63 to $3,182.57.

Because the minimum wage remained at $4.25, one hour of eight-maids-a-milking still was $34 (cows apparently not included).

Costs for pipers piping and drummers drumming came from Musicians Union Local 77, nine ladies dancing from a local dance company and 10 lords-a-leaping from a ballet company, Fickling said.

Prices may vary in different parts of the country, said Fickling, "and it doesn't take into account if your true love lived far away."

Shipping and handling isn't mentioned in the traditional Christmas carol.

Food gifts are appropriate; they rarely get taken back

Associated Press

Recipients never have too many or too much of them, and they seldom are returned. Food gifts are appropriate for nearly everyone:

■ Crossing increasingly popular Indian cuisine with the old-fashioned sausage, Le Pique-Nique offers a tandoori chicken sausage with yogurt, by mail order. This California firm specializes in poultry sausages, marketing 11 different types with flavors keyed to ethnic cooking, such as Caribbean calypso, French provincial, Italian, etc. The company also has a selection of pates. Five-pound packages of sausages range from $31.25 to $33.75, and pates weighing from 3 1/2 to 5 pounds are priced from $27.75 to $42.75. For information or orders, call 1 (800) 400-6454 or (510) 339-0110.

■ A sampler of Cervena farmed venison from New Zealand is available for the holidays from D'Artagnan, a specialty meat supplier. The package, which sells for $69 plus shipping and handling, includes venison filet, venison and juniper berry sausage, venison daube (a stew with carrots and wine), and venison demi-glace (blend of meat, vegetables and wine). For information or orders, call 1 (800) 327-8246.

■ Cheese lovers can make their own with a home kit from the Tillamook County Creamery Association in Tillamook, Ore. The packet includes a recipe from Tillamook's master cheesemaker, culture, rennet and cheesecloth — enough to make two 2.6-pound batches of white cheddar. Kits are $8.95 plus $4 shipping and handling. For information and orders, call 1 (800) 542-7290.

■ You've heard of New York City's Stage Deli, where the stars hang out. The famed food emporium offers its cheesecake, smoked nova lox, pastrami and bagels to mail-order customers. Each order includes a jar of Stage Deli brand mustard. For information and orders, call 1 (800) STAGE-NY.

■ The Specialty Sauces Hot Sauce 4-Pack features fiery potions from restaurants around the country: Flounder Juice from the Flying Burrito in Durham, N.C.; Global Warming from The Firehouse Bar and Grill in Denver; Asian hot sauce from Satay in Austin, Texas; and Hog's Breath from Billy Bones BBQ in Red Keg, Mich. The batch costs $21.95 and can be ordered by calling 1 (800) 728-2371.

■ Treats from Vermont can be ordered through the Gardener's Supply Company, the catalog firm. The Vermont Oil and Vinegar Gift Box from Yesterday's Kitchen in Woodstock, Vt., has rosemary lemon oil, basil walnut pesto oil and raspberry thyme vinegar and costs $24.95. The catalog's Vermont Fruitcake — which doesn't have bright red candied fruits — is $29.95. For information and orders, call 1 (800) 955-3370.

■ What's a Stroopwafel? It's a Dutch-type wafer with a thin spiced caramel filling that you typically enjoy by heating atop your coffee cup. A gift tin, decorated in a blue-and-white Delft design, has a bag of 8 nanelle Stroopwafels and sells for $12.99. For information and mail orders, call 1 (800) 745-4658.

■ The Collin Street Bakery of Corsicana, Texas, is the source for the celebrity fruitcake, including the Deluxe model, filled with Texas pecans Costa Rican pineapple, Northwest cherries, California white raisins and Texas honey. What is does not have is bitter citron, says Jim Crawford of the bakery firm. The fruitcake, packed in a bright red tin with a Texas motif, is available only by mail order. For information and orders, call 1 (800) 248-3366, ext. 5003.

■ There are blueberry, chunky apple, apricot, almond oat bran, sour cream pecan and chocolate cream cheese gourmet muffins available in 6- or 12-muffin gift packs ($17.90 or $29.90 including express shipping) from Suzanne's Muffins. For information and orders, call 1 (800) 742-2403.

■ Harbor Sweets are handmade candies from Massachusetts with shell, starfish, ship, periwinkle and other sea-inspired designs. Catches are the Big Gift Assortment ($39.95, plus shipping) or the Petite Assortment ($19.50, plus shipping). For information and orders, call 1 (800) 243-2115.

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By Mary Martin
Associated Press

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State treasures

Natural wreaths have beauty that crosses borders, seasons

By Mary Martin Neipold
Associated Press

VELARDE, N.M. — A walk through the Herman Valdez Fruit Stand is a walk through a roadside museum of art just picked from the fields.

There are mosaics of chili peppers, garlic and mesquite beans; magnolia leaves, statice and Virginia creeper; gourds, Indian corn and husks.

These natural wreaths and ristras have a distinctly Southwestern flavor, but their esthetics cross borders and seasons. Numbering more than 1,000 on on any given day, they celebrate nature's bounty anytime and holidays and special occasions at the proper time — Thanksgiving and Christmas and weddings in particular.

The wreaths and their creator, Loretta Valdez — a tiny woman of Hispanic descent — are considered state treasures. But her natural art is shipped far and wide from the roadside market along Route 68 about midway between Santa Fe and Taos.



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Loretta Valdez displays one of her creations, a wreath dominated by red chili peppers.

THEY HAVE been owned by celebrities such as Dennis Weaver, Don Johnson and Frank Sinatra and have been exhibited at the Hurd Museum in Phoenix, the Millicent Rogers Museum in Taos and the International Folk Art Museum in Santa Fe. They have won awards for craftsmanship and have been featured in National Geographic. And they are great gifts.

Their beginnings go back some 30 years, when Loretta Valdez, wife of Herman, wanted more in life than housework and motherhood. She found it in a book.

"Before we were married," she recalls, "I was an insurance secretary. When we had our second child, I wanted to stay at home. But by the fourth child, I wanted something else. People ... that's what I yearned for."

She began spending time at the family fruit stand. First she made fruit baskets. Then she canned jellies and jams and sold up to 100 dozen jars each spring.

After the Valdez' fifth child was born in 1967, she sought still another creative outlet.

"It was too much canning," she says. "I also tried crochet and embroidery while sitting in the stand."

THEN SHE recalled a novel she had read as a child, "Ramona" by Helen Hunt Jackson.

"In the novel," she says, "there are two mentions of putting together wreaths of natural ingredients. Allesandro was a young sheepshearer who leaves Ramona a gourd, an ear of corn or other fruits at her window sill to let her know where he would meet her. Their love was forbidden by the woman with whom Ramona lived.

"I began remembering that and looking at the fruit and corn and chilies from our orchards. These things could be married, I thought, and my wreaths would be Ramona's love letters."

Ramona's "love letters" have grown to a dizzying array, all coming from the generous nature of Mrs. Valdez, who creates the ideas and teaches young locals to make them.

Today, there are at least 1,000 wreaths hanging in the Valdez Fruit Stand, representing at least 50 designs by Mrs. Valdez.

One wreath, "The Corn Sunburst," is explained this way: "The sun has warmed both God's people and the earth to produce corn.... The outer circle is God's embrace of all of us, and the inner circle is God's people united under His sun, fed and warmed by God's love."

Dressed in jeans and T-shirt, Mrs. Valdez welcomes visitors as if they had come to share a meal. She guides them from row to row where large wreaths of red chilies, white gourds and Indian corn greet summer and early autumn. Garlic wreaths and braided garlic ristas come later. Then, for the holidays, glass Christmas ornaments decorate wreaths of white corn husks. The design of a menorah is incorporated into a wreath for Yom Kippur.

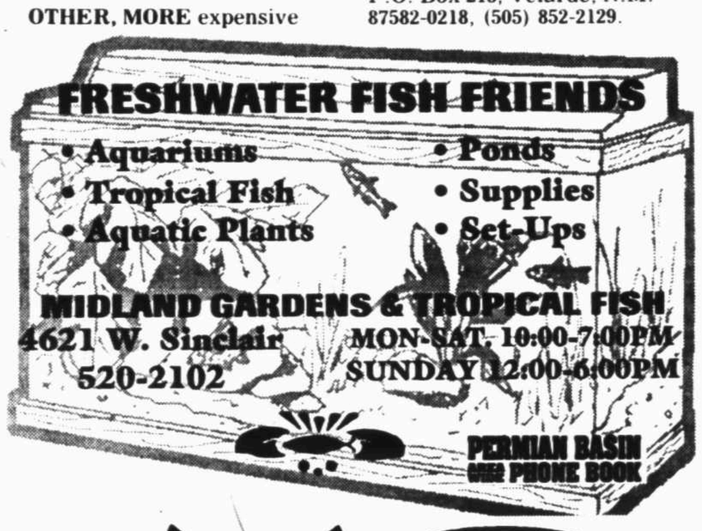
OTHER, MORE expensive wreaths have handpainted wood carvings by local artisans, depicting the nativity or various saints. A $5,000 wreath, her most costly to date, features mosaic copies of sixth century Byzantine religious art by Eduardo Martinez of California.

Though a price tag of $150 isn't unusual, most of the wreaths are in the under-$50 range, starting with a cluster of chili pequin, miniature gourds and Indian corn at $15.

MRS. VALDEZ says with proper care her decorative pieces can last indoors for 10 years. All are sprayed with acrylic to keep them looking fresh longer. Hang tags further recommend a periodic spray with an insecticide and later, another coat of acrylic. Because of the preservatives, none is edible.

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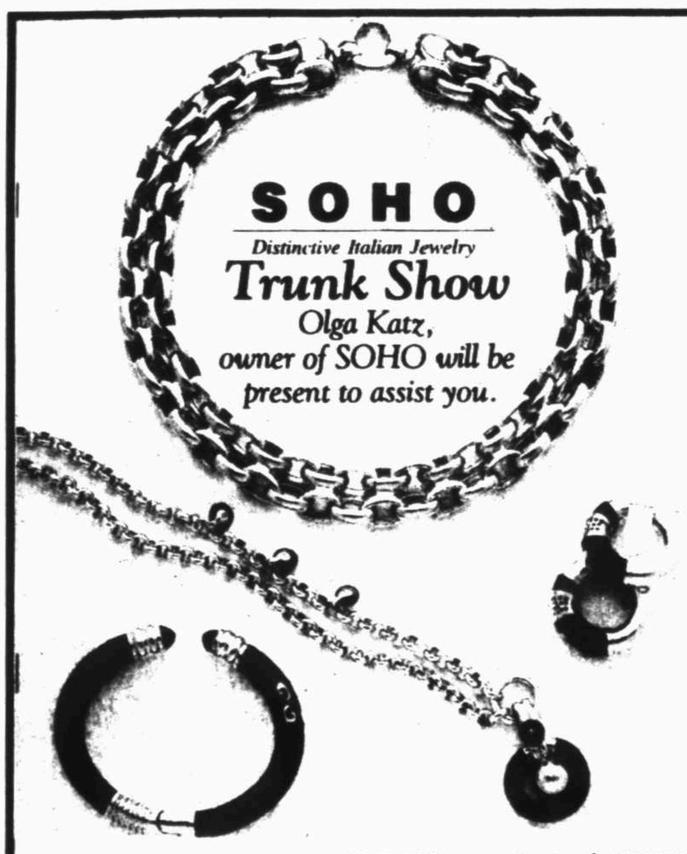


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Guests gather at manor to celebrate Christmas in true international style

By Suzy Patterson
Associated Press

GAILLON, Normandy - Visions of caviar might dance in their heads after Christmas eve at George and Rosalie Hook's manor house in Normandy.

But what the kids will always remember is the 17-foot-high Christmas tree, decked out in multicolored lights and droll ornaments.

Children, grandchildren, French neighbors and American guests from as far away as Palm Beach or Palm Springs, Calif., annually converge on the Hooks' Ferme de Bizey for Christmas celebrations in true international style.

"A Christmas tree might be Saxon or German in origin," says Hook, an American francophile who has lived in France for about 48 years.

"I don't think the French go in for decorating home trees so much. But our farm is such a great setting with its high-ceilinged living room that I can't resist trimming a huge tree every year."

He and Henri Brems, his tenant farmer-gardener, spend two full days on the project, teetering perilously on ladders as they unsnarl tricky light connections or delicately hang on a "Miss Piggy" angel.

Christmas for Hook's three young children was already on his mind 35 years ago when he bought a ruined ancient farm (16th-18th centuries) near Giverny in Normandy — about an hour's drive from Paris — and lovingly restored it with native bricks, stones, beams.

"IT MAY have been a big farm connected with a nearby Norman abbey," says Hook, who retired several years ago from his job as European vice president of the Armco Steel Corporation.

His main interest now is the farm, more like an elegant chateau with garden than a farm as the Hooks run it.

He and Rosalie are into every detail, especially around Christmas.

"We buy the tree from our florist in the local village," says George. "She orders the huge Norway pine, just for us. Nobody around here, even the town halls, have one like that!"

French friends and neighbors are dazzled by the spectacle when they come to lunch on Christmas day. "Nobody does anything like this, except George," says Catherine Testot-Ferry, George's goddaughter and neighbor who never misses a good Hook party.

The Bizey Christmas is based on French traditions of good eating and drinking, and American all-out decor, with the tree, the lights, holly and berries decorating pictures all over the house, stockings for young relatives who turn up from the States or France.

"Anybody under the age of 20 gets a stocking full of funny presents, chocolates and other goodies," says Rosalie, who loves to spoil everybody, from her grandchildren to the honored guests.

GOODIES DON'T lack at Bizey. The Hooks generously honor the French custom of celebrating with luxuriant gourmandise.

And as Rosalie once ran a catering and cookware business in Palm Beach, Fla., she loves to cook up a storm around holiday time.

"Christmas eve dinner for our few relatives — six to eight of us — is a midnight special," says Rosalie. "We may have been to a mass at one of the nearby churches, though if we were in Paris we'd be at our own parish, the American Cathedral, which has really wonderful music.

"Our feast starts with real caviar, from Petrossian," she explains. "It's served with thin toast, a sliver of lemon and none of that onion-egg nonsense. Just the sevruga, with chilled vodka or champagne.

"Then we'll have a red-wine marinated filet of roebuck venison (filet de chevreuil) with special sauce from the marinade, vegetables, and crispy pan-fried potatoes. We'll serve a good Bordeaux — maybe a Margaux from the Haut-Medoc.

"After that, we could well indulge in a 'trou Normand,' the alcoholic applejack Calvados from Normandy, that helps our feast to be digested in true Norman style.

"Then, we might follow up with a homemade pear sorbet, drenched in Poire William liqueur, plus langue de chat (cat-tongue) cookies."

Next day presents galore are opened — many more for the children than most French people are used to. "But the in-laws and friends are used to us by now and like the idea," says Rosalie.

Her grand catering moment, accomplished with faithful and talented Edith Brems (farmer Henri's wife), is presented on festive tables for about 25 seated guests — "best-friend" neighbors and the family.

THE CLASSIC lunch starts out with kirs (white wine and cassis), champagne or something stronger, accompanied with buttery tiny croissants and sesame seed canape twists from the local patisserie in nearby Gaillon.

"Our labradors, Urielle and Heloise, enjoy their treats too," says Rosalie. "They have a biscuit with every cocktail hour, a hard candy when we have coffee. And at Christmas, they get a new collar each."

The kitchen is strictly off-limits to the gourmand dogs while Edith, Rosalie and an extra helper cook. "The dogs could devour a whole turkey or pie with ease," said Rosalie, remembering the time one of them lapped up a whole 3-pound box of chocolates while nobody was looking.

The big Christmas day lunch begins with smoked salmon sent from Norway by friends, served with toast points and Pouilly Fume white wine.

It continues into roast stuffed turkeys, two large birds raised on the farm, killed and dressed by Edith. The accompaniments are green beans, creamed baby onions, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, "usually bought at Fauchon," says Rosalie.

Cheese would be a perfect whole Brie de Meaux, with excellent Bordeaux.

FOR DESERT, there's always an English-style Christmas plum pudding (from Marks and Spencer, with brandy-butter sauce) and another sweet — usually buche de Noel, the rich French Christmas log roll, made from scratch and decorated by Rosalie and Edith.

"That's the traditional French Christmas dish most of us love, and it's basically easy," says Rosalie.

After all these feasts and the exhausting work they entail, you'd think the lords of the Bizey manor would collapse on a Mediterranean cruise.

But no. They go on giving parties for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. The eve is known in France as le reveillon de Saint Sylvestre, which should be known around Bizey as Saint Hook.

"New Year's Eve is small - 12 or so friends," says Rosalie. "Then we do our really big blow-out on the day itself, up to 40 or so guests, featuring enormous platters of fruits de mer (seafood)."

Just an hour from the Norman coast, the Hooks revel in the available shellfish, from langoustines (little Norway lobsters) to mussels, oysters, sea crabs, clams, baby shrimp, winkles — "whatever's available."

Lemon wedges, brown bread and sweet Norman butter are the usual accompaniments, with little bowls of vinegar and chopped shallots. Good Sancerre white wine is de rigueur.



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Rosalie Hook oversees an epicurean marathon at her home in Gaillon, Normandy during the holidays.

This feast opener is followed by white-bean and sausage "cassoulet," not Norman, but welcome in winter; probably salad and then a sweet like apple mousse, which is very Norman with its calvados-honey sauce.

Exhausted? Not Rosalie and George.

Those 35-odd guests are greeted at a buffet with smoked salmon, cold turkey and ham cuts, pommes de terre Dauphinoises (creamy au gratin scalloped potatoes), "which the French like best," says Rosalie.

"We tried serving macaroni and cheese, but they wouldn't look at it."

MORE DESERTS - perhaps several buches, and that great favorite Tarte Tatin, the upside-down apple delight that was invented down in Sologne, the Loire Valley, but is enthusiastically adapted for Norman use, since apple trees are part of the countryside.

Wines invariably include George's good Bordeaux vintages.

"But don't forget the champagne,," says Rosalie. "We go through cases of the stuff at holi day time, even though George doesn't drink it and prefers his Bordeaux."

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Recipes from Normandy

Guests are invited to take pick from prodigious menu

Associated Press

Holiday visitors to George and Rosalie Hook's farm in Gaillon, Normandy, are invited to take their picks from a prodigious menu. These recipes are typical of their hospitality:

VENISON-ROEBUCK FILETS

2 medium venison filets, about 2 pounds
1/4 pound butter
4 tablespoons Cognac
1/2 cup good meat bouillon
Marinade:
1 1/2 liters red wine
4 tablespoons olive oil
2 each onions, shallots, carrots, and 1 stem celery, all peeled and minced.
2 bay leaves, one fresh sprig each of thyme and parsley
3 garlic cloves, squashed or minced

Combine marinade ingredients. Leave whole filets in the marinade for 12 hours if possible. Remove, and brown in butter in a sturdy roasting pan. Add part of the marinade plus Cognac and bouillon, and place in preheated 350-degree F oven for about 30 minutes, or until filets are browned outside, pink inside (or however you like them).

Meanwhile, make the sauce:
2 cups marinade
1 small jar currant jelly
1 tablespoon orange juice
1 to 2 tablespoons Cognac

Reduce this, tasting, until you like the consistency, and flavor with salt and pepper to taste. You may stir in extra butter for consistency.

Slice the venison thinly and serve with the sauce and whatever vegetables you choose, such as pan-fried potatoes, potato pancakes, Dauphinois potatoes, wild rice, green beans, and so on. Serves 8.

DAUPHINOIS POTATOES

2 1/2 pounds boiling potatoes (about 6 cups peeled and sliced)
2 cups each heavy cream and half-and-half
1 large garlic clove, pureed
1 bay leaf; salt and pepper to taste
3 to 4 tablespoons grated Swiss cheese

Place sliced potatoes in cream and half-and-half with seasonings in saucepan, and cook at just below simmering for 1 to 1 1/2 hours. When potatoes are tender, you can keep them just warm for several hours. Place in ovenproof dish and bake for 20 minutes at 425 degrees F, sprinkling with grated cheese just before the finish; about 5 minutes. Serves 6 to 8.

BUCHE DE NOEL (Christmas Log)

You basically make a genoise, or sponge-style cake, then roll it up with a filling and finish it with more filling for icing and decoration.

For the genoise:
3 eggs
1/2 cup sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
pinch salt
1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar
1 1/2 tablespoons sugar
9 tablespoons plain bleached flour
3 tablespoons melted butter

Separate eggs into 2 bowls. Beat egg yolks, 1/2 cup sugar and vanilla extract until thick and pale yellow. Beat egg whites, until they start to foam; add salt and cream of tartar until the whites form soft peaks; then add 1 1/2 teaspoons sugar and beat until peaks are stiff.

Stir about one quarter of the stiff egg-white mixture into the yolks, add more of the whites on top, and sift in 3 tablespoons flour, blending gradually, up to 9 tablespoons flour. Add melted butter, then mix all ingredients thoroughly.

Turn into a jelly roll baking sheet (11 by 17 inches) lined with waxed paper cut larger than the pan and buttered and sprinkled with flour. Bake in a 350-degree F oven for 25 to 30 minutes. Carefully turn the genoise onto a clean, slightly dampened dishcloth, taking care with the long edges, which might crack when removing the waxed paper. Roll up the genoise cake; you can keep 1 to 2 days, when you unroll to add the filling.

Buche filling and icing decor:
2 tablespoons sweet butter
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
6 tablespoons heavy cream
1 1/4 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

In heavy saucepan, heat and whisk ingredients until smooth. Cool slightly, taste and adjust for sugar.

Spread half to two-thirds chocolate mixture on the genoise, then roll up; spread top with more filling and add decor to your fancy (you can pipe on extras, add candy mushrooms, berries, and so on). Makes 8 to 10 servings.

APPLE MOUSSE NORMANDE

4 medium tart apples
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/8 teaspoon grated nutmeg
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1-3rd cup Calvados
5 egg yolks
2-3rds cup granulated sugar
1 and 2-3rds cup milk
1 tablespoon gelatin
1 cup chilled heavy cream
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Make applesauce with first four ingredients and half of the Calvados. Refrigerate.

Beat egg yolks and sugar together until light yellow.

Heat milk to just below scalding.

Place eggs and sugar in top of double boiler and whisk in warm milk. Cook about 10 minutes until custard coats back of spoon. Stir constantly.

Sprinkle gelatin over remaining Calvados in small saucepan; heat until dissolved. Whisk gelatin into custard and put into a cool bowl. Refrigerate 1 to 2 hours, until almost set.

Whip cream to soft peaks. Whip in vanilla. Mix custard and applesauce together, gently fold in whipped cream; pour into large serving bowl. Chill for 4 hours or more.

Sauce:
1/4 cup Calvados
1/4 cup honey
2 1/2 tablespoons sweet butter
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
Pinch salt
Grated rind of 1 lemon

Warm Calvados; ignite. Stir in remaining ingredients. Cool to room temperature. Serves 6 to 8.

Merry man with long white beard: Where did his legend come from?

By Jennifer Merin
Associated Press

AMSTERDAM — Many children around the world really believe in the merry old man with a long white beard, bright red suit and cap. But they may disagree about where he comes from.

A Dutch child would insist that Santa Claus lives not at the North Pole but in Spain. And there's no need for a sleigh in sunny Spain.

According to the Dutch "Sinterklaas" legend, popular for centuries throughout the Low Countries of Holland and Flanders (now The Netherlands and Belgium), Santa makes his first annual appearance in mid-November, arriving by boat from Spain.

This year, his first official stop in Holland is Nov. 11 at the town of Doesburg, but he is sure to appear in many additional cities and towns on or around the same date.

Every night after his arrival until Dec. 6 — the Feast Day of St. Nicholas, the historical figure upon whom the legendary character is based — Sinterklaas rides a white horse over the rooftops, tossing toys and other gifts down chimneys.

Everywhere Sinterklaas goes, he's greeted by children singing traditional songs.

EACH NIGHT children place their shoes in front of the fireplace before they go to bed in hopes of finding their footwear filled with some of Sinterklaas' bounty in the mornings. They also leave a generous supply of carrots, sugar cubes and water for Sinterklaas' horse.

The Peter referred to in the song is Sinterklaas' faithful and playful Moorish servant, Zwarte Piet (Black Peter), who dresses in medieval doublet and hose. Peter carries a birch rod to symbolize the sterner side of Sinterklaas, who is as likely to punish naughty children as to reward good ones. Peter also carries toy-filled sacks large enough to be stuffed — once the presents have been distributed — with naughty children who, if bad enough, may be transported back to Spain as punishment.

Holland's much-loved Sinterklaas character is based on St. Nicholas, who lived from 271 AD to Dec. 6, 342 or 343. St. Nicholas' Feast Day is celebrated in many Catholic countries, but it has special meaning in Holland and Belgium due to the Sinterklaas tradition, today widely celebrated by Christians, Jews and Moslems alike.

Scholars believe Nicholas was born of a wealthy family at Patara, in Lycia, in Asia Minor, and raised a devout Christian. When his parents died in an epidemic, he distributed his family's fortune among the poor and entered the priesthood. He later became Archbishop of Myra, a town not far from his birthplace.

EVEN BEFORE his death, Nicholas' fame for good deeds and saintly ways began to spread across the Mediterranean. As soon as he was buried, fact and fantasy blurred into a series of legends: The Good Bishop of Myra becalmed stormy seas when desperate sailors cried for help. He tore down prison walls when the persecuted invoked his name. He dropped dowries into the shoes of penniless maidens who prayed to him. He saved helpless children from the butcher's knife. He became the patron saint of sailors, merchants and children.

After Myra was taken by Islam, sailors carried St. Nicholas' bones to the town of Bari, in southern Italy, where they built a grand mausoleum. The St. Nicholas cult spread from Bari to coastal towns along the Atlantic and North Sea. By the 13th century, Holland, with its large population of navigators and merchants, had no fewer than 23 St. Nicholas Churches, some of which are still partially standing. Amsterdam adopted St. Nicholas as its patron saint, and Rome decreed Dec. 6, the anniversary of his death, as St. Nicholas' official Calendar Day.

IN THE 14th Century, when the venerable bishop's name already had been popularized to Sinterklaas, the choir boys of Holland's St. Nicholas Churches were given money and the day off each Dec. 6. At the same time, monks dressed in red suits and caps and wearing long white beards would reward or punish children in convent schools on the Saint's day, thus giving Sinterklaas the image of a stern yet benevolent moralist.

Nobody knows when Dutch and Flemish children began to believe that Sinterklaas makes his home in Spain, but by the 17th century, the Sinterklaas legend and celebrations were so much a part of Holland's calendar that famous Dutch painters and writers based works upon them, and there were countless folk songs on the subject.

At about this time, the Dutch introduced their Sinterklaas legend into the New World, eventually merging with those of Britain's Father Christmas.

Then, aided by British and other cultural influences, Santa Claus — an American icon — developed his own legend. All that remains of his Dutch ancestry is his long white beard, red attire and his name, derivative of the Dutch Sinterklaas.

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Stashed under tree: Season gives adults excuse to re-visit childhood

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'Tis the season for major toy purchases, when parents have an excuse to re-visit the wonderlands of their own childhoods. Here are some of the items they'll be stashing under the tree:



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Toddlers can build on their instinct with Lego's Duplo Baby Stack 'N' Learn set.

Dolls, Stuffed Animals

■ Remember when dolls that were pretty were for children, not collectors? A revival is Baby So Beautiful (Playmates Toys, about $20), an affordable baby doll with delicate features and carefully detailed clothing. The maker offers the doll in a variety of models with different ethnic features, eye colors, hair colors, and clothes. Included with each doll are a locket and photo album.

■ American Girl (Pleasant Company, $82 with a paperback story book) is a line of attractive costumed dolls that explores different backgrounds and history. Featured models are Felicity, a colonial girl from 18th century Williamsburg; Kirsten, a Scandinavian immigrant from the 19th century; Addy, a black child whose family escaped slavery in the Civil War period; Samantha, a privileged girl growing up in Victorian times; and Molly, a patriotic youngster from the World War II era. The collection also features a selection of today's children, with a choice of 20 different skin colors, facial features and hair colors. These toys have a variety of tie-ins: furnishings, clothes, accessories, books, matching clothes for the owners, and a magazine.

■ Baby dolls based on the benign-looking Gerber trademark baby, launched last year, come in new versions, including the Gerber Food Time Baby (Toy Biz, $19.99), a hard-bodied doll that can be spoon-fed; the Newborn Baby ($16.99), a soft-bodied doll which sleeps and sucks her thumb; and the Collector Doll ($39.99), a porcelain-like but unbreakable 18-inch doll in special dress. Food Time and Newborn models come in either black or white skin colors; the Collector additionally comes in Hispanic colorings.

■ Suzie Stretch (Irwin Toy, $35) already has hit it off in Europe and Canada and arrives in the United States this season. Kids slip their toes into Suzie's feet, wrap her arms around their waist, and tumble, twist and stretch with her. The whimsical doll helps children learn balance and fitness skills. Suzie comes in both white and black versions.

■ The upmarket plush animal kingdom from Steiff runs from whales, seals, elephants, chimps, camels, ponies to the familiar comforting bear. A 17-inch brown-tipped teddy bear is $215, and a four-inch charcoal gray teddy named Coal, peering out from a Christmas stocking, is $90.

■ Bears bearing period costumes are Bears from the Past by Russ, including Abigail and Emily, 16 1/2-inch brown bears ($45 each) in Victorian dresses.

■ Mickey and Minnie Mouse endure for franchised generations, as Disney Babies squeezable plush toys ($7.99 to $8.99) and footed pajamas ($7.99) for infants and toddlers. This collection coordinates with other Disney Babies products, such as soft puzzles, activity toys, books, musical mobiles, and clothing.

Building Fun

■ Those familiar plastic bricks almost demand creative action. There's a new Lego System FreeStyle Line for boys and girls from three to 12 that lets them build from imagination. The sets have the basic bricks plus some new shapes and pieces; FreeStyles include the new Aquazone Play Theme package with underwater world sets and the Town, Space, Castle, Pirates, Boats and Trains sets. For youngsters ages seven to 14 interested in how things tick, Lego Technic sets come with gears, pulleys, beams and other special pieces; there are sets for big-tire vehicles and a helicopter, among others. And for the youngest builders, six to 24 months, Lego has a new Duplo Baby line n stacking toys with animals that make rattle sounds and oversized blocks with rounded corners. Prices range from $1.49 for the Lego System FreeStyle trial size bag to $169.99 for the Lego System Monorail Transport Base.

■ The classic Erector Set for youngsters eight years to adulthood, revived a few years ago, is still going strong, with basic sets ranging from 203 to 452 parts ($19.99 to $69.99) and advanced sets with 6-volt motors ranging from 556 to 840 parts ($86.99 to $114.99). Junior Erector Sets include the Tool Center ($29.99) and the Power Hauler with friction motor ($49.99).

Toys That Fly and Roll

■ Tonka's Sky Patrol Rescue Copter ($39.99) responds electronically to a child's commands; he can hear random voice commands and sounds by activating a working winch, spinning the rotor blades, removing or replacing the gurney and pilot figure, and making the copter land or take off.

■ The company also has bet the family farm with the Tonka Farm Playset ($69.99), which has a barn, working grain elevator, silo with drop chute and opening doors, a pickup truck with a portable figure, four animal figures, eight fence pieces, four pretend bales of hay, and more.

■ Emulating the family outing, the Outbounder Motor Home ($20) from Nylint has detailed interior, sunroof, and all the things to take along n a canoe, mountain bike, and of course, the family of four.

■ Nylint also offers some popular road models in miniature n a Ford Explorer pulling a bathtub-worthy Ocean Runner ($20) and Dodge Ram towing the Sea Doo XP ($20).

■ The Budgie Push-A-Long ($8) from Nylint is based on the helicopter character in the children's stories by the Duchess of York; it has a soft molded face, storage door, and eyes that move when the rotor is turned.

■ The Shining Time Station is re-created by the train experts from Lionel. A Deluxe Electric Train Set ($199.95) includes Thomas the Tank Engine with three interchangeable faces, Annie, Clarabel, Sir Topham Hatt, transformer, playmat and sound system. The company also offers the James & Troublesome Trucks Set ($179.95), with three interchangeable faces for James the Red Engine and each of the Troublesome Trucks.

■ It's a bike that evokes nostalgia, and it's being re-issued this season. The 1930s-era Schwinn Excelsior "Paper Boy" Cruiser, with balloon tires, motorcycle drum brakes, brake levers and handlebars, has been re-created from 1955 specifications discovered by Schwinn Bicycles during a recent move. This forerunner of today's mountain bikes has a big sofa seat, big fenders and whitewalls. Models sell for $189 to $275.

■ Schwinn, celebrating its centennial, also has reconstructed another classic n the 1949 Black Phantom in gleaming chrome with integrated headlight and frame-mounted "horn tank." Only 5,000 of these bikes will be made. Originals of the model are now valued at about $4,000.

■ Non-traditional but very PC

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Above, Baby So Beautiful Dolls from Playmates come in a variety of dresses and different skin and hair color. At right, the Velcro Playhouse lets youngsters stage their own revivals of classics.

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TOYS: What to buy little ones

(From 8)

are the Metaloid bikes from Huffy, the first made from recycled aluminum. Designs have futuristic-looking double-cross frames, bar handles and low-profile saddles. The chainguards are not unlike hubcaps on a sports-car. Prices range from $149 to $199.

Slider

■ Sleds are as old as time, but a new twist is the Rubbermaid Sled, made of double-wall, blow-molded materials with a fast runner system, full grip handles and footrest with bumped texturing. Expect to pay about $29.99 for the sled, available in purple with neon green or neon pink accents.

Amusements

■ For the kid who isn't ready to play hardball, there is the Koosh, by Oddzon. This bizarre but user-friendly creation (essentially a wad of rubber bands with a haircut) is recommended by the National Youth Sports Coaches Association to help children develop motor skills. The original Koosh ($5 to $6) is available this year in sports-color combinations; there's also a Mini-Koosh ($3) n two inches in diameter, about half the size of the standard model.

■ The little one doesn't have to be a duffer. The Spalding Deluxe Golf Set ($34.99) from JustSports has three basic clubs, putting cup, tee and golf bag, all scaled to junior golfers ages five and older.

■ Junior gardeners can dig in with small versions of the parents' tools, made by the same company that makes the full-size models. Ames Eco Masters Kids' Tools have poly construction for children two to six and wood handles and metal heads for those ages seven and up. The poly tools ($6 to $8) include a 32-inch lawn rake and garden hoe and a 26-inch D-handle round-point shovel. Tools for older children ($8 to $10) include a 55-inch poly lawn rake with hardwood handle, a 44-inch long-handled round-point shovel, a 42-inch garden rake, and a 44 1/2-inch hoe.

■ Young theatricals can put on a show with the Velcro Puppet Playhouse (under $35), with interchangeable parts and costumes, scenery and stage, via Velcro fastening materials. Designed by The Periales, directors of the Perry Alley Theatre, the set includes instructions, story lines and guides to producing six famous fairy tales: Beauty and the Beast, Rapunzel, The Princess and the Pea, The Sleeping Beauty, The Frog Prince and Rumpelstiltskin.

■ Even three-year-olds must get ready for the commercial world. The Playskool Playstore ($39.99) lets kid storeowners ring up purchases on the cash register or with an electronic scanner; pay for them with play money or plastic.

■ An old favorite comes along in new dress. Young artists can have fun with Crayola's Glow in the Dark ($3.49) 8-pack crayon sets with one "colorless" crayon that can be seen only in the dark. Binney & Smith, the maker, also markets Crystal Putty, a new holographic version of Silly Putty that glitters ($2). Stick a few pieces to a window, and in a few hours "icicles" will form. Special Toys for Special Kids

■ Choosing toys for children with special needs will be easier with a catalog published by the Toys "R" Us chain, in association with the National Parent Network on Disabilities and the National Lekotek Center: "Toy Guides for Differently-Abled Kids."

The publication spotlights 116 toys recommended for disabled children, designed to meet their developmental needs. This year's edition features Heather Whitestone, the first Miss America with a disability. Copies are available at the chain's stores.

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Books

This Christmas, introduce children to classic ideas, traditions

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■ The most famous collie in the world, Lassie, is presented for young readers in a picture-book version by Rosemary Wells with illustrations by Susan Jeffers. "Lassie Come-Home" (Henry Holt and Company, $16.95 hardcover), based on the 1940 novel by Eric Knight, pictures the heroic dog in settings in England and Scotland, following the route from the Duke of Rudling's Castle in northern Scotland to her home in Greenall Bridge in Yorkshire.

■ "The Owl and the Pussy-Cat and Other Nonsense Poems by Edward Lear" (North-South Books, $18.95 hardcover), selected and illustrated by Michael Hague, brings back the fun:

"There is a Young Lady, whose nose,

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'Oh! Farewell to the end of my nose!'"

Hague dedicates this volume "To the owners and players of professional baseball, who know more about nonsense than Mr. Lear or I will ever know."

■ "The Night Before Christmas" (North-South Books, $16.95 hardcover), by C. Clement Moore, has illustrations by Ted Rand in this retelling of the classic poem.

■ Yet more lyric, from the greatest, is "Something Rich and Strange: A Treasury of Shakespeare's Verse" (Kingfisher, $16.95 hardcover), selected by Gina Pollinger with illustrations by Emma Chichester Clark. Some of the bard's plummiest quotes, illustrated, will introduce, de-mystify and addict young readers to the poet-playwright.

■ On your toes, with "The Random House Book of Stories from the Ballet" (Random House, $18 hardcover), retold by Geraldine McCaughrean with illustrations by Angela Barrett. The most famous n Swan Lake, the Nutcracker, Romeo and Juliet, the Sleeping Beauty and others n are all here and will help young dance fans understand and appreciate the show.

■ "Shoes of Satin, Ribbons of Silk" (Kingfisher, $16.95 hardcover), by Antonia Barber, with illustrations by Diz Wallis, also retells the stories of famous ballets. This volume includes The Song of the Nightingale, based on the Hans Christian Andersen tale, as well as Petrushka, The Firebird, Coppelia, Giselle, and others.

■ The holiday classic, "The Nutcracker Ballet" (Scholastic, $14.95 hardcover), illustrated by Vladimir Vagin, features paintings in the Russian tradition by the artist, who grew up near Moscow and now lives in Vermont.

■ "The Story of Christmas: A Nativity Tale for Children" (Dorling Kindersley, $12.95 hardcover), retold by Anita Caneri, is a way to bring the Bible account to the very young. It's illustrated with photographs of costumed children re-enacting the story.

■ "Hold Christmas in Your Heart" (Scholastic, $10.95 hardcover) is a collection of black American songs, poems, and stories. This sampler includes music like "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" and stories by Langston Hughes, Nikki Grimes, Gwendolyn Brooks and others.

■ Some other tales with holiday themes for children include "The Amazing Christmas Extravaganza" ($15.95 hardcover), written and illustrated by David Shannon; "The Christmas Visitor" (North-South Books, $15.95 hardcover) by Anneliese Lussert, translated from German by Rosemary Lanning and illustrated by Loek Koopmans; "The Gift from Saint Nicholas" (North-South Books, $15.95 hardcover) by Dorothea Lachner, translated from German by J. Alison James and illustrated by Maja Dusikova; "The Christmas Angel" (North-South Books, $15.95 hardcover), written and illustrated by Pirkko Vainio and translated from Finnish by Anthea Bell; "The Snow Angel" (Scholastic, $14.95 hardcover) by Jean Marzollo, illustrated by Jacqueline Rogers; "The Christmas Blizzard" (Scholastic, $14.95 hardcover) by Helen Ketteman, illustrated by James Warhola; and "The Bear Santa Claus Forgot" (Scholastic, $13.95 hardcover) by Diana Kimpton, illustrated by Anna Kiernan.

■ "Children Just Like Me" (Dorling Kindersley, $16.95 hardcover), by Barnabas and Anabel Kindersley, celebrates the world's children, with biographical vignettes and photographs of youngsters of many nationalities. The book is a project with UNICEF.

■ "Her Stories" (Scholastic, $19.95 hardcover), by Virginia Hamilton and illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon, is a collection of folktales, fairy tales, and true stories n all related to the experience of black American females.

■ A tale with a Japanese setting and illustrations, both by Annouchka Gravel Galouchko, "Sho and the Demons of the Deep" (Annick Press, $17.95 hardcover) is a fantasy with a moral about responsibility and conquering fear.

■ "The Illustrated Book of Myths" (Dorling Kindersley, $19.95 hardcover), retold by Neil Philip, will familiarize young readers with the most famous stories from antiquity and the cultures they represent. There are stories of Pandora, releasing evils from her box; Thor's drinking contest with the giants; Romulus and Remus; the death of King Arthur; Beowulf; and others.

■ "The Kingfisher Book of the Ancient World" (Kingfisher, $19.95 hardcover), by Hazel Mary Martell and Dr. Paul Bahn, is an illustrated overview of history from the Ice Age to the Fall of Rome.

■ "How the Weather Works" (Reader's Digest Books, $24 hardcover) by Michael Allaby, describes the major weather phenomena and suggests experiments children and their parents can carry out to understand its workings.

■ "The Reader's Digest Children's World Atlas" (Reader's Digest Books, $20 hardcover), by Malcolm Day, Kate Woodward and Philip Steele, puts the world into perspective for young students.

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Texas Tech 81, Oklahoma 69.

Sports Today

WJCAC BASKETBALL — Midland College men vs. Angelo State JV, 6 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Midland College women vs. Frank Phillips College, 8 p.m., Chaparral Center.

PREP BASKETBALL — Midland Lee girls vs. Richland at Northeast Tournament, 8:30 p.m., Richland.

NASCAR to Japan

NEW YORK — With exhibitions, all-star events and even a scattering of regular-season games now being staged overseas by Americans, stock car racing's biggest show reportedly is next.

NASCAR will announce Thursday that it will run an exhibition race in Japan after concluding its 1996 schedule, USA Today reported Wednesday. The newspaper said about 30 drivers are expected to compete at Suzuka, Japan on Nov. 24.

AFCA team named

WACO — Tommie Frazier who led Nebraska to a second-straight national title game this season leads this year's American Football Coaches Association 1995 All-American team.

Frazier, who enters the Fiesta Bowl with a career record of 32-3 as the Cornhuskers' starting quarterback, is joined by Troy Davis of Iowa State who was the first sophomore to rush for over 2,000 yards in a season.

Two outstanding defensive players are returnees from last year's list: Arizona's Tedy Bruschi, who is the NCAA career co-leader in sacks and also the career leader in tackles, and Zack Thomas of Texas Tech.

They're joined by Tim Colston of Kansas State, Marcus Jones of North Carolina, Jason Horn of Michigan and Tony Brackens of Texas.

LA gets Blowers

LOS ANGELES — The Los Angeles Dodgers ended their search for a third baseman Wednesday, acquiring power-hitting Mike Blowers from the Seattle Mariners for two minor league infielders.

"We feel that Mike is the guy to play third base for us," Dodgers GM Fred Claire said. "We traded two good young players, we wouldn't have done that if we didn't feel that we had acquired the player who would provide the answer at third."

In exchange for Blowers, the Mariners will get second baseman Miguel Cairo and third baseman Willis Otanez.

Johnson sued

WACO — Former Baylor basketball coach Darrel Johnson, who left in disgrace amid a 1994 recruiting scandal, was sued by the university Wednesday for allegedly breaching his contract.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Waco, alleged that Johnson violated his contract by either violating the NCAA rules himself or allowing others in his program to do so.

The lawsuit seeks unspecified compensation for damages to the university caused by the scandal, which erupted in 1994, forcing Johnson from his job.

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This McCarthy a real red scare

■ Midland Lee center Toby McCarthy anchors a Rebels' line which has blown holes in opponents' defenses all season.

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

The referee throws two arms vertically skyward, the signal for a touchdown. Teammates swarm the running back for the glorious moment. It's running back limelight time.

Back up field lays a lineman with his nose guard buried about two inches in grid soil. It was his block that cleared the way for the moment of glory, but nobody swarms this beleaguered figure left in the stadium dirt.

Such is the life of an offensive lineman in the game of football.

Lineman often toil in total obscurity. You don't have a team without the offensive linemen, but they often don't get the credit they deserve. Fans just don't notice.

But linemen at Midland Lee are noticed nearly every year. Division I football coaches notice in great numbers. The past of Lee's offensive linemen are almost legendary with the likes of K.C. Jones, Keith Boyd, the Tucker boys (Ryan and Rex), Jake Young, Junior Miller, David Sledge, Gary McCright and Keith Bishop to name just a few who have gone on to Division I schools. Bishop and Miller even went to the next step with the pros and Jones will probably soon follow.

This year the name is Toby McCarthy, who has been noticed and now being enticed by college teams. The 6-foot-4, 246-pound center and No. 56 in your program is just another in a long list of Lee linemen who are regarded as the best-of-the best.

"I thought I would never see another center as good as K.C. (Jones)," said Permian coach Randy Mayes of McCarthy, "but Toby may be as good or better at this stage as K.C. was."

McCarthy is the heart and soul of the Lee line that had to travel miles to reach the point where they stand today. Entering the season, McCarthy and guard Shawn Mahan were the only two returning starters to the line, even though tight end Joel Warren had a lot of playing time under his belt.

Tackles Richard Carroll and Jeremy Carver, guard Tim Hill and backups Matthew Jewett and Chris Jacobson have joined in to help mold a solid unit.

"We have improved as an offensive line," McCarthy said. "We wanted to come out and show that we could do the job."

Despite being a two-year starter, McCarthy felt this year he needed to do more.

"As a senior you have more of a role to play and we felt like we could be a good team this year," McCarthy said.

It's not by accident that McCarthy is the center of the team.

"Centers are technicians in our offense," said Lee head coach John Parchman. "One week you will be facing a big nose guard and the next week you have to block a fast linebacker. You can't be a slow-footed kid and play center.

"Toby comes from the same mold of

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Photo by Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Lee center Toby McCarthy is the latest in a long line of successful Rebel linemen.

THE RIVALRY CONTINUES

Clash of the SWC titans

■ Texas, Texas A&M ready for final meeting between the two conference powerhouses as SWC members.

By Chip Brown
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — Both Texas and Texas A&M agree that Saturday's showdown in College Station for the 81st and final Southwest Conference title is an appropriate conclusion to the league.

"I just think it's fitting for these two schools that are tied so closely to each other — so different, but so similar," Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum said Monday at his weekly news conference. "I'm delighted that both teams have good records."

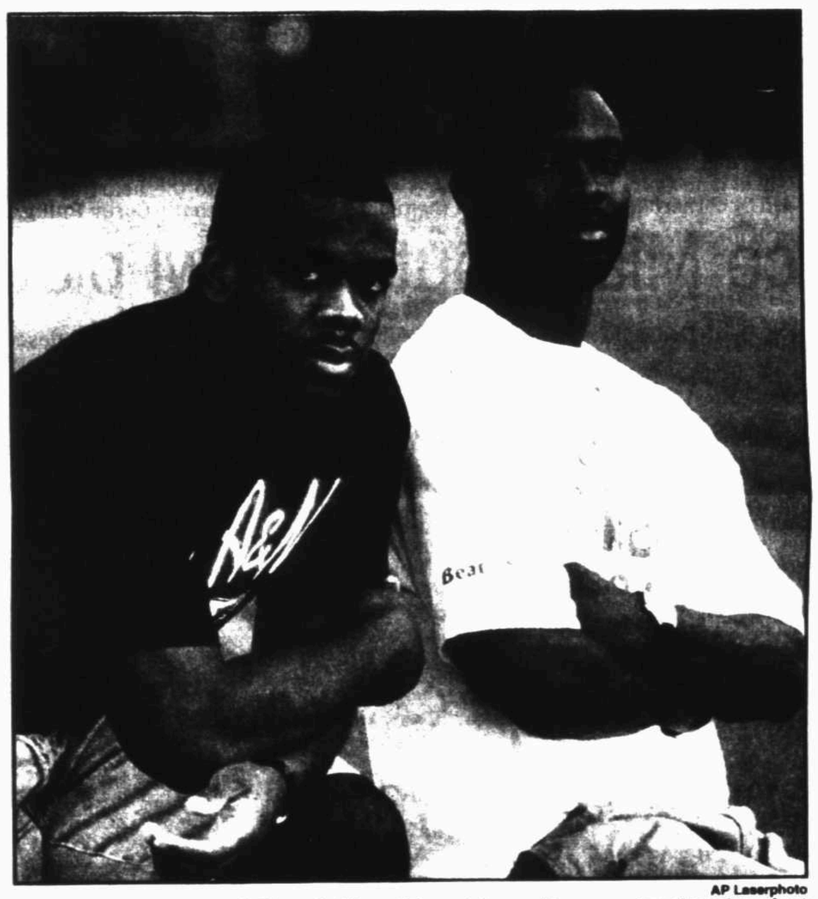
The 16th-ranked Aggies are 8-2 overall, 5-1 in conference play. To gain a share of the final SWC title, they'll have to get through the best Texas (9-1-1, 6-0) team since 1990. The Longhorns are ranked No. 9.

"It wouldn't be as meaningful if one or the other didn't have a good team," Slocum said. "It just wouldn't be fair to the legacy of the conference. I anticipate a great game and I think that's fitting with the games that this conference has seen over the years."

The winner of Saturday's game will go to either the Orange or Sugar bowl. The loser will go to the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio Dec. 28 against Michigan.

"This is how it's supposed to be," said Texas senior defensive tackle Shane Rink. "If the forefathers of the confer-

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AP Laserphoto
Texas A&M's Leeland McElroy (left) and Texas' James Brown, who played against each other in high school in Beaumont, will face each other Saturday.

Lady Chaps getting Frank with WJCAC

By Amy Wolfenbarger and Stewart Doreen
Sports Writers

Heading into today's Western Junior College Athletic conference women's basketball matchup against Frank Phillips College, the Midland College Lady Chaparrals got some pretty good news considering the circumstances.

The Lady Chaps, who are hosting the Lady Plainsmen at 8 p.m. at Chaparral Center, found out Wednesday that Malyssa Thorngren, who went down in the first two minutes of Tuesday's loss to Howard College with what was an obviously painful injury to her left knee, could possibly be out of the lineup for one month.

The Midland College men preceed the

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Lady Rebels hit road for tournament

Staff report

The Midland Lee girls varsity basketball team kicks off a full weekend of games for both Lee and Midland High School.

The Lady Rebels (5-2) travel to Richland to participate in the Northeast Tournament which begins today.

Burleson and Grapvine open the three-day tournament at 4 p.m. followed by Dallas L.D. Bell and Arlington Lamar at 5:30 p.m., Altom and Mansfield at 7 p.m. and the final game of the evening has Lee taking on host Richland at 8:30 p.m.

The Lee boys travel to El Paso for single games Friday and Saturday. The Rebels (1-5) play El Paso Andress at 8:30 p.m. CST on Friday then take on El Paso Austin High at 2 p.m. CST on Saturday.

The Midland High boys also tangle with El Paso schools this weekend at Chaparral Center. The Bulldogs (3-2) play host to El Paso Riverside at 8 p.m. on Friday then play El Paso Hanks on

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AP Laserphoto
Cleveland mayor Michael White holds a sign during a rally on Capitol Hill.

Fans rights act in works

By Joseph White
AP Sports Writer

WASHINGTON — Seeking to "restore some stability to professional sports" in the wake of the Cleveland Browns announced move to Baltimore, two Ohio lawmakers said they plan to make it more difficult for teams to move.

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, said he would introduce a "fans rights act" that would require teams intending to relocate to give 180 days notice to the host community.

The legislation also would provide a narrow anti-trust exemption to shield major professional sports leagues from litigation if they block a relocation.

"We see chaos right now," Glenn said. "What our legislation seeks to do is restore some stability to professional sports and preserve its integrity."

Cleveland Mayor Michael White supported the idea of congressional intervention in professional sports moves.

"We believe Congress and only Congress has the authority to stop this insanity," White said.

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SEAN WALLACE

Aggies, Longhorns share final SWC bill

So, it's come down to this.

The final game of the storied history of the Southwest Conference is Saturday, pitting two rivals who have no love lost for each other.

Texas A&M and Texas?

Nah. It's Houston and Rice.



Wallace

If there was one thing the SWC should have done in its lame-duck campaign of 1995, it was to ensure the conference went out with its two best teams playing for the conference title in the final game.

Instead, we get two schools who have combined to win three games this year in a game where the number of players on the field will rival the number of people in the stands.

Way to go, people.

The SWC should have made the schedule so that the Longhorns and Aggies met in the final game without an undercard featuring second-rate teams who would be fighting for ownership of the conference cellar if not for SMU.

Aside from graduates and a few hard-core gamblers, no one outside of Houston — and apparently inside of Houston as well if you've seen the empty seats at the Astrodome and Rice Stadium — is going to care who wins the Bayou Bucket.

The Aggies and Longhorns are the two most storied schools in the league. The Southwest Conference would have disbanded earlier than 1995 had Texas and A&M took offers from other conferences to join them.

When Arkansas jumped ship after the 1991 season, both Texas and A&M were courted by the Big 10, Pac-10 and Southeastern conferences about joining their leagues, but the SWC's Big 2 remained faithful members of a league they knew was going nowhere.

The Big 10 is now 11. The Big East has expanded to eight teams where there was no conference a few years ago and the Western Athletic apparently will have every team west of Misssouri by 2002. In an era where conferences are expanding and getting stronger for the future, the SWC is the only one with a "going out of business" sign in the window.

That has to tell you something.

The statistics bear this out. No other SWC team — aside from trips from Nebraska and Miami to Lubbock to play Texas Tech — has drawn top-notch national competition to the state for games. Houston, SMU, TCU and Rice can't even fill the stadium when conference rivals teams come to town.

Texas or A&M has won or shared nine of the last 12 conference titles yet this year's game is treated no better than an SMU-TCU game. It's no wonder that even with great recruiting areas such as Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston, none of the four teams there are moving into the Big 12 in 1996.

In the modern era, the Aggies and the Longhorns ARE the conference. The two teams have divided the state in two, maroon on one side, burnt orange on the other. The other seven schools (or eight in some years) have been merely window dressing.

After Saturday both teams will shake hands (presumably) pack up their gear and bid a fond adieu to a conference they have owned for the better part of 50 years. Both schools, along with Tech and Baylor, should thrive in the new Big 12.

Goodbye, SWC, good luck and good riddance.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

#9 TEXAS (9-1-1, 6-0) at #16 TEXAS A&M (8-2, 5-1) — For the first time since 1990, the Longhorns come into the game with a better record, a better national ranking and a chance for an outright conference championship. A trip to the Sugar Bowl is on the line here, but that's not what this game is about. James Brown will play for Texas, but freshman red-shirt QB Richard Walton proved himself an adequate backup in UT's 21-13 win over Baylor on Thanksgiving. Corey Pullig finally had a game Aggie fans have waited for all season (24-36, 245 yards) in a 38-6 win over TCU Saturday. Another performance like that, coupled with the nation's No. 1-ranked "Wrecking Crew" defense, and the Aggies should be marching into New Orleans on New Year's Eve. **Texas A&M 24, Texas 14.**

HOUSTON (1-9, 1-5) at RICE (2-7-1, 1-5) — The last game. With the way the conference has stumbled through the past 15 years with so many mediocre and bad teams and good ones on probation, it would be fitting if it didn't even get a winner in the final contest. **Rice 17, Houston 17.**

LAST WEEK: 3-0. OVERALL: 38-14 (.731).

Sean Wallace is a sports writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

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GAME: Orange, Sugar spot on line

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ence would have drawn it up, they would have drawn it up this way."

But the rivalry — still one of the fiercest in the nation and one that will be preserved when the schools join the Big 12 next year — has become pretty one-sided. Color it crimson as A&M has won 10 of the last 11 meetings, including four straight.

"Those games have been hard fought and could have gone either way," Slocum said. "I'd say we've been fortunate as much as anything else."

For generations, the SWC race has been decided by the winner of this game, which for many years was played on Thanksgiving.

It didn't determine the conference race last year because the Aggies were on probation. They still won 34-10.

The Aggies have the nation's longest home winning streak at 31.

"When you go to Kyle Field, they pretty much have a 7-0 lead before you start because their fans never sit down and they never shut up," linebacker Tyson King said. "That's what makes their fans so good. To think they haven't lost there in 31 games is great motivation for us to stop that streak."

Texas coach John Mackovic said sophomore quarterback James Brown will be back at practice on Tuesday and likely will start on Saturday.

"He's feeling better," Mackovic said. "We will just have to take it on a day-to-day basis with an eye on his being able to play. If James can go out and move around on Tuesday, we will build our offensive scheme for him."

Brown, a sophomore who is 12-1-1 as a starter, sprained his left ankle on Nov. 18 in a 27-19 victory against Texas Christian. He missed the Longhorns' Thanksgiving night triumph over Baylor. He still leads the SWC in passing efficiency and total offense.



AP Laserphoto

Texas quarterback James Brown is expected to be in the lineup when the ninth-ranked Longhorns take on No. 16 Texas A&M Saturday.

Ford has Arkansas back in hog heaven

By Harry King
AP Sports Writer

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Danny Ford's first two Arkansas teams were mediocre and there was little to indicate the 1995 version would be different.

After all, the Razorbacks opened with a 17-14 loss to Southern Methodist. The faithful said it would take time for the new schemes to work. Others wanted to talk basketball, wondering about Nolan Richardson's recruits.

Somehow, the Razorbacks won eight of their next nine and the Western Division of the Southeastern Conference with a 6-2 record.

Not bad for a team that won eight SEC games during its first three years in the league. Not bad for a team headed to the SEC championship game on Saturday night against Florida.

"We thought they had a good pre-fall and practiced well and worked hard, then we didn't get any results out of the SMU game," Ford said. "So I guess there were a lot of questions."

Mississippi State coach Jackie Sherrill said Arkansas' season turned in the fourth quarter against Alabama. The Razorbacks, 1-1 at the time, were down 19-13 in Tuscaloosa and faced fourth-and-8 in the final minutes.

Lunney ducked under a defender and then found Lucas for 31 yards. Six plays later, Lunney hit a diving J.J. Meadors for 3 yards and the winning touchdown.

"The win at Alabama was the one that gave us the confidence to have the season we had," Lunney said.

A&M 'Crew' not a motley group

By Chip Brown
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — Texas A&M quarterback Corey Pullig may have had an off year and the Heisman hopes of running back Leeland McElroy may have been dashed by injuries.

But the No. 16 Aggies' "Wrecking Crew" defense has kept on wrecking. A&M (8-2, 5-1 Southwest Conference) is tops in the nation in total defense, second in passing defense, third in scoring defense and fifth in rushing defense.

All of this has the ninth-ranked Texas Longhorns (9-1-1, 6-0), who have a gimpy quarterback and must travel to College Station on Saturday, infinitely concerned.

The game will determine the 81st and final SWC champion, with the winner going to either the Orange or Sugar bowl and the loser facing Michigan in the Alamo Bowl. The league is disbanding after this year.

"Are they (the A&M defense) vulnerable?" Texas coach John Mackovic asked in response to a question. "You are not No. 1 in the nation in total defense after 10 weeks if you're vulnerable. I'm still looking. Their defense is a cast of all-stars."

With Texas quarterback James Brown still recovering from a sprained left ankle, the Longhorns' ability to handle the Aggies' blitz may be the key to the game.

Brown, the SWC leader in total offense and pass efficiency, practiced for the first time Tuesday since injuring his ankle against Texas Christian on Nov. 18. He is still listed as questionable, but indicated he will likely play Saturday.

A&M, which is favored by four points against Texas, has 40 sacks this season, led by rush linebacker Keith Mitchell (13, which is second best in the nation) and Brandon Mitchell (6). Blanket man-to-man coverage provided by cornerbacks Ray Mickens and Donovan Greer has helped lessen the gamble on A&M blitzes.

"They stay on you until you hurt," said Mackovic, who has closed practices this week.

Texas hopes to counter A&M's defense with the most balanced offense in the SWC. Running backs Shon Mitchell (1,010 yards) and Ricky Williams (827 yards) have given Texas its best tandem since Earl Campbell (1,744 yards) and Ham Jones (489 yards) in 1977.

"In the past, if we ran the ball and got some yards we considered it a luxury," Mackovic said. "Now we can run and pass."

Texas' defense says its ready to meet the challenge of the Wrecking Crew.

"For us to win, we have to be better than the Wrecking Crew," said Longhorns linebacker Tyson King. "We will have to be the Demolition Crew, or something. If they hold us to three points, we are going to have to shut them out."

The Longhorns' effort will be compounded by A&M's home field advantage. The Aggies have the nation's longest home winning streak at 31 games.

Pullig has been criticized, even by A&M coach R.C. Slocum, for failing to ignite an offense that ranks in the middle of the pack in the SWC.

"Corey's caught a lot of flak," said Texas defensive tackle Shane Rink. "But you can count the number of games he's lost (5) on one hand since he's been there. He's a solid player."

McElroy has struggled with nagging injuries and even sat out one game this year, but still averages 108.6 yards on the ground and 164.4 all-purpose yards.

"We've got to stop Leeland. He is so much of their offense," Rink said. "But we've got to go straight to the heart of their offense and that's Corey Pullig."

LOCAL SPORTS

Greenwood boys fall to Big Spring

BIG SPRING — The Big Spring Steers boys basketball team outscored the Rangers 21-6 in the second quarter and went on to beat Greenwood 65-53 Tuesday night. The Rangers (1-4) cut into the Steers lead in the fourth quarter by outscoring Big Spring 18-9, but it wasn't enough. David Upton led Greenwood with 15 points.

Greenwood (1-4): Brandon Hunnicutt 1 2-2 5, Neil Boelong 3 2-6 8, Jonathan Wilson 1 0-0 2, John Settles 2 2-3 6, Michael Miller 1 0-0 3, Daniel Harris 2 3-4 7, David Upton 5 5-9 15, Teddy Seals 2 2-4 6, Cale Self 0 1-2 1. Totals 17 17-30 53.

Big Spring: Smith 1 0-0 2, Morelon 2 1-1 5, Purcell 1 0-1 2, Warren 1 1-1 3, Massingill 3 2-2 10, Wolenzien 1 0-0 2, Simpson 17 2-3 36, Fernuaw 2 1-2 5. Totals 28 7-10 65.

Greenwood	13	06	16	18 — 53
Big Spring	17	21	18	9 — 65

Three point goals: Greenwood 2 (Hunnicutt, Miller). Big Spring 2 (Massingill) Fouls: Greenwood 15, Big Spring 22. Fouled out: None. Technicals: None

Lady Mustangs win in Wink

WINK — A pair of freshmen paced the Midland Christian Lady Mustangs as they beat Wink Tuesday night 57-54 to move to 1-1. Guard Bethany Spradlin scored 24 points and post Sarah Koss had eight points and nine rebounds. Junior guard Hope West chipped in eight points while senior Lacey Hamilton had seven. The Lady Mustangs play in the Stanton Tournament beginning Thursday with a 3 p.m. game against Sterling City.

Midland Freshman White now 5-0

Jay Christian scored 29 points to help the Midland Freshman White boys basketball team beat Lee Freshman White 74-55. Justin Wilson had 11, Charles Tatum nine and Jesse Nicholson and Joey Alcala paced the defense.

SJ takes two in 8th grade action

The San Jacinto eighth grade basketball teams won their Midland Conference games Wednesday night.

San Jacinto Green defeated Alamo Gray 69-56 to remain undefeated for the season. SJ, 5-0, was led by Frank Lewis with 16 points. SJ's Chris Oldham and Cavrine Harris had 13 and 10, respectively.

Matthew Sequlija had 14 for the Alamo Gray.

San Jacinto White defeated Alamo Maroon 67-52 behind the 21 point effort from Dujuan Andrews. White, 4-1, had 10 points from Jimmy Smith and 11 rebounds from Matt Mayfield.

Report could force Miami out of bowl picture

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI — The University of Miami is optimistic the NCAA will disclose sanctions against the school by the end of the week, in which case the Hurricanes likely will withdraw from consideration for a bowl.

Miami may choose to sit out the postseason even if the NCAA announcement is delayed until after the bowl schedule becomes final Sunday.

"Our inclination continues to be that if the sanctions are to come, we'd prefer to deal with them sooner rather than later," athletic director Paul Dee said Wednesday.

Miami may be in line for a berth in the Orange Bowl against Notre Dame on New Year's night, which would earn the school $3.5 million. But if a bowl ban is part of the NCAA penalties, the 22nd-ranked Hurricanes (8-3) could reduce the impact on recruiting by sitting out this season's game rather than waiting a year to begin serving that part of their sentence.

For that reason, Miami asked the NCAA to disclose sanctions before Sunday.

"We're hopeful we'll get the result," Dee said. "If that were not to occur, we would look at the options we have and then make a decision."

Dee said he has discussed Miami's position with Big East commissioner Mike Tranghese. If the Hurricanes withdraw from bowl consideration, league co-champion Virginia Tech will be assured a major bowl berth.

Hokies coach Frank Beamer said his team, which beat Miami in September, deserves to go to a major bowl. But he declined to comment on the sanctions issue.

"It's between Miami and the NCAA," Beamer said. "What they decide is their business. My position is, regardless of what they do, Tech is a very deserving football team."

Miami admitted guilt to six of 10 allegations at a hearing held Nov. 10 by the NCAA Infractions Committee.

Robin Green, administrator for the committee, declined to predict how soon after the hearing the sanctions might be announced.

"Usually they take six weeks," she said.

McCARTHY: 38 pancakes this year

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some of the centers we've had in the past at Lee, and that just about says it all. He is aggressive and has quick feet. He's also young. He'll graduate at 17, so he will be even better in college."

McCarthy is not good just by reputation. His performance speaks for itself.

"He has had 38 pancakes (blocking a player to the ground) this year, including 10 in one game against San Angelo," said Lee line coach Randy Smith. "We grade our players every week and he graded out in regular season play 91 percent. That means he did his job on nine of every 10 plays we ran. He did his job in 404 of 440 plays. That was tops among our linemen.

"He's also smart and that helps when you play center because he has to call the blocking sometimes. He's in the National Honor Society and ranks 63rd in a class of 540 students. The only regret I have about Toby is that I get to coach him only one year since I'm new here."

Parchman can pull out a stack of letters from colleges such as Rice, Texas Tech, SMU, Texas A&M, Texas, Oklahoma State and others who want to gain McCarthy's attention.

McCarthy wants to play college football, but that isn't his main concern right now.

"I definitely want to go to the next level," McCarthy says. "That's the only way I'll get to go to college and get an education because I can't afford it. But right now, I just want to wait until the end of the season to deal with that. I don't want anything to distract me from Rebel football right now. The (college) coaches are calling me, but we've got some business left in high school right now."

With the playoffs on his mind, McCarthy wants the Rebels to rise even farther than the state quarterfinals where his team went last year when he started as a junior. He has now started in 24 consecutive games.

"The is the last go around for the seniors," McCarthy. "I just want to go as far as we can."

McCarthy would like nothing better than for both Abilene Cooper and Lee to win this week, setting up another all-District 4-5A quarterfinal shootout between teams that tied 21-21 to end regular season play, the only blemish on Lee's 10-0-1 record.

"We just weren't mentally or physically there for the Cooper game," McCarthy said. "Whatever it was, following the Permian game or Homecoming, I don't know, but I'd like to play them again."

Even though Lee has several players who never played junior varsity football, McCarthy feels like he has earned his Rebel stripes.

"I paid my dues," McCarthy says. "I was on the junior varsity as a sophomore and I was scout team All-America. As a sophomore, I wanted to make the varsity work as hard as they could. Actually, I had a lot of fun that year."

The scout team is now a thing of the past for McCarthy. However, his self-appointed All-America status may just be in the beginning stages.

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WEST PALM BEACH, — Scores Wednesday fr round of the PGA Tour Tournament on the par yard Lakes Course and 7,063-yard Links Cours breakdowns are unavail
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Paul Stankowski
Chris Perry
Jeff Hart
Craig Kanada
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Robert Wrenn
Joe Daley
Steve Hart
Joel Edwards
Lucas Parsons
Glen Hnatiuk
Rob McKelvey
David Berganio
Joe Durant
Jack Steinicke
Damon Green
Brad Lardon
Steve Jurgensen
Dennis Harrington
Jim Estes
Bruce Vaughan
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Brian Tennyson
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Donnie Hammond
Stan Utley
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Bill Porter
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Omar Uresti

Senior Quali

RANCHO MIRAGE, C Leading scores Wednes second round of the S Tour Qualifying Tourn on the Westin Mission H courses. Top eight quali
Bobby Stroble
John Jacobs
John Schroeder
Randy Glover
Ed Snead
Wally Armstrong
Frank Conner
Paul Desjardins
Rick Acton
Billy King
Doug Dalziel
Bob Carson
Terry Carlson
Masaru Amano
Bunky Henry
Jim Wilkinson
Babe Hiskey
Ted Hayes
Ron Skiles
Robert Landers
Dick McClean
Bob Rawlins
Harry Toscano
Bob Betley
Mike McCullough
David Creamer
Dennis Coscina
Brian Barnes
John Brodie
Chuck Montalbano
Bobby Mitchell
Joe McDermott
Bill Kennedy
Dave Ojala
Marion Heck
Bob E. Smith
Carl Higgins
Bill Hall
David Oakley
Bob Wynn
Bob Irving
Bob Thatcher
Bob Reith
Alberto Croce
Carl Selkirk
Michael Harper
Gary Strickladen
Bob Panasik
Jimmy Blanks
Noel Ratcliffe
Randy Petri
Ron Benson
Richard Bassett
Joe Browning

NCAA Voll

NCAA volleyball Di offs.
First Rou Wednesday, M
Ball State def. Loyola 11, 15-8
South Carolina def. 15-10, 15-1
Georgia Tech def. Sa 10, 15-0.
Maryland def. Miami 15-3, 15-11
Georgia def. Marsha 15-3
George Washington Tennessee State 15-1,
George Mason def. 15-10, 15-13
Louisville def. Central 15-11, 15-11, 15-2
Texas Tech def. Ar 15-2, 13-15, 15-13, 15-
Northern Iowa def. C 15-12, 21-19
Iowa State def. Idaho 15-10
Brigham Young def. 15-10, 15-8
Long Beach State 15-3, 15-11, 15-2
North Texas (24-6) California (18-6), (n)
Oral Roberts (27-2) mount (23-4), (n)
South Florida (27-4) Barbara (25-6), (n)
Second R Saturday, D
Maryland (22-9) at C 7), 1 p.m.
Texas Tech (21-11) 1), 2 p.m.
Iowa State (22-11) (26-6), 6 p.m.
Brigham Young (21- State (31-2), 6 p.m.
George Washingt Texas (24-6), 7 p.m.
Georgia (21-6) at Illi p.m.
George Mason (21- ka (26-1), 7:30 p.m.
Ball St. (22-11) at U p.m.
South Florida-UC S winner at Arizona State
Long Beach St. (Diego State (26-4), 9 p
N. Iowa (29-1) at S 9 p.m.
North Texas-South at Pacific (21-8), 9:30
Sunday, Dec. 3
South Carolina (21 A&M (22-6), 3 p.m.
Oral Roberts-Loyo winner at Washington p.m.
Georgia Tech (29-6 (26-7), 6 p.m.
Louisville (29-5) at H p.m.

Cross Cou

VARE, Sweden (A Wednesday from a cross-country ski ma
Men
15K Free
1. Bjorn Dahlie, N utes, 56.0 seconds; 2. Finland, 36:32.8.; 3. Sk 36:35.7.; 4. Thomas Al 36:55.1.; 5. Alexei Proh 36:56.1.; 6. Torgny Mo 36:57.0.; 7. Mikkal Bo 37:09.0.; 8. Henrik For 37:10.4.; 9. Sergei Tch 37:15.8.; 10. Vladimir Ivanov, 37:17.8.

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

PGA Qualifying

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Scores Wednesday from the first round of the PGA Tour Qualifying Tournament on the par-72, 6,942-yard Lakes Course and the par-72, 7,082-yard Links Course (course breakdowns are unavailable):

Jeff Gallagher	35-31 — 66
Paul Stankowski	32-34 — 66
Chris Perry	34-32 — 66
Jeff Hart	34-33 — 67
Craig Kanada	34-33 — 67
Clarence Rose	33-34 — 67
Robert Wrenn	34-33 — 67
Joe Daley	34-33 — 67
Steve Hart	34-33 — 67
Joel Edwards	33-34 — 67
Lucas Parsons	36-31 — 67
Glen Hnatiuk	34-33 — 67
Rob McKelvey	34-33 — 67
David Berganio	33-34 — 67
Joe Durant	34-34 — 68
Jack Steinicke	35-33 — 68
Damon Green	33-35 — 68
Brad Lardon	33-35 — 68
Steve Jurgensen	34-34 — 68
Dennis Harrington	34-34 — 68
Jim Estes	34-34 — 68
Bruce Vaughan	35-33 — 68
Bobby Elliott	33-35 — 68
Taylor Smith	35-34 — 69
Brian Tennyson	36-33 — 69
Russ Cochran	34-35 — 69
Donnie Hammond	36-33 — 69
Stan Utley	35-34 — 69
Eric Meeks	35-34 — 69
Bob Burns	36-33 — 69
Eric Epperson	35-34 — 69
JC Anderson	34-35 — 69
Jeff Barlow	34-35 — 69
Mike Smith	34-35 — 69
David Peoples	34-35 — 69
Barry Jaeckel	34-35 — 69
Scott Medlin	33-36 — 69
Kent Jones	35-34 — 69
Robert Karlsson	34-35 — 69
Steve Larick	33-36 — 69
Kyi Hla Han	35-34 — 69
Tom Hearn	34-35 — 69
Scott Dunlap	36-34 — 70
Bart Bryant	35-35 — 70
Emlyn Aubrey	36-34 — 70
Richard Zokol	35-35 — 70
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Kevin Sutherland	36-34 — 70
Mike Swartz	35-35 — 70
Joe Cioe	35-35 — 70
Stewart Cink	35-35 — 70
Greg Ladehoff	34-36 — 70
John Elliott	36-34 — 70
Jerry Wood	34-36 — 70
Jay Williamson	35-35 — 70
Dino Lucchesi	34-36 — 70
Mark Carnevale	33-37 — 70
Bruce Fleisher	36-34 — 70
Bill Porter	34-36 — 70
Jaxon Brigman	35-35 — 70
Jeff Brehaut	34-36 — 70
Carl Paulson	35-35 — 70
Ashley Chinner	34-36 — 70
Omar Uresti	39-31 — 70

Senior Qualifying

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Leading scores Wednesday after the second round of the Senior PGA Tour Qualifying Tournament, played on the Westin Mission Hills Resort course. Top eight qualify to tour:

Bobby Stroble	69-67 — 136
John Jacobs	67-70 — 137
John Schroeder	70-67 — 137
Randy Glover	70-67 — 137
Ed Snead	69-69 — 138
Wally Armstrong	68-70 — 138
Frank Conner	72-66 — 138
Paul Desjardins	69-69 — 138
Rick Acton	66-73 — 139
Billy King	71-68 — 139
Doug Dalziel	70-69 — 139
Bob Carson	72-67 — 139
Terry Carlson	68-71 — 139
Masaru Amano	71-68 — 139
Bunky Henry	70-69 — 139
Jim Wilkinson	69-71 — 140
Babe Hiskey	71-69 — 140
Ted Hayes	72-68 — 140
Ron Skiles	67-73 — 140
Robert Landers	67-74 — 141
Dick McClean	70-71 — 141
Bob Rawlins	69-72 — 141
Harry Toscano	73-68 — 141
Bob Betley	73-68 — 141
Mike McCullough	67-74 — 141
David Creamer	71-70 — 141
Dennis Coscina	72-70 — 142
Brian Barnes	70-72 — 142
John Brodie	69-73 — 142
Chuck Montalbano	73-69 — 142
Bobby Mitchell	72-70 — 142
Joe McDermott	70-72 — 142
Bill Kennedy	70-73 — 143
Dave Ojala	73-70 — 143
Marion Heck	73-70 — 143
Bob E. Smith	72-71 — 143
Carl Higgins	75-68 — 143
Bill Hall	71-72 — 143
David Oakley	73-71 — 144
Bob Wynn	69-75 — 144
Bob Irving	72-72 — 144
Bob Thatcher	74-70 — 144
Bob Reith	76-68 — 144
Alberto Croce	69-75 — 144
Carl Selkirk	72-72 — 144
Michael Harper	70-74 — 144
Gary Stricklaben	73-72 — 145
Bob Panasik	75-70 — 145
Jimmy Blanks	70-75 — 145
Noel Ratcliffe	73-72 — 145
Randy Petri	71-74 — 145
Ron Benson	73-72 — 145
Richard Bassett	71-74 — 145
Joe Browning	72-73 — 145

NCAA Volleyball

NCAA volleyball Division I playoffs.

First Round
Wednesday, Nov. 29

Ball State def. Loyola, Ill. 15-13, 15-11, 15-8
South Carolina def. Hofstra 15-7, 15-10, 15-1
Georgia Tech def. Siena, 15-8, 15-10, 15-0.
Maryland def. Miami, Ohio, 15-9, 15-3, 15-11
Georgia def. Marshall 15-7, 15-3, 15-3
George Washington def. Middle Tennessee State 15-1, 15-13, 15-9
George Mason def. Indiana 15-8, 15-10, 15-13
Louisville def. Central Florida 4-15, 15-11, 15-11, 15-2
Texas Tech def. Arkansas State 15-2, 12-15, 10-15, 15-6, 15-11
Northern Iowa def. Colorado 15-7, 15-12, 21-19
Iowa State def. Idaho 15-13, 15-5, 15-10
Brigham Young def. Houston 15-5, 15-10, 15-8
Long Beach State def. Colorado State 15-3, 15-11, 15-2
North Texas (24-9) at Southern California (16-8), (n)
Oral Roberts (27-2) at Loyola Marymount (23-4), (n)
South Florida (27-4) at UC Santa Barbara (25-8), (n)

Second Round
Saturday, Dec. 2

Maryland (22-9) at Ohio State (21-7), 1 p.m.
Texas Tech (21-11) at Florida (33-1), 2 p.m.
Iowa State (22-11) at Notre Dame (26-6), 6 p.m.
Brigham Young (21-8) at Michigan State (31-2), 6 p.m.
George Washington (30-6) at Texas (24-6), 7 p.m.
Georgia (21-8) at Illinois (23-8), 7:30 p.m.
George Mason (21-10) at Nebraska (26-1), 7:30 p.m.
Ball St. (22-11) at UCLA (21-8), 9 p.m.
South Florida-UC Santa Barbara winner at Arizona State (18-7), 9 p.m.
Long Beach St. (22-9) at San Diego State (26-4), 9 p.m.
N. Iowa (29-1) at Stanford (26-2), 9 p.m.
North Texas-Southern Cal winner at Pacific (21-8), 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 3

South Carolina (21-10) at Texas A&M (22-6), 3 p.m.
Oral Roberts-Loyola Marymount winner at Washington State (22-6), 4 p.m.
Georgia Tech (29-6) at Penn State (26-7), 6 p.m.
Louisville (29-5) at Hawaii (29-0), 10 p.m.

Cross Country

VARE, Sweden (AP) — Results Wednesday from a World Cup cross-country ski meet:

Men
15K Freestyle

1. Bjorn Dahlie, Norway, 35 minutes, 56.0 seconds; 2. Jari Isometsa, Finland, 36:32.8.; 3. Silvio Fauner, Italy, 36:36.7.; 4. Thomas Alsgaard, Norway, 36:55.1.; 5. Alexei Prokurorov, Russia, 36:56.1.; 6. Torgny Mogren, Sweden, 36:57.0.; 7. Mikhail Botvinov, Russia, 37:08.0.; 8. Henrik Forsberg, Sweden, 37:10.4.; 9. Sergei Tshepikov, Russia, 37:15.5.; 10. Vladimir Smirnov, Kazakhstan, 37:17.8.

NBA Results

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	12	2	.857	—
New York	10	4	.714	2
Miami	8	3	.727	2 1/2
Boston	5	7	.417	6
Washington	5	7	.417	6
New Jersey	5	8	.385	6 1/2
Philadelphia	2	10	.166	9

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	11	2	.846	—
Atlanta	9	5	.643	2 1/2
Indiana	6	5	.545	4
Charlotte	7	8	.467	5
Cleveland	5	8	.385	6
Detroit	5	8	.385	6
Toronto	5	10	.333	7
Milwaukee	3	9	.250	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	11	3	.786	—
Utah	11	4	.733	1/2
San Antonio	8	4	.667	2
Dallas	5	7	.417	5
Denver	4	9	.308	6 1/2
Minnesota	3	9	.250	7
Vancouver	2	12	.143	9

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	10	4	.714	—
Seattle	9	6	.600	1 1/2
L.A. Lakers	7	7	.500	3
Portland	7	7	.500	3
L.A. Clippers	7	8	.467	3 1/2
Phoenix	6	7	.462	3 1/2
Golden State	5	10	.333	5 1/2

Tuesday's Games
Atlanta 102, New York 97, OT
New Jersey 89, Washington 84
Miami 111, Dallas 89
Cleveland 93, Toronto 89
Charlotte 106, Milwaukee 98
Minnesota 121, Vancouver 98
Houston 116, L.A. Clippers 103
Indiana 102, Seattle 101
Sacramento 91, Denver 85

Wednesday's Games
Boston 100, Detroit 96
Atlanta 106, Philadelphia 81
Charlotte 115, New York 105
San Antonio 105, L.A. Clippers 86
L.A. Lakers 107, Phoenix 96
Portland 112, Golden State 98

Thursday's Games
Cleveland at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Utah at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Portland, 9 p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Indiana at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

Friday's Games
Philadelphia at Toronto, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Milwaukee at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Vancouver at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Spurs 105, Clippers 86

L.A. CLIPPERS (86): Rogers 5-8 4-6 14, Vaught 6-15 3-4 15, Williams 3-10 3-5 5, Sealy 4-10 2-3 10, Dehere 4-8 4-5 14, Murray 7-17 0-0 14, Piatkowski 0-2 1-3 1, Barry 0-6 0-0 0, Outlaw 2-2 0-2 4, Tower 1-3 3-4 5. Totals 32-81 20-32 86.

SAN ANTONIO (105): Herrera 1-2 0-0 2, Person 7-18 2-2 22, Robinson 11-14 11-15 33, Del Negro 6-13 4-4 17, Johnson 5-14 3-6 13, Reid 1-7 8-8 10, Perdue 0-0 0-0 0, Rivers 2-5 0-0 6, Lohaus 0-2 0-0 0, Anderson 1-2 0-0 2, Alexander 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-77 28-35 105.

L.A. Clippers	21	28	18	19	— 86
San Antonio	32	21	27	25	— 105

3-Point goals—Los Angeles 2-13 (Dehere 2-4, Piatkowski 0-1, Sealy 0-2, Murray 0-3, Barry 0-3), San Antonio 9-21 (Person 6-14, Rivers 2-2, Del Negro 1-2, Johnson 0-1, Lohaus 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Los Angeles 61 (Vaught 15), San Antonio 50 (Robinson 11). Assists—Los Angeles 17 (Dehere 7), San Antonio 27 (Johnson 14). Total fouls—Los Angeles 28, San Antonio 23.

Celtics 100, Pistons 96

DETROIT (96): Hill 8-22 13-16 29, Thorpe 3-8 3-3 9, West 0-1 0-0 0, Hunter 2-8 1-3 6, Houston 13-21 3-4 31, Mills 4-13 2-3 12, Bardo 1-3 0-0 2, Roe 0-4 0-0 0, Ratliff 3-7 1-2 7. Totals 34-87 23-31 96.

BOSTON (100): Radja 13-23 3-4 29, Fox 3-9 3-3 10, Ellison 2-4 0-0 4, Wesley 0-2 1-2 1, Minor 6-11 1-1 13, Barrows 5-11 5-8 17, Brown 2-5 7-8 11, Day 2-6 2-2 6, Williams 3-8 1-3 7, Lister 0-1 0-0 0, Burrough 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 37-81 23-31 100.

Detroit	22	23	25	26	— 96
Boston	26	26	19	29	— 100

3-Point goals—Detroit 5-12 (Mills 2-4, Houston 2-5, Hunter 1-2, Bardo 0-1), Boston 3-10 (Barrows 2-4, Fox 1-3, Day 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 47 (Hill 14), Boston 48 (Radja 15). Assists—Detroit 14 (Hill, Bardo 3), Boston 20 (Barrows 5). Total fouls—Detroit 30, Boston 21. A—17,163 (18,600).

Hornets 115, Knicks 105

NEW YORK (105): Oakley 5-10 4-4 14, Mason 6-9 6-8 18, Ewing 5-17 0-0 10, Starks 11-18 1-2 27, Harper 8-17 2-2 22, Davis 1-3 0-0 3, Grant 1-3 2-2 5, Smith 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 40-80 15-18 105.

CHARLOTTE (115): Johnson 11-18 3-3 25, Burrell 2-7 2-2 7, Zidek 4-5 0-0 8, Rice 9-16 6-6 25, Gill 4-9 6-10 14, Curry 2-5 4-5 9, Geiger 2-4 6-6 10, Reeves 6-10 4-6 17, Parish 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-74 31-38 115.

New York	24	26	27	28	— 105
Charlotte	27	29	24	35	— 115

3-Point goals—New York 10-19 (Starks 4-7, Harper 4-7, Grant 1-1, Davis 1-2, Oakley 0-1, Ewing 0-1), Charlotte 4-14 (Reeves 1-2, Rice 1-3, Curry 1-3, Burrell 1-4, Johnson 0-2). Fouled out—Oakley, Mason. Rebounds—New York 39 (Ewing 11), Charlotte 45 (Geiger 7). Assists—New York 23 (Mason 6), Charlotte 23 (Gill 8). Total fouls—New York 28, Charlotte 23. Technicals—Ewing, Oakley, Johnson, New York illegal defense. A—24,042 (23,698).

Hawks 106, 76ers 81

PHILADELPHIA (81): Stackhouse 7-15 8-12 22, Weatherspoon 6-14 1-2 13, Bradley 2-4 0-0 4, Malone 1-4 0-0 2, Grant 2-6 0-0 4, Dumas 2-10 0-0 4, Wright 3-10 5-5 11, Alston 3-5 2-4 8, Graham 3-7 6-7 12, Perry 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 29-76 23-32 81.

ATLANTA (106): Norman 5-6 2-2 15, Long 2-5 2-2 6, Lang 6-9 1-2 13, Smith 2-6 1-3 7, Blaylock 6-9 0-0 14, Henderson 5-9 2-2 12, Augmon 4-8 4-5 12, Ehlo 2-4 0-0 4, Webb 4-6 3-3 11, Bullard 3-4 0-0 6, Mundt 0-4 0-0 0, Nathan 3-4 0-0 6. Totals 42-74 15-19 106.

Philadelphia	20	13	18	30	— 81
Atlanta	28	22	23	33	— 106

3-Point goals—Philadelphia 0-4 (Grant 0-1, Graham 0-1, Stackhouse 0-2), Atlanta 7-13 (Norman 3-3, Smith 2-4, Blaylock 2-4, Webb 0-1, Nathan 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 44 (Weatherspoon 9), Atlanta 48 (Long 11). Assists—Philadelphia 13 (Grant 8), Atlanta 21 (Lang, Webb 4). Total fouls—Philadelphia 17, Atlanta 25. Technicals—Philadelphia coach Lucas, Philadelphia illegal defense, Atlanta illegal defense. A—11,540 (16,365).

Lakers 107, Suns 96

PHOENIX (96): Barkley 7-21 0-0 16, Finley 4-10 2-5 12, Williams 7-11 0-0 14, Smith 3-10 2-2 8, Johnson 2-8 4-4 8, Green 3-8 4-5 10, Carr 0-1 0-0 0, Person 7-12 0-0 16, Perry 4-5 0-0 8, Rusconi 0-2 1-2 1, Kleine 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 38-91 13-18 96.

L.A. LAKERS (107): Campbell 7-15 2-4 16, Ceballos 9-20 5-5 24, Divac 8-13 4-7 20, Peeler 4-8 4-6 12, Van Exel 2-8 0-0 4, Blount 3-6 0-0 6, Jones 4-7 0-0 8, Lynch 1-4 5-6 7, Threatt 4-8 0-4 10. Totals 42-89 20-34 107.

Phoenix	20	18	27	31	— 96
L.A. Lakers	21	35	28	23	— 107

3-Point goals—Phoenix 7-32 (Person 2-5, Finley 2-8, Barkley 2-10, Kleine 1-3, Carr 0-1, Johnson 0-1, Smith 0-4), Los Angeles 3-12 (Threatt 2-5, Ceballos 1-3, Peeler 0-1, Jones 0-1, Van Exel 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 60 (Barkley 13), Los Angeles 59 (Ceballos, Divac, Lynch 9). Assists—Phoenix 26 (Johnson, Perry 8), Los Angeles 32 (Van Exel, Jones, Threatt 6). Total fouls—Phoenix 28, Los Angeles 20.

College Bowls

Thursday, Dec. 14
Las Vegas Bowl
At Las Vegas
Nevada (9-2) vs. Toledo (10-0-1), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 25
Blue-Gray Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.
Blue vs. Gray, 11 a.m. (ABC)

Aloha Bowl
At Honolulu
Kansas (9-2) vs. UCLA (7-4), 2:30 p.m. (ABC)

Wednesday, Dec. 27
Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.
Air Force (8-4) vs. Texas Tech (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 28
Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio
Texas (9-1-1)-Texas A&M (8-2) loser vs. Michigan (9-3), 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 29
Heritage Bowl
At Atlanta
Florida A&M (9-2) vs. Southern University (10-1), noon.

Sun Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
Washington (7-3-1) vs. Iowa (7-4), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
LSU (6-4-1) vs. Michigan State (6-4-1), 4:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Holiday Bowl
At San Diego
Colorado State (8-3) vs. Kansas State (9-2), 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 30
Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.
East Carolina (8-3) vs. Stanford (7-3-1), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Carquest Bowl
At Miami
North Carolina (6-5) vs. Syracuse (8-3), Arkansas (8-3), Alabama (8-3) or Georgia (6-5), 6:30 p.m. (TBS)

Peach Bowl
At Atlanta
Virginia (8-4) vs. Alabama (8-3), Arkansas (8-3) or Georgia (6-5), 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Dec. 31
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Alliance (selections 4 and 6), 6:30 p.m. (ABC)

Monday, Jan. 1
Outback Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
Penn State (8-3) vs. Auburn (8-3), 10 a.m. (ESPN)

Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Tennessee (10-1) or Florida (11-0) vs. Ohio State (11-1), 1 p.m. (ABC)

Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.
Miami (8-3), Virginia Tech (9-2) or Syracuse (8-3) vs. Clemson (8-3), noon (NBC)

Cotton Bowl
At Dallas
Colorado (9-2) vs. Oregon (9-2), 12:30 p.m. (CBS)

Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Northwestern (10-1) vs. Southern California (8-2-1), 4 p.m. (ABC)

Orange Bowl
At Miami
Alliance (selections 3 and 5), 7 p.m. (CBS)

Tuesday, Jan 2
Fiesta Bowl
At Tempe Ariz.
Nebraska (11-0) vs. Alliance (selection 2), 7:30 p.m. (CBS)

Scholar-Athlete

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — The 1995 CFA Scholar-Athlete team:

Offense

Backs — Tiki Barber, Virginia, 3.4, commerce; Rusty Larue, Wake Forest, 3.2, computer science; Danny Wuerffel, Florida, 3.7, journalism-public relations.

Receivers — Pat Fitzgerald, Texas, 3.4, marketing; Kevin Lockett, Kansas State, 3.4, accounting; Field Scovell, Texas Tech, 3.7, finance.

Linemen — Russell Babb, North Carolina, 3.5, political science; Bret Cillessen, Air Force, 3.4, military history; Aaron Graham, Nebraska, 3.3, animal science; Jeff Hartings, Penn State, 3.3, marketing; David Millwee, Tulsa, 3.5, mechanical engineering.

Placekicker — Matt Hawkins, Auburn, 3.9, business.

Defense

Linemen — Shannon Brown, Alabama, 3.0, human performance; Joe Cummings, Wyoming, 3.8, english; Gabriel Northern, LSU, 3.0, mass communications; Dirk Ochs, Kansas State, 3.2, kinesiology; Jonathan Rissler, N.C. State, 3.3, business management.

Linebackers — Scott Galyon, Tennessee, 3.4, business; Andye McCrorey, Clemson, 3.3, sociology; Todd Rebol, Florida State, 3.3, nutrition-fitness.

Secondary — Clint Kuboyama, Hawaii, 3.1, biology; James Lamy, Rice, 3.8, economics; Gregory Myers, Colorado State, 3.7, biology sciences.

Punter — Brian Gragert, Wyoming, 3.0, electrical engineering.

AFCA All-America

WACO, Texas (AP) — The 1995 All-America football team as selected by the American Football Coaches Association:

Offense

Quarterback — Tommie Frazier, Nebraska

Running backs — Eddie George, Ohio State; Troy Davis, Iowa State

Wide receivers — Keyshawn Johnson, Southern Cal; Marcus Harris, Wyoming

Tight end — Marco Battaglia, Rutgers

Center — Clay Shiver, Florida State

Linemen — Jeff Hartings, Penn State; Jason Odom, Florida; Jonathan Ogden, UCLA; Orlando Pace, Ohio State

Placekicker — **Michael Reeder, Texas Christian**

Defense

Linemen — Tedy Bruschi, Arizona; Tim Colston, Kansas State; Marcus Jones, North Carolina; Jason Horn, Michigan; **Tony Brackens, Texas**

Linebackers — **Zach Thomas, Texas Tech**; Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern

Secondary — Aaron Beasley, West Virginia; Lawyer Milloy, Washington; Alex Molden, Oregon; Adrian Robinson, Baylor

Punter — Brad Maynard, Ball State

Transactions

AUTO RACING

INDY RACING LEAGUE—Named Johnny Rutherford special projects coordinator.

BASEBALL
American League

NEW YORK YANKEES—Named John Thursby assistant director of media relations.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Named Larry Beinfest director of player development. Traded Mike Blowers, third baseman, to the Los Angeles Dodgers for Miguel Cairo, second baseman, and Willie Otanez, third baseman. Designated Bob Wells, pitcher, for assignment.

TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with Matt Whiteside, pitcher, on a one-year contract and Eric Pappas, catcher, on a minor-league contract. Invited Pappas to spring training as a non-roster player.

National League

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Agreed to terms with Nelson Liriano, infielder, on a two-year contract.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS—Waived Chadrick Brown, defensive lineman. Claimed LeShon Johnson, running back, off waivers from the Green Bay Packers.

CHICAGO BEARS—Placed Raymont Harris, running back, on injured reserve. Waived Darwin Ireland, linebacker.

DENVER BRONCOS—Placed Jamie Brown, offensive lineman, on injured reserve. Signed Eric Floyd, tackle.

HOUSTON OILERS—Signed Dennis Lundy, running back.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

NHL—Suspended Gino Odjick, Vancouver Canucks left wing, for four games and fined him $1,000 for punching Todd Harvey, Dallas Stars right wing, in a game on Nov. 22.

NHL Results

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	17	6	1	35	85	57
Philadelphia	15	6	4	34	88	56
N.Y. Rangers	14	8	3	31	88	73
New Jersey	11	10	3	25	63	59
Washington	11	10	1	23	58	58
Tampa Bay	9	10	5	23	69	81
N.Y. Islanders	4	15	3	11	56	90

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	13	5	3	29	103	63
Montreal	12	10	1	25	72	65
Buffalo	10	11	2	22	71	68
Hartford	9	11	2	20	54	66
Boston	8	9	4	20	71	73
Ottawa	6	15	1	13	56	86

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	14	6	2	30	82	55
Winnipeg	12	9	2	26	87	79
Toronto	11	8	4	26	76	70
Chicago	11	9	4	26	84	76
St. Louis	9	12	3	21	57	70
Dallas	8	7	5	21	56	57

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	15	5	4	34	98	67
Los Angeles	10	10	5	25	82	82
Anaheim	11	13	0	22	78	74
Edmonton	7	12	5	19	62	86
Vancouver	6	11	6	18	80	95
Calgary	3	15	5	11	49	84
San Jose	3	16	4	10	68	103

Wednesday's Games
Late Games Not Included
N.Y. Rangers 5, Buffalo 3
New Jersey 4, Colorado 3, OT
Hartford 2, Tampa Bay 2, tie
Philadelphia 2, Florida 1, OT
St. Louis 5, Montreal 4
Chicago at Vancouver, (n)
Calgary at San Jose, (n)
Washington at Anaheim, (n)

Thursday's Games
Pittsburgh at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Winnipeg, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Rangers 5, Sabres 3

Buffalo	0	1	2	— 3
N.Y. Rangers	0	3	2	— 5

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, New York, Langdon 3 (Nemchinov, Kocur), 4:33. 2, Buffalo, Zhitnik 2 (LaFontaine, Audette), 6:01 (pp). 3, New York, Robitaille 9 (Verbeek, Driver), 6:09. 4, New York, Matteau 2 (Lidster, Samuelsson), 13:13.
Third Period—5, Buffalo, Holzinger 5 (Shannon, Hughes), 6:34. 6, New York, Ferraro 11 (Leetch, Kovalev), 9:00 (pp). 7, Buffalo, Plante 5 (Zhitnik, Barnaby), 18:13. 8, New York, Verbeek 12 (Messier, Graves), 18:50.
Shots on goal—Buffalo 13-11-9—33. New York 11-22-15—48.
Power-play Opportunities—Buffalo 1 of 6; New York 1 of 4.
Goalies—Buffalo, Trefilov 1-2-0 (48 shots-43 saves). New York, Richter 9-7-2 (33-30).

Devils 4, Avalanche 3

Colorado	1	1	1	0	— 3
New Jersey	1	1	1	1	— 4

First Period—1, New Jersey, Guerin 5 (Thomas, Chambers), 5:40. 2, Colorado, Sakic 16, 19:48 (pp). Penalties—Kamensky, Col (hooking), 6:24; Rolston, NJ (interference), 8:34; Guerin, NJ (holding), 18:15.
Second Period—3, Colorado, Wilson 1 (Simon, Wolanin), 1:17. 4, New Jersey, Sykora 3 (Thomas, Dean), 12:57 (pp). Penalties—Forsberg, Col (holding), 2:08; Albelin, NJ (holding stick), 4:17; Rychel, Col (slashing), 11:20.
Third Period—5, Colorado, Simon 3 (Deadmarsh, Sakic), 1:45. 6, New Jersey, Pellerin 1 (MacLean), 3:38. Penalties—Stevens, NJ (cross-checking), 6:06; Ricci, Col (hooking), 7:25.
Overtime—7, New Jersey, Richer 6 (Chambers, Stevens), :57. Penalties—None.
Shots on goal—Colorado 11-6-9-0—26. New Jersey 11-8-7-1—27.
Power-play Opportunities—Colorado 1 of 4; New Jersey 1 of 4.
Goalies—Colorado, Thibault 3-3-2 (27 shots-23 saves). New Jersey, Brodeur 8-9-3 (26-23).

Whalers 2, Lightning 2

Hartford	1	1	0	0	— 2
Tampa Bay	0	2	0	0	— 2

First Period—1, Hartford, Kucera 2 (Sanderson, Cassels), 18:04.
Second Period—2, Tampa Bay, Houlder 2 (Burr), 1:51. 3, Hartford, Shanahan 4 (Glynn), 5:12 (pp). 4, Tampa Bay, Hamrlik 3 (Klima, Bellows), 17:37 (pp).
Third Period—None.
Overtime—None. Penalties—None.
Shots on goal—Hartford 9-11-11-3—34. Tampa Bay 6-19-9-1—35.
Power-play Opportunities—Hartford 1 of 5; Tampa Bay 1 of 7.
Goalies—Hartford, Muzzatti 0-1-1 (35 shots-33 saves). Tampa Bay, Puppa (12-10), Bergeron 0-3-1 (6:30 second, 22-22).

Flyers 2, Panthers 1

Philadelphia	0	0	1	1	— 2
Florida	0	1	0	0	— 1

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Florida, Svensson 1 (Belanger, Mellanby), 8:43 (pp).
Third Period—2, Philadelphia, Fedyk 6 (Svoboda, Brind'Amour), 1:02.
Overtime—3, Philadelphia, Haller 2, 4:30. Penalties—None.
Shots on goal—Philadelphia 2-6-12-8—28. Florida 6-15-6-1—28.
Power-play Opportunities—Philadelphia 0 of 5; Florida 1 of 5.
Goalies—Philadelphia, Hextall 8-1-1 (28 shots-27 saves). Florida, Vanbiesbrouck 12-5-1 (28-26).

Blues 5, Canadiens 4

Montreal	2	0	2	— 4
St. Louis	1	3	1	— 5

First Period—1, Montreal, Damphousse 8 (Turgeon), 1:18 (sh). 2, St. Louis, Zezel 5 (Hull), 5:46. 3, Montreal, Savage 18 (Recchi, Turgeon), 12:40.
Second Period—4, St. Louis, Daigneault 1 (Vopat), 6:40. 5, St. Louis, Hull 10 (Corson, Laperriere), 12:26. 6, St. Louis, Noonan 8 (Laperriere), 16:09.
Third Period—7, St. Louis, MacInnis 6 (Pronger, Hull), 10:39 (pp). 8, Montreal, Damphousse 9 (Kiprusoff), 15:07. 9, Montreal, Koivu 7 (Damphousse, Keane), 15:30 (pp).
Shots on goal—Montreal 9-9-15—33. St. Louis 14-11-13—38.
Power-play Opportunities—Montreal 2 of 4; St. Louis 1 of 3.
Goalies—Montreal, Jablonski 0-1-0 (38 shots-33 saves). St. Louis, Fuhr 9-12-3 (33-29).

Western All-Stars

NEW YORK (AP) — Results of fan voting, through Nov. 24, for the Western Conference starting teams in the NHL All-Star Game, to be played Jan. 20 at FleetCenter in Boston:

Western Conference
Wingers

1, Brett Hull, St. Louis, 32,463. 2, Pavel Bure, Vancouver, 18,693. 3, Shayne Corson, St. Louis, 17,817. 4, Alexander Mogilny, Vancouver, 10,724. 5, Paul Kariya, Anaheim, 8,921. 6, Teemu Selanne, Winnipeg, 6,530. 7, Claude Lemieux, Colorado, 5,753. 8, Keith Tkachuk, Winnipeg, 5,691. 9, Owen Nolan, San Jose, 5,121. 10, Keith Primeau, Detroit, 4,745.

Centers

1, Wayne Gretzky, Los Angeles, 20,452. 2, Sergei Fedorov, Detroit, 13,164. 3, Jeremy Roenick, Chicago, 8,978. 4, Joe Sakic, Colorado, 6,021. 5, Doug Gilmour, Toronto, 5,190. 6, Mike Modano, Dallas, 3,261. 7, Trevor Linden, Vancouver, 2,470. 8, Alexei Zhamnov, Winnipeg, 1,852. 9, Jason Arnott, Edmonton, 1,652. 10, Joe Nieuwendyk, Calgary, 953.

Defensemen

1, Chris Chelios, Chicago, 26,601. 2, Paul Coffey, Detroit, 25,791. 3, Al MacInnis, St. Louis, 25,027. 4, Rob Blake, Los Angeles, 7,487. 5, Jeff Brown, Vancouver, 7,345. 6, Zarley Zalapski, Calgary, 7,037. 7, Nicklas Lidstrom, Detroit, 5,886. 8, Gary Suter, Chicago, 4,920. 9, Sandis Ozolinsh, Colorado, 4,633. 10, Oleg Tverdovsky, Anaheim, 4,611.

NFL Week 14

NFL Glance

AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	8	4	0	.667	246	233
Indianapolis	7	5	0	.583	246	238
Miami	6	6	0	.500	303	261
New England	5	7	0	.417	212	267
N.Y. Jets	3	9	0	.250	179	295

Central

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	8	4	0	.667	297	259
Cincinnati	5	7	0	.417	286	290
Houston	5	7	0	.417	273	256
Cleveland	4	8	0	.333	218	264
Jacksonville	3	9	0	.250	197	267

West

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Kansas City	10	2	0	.833	277	185
Oakland	8	4	0	.667	277	199
Denver	6	6	0	.500	282	243
San Diego	5	7	0	.417	208	244
Seattle	5	7	0	.417	259	289

NATIONAL CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Dallas	10	2	0	.833	343	214
Philadelphia	8	4	0	.667	249	255
Arizona	4	8	0	.333	211	326
N.Y. Giants	3	9	0	.250	223	273
Washington	3	9	0	.250	234	282

Central

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Green Bay	8	4	0	.667	312	249
Chicago	7	5	0	.583	324	293
Detroit	6	6	0	.500	304	302
Minnesota	6	6	0	.500	300	293
Tampa Bay	6	6	0	.500	188	226

West

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
San Francisco	8	4	0	.667	335	173
Atlanta	7	5	0	.583	278	266
St. Louis	6	6	0	.500	214	277
Carolina	5	7	0	.417	228	247
New Orleans	5	7	0	.417	239	278

Week 13

Thursday's Games
Detroit 44, Minnesota 38
Dallas 24, Kansas City 12

Sunday's Games
Indianapolis 36, Miami 28
New England 35, Buffalo 25
Cincinnati 17, Jacksonville 13
Chicago 27, New York Giants 24
Philadelphia 14, Washington 7
Green Bay 35, Tampa Bay 13
Houston 42, Denver 33
New York Jets 16, Seattle 10
Pittsburgh 20, Cleveland 17
San Francisco 41, St. Louis 13
Arizona 40, Atlanta 37, OT
New Orleans 34, Carolina 26

Monday's Game
San Diego 12, Oakland 6

Week 14

Thursday, Nov. 30
New York Giants at Arizona, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 3
Indianapolis at Carolina, noon.
Cincinnati at Green Bay, noon.
Houston at Pittsburgh, noon.
Atlanta at Miami, noon.
New Orleans at New England, noon.
St. Louis at New York Jets, noon.
Tampa Bay at Minnesota, noon.
Jacksonville at Denver, 3 p.m.
Kansas City at Oakland, 3 p.m.
Cleveland at San Diego, 3 p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Seattle, 3 p.m.
Buffalo at San Francisco, 7 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 4
Chicago at Detroit, 8 p.m.

NFL Injury Report

Sunday

HOUSTON AT PITTSBURGH — Oilers: DT Ray Childress (shoulder), DE Anthony Cook (knee), DE Kenavis McGhee (infection), S Marcus Robertson (knee) are out; KR Mel Gray (quadricep), LB Lamanski Hall (hamstring), CB Steve Jackson (ankle), TE Michael Roan (shoulder) is questionable. Steelers: LB Chad Brown (ankle), CB Rod Woodson (knee) are out; FB Steve Avery (groin), CB Carnell Lake (thigh), CB Alvoid Mays (ankle), RB Bam Morris (back), LB Jerry Olsavsky (foot), G Brenden Stai (knee), RB John L. Williams (knee) is questionable; G Tom Newberry (shoulder) is probable.

WASHINGTON AT DALLAS — Redskins: G Vernice Smith (knee) and WR Michael Westbrook (ankle) are questionable. RB Terry Allen (ankle), LB Darrick Brownlow (shoulder), G Tre Johnson (knee), RB Marc Logan (ankle), DE Sterling Palmer (knee), WR Leslie Shepherd (hamstring) and WR Tydus Winans (ankle) are probable. Cowboys: C Ray Donaldson (ankle) is out. QB Troy Aikman (knee), P John Jett (back), LB Robert Jones (abdominal strain), S Brock Marion (thumb) and RB Emmitt Smith (knee) are questionable. G Larry Allen (toe), CB Alundis Brice (hamstring), CB Larry Brown (knee), DE Shante Carver (hand), LB Dixon Edwards (pectoral), DE Charles Haley (back), DT Chad Hennings (knee), RB Daryl Johnston (groin), DT Russell Maryland (knee), G Nate Newton (knee), CB Deion Sanders (groin), LB Darrin Smith (thumb), DE Tony Tolbert (knee), T Mark Tuinei (hip), TE Kendall Watkins (cervical strain), T Erik Williams (knee), WR Kevin Williams (groin) and S Darren Woodson (shoulder) are probable.

NCAA Hoops

Major Scores

SOUTHWEST
California 112, Texas Southern 73
Grambling St. 86, Texas-Arlington 82, OT
Houston 94, Texas-San Antonio 90
Texas Tech 81, Oklahoma 69
Utah 70, Texas 69

EAST
Connecticut 86, Northeastern 39
Georgetown 96, Southern, NO 65
Pittsburgh 84, Duquesne 73
Villanova 70, Bradley 63

SOUTH
Clemson 91, Appalachian St. 55
Duke 71, N.C.-Greensboro 57
Georgia 91, W. Carolina 71
LSU 109, Southern U. 100
Louisiana Tech 70, Henderson St. 62
N.C. Charlotte 79, Tennessee 76

MIDWEST
Akron 72, Canisius 68
Cincinnati 101, Wyoming 51
DePaul 90, Stetson 57
Kansas 72, Virginia 66
Kansas St. 63, Emporia St. 57
Michigan 80, Ball St. 52
Purdue 78, Cent. Michigan 76
Wake Forest 69, Oklahoma St. 53

FAR WEST
Colorado 86, Tennessee St. 72
New Mexico 80, Texas-Pan American 56

TOP 25 Boxes

No. 2 KANSAS 72, No. 15 VIRGINIA 66

KANSAS (2-0): Pierce 2-7 3-7 7, LaFrentz 8-9 2-3 18, Pollard 4-6 2-2 10, Vaughn 0-2 5-6 5, Haase 2-5 5-6 10, Pearson 3-10 0-0 8, B. Williams 0-3 2-2 2, Pugh 2-5 2-2 6, Thomas 1-4 0-0 3, Rayford 0-1 0-0 0, Robertson 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 23-53 21-28 72.

VIRGINIA (2-1): Co. Alexander 0-6 0-2 0, Nolan 5-10 6-6 16, Ch. Alexander 0-1 1-4 1, Deane 5-17 12-16 23, Staples 4-14 2-2 12, Robinson 3-6 4-5 10, Metheney 0-0 0-0 0, Johnson 1-1 2-3 4, Presley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-55 27-38 66.

Halftime—Kansas 35, Virginia 20. 3-Point goals—Kansas 5-18 (Pearson 2-6, Robertson 1-1, Haase 1-3, Thomas 1-4, Vaughn 0-1, Pierce 0-3), Virginia 3-15 (Staples 2-8, Deane 1-7). Fouled out—Ch. Alexander. Rebounds—Kansas 37 (LaFrentz 9), Virginia 39 (Nolan 11). Assists—Kansas 14 (Vaughn 4), Virginia 4 (Deane 2).

No. 3 VILLANOVA 70, BRADLEY 63

BRADLEY (0-2): Funches 7-11 1-4 15, Jackson 0-0 0-0 0, Akinkunie 2-7 2-5 6, Wright 0-5 0-0 0, Parker 7-15 0-0 19, Zobrist 5-9 6-6 19, Kleine 1-5 0-0 2, Coupet 1-4 0-0 2, Burrell 0-1 0-0 0, Baptist 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-58 9-15 63.

VILLANOVA (4-0): Eberz 3-10 10-12 16, Kornegay 1-2 0-0 2, Lawson 5-8 0-0 10, Williams 6-12 4-5 17, Kittles 6-15 8-12 22, Penn 1-3 0-0 2, Brown 0-3 0-0 0, Bigus 0-2 1-2 1, Celestand 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-56 23-31 70.

Halftime—Bradley 30, Villaona 27. 3-Point goals—Bradley 8-21 (Parker 5-9, Zobrist 3-7, Kleine 0-2, Wright 0-3), Villanova 3-15 (Kittles 2-5, Williams 1-3, Brown 0-2, Eberz 0-5). Fouled out—Akinjunie, Burrell. Rebounds—Bradley 42 (Fuches 10), Villanova 37 (Kittles 7). Assists—Bradley 17 (Wright 8), Villanova 12 (Williams 6).

No. 9 CONNECTICUT 86, NORTHEASTERN 39

NORTHEASTERN (0-2): Harrell 1-6 3-4 6, Rattimore 0-6 0-0 0, Harmon 2-5 0-2 4, Singletary 3-12 0-0 6, Wills 3-8 0-1 7, Powell 0-2 1-2 1, McGraw 0-1 0-0 0, McIntosh 2-2 0-0 4, Miller 2-6 0-2 5, Baker 2-2 0-3 4, Rue 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 16-51 4-14 39.

CONNECTICUT (3-1): King 5-7 1-1 11, Johnson 3-4 0-0 6, Knight 3-5 3-3 9, Sheffer 2-4 6-6 10, Allen 5-10 1-5 13, Moore 3-6 0-1 8, Heyward 1-1 1-3 3, Jones 5-10 0-0 11, Inyatkin 2-5 2-4 6, Claiber 0-3 3-4 3, Carson 3-6 0-0 6, Chapman 0-1 0-0 0, Serb 0-1 0-0 0, Cybert 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-64 17-27 85.

Halftime—Connecticut 42, Northeastern 16. 3-Point goals—Northeastern 3-10 (Harrell 1-2, Wills 1-2, Miller 1-3, Rue 0-1, Singletary 0-2), Connecticut 5-13 (Moore 2-3, Allen 2-4, Jones 1-4, Sheffer 0-1, Johnson 0-1). Fouled out—McIntosh. Rebounds—Northeastern 27 (Wills 7), Connecticut 51 (Claiber 8). Assists—Northeastern 8 (Singletary 5), Connecticut 20 (Sheffer 7).

No. 10 WAKE FOREST 69, OKLAHOMA ST. 53

OKLAHOMA ST. (1-1): Roberts 3-9 3-7 9, Skaer 1-5 0-0 2, Lambert 2-6 1-5 5, Owens 4-10 0-1 10, Peterson 6-12 0-0 14, Robinson 1-2 0-0 2, Dorsey 4-10 0-0 11, Miles 0-1 0-0 0, Alexander 0-0 0-0 0, Warner 0-0 0-0 0, Lewis 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 21-56 4-13 53.

WAKE FOREST (2-0): Peral 6-7 0-0 16, Allen 2-7 4-4 8, Duncan 9-14 4-10 22, Rutland 7-11 0-1 16, LaRue 1-5 1-2 4, Amonett 1-1 0-0 3, Goolsby 0-1 0-0 0, Wilson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-47 9-17 69.

Halftime—Wake Forest 37, Oklahoma St. 26. 3-Point goals—Oklahoma St. 7-18 (Dorsey 3-6, Owens 2-4, Peterson 2-5, Skaer 0-1, Roberts 0-2), Wake Forest 8-14 (Peral 4-4, Rutland 2-3, Amonett 1-1, LaRue 1-4, Goolsby 0-1, Wilson 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma St. 32 (Lambert, Dorsey 7), Wake Forest 33 (Duncan 16). Assists—Oklahoma St. 13 (Lambert, Owens, Peterson 3), Wake Forest 14 (Duncan 6).

No. 12 DUKE 71, N.C.-GREENSBORO 57

N.C.-GREENSBORO (0-2): Daughtry 0-0 0-0 0, Clifton 3-4 0-0 6, Brunson 2-3 0-0 4, Hartzell 1-7 3-4 6, Nix 2-11 1-2 7, Davis 3-9 3-4 9, Woolard 1-2 1-2 3, Cuthrell 4-7 2-6 10, Gilbert 4-6 3-5 12. Totals 20-49 13-22 57.

DUKE (4-0): Price 3-10 3-4 10, Wallace 2-2 2-2 7, Newton 8-11 6-7 22, Capel 1-10 6-6 9, Collins 4-10 6-6 15, Wojciechowski 1-2 0-0 3, Domzalski 1-2 0-0 2, Moore 1-2 0-0 2, Christensen 0-0 1-2 1, Singleton 0-0 0-0 0, Hall 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-49 24-27 71.

Halftime—Duke 33, N.C.-Greensboro 24. 3-Point goals—N.C.-Greensboro 4-14 (Nix 2-7, Gilbert 1-2, Hartzell 1-4, Davis 0-1), Duke 5-18 (Wallace 1-1, Wojciechowski 1-2, Capel 1-4, Price 1-5, Collins 1-6). Fouled out—Brunson, Cuthrell, Moore. Rebounds—N.C.-Greensboro 29 (Cuthrell 7), Duke 33 (Newton 11). Assists—N.C.-Greensboro 7 (Hartzell, Gilbert 2), Duke 12 (Capel 6).

No. 21 Cincinnati 101, Wyoming 51

WYOMING (2-1): Coleman 6-11 3-5 15, Roberts 3-8 1-2 8, Haslam 0-1 0-0 0, Whitehead 1-9 6-8 8, Smith 1-5 0-0 2, Jackson 2-4 1-3 5, Allen 4-6 0-0 8, Johnson 2-6 0-0 5, Sawyer 0-1 0-0 0, Swindell 0-1 0-0 0, Ragin 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 19-53 11-18 51.

CINCINNATI (1-0): Brannen 2-3 0-0 4, Monroe 2-4 0-0 4, Fortson 11-16 4-4 26, LaGree 4-10 5-8 13, Gregor 8-11 2-2 19, Flint 4-15 0-1 9, Long 5-7 4-6 14, Julson 1-2 0-0 2, Davis 3-3 0-0 6, Fletcher 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 42-74 15-21 101.

Halftime—Cincinnati 43, Wyoming 16. 3-point goals—Wyoming 2-15 (Johnson 1-3, Roberts 1-4, Sawyer 0-1, Coleman 0-1, Whitehead 0-3, Smith 0-3), Cincinnati 2-9 (Gregor 1-1, Flint 1-6, LaGree 0-1, Fletcher 0-1). Fouled out—Coleman. Rebounds—Wyoming 29 (Coleman 9), Cincinnati 44 (Fortson 12). Assists—Wyoming 12 (Allen 3), Cincinnati 19 (LaGree 7). Total fouls—Wyoming 21, Cincinnati 17. Technical—Fortson. A—11,310.

No. 24 MICHIGAN 80, BALL ST. 52

MICHIGAN (4-2): Mitchell 2-7 0-0 5, Taylor 5-8 1-3 11, Baston 4-4 5-6 13, Conland 1-1 1-2 4, Bullock 4-4 3-4 14, DeKuiper 0-0 0-0 0, Fife 2-2 0-0 5, Morton 0-0 0-0 0, Oliver 0-0 0-0 0, Ward 4-8 1-4 10, White 2-5 0-0 4, Traylor 7-8 0-0 14. Totals 31-47 11-19 80.

BALL ST. (0-1): Wells 5-16 3-7 13, Reed 2-7 0-1 4, Martin 1-3 0-0 2, Zachary 3-11 3-4 9, Norris 0-8 0-0 0, Johnson 1-3 0-0 2, Ray 0-0 0-0 0, C.Smith 1-3 0-0 2, Thompson 5-10 2-2 16, Mason 2-7 0-0 4, S.Smith 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 20-70 8-14 52.

Halftime—Michigan 36, Ball St. 24. 3-point goals—Michigan 7-12 (Bullock 3-3, Conland 1-1, Fife 1-1, Ward 1-2, Mitchell 1-3, White 0-2), Ball St. 4-27 (Thompson 4-8, C.Smith 0-1, Zachary 0-3, Wells 0-4, Mason 0-4, Norris 0-7). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Michigan 46 (Taylor, Ward, Traylor 7), Ball St. 24 (Reed 6). Assists—Michigan 19 (Conlan 6), Ball St. 11 (Wells 5). Total fouls—Michigan 16, Ball St. 14. Technical—Ball St. coach McCallum. A—11,500.

SWC Scores

Texas Tech 81, Oklahoma 69

Texas Tech (2-0): Ham 4-7 2-2 10, Sasser 8-15 3-4 20, Battie 1-5 0-0 2, Martin 5-9 6-8 17, Smith 8-14 5-6 27, Carr 1-2 0-0 3, Cooper 1-3 0-0 2, Jones 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-55 16-20 81.

Oklahoma (1-2): Minor 2-8 2-2 8, Abercrombie 10-11 3-4 25, Yanish 1-2 0-0 2, Foster 6-11 2-3 14, Barnes 1-6, 1-2 3, Evans 4-7 0-0 8, Erdman 3-8 0-0 6, Allison 1-4 0-0 3. Totals 28-57 8-11 69.

Halftime—Texas Tech 39, Oklahoma 29. 3-point goals—Texas Tech 9-20 (Sasser 1-3, Martin 1-3, Smith 6-12, Carr 1-2), Oklahoma 5-18 (Minor 2-5, Abercrombie 2-2, Foster 0-2). Fouled out—Foster. Rebounds—Texas Tech 29 (Cooper 8), Oklahoma 29 (Abercrombie 9). Assists—Texas Tech 9 (Martin 6), Oklahoma 9 (Barnes 4). Total fouls—Texas Tech 15, Oklahoma 20. Technicals—Minor (2). A—9,3100.

No. 14 UTAH 70, TEXAS 69

UTAH (1-1): Hansen 1-7 0-0 3, Van Horn 3-6 6-10 15, Doleac 3-5 7-9 13, Caton 3-9 0-0 7, Preston 3-4 1-2 8, Miller 2-4 4-4 8, Rydalch 4-8 4-4 15, Chapman 0-1 0-0 0, Carlton 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 19-45 23-31 70.

TEXAS (1-1): Alvarado 1-8 4-6 6, Dixon 0-5 0-0 0, Quarles 0-4 0-0 0, Reg.Freeman 9-23 3-4 25, Perryman 4-9 1-2 11, Warmsley 0-4 2-3 2, Jordan 3-9 1-2 7, Vazquez 4-6 0-0 10, Rus.Freeman 3-4 2-3 8, Clack 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 24-73 13-22 69.

Halftime—Utah 41, Texas 39. 3-Point goals—Utah 9-23 (Horn 3-4, Rydalch 3-6, Preston 1-2, Hansen 1-5, Van Caton 1-6), Texas 8-25 (Reg.Freeman 4-11, Vazquez 2-2, Perryman 2-6, Dixon 0-1, Jordan 0-1, Warmsley 0-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Utah 38 (Doleac 16), Texas 48 (Alvarado 12). Assists—Utah 12 (Preston, Miller 3), Texas 9 (Vazquez 4). Total fouls—Utah 19, Texas 25. Technical—Utah bench. A—12,372.

HOUSTON 94, TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO 90

Houston (2-1): Ford 3-10 9-11 15, Byrd 7-13 2-5 16, Knox 3-5 3-9 9, Capers 11-17 3-4 26, Jones 7-11 5-6 24, Carter 0-1 0-0 0, Baumgardner 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 33-60 22-35 94.

UTSA (0-2): Johnson 11-14 4-6 26, Anderson 5-11 0-0 13, Webber 5-12 2-2 12, Wordlaw 5-10 4-6 15, Whitfield 1-1 0-0 2, Mosley 2-5 0-0 6, Cole 2-4 1-2 5, Reed 3-5 0-0 7, Oswald 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 36-66 11-16 90.

Halftime—UTSA 50, Houston 38. 3-Point goals—Houston 6-19 (Ford 0-1, Byrd 0-6, Capers 1-3, Jones 5-8, Carter 0-1) UTSA 7-20 (Anderson 3-5, Webber 0-3, Wordlaw 1-5, Mosley 2-5, Cole 0-1, Reed 1-1).

Admiral pilots Spurs to win over Clippers

By The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — David Robinson scored 33 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead the San Antonio Spurs to a 105-86 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers on Wednesday at the Alamodome.

Chuck Person, starting for the injured Sean Elliott, added 22 points, including six 3-pointers. Elliott sat out the game with tendinitis in his Achilles' tendon.

The Spurs broke open a close game with a 13-3 run in the last three minutes of the third quarter for an 80-67 advantage.

Loy Vaught led the Clippers with 15 points.

Celtics 100, Pistons 96

BOSTON — Rick Fox hit two free throws with 10.4 seconds left, then made a gave-saving play seven seconds later as Boston defeated Detroit.

Dino Radja led the Celtics with 29 points and 15 rebounds.

Hawks 106, 76ers 81

ATLANTA — Ken Norman scored 15 points to lead six Hawks in double figures as Atlanta got the win over Philadelphia.

Mookie Blaylock had 14 points, Andrew Lang 13, rookie Alan Henderson and Stacey Augmon 12 each, and Spud Webb 11 points.

Hornets 115, Knicks 105

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Reserve center Matt Geiger scored all 10 of his points in the fourth quarter and

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helped hold New York's Patrick Ewing to one basket in the second half as Charlotte won its fourth consecutive game.

Larry Johnson and Glen Rice each scored 25 points for the Hornets, who have won seven of their last nine games against the Knicks. John Starks led 27 points for the Knicks, while Derek Harper added 22. Ewing had 10.

Trail Blazers 112, Warriors 98

OAKLAND, Calif. — Rod Strickland had 24 points and Portland hit a team-record 13 3-pointers to defeat Golden State.

Arvydas Sabonis had 23 points and Clifford Robinson added 20 for Portland, which tied an NBA record with 10 three's in the first half.

Lakers 107, Suns 96

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Cedric Ceballos scored 24 points and Vlade Divac added 20 as Los Angeles, which had lost each of their three previous games by one point, beat Phoenix.

Charles Barkley and Wesley Person led the Suns with 16 points apiece. The Lakers went ahead for good late in the first quarter. They outscored the Suns 35-18 in the second quarter to lead 56-38 at halftime, and led 84-65 entering the final period.

Texas home streak snapped by Utah

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — Ben Caton took an inbounds pass under the basket from Terry Preston and hit a layup with 2.5 seconds left, capping a furious second-half comeback that carried No. 14 Utah to a 70-69 victory over Texas.

The Utes, who played without two suspended starters, erased a 13-point deficit in the final 11:30 and evened their record at 1-1 after a loss to No. 2 Kansas on Saturday. The victory ended Texas' 26-game home winning streak, the nation's second-longest behind Coppin State (31).

Texas (1-1) had a chance to win the game after inbounding the ball and calling consecutive timeouts with 1.6 seconds left. But Reggie Freeman, who led the Longhorns with 25 points, missed an off-balance 3-pointer from the baseline as time expired.

The Longhorns opened the second half 0-of-5 from the field while falling behind 45-39. But Freeman hit consecutive 3-pointers and then added a tip-in and a slam dunk in a 21-4 surge that put Texas up 62-49 with 11:30 left. Keith Van Horn led Utah with 15 points.

#2 Kansas 72, #15 Virginia 66

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Kansas went without a basket the final 3:25 of the game, but Jerod Haase, Raef LaFrentz and Paul Pierce hit clutch free throws and held off Virginia for a victory.

The Cavaliers (2-1) trailed by as many as 19 early in the second half. But they came back behind Harold Deane, who scored 20 of his 23 points in the second half.

#3 Villanova 70, Bradley 63

VILLANOVA, Pa. — Kerry Kittles scored 22 points as No. 3 Villanova survived a scare by Bradley, winning 70-63 Wednesday night in a game marred by a fight.

Kittles and Eric Eberz combined to score 10 of the Wildcats' last 12 points as Bradley (0-2) managed only one basket after taking a 61-60 lead with 1:56 left to

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play.

Villanova (4-0) also got 17 points from Alvin Williams and 16 points from Eberz, while Bradley (0-2) was led by Anthony Parker and Aaron Zobrist, each with 19.

#6 G'town 96, Southern, NO 65

LANDOVER, Md. — Georgetown shot poorly, turned the ball over a lot and stood around lethargically on defense for three-fourths of the game but mamaged to beat Southern, New Orleans.

The Hoyas' Allen Iverson make eight assists, seven steals, seven rebounds and scored 25 points.

#12 Duke 71, NC-Greensboro 57

DURHAM, N.C. — Greg Newton's career-high 22 points capped Mike Krzyzewski's regular-season return to his home bench Wednesday night as Duke stopped North Carolina-Greensboro 71-57.

It was the home opener for Duke, but it was also the first time Krzyzewski had taken his seat on the bench in Durham since back problems forced him to sit out 19 games last season.

#9 UConn 86, Northeastern 39

HARTFORD, Conn. — Ray Allen scored 13 points and Kirk King and Rashamel Jones each added 11 as UConn opened at home with a victory over Northeastern.

#10 W.Forest 69, Okla. St. 53

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Tim Duncan had 22 points and 17 rebounds as Wake Forest defeated Oklahoma State in the Great Eight basketball festival.

#21 Cincinnati 101, Wyoming 51

CINCINNATI — Danny Fortson scored 26 points and had 12 rebounds as Cincinnati beat Wyoming for its most lopsided season-opening victory in coach Bob Huggins' seven seasons.

#24 Michigan 80, Ball St. 52

MUNCIE, Ind. — Louis Bullock hit all three of his 3-point attempts and scored 14 points to lead five players in double figures as Michigan beat Ball State.

Texas Tech upends Oklahoma

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Koy Smith made six 3-pointers and scored 27 points Wednesday night as Texas Tech beat Oklahoma 81-69 in a game that included the ejection of Ryan Minor, Oklahoma's preseason All-American.

Minor was tossed with 1:35 left in the first half after getting his second technical foul. He and Tech forward Darvin Ham were each called for a personal foul as they

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jostled for position inside, and Minor's reaction got him a technical.

Houston 94, UT-San Antonio 90

SAN ANTONIO — Kenya Capers and Damon Jones combined for 50 points as Houston rallied from a 17-point second-half deficit to beat Texas-San Antonio.

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Local swimmers back for meet

By Mike Bobo
Sports Writer

It's a little early for a Christmas visit. But five former City of Midland Aquatics team members will be home for the pre-holidays Saturday in COM's first-ever college swim meet in the new Abell-Hanger pool.

COM head coach and president Brad Swendig hopes the former Cobbers' TCU and New Mexico State teammates are impressed enough with Abell-Hanger to make a return visit.

The schools compete in a dual swimming and diving meet at 2 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free. TCU and New Mexico State join the realigned Western Athletic Conference next school year. Swendig is hoping COM can host the WAC championship meet in the future.

"I wanted to get some WAC teams in here so they could see it and go back and give a good report on the pool," Swendig said. "The dual meet may be something they will want to do every year."

The meet will give TCU and New Mexico State swimmers a look at some of their future WAC competition.

"TCU and all the Southwest Conference schools are trying to schedule competition with their new conferences so the kids will get an idea of what's coming up for them," Swendig said.

Former Midland High high school all-American Matt Houston, a TCU senior, leads a group of swimmers from the colleges who trained at COM. TCU's Stacy Pennell and Lindsay Bickley, who transferred out of Midland at the high school level, also swam with the COM team. High School all-American Jamie Bobo of Odessa Permian swims with TCU and Permian graduate Terah Gisolo is on the New Mexico State team.

The meet will be a first time experience for Houston and Bobo.

"For Matt and Jamie they had a chance to work out in the new pool but they never competed in it before," Swendig said. "It's also a good chance for our young COM swimmers to see some college swimmers."

TCU coach Richard Sybesma grew up in Andrews and coached swimming at Monahans from 1975-79. The Horned Frog swimmers will warm up at the pool at 6 p.m. and then have dinner with the COM swimmers and parents.

Jekyll-and-Hyde Cardinals ready for rematch with East foe Giants

By Mel Reisner
AP Sports Writer

Today's Game
Giants at Cardinals
7 p.m., ESPN

TEMPE, Ariz. — In one week, the Arizona offense went from a 96-yard lemon to a 513-yard machine.

New York Giants defensive coordinator Mike Nolan doesn't know which Cardinals attack will show up Thursday night, so he's preparing for the worst.

"You know they compiled 400 yards on us the last time we played them, so we were one of those teams they did well against," Nolan said. "From the standpoint of preparation, we're preparing for that team."

Both clubs are out of the playoffs, but the Cardinals (4-8) believe they can match last year's 8-8 record after beating Atlanta 40-37 in overtime Sunday.

The Giants beat Arizona 27-21 in overtime on Oct. 8 when Jessie Armstead intercepted Dave Krieg's pass and returned it 58 yards for a touchdown.

It was the second and last overtime for New York, but it started the Cardinals on a merry-go-round — every other game since then has gone to overtime, four in all.

The abrupt finish could have made the Giants' season. Instead, New York (3-9) lost five of its next six games, the last four in a row, losing to Chicago 27-24 on a late field goal.

"The little things seem to run together," said New York cornerback Phillippi Sparks, who had two interceptions against the Cardinals last year in Sun Devil Stadium. "Offensively, we'll play well one week, and defensively we'll play well the next week, and then special teams, but we never put all three phases of our game together."

The score didn't show it, but the Cardinals got a complete game in snapping their three-game losing streak a week after a 27-7 loss to the Carolina Panthers, who limited the Cardinals to their poorest offensive showing in 40 years.

Krieg passed for 413 yards, Rob Moore and Larry Centers had 100-yard receiving days, and the defense held the Falcons to 34 yards rushing.

The Giants offense hasn't had the usual amount of practice time for the Giants' first Thursday contest in three years. Arizona, which has never been on ESPN in the regular season, hasn't had a midweek game since 1985.

MC: Thorngren out possibly a month

(From 1D)

women with a 6 p.m. contest against the Angelo State junior varsity.

MC coach Ron Jones said Thorngren had an MRI performed on the knee and that the "initial prognosis" was that "we don't think it is a serious injury, and she could be out around a month."

Jones said a more definite answer on the time frame and the extent of the damage would be available today after Thorngren's physician has had a chance to review the tests more thoroughly.

Thorngren, a sophomore transfer from Arizona State, had recently recovered from arthroscopic surgery performed on the same knee two weeks before the season started. She was averaging 11 points and a team-high eight rebounds a game.

But during Tuesday's 63-61 loss to Howard, the Lady Chaps' first loss of the season, Thorngren went down after hearing her knee pop, Jones said, but that the physician said it was probably the sound of the patella (knee cap) popping out of place or the joint popping rather than a serious ligament tear often associated with the noise.

The injury is probably not season-ending and that most of Thorngren's recovery time will be spent when the Lady Chaps have a month off from game action from Dec. 8 to Jan. 3. However, Thorngren will miss the three conference games left before the break and Jones said they will be important games for Midland College.

"It seems like we've had more injuries this year already than we had last year," said Jones. "Malyssa has been hurt twice and Pam's (Hicks) stress fracture. Nothing season ending but the injuries are testing us a little. These next three games are going to be very important."

The Lady Chaps do have somewhat of a bone to pick with the Lady Plainsmen, who handed Midland its first loss at Chap Center last year and the team's first WJCAC loss when the teams met in the conference opener.

Like MC (8-1), the Lady Plainsmen are coming off a conference loss. FPC opened its conference schedule with a 74-71 defeat by New Mexico Junior College on Tuesday. It was only the second loss of the season for the Lady Plainsmen (7-2), whose other loss came at the hands of powerful Grayson County. New Mexico lost a close one to Howard in its opener before beating Frank Phillips.

WJCAC Women

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	W	L	PCT.	W	L	PCT.
Howard College	3	0	1.000	11	0	1.000
South Plains	1	0	1.000	8	1	.889
Midland College	1	1	.500	8	1	.889
New Mexico JC	1	1	.500	5	5	.500
Western Texas	1	2	.333	3	5	.375
Frank Phillips	0	1	.000	7	2	.777
Odessa College	0	2	.000	3	8	.273

Thursday's Games
Frank Phillips College at Midland College, 8 p.m., Chaparral Center; Howard College at Odessa College, 7:30 p.m.; Western Texas at South Plains College, 7:30 p.m.
New Mexico Junior College is open.

The Lady Plainsmen are led in scoring by Sherry Ann Louison, a 5-10 post from the West Indies. The sophomore averages 20.1 points a game after Tuesday's performance of 29 points.

Another of FPC's starting five will be familiar to Midland high school fans. Freshman forward Micah Crutcher (5-8) was a two-year starter for Lubbock Monterey, which has seen action against both Midland High and Midland Lee during her stint there.

For the men, Western Junior College Athletic Conference play is still more than a month away. Knowing that, Midland College men's coach Pat Rafferty has his sights on the continual development of his team, so that his Chaps will be ready to make a run at the conference title.

The Chaps, 5-4, come into tonight's game fresh off a visit to Casper, Wyo. The Chaps finished the three-game stretch at the Casper Classic at 2-1 and six minutes away from a title. Despite the loss to the host Casper team, who won the game in the last six minutes, Rafferty feels the tournament was a lesson builder for his team.

"We played stretches of good ball," said Rafferty, a native of Buffalo, Wyo. "We just have to have our quality ball in the five last minutes of a game. That's when we are playing our worst, but it is good to be exposed to that early in the year.

"It was good to be in that type of environment where the home crowd was in it. It was like a league game."

Tough games, however, have been a constant in the 1995 Chaps' schedule. They are playing heavyweights and will continue to do so until the start of the WJCAC play. So, looking at the Chaps record can be deceiving on how good of a team they will become January.

"We have good ingredients," said Rafferty. "Who we play will make us better."

The team is looking to get big-time minutes from some players and solid play from the whole squad.

"I want to see quality play not only from the team but also from individuals," said Rafferty. "Last year, they (Angelo State) were solid, executed well, and gave us a ball game. I anticipate the same type of game."

Midland College defeated the Rams 105-80 last season in game where the committed only 10 turnovers and shot 58.5 percent from the field. The Chaps did play that 1994 game without team leader, Kevin Rice, but freshman D'Juan Baker poured in 23 to lead all Chaps.

This time around Baker, a sophomore averaging over 23 points a game, is listed as doubtful due to a sprained knee that occurred in Monday's practice. Another Chap out of the lineup is freshman Lamont Young, who is suspended for academic suspension. Taking up the slack will be freshman Ceedric Goodwyn, who is scoring at 17.85 points a game, and sophomore Devon Phillips, who is at 15 points a contest.

But getting more players to make headlines is want Rafferty wants to see in this game.

"We'll be without the two best athletes, and the other guys will have to step up and get those minutes," said Rafferty, who would like to see a healthy team on the floor to develop the chemistry needed for WJCAC action.

"We need our people who are big parts of the puzzle here and get them chemistry together. We need everybody out there."

The game is the last 1995 home game for the Chaps. Midland College will return to Chap Center on Jan. 11 when it hosts Hill College.

HOOPS: Plenty of action this weekend

(From 1D)

Saturday at 1 p.m.

Midland High coach Jack Stephenson said his Bulldogs are ready to play before the home crowd after traveling to Fort Worth for a tournament last weekend.

"We've got two really good ball games coming up this weekend and it will gave the fans a chance to see us play," he said. "We've got two of the best teams in El Paso coming here and I think we've got a good chance to win."

The Midland High Lady Dawgs (6-1) are also heading south to El Paso for the Ysleta Tournament.

BILL: Glenn sponsoring legislation

(From 1D)

He and leaders of the city-backed Save Our Browns rallied outside the Capitol before today's Senate subcommittee hearing on antitrust issues raised by the team's pending move.

White has been leading the charge to block Browns owner Art Modell's plan to move the team to Baltimore for the 1996 season. White said Tuesday that testifying in Washington would give him a chance to put his city's problem in a national focus.

"If what is going on in Cleveland is allowed to occur, there's not going to be any NFL city that is going to be safe from this kind of activity," White said at City Hall.

"That's the national point we're going to make, that there's no longer a level playing field. Cities, especially like Cleveland, Chicago and Detroit which have had foundational teams are at such a disadvantage that only the Congress can make it right."

City officials have taken their case to league officials and owners at meetings in Dallas, Washington and New York.

Houston mayor Bob Lanier also was invited to speak to the subcommittee. The Oilers have announced plans to move to Nashville, Tenn.

White will be joined in Washington by Bob Grace, who heads the Save Our Browns committee in Cleveland. Grace said Tuesday he will coordinate members of Browns Backers clubs from several cities who have agreed to come to Washington for a rally on the steps of the Capitol.

Modell has no plans to counter the testimony, said David Hopcraft, Modell's spokesman.

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BUSINESS WATCH

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Year Ago $16.50

Prices mixed

Gasoline futures prices surged to a two-month high Wednesday following news of an unexpected drop in U.S. inventories to their lowest level in at least 24 years.

Despite the tightening stocks, experts said there is more than enough gasoline around to meet anticipated demand.

Market analysts attributed much of the rally to factors related to the expiration of the December contract, which goes off the board Thursday.

Crude oil and heating oil futures retreated in trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

December deliveries of unleaded gasoline leaped 1.21 cents on the New York Mercantile Exchange to 57.45 cents a gallon, the highest daily settlement for near-term deliveries since Sept. 29.

West Texas Intermediate for January delivery slipped 7 cents to $18.26 a barrel while January natural gas rose 0.7 cent to $2.031 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Gasoline futures rallied after the American Petroleum Institute reported that inventories fell by 337,000 barrels last week to 191.7 million, the lowest level since the trade group began keeping records in 1971.

Traders had expected gasoline stocks to rise by about 2 million barrels.

A weekly Department of Energy report Wednesday morning showed an increase in overall gasoline stocks but a sharp decrease in lower-polluting reformulated gasoline, the type traded on the exchange.

Center bought

Midland-based Red Oak Realty Inc. has announced the purchase of The Plaza Shopping Center at 81st Street and South Lewis in Tulsa.

The 116,229 square foot center, according to property manager Matt DAvis of The Davis Group, is "an upscale boutique specialty center which currently is anchored by Dane Design, the Centrum Antique Department Store and several restaurants. One of the restaurants, Mazzio's Italian Grill, opened last July and is already expanding their space by 20 percent, Davis said.

The Plaza Shopping Center is adjacent to State Bank Plaza, a 35,700 square foot center which Red Oak recently purchased. In a renovation of the centers, State Bank Plaza will become the south extension of The Plaza, said Neill McClung, president of Red Oak Realty.

Dollar rises

NEW YORK — The dollar rose against major currencies Wednesday ahead of a German central bank meeting that was expected to bring lower interest rates and prompt other European countries to follow.

The expectations for lower interest rates in Britain pushed the pound to a 16-month low against the dollar. The focus on Europe led traders to largely ignore the Japanese yen, which drifted lower against the dollar.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 1.4366 marks, up from 1.4335 late Tuesday. The dollar also was changing hands in New York at 101.58 Japanese yen, up from 101.15.

The pound finished at $1.5336, down from $1.5430.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Tuesday: 1.1652 Swiss francs, up from 1.1569; 4.9445 French francs, up from 4.9183; 1,594 Italian lire, up from 1,593; and 1.3677 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3548.

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Dow Jones races past 5,100 level

By Patricia Lamiell
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — Stocks sprinted higher in late trading Wednesday, lifting the Dow Jones industrial average to its sixth consecutive high and raising some broad market indexes to fresh records.

The Dow industrials rose 27.46 points to 5,105.56, the first close above 5,100 for Wall Street's best-known indicator. Traders said the index was helped late in the day by computer-driven buying programs.

Stocks were also boosted by gains in bonds and the dollar.

Financial markets got a lift from increased speculation that the Federal Reserve would lower interest rates as soon as the budget crisis in Washington is resolved — possibly early next month — and on expectations that Germany would cut its rates Thursday.

As bond prices rose, yields on 30-year Treasury bonds fell to the lowest level since early January 1994.

Falling interest rates would reduce borrowing costs for businesses and consumers, helping increase economic activity at a time when inflation appears contained at a low rate. In addition, falling interest rates make returns more attractive on stocks compared with bonds.

On the New York Stock Exchange, advancing issues had a 7-to-5 lead over declining shares. Volume on the Big Board was moderately heavy at 398.22 million, down from Tuesday's pace.

Some broad market indexes set records as well, despite an uneven technology sector. The NYSE's composite index rose 1.00 to 323.99, making a record high for the fourth day in a row. The Standard & Poor's 500-stock index rose 1.19 to 607.64, setting its third consecutive high.

The Nasdaq composite index added 7.52 to 1,057.57, while the American Stock Exchange's market value index climbed 2.29 to 533.03.

On Wednesday, the White House and Republican congressional leaders agreed to strike a budget deal by Dec. 12 and conclude action on the legislation by Dec. 23.

Once the budget crisis is out of the way, analysts believe the central bank can reduce interest rates. That is because, while investors did not receive any new economic data Wednesday, recent reports have indicated that "economic growth has slowed, but it's not disastrous," said Barry Berman, head trader at Robert W. Baird & Co. in Milwaukee.

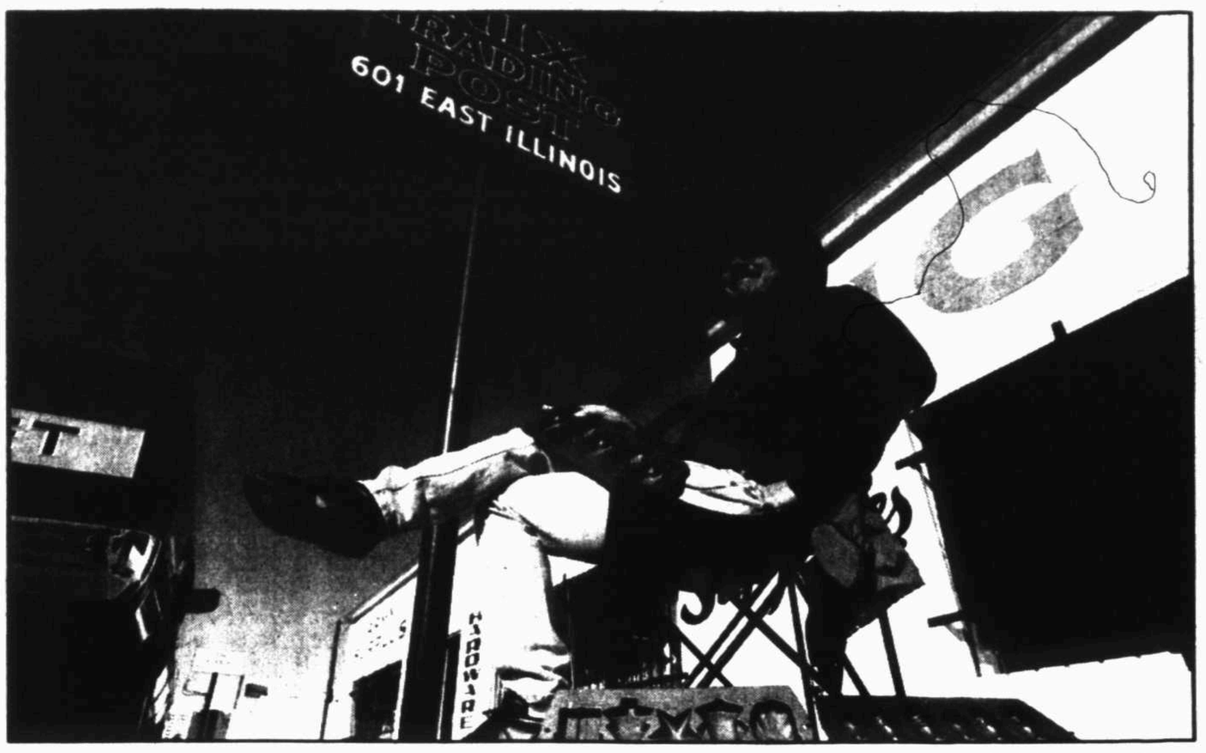
"Growth is slow enough so that the Fed can still stimulate with lower interest rates, but yet the growth isn't so high as to be inflationary."

Meanwhile, stock investors sold some technology shares to lock in their hefty profits for the year. Microsoft fell 1 3/4 to 89 3/4, and Intel lost 3/4 to 63.

But Internet-related stocks continued to barrel higher. Netscape added 9 to 140, Spyglass soared 14 3/4 to 111 3/4, UUnet climbed 4 1/8 to 80 3/8, and Netcome gained 5 1/2 to 76.

The technology sector also got a splashy new issue in Pixar Animation Studios. The company made an initial public offering of 6 million shares at $22 per share, up from original expectations of $12 to $14. The stock soared to $39 before the day ended.

OLD-FASHIONED TRADING



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Scott Vaughan, owner of Nix's Trading Post, holds a cast iron baking mold that will produce fish shaped baked goods. Vaughan carries unusual cookware. Others include Christmas decorations and Santa figures.

Midlander trades in 'most everything'

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

If your idea of what's good and lasting around the house and campsite is something that's rustic, tough, somewhat old-fashioned but as useful as ever, then Scott Vaughan's Nix Trading Post may be storing your needs and wants.

He certainly can ferret out the stuff in being true to his "Most Everything" motto.

"I like people and variety," said Vaughan who, at 37, has been operating the hometown store, which dates to 1940, since 1986. "This business is a challenge because of the variety that we handle."

His merchandise, from kitchen and dining wares to camping and rafting gear, is mostly made in the United States and, in the main, is as genuine as wood, cast iron, tin, cotton, wool, and old-time West Texas handshakes.

His wares range from a chuckwagon cook's cast-iron Dutch ovens to all-cotton red long-johns with the convenience of a trap door. "There's not another place in this part of the country to buy one (pair of trap-door long-johns) that I know of."

"I try to buy good-quality merchandise and try to buy U.S.-made stuff as much as possible," said Vaughan. "In these days and times, it is difficult because of the flood of imports. Nevertheless, we've got more U.S. stuff in here."

His mom-and-pop business spans 10,000 square feet and is full of rocking chairs, walking sticks or shepherd's crooks, tables, glass ware, outdoor garb, pottery, cooking ware, cafe dishes, Woolrich wool billed caps with earmuffs, original Swiss Army knives, stoves, bandanas, , Pullman pans, flour sifters, coffee percolators, whatnots galore, and those olive-drab "Praise the Lord and pass the ammunition" cartridge tins.

"This is as old-fashioned as they come," Vaughan said, as he examined a Bromwell Model 200 stove-top tin warm-over pan which, at $13, is "probably about $10 more than it used to be."

Down the aisle from the warm-over pan, Vaughan displayed a mechanical, hand-turned black-eyed pea sheller.

For a dollar, he would sell one of his cone-shaped, fruit taps with worm screws.

"Just like you tap a maple tree, you can tap a lemon an orange. It works wonderfully."

Among his more substantial wares are the Tennessee-made Lodge cast-iron Dutch ovens from the one-pint size at $19 to the 12-quart oven at $140, kettles with wire-wrapped bail handles, muffin pans, cornbread-stick pans designed to turnout cornbread in the patterns of corn-on-the-cob, chili pepper, slice of pie, holiday characters, and cactus. The regulars come in five-, seven-, and nine-corn-cob sticks.

"It's the best in the market," Vaughan volunteered in touting the Lodge iron ware. "Actually, it's the only U.S.A. (iron ware) left, pretty much."

With his pitch or on a sale, Vaughan will toss in a recipe. In his spiel about the Danish cake pan, Vaughan suggested that the cook would warm up the pan, add a bit of butter in the concave muffin pockets, drop in a teaspoon of batter in each pocket, then a teaspoon of jam, and, finally, more batter, and bake.

He picked up an "old-fashioned" half-moon-shaped food strainer and quickly apologized for its plastic handle. "I wish it were wood."

Vaughan was proud of his $22.95 Texas-size, cast-iron biscuit pan.

"It makes the prettiest biscuits you'll ever see. That's a true story."

Perhaps his best buy, though somewhat obsolete but quite useful, is his P-38, the foot-soldier's can opener, which sells for 49 cents.

He has thousands of the GI's handy tool.

"They don't make C-rations anymore," Vaughan noted. Instead, the military is putting out MREs - Meals Ready to Eat. His P-38s are bound to become collectibles.

Among his breath-blown alarms is the British nickel-plated brass Acme Thunderer referee's whistle for $4.95. "It's the best one on the market by far." Under the counter, too, are the English bobby's whistle and the mouth siren.

Nix Trading Post, which was founded in 1940 by Tom Nix at Front Avenue and Main Street in downtown Midland and later was operated his son following World War II, was relocated to 601 E. Illinois Ave. in the 1950s.

Vaughan, who hails from New Mexico, took over the business in 1986.

Nix Trading Post attracts shoppers, bargain hunters, rare-things hounds, and browsers from "all over this part of the world."

Among the browsing lot this week was Odessan Ken Terrell, who dropped by in "just killing time" and talked a bit with Vaughan about the rarity of the old and genuine Army surplus stores and things past.

Vaughan's trading post is more general than surplus.

"You won't find the stuff in super wally worlds (Wal-Marts) that we've got or in K-Marts," Vaughan declared. "They complement us, and it's good business. Good competition is hard to beat."

Travelers Group acquires Aetna's property and casualty unit

By N.Y. Times News Service

New York — Travelers Group Inc. said it will buy Aetna Life & Casualty Co.'s U.S. property and casualty insurance unit for $4 billion, combining the business with its own and shedding at least 3,300 jobs.

The acquisition, which will create the fourth-largest U.S. property and casualty insurer, is the latest example of consolidation among insurers trying to cut costs.

"Our view of the commercial insurance business, and property and casualty in particular, is that bigger is better —scale matters," said John Hall, analyst at Northington Partners Inc. in Avon, Conn.

Travelers will sell shares of the new unit to the public next year, as well as $2.4 billion worth of preferred stock and debt. Aetna will invest as much as $200 million in the new business. Travelers plans to contribute about $1.1 billion, with $800 million of that raised by selling debt.

The sale is Aetna's latest step in a five-year effort to cut costs and build its health insurance business. Now, Aetna has the cash to make acquisitions of its own. The company is in talks with Cigna Corp. and other health insurers about a possible joint venture, people close to the talks have said.

New York-based Travelers said the business will boost its earnings immediately, and its shares rose to 58 7/8, an all-time high.

The financial services and insurance company will pay Hartford, Connecticut-based Aetna interest on the $4 billion from Oct. 1 until the closing, a total of about $100 million.

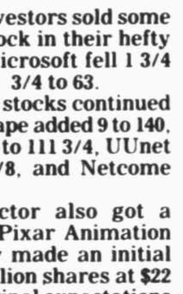
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Savings bonds can accrue interest after maturity

By Bill Doyle

Q: I purchased Series EE U.S. savings bonds in June 1986. The bonds build up interest at 7 1/2 percent. I am under the impression that they mature 10 years after they were issued, and consequently will no longer accrue interest after next year.

Am I right or wrong?


Doyle

A: You're half-right, in that your bonds will reach original maturity in June. But they can continue to accrue interest past that time — albeit at a lower rate.

Along with all series of U.S. savings bonds, yours were given extended maturities — stretching their interest-earning lives past their stated original maturities.

My mailbag indicates a great deal of confusion on this point, perhaps caused by the fact that the original maturities of E and EE bonds varied from five years to 17 years, depending on each bond's issue date.

So let's try to clear things up once and for all by spelling out the official "40-30-20" savings bond final maturity schedule: 40 years for Es issued before December 1965; 30 years for Es issued later, as well as for all EEs, H bonds still outstanding and U.S. savings notes, also known as "Freedom Shares"; 20 years for HH bonds.

When EEs enter an extended maturity period, the annual rate at which they accumulate interest changes to either 4 percent or a market-based rate, whichever is higher. That market-based rate changes every May 1 and Nov. 1. It's 5.16 percent for the current six-month period.

Q: I have a number of E and EE bonds, registered in my name "or" my late husband's name. I would like to have his name removed and replaced by the names of our grandchildren, so the bonds will be paid to them at the time of my death. How can I arrange that?

Also, I was told by a banker that the grandchildren will not be required to pay taxes on these bonds. Is that correct?

A: You can have the bonds reissued in beneficiary form — your name payable on death to a grandchild or anyone else you pick — by sending the bonds, your husband's death certificate and form PD F 4000 to the Federal Reserve Bank serving your part of the country. You can get that form at your local bank, which also might handle delivery.

One wrinkle here: A savings bond in beneficiary form can have only one owner and one beneficiary. So you need to decide how to apportion the bonds among the grandchildren.

As for taxes, either that banker misinformed you or you misunderstood what you were told.

Your grandchildren would legitimately be able to duck the federal income tax liability on the interest that built up on the bonds only if the person who files your final income tax return elects to include on that return all the interest that has accrued on the bonds up to the date of your death.

On the off chance that happens, each grandchild would owe income tax only on the interest that accumulates on his or her bonds after you leave this vale of tears.

In the more likely event that the accrued E and EE bond interest is not included on your final income tax return, each grandchild would owe federal income tax on all the accrued interest of any bond he or she redeems.

Q: My husband died, leaving a $50 savings bond registered in his name only. What do I have to do to cash the bond?

A: Take it to your local bank, along with your husband's death certificate. Banks and other savings bond paying agents are permitted, but not required, to redeem bonds for which documentary evidence, such as death certificates and letters of administration, are mandated.

The bond might be redeemed on the spot or sent to a Federal Reserve Bank, depending on whether your husband's estate is being administered.

Bill Doyle is a syndicated columnist for King Features. He welcomes written questions, but is able to provide answers only through the column.

Address your questions to Investor's Guide, King Features Syndicate, c/o Reporter-Telegram, Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF PEARL BARBARA TEGLASSY WEIDLER, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of November, 1995, Letters Testamentary were issued to Edwin Richard Weidler as Independent Executrix in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Pearl Barbara Teglassy Weidler, Deceased", being No. 11,275 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Edwin Richard Weidler at 142 Abell-Hanger Circle, Midland, Texas 79707, within the time prescribed by law.

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Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Paul J. Hoelscher, Area Engineer, Fort Stockton, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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REWARD! To anyone with information leading to the recovery of our Sand Rail. It has: Red seat , red steering wheel, red gas tank, frame black, yellow 1 ball (pool ball) on stick shift (is chipped), Honda 500 motor, chrome tail pipes with red inside end, 4 aluminum wheels, all of the above maybe altered. Tim or Judy 520-5923.

LOST 6 mo. old female Cailco Kitten, near Burnett Elementary. No tags. Please call 699-7187.

FOUND A.M., young male Lhasa Apso vicinity of Andrews Hwy. Call to ID, 684-0966.

FOUND gray/white stripped kitten. Purple collar/small bell, vicinity 3400 block Shell. 520-5627.

150 Lost & Found

FOUND: Reddish brown & white male short hair dog with blue nylon collar- no tags. Vicinity Bentwood & Henderson Elementary. 520-0609.

FOUND Border Collie. Young neutered male. Blue collar. Call SPCA. 684-7582.

CHIHUAHUA missing, beige with white paws and white streak on top of head, wearing red collar & brown flea collar. We need her, love her and can't live without her. Midland Drive area. 697-3327.

LOST: "Thunder", a solid gray female cat with medium- long hair and pale, greenish- gold eyes. Lost in the vicinity of Meadow Park at N. Loop 250 and Ave. A. If found, please call Jacque at 682-3913.

FOUND: Near Memorial Hospital, woman's ring. Call 570-8261 after 7 pm to identify.

LOST 2 year old nuetered male, fluffy haired tabby, light orange or cream and white in color. Last seen November 18th. Lost in North Midkiff and Caldera Blvd. area. REWARD. 694-0842, 520-2341. Owner is heartbroken without him.

FOUND: Aussie mix female, 7 months old. Also a male Bassett hound, about 2 1/2 years old. Please call Midland Animal Control, 685-7420.

FOUND medium size female dog. White with black markings. Bush Elementary. 697-5163.

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163 Money To Loan

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165 Investment Opportunities

GROWING Midland based computer firm looking for working equity partner. Must have interest in the computer field and be willing to work for common goals. Please send confidential inquires to: D-49, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas 79702.

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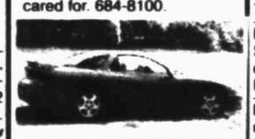
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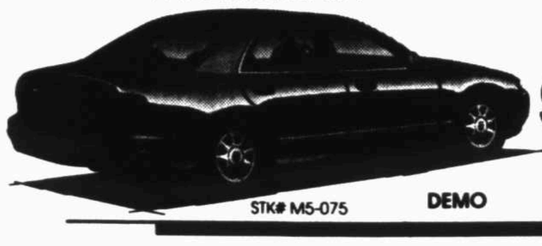
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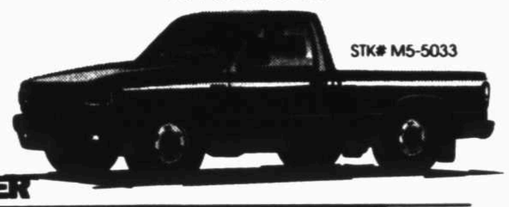
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NAIL TECH- CUT ABOVE needs Nail Technician. Some clientele necessary. Call Terry Schneider at 697-1924.

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RESTAURANT- Murray's Deli now hiring waitstaff- day & evening, cooks, and kitchen help. Apply in person, 3211 W. Wadley.

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STYLISTS Needed. Teresa's Hair & Nail Salon has stations for lease, great location, close to downtown. Ask for Teresa, 688-0033.

DESK CLERK position. Apply in person, Royal Inn, 3601 W. Wall.

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TAXI CAB DRIVERS Needed. Call 685-7070.

GENERAL. Wanted individual to care for a full time child, laundry, shopping, errands and house cleaning. Must have minimum 10 years verifiable experience. Send job history and references to Box E-1, C/ O The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

TRUCK DRIVER positions open with locally owned trucking company. CDL with air required. Send resumes to: F-31, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

TELEMARKETER, with experience, wanted for growing insurance agency. Future promotions possible for self starters. 697-3388.

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200 Automobiles Domestic

LINCOLN 1986 Towncar. Silver gray, blue interior, excellent condition. Recently serviced. $3,950. 520-0355, after 4.

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MERCURY 1991 Sable, 4 door, good condition, $4,000. 1985 Buick Century, 4 door, $800. Call 550-0205 after 5 pm.

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1994 HONDA ACCORD LX'S
Loaded, Several at $14,995
1994 PONTIAC SUNBIRD
SUPER CLEAN
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OLDSMOBILE 1977 Cutlass Supreme. Has been well serviced. 87,888 actual miles. Call 694-4000.

OLDSMOBILE 1986 Cutlass Supreme. Loaded. New starter, good tires, new stereo, 87K miles. $1,250. 699-1555.

PONTIAC 1985 Fiero Sports car. White, runs good, all power. $2,495. 1983 Cadillac real nice. $2,995. 1988 Cadillac Fleetwood Brougham, good car $4,995. 687-2820, 683-2574.

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PONTIAC 1995 Firebird, 4,500 miles, leather interior, AM/ FM/ CD, total power, dark green $18,000. Call after 6 pm, 366-6524.

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FORD 1987 TAURUS. 85K Miles. Power windows and locks. Keyless entry, new tires, automatic climate control, tinted windows. Nice car! Asking $3,700. 689-2852.

WE BUY UNWANTED JUNK and wrecked cars and trucks. Call 685-4078.

205 Classic Cars

FORD 1964 Classic Pickup, V8, standard, excellent paint, custom wheels, very sharp, $3,500. Call 699-4746.

MERCEDES 1960 Roadster Convertible. Nice original condition. $15,000. 697-8051.

CHEVROLET 1964 Corvette. Viper alarm, telephone, CD, low mileage, excellent condition. $16,500. 362-8388 after 5 pm.

CHEVROLET 1967 Camaro. 468 C. I., PG with brake, linelock. Sharp Car! Race ready. $8,500. Ron's Engines, 685-1076.

FIAT 1971 124 Spider Project car. 50% restored with '77 model parts car. $1,500 or best offer. 694-2313.

205 Classic Cars

FORD 1966 Mustang Convertible. Rare! 6 cylinder, 4 speed, total restoration. $14,000. 687-6406.

FORD 1968 Mustang, HT, 6 cyl., manual 3 speed. $1,950 or best offer. Call 683-9253.

210 Automobiles Imports

VOLKSWAGON 1982 Rabbit convertible, new top, new tires. $3,600. 697-1885.

HONDA 1987 Accord. New tires, 1 owner. Auto/ air, 4 door. $5,995. 683-7954 or 694-1479.

HONDA 1989 ACCORD LX. White, 5 speed standard, 78K miles. $7,500. 683-2177.

BRONCO BMW
Sales AND Service
2346 E. 8th, ODESSA
(915) 335-5911

DAIHATSU 1990 Rocky SX Hardtop. 4x4, 4 cylinder engine, power steering, air, 67,000 miles, excellent condition. $5,550. 697-6809 evenings.

GEO 1992 Metro 2 door. Will finance. Will take guns, jewelry, etc. for a down payment. Ken's Pickup Sales, 5904 W. Hwy. 80, 697-6447.

★ MAZDA 1992 Miata, red, 5 speed, 37,000 miles. Reduced to $13,200, excellent condition. 682-6566.

HONDA 1994 Accord EX. 10,500 miles, loaded, security system, $19,000. 563-1814.

HONDA 1986 ACCORD. Good condition. $3,200 or best offer. Call 335-0806.

HONDA 1993 Accord LX. 4 door, loaded, 33,000 miles, excellent condition. 688-3239 days, 570-8224 evening.

HONDA 1994 Accord EX. Burgundy, security system, "cream puff"! $16,500. 697-7816.

MAZDA 1987 626. All power, sunroof. 200K miles. $2,000. See at 3505 W Industrial. 683-5640.

MERCEDES 1992 300SL. White with navy leather. Perfect. 25K miles. $48,900. 520-0513.

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JEEP- EAGLE-ISUZU
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95 Cadillac Sedan Devilles
Several To Choose From
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SEVERAL LOADED
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PORCHE 1987 944. Excellent condition. $6,500. Call (915) 556-3485, after 6 pm (915) 368-5057.

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220 Trucks & Vans

CHEVROLET 1991 3/4 TON, 454 engine, 52,000 miles. See at 2203 Western Dr. $16,500.

CHEVROLET 1990 Extended cab, 65K, 5.7 liter, white/ red, $11,950. 570-9400/ 686-7503.

CHEVROLET 1982 Dually 454 engine, camper shell, new interior. Good truck. $3,900. Call 684-6745.

FORD 1988 Royal Van. Luxury capts. chairs, folding bed, dual a /c, 350 V8, 16" wheels. $7,800. after 5, 697-3888.

DODGE 1985 Ram Mini Van. In Good condition. $2,450. 563-0627.

BUICK 1990 Riviera, midnight blue body/ top, all options, prettiest in Permian Basin, $12,900. 550-2517.

CHEVROLET 1979 Silverado. Runs good, $1,500 or best offer. 694-1928.

CHEVROLET 1979 Suburban. New tires, $1,000 or best offer, 570-9230.

CHEVROLET 1981 Suburban. $1,500 or best offer- will consider trade. 694-4101.

CHEVROLET 1982 1 ton dually welding rig. (New 1995 454 engine, new tires, paint, seat covers, & carpet). 1992 Lincoln 200 A. M. P. totally rigged ready to work. Would sell truck or equipment separately. 520-4443, must leave message.

CHEVROLET 1982 Suburban Silverado. High miles, good condition, new tires. $3,000. Call and leave message at 683-5015.

225 4x4 Vehicles

TOYOTA 1985 Land Cruiser. 153,000 miles. Good condition. $5,700. 699-4408.

CHEVROLET 1987 Suburban Silverado 4x4. Red & gray. $4,100. 684-3811.

JEEP 1990 Cherokee Limited 4x4. Leather, loaded, 90K, retail $14,375. Asking $9,810. 505-623-8800 or 505-622-7724.

CHEVROLET 1993 Extended cab 4x4, 350 motor, automatic. Excellent condition, $13,995. Ken's Pickup Sales, 697-6447.

DAIHATSU 1990 Rocky SX Hardtop. 4x4, 4 cylinder engine, power steering, air, 67,000 miles, excellent condition. $5,550. 697-6809 evenings.

JEEP 1978 CJ-5. Rebuilt engine. Lots of new, good condition, ready to go! 563-8034.

DODGE 1976 Brougham. 21' Motorhome. Sleeps 6, lots of new! $5,995. 697-3719.

MUST SACRIFICE! 1995 35' Travel Trailer. Washer, dryer, A/ C, awning, rubber roof, custom windows, bleached oak. Nonsmoker. No pets. $13,500. 393-5910.

NEWLY Remodeled 26' travel trailer. New refrigerator and air conditioner. Call 689-9720 or 689-2230.

TRAVEL TRAILER, 8' x 32' completely furnished, excellent condition. Located Runway 7 Mobile Home Park, 7720 West Business 20. $4,500 cash. Wade Kimbrough, phone 915-563-6272.

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When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to: **(this is an example)**

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BOX Z-01
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The information for a blind box is confidential, therefore, The Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot disclose the identity of the advertiser to anyone for any reason. However, readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: Classified Supervisor and the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222 and a friendly Classified Consultant will explain the procedure to you. Thank You for using the Midland Reporter-Telegram Classified.

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310 General Help Wanted

TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION

ATTENTION VETERANS:

- Are you 55 or older and looking for part-time work?
- Is your annual income less than $9,340 or ($2 person family $12,640)?
- If so, the Senior Texans Employment Program can help!
- For more information ...call

SCOTT STAFFORD

VETERANS REPRESENTATIVE
501 N. Loraine
(915) 682-9421, Ext. 201

TELEMARKETERS needed immediately. No experience necessary. $5.00 per hour, 687-1830.

WOODWORKER/ Refinisher needed. Experience helpful. 570-8281.

311 Medical Help Wanted

CARE ATTENDANTS

needed. Flexible hours.
* Light Housekeeping
* Meal Preparation
* Grooming
* Personal Care

Interim Health Care Services
Primary Home Care
Contact 550-7593

DENTAL OFFICE seeking experienced dental assistant and receptionist. Must be an aggressive individual and a team player. Excellent benefits. Send resumes to Box F-29, c/o The Midland Reporter- Telegram, P. O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79702.

MEDICAL- Interim Health Care Inc. has the following positions available, RN's, LVN's for staff relief only. Call Monday- Friday, 8 am- 5 pm. 550-0777 for appointment.

MEDICAL Office Solutions Medical Transcription, 10¢ a line; word processing; forms and layout design; scanning & OCR. Call 694-9609, fax 694-9701.

MEDICAL- InHome care now accepting applications for RNs, LVNs with home health experience preferred. Please call 520-1544.

MEDICAL- Texas Licensed Respiratory Therapists. Permanent or long/ short term assignments. Lodging, per- diem, and travel provided. 800-581-4846.

RN- Full Time required for busy ASC. OR experience required. Send resumes to: P.O. Box 9250, Midland, 79708.

X-RAY TECHNICIAN- full time for busy ASC. Other duties to included OR Tech and Venipuncture. Send resume to P.O. Box 9250, Midland, TX 79708.

311 Medical Help Wanted

ACCOUNTING Supervisor- Independent Oil & Gas Operator. Must have following accounting experience: JIBs, revenue distribution, general ledger & financial statements. Must have computer expertise and good communication skills. Send resume and salary requirements in confidence to "Accounting Supervisor", P.O. Box 2237, Midland, Texas 79702-2237.

LEGAL Experience preferred but not required, WordPerfect and bookkeeping experience required. Submit resumes to P.O. Box 10561, Midland, TX 79702.

PETROLEUM Engineer. Midland Independent seeks versatile, energetic, results oriented engineer with a minimum of 8 years total experience. Applicant must have an Engineering Degree with drilling production and reservoir experience as well as PC computer skills. Benefits package applies. Send resume, references and salary expectations in strict confidence to: Box D-02, Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

BANK

WESTERN NATIONAL Bank, the Permian Basin's largest independent bank, seeks experienced banking professionals for the following positions:

TELLER SUPERVISOR- KERMIT

CREDIT CLERK-ODESSA

Please send resume to: Personnel P. O. Box 4597, Odessa Texas 79760, or please FAX to (915) 334-5525.

LEGAL- Small Law Firm seeks a legal secretary who has oil & gas and litigation background. Knowledge of WordPerfect 6.1 for Windows would be a plus, as would speedy typing skills. Send resume to: Box E- 50, % Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

SOILS/ CONCRETE Technician, NICET Certified wanted for Andrews area. Construction inspection experience necessary. Certification with nuclear density gauge required. Must have transportation. Call (512) 447-8166 or fax resume (512) 447-0852.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

"FALL IN LOVE" with our office assignments. No fee. Temporary Resources, 684-0527.

JOIN THE TEMP TIME TEAM. Temporay positions with "The Best In Town" 687-1545.

V.I.P. EMPLOYMENT. Call us today for information regarding temporary and permanent jobs. (915) 686-9722.

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316 Sales Help Wanted

INSURANCE- ARE YOU READY! for an unusual sales opportunity? Expense paid training and guaranteed income to start. Rapid advancement. Call 1-800-228-4252.

SALES position available at seasonal store opening in Midland Park Mall for December 1st thru 27th. Excellent pay and flexible hours for responsible self- motivated individuals. Please call 915-367-1578 from a touchstone phone for more information.

318 Management Help Wanted

ON-SITE PROP MGR/ LEASING AGENT

Experienced prop. mgr. to handle leasing/mgmt. of condo properties. Real Estate license required. Mail resumes to: Midland Property Manager, 8111 LBJ Freeway, Ste. 835, Dallas, TX 75251 or fax 214/644-3810.

320 Skilled Trades

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ALARM INSTALLERS

Fast growing national company needs experienced technicians. Top pay, company truck, rapid advancement, full benefits. Call (915) 570-8890.

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ELECTRICIAN. Residential & commercial service work. Willing to travel. Expense allowance and excellent wages. 689-4151.

MACHINIST wanted. Engine Lathe operator. Must have minimum 5 years experience, have own tools. Must pass drug test. Call 686-0405.

MECHANIC wanted. Midland's only Honda Kawasaki Suzuki Polaris dealership is seeking an experienced technician with both motorcycle and watercraft experience. 5 day work week, salary based upon experience. Contact Rodger at 520-2080.

MUD ENGINEER

Needed Mud Engineer for New Mexico Send resume to: Box F-25, c/o The Midland Reporter Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland Texas 79701.

312 Professional Help Wanted

CHIEF ENGINEER

Parker Technology, Inc. (PARTECH) is recognized industry wide as a manufacturer of quality, innovative oilfield equipment including drilling, workover, and oilwell stimulation products used worldwide.

We are seeking a Chief Engineer responsible for all engineering and design functions for its entire line of products and services. The successful candidate will head up a comprehensive engineering staff including project engineers, designers, and quality assurance. The ideal candidate must be registered, have a BSME with design experience in drilling equipment including machine design, structural design, and static and dynamic stress analysis. Knowledge of materials and manufacturing processes is also essential. Minimum of 5 years supervisory experience as well as strong customer relations expertise is a must.

If you are qualified, please forward your resume or apply in person.

We offer competitive salaries and an outstanding benefit package.

PARTECH
Attention: Joe Brown
4501 South County Road 1310
(East Highway 80)
Odessa, TX 79765
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SALES CONSULTANT

Abacus Computers, Inc. dba ValCom Computer Center is inviting applications for the position of Sales Consultant at our Claydesta store. Applicants should have a degree in Computer Science or Business, outside sales experience and a knowledge of computers.

Please send current resume with salary requirements to:

ValCom Computer Center
Attn: Mark Singh
6 Desta Drive, Suite 1350
Midland, TX 79705

320 Skilled Trades

NC LATHE operator needed immediately. Programming experience necessary. Only experienced personnel need apply. Contact Barbara at 563-1266.

OIL FIELD- Phoenix Well Service is now hiring experience pulling unit operators. Benefits include excellent pay scale, family insurance plan, bonus pay program. 685-6004 or come by 1306 W. County Rd. 114, Midland.

Oilfield- **WANTED**
Experienced Oilfield Rig- Up Truck Driver.
Top wages, Group Insurance, Profit Sharing.
Gene Sledge Drilling Corp.
570-4732 or 683-5261
1602 South Midkiff
8- 5, Monday thru Friday
Call for appointment or Apply in person

336 Adult Care Providers

CHRISTIAN CNA seeks private duty nursing. Over 25 years experience. Excellent references. (210) 372-2680.

WILL SIT with the sick and elderly. Experienced with Alzheimers and Parkinson patients. 20 years experience. References available upon request. 699-7415, 520-4036.

I AM SEEKING a full or part time position with elderly or disabled. Call 687-0748.

CERTIFIED Nurses aide seeks full time private duty care. CPR certified, 5 years hospital experience and 2 years experience in doctors office. 697-8801.

IN-HOME Care will provide sitters, nurses aides and nurses for the elderly and disabled at reasonable rates. Call 520-4425.

340 Child Care Needed

TREY needs a babysitter, he's only 19 months old. Our home or yours, Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Nonsmoking environment. References and transportation required. Call Susan 571-3460 days or 699-7280 weekends and evenings.

341 Child Care Providers

REGISTERED Home, 8 years experience. One opening. Please feel free to come and visit our home. For appointment 682-1580.

CHILD CARE in my home. Fun, love and activities, have references. 520-7534.

CHILD CARE Northeast Midland. Experienced. Drop ins welcome. Snacks provided. Call 682-4233.

DO YOU need a sitter while you do Santa's shopping? Day or night. Call Cindy, 570-8882.

GRANNY'S Playhouse. Licensed. 1 1/2 to 3. 5:30 to 5:30, Monday thru Friday. 4406 Thomason, 694-0104.

GREENWOOD openings for full time children. Monday- Friday, lunch & snacks provided. Call 570-4938.

CHILD Care with hot meals. Have openings 0- 7. CPR First Aid certified. 563-2925.

MOTHER of two will care for 1 or 2 children in my home- any age. Monday- Friday 7:30- 6:30. 520-2850.

350 Business Opportunities

$950 DOWN, 6 new snack machines. Product and locations included. 1-800-803-9001.

$NEED EXTRA INCOME$ Work 6- 10 hours a week. Call 520-1573.

350 Business Opportunities

GET REAL Estate license quickly. Short state courses. Day, Weekend or evening Southwest College, 697-7277.

WORK From home! 15- 20 hours/ week. $500- $800 potential. Call 689-4372 Monday through Friday, 11 am- 5 pm.

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ULTIMATE Home based business. America's fastest growing communication company needs you! Be your own boss with flexible hours and excellent pay. No degree or experience required. Call 570-6754.

LOOKING FOR an Opportunity to own your own business without any of the typical hassles? We require: No capital investment, No delivery, No experience, No inventory, No employees. Start today! For more information or appointment call 694-3237.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

TREADMILL, D.P. brand, motonzed, in great condition $150. Call 694-0982.

RESTHAVEN- lot 294, spaces 1- 4, Garden of Devotion, $6,000 for all; (817) 572-0152.

MOVING OUT of Town! Beautiful antique oak buffet, $500. Upright freezer, $200. TRU cut reel lawn mower, excellent condtiion, $450. Coffee, couch, end table, set of 3 tables, $300. Amana microwave, $100. White pine armoire, 5 ft., $75. Blue vinyl wing desk chair, $75. Stock Chevy 400 C. I. engine, $150. 687-0908.

ROUND TRIP Southwest Airlines ticket, anywhere they fly, 100% transferable. $240. 699-7807.

QUEEN SIZE waterbed for sale, bladder, frame, & heater included. $80. 684-4072.

COUCH $175, coffee /end table set $100; La-Z-Boy $100; blue plush carpet 9 x 15 $125; microwave $100; brass /wicker rocker $50; queen headboard and bed set $300, entertainment center $50; chest $100; playpen $40; baby swing $20; carrier $15. 686-8421.

DOG HOUSES, new $35- $45. Glider swings $65. Porch swings, $35. Childs playhouse $400. 563-0452.

TRAMPOLINE- round, with pads, RX Treadmill brand, $190. Call 683-9156.

HOT TUB. Laguna 400. Seats 5. Redwood cabinet. Very good condition. $1,500 or best offer. Call 550-3735 after 5:00.

OASIS hot and cold water dispenser. Like new. $250. Set of new bifold louvered doors, 5' x 6' 8", $100. Large selection of Christmas items including wreaths. Call 682-0170.

LOOK Years Younger before the holidays with our "State of the Art" skin care products. Works like magic. Call 689-4372 Monday through Friday, 11 am- 5 pm.

MR CHRISTMAS- 7 1/2' Bavarian pine Christmas tree. Very good condition, like new, $60. 697-9449.

TWO 2400 Baud modems $25 each; 1991 Camaro RS rims, teal green $100; Commodore 64 computer with software $40; Truck speaker box for 10" speakers $40; size 12 -14 white, beaded wedding dress $300. 520-6239 after 5 pm, 567-4992 pager.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets for sale. 684-9617, Call after 3:30.

SPACE HEATERS, stoves, barstools, China cabinets/ dinettes, furniture, appliances, mowers, golf clubs, coolers, Volkswagen. 570-4851.

Curiosity Corner

EXERCISE Machine, Sears Cardiofit, like new. $120. Leave message, 683-9133.

ELECTRIC Train, large 8', life like. Brand new- never used, $50! 694-7209.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

LITTLE Tikes 2 story Barbie House with furniture. $75. 697-7505.

HOLIDAY DRESS for Holiday Parties. Blue Sequins. Worn once. Practically new. $30. 697-8090.

RESTHAVEN Garden Prayer Lot 107 Section. 2 Spaces Beautiful setting. $800 each. 682-0355.

HERBALIFE Distributor for products or opportunity. Call 697-1610 or 687-5061.

JUKE BOX- made by Antique Apparatus, California, model #RB-8. Plays 45 rpm records, capacity 100/ 200 play. Excellent condition, $4,000. 694-2052.

BARGAINS on vacuum cleaners. New and rebuilt. All makes. Rainbow, Kirby, Hoover, Eureka, Panasonic, Royal, Sharp- you name it. Repair all makes. 520-6464.

WESLO Cadence 3350 Treadmill. In fair condition. $125. 697-2465.

MOTORIZED pink Barbie Car. $100. Very good condition. In time for Christmas. 689-0268.

BIKE- men's 26" 10 speed. Would make nice Christmas present- only $35. 689-7603.

HOT SPRINGS Spa- Classic. Seats 5 -6 people, 4 years old, $2,500. 697-1581.

TICKET on Southwest Airlines, round trip anywhere they fly. $300 negotiable. Expires January 31st. 694-7148.

BLEMISHED SPAS. 5 Left! 10 year warranty; free redwood cabinet and cover. Financing and delivery available. Call 563-3108 or 550-5225 after 3:00.

SEARS Lifestrider treadmill. Good condition. $150. Graco portable playpen /bed, $25. Excellent condition. 683-9535.

PARTY! Get through the holiday season without gaining weight! All natural, proven product! 694-6306.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN Ladies Jeans. Size 17- 20. Excellent condition. Matching western shirt. $25. 520-0965.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

WEIDER 4 station weight system, excellent condition, asking $200. Call after 5 pm, 697-1968.

SHASTA Travel trailer $700. 4 15" tires with chrome rims $250. Trampoline $100. Camper Shell $75. All this or best offers, 697-2731.

SAY "Merry Christmas" All Year with a one- year subcription to D & L Flag Service, Inc. American and/ or Texas Flags are installed 5 times a year by our company. For information, call 570-6506; weekends and evenings, 694-8247.

LET ME BE YOUR D.J. New Years Parties, 50's Parties, Anniversary Parties, etc. Call 686-9036.

413 Jewelry & Furs

1.3 TOTAL Carat Weight womens wedding ring with matching mans band. Appraised at $2,000 +. Make offer. 694-2150.

FOX FUR, white, medium sized coat. Originally $2,500, sell for $800. 687-3962.

MAHOGANY Mink Coat, 3/4 length, medium /large, strikingly beautiful and luxurious. $2,500 (appraised at $4,200). 699-7764.

LADIES small mink coat, Excellent Christmas present. $2,500. Serious inquires only. 570-0348.

LADIES small white Fox fur coat, excellent condition, $500. 697-8260.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

NEED caps and tennis shoes for missions to Mexico. I'll pick-up, 683-6627.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

BUYING PECANS! Gardendale Pecan Processing. Shelling and Pecan Sales. Honey butter, homemade candy, fudge, pies and holiday breads. Thrashing poles, pecan pickers, burlap bags, and crackers. Monday- Saturday, 9- 6. FM 554, Gardendale. 366-9793.

420 Good Things To Eat

HOLIDAY BAKING- For any of your holiday baking needs call 570-4367.

★ MESQUITE smoked Hams (honey glazed, spiral sliced, 6 pounds, $25) or Turkeys (8- 10 pounds $20). Fully cooked- "heat & serve". Individually gift boxed. Call 9 am- 4 pm, MHS Band Boosters, 689-1130.

430 Household Goods

★ 100.00 AND UP. Washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves. Warranty. Delivery. Call 550-6540.

SECTIONAL- beautiful, new sectional couch $450, home stereo with speakers, Pioneer and Sherwood mixed $350. 697-7379 ask for Michael.

HIDE A BED Couch, Recliner, 2 End Tables, 2 Coffee Tables, 2 Lamps. Negotiable. 520-3417.

COUCH with queen hide-a - bed, matching love seat. Waterbed. Washer/ dryer. Pecan desk. Computer furniture. Table/ chairs. Stereo. Misc. items. Appointment only, all sales cash- no checks. (915) 520-8539.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall. 699-1224.

FROST FREE refrigerator, 14 cu. ft. runs great. $75. Call 520-0710.

REMODELING Sale! Recliners $75 each, twin bed complete $175, freezer $125, chest & tables. 699-7703.

BRAND NEW, still in plastic, any size mattress and box set. Free frame or delivery. 550-5123.

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201 CLUB DRIVE, Friday Only, 8- 2, 2 Family. All size clothing, dining table, 2 leafs, 6 chairs, matching coffee and sofa table, 4 bicycles, much more.

FURNITURE SALE! Friday 2- 5:30 pm, Saturday 10 am- 5 pm, 1002 W Golf Course Road. Antique twin beds, wicker desk. Dresser, utility desk, Magnavox stereo record player with 45 adapter. Chair, ottoman.

CHRISTMAS TREE & Decoration, clothes, alot of junk, bedding and furniture. 1615 S Terrell. Thursday- Saturday, 9- 5.

INSIDE/ OUTSIDE Sale! Coats & Christmas decorations & other things! 9 am- ?, 2703 Kessler.

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YARD SALE! Make Us An Offer Day! Saturday, Dec. 2nd. 3518 W. Ohio. Christmas decorations, furniture, stereo, name brand winter clothes, childrens toys & clothes, adorable pups.

FRIDAY & Saturday 8 am- 2 pm, 3605 Apache Drive. Dishes, childrens clothes, toys, toddler bed, and lots of misc!

MOVING SALE! Bedroom Suites, 1 with canopy, TV, microwave, 8 to 8. 4002 Avondale. 699-5832.

BOY SCOUT Troop 76 Craft Sale!! KMart parking lot, Saturday, December 2nd, 10 am- 3 pm. Lot of homemade cra^s reasonably priced!!!

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OUT OF BUSINESS! GE electric stove, upright freezer, (2) 6' display cases, Mexican Vanilla $5/ gallon, 5 gallon industrial mixer, misc. cake supplies and cake pans, fox fur coat, Madame Alexander doll. Thursday- Saturday, 4601 Pasadena.

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ESTATE SALE
2603 B HAYNES
FRIDAY / SATURDAY 9-6
SUNDAY 1 - 5

Rowal Dux, Coalport China (florals, lettuce leaf and Revelry set), Bristol, Royal Doulton (jugs, pictures, misc.), Dresden, Staffordshire figure, Flow Blue, Cobalt stemmware, Austria, Wedgewood, RS Germany, Cut glass, Cherub china, Italian cherub candelabras, Perfume bottles, Roseville fushia pitcher, Figurines, Napkin rings, Ornate silverplate, Ivory, Orientalia (brass, carved wood, figures, carved tables, teak screen), Fruit Pastel, Victorian prints, Walnut curio shelf, Walnut wall shelf, fine linens, Duck Decoys, Coffee tables, Upholstered chairs, and too much more to mention.

Due to the small size of the house, we will have to limit the number of people in the house to 35 at one time.

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ESTATE SALE- Antiques, living room, bedroom and dining room furniture, collectibles, TV sets, appliances, dishes. Call 687-2018 for appointment.

3203 FRONTIER DRIVE. Popup trailer, Jon Boat with trailer, outboard motors, upright freezer, sewing machine with cabinet, tent, desk, computer desk with hutch, books, much misc. Saturday & Sunday, 8 -?

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FRIDAY Only 7:30 am to 2 pm. Bicycle, lot of misc. household items, comforters, lots of what nots! 106 E. Dengar.

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3 FAMILY Yard Sale. Saturday- Sunday, 2718 W. County Rd. 114. Turn right off Cotton Flat Road, on 114. Christmas artificial tree, doors, coats, tools, lawn mower, dolls, lots of other miscellaneous.

1306 W. County Road 130. Saturday only 9 -6. Ping pong table, Ford truck seats, furniture, Rocky Mountain jeans, books, lots of odds & ends.

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GARAGE Sale 4409 Norwood, Tuesday through Friday 9 am- 5 pm in the alley. 50 years accumulation! Glass, lamps, household items, collectibles, tools, much more! No early birds!

AREA SALES

TWO GRANNYS, 14 B Meta, clearance sale on selected ladies wear.

STANTON- Awesome collection of garage sale stuff by the Senior Citizens of Martin County. It will be worth your drive to Stanton! Saturday only, 9 am- 3 pm, in the Quonset building downtown.

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GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20

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A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm	Master Bdrm
Gar	Garage
Bldg	Building
Cond	Condition
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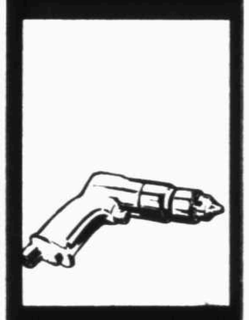
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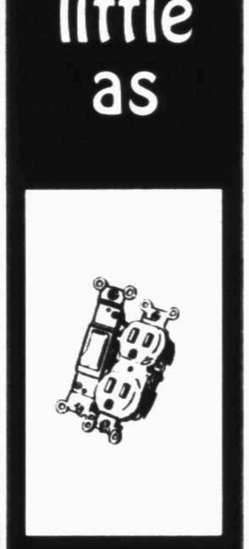
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