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'What I'm thankful for ...'

Teen blessed with new family

By Isela Agundis
MRT Correspondent

The story of Sabrina Smitch, a 15-year-old at Midland Freshman High School, is like something out of a "feel-good" movie, the kind of movie opening with a seemingly hopeless plight and we think, "Oh no, this is going to have a bad ending." Then something dramatic happens to alter the course of events and things end on a happy note.

After listening to Sabrina, one feels the way they do after one of those movies — happy and hopeful.

Sabrina is the top winner in the Midland Reporter-Telegram's "What I'm Thankful For Thanksgiving Essay Contest." She and 10 other winners received a Thanksgiving turkey.

Sabrina and her little sister, Sarah Smitch, 11, endured an unstable upbringing while living with their mother in Arizona.

Their father, Adam Smitch, won custody of his daughters about a year ago.

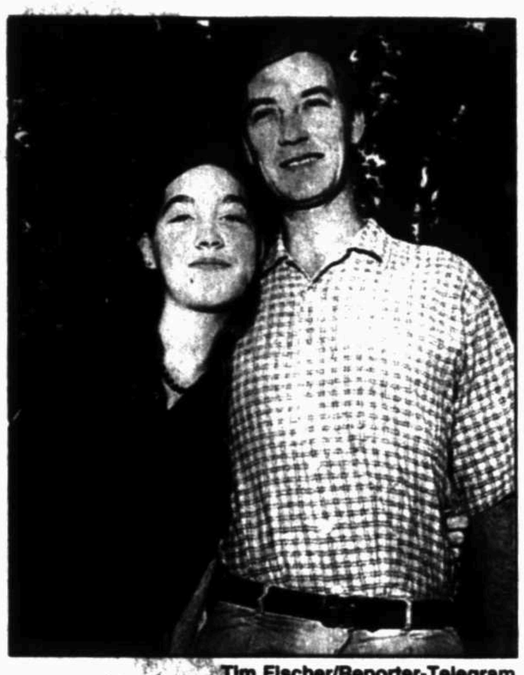
Sabrina knows what it's like to live in shelters, to be kicked out of houses and to be homeless. When one of her mother's boyfriends got mad and threw them out of a house, they usually had about 10 minutes to gather their belongings and go to a neighbor's house or a shelter. Shelters frequently rejected the trio because of the mother's unruly behavior. The three then lived in their car.

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She said that her mother paid little or no attention to Sabrina. The boyfriends who were on drugs or sold drugs got most of her mother's attention, Sabrina said.

Sabrina's little sister got the leftovers. Despite their circumstances, Sabrina said

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Essay winner Sabrina Smitch, 15, left, is thankful for a new life with her father, Adam Smitch, right.

Youth gives his turkey to High Sky

By Isela Agundis
MRT Correspondent

Essay contest winner Montgomery Floyd has decided to spread the goodwill and meaning of Thanksgiving.

The Greathouse Elementary fourth-grader, son of David and Debbie Floyd, is giving his turkey to High Sky Children's Ranch.



Montgomery Floyd

His mom said that when she told him he was one of 11 winners he was really excited and decided at that moment what he would do.

"The reason he probably chose High Sky is that since the children were 2 or 3 years old, I've taken them to choose a gift for a boy or girl from High Sky and a child chosen from one of the ornaments hung on the Child Protective Services Angel Tree at the Midland mall," Mrs. Floyd said.

The youth teaches a lesson on giving. He didn't think his essay would be considered because it was short but he was very happy. He said he decided to give the turkey to the High Sky children because his family already had a turkey.

"I wanted to give it to them because they're less fortunate than I am and they need it more than I do," Montgomery said.

Last year, he gave to High Sky two games that he got for Christmas.

"I feel good inside because I know they really don't have the chance to have those toys."

Happy anniversary

Pair thankful for 75 years of marriage

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

For 75 Thanksgivings, E.D. "Fritz" and Dola Fitzgerald have had plenty of causes to give thanks.

It was Thanksgiving week in 1925 when the couple, now 94 and 93, got married by a preacher on a Taylor County country road in the beams of a Model T Ford's headlamps.

He was 19. She was 18.

Their only child, Ike Fitzgerald,74, said he learned from family tales that they were out there to escape the affectionate "haranguing and hazing" of friends "back in those days" at weddings.

On the next Thursday at their home on the ranch, they had to do some finagling before Thanksgiving dinner. Rather than traditional turkey, there was to be a hen for dinner. But there was no table.

"We didn't have a table," Mrs. Fitzgerald recalled, and her new husband built one for Thanksgiving.

It turned out to be 3 feet wide and 6 feet long.

"I built the framework out of 2-by-4s," Fitzgerald said. "The legs were 4-by-4s, and the top was 2-by-12s for a 6-foot long table."

The next thing, the new bride sent her husband to the Bradshaw community to get a tablecloth. "And he got linen instead of an oil cloth," she recalled.

At dinner, there was "just the

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TOP: Dola and Fritz Fitzgerald were married Thanksgiving week 75 years ago. Their first Thanksgiving dinner was chicken and all the trimmings, eaten on a table that Fitzgerald had made.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

LEFT: The Fitzgeralds were married on a Taylor County country road in order to escape hazing by their friends, said their son, Ike Fitzgerald.

Photo courtesy Fitzgerald family

Bush takes his fight to high court

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — George W. Bush asked the U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday to bar the use of recounted ballots in Florida's fiercely contested presidential election.

Bush's lawyers filed two appeals with the nation's highest court and asked the justices to grant quick review. However, they did not file any emergency request for an immediate halt to the recount.

"This is a case of the utmost national importance, involving the Constitution's most fundamental rights as exercised in the nation's most important election," the lawyers said in court papers. "The outcome of the election for the presidency of the United States may hang in the balance."

Bush's lawyers asked the justices to review Tuesday's Florida Supreme Court ruling that allowed the recount in three Democratic-leaning counties to continue until Sunday, and to bypass a federal appeals court and review a federal judge's decision last week not to block the recount.

The appeal of the federal judge's ruling asked the justices to decide "whether the use of selective, arbitrary and standardless recounts that threaten to overturn the results of the election for president of the United States violates the equal protection clause, the due process clause and the First Amendment" of the Constitution.

"This case is extraordinary," Bush's lawyers said. "It raises issues of imperative public importance seen only once in a generation."

Without a decision by the Supreme Court, "the consequences may well include the ascension of a president of questionable legitimacy, or a constitutional crisis," the appeal said.

Bush's lawyers asked the Supreme Court to hear the case and issue a decision before Dec. 18, when electors from the states are scheduled to make the final vote for president.

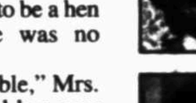
The Florida Supreme Court ruled Tuesday that hand recounts of ballots could continue in three Democratic-leaning counties until Sunday, which could cut Bush's 930-vote lead in the official tally.

Earlier, Bush took to the airwaves to say he thought the court had overreached its authority and was trying to rewrite state election law.

"Make no mistake, the court rewrote the law. It changed the rules, and it did so after the election was over," Bush said.

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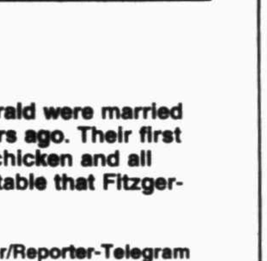
Cheney suffers 'very slight heart attack'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican vice presidential candidate Dick Cheney had surgery Wednesday to open a clogged artery after suffering what doctors called a "very slight" heart attack, knocking George W. Bush off stride in his struggle to win Florida — and the presidency.

Doctors at George Washington University Hospital predicted a hospital stay of a few days and a recovery of a few weeks for the 59-year-old former defense secretary, who has a history of heart disease dating to his late 30s. The illness added new uncertainty to a White House bid under a cloud ever since America voted, more than three weeks ago.

Cheney suffered three heart attacks more than a decade ago and had quadruple bypass surgery in 1988 to clear clogged arteries. Doctors gave him a clean bill of health when Bush chose him as his running mate this summer, but Cheney has since refused to release his past medical records.

Throughout most of the day, the Bush campaign and doctors at the hospital had insisted



Cheney

that Cheney had not suffered a heart attack, although he had suffered some chest pains in recent years.

"Dick Cheney is healthy. He did not have a heart attack," Bush told reporters in Texas — even as his running mate was undergoing surgery. Bush did not mention the surgery and called Cheney's decision to go to the hospital "a precautionary measure." Bush's spokeswoman, Karen Hughes, said the Texas governor "had been told the secretary had not had a heart attack."

By late Wednesday afternoon, the hospital held a second news conference to announce the changed diagnosis. "There was a very slight heart attack," said cardiologist Alan Wasserman.

Doctors also revealed that the clogged artery causing Cheney's chest pain was 90 percent blocked — meaning little blood was getting through that artery and reopening it was crucial.

Cheney's ordeal — he checked himself into the hospital — was the latest surprise to rock one of the most extraordinary election campaigns in American history.

Under the worse circumstances, a vice president-in-waiting who becomes unable to take office can be replaced by the presidential candidate with the blessing of his party — as long as that happens before the Electoral College meets in December.

But doctors foresaw nothing that would force Cheney from carrying out vice presidential duties should Bush and he prevail in Florida.

Still, his condition could hamper already

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What I am thankful for: the winning essays

Elementary school students' essays:

Thank goodness for friends, freedom, Texas and family

My name is Brady. I was born in Oklahoma, but I live in Texas now. I am a fourth grader at Greathouse Elementary. There are many things I am thankful for.

I am thankful for my nice, loving family. They always support me. Where I play baseball, they support my team even if I don't win. My family makes me feel good about my effort.

I am thankful for my freedom because children aren't treated bad and do not have to work. People in America have freedom of speech.

I am thankful for my friends. Whenever I need one of them, they are always around. They made friends with me when I moved from Oklahoma. They are always nice to me.

I have so many blessings that it makes my head hurt just thinking about it. For family and friends, freedom and my home, I am truly blessed.

— Brady Clark,
Greathouse Elementary School fourth-grader

Thank goodness for my home, my grandpa and medicine

I am thankful for the home I live in and sleep and live in. I see lots of people that are very unfortunate and we should be thankful for our homes. I am thankful for my grandpa's medicine for his Parkinson's disease and he just got back from Boston for his new doctors.

— Montgomery Floyd,
Greathouse Elementary School fourth-grader

Thank goodness for the U.S.A., President Clinton, Daddy and Mommy

I'm grateful to live in the U.S.A., one nation under God. I am thankful for the U.S. that does not have child labor like in other countries. We've been studying in school about Central America has 5- and 3-year-old children working for a living gathering wood and crushing stones. I'm thankful for President Bill Clinton and other leaders of the world that are working together to put a stop to child labor.

I want to give thanks to my family, my Daddy and Mommy, my sisters, my home, the little ranch, goats, dogs, cats and chickens. My education, I want to give thanks to Mr. Kelly at Central Office and all the staff and the opportunity to attend Greathouse Elementary.

I want to thank God for my life, all the good things and all of the above. Thank you for a day called Thanksgiving.

— Megan Hernandez,
Greathouse Elementary School fourth-grader



Thank goodness for my uncle and his dog named Juda

My name is Michael Krol. I'm nine-years-old and in the third grade at Parker. I have a lot to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. I took my first plane trip to see my great Uncle Chester M. Krol. He was a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy. He fought in World War II with a .22 rifle that he gave to me. We keep it unhooked with the "safe" switch on and no bullets in it. I know my great uncle Chester fought for our freedom. He met a pilot named Joe and they became friends and wrote to each other during World War II. Soon Joe died in a plane crash and my great uncle Chester learned later his friend's brother would be famous. Joe's brother John F. Kennedy became president of the U.S. My great uncle Chester has a dog named Juda that is really fun to play with. I'm glad he has a dog because his wife died a long time ago and his daughter died now. That's why we went to see him in Katy, Texas. I'm thankful I got to meet my great Uncle Chester. I'm thankful for him and other soldiers like my grandfathers John F. Millwee and Walter J. Krol Sr. who fought for our right to be free.

— Michael J. Krol,
Parker Elementary School third-grader

Thank goodness for another day to live, dogs, cats and my grandma

I am thankful that God gave me another day to live and that God brought me into this world. I'm thankful that God also made cats, dogs, cows, chickens, bears, ducks, lizards, turtles, dinosaurs, lions, mice, porcupines, hippopotamuses, pigs, zebras, chimpanzees, frogs, snails, snakes, and all kinds of animals. Animals can help people. My mom is helpful because she helps my grandma when she falls and hurts her leg. My grandma is helpful because he buys me stuff. I'm thankful my sisters are helpful because they help me do stuff. I'm thankful for all my family because they help me.

— Kimberly Lujan,
De Zavala Elementary School third-grader

Thank goodness for mom, dad, animals and clothes

I'm thankful for my mom and dad because they buy me clothes and food. I'm thankful for my brother because he is nice and cool. I'm thankful for my mom because she had me in her stomach. I'm thankful for my cousin Luis because his family is poor. I'm thankful for all my cousins because they are nice and thankful, too. I'm thankful for clothes because if we did not have clothes we would all be disgusting. I'm also thankful for animals because they are nice and pretty.

— John Maldonado,
De Zavala Elementary School third-grader

Thank goodness for my grandma and our walks in the park

I'm thankful for my family because they give me a house to live in and food to eat. Also, they love me and I love them very much too. I'm very thankful for my grandma. I love her a lot. I like to stay with my grandma because she is all alone most of the time. So I stay with her on the weekends. She likes me to stay with her and I ask my mom if I can stay with her. She says that I can, and my grandma and I go walking to the park. She lets me play for a little bit and when I finish we go back home. Together we make tamales and we cook them. Then we eat them. This is fun with my grandma. Later we go to sleep. In the morning we go work in the garden. We plant the seeds and water the plants. It is very, very fun with my grandma.

— Amber Moran,
De Zavala Elementary School third-grader

High School and other essays:

Thank goodness for little things that make life worthwhile

Having traveled to Africa over the summer, I have found myself with feelings of gratefulness for possessions I never would have thought about previously. As the holiday season draws near and I sit in my room, CD player blasting and heater keeping me warm, I am thankful that the eight members of my family do not all share my room with me. As I take piping hot chocolate from the microwave and munch on snack foods, I am thankful that I only had to eat beans and rice everyday for two and a half weeks instead of for my entire life. I am thankful for my closet full of clothes so I do not have to wear the same shirt everyday. For deodorant and hot water available at the flip of a switch, I am thankful. All around my room on the floor there are shoes — the Nikes I wear to school, the Reeboks I run and exercise in, the Adidas I play basketbal' in, the Doc Martens, the sandals, the dress shoes. This sight reminds me of my African friends who are fortunate if they possess a mere pair of flip-flops to walk upwards of twenty miles each day. For my shoes I am thankful. Seeing my car keys on the table, I realize how blessed I am that my family has three cars while the entire town that I visited in Uganda had maybe five trucks to call its own — most, if not all, of which were government vehicles.

As I gather with my church family to celebrate what God has done for us, I see the turkey, the stuffing, and the many pies. Sitting in padded chairs and listening to a booming sound system, I remember my African friends. Perhaps they are meeting today in their tiny brick church with no walls or carpet. Maybe my friends are sitting on hard wooden benches and mats, praising and giving thanks to the Lord with their handmade harps and beautiful voices. The children of Africa then come to mind and I am thankful for my health. I am grateful that my stomach and belly button do not protrude from malnourishment. I am thankful that my parents can afford clothes for me, and when I am sick they can take me to the doctor. I have clean and safe drinking water for which I am most grateful. Tuberculosis, yellow fever, and malaria are not rampant in my neighborhood. In spite of all these differences, my African friends and I have something in common—Jesus Christ paid the price for our sins. For this wonderful gift of salvation open to anyone I am most thankful on Thanksgiving Day.

— Sharon Josefy
Midland High School junior

Thank goodness for my brave grandson

This Thanksgiving, I will give thanks to the Lord for giving me such a wonderful and strong grandson, Joshua Paul. Joshua Paul was born on March 29, 1989, with a cleft lip and pallet. He started having surgeries since age five months and every year after that. He is so brave and strong. Having to live his life with this, he has learned to fight off being discriminated. He has shown self-confidence, even when his classmates make fun of him. They'll tell him that he doesn't speak right. He'll respond with, "I was born with difficulties, but I will one day speak just like you." Joshua's faith has carried him a long way. He is an honor student in school. He is active in all sports. He is always there to help others. He is a Boy Scout. His dream in life is to go to college and graduate a doctor. He wants to help other children that are born like him overcome all that he has.

Joshua's heroes are Michael Jackson and Elvis Presley. He has an old guitar that he plays and sings just like Elvis and Michael. He lives to dance and to entertain people, even when people make fun of his speech.

This Christmas, Joshua will spend his Christmas holiday in the hospital in Dallas, Texas. He will have another surgery to correct his nose and mouth features. He is scared, just like any young man at the age of 11. However, Joshua will not tell you he is scared. He always wants to be the stronger of everyone. His father got laid off this summer. That doesn't upset Joshua. Joshua's favorite saying is, "My Lord will see me through it, I know." See now why I am thankful? I have a most giving, wonderful, smart, and strong grandson, Joshua Paul. Even when the chips are down, Joshua's spirit isn't.

— Elva Marie Gomer

Thank goodness for my supportive family and church

Do I have a Thanksgiving story? You bet: In late 1978 while at an art lesson I suddenly lost consciousness. Paramedics rushed me to the hospital where Dr. Bartha was on duty that evening. My doctor (Greenlee) soon told my husband, Arnold, there was no hope for my survival and to make plans accordingly. Arnold and our devoted daughter, Sharon, turned deaf ears to that advice, and thus began our struggle toward recovery. Our dear son-in-law, Daron, has been supportive and steadfast through it all and my real hero is my devoted husband of 52 years. Somehow I did survive, thanks, too, to the multitude of prayers sent up by members of our First Baptist Church (many strangers there later said they wondered who on earth that Dorothy O'Neil was they'd been praying for).

At that time I was a legal secretary for Gulf Oil and was involved in club work and community affairs, all of which ceased in an instant and left my lifestyle completely changed. My ability to drive, swim, dance and even type disappeared but I hardly think of those things now. Midland and Dallas hospitals kept me alive and Arnold's sister, Peggy Austin (an ex R.N.) came from Pleasanton to help up set up a mini-hospital in our home. In the car en route from Dallas to Midland I rose up and asked what was happening! I regained consciousness as quickly as I'd lost it! The first time Arnold drove me to the grocery store one evening after work, I felt I'd never seen such a beautiful sight as that parking lot at Albertson's where I waited for him to get supplies. Now who would be thrilled to be in a parking lot? I was.

At home, after years of L.V.N. assistance plus much therapy and hard work on everybody's part plus Dr. Bartha's great care, I have learned to appreciate each day of life and learned also that good things outnumber the bad by far. Mercifully, all that happened before I regained consciousness and has been erased from my memory and a beautiful bonus has come also — I have lived to enjoy our one and only precious grandchild, Megan, who was born in 1980. No wonder a favorite song of mine is "To God be the Glory, Great things He has Done."

— Dorothy D. O'Neil

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Former Houston mayor pleads guilty

By Melinda Deslatte
Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — Former Houston Mayor Fred Hofheinz says he never knew failing to report a felony was a crime until he was implicated in a federal extortion case that spun out of the investigation of former Gov. Edwin Edwards.

But Hofheinz, 62, pleaded guilty Tuesday to that federal crime in a case that originally included charges of extorting payoffs from Texas businessmen interested in seeking state contracts in Louisiana.

"I didn't know it was a crime until recently," Hofheinz said outside the courthouse. "But ignorance to the law is not an excuse."

The Houston lawyer admitted that he agreed to pay off a close friend of Edwards in hopes of obtaining a government contract in Louisiana. Hofheinz also said he never reported the extortion to authorities.

"I knew that was not fair game, but because I was so fully invested at that time, I chose not to report it," Hofheinz said.

U.S. District Judge Frank Polozola sentenced Hofheinz to a year of probation and issued a $5,000 fine. He could have faced up to 3 years in prison and $250,000 in fines. The ex-mayor said he will not lose his law license because of his plea.

"I think this is a victory. I feel vindicated," Hofheinz said. "I am not guilty of what I was charged with originally. I am guilty of being a victim. I am guilty of associating with some very bad guys in Texas."

U.S. Attorney Eddie Jordan would not comment on the plea agreement because of a gag order, but defense attorney Michael Ramsey said federal prosecutors approached him about a possible plea bargain three weeks ago.

"The government made me an offer I couldn't refuse," Hofheinz said.

Ramsey said Hofheinz's plea agreement was the 20th deal with prosecutors stemming from Edwards-related trials.

Polozola said he sentenced Hofheinz to probation because of his cooperation with government officials. The judge said he wanted to comment further but it would be inappropriate because of the upcoming trial of Eunice cattleman Cecil Brown, a close friend of Edwards.

Hofheinz and Brown were charged with three counts of bribery and one count of conspiracy. If convicted on all of those charges, Hofheinz could have received a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a $1 million fine, but federal sentencing guidelines probably would have lowered the maximum penalty.

Brown also was charged with extortion. His trial begins Jan. 16. Rebecca Hudsmith, Brown's lawyer, said she could not comment on the case or Hofheinz's plea agreement because of the gag order.

Hofheinz said while he is willing to testify in Brown's trial, he doesn't believe he will be called to the stand.

Prosecutors contend Brown tried to shake down Hofheinz, mayor of Houston from 1974-78, and others seeking state contracts, including one for a proposed juvenile prison in Jena in 1995.

Hofheinz said he never spoke with Brown, but was approached by Pat Graham, a Houston businessman and felon who, along with his brother Michael, received an immunity deal from federal prosecutors to provide information that touched off a probe of Brown and Edwards.

Prosecutors said Brown told Graham that Edwards' necessary state approval for the contracts would not be given unless Brown received large sums of money from Hofheinz's company, Viewpoint Development Corporation.

Prosecutors said Viewpoint paid Brown $10,000 a month, and Hofheinz said he agreed to pay Brown $1.3 million when the Jena prison was successfully financed. Viewpoint never raised enough money to fund the prison project and sold its rights to another company so Brown never received the $1.3 million.

Prosecutors also had alleged that Hofheinz paid bribes to Brown in an attempt to bring the Minnesota Timberwolves, a professional basketball team, to New Orleans and to obtain trash contracts for a company owned by Texas businessman Guy Thompson.

Thompson and Don Callicut, partners in Evergreen Global Resources in Baytown, already have admitted to roles in a scheme to secure government contracts.

Thompson pleaded guilty earlier this year to conspiracy. Callicut pleaded guilty in September to failure to report a crime.

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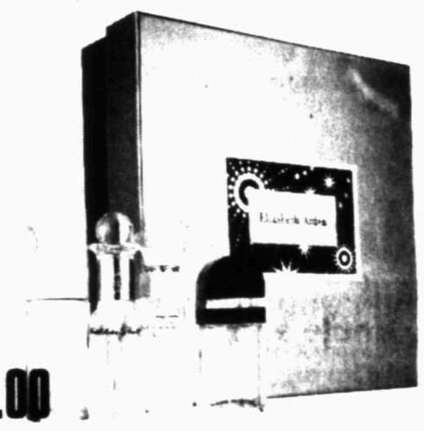


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3-day forecast



Today	Friday	Saturday
Sunny	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 57	High 54	High 61
Low 34	Low 32	Low 30

Today's forecast calls for cloudy skies with a 30 percent chance of showers. The high will be 52 with a southeast wind of 5-15 mph, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight's forecast calls for cloudy skies with a low near 30.

Thursday's forecast calls for a 40 percent chance of rain with highs in the mid-50s.

Thursday night should be cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain with a low in the mid 30s.

Friday's forecast should be partly cloudy. The low will be in the mid-30s and the high will be in the near 60.

After a low of 42, Wednesday's high was 57, compared to the record high of 81 in 1966. The record low of 22 was set in 1988.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Wednesday	0.00 in.	High	54
Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.	Low	36
Total for month	0.86 in.	Normal high	64
Total for year	9.30 in.	Normal low	37
Normal total (year to date)	14.22 in.		

Sunrise ... 7:24 a.m.
Sunset ... 5:46 p.m.

Lotto Texas

Because of an early press deadline for today's paper, the lottery numbers were not available.

TEEN: Sabrina's attitude has changed, dad says

(From 1A)

she felt no jealousy toward her little sister and acted as a second mother to the girl.

Sabrina said she was about 12 when she started hanging out with the wrong crowd and doing drugs. Her grades slipped to D's and F's and she skipped school. A normal day was spent playing hooky with friends doing drugs, getting in trouble with the law and coming home around 2 a.m. No one checked on her so she rarely went to school.

"I ditched all the time and did drugs because nobody would care anyway," Sabrina said. "My mom's friends were on drugs. One of them was a drug dealer."

Her grandmother was a beacon of hope. When Sabrina spent time with her grandmother, her grades improved. She felt loved. Sabrina was also aware that she eventually had to go back to her mother.

"Everything was just bad, except when we visited grandma," she said.

The situation went from bad to worse when her mother found out that the girls' grandmother was helping their father in his custody fight. From that point on, the girls were not allowed to visit grandma.

Meanwhile, her father and her stepmom, Bobbi, were regularly traveling back and forth to Arizona for custody hearings. Two years ago he gained temporary custody of both girls. They spent the summer in Midland but had to go back to Arizona until the final hearing.

Finally, just over a year ago, Smitch was awarded full custody. The judge gave Sabrina the chance to voice her opinion about where she would make her permanent home. She chose her father and his family.

"I refer to Bobbi as my real mother and my other one is the biological mother," Sabrina said. "I love her, Bobbi, better than my mother but I couldn't tell my real mom that."

She has three other siblings: a stepsister, Angie Clelland, 18; a stepbrother, Eric Swanson,14; and a half brother, Steven Smitch, 10.

Adjusting to a new family was not easy and sometimes she thought about going back. She said there were times she was tempted to return to the undisciplined, unstructured life she'd led with her mother.

Sabrina's life here is a drastic change. She has her own bedroom and goes to school every day, does her homework, and bedtime is around 9:30 p.m. She and her friends listen to music or go to movies and talk on the phone.

She said that although she has been tempted to do drugs, she has resisted that temptation. She said she is pro-rules and -restrictions because without them she wouldn't have goals.

"Here I can be a teen-ager and be myself," she said. "I'm really thankful that I have a real family that cares."

Smitch said he had been trying for years to win custody of his daughters. It has not been easy for anyone but he said Sabrina is a real joy and has been since she was little. She has her moments, but what teen doesn't, he said.

"She's done the changing that needs to be done," said her father. "She's gone a long way and changed her attitude."

His two daughters are home permanently and "they're not going anywhere."

When she first moved to Midland, Sabrina felt lonely. But she has persevered.

Her grades are now A's and B's instead of D's and F's and she no longer "ditches school."

Homework, curfew and rules are usually ugly words in a teen's vocabulary. But Sabrina now embraces them.

"I know where I'll be tomorrow," said Sabrina.

'Thanks to my Dad and stepmom'

Every year when Thanksgiving came around, I would think of what I was thankful for, and every year I wished it would be something meaningful but I couldn't say anything at all until about a year ago.

I was one of those teens who was in a bad environment and situation. Then about 2 1/2 years ago my dad filed for custody and he won a year later. So now I currently live with him.

Now it's Thanksgiving time again and I started to think about what I'm thankful for, and thanks to my Dad, stepmom, and other family members, I can say something meaningful.

I'm thankful for the food on the table everyday; for the simple fact that I know there are children out there who don't have any at all and I know how they feel. I couldn't be more thankful for the clothes on my back and the roof over my head, for the same reasons.

Most kids would take these things for granted, but if they would try to imagine life without them, they would appreciate it more.

I'm also thankful for the stability I have. I'm glad I don't have to come home and worry about where I'm going to end up tomorrow.

Last but not least I'm thankful for my friends and education. If not for friends I wouldn't get through life as easily, and everyone needs an education. I'm just thankful I have the chance to get one.

So when it's around Thanksgiving time and somebody asks me what I'm thankful for, I can proudly say, with the most meaning what I'm thankful for.

— Sabrina Smitch

FIGHT: Dade County board decides to stop vote recount

(From 1A)

In a day of fast moving developments, at least one of the recounts stopped without any intervention from Bush.

The election canvassing board members in vast Miami-Dade County announced they were shutting down because the chore was too overwhelming. They said there was no way they could finish in time.

The Gore campaign quickly filed an appeal in a Florida appeals court to restart the counting.

The Gore appeal said the decision to stop counting "flies in the face of an unambiguous unanimous Supreme Court decision."

Broward County's three-member canvassing commission planned to reconvene Thanksgiving Day to continue going through the remaining absentee and questionable ballots.

In other developments:

■ A Palm Beach County circuit judge ordered election officials on Wednesday to consider so-called dimpled ballots in their manual recount.

Circuit Judge Jorge Labarga's ruling means the three-member county canvassing board must consider some 10,000 questionable ballots — ones that have no punch through, but perhaps show an indentation — that had been set aside while Labarga considered the case.

■ Florida House Speaker Tom Feeney said he had summoned a law professor to advise the legislature on its "constitutional prerogatives" to enter the controversy. He denounced the Supreme Court decision and said, "The judicial branch has clearly overstepped its powers."

■ Circuit Judge Terry Lewis, whose earlier rulings on the statewide vote were reversed by the Florida Supreme Court, held a hearing on the Bush request to order counting of disputed military and overseas ballots in 14 counties. Lewis ordered the ballots in question be preserved. But he denied a Bush request to copy all the ballots so the review could begin immediately.Gore was not represented at the hearing.

In absentee ballots coming from residents living overseas — which are accepted up to 10 days after Election Day in Florida — Republican Bush gained 1,380 votes to 750 for Democrat Gore.

But more than 1,500 overseas absentee ballots were rejected, many of them because of problems with their postmarks.

Gore spokesman Doug Hattaway suggested it was ironic that Bush lawyers wanted to force counting of military ballots but stop the counting of ballots in south Florida which is heavily Democratic.

As for a Bush supreme court appeal, Hattaway said, "The Florida Supreme Court unanimously rejected their argument and we certainly hope the U.S. Supreme Court will see this appeal has no merit. There's no way that counting people's votes can be unconstitutional."

State Democratic chairman Bob Poe said of Bush, "I find it very odd that he condemns the Florida Supreme Court but then wants to go to the United States Supreme Court. ... You're not supposed to be able to shop for judges and shop for rulings.

Most legal experts said it was unlikely the U.S. Supreme Court would intervene in a state case without compelling evidence of a federal issue.

Jim Rossi, a law professor at Florida State University, said the most legally challenging issue might be any decision by the Florida Legislature to step into in the election controversy.

"The question is whether the Legislature is permitted to do this under the separation of powers statutes," Rossi said.

PAIR: Fitzgeralds have background in music

(From 1A)

two of us," Mrs. Fitzgerald said. "And I baked a hen and sweet potatoes, had a little potato salad, and a fruit salad."

Her husband said his new bride was a wonderful cook.

Later on, after their son came along, chicken remained the Thanksgiving fare along with the trimmings

"He (Ike) never cared for turkey, and neither did Fritz," Mrs. Fitzgerald said.

Fitzgerald's family background was ranching, hers was farming, and they went to the same community church in the Abilene area. Music was — and is — their fanciful love. Today, they just don't play it live anymore.

Fitzgerald recalled his attraction to his red-haired, green-eyed bride: "Good-looking and just as sweet as a bowl of sugar."

Still honed up on her wit, the bride of 75 years ago said she was attracted to her beloved for "just being a smart-aleck.

"No," she recanted. "Fritz was a real gentle person."

Six weeks after Ike Fitzgerald was born on a ranch on Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1926, the family moved to Midland, 3,000 population and a ranching-farming community on the threshold of a petroleum economy. Fitzgerald was carving out roads for the old Texas Highway Department when they moved to Midland.

They were an industrious, talented couple, especially in the musical realm.

In the workaday world, Fitzgerald, a mechanic, ran the downtown City Service Garage beginning in 1927, became a captain on the Midland Fire Department after starting out there as a volunteer in 1934, got into the water-well-drilling business, and operated the Playland Miniature Golf Course.

"He was the second paid man (by 1941) on the Fire Department," said Ike, who later became a Midland fire captain. "Dad kept the equipment up" and retired in 1951.

For most of their married years, the couple, who have a common background in music, played string instruments on ranches and in town and at rodeos. Fritz played "four-string harmony on the violin," their son said. "He was good."

Ike became adept on the guitar, bass fiddle, and banjo.

"Mom played the guitar," Ike said. "Dad played the violin. They were good."

By age 7, Fritz, who was influenced by his fiddle-playing father and grandfather, was playing the violin.

"All my family played music," said Mrs. Fitzgerald, who also played the piano. "We all just grew up playing."

After their marriage, the Fitzgeralds played at ranch houses on Friday nights and in town on Saturdays. "Everybody far and near heard about it," she said.

"There was (practically) nobody else in this part of the country but ranchers and cowboys," Mrs. Fitzgerald recalled. "Maybe some of them didn't believe in dancing and stayed at home.

"All the cowboys would come to town, whooped and hollered, and had a good time," she said.

The couple organized the Lone Star Ramblers, played Western swing, hoedown, break-down fiddle tunes, waltzes and played with the legendary Sons of the Pioneers.

"They played novelty music to big band," Ike said.

In Midland, the couple played at the old American Legion Hall in downtown Midland, site of the now-expanded Midland County Public Library and Midland County Historical Museum.

Both father and son played in the now-faded Downtown Midland Lions Club Orchestra that was organized just after World War II and which broke up in the 1970s.

"Dad, myself, and Victor Horn are the only ones alive who played in that band," Ike said. Horn played the guitar and saxophone.

By the late 1960s, the couple began to fade from the live music world of West Texas.

Today, Fritz's hearing, severely impaired from decades of playing the violin, prevents him from playing tunes.

"There's one good thing about being hard of hearing," he quipped. "You can't hear the bad things they say about you."

Of the old days, Mrs. Fitzgerald said that "I believe people were friendly, glad to see you, especially the ranch people."

Her husband of 75 years reveled in mixing with people and "was happy as could be," she said. "He met everybody with a smile and a shake."

"I liked everything the way they were," Fritz said. "People today leave their home, and they don't know where they are going and don't know what to do once they get there."

The Fitzgeralds' marriage has endured well.

"If he went anywhere, he took me with him," Mrs. Fitzgerald said. "I played the guitar, and he couldn't do anything without me."

Of life today, "We are just here everyday," she said. "We love company — not tired of life."

From Fritz's perspective, to explain why the marriage has thrived "is easy.

"I'm not like the old boy who said his wife ran off with his best friend," Fritz joked. "He said, 'They have been gone seven months, and I sure do miss my friend.'"

In an afterthought, the old-timer said, "I figure I'd miss her if she ran off."

The Fitzgeralds "are a real inspiration," said hospice nurse T.J. Palmer who cares for Mrs. Fitzgerald. "I've never seen two people so in love. He takes very good care of her."

Mrs. Fitzgerald was inspired to tease.

"You're not here when I'm with him," she jested.

"She has a good sense of humor," Ike said. "She has to put up with him."

On the couple's 75th wedding anniversary, old-time well-wishing friends, including Corbie Friday, a retired Midland Fire Department captain, and Eddie Klatt, assistant fire chief, dropped in to visit their friends.

The men all embraced — hugged. Their affection for the Fitzgerald couple was apparent and deep.

"Bless you for coming," Fritz said.

"You are aging pretty gracefully," Klatt told his old-time friend.

"I'm thankful," Fritz said. "That's why I'm here."

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Clinton announces food program

WASHINGTON (AP) — After pardoning Jerry the turkey for good behavior, President Clinton began his final Thanksgiving in office Wednesday by helping feed needy families and announcing new measures to help seniors get more fresh fruit and vegetables.

"As we gather around our dinner tables with family and friends, we must not forget also those who will be hungry this holiday season," Clinton said. "That's why it is so important that all Americans ... not only give thanks but give something back to their communities."

In a brown suede jacket, khakis and cowboy boots, Clinton joined children and senior citizens sorting food for needy families at the Capitol Area Food Bank in southeast Washington.

The president then announced three new Agriculture Department programs to help get food to those who need it.

Under the programs, the government will buy $200 million more in food commodities to go to food banks, senior feeding programs and soup kitchens; authorize $2.4 million in grants to help build community gardens and train schoolchildren in gardening, nutrition and food preparation; and create a $10 million grant program for states to give low income seniors coupons to shop for fresh produce at farmers' markets.

In the Rose Garden, Clinton spared Jerry the turkey of Barron, Wis., keeping him off someone's Thanksgiving menu.

The 45-pound snow-white turkey looked on as Clinton, his nephew Tyler, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman and representatives from the National Turkey Foundation stroked his back.

Jerry will be sent to Kidwell Farms at Frying Pan Park in Herndon, Va., a replica of a 1930s working farm. He will live there for the rest of his natural life with other pardoned Thanksgiving turkeys.

The turkey pardon has been a White House tradition since 1947.

HEART: Cheney has stent inserted in artery

(From 1A)

delayed efforts by Bush to plan for a government. Cheney has been Bush's point man on transition.

Bush and his aides brushed off questions about the stability of the GOP ticket and whether they were making contingency plans in case Cheney's illness sidelined him from planning any White House transition or serving a new Bush administration.

"Secretary Cheney will make a great vice president," Bush said.

Asked whether it would be prudent to have a backup plan, spokeswoman Hughes replied: "No, it's not." She added that Cheney has had similar pains in recent years, but not since Bush picked him to be his running mate last summer.

President Clinton said he hoped Cheney will be "well and fine."

"I need to call him and write him a note," Clinton told reporters.

Doctors said they did not think campaign-related stress was a factor in Cheney's heart attack, which occurred only a few hours after Florida's Supreme Court decided to permit manual ballot recounts in some Florida counties, a key victory for Gore.

Cheney admitted himself to the hospital about 4:30 a.m. EST Wednesday with chest pains, his wife, Lynne, at his side. Testing two hours later revealed an artery that had narrowed since his last heart checkup in 1996, according to Wasserman.

Through a blood vessel in his leg, doctors threaded a stent to prop open the narrowed artery, a minimally invasive surgical procedure that didn't require putting Cheney under general anesthesia. It should prevent further symptoms, Wasserman said.

"It would be exceedingly unlikely for him to undergo a repeat bypass operation," Dr. Jonathan Reiner, Cheney's personal physician, told reporters on Wednesday.

Cheney has said he quit smoking, exercises regularly and takes medicine to lower his cholesterol.

"It is possible that had he not come in something serious could have happened," Wasserman said.

Wasserman said Cheney would spend two to three days recovering but should have no restrictions after he leaves.

However, stents do frequently reclog in heart disease patients, particularly those with a long history of the disease like Cheney's. Patients with these conditions need to be monitored closely.

Ms. Hughes did not provide details on how often Cheney had experienced chest pains that required medical attention. She said Cheney had not had any episodes since he was selected to be Bush's running mate, but she did not say when Cheney's last hospital visit had occurred.

Reiner said earlier in the presidential campaign that cardiac stress tests "have been stable and unchanged for the past several years."

Cheney had a cold in the final weeks before the election but otherwise was in good health throughout the fall campaign.

Cheney's first attack, at age 37, was in 1978. He had a second in 1984 and a third in 1988. All were described as mild. In August of 1988, Cheney underwent the bypass surgery because of arterial blockages.

Biologists hope to triple world's population of California condors

By Walter Berry
Associated Press

PHOENIX — More California condors are scheduled to be released over the Grand Canyon in an effort to triple the population of the bird that was rescued from the brink of extinction in the late 1980s.

Fifteen of the giant birds already soar over the canyon cliffs as part of a reintroduction program that raises the birds in captivity and releases them into the wild. Thirteen more are scheduled to be released by late next month.

Ultimately, biologists hope to have a population of 150 condors in the Arizona wilds along with 150 more off California's mountainous northern coast and 150 others in captivity.

"Maybe in 10 to 20 years. That is the goal," Jeff Cilek, vice president for the Idaho-based Peregrine Fund that is heading the condor reintroduction program, said Thursday.

If reached, that goal would almost triple the current condor count of 164, which includes 40 in the wild, plus 124 in breeding facilities in California and Idaho.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has assisted the federally funded reintroduction program since 1987, when just 27 California condors existed.

North America's largest flying bird with a 10-foot wingspan, the vulture-like scavenger was once abundant from Texas to British Columbia.

But by 1849, miners in the California gold rush discovered that condor quills — light, hollow and nearly half an inch in diameter — were ideal containers for gold dust.

The birds also were shot because they preyed on hunters' kills, and still more died when they ingested shotgun pellets and got lead poisoning or flew into high-tension electrical wires.

By 1924, there were no wild condors left outside California. It was named an endangered species in 1967.

The Peregrine Fund, a nonprofit conservation group that helped save the peregrine falcon in the 1970s, started the condor reintroduction program in 1996. The first birds were released from captivity into the wild from the towering Vermilion Cliffs, 60 miles northeast of the Grand Canyon.

In November 1998, more condors were released from holding pens atop Hurricane Cliffs near the Arizona-Utah border. The condors were first reintroduced to the California wild, near Big Sur, in 1998.

Of the 13 condors awaiting release in Arizona over the next six weeks, eight were hatched at the Peregrine Fund's breeding facility in Boise and four were hatched in California zoos. One bird, "Condor 186," was released in 1998 as a 1-year-old but recaptured last year after exhibiting no fear of humans.

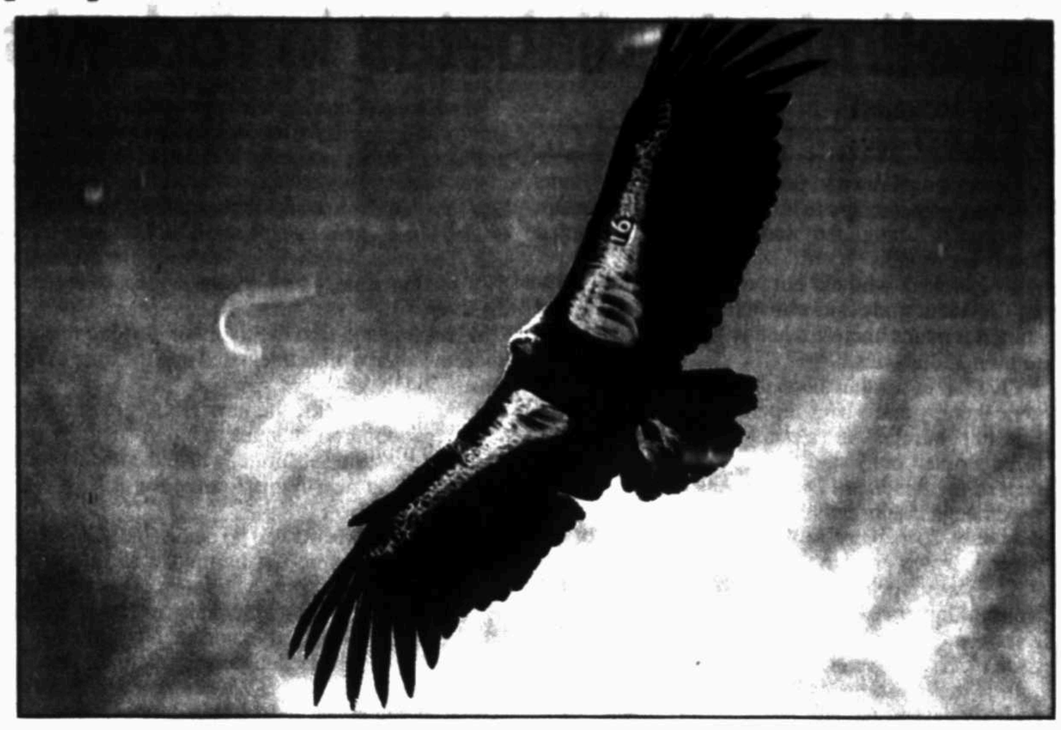
"It went through a human aversion program in Boise," said Jeff Humphrey of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Phoenix. "We had to shape its behavior so it didn't associate humans with positive activity."

The four California-born birds are between 8 and 9 years old. Scientists believe the two male-female pairs are prime candidates to be the first condors to breed in the wild since the start of the reintroduction program.

"We're hoping this pair will act as good mentors for the other birds," Humphrey said. "This has not been done yet in the California program. It's going to be a great year to watch in Arizona."

But of the 35 condors released so far into southwestern Utah and northern Arizona, 15 have died — many from lead poisoning. Four birds also have been recaptured after they had difficulty adapting and a fifth is presumed dead although its carcass has never been found.

"We expected to have a tremendous mortality rate because these birds have never been in the wild," Humphrey said. "It's the second-generation birds that we're looking at now. Those are the precursors to success."



AP File Photo

A California condor soars over Vermilion Cliffs near Page, Ariz. Thirteen condors, an endangered species, were transported Nov. 7 to a special prerelease aviary on the Utah-Arizona border before a scheduled release on the Vermilion Cliffs within four to six weeks. The birds will join15 condors now roaming the Grand Canyon area.

High court quashes ruling that denied award to smoker

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — The state Supreme Court ruled on Wednesday that a lower court was wrong to overturn a $750,000 award for a former smoker against the nation's third largest cigarette maker.

The decision reinstates the award against Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. to Grady Carter, said Carter's lawyer Floyd Matthews.

The award was only the second time in 40 years of anti-smoking litigation that a tobacco company was ordered to pay damages. The first award — $400,000 to the family of Rose Cipollone of New Jersey in 1988 — was overturned on appeal, and the lawsuit was later dropped.

Carter, 70, sued Brown & Williamson in 1995, blaming the company for the lung cancer he developed after smoking for 44 years. A jury ruled that the cigarettes were a defective product and that their makers were negligent for not warning people of the danger.

An appeals court reversed the award nearly two years later, saying Carter had waited too long to go to court. It also said the jury award could not stand because of a 1969 federal law that bars lawsuits claiming the wording of the cigarette warning label is inadequate.

In a 5-0 ruling, Florida's high court disagreed with both conclusions and said the district court had overstepped its role.

"Accordingly, we quash the district court's decision in this case," Justice Major Harding wrote for the court.

Carter, a retired air traffic controller who lives in the Jacksonville suburb of Orange Park, said called the ruling a "great decision."

"I felt all along it was a good case. ... I'm thankful that it came out today, the day before Thanksgiving," he said.

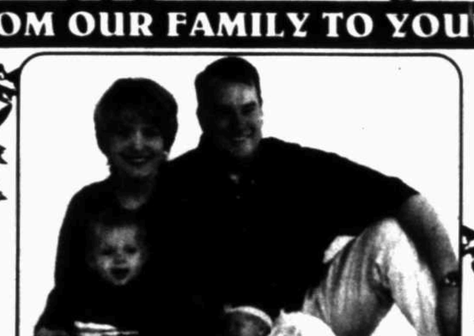
Carter started smoking Lucky Strikes when he was 16 and smoked them for 25 years before he switched brands in 1972. He tried to quit several times but never could — until he coughed up blood in January 1991.

A few weeks later, he learned he had cancer. So far his health has remained good.

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Researchers use gene therapy to eliminate diabetes in rodents

By Rick Callahan
Associated Press

Scientists eliminated juvenile diabetes in rodents by using gene therapy to turn their livers into insulin factories that regulated blood sugar at near-normal levels for months.

Researchers who did not participate in the Korean-Canadian study said while the results were a good start, it remains unclear whether they can be applied to human diabetics.

"It's fair to say that this is the most efficient insulin gene therapy that's been reported thus far. It's a nice first step, but there are a number of things that need to be worked out," said Dr. Robert Sherwin, president of the American Diabetes Association.

Although insulin activity in the treated rats and mice was only 20 percent to 40 percent that of normal rodents, it was enough to regulate blood sugar.

The study, spearheaded by Hyun Chul Lee of the Yonsei University Medical School in Seoul, South Korea, and three colleagues, appears in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

In juvenile diabetes, also called Type 1 diabetes, the body mistakenly destroys cells in the pancreas that secrete insulin, a hormone needed to help metabolize blood sugar into energy.

Patients must take several insulin shots a day and monitor their blood-sugar levels. Untreated, diabetes can lead to cardiovascular disease, nerve and kidney damage and blindness.

Previous attempts at treating diabetes have been hampered by the immune system's relentless assault on insulin-producing pancreas cells, even when patients receive new cells or an entire new pancreas. Transplant patients must take anti-rejection drugs.

The Korean-Canadian team circumvented that problem by altering cells in the liver to assume the insulin-producing duties normally handled in the pancreas.

Researchers inserted a gene that produces an insulin-like substance into an adeno-associated virus, which is often used in gene therapy and is thought to be harmless. The virus was then engineered to be controlled by a second gene, one that senses glucose levels in the liver.

When injected into the livers of diabetic rats and mice, the altered virus integrated into the liver's chromosomal DNA.

After a few weeks, the new DNA structure took hold, responding to changes in blood-sugar by producing the insulin substitute, which then held blood-sugar levels at near-normal range for at least eight months.

The rodents experienced no detectable side effects, and their livers were not harmed, said one of the researchers, Ji-Won Yoon, a professor of microbiology and immunology at the University of Calgary.

"They are very similar to normal rats and mice — very healthy and very active," he said.

Kenneth Polonsky of Washington University's School of Medicine in St. Louis praised the team's innovation, but said the therapy might pose a "significant problem" that would prevent its use in humans.

While a normal pancreas instantly produces insulin after a blood-sugar shift, the response of the rodents' livers to such fluctuations was delayed, sometimes by hours.

Some 1 million Americans have Type 1 diabetes, and about 29,000 new cases are diagnosed annually in the United States, mostly among children and young adults.

Boy found in baseball dugout was strangled

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) — A 9-year-old boy whose naked body was found in a baseball field dugout was beaten, strangled and sexually assaulted, police said Wednesday.

A mentally retarded homeless man with a history of sexual offenses was charged with first-degree murder in the death of Christopher Ausherman. The suspect, Elmer Spencer Jr., had been released from prison less than a week before the killing.

Spencer, 44, was arrested at a homeless shelter Monday night. He had been released from prison after serving about four years of a 10-year sentence for assaulting a woman and escaping from the arresting officer.

Spencer, who was on probation, had served two previous prison terms for child sexual assault and battery convictions, according to court documents. His record also includes charges of sexually assaulting a 7-year-old girl in 1996 and assaulting, with intent to murder, an 8-year-old boy in 1995. Both cases were dropped.

Leonard Sipes, a spokesman for the state corrections department, said Spencer was released early from his latest prison term because of good behavior credits accrued over the 13 years he served on a 22-year sentence for sexually assaulting a child in 1981.

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At Thanksgiving dinner, political chat can run hotter than the turkey

By Malcolm Ritter
Associated Press

Odds are Patsy Stutte and her sister won't be talking politics over Thanksgiving dinner. The last time the election came up, Stutte told her sister that George W. Bush was destined to win, so paying attention to the recount was "as important as the fungus on your toe."

"Our family is divided, just like the rest of the country," says Stutte's husband, Larry. "Both sides can't believe how stupid the other is being."

These things start innocently enough at family gatherings: a cousin's comment about some obscure ballot-counting issue, maybe a great-uncle's crack about Bush this or Gore that. Even an innocuous joke about chad — dimpled, pregnant or otherwise — might be enough to set things off. And once it's out there, danger awaits.

Holidays, despite their warm-and-fuzzy connotations, can be hotbeds of family conflict waiting to happen. And with the kerosene of an unresolved election and partisan politics poured over the nation's Thanksgiving tables, the smallest of sparks can start the biggest of fires.

That suggests two Thanksgiving Day options: Avoid political palaver entirely — or, at least, know when to quit.

Politics is a natural mealtime topic in Tim Pawlenty's family, especially given his job as the No. 2 Republican in the Minnesota statehouse. But then there was the time a couple years ago when his brother and his father mixed it up over Social Security reform and didn't speak for hours.

"It got downright angry," recalls Pawlenty, 39.

And this year, with so much unresolved, he's expecting "another round" over the turkey. "It's like going into overtime in a hockey game," he says. "They have strongly held views, and they are not afraid to share them even as we gather to break bread."

For some families, though, past arguments about impeachment and other political brouhahas have left an unwelcome aftertaste. So at many tables Thursday, the nation's dominant news story will be ignored.

Rick Kennedy and his six siblings are split between the Democratic and Republican parties. After seeing comments about the Florida wrangling in e-mails between family members, he reckons they'll keep politics off the table.

The messages are "actually pretty light-hearted," says Kennedy, 44, a corporate spokesman in Cincinnati. But they have been enough "to make everyone realize that we shouldn't bring it up."

"I wouldn't call it family gridlock. It's just a little brush fire, and then it goes out. ... We don't walk away mad at each other," he says. "I don't think anything will blow up too much."

Richard and Marion Wade of Midwest City, Okla., will find other things to talk about as well. "We're staying away from that big mess," Richard Wade said.

The dangers are especially great in families with other tensions that can be funneled into political talk — "trigger issues," as Asheville, N.C., psychologist Carl Mumpower calls them. The goal at holiday gatherings, Mumpower emphasizes, is to be part of a celebration.

"Keep your eye on the ball. Remember why you're there," he says. Family members "cannot control the course of national events. But, by golly, we can control how we treat our loved ones."

When the turkey is merely bones, the easy chairs are full and the football game's on TV, though, things can have a way of resolving themselves.

Pawlenty has seen that in action.

"It's mostly good-natured," he says. "At this stage of our lives we don't take it as personal." And anyway, "a tummy full of turkey mellows you out."

Judge approves distribution plan in Swiss banks case

NEW YORK (AP) — A federal judge approved a plan to distribute a $1.25 billion settlement in a lawsuit by Holocaust survivors against Swiss banks, clearing the way for payment of more than a half million claims worldwide.

The ruling on Wednesday by U.S. District Judge Edward Korman came two days after a public hearing where some survivors complained that the settlement was too small and that the distribution plan — proposed by a court-appointed special master — was flawed. Plaintiff attorneys had assured Korman the proposal was fair and was supported by the majority of claimants.

The plan relies on a complex set of formulas for locating qualified claimants and distributing the money — a process that could take several months.

In his six-page decision, Korman quoted the mediator, Judah Gribetz, who wrote that he had tried to craft a plan "that is not only fair and equitable, but also meaningful as possible given the number of potential claimants."

Wrote Korman: "I believe that the special master has succeeded in that endeavor."

The distribution plan sets aside $800 million for claimants who can prove their families deposited money in Swiss banks to hide it from the Nazis and never got it back. At last count, about 80,000 people had identified themselves as depositors or their heirs.

The remaining $450 million will go to refugees denied entrance to or expelled from Switzerland, slave laborers forced to work for companies with Swiss accounts and victims whose belongings were plundered by the Nazis and apparently ended up in Switzerland.

Gribetz has estimated that each refugee would get $2,500 and each laborer $1,000. Lawyers acknowledged that the settlement was insufficient to settle every claim, though plaintiffs' attorney Burt Neuborne called it "scrupulously fair."


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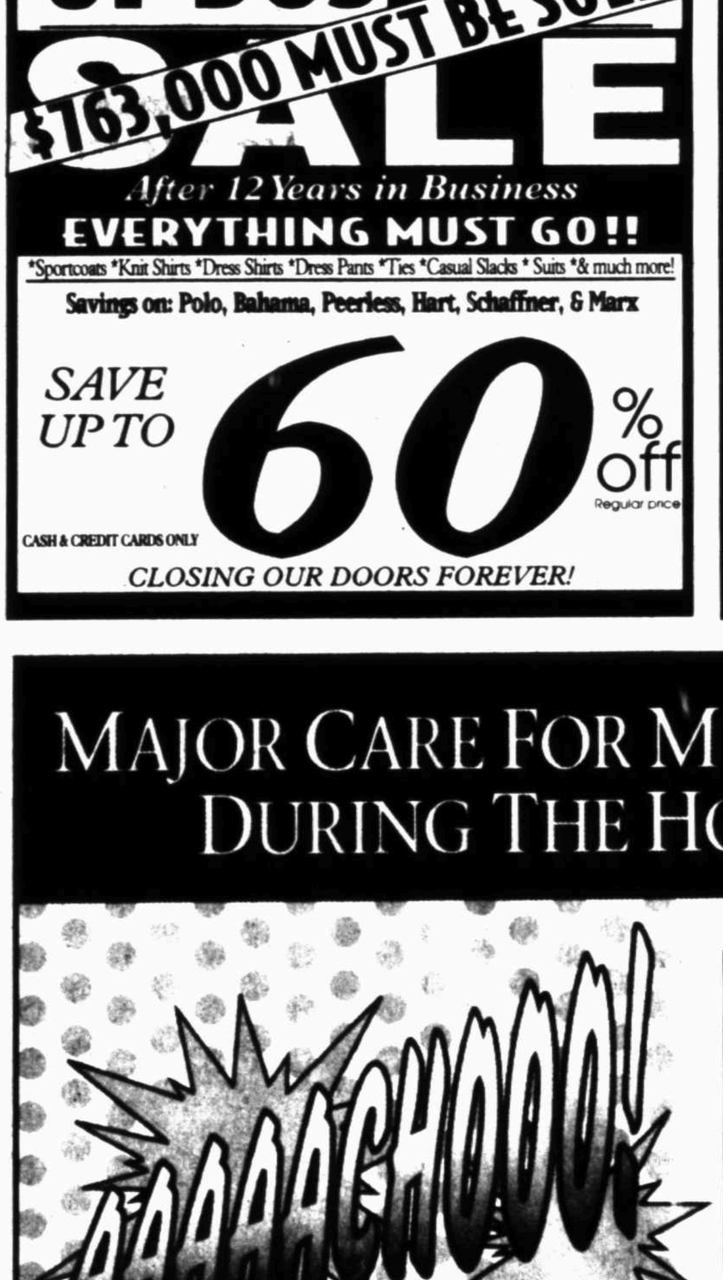
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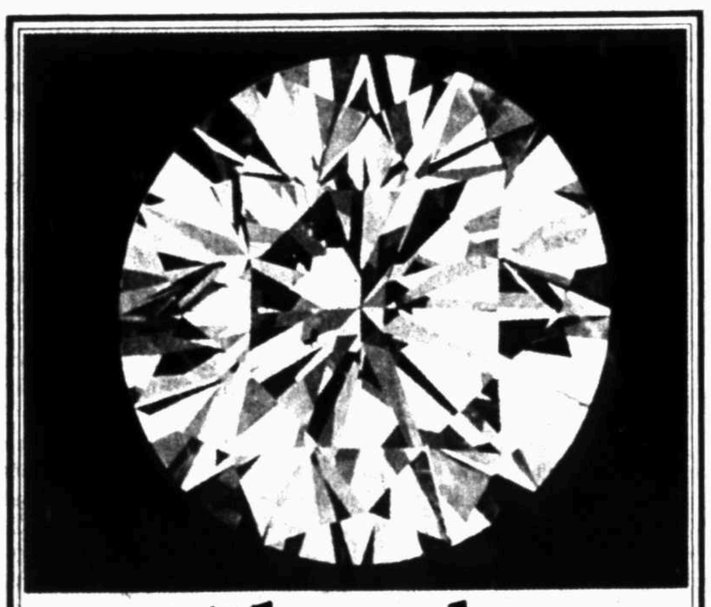
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Thanksgiving holiday rooted in tradition of sharing, celebration

Americans, who frequently forget to be thankful for the privilege of living in the world's richest nation, have always had a great fondness for the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

For many of us, it's a time to enjoy a bountiful meal with family and friends. It's a day to kick back, relax and lounge in front of the television and enjoy a football game.

As many of us enjoy a Friday holiday immediately after Thanksgiving, adults and children alike engage in a day of rabid, enthusiastic holiday shopping.

It seems each year we use this space to admonish our readers to remember to be thankful for all of God's gifts we enjoy but all too frequently take for granted.

In today's chaotic world in which we Americans are still glued to 24-hour news channels trying to figure out who our next president will be, we rarely give ourselves the time to slow down, relax and reflect.

It's important to remember the genesis of the Thanksgiving Day holiday in our country.

History books tell us that the first Thanksgiving was celebrated in the early 1600s in the Plymouth colony. The Pilgrims had suffered through a difficult winter in which hunger and disease had claimed many of its members. Those early settlers were helped through those difficult days by the Native American population. At a time the Pilgrims needed it most, a helping hand was extended.

In an act of Thanksgiving in honor of their neighbors and the God who had answered their prayers, the Pilgrims prepared a bountiful meal of celebration in the wake of their first successful harvest. Records indicate that Gov. William Bradford of the Pilgrim colony ordered that first Thanksgiving proclamation.

More proclamations were to follow.

In 1789, President George Washington proclaimed a National Thanksgiving Day on the last Thursday in November. In 1863, Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a national holiday. And in 1941, another federal act moved the celebratory holiday to the fourth Thursday in November.

Through the years, Americans have coped with hardship even as we took a day to join hands and thank God for all he has given us.

Today, we are fortunate to live in a time of unprecedented prosperity. But not every American shares in that good fortune. Therefore, it is important to remember that Thanksgiving isn't simply a day of thanks, but it is also a day rooted in the tradition of sharing.

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Nov. 23, the 328th day of 2000. There are 38 days left in the year. This is Thanksgiving Day.

Today's highlight in history:

On Nov. 23, 1903, singer Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in "Rigoletto."

On this date:

In 1765, Frederick County, in Maryland, repudiated the British Stamp Act.

In 1804, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce, was born in Hillsboro, N.H.

In 1889, the first jukebox made its debut in San Francisco, at the Palais Royale Saloon.

In 1936, "Life," the magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was first published.

In 1943, during World War II, U.S. forces seized control of Tarawa and Makin atolls from the Japanese.

In 1945, most U.S. wartime rationing of foods, including meat and butter, ended.

In 1959, the musical "Fiorello!," with music by Jerry Bock and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, opened on Broadway.

In 1971, the People's Republic of China was seated in the U.N. Security Council.

In 1980, some 4,800 people were killed by a series of earthquakes that devastated southern Italy.

In 1996, a hijacked Ethiopian Airlines Boeing 767 crashed into the waves off Comoros Islands, killing 125 of the 175 people on board.

Ten years ago: President Bush conferred separately with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo and Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva, seeking Arab support for his drive to expel Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

Five years ago: Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic grudgingly accepted the U.S.-backed peace plan for the former Yugoslavia after meeting with Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic. Movie director Louis Malle died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 63.

One year ago: In a plea met with scant applause and silent stares, President Clinton told ethnic Albanians in Kosovo that "you must try" to forgive Serb neighbors and stop punishing them for the terror campaign of Slobodan Milosevic.

GEORGE WILL

Florida high court defamed all 3 branches of government

"The accumulation of all powers legislative, executive and judiciary in the same hands ... may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny."

—James Madison, Federalist 47

WASHINGTON — Al Gore's assault on the rule of law, crowned with success by Florida's lawless Supreme Court, has now become a crisis of the American regime. See above.



Will

In asking that court on Monday to do what Gore wanted, attorney David Boies uttered a notable understatement: "I believe that there is going to have to be a lot of judgment applied by the court." Consider the radicalism — it far exceeds routine judicial activism — of what the court did with its "judgment."

Barry Richard, a George W. Bush lawyer, accurately told the court that Gore was asking it to read a statute, which says returns "must" be filed by a date and time certain, as though it says returns *may* be filed by a date and time certain. And, Richard said, Gore was asking the court to read a statute that says Florida's secretary of state "may" accept late returns as though it says she "must" accept late returns. So, Richard said, in order to rule for Gore the court must "disregard the well-established and long-standing doctrines" regarding the "clearly erroneous" standard, and regarding "implied repeal."

The "clearly erroneous" standard is this: For a higher court to overturn the ruling of a lower court, it must find the lower court *clearly* erroneous. In this case, it must find that the trial court had no reasonable basis for ruling that Florida's secretary of state did not abuse her discretion when she acted as though the statute reads the way it actually does, rather than the opposite way that Gore wants it to be read. Furthermore, when a court reads a statute as having a meaning directly contrary to its clear language, the court implicitly repeals the statute.

So the court, in a trifecta of willfulness, traduced all three branches of government. It says it acted out of respect for "the will of the people." But not the people's will as expressed by the people's elected representatives in the Legislature that wrote the election laws. And not the people's will as expressed in the election of the secretary of state to enforce the laws.

During oral arguments Monday, a justice, foreshadowing what would happen Tuesday night, mused, "Are we just going to reach up from some inspiration and put it down on paper?" Tuesday night, addressing the question of "under what circumstances may a board authorize a *countywide* manual recount (emphasis added)," the court plucked from thin air a Sunday, or maybe Monday deadline for such recounts. Wednesday morning, Miami-Dade authorities, deciding they could not do a countywide recount by then, announced that they will recount only a particularly promising (for Gore) portion of the ballots. Controlling legal authority? None.

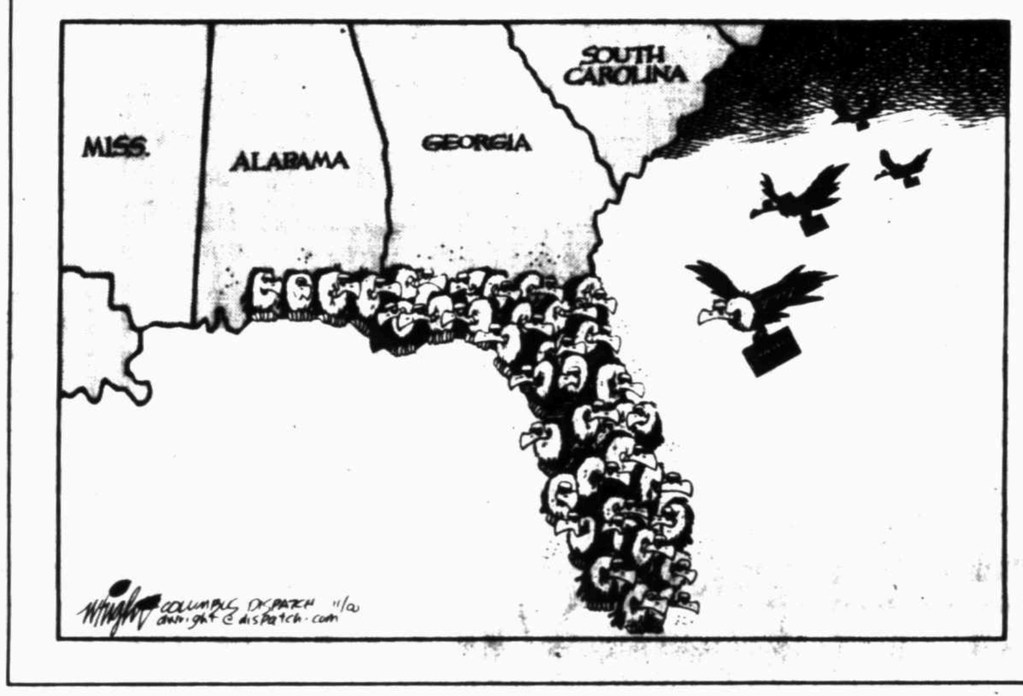
In Federalist 81 Alexander Hamilton said the "supposed" danger of judicial "encroachments on the legislative authority" is a "phantom." In Federalist 78 he pronounced the judicial branch the "least dangerous" to political rights because it neither wields "the sword" nor controls "the purse," and hence "can take no active resolution whatever. It may truly be said to have neither force nor will, but merely judgment; and must ultimately depend upon the aid of the executive arm even for the efficacy of its judgments."

No, a lawless court, using the force of its willfulness to impose its judgment, also depends on the deference of both political branches. Will Florida's Legislature defer to the Supreme Court's usurpation of legislative powers in the service of Gore's attempted usurpation of the presidency?

By legislating--by airily rewriting Florida's election law and applying it retroactively to this election--the court has thrown down a gauntlet to the state's Legislature. Responding in the climate of cynicism and trickery Gore has created, legislators could decide that deference now would betoken decadence; they could exercise their legal right to select Florida's presidential electors. If in the third week after the election Gore at last manages, by getting selected ballots judged by frequently adjusted standards, to manufacture enough votes to take the lead, his electors will be no more legitimate than any others created by raw assertions of power.

Addressing the court on Monday, Boies, speaking for Gore, used the language of contemporary liberalism's relish for judicial imperialism. Nine times Boies urged the court to wield its "power." In doing just that the court has refuted Hamilton's sanguine assurance (in Federalist 81) that although "misconstructions and contraventions of the will of the legislature may now and then happen," they can never "affect the order of the political system." We are a sadder but wiser nation now.

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COKIE AND STEVEN ROBERTS

Let's count blessings, not ballots

Thank goodness for Thanksgiving. It's come just in time.

In this surly season of dimpled and pregnant chads, we really need a respite from the uncivil political warfare of the last few weeks. (Although as Cokie warned an audience of college students this week, in the real world, "dimpled" and "pregnant" don't mean the same thing!)

The holiday is a good moment to forget the Florida Follies and express our gratitude for a political system that will survive this crisis, too, despite the best efforts of both sides to undermine its credibility.

Every player in the Follies invokes the "rule of law," but few really mean it. The essence of law is that everybody plays by the same rules and accepts the outcome, whatever it is. In Florida, both sides are trying to rig the rules to make the outcome work for them.



Roberts

Despite these assaults, however, the rule of law will prevail. Just as it did 37 years ago this week, when a president was assassinated; 26 years ago, when a president was forced to resign; and two years ago, when a president was impeached.

This nation takes the resiliency of our political system for granted. But we've lived in countries where the "rule of law" is far less firmly rooted, and we know the difference. In 1974, when President Nixon left office, we were stationed in Greece, and local friends were stunned that no American soldiers left their barracks in protest. We were stunned at their surprise.

But the holiday is mainly a time to put personal matters ahead of public ones, to savor the strength of family and friends and give thanks for lives well-lived and fondly remembered.

Last weekend we attended two weddings, both joyous but very different. At the first one, the best man in his toast mentioned the "courage" of the groom. He did not explain and did not have to. The young man suffers from a serious illness and at times in the last few years has barely been able to walk. To see him stride down the aisle, with his bride on his arm, was truly a cause for thanksgiving.

The second wedding united two friends in middle age. They were first introduced by the bride's mother (the groom's real estate agent), while both were nursing spouses through long, fatal illnesses. Three years later, they met by chance and discovered they were both widowed and ready to love again.

The bride is convinced that her mother, now also gone, made the match from beyond the grave. At the ceremony, the traditional Jewish chuppah, or wedding canopy, was held aloft by her sisters and close female friends. Her 91-year-old father played the violin, and afterward, at the reception, he danced with his daughter.

At both events, the guests felt blessed to be there. Two weddings, two small miracles, all in one weekend.

The next day brought tragedy, the sudden death at age 59 of Lars-Erik Nelson, our fellow columnist at the New York Daily News. Four years ago, when Steve was leaving his previous job and feeling a bit bruised by the process, Lars welcomed him to the News with a gracious and generous spirit — a true friend at a moment when Steve really needed one.

Four years ago this Thanksgiving, we celebrated the 80th birthday of Steve's dad, Will Roberts, and he never lived to see another one. Steve and Will shared a love of baseball but always rooted for different teams; father for the Mets, son for the Yankees. This year's Subway Series would have been their finest moment as fellow fans.

The wounds heal, but the scars remain, and they should, leaving a mark of memory, a grain of gratitude, under the skin.

But with losses come gains, as the cycle of life replenishes and renews our family. In the last year, two of our nieces have gotten married, one at our house. A nephew will be married in March. And the next generation is reproducing rapidly, with three babies due in the extended family over the next six months.

So let the officials in Florida spend Thanksgiving counting ballots.

We'll be counting our blessings.

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JACK ANDERSON

We have three years to debate it, get it right

WASHINGTON — In the midst of the ongoing presidential election, we have made several suggestions to remedy problems that have now come to light. Therefore, we propose the following constitutional amendment, which summarizes them:

Uniform Election Amendment

1. The election of the president and vice president shall be held every four years on the first Tuesday of November commencing in the year 2004.



Anderson

2. If no individual garners a majority of the votes for president, a runoff election shall take place on the fourth Tuesday of November between the two persons receiving the largest number of votes.

3. If no individual garners a majority of the votes for vice president, a runoff election shall take place on the fourth Tuesday of November between the two persons receiving the largest number of votes.

4. The Supreme Court shall tabulate the electoral votes and certify the election of the president and vice president on the third Tuesday of December.

5. In the event of a tie vote in the runoff election, members of the Senate and House of Representatives assembling in joint session on the fourth day of January following the election shall elect the president and/or vice president by a majority vote of those members present.

6. The ballot design and method of tabulating shall be determined by Congress and be uniform throughout the nation. Localities may incorporate state and local ballots into the federal ballot according to an order and design determined by Congress.

7. Polling places shall be open from 6 a.m. local time to midnight Eastern Standard Time.

8. The Supreme Court of the United States shall be the sole arbiter of federal election disputes, and that body may appoint an Electoral Commission for such a purpose.

9. Electors shall be replaced by the automatic allocation of electoral votes on the basis of two each for the persons receiving a majority of the votes for president and vice president in each state and one each for the persons receiving a majority of the votes for president and vice president in each congressional district, and three each for the persons receiving a majority of the votes in the District of Columbia.

10. Security for polling places and the tabulating of ballots shall be provided by the United States Department of Justice.

Like most amendments to the Constitution, this one is compelling because its time has come. There may be disagreement over the remedies, but certainly not over the need, and we have a solid three years to debate it and get it right.

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Appetite for gossip spawns strange celeb subculture

By Daniel Woolls
Associated Press

MADRID, Spain — Nuria Bermudez boasts a tenuous claim to fame: a fling with a former highway patrolman who is the estranged husband of a millionaire folk singer's daughter.

Still, that alleged tryst is more than enough to splash 22-year-old Bermudez's picture all over Spanish gossip magazines and land her TV interviews for pay.

Thus is life in a new offshoot of Spain's celeb scene. It's a crowded, raunchy corner where people twice- and even thrice-removed from fame can finagle a 15-minute taste.

Hilario Lopez Millan, a veteran chronicler of Spain's entertainment industry for radio station Onda Cero, put it this way: "We are creating a subculture that is simply horrendous."

The lust for second-hand limelight is so fierce here that such traditional Spanish realms as bullrings are also being milked.

Two highly visible characters in this world of wannabes are the sister and ex-girlfriend of Jesulin de Ubrique, a popular young matador. Neither woman performs, entertains or is otherwise publicly creative. Famous merely by association, they and others like them get paid to go to parties, nightclubs and restaurant openings.

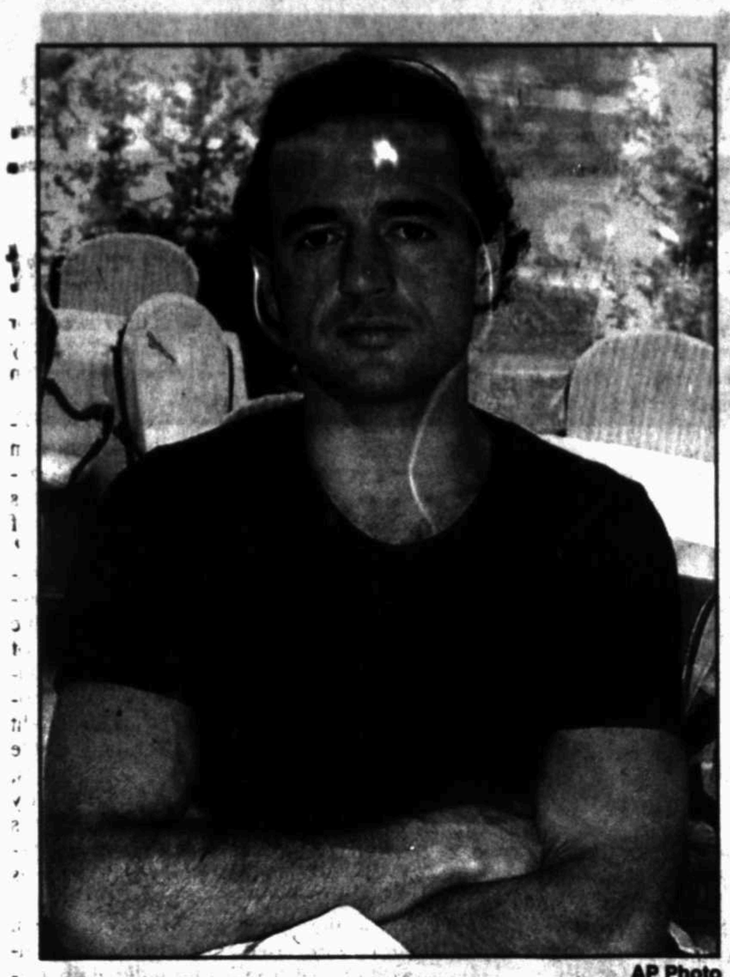
The undisputed queen of the day is a pop singer who calls herself simply Tamara. Her notoriety is based largely on a 20-year-old tune she didn't write and a pregnancy — she says she later miscarried — by a fortuneteller who reads not tea leaves but vegetables.

Spaniards have long enjoyed chit-chatty news about stars, royals and other public figures. The glossy gossip magazine Hola has been around for 56 years and has even given birth to an English-language version called Hello. In that way, Spaniards are really no different than American readers of People magazine or others of its ilk.

But critics say there is something very new, very sad and very Spanish about a nobody becoming somebody by going on TV and describing bedroom antics with a person whose fame is at best hand-me-down.

Sociologist Diaz says Spain has come a long way in the 25 years since longtime dictator Gen. Francisco Franco died, but not culturally. He says the middle-class is now big and influential, but doesn't read books — claims it watches documentaries but tunes in faithfully to Tombola.

"This is the most hypocritical society in Europe," he said.



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Self-described Italian nobleman Alessandro Lequio, sits at an outside cafe in Palma Mallorca, recently. Lequio has made a fortune in Spain by linking up with glitsy women and selling exclusives about their relationships to magazines.

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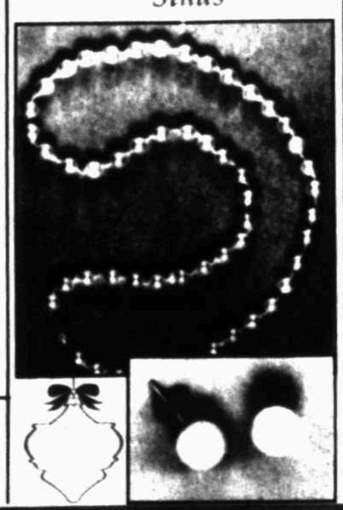
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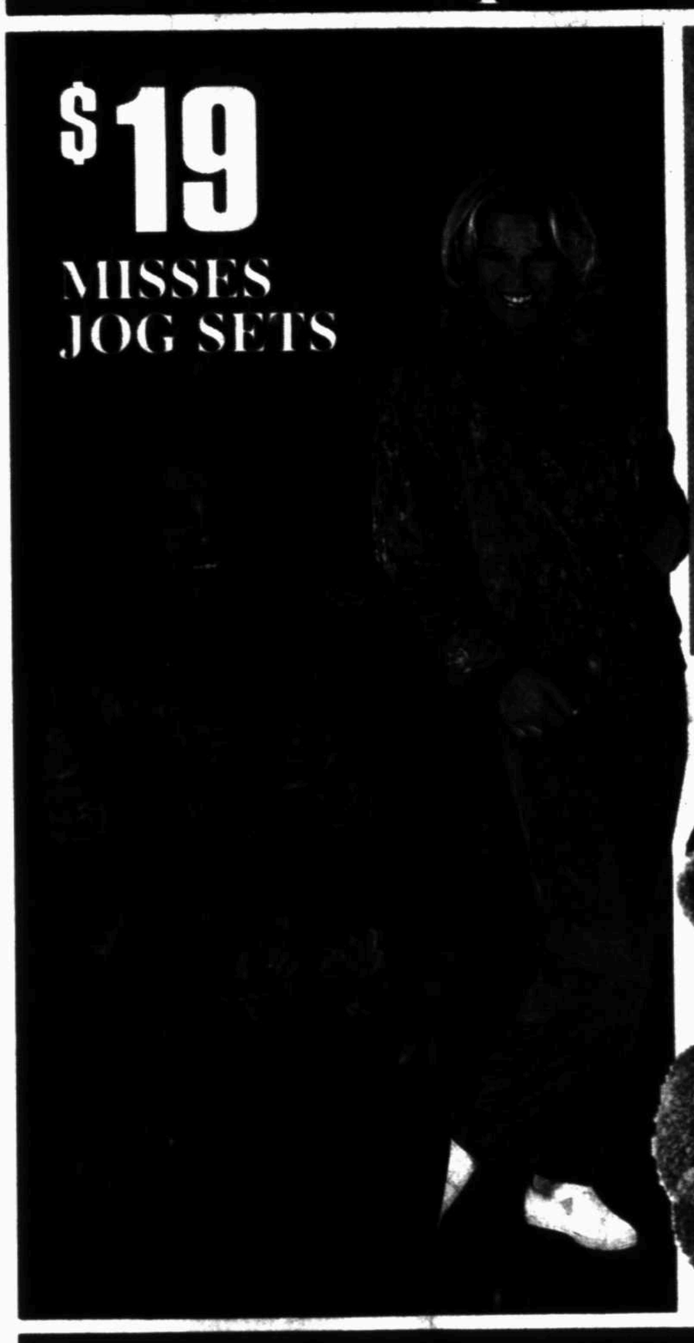
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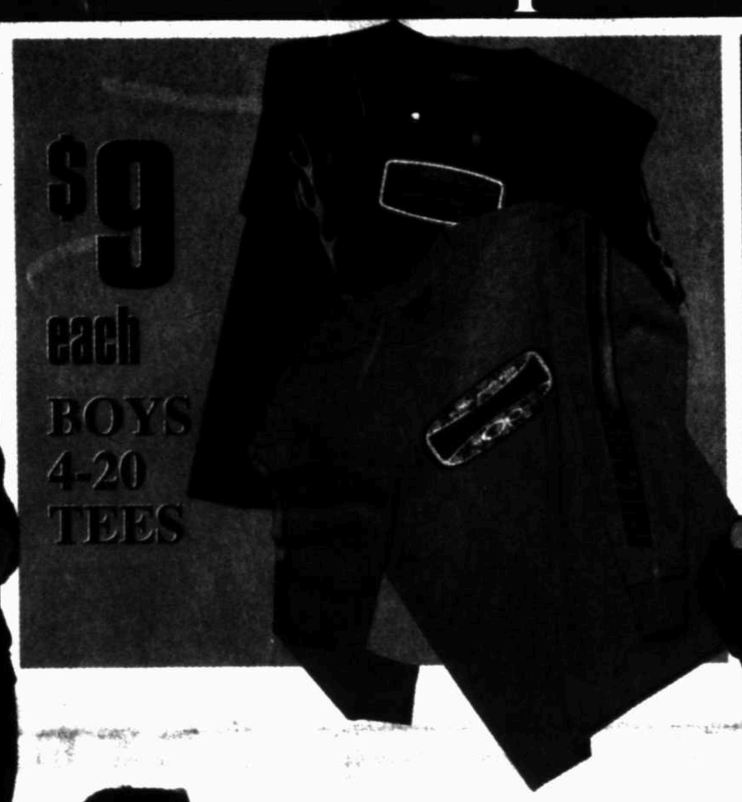
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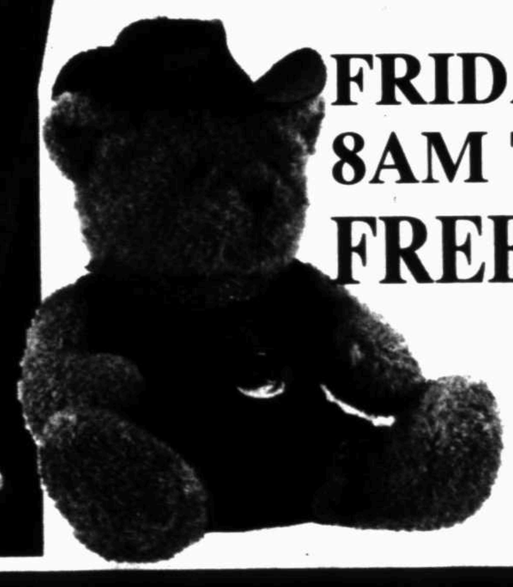
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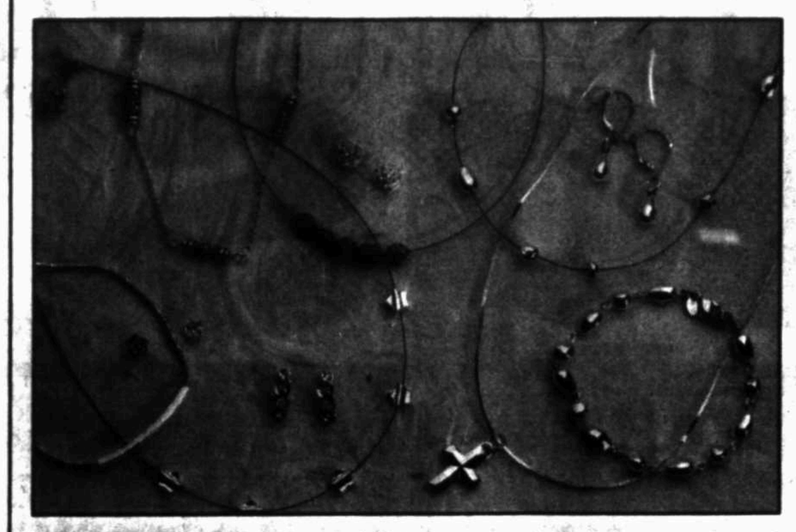
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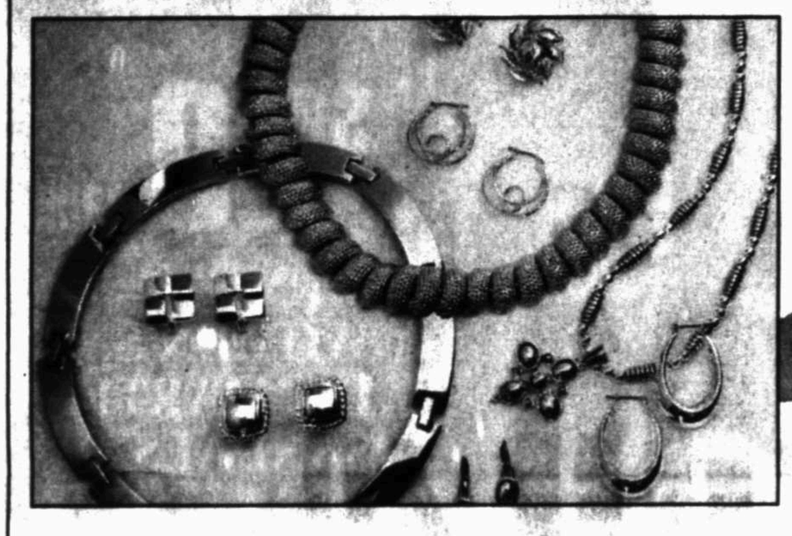
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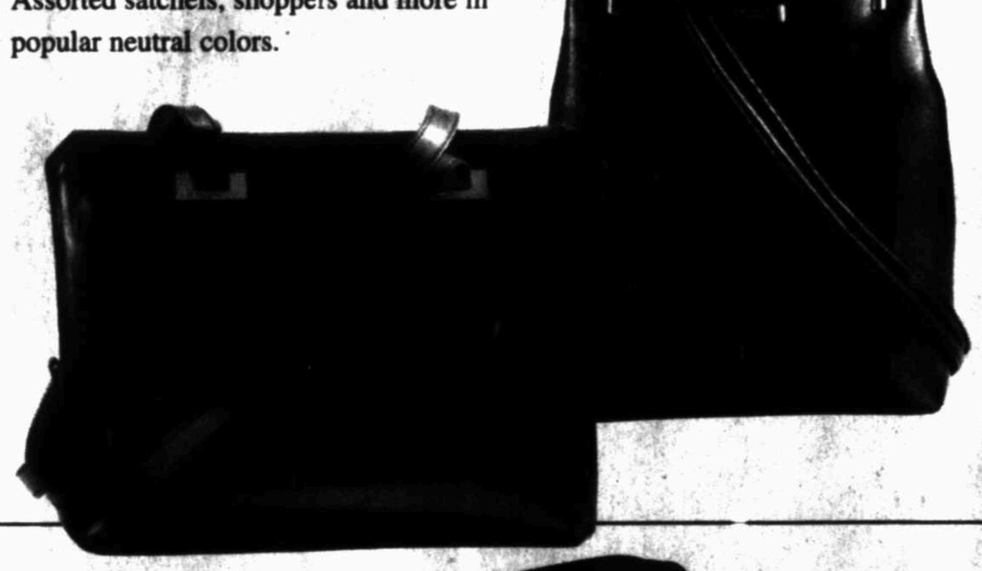
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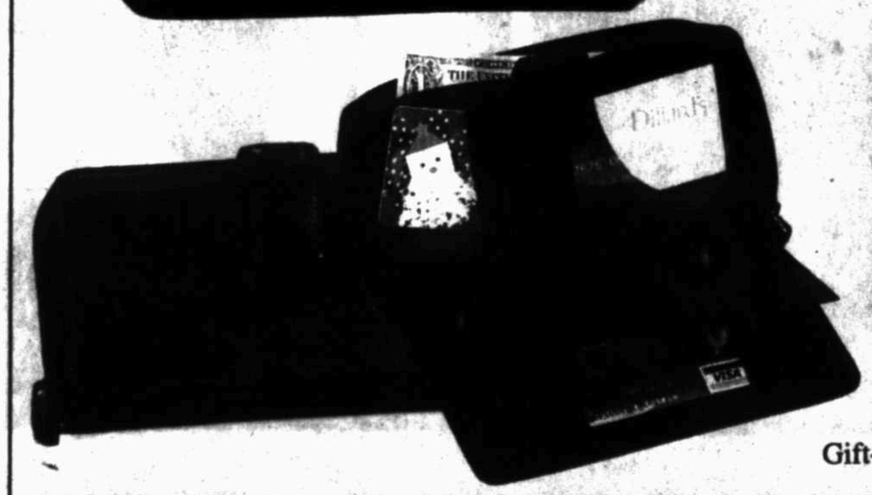
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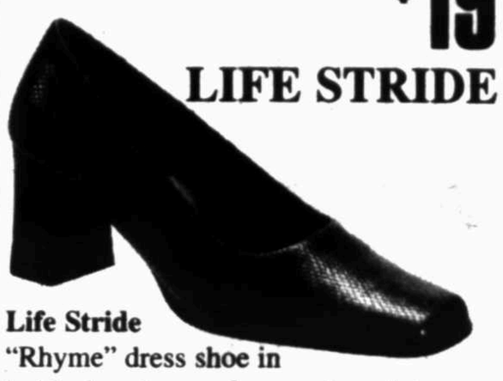
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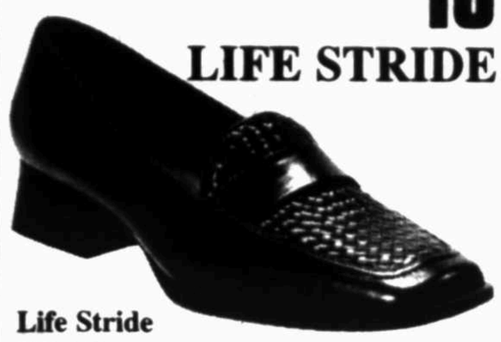
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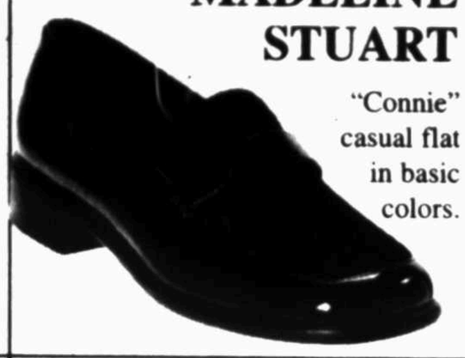
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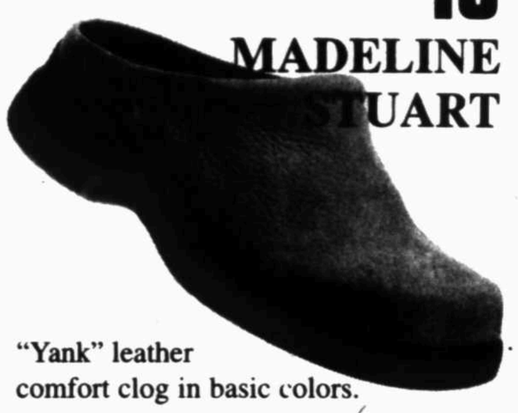
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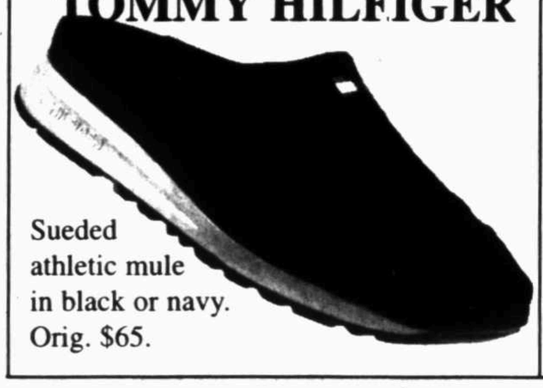
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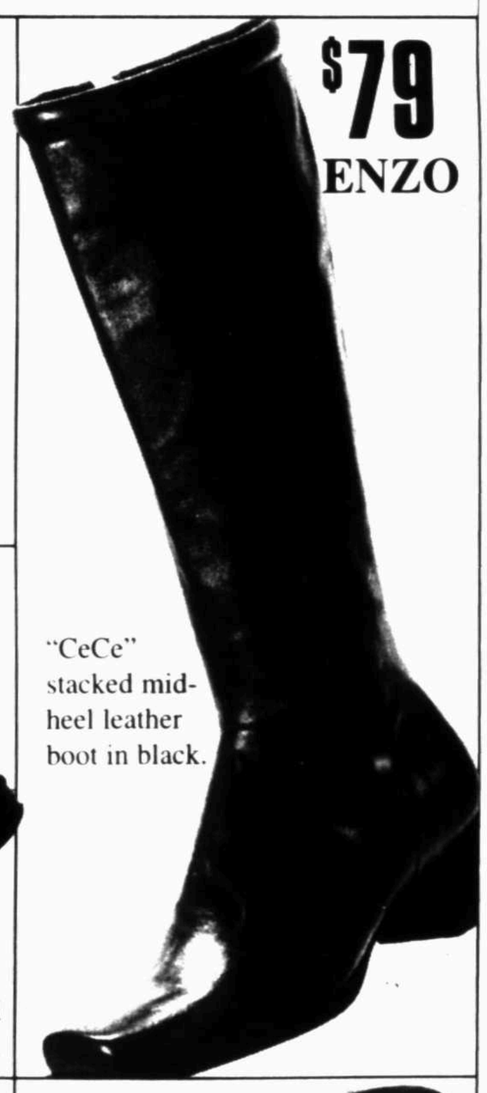
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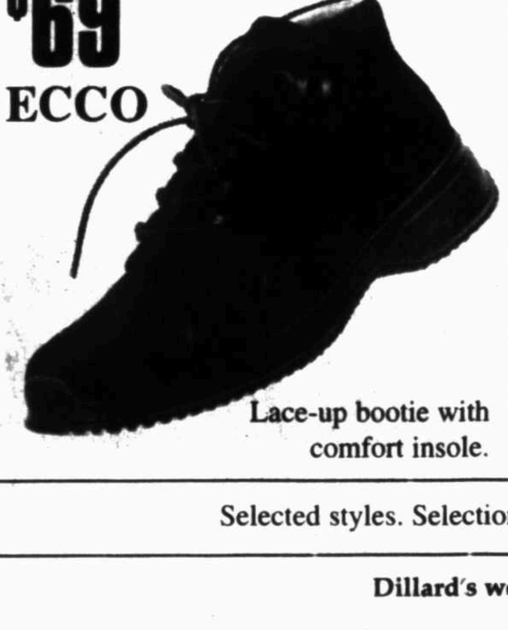
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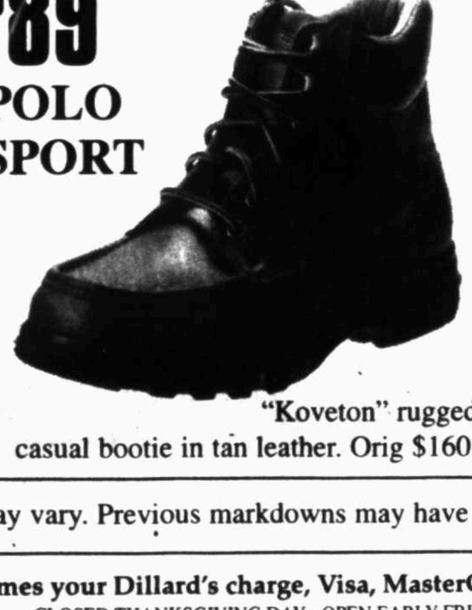
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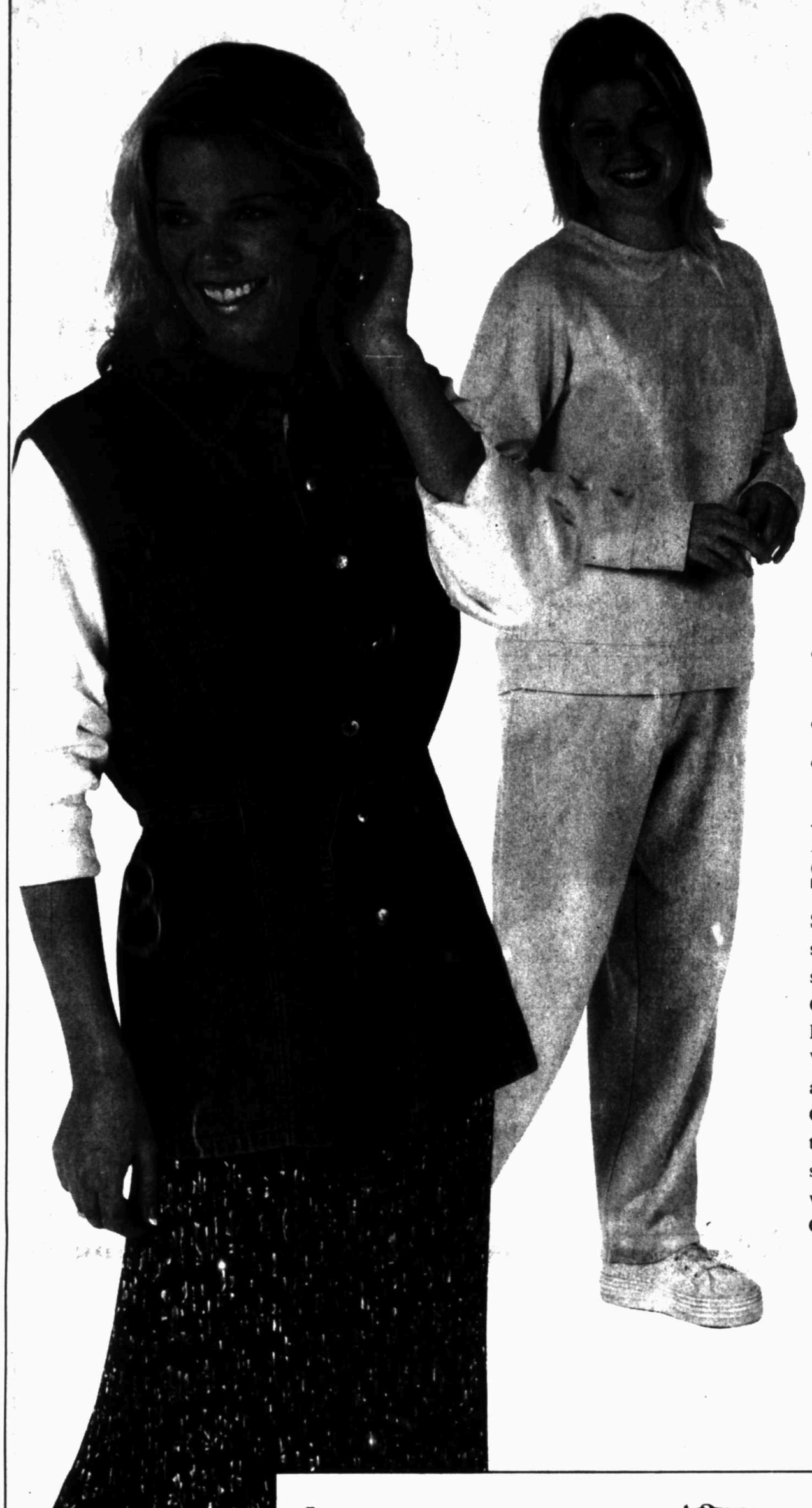
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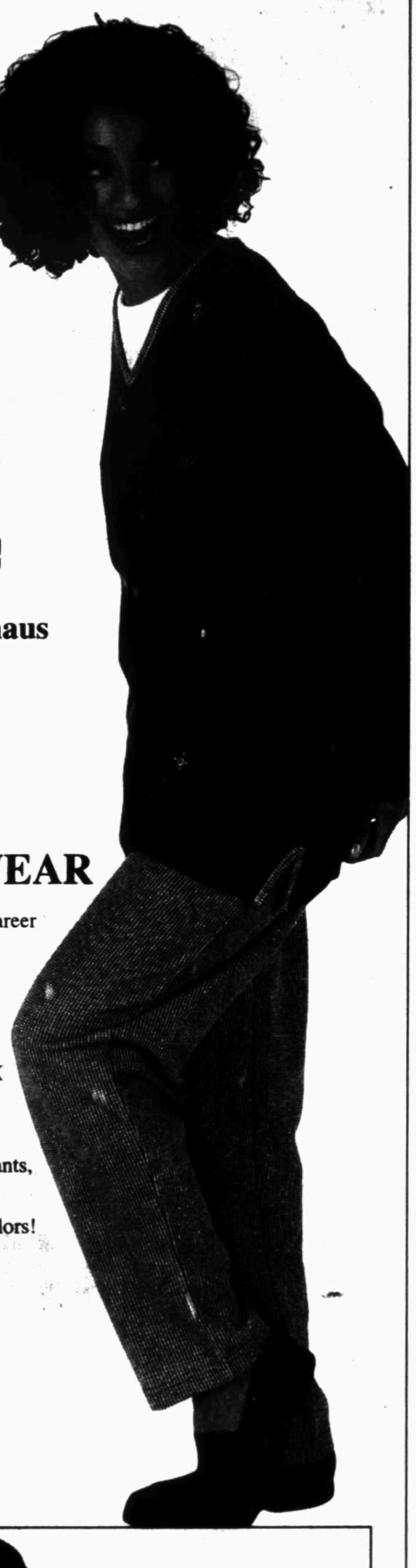


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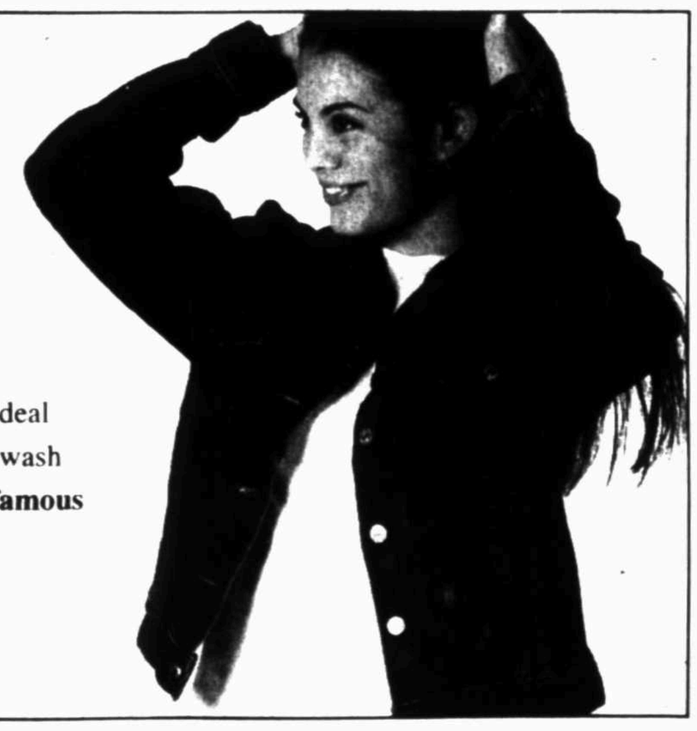












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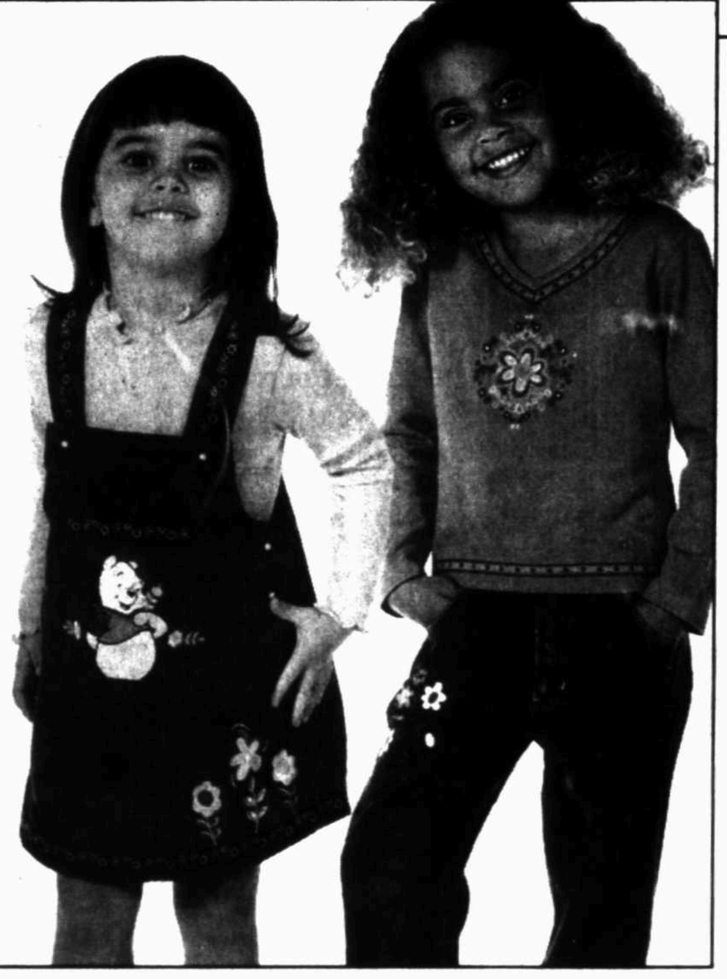
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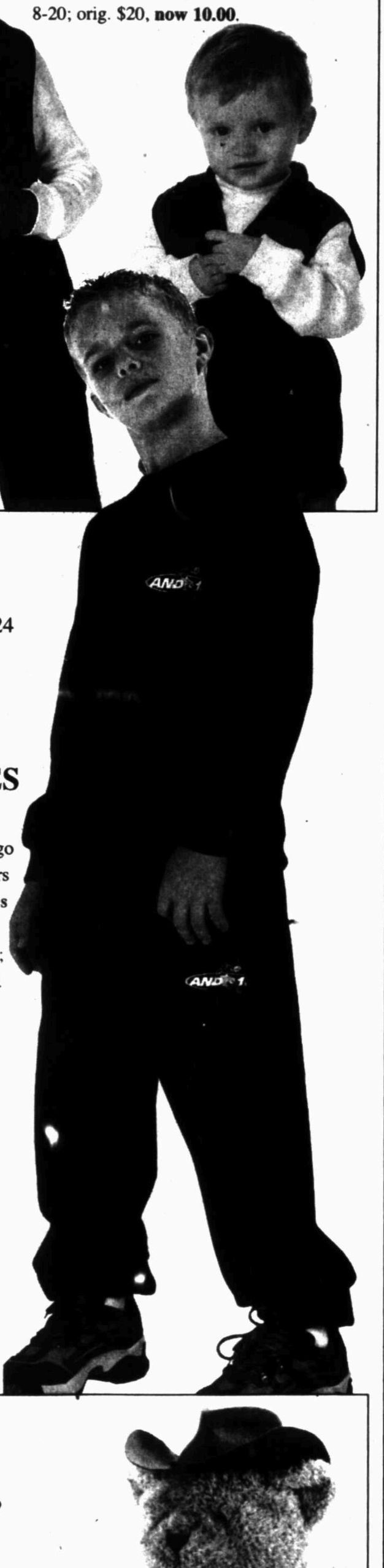
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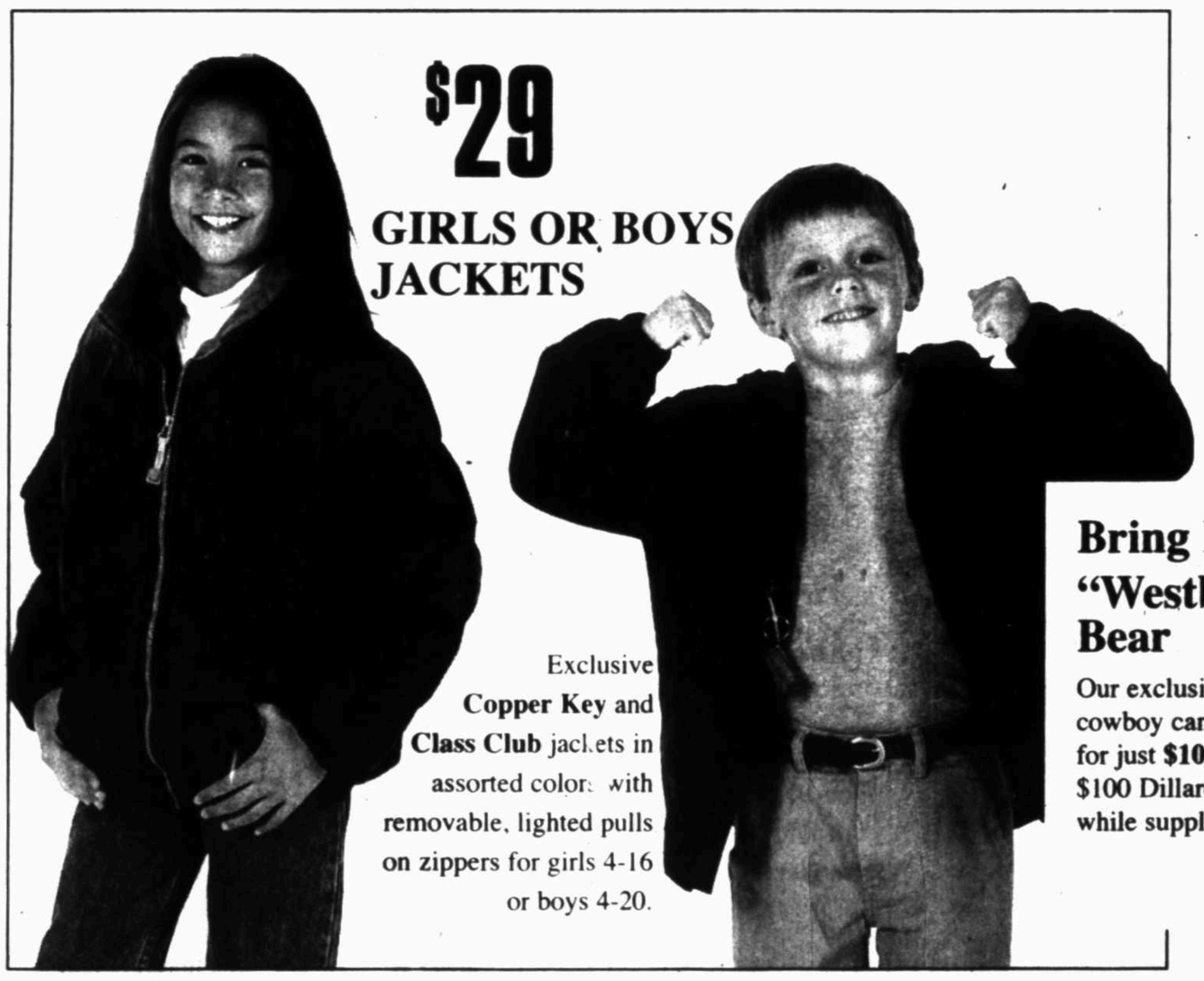
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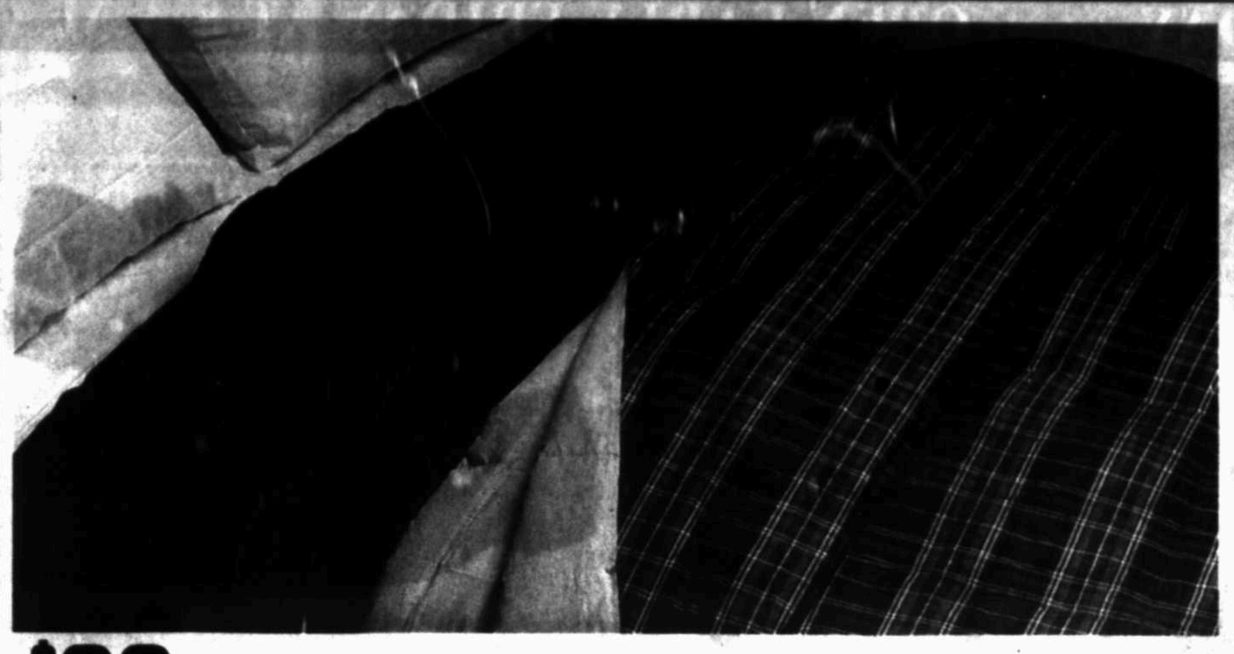


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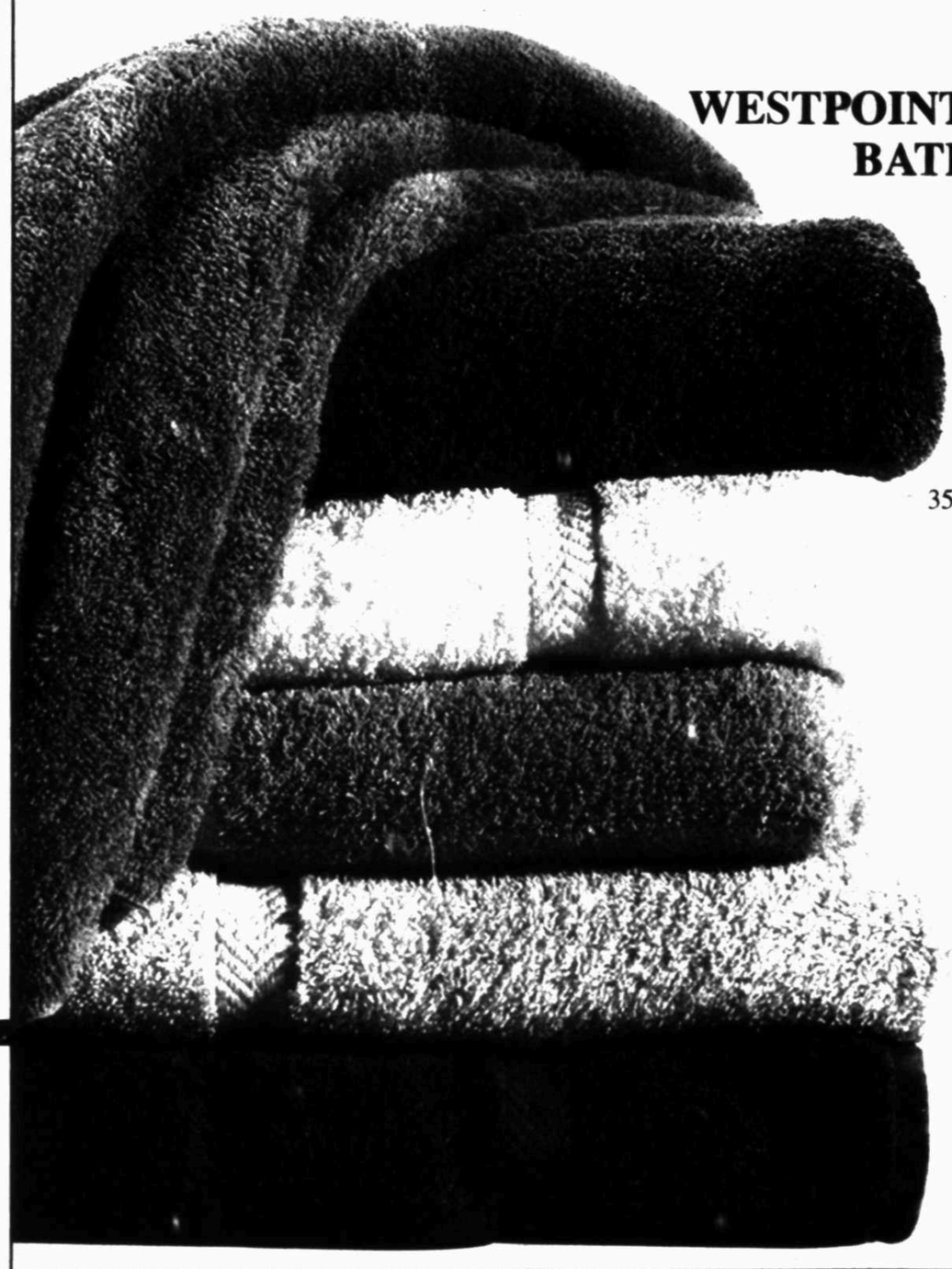
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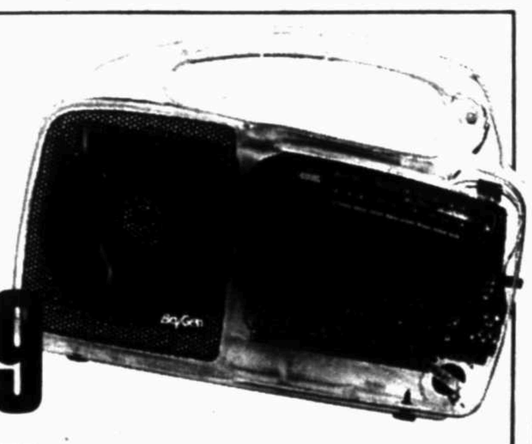


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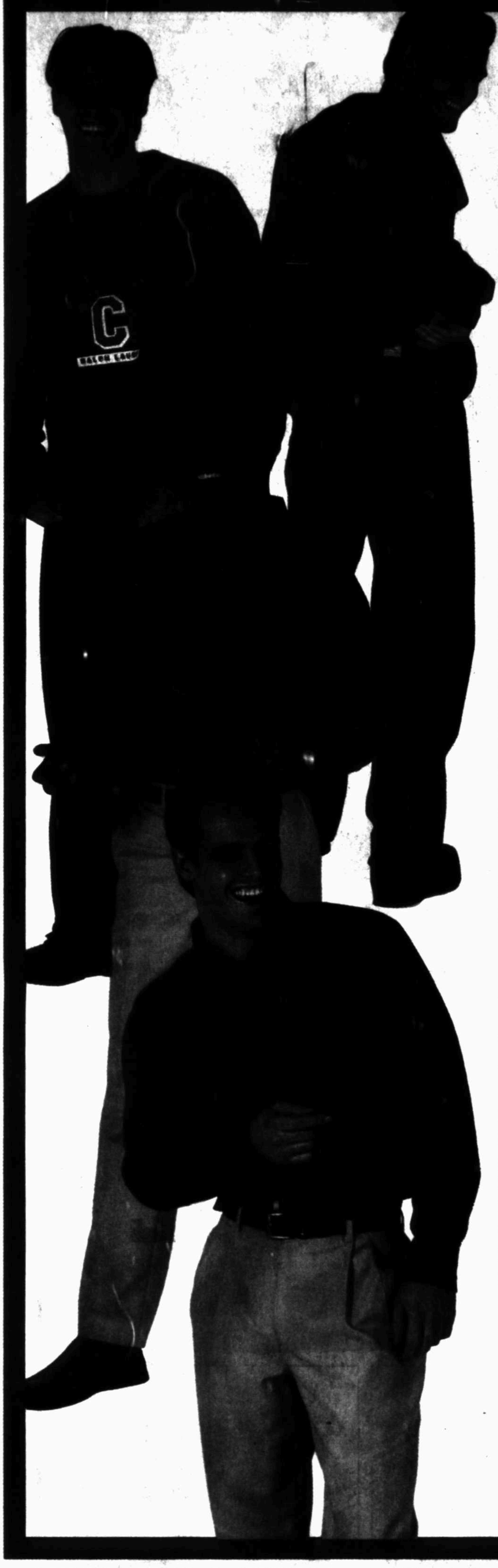
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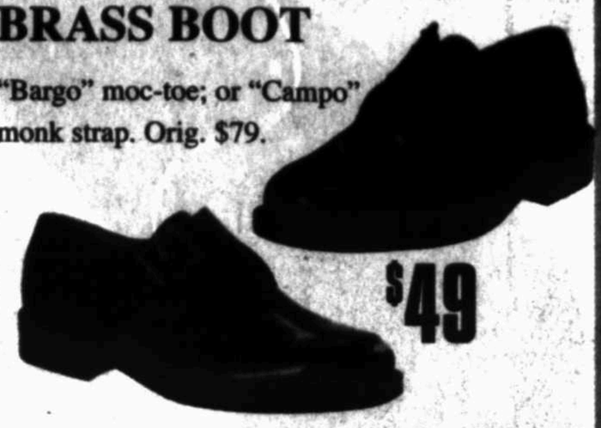
Famous maker baggy-fit, straight-leg jean in waist sizes 29-38. Orig. $32.

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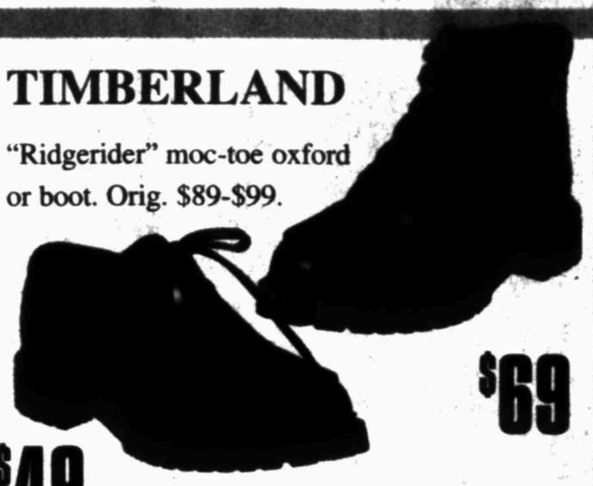
"Bargo" moc-toe; or "Campo" monk strap. Orig. $79.



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"Ridgerider" moc-toe oxford or boot. Orig. $89-$99.

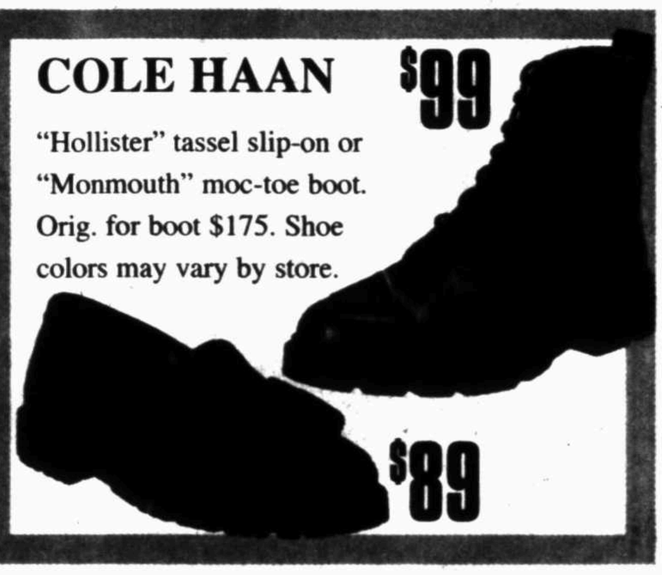


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COLE HAAN

"Hollister" tassel slip-on or "Monmouth" moc-toe boot. Orig. for boot $175. Shoe colors may vary by store.

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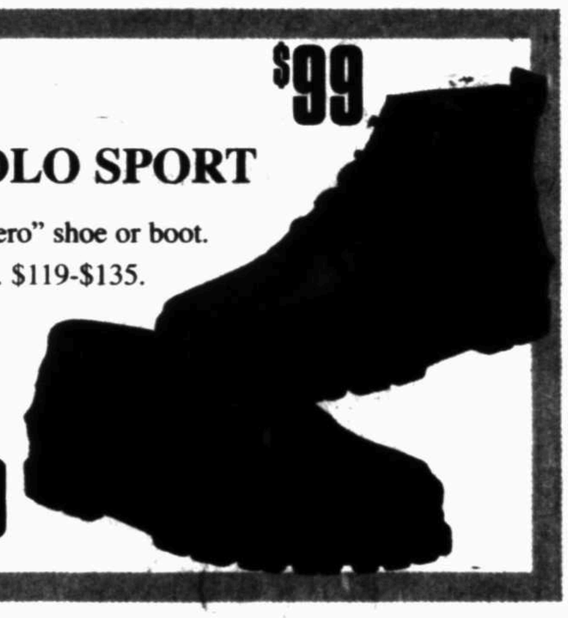


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POLO SPORT

"Ortero" shoe or boot. Orig. $119-$135.

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POLO SPORT

"Cody" boot with buckle.

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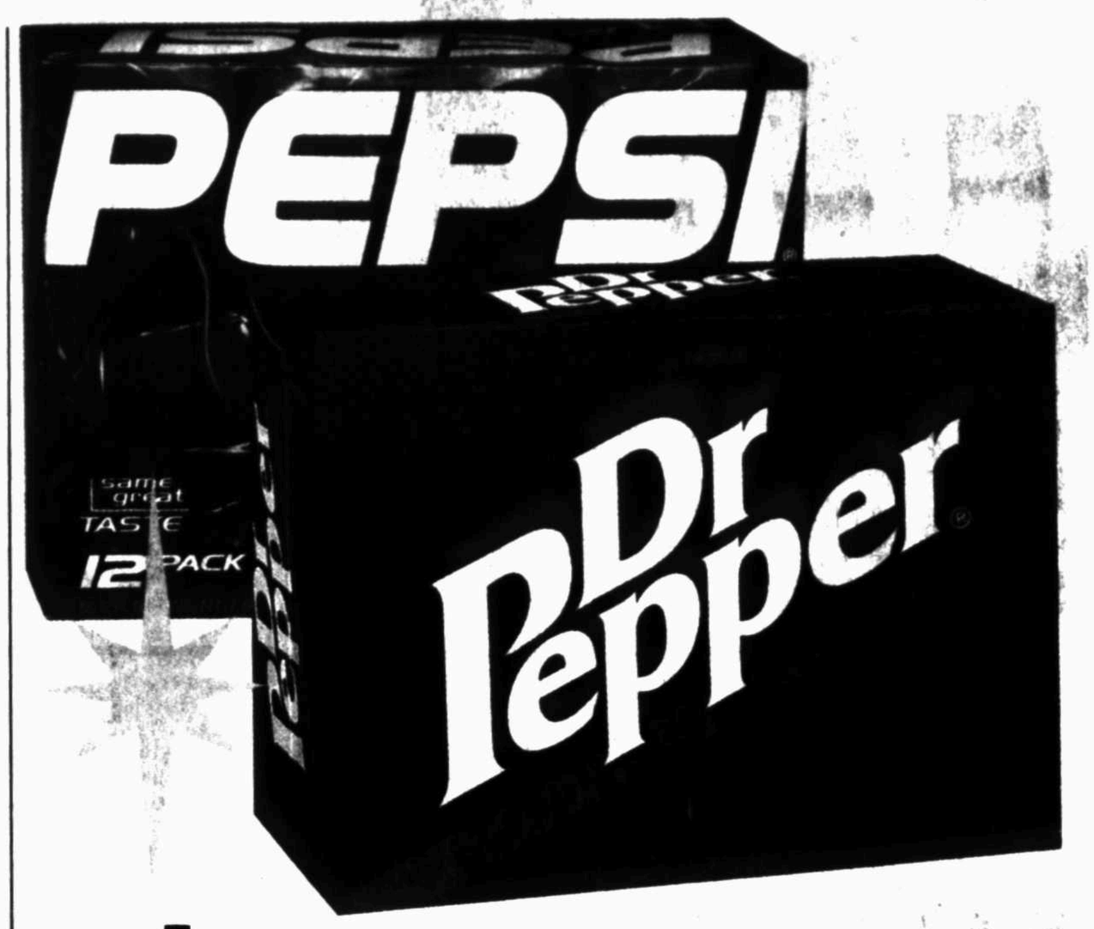
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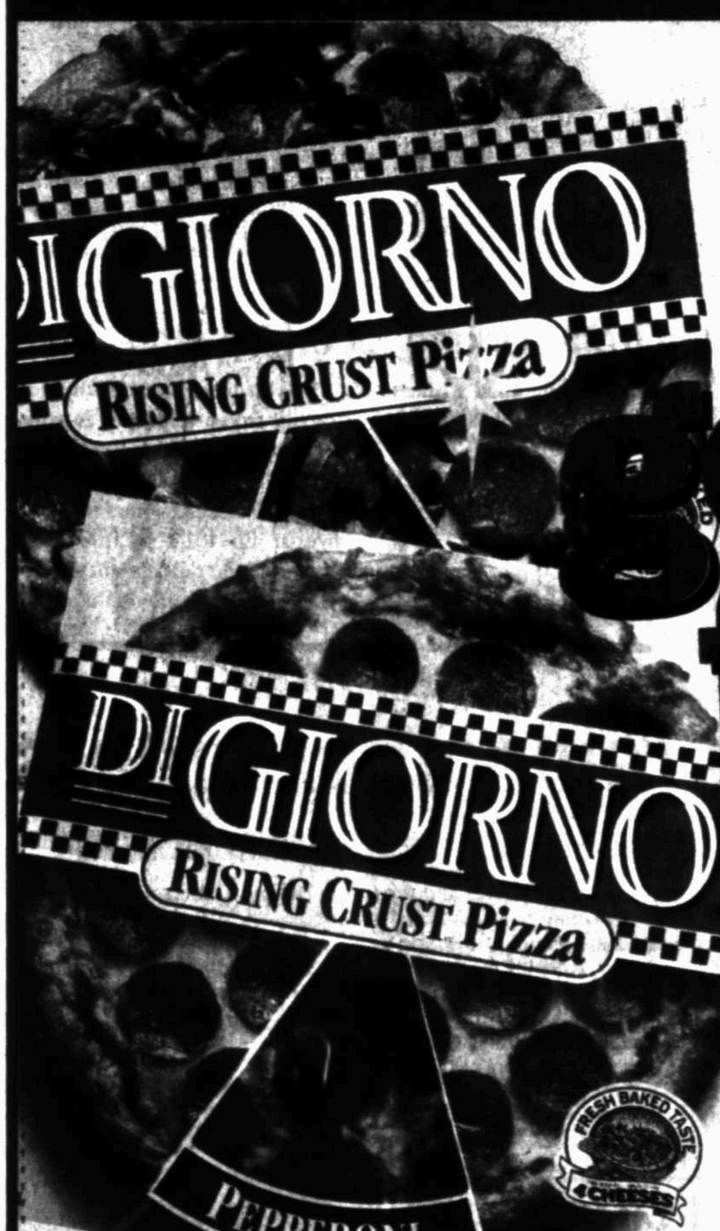
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OBITUARIES



Jewel Swanzy

Jewel Lee Tabor Swanzy was born Jewel Lee Tabor on July 5, 1903 in Clyde, Texas to John L. (Doc) Tabor and Cora Virginia Foster Tabor. She graduated from Clyde High School in 1921. Jewel attended Simmons College and graduated in 1924. After graduating, she returned to Clyde and taught at the elementary school. In May of 1926, she married Douglas Swanzy. He preceded her in death in 1930. Their daughter, Gwendolyn, was born in 1927.

Mrs. Swanzy taught at Clyde Elementary School for 37 years and served as principal for 11 years. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Clyde since early childhood. After retiring in 1970, Mrs. Swanzy volunteered her time with the Clyde Senior Citizen Center, Clyde Public Library and the First Baptist Church of Clyde. Mrs. Swanzy and Naoma Huff wrote and published *A History of Clyde Schools* in 1993. Mrs. Swanzy also published *The Little Red Bed* in 1981.

In 1996, Mrs. Swanzy moved to Midland to be near her daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She volunteered her time in the library and store of Trinity Towers in Midland, Texas.

Mrs. Swanzy, along with Vernon Leverett, were the first to be inducted into the Inaugural Hall of Honor at Clyde High School in September of 1999. Mrs. Swanzy was the oldest living native of Clyde, Texas, the oldest living graduate of Clyde High School, and the oldest living member of the First Baptist Church of Clyde, Texas.

Jewel Lee Tabor Swanzy went home to be with our Lord on Friday, November 17, 2000. Services were held Sunday, November 19, 2000, in the First Baptist Church of Clyde, Texas. Pallbearers were Jason Michael Lewis, Jeffrey Marshall Pickering, Charles Palmer, Don Tabor, Billie Douglas Tabor and Jackie Coy Tabor.

Mrs. Swanzy is survived by her daughter, Gwendolyn Swanzy Jolly Babb of Midland; brother, Clark Tabor of Clyde; granddaughter, Jeri Jolly McCaslin of Midland; granddaughter, Marsha Jolly Dueease of Midland; granddaughter, Lee Ann Jolly Lewis of Houston; great-grandchildren, Lauren Lewis, Jason Lewis, Jeff Pickering, Jessica McCaslin, Sara Pickering, Tracey Pickering, Meredith McCaslin, and Cole Dueease; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Elementary School Library, Clyde, Texas 79510; or First Baptist Church, Clyde, Texas.



Edith Whitehead

Edith F. Whitehead died at her residence on Monday, November 20, 2000.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 24, 2000, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Bill Skaggs officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Edith Frances Whitehead was born December 11, 1917 in Voss, Texas, to Virgil C. and Martha Amanda Belle McBride. In 1936, she married Johnnie Allison Whitehead in Olton, Texas.

Edith was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie; and her brother, Earl McBride. She is survived by her children, Frances Stewart and her husband, Edward, of Midland, John Whitehead and his wife, Mary Jo, of Lubbock, Ray Whitehead and his wife, Janis, of Big Spring, Martha Smith of Midland, Jimmy Whitehead and his wife, Helen, of Midland, Jerry Whitehead and his wife, Karen, of Dallas, Perry Whitehead and his wife, Betty, of Midland, and Linda Rowland and her husband, Larry, of Midland; her 26 grandchildren, her 25 great-grandchildren; her two sisters, Annie Littleton of Austin and Alice Wilkins of Temple; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Home Hospice, 1802 W. Wall, Midland, Texas 79701, or to the charity of one's choice.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

There is no charge for death notices of residents or former residents of Midland or for those who have Midland relatives. We also publish death notices for residents of the surrounding West Texas area.

Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 3:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

DEATH NOTICES

Pearlie Harris

Pearlie Harris, 68, died Saturday, Nov. 18, at her home.

Services will be 11 a.m. Saturday in the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bill Palmer officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery.

She was born June 9, 1932 in Sherman.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, and three sisters.

Survivors include two sisters, Neomi Brown and Johnnie Mae Ellis; a stepsister, Elnora Hemphill, all of Midland; and a stepbrother, Robert L. Shaw of Midland.

Jesus Garza

Jesus S. Garza, 73, died Tuesday, Nov. 21, at his residence.

Funeral Mass will be 1 p.m. Saturday, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with the Rev. Jerome Burnet officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. A Vigil and Rosary will be 7 p.m. Friday, in the Reyes-Garcia Chapel.

He was born April 4, 1927 in Santa Rosa.

He moved to Midland in 1951. He was an automobile and industrial mechanic. He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Danny Martinez.

Survivors include his wife, Amalia H. Garza; and a son, Enrique R. Garza, both of Midland; four daughters, Isabel Jimenez of Midland, Marta Covarrubias of Lubbock, Ana R. Garza of San Antonio, and Maria M. Garza of Plano; two brothers, Agustin Garza and Guadalupe Garza, both of Pharr; five sisters, Josefina Cantu, Maria Calderon, Soila Balderras and Lile Rodriguez, all of Pharr, and Florinda Gonzales of San Antonio; two grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702.

Raymond Crouch

Raymond A. Crouch, 74, died Wednesday, Nov. 22, at a local hospital.

Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Friday at West Kentucky Baptist Church with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born June 22, 1926 in Millerton, Okla.

He served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater during World War II and received a Victory Medal.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Janice Crouch; a brother, Tom Crouch; and a sister, Margaret Shaw.

Survivors include his wife, Ola Fay Smith Crouch of Midland; five sons, Larry Crouch, Mark Crouch, Ronnie Crouch and Jim Crouch, all of Midland, and Jerry Crouch of San Angelo; three daughters, Donna Schmauch of Odessa, and Beverly Crouch and Connie Crouch, both of Midland; two brothers, Harvey Crouch of Blossom and Earnest Crouch of Terrell; four sisters, Stella Pace of Clarksville, Cathy Slattcup and Ann McNiel, both of Jefferson, and Sally Brown of Marshall; 25 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Vivian Hibbitts

CAMP WOOD — Vivian Hibbitts, 78, mother of Midlander Don Hibbitts, died Friday, Nov. 17.

Services were 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at the Nueces Canyon Church of Christ.

Burial followed in the Camp Wood Cemetery under the direction of Nelson Funeral Home.

She was born Jan. 17, 1922 in Camp Wood.

She was a member of the Nueces Canyon Church of Christ. She was a lifetime resident of Camp Wood.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Doris Hibbitts Beazley.

Survivors include a sister, Lois H. Leyh of Abilene; two brothers, R.R. Hibbitts of Houston and Don Hibbitts of Midland; two nieces, six nephews, and several great-grandnieces and nephews and great-great-grandnieces and nephews.

Dick Dempsey

R.L. Dempsey, 87, died Wednesday, Nov. 22, at his residence.

Services are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home.

Judge denies request to send Cheney residency lawsuit to appeals court

By Matt Curry
Associated Press

DALLAS — A federal district judge on Wednesday denied a plaintiffs' request to send a lawsuit challenging Republican running mate Dick Cheney's status as a Wyoming resident directly to an appellate panel or the U.S. Supreme Court.

"It ain't over," said Fort Worth lawyer Bill Berenson, who represents three Texas voters who sued to block Gov. George W. Bush's election as president by claiming that Cheney also lives in the state. The 12th amendment prohibits the president and vice president from living in the same state.

A similar suit filed last week in Florida was dismissed on Monday.

Berenson wanted an expedited process to deal with his case, and he had filed an emergency motion to certify the case to the Supreme Court or 5th Circuit Court of Appeals.

The denial by U.S. District Judge Sidney Fitzwater of Dallas "slows it down, and we don't have much time," he said.

But Fitzwater, a Republican appointed by former president Reagan, said his court is best suited to handle the matter.

> **'You can't become an inhabitant overnight, as Mr. Cheney is trying to do.'**
> — Bill Berenson, lawyer representing voters in lawsuit

"Although plaintiffs complain of possible delay in this court in obtaining a ruling on the merits, the court is confident it can act expeditiously," he said in his two-page decision.

Electors do not meet until Dec. 18, plenty of time for him to decide the matter and leave time for appeals, the judge said.

"We're not at all surprised the judge decided to keep that case at the district court level," said Cheney's press secretary, Julieanna Glover Weiss. "We're sure the case will meet the same fate as in Florida, namely a swift and sure end at the hands of a wise and impartial judge."

Cheney lived in Dallas while he was chairman of Halliburton Co. until he changed his voting registration to Teton County, Wyo., on July 21. He or his wife has owned a home in Dallas since 1993. Cheney also has a home in McLean, Va. He was a congressman for Wyoming from 1978-89 before becoming defense secretary under President George Bush from 1989-93.

Last week, Cheney put his Highland Park home on the market for $3.1 million, Berenson said.

"You can't become an inhabitant overnight, as Mr. Cheney is trying to do," he said.

Weiss said Cheney always intended to put his home on the market after the election.

The suit also claims Cheney's vehicles are registered in Texas, that he paid taxes on them in Dallas County, that he has filed federal income tax returns listing himself as a Texas resident and that he has lived in the Highland Park home for the last five years.

Weiss has said his tax return was filed before he was nominated for vice president, and the Cheneys have re-established their home in Wyoming, where they have had a house for 25 years.

Truck turnover



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

A semi-trailer loaded with animal fat rolled on its side Wednesday afternoon at the intersection of Big Spring Street and Loop 250. The truck was making a left turn onto Big Spring Street, heading north and rolled over because of excessive speed. The driver was not injured and no other vehicles were involved.

$6,000 jet ski stolen from parking lot on Midland Drive

From Staff Reports

Sometime between Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 someone stole a jet ski and trailer from the parking lot of 1902 N. Midland Dr.

The item taken is described as a 2000-year model, Bombardier Sea Doo Jet Ski. It is green/white and had a blue and yellow cover on it when it was taken. It is valued at more than $6,000.

The jet ski was on a 1998 Karavan trailer black in color. This trailer is designed for jet skis. The license plate on the trailer is 64W-LNH.

If you have any information on this stolen vehicle or any other felony crime, call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP and it can be worth up to a $1,000 cash reward. You will remain anonymous and no caller ID is used.

DEAR ABBY

A time to give our thanks, a time to remember others

By Abigail Van Buren



Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: A year ago, you printed a beautiful Thanksgiving prayer that I used as the grace before our meal. Unfortunately, I didn't save the clipping. Could you please run it again? — ELEANOR ALARCON, UNION, N.J.

DEAR ELEANOR: With pleasure!

O heavenly Father:

We thank thee for food and remember the hungry.

We thank thee for health and remember the sick.

We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless.

We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.

May these remembrances stir us to service that thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.

Since today is Thanksgiving, take just a moment to reflect upon all of the things for which you are thankful.

How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. You're hurting? Thousands — maybe millions — are hurting even more. (Have you ever visited a veterans hospital? A rehabilitation clinic for crippled children?)

If you awakened this morning able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal cords to utter human sounds, walk to the breakfast table on two good legs, and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord! A lot of people couldn't.

How's your pocketbook? Thin? Well, most of the world is a lot poorer. No pensions, no welfare. No food stamps, no Social Security. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight.

Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, pick up the phone and call someone.

Are you concerned about our country's future? Hooray! Our system has been saved by such concern. Our country may not be a rose garden, but neither is it a patch of weeds.

Freedom rings! Look and listen. You can worship at the church of your choice, cast a secret ballot, and you can even criticize your government without fearing a knock on the head or a knock on the door at midnight. And if you want to live under a different system, you are free to go. There are no walls or fences — nothing to keep you here.

A final thought: Want an instant high? The surest cure for the holiday blues is doing something nice for someone. Why not call a person who lives alone and invite him or her to share dinner?

Better yet, call and say, "I'm coming to get you, and I'll see that you get home." (Some older people don't drive, and those who do may not like to be behind the wheel after dark.)

Try it. And let me know the results.

P.S. Special greetings to those of you in the military who wrote from remote corners of the world to tell me that you are using my prayer on this Thanksgiving Day.

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone! — LOVE, ABBY

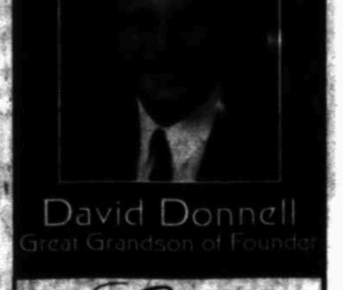
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Life meanders along in Turkey, Texas as changes loom on the frontier

By Marty Racine
Houston Chronicle





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LEFT: Glenn Thornton, 80, enters the Hotel Turkey, Nov. 3, in Turkey. Thornton is a part owner of the country bed and breakfast. RIGHT: Dessie Mae Robertson, 88, a native of Turkey, has some fun with a cowboy cutout on the outside wall of Laura Stewart's beauty shop Nov. 3. At the confluence of state highways 70 and 86 lies Turkey, home of Western swing pioneer Bob Wills with a population of 507 and dwindling.

TURKEY — The wind blows forever across the rolling plains that break off the Caprock in the eastern Panhandle.

Cotton fields sweep to the unyielding horizon, marked by irrigation rollers and lone farmhouses. On compass-straight farm-to-market roads, drivers wave and kick up dust among yesterday's rubble: abandoned homes, junked cars, weed-choked gas stations, rusty tractors.

This is Texas' outback, so demanding, so beautiful and expansive, where the sky begins and ends.

The towns, such as they remain, announce themselves by a water tower and welcome you with churches. Some are reasonably well-preserved; others are crumbling away.

At the confluence of state highways 70 and 86 lies Turkey, home of Western swing pioneer Bob Wills. Population: 507 and dwindling.

It was established in 1893 as Turkey Roost, named for the wild turkeys residing in the nearby cottonwoods. Rail advanced it as a cotton and cattle center. Peanuts, sweet potatoes and watermelons followed.

At Price's on Main Street, a box of yams costs $13. The warehouse is among few remaining businesses in a frontierlike downtown where the only "pedestrians" are cowboy and cowgirl plywood cutouts idling as if props in a play.

Mornings, the ladies are at the beauty shop, and the boys are stretching stories over coffee at Allsups. It's quiet but for the dogs, the crop-duster and the highway whoosh of passing traffic.

Tradition struggles here. The Turkey Turks and the Quitaque Panthers consolidated in 1972 to form a regional high school, the Valley Patriots, five miles from either town. The Quitaque Tribune took over the Turkey News in 1968 to become the Valley Tribune, Voice of the Caprock Canyons.

"It's a wonderful place to live," Tribune editor Eunice McFall says. "If you can just make a living."

A song in their hearts

Despite its name, Turkey observes a low-key Thanksgiving. There are no parades, no contests or organized turkey shoots. On the Sunday prior, Turkey Proud sponsors a community dinner at the Bob Wills Center, enlisting individuals, organizations and churches.

The Tribune has been known to print children's thank-you lists. Cassandra Ortiz was noted to be thankful for "my dog, frogs, chocolate cake."

Rosalie Villarreal: "Lady bugs, salad with dressing."

Louis Valdez: "Apples, my mama, dirt."

Randy Farley: "Wild pigs to hunt, mashed potatoes."

Last fall, Biff Henderson arrived to film an Americana segment for The Late Show With David Letterman. His fancy bus pulled into town, rounded a corner and promptly dented its side.

Four days later, his East Coast attitude had softened.

"It was a great little town," Henderson said in his piece, which aired Oct. 4. "I learned to keep a song in my heart. I learned that the children really are our future."

The New Yorkers were simply charmed, artist Larry Denton says. "I think they underestimated the town. It's like they wanted to come and poke fun at it. But everybody was so kind and so excited, they got swamped."

The townspeople commemorated the visit by compiling their Top 10 reasons why Letterman would want to visit Turkey, painting them on the windows of a downtown building.

No. 10: See if he could sneak in and out of Texas without being sued.

9: Everybody watches Letterman, it's the only station we get.

8: He thinks Bob Wills still lives here fiddlin' around.

7: Tired of Butterball fare, he wants to eat the real thing.

6: He heard the world's finest hairpieces are made of turkey feathers.

5: He hopes the Wild Turkey distillery is located here.

4: Because it's only 10 miles to Quitaque.

3: It's the only place you can see the mayor in a turkey suit.

2: He wants his mother to learn to shoot and dress a wild turkey for Thanksgiving.

1: There wouldn't be enough turkeys in Texas without him.

A good, difficult life

At the end of Johnson Street, Dessie Mae Robertson lives with her dog, Heidi, her Eddy Arnold records and her memories.

"Cranky and hot-tempered," long active in Republican politics, she has corresponded with presidents and governors, got named to too many honorary rolls to remember and received a private audience with Gov. George W. Bush when he stopped in Turkey in 1997.

After she fired off a letter to President Bill Clinton in 1993 — "I told him what I thought of him in no uncertain words" — Clinton replied, "Though we may differ about some issues ... I appreciate your sincerity and candor."

At 88, Robertson has arthritis and macular degeneration, and she figures she's suffered a small stroke. But life was never easy. Her younger brother Jimmy drowned at age 5 while playing in a pond.

"It just tore our family up," she says.

Both her father, James Christian Sr., and her oldest son, Bobby, were killed in car wrecks. Her husband, Paulie Robertson, died of a heart attack.

We're not to understand why, she says. Instead, "I thank him (God) for all the wonderful things he's done for me."

Dessie Mae Christian was born in Fulbright, in far northeast Texas, and the extended family moved to Turkey in 1914, when she was 2. Aunt Dot taught grade school, her grandfather became sheriff of Hall County, and her father owned a cotton gin and traded in hogs and cattle. He was a good provider, she says.

"I had everything I wanted. I went to the drugstore, took the girls and bought drinks for them and charged them to my daddy. He was a great daddy."

Bob Wills, who lived on a farm "down between the rivers," was a close friend. "Oh, yes, yes. I danced many times to him. Bob was a fine fellow. He was just real nice."

At the Ham Brothers Barbershop, founded in 1911, Paul Robertson, "a walking example of sartorial perfection" according to a newspaper story, operated chair No. 2, earning 25 cents a cut.

Dessie Mae Robertson doesn't recall how she met Paulie, as his family called him. Everybody just knew everybody.

She was 16 when they eloped on the pretense of visiting a county fair in Hollis, Okla.

"My daddy was dead. I might have been afraid to if he'd have been alive."

Her uncle suspected Paulie of gold digging; Dessie had $100,000 from her father's accident policy. The uncle persuaded her to sign it over to her mother, and the young bride never saw the money.

"I never thought anything about it," she says.

Dessie cleaned houses, and the newlyweds moved into a pink one-bedroom on Johnson Street. It lacked plumbing, but it was cute. It was a doll house.

But Paulie suffered from a heart condition and was unable to work. During the Great Depression the couple searched for opportunities in Amarillo, where Dessie went to school and became supervisor of respiratory therapy at St. Anthony's Hospital.

There, she helped Wills' brother, Johnnie Lee, and his wife, Irene, adopt their two children, Millicent Ann and Johnnie. In 1974 the Robertsons returned to Turkey, where they bought her current home for $4,000.

It's just down the street from her honeymoon cottage, which looks so old, so neglected. A yellow sofa torn to the stuffing sits out front. A window screen and a broken table lie on the porch. The posts are weathered. Siding is falling off, graffiti is scrawled on the wall, and the door is padlocked.

A Gem of a town

In the 1950s Lawana Wynn worked the cotton fields during the week. On Saturday it was off to the Gem Theater to catch Roy Rogers or Gene Autry roping bad guys.

"This was the gathering spot. The kids would all come in here, and the adults would visit on the street."

Today, Lawana Cruse — her married name — owns the Gem.

"I used to dream about owning this theater since I was about 6 years old."

This Gem hardly sparkled when she bought it from the bank several years ago. Built in 1927 and remodeled in the '30s, the last picture show had been dark for 34 years. The roof had caved in. Everything was covered in mud and cobwebs.

Cruse needed money. She needed an angel.

She was washing dishes one night when a knock came at the door. It was Larry Denton, an artist who had moved from East Texas and bought a vacant building for a studio. He wanted to help.

Outsiders are not altogether accepted in Turkey, and his vision met with skepticism in a town where old buildings are best razed.

Cruse's nonprofit Turkey Heritage Foundation received grants from area agencies to begin restoration. Denton assembled a small crew — "three or four artists and a couple cowhands."

Three years and $70,000 later, they had a handsome, structurally sound theater with restored walls, balcony, floor and tin ceiling, once "bathroom green," now burgundy.

Country legend Ray Price, whom Cruse met four years ago at a concert in Snyder, donated his time. "He was sitting there at a table signing autographs. I just leaned across the table and asked him: 'Is there any way I could get you to come to Turkey and do a benefit for us to restore this theater? It's the first theater Bob Wills ever played in.'

"He looked up and grinned and said, 'I think we can work something out.' "

Price's show netted the restoration effort $12,000. His career was restored as well.

"He had come from Midland-Odessa the night before and was very disappointed in the show down there," Cruse says. "He came off the stage here with tears in his eyes. I couldn't imagine why. One of his (Cherokee Cowboy) band members told us later that it's just amazing that it took Turkey, Texas, to give Ray Price the heart to keep going. He was ready to quit."

The restored Gem is not a movie house but a playhouse for local and regional amateur and professional entertainment.

For its inauguration last year, the new Gem played host to Amarillo's Lone Star Ballet.

Ballet? The good burghers of Turkey weren't so sure about pointy-toed dancers flitting through the air. The Lone Star's Mexican and country-Western dances won them over.

Can the Gem spark a revitalized Main Street? Investors who note such things might, in Cruse's most optimistic projection, see another Branson, Mo. The roofless building next door might open as a plaza with an outdoor stage. A vacant building next to that could become a cafe or ice-cream parlor.

"It takes the whole town working together," Cruse says. "There's a lot of good people here, and some you just want to wring their necks."

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One year after fateful crossing, Elian is fading memory in Cuba

By Vivian Sequera
Associated Press

CARDENAS, Cuba — From a lonely stretch of beach, Elian Gonzalez, his mother and 12 others set sail a year ago on a fateful journey that left the little boy adrift and divided Cubans on both sides of the Florida Straits.

Now, months after Elian was repatriated to his native Cuba, the massive protests outside the American mission in Havana and the media circus outside the boy's relatives' home in Miami are a part of the past.

The riots sparked when armed federal agents seized the child and returned him to his father on April 22 are fading from memory. Elian is living the quiet life of a second grader in his hometown of Cardenas — though uniformed police still protect him from reporters.

Elian's odyssey began Nov. 21, 1999, when 14 people set sail from a lonely stretch of beach in Cardenas, bound for Florida. The ship capsized, and Elian was found adrift on Nov. 25, one of only three survivors.

The wan little boy, rescued Thanksgiving Day, had lost his mother. He was immediately embraced by his Miami relatives and adopted as a symbol by Cuban-Americans who oppose the communist regime of Fidel Castro.

In Havana, Cubans staged massive protests outside the U.S. mission, calling for the child's return. In Miami, outside his relatives' Little Havana home, there were daily prayer vigils and a media frenzy that seemed to document his every move. His great-uncle Lazaro Gonzalez and cousin Marisleysis appeared on television almost daily.

Eventually, though, the Miami relatives lost a legal tussle that went all the way to the Supreme Court.

Castro claimed Elian's June 28 return to Cuba as one of his sweetest victories in four decades of power. Though many in Miami were skeptical, predicting the child would become a propaganda tool, Castro vowed to protect the family's privacy.

He appears to be keeping his promise. Elian's name has disappeared from state media and official speeches, and his timid visage has been erased from billboards along the capital's main thoroughfares. His face is only occasionally seen on the T-shirts hundreds of thousands of Cubans wore during scores of street protests calling for his return.

In Miami on Wednesday, Cuban exile groups held a quiet memorial service for Elisabeth Brotons, Elian's mother, and the others who died on the voyage.

In Cardenas, a two-hour drive east of Havana, a police officer outside Elian's modest home told journalists the Gonzalez family would not grant any interviews. Another officer stood outside Elian's elementary school.

Four officers guarded the dirt road between the shrubs and mangrove trees leading to La Sierra, the beach where his journey began.

By all accounts, Elian, who will turn 7 on Dec. 6, is doing well. His grandparents and uncles drop him off at school and pick him up every day on their bicycles.

Elian's father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez, works as a waiter at an Italian restaurant that caters to tourists at Josone Park, near Cardenas. Inside the restaurant, there is a small picture of the man who traveled to the United States to claim his son posing with several co-workers.

While that custody case was unique, the secret, treacherous trip across water that necessitated it was not.

"Every day someone leaves and every day there is an anniversary," said Luanda Leon, whose son Ariel, 7, goes to school with Elian.

The case underscored the differences that divide so many Cuban families. For the relatives of the two adult survivors, the anniversary of the voyage is less public, but equally poignant.

"I feel sad, have bitter moments when I think about all those other families ... how are they feeling today?" said Elsa Alfonso, whose daughter, Arianne Horta, 23, survived the journey, along with her boyfriend, Nivaldo Fernandez.

Horta's 6-year-old daughter Estefany, left behind in Cardenas at the last minute, attends first grade at Elian's school.

"I was lucky, I have them both alive," Alfonso said, referring to her daughter and granddaughter. Though they are apart, she said, Estefany still has her mother — "but not Elian."



AP Photo
Police officers guard the path to the entrance of the beach from where Elian Gonzalez embarked on his trip to the United States, in Cardenas, Cuba, Tuesday. Elian's odyssey began Nov. 21, 1999, when 14 people set sail from a lonely stretch of beach in Cardenas, bound for Florida. The ship capsized, and Elian was found adrift on Nov. 25, one of only three survivors.

Spain reports first known case of mad cow disease

MADRID, Spain (AP) — The government reported Spain's first case of mad cow disease on Wednesday and said it is investigating a second possible case.

Tests by government veterinarians in the northwest Galicia region revealed a confirmed case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy, or BSE, late Wednesday morning, Agriculture Minister Miguel Arias Canete said. He said Spanish authorities sent samples of the second animal to British experts for further analysis.

"The first case is conclusive. There is no room for doubt," Arias Canete said.

The minister said Spanish authorities have quarantined the farms where the cows lived along with other farms which may have had contact with the animals. He said all cows suspected to have had contact with either animal will be destroyed and tested.

Earlier this month, Spain banned imports of French and Irish cattle destined for use in breeding. The decision was made after a sharp increase in the number of cases of mad cow disease in France — up to 80 so far this year from 31 for the whole of last year.

BSE in beef has been linked to a fatal brain ailment in humans.

Spain already bans imports of British, Swiss and Portuguese cattle and beef because of health fears.

The beef scare exploded in Britain in 1996 when scientists confirmed that BSE could jump the species barrier and infect humans who consumed BSE-tainted beef. The European Union responded by banning British beef exports. It lifted the ban in August 1999 in response to safety measures adopted by Britain.

Two people are known to have died in France from the human equivalent of the disease, which has no known treatment. In Britain, 81 people have died since the disease was identified by government scientists.

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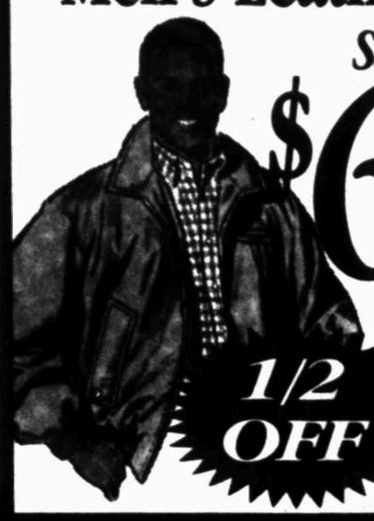
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ATR	Aptargp	24.13	–.06
ARA	Aracruz	12.69	–.25
ACI	ArchCoal	10.06	–.19
ADM	ArchDan	11.38	–.06
ASN	ArchstnC	23.56	–.19
ARI	ArdenRlt	24.25	–.06
ACK	ArmstHld	1.44	–.19
ARW	ArrowEl	23.19	–.56
ARM	ArvMerit n	13.69	–.31
ASL	Ashanti	2.44	–.06
ASH	Ashland	32.63	+.07
APB	AsiaPc	8.25	–.44
PAP	AsiaPtp	d1.00	...
AFS	AscFCap	33.38	–1.75
AZN	AstraZen	47.13	–1.44
CGO	AtlasAir	38.25	–4.44
ATO	ATMOS	25.06	–.06
ATW	AtwdOcn	34.00	–.06
AVC	AudioVis	34	+.09
AN	AutoNatn	6.63	–.31
ALV	Autoliv	21.69	–.13
AUD	AutoData	68.38	...
AZO	AutoZone	26.25	–.94
AVB	AvalonBay	45.63	–.38
Av	Aveya n	12.19	–.06
AVE	Aventis	73.81	–1.19
AVY	AveryD	56.25	+.75
AVL	Avnet	5.31	–.19
AVS	Aviation	2.31	+.19
AVI	Avis A	32.00	–.06
AVA	Avista	21.94	–.06
AVT	Avnet s	d18.19	–.69
AVP	Avon	42.94	+.19
AZX	Azurix	6.19	–.13
BBT	BB&T Cp	30.38	–.56
BCE	BCE gs	26.56	+.88
BJS	BJS	57.44	–2.69
BJ	BJs Whls	34.63	+.44
BKF	BKF Cap	18.63	–1.13
BP	BP Amoco	51.06	–.50
BPT	BP Pru	13.88	–.25
BRE	BRE	31.50	+.13
BSFpQ	BSCH prQ	22.75	+.15
BHI	BakrHu	37.75	–.87
BEZ	Baldor	20.00	–.75
BLL	Ball	37.75	+.25
BTN	Ballnty	69	+.25
BET	BallyTotF	27.56	–.75
BBV	BcBilVArgd	11.94	–.75
BFR	BncoFrn	19.69	–.31
STD	BcoSnCH	d8.38	–.31
BXS	BcpSouth	12.44	+.32
ONE	BankOne	33.50	–.19
BAC	Bk of Am	36.38	–1.25
MBK	BkTokyo	11.06	–.25
BK	BkNY	51.88	–.81
BCR	Bard	47.31	–.38
BKS	BarnNbl	26.75	–1.13
BRL	BarrLab s	56.00	+.50
BRR	BarrettRs	41.69	–.31
ABX	BarrickG	14.31	+.44
RGB	BarryRG	2.81	+.38
BMG	Bartlett	1.50	+.06
BOL	BauschL	42.06	+.06
BAX	Baxter	83.13	–1.25
BVC	BayView	8.69	–.44
BSC	BearSt	49.06	–1.69
BEC	BeckCoult	74.31	+.69
BDX	BectDck	31.75	+.13
BOG	Belco	9.19	+.13
BLS	BellSouth	41.69	+.94
BLC	Belo	17.25	+.06
BMS	Bemis	27.00	+.13
BHE	BenchEl	33.69	+.44
BNO	BentonOG	1.63	–.19
BBC	BergBr	u13.75	+.63
BRK/A	BerkHa	A62700.00	–300.00
BRY	BerryP	16.69	–.25
BBY	BestBuy	31.69	–.31
BS	BethStl	2.75	...
BEV	Beverly	5.13	...
BDY	BindlyW	30.44	+.06
BXM	Biomtrx	19.19	–.25
BVF	Biovail s	34.44	–4.25
BIR	BirStl	1.38	–.06
BDK	BlackD	32.13	–1.19
BKH	BlkHlCp	u33.38	+1.25
BKT	BlkIT	6.38	...
BKN	BlkIQM	12.00	+.19
BMN	BlkMTar	9.69	...
BGT	BlkStrTT	u9.13	...
EWB	Blanch	16.88	–.38
HRB	BlckHR	33.88	–.06
BBI	Blockbstr	9.56	–.06
BA	Boeing	65.13	–3.50
BCC	BoiseC	27.88	...
BBA	Bombay	2.38	...
BCU	BordCh	1.50	...
BGP	Borders	11.88	–.13
BWA	BorgWarn	35.25	–.50
BXP	BostProp	41.19	–.25
BSX	BostSci	d14.19	–.19
BOW	Bowatr	51.75	+.06
BNE	Bowne	8.00	...
BOY	BoykinL	9.31	...
BDN	Brandyw	19.19	...
BRP	BrasilTel	49.50	–1.17
BGG	BrigStrat	36.50	–.56
EAT	Brinker	39.38	+1.06
BMY	BristMy	57.94	+1.06
BAB	BritAir	56.50	+2.00
BTY	BritTel	d87.00	–4.81
BRW	Broadwing	22.69	–1.44
BPO	BrkfldP g	16.13	...
BNS	BrwnSh	4.94	–.06
BFVA	BrwnFA	u54.56	–.81
BF/B	BrwnFB	u65.44	–1.94
BC	Brunswick	17.50	–.13
BKI	BuckTch	d10.94	–.81
BD	BudgetGp	13.06	+.31
BVN	Buenavnt	11.31	+.38
BCF	BurlCoat	14.63	+.19
BUR	Burlinds	1.38	...
BNI	BurlNSF	26.25	+.00
BR	BrtRsc	42.63	+.06
BPP	BurnPP	d4.25	–.13
BBR	ButlerMfg	23.69	–.13
CHP	C&D Tch	s43.25	–1.38
EMS	C–Mac gn	43.69	–1.44
VNT	CANTV	d17.69	–.56
CBL	CBL Assc	22.50	–.31
CEC	CEC Ent	34.06	...
GIB	CGI gs	d3.88	–.06
CI	CIGNA	123.17	–.76
HS	CIGNA Hi	d3.63	–.19
CIT	CIT Gp	16.63	–.25
CKR	CKE Rst	2.56	–.06
CMS	CMS Eng	27.63	–.38
CNA	CNA Fn	36.00	–.19
SUR	CNA Sure	11.44	–.06
CNF	CNF Tran	27.31	–.06
CNH	CNH Glbl	9.31	–.06
CPL	CP&L Egy	39.63	–.88
CAO	CSK Ato	d2.63	–.25
CSX	CSX	25.06	–.13
CTS	CTS	41.25	–1.00
CVS	CVS Cp	54.94	+2.19
CWP	CabltWrls	37.56	–1.50
CDT	CablDsg s	15.75	–.25
CVC	Cablvsn	72.06	–.81
CS	Cablrn	18.88	–1.44
CBT	Cabot s	22.75	–2.38
COG	CbtOG	23.00	+.13
CDN	Cadence	23.56	–.19
CCC	Calgon	d5.00	–.13
ELY	CallGolf	17.44	–.06
CPN	Calpine s	34.69	–.38
CPT	Camdnp	29.88	–.06
CPB	CampSp	33.38	...
CNI	CdnRy g	29.50	–.69
CP	CdnPc g	27.75	–.25
COF	CapOne	48.44	–1.31
CMO	Capstd s	10.63	+.06
CAH	CardnlHu	100.69	+3.88
CMX	CaremkRx	10.63	–.62
CSL	Carlisle	42.00	–.19
CCL	Carnival	22.19	–.56
CRS	CarpTech	33.06	+.25
CRE	CarrAmR	29.31	–.13
CAR	CartWal	u29.44	+.94
LTG	CataliLt	2.69	+.06
POS	CatalMkt s	39.88	–.06
CDX	Catelus	18.44	–.44
CAT	Caterpillr	37.81	–.44
CLS	Celestic gs	57.06	–1.56
CX	Cemex	20.31	–.88
CD	Cendant	9.25	–.50
CDpI	Cendnt pfI	13.63	–.75
CDr	Cendant rt	5.13	–.50
CTX	Centex	35.94	–.06
CPC	CentPrkg	17.31	+.13
CTL	CntryTel	34.44	–.75
CEN	Ceridian	23.13	–.94
CU	Cervecer	19.94	+.81
CF	ChantOneF	21.63	–.13
CMB	ChaseM s	37.31	–1.36
CKP	Checkpnt	9.19	+.69
CHK	ChesEng	6.63	+.13
CHV	Chevron	84.81	–.19
CTC	ChileTel	14.38	–.19
CHL	ChinaMbl s	27.81	–4.00
SNP	ChinaPet	n19.25	–.94
CHU	ChinaUni	n17.63	–2.00
CQB	Chiquita	1.81	+.06
CPS	ChoicePt	53.13	–.81
CB	Chubb	77.63	–3.75
CHY	Chyron	1.69	–.25
CBR	CiBER	6.69	...
CIN	CINergy	31.50	–.19
CC	CircCtyCC	12.77	+.40
KMX	CirCCar	4.06	–.19
C	Citigrp s	47.00	–2.13
CpX	Citigp pfX	22.00	–.13
CZN	CitzComm	14.44	–.50
CYN	CityNC	31.81	–.63
CLE	ClairesStr	23.81	+.31
CMH	ClaytnH	10.00	...
CCU	ClearChan	47.56	+1.75
CLX	Clorox	47.94	+1.19
COH	Coach n	23.00	+.38
CGP	Coastal	u81.63	–.44
PAR	Coastcst	17.81	–.06
KO	CocaCl	58.63	+4.38
CCE	CocaCE	20.75	–1.00
KOF	CCFemsa	19.81	–.25
CDE	Coeur	88	+.06
CL	ColgPal	59.20	–.00
CNB	ColBgp	8.50	–.13
CXE	ColHln	d5.94	–.13
CIF	ColHl	4.50	+.19
CMU	ColMu	5.44	–.13
CCZ	Comcst2	948.88	–1.13
CDO	Comdisco	12.94	–.44
CMA	Comeric	47.94	–1.63
CBH	CmcBNJ	53.13	–.88
CFB	CmcFdl	16.06	–.38
CTV	ComScop	23.88	–1.19
CYH	CmtyHlth	n25.06	–.56
CBD	CBD–Pao	34.25	+1.25
CPQ	Compaq	23.30	–.75
CA	CompAs	27.50	–1.38
CSC	CompSci	74.00	+1.00
CTG	CmpTsk	4.06	–.38
CRK	CmpstkRs	10.75	...
CIV	Conectiv	19.13	–.06
COC/A	ConocoA	25.69	–.06
COC/B	ConocoB	26.50	–.06
CNC	Conseco	7.31	–.31
CNCpH	Consc pfH	12.94	–.44
CNX	ConsolEgy	18.75	+.13
ED	ConEd	u37.31	+.88
COP	ConsPdts	8.38	+.63
CNS	ConStor	d8.94	–.31
STZ	ConstellA	49.75	–1.44
CEG	ConstellEn	41.31	–.88
CAL	ContlAir	48.81	–1.75
CVG	Convrgys	40.88	–2.38
CAM	CoopCam	56.75	–2.25
CBE	Cooper	39.50	–.13
CTB	CooprTr	9.38	–.19
RKY	Coors B	74.00	–1.06
CPO	Copel	8.19	–.56
CLB	CoreLab	20.00	–1.75
CPO	CornPdts	24.44	–.44
GLW	Corning s	63.25	–1.50
CYE	CpHYIII	8.31	–.19
CXW	CorrecCp s	.50	...
CGA	CorusGr	8.00	–.38
CCR	CntwCrd	34.56	–.94
CUZ	CousPrp s	27.38	+.13
CVD	Covance	9.00	+.57
COX	CoxCom	36.81	–.13
COXpI	CoxCmnc	s51.38	+.88
CXR	CoxRadio s	22.06	–.50
CR	Crane	24.56	–.31
BAp	Credicp	8.50	+.13
CIK	CrSuisInce	5.88	+.06
CEI	CresRE	22.25	+.06
CMM	vjCrimiM	1.06	–.06
CK	Crompton	8.25	+.13
XTO	CrosTbr s	23.44	+1.25
CRT	CrosTim	16.31	+.31
CCK	CwnCork	4.94	–.31
CRW	CwnCr	6.38	–.06
CRY	Cryolite	40.75	–5.94
CFR	CullenFr	30.69	–.06
CUM	CumEng	32.94	–.19
CY	CypSem	27.50	–1.13
CYT	Cytec	33.69	–.56
DHY	DLJ HiY	5.91	...
DPL	DPL	29.31	–.56
DQE	DQE	34.25	–.56
DHI	DR Horton	n18.31	+.13
DST	DST Sys	s68.44	+1.50
DTE	DTE	37.06	–.25
DCX	DaimlrC	39.06	+.23
DRC	DairiRaus	93.94	–.06
DTL	Dal–Tile	12.63	–.13
DS	DallSemi	s33.81	–.69
DCN	DanaCp	d17.63	–.06
DHR	Danaher	62.69	–1.37
DÅ	Danone s	24.82	–2.58
DRI	Darden	u26.00	+.25
DVA	DaVita	10.63	–.38
DV	DeVry	u40.44	+.38
DF	DeanFd	27.63	–.06
DSU	DebtStrat	d8.06	–.19
DE	Deere	39.31	+.32
DLM	DelMnte	7.00	+.06
DZA	DelhaizeA	16.69	...
DZB	DelhaizeB	16.69	...
DPH	DelphiA	d13.44	–.56
DLP	DelticPne	23.50	–.31
DAL	DeltaAir	48.63	–1.13
DLX	Deluxe	23.75	+.25
DNR	Denbury	7.00	+.06
DFS	Dept56	14.00	–.38
DT	DeutTel	31.31	–1.50
QDR	DevDv	12.13	–.06
DEO	Diageo	39.13	–1.19
DL	Dial	12.63	+.50
DO	DiaOffs	34.63	–1.31
DBD	Diebold	29.00	–1.25
DDS	Dillards	11.31	+.06
DME	DimeBcp	22.69	–.63
DIS	Disney	29.06	–.31
DIG	DisneyInst	d5.00	–.88
DOL	Dole	12.31	+.25
DG	DollarG s	14.63	...
DTG	DollarTh	19.25	...
D	DomRes	n60.00	+.50
DCP	DmRes	04	n59.75	+.25
DCI	Donldson	22.88	–.44
DIR	DJ Dir	3.75	–.19
DK	DKaran	5.56	+.06
DNY	DonlleyRR	22.56	+.13
HIL	DotHill	3.06	–.13
DOV	Dover	42.75	–.19
DOW	DowChm s	30.94	–.06
DJ	DowJns	57.50	...
DSF	DresGlob	6.63	...
DHF	DryHYSt	d6.13	–.19
LEO	DryStrt	8.00	–.13
DRQ	DrilQuip	26.69	–.88
DD	DuPont	40.88	–.31
DRD	DuaneR	25.88	+.38
DNP	DufPUtil	10.06	–.06
DUK	DukeEngy	85.94	–.06
DRE	DukeWks	22.63	–.25
DNB	DunBrad	n22.81	+.06
DY	Dycom s	44.00	–1.13
DYN	Dynegy s	47.63	+.13
DX	DynexCap	1.25	...
EON	E ON AG	u53.75	–.38
EEX	EEX Cp	4.00	+.19
EMC	EMC s	78.06	–4.00
E	ENI	60.25	–.19
EOG	EOG Res	44.00	+.06
EMN	EastChm	41.44	–.75
EK	EKodak	43.81	–.06
ETN	Eaton	70.69	–.81
EV	EatnVan s	22.31	–.63
EVF	EV Srlnc	9.06	...
ECL	Ecolab	40.69	–.19
EIX	Edisonint	23.13	+.19
EW	EdwLSci	n15.63	+.69
AGE	Edwards	45.88	–2.25
EPGpC	EPasE pfd	84.06	+.88
EPG	EPasEn	u67.63	...
ELN	Elan	48.81	–1.06
ELK	Elcor	13.88	...
EDS	EDS	51.13	–.18
EMT	Embrati	13.00	–.31
EMR	EmrsnEl	70.31	–1.50
EDE	EmpDist	29.13	–.31
EOT	EottEng	16.81	–.06
ENT	Equant	29.75	–.88
EFX	Equifax	33.56	–.81
ENN	Eqtylnn	d5.81	–.06
EOP	EqOffPT	30.06	+.06
EQR	EqtyRsd	49.06	–.19
EL	EsteeLdr	42.75	–.13
ETH	EthanA	26.94	–.50
EWF	EurWtFd	d10.88	–.56
RE	EverestRe	57.94	–.63
EVG	EvgrnRes	27.75	+.13
EXC	Exelon	u62.81	+1.07
EX	ExideCp	9.63	+.38
ESA	ExtStayA	12.94	–.06
XOM	ExxonMob	84.00	+.88
FMX	FEMSA	37.75	–.75
FMC	FMC	71.00	–.50
FPL	FPL Gp	66.00	–.31
FDS	FactsetR s	37.11	–.10
FCS	FairchldS	17.69	...
FFD	FairfCmts	14.00	–.06
FDO	FamDlr	19.69	–.13
FNM	FanniMae	78.50	+.19
FDX	FedExCpu	49.74	+.34
FMO	FedMog	d2.00	–.44
FRT	FedRlty	19.25	+.06
FD	FedrDS	30.50	–.44
FII	FedInvst s	28.19	–1.38
FCH	FelCor	22.38	–.13
FOE	Ferro	20.50	–.06
FNF	FidelFin	23.63	–.38
FNV	Finova	.81	–.06
FAF	FstAmCp	19.63	+.06
FDC	FstData	48.44	–.75
FF	FFinFd	9.38	–.06
FR	FstInRT	31.19	–.25
FTN	FstTenn	22.75	+.06
FTU	FstUC	d24.56	–.88
FUR	FUnRE s	2.63	...
FVB	FtVaBk	40.13	–.50
FSR	Firstar	18.13	–.19
FE	FirstEngy	27.75	...
FBF	FleetBost	33.00	–1.13
FLE	FleetEn	12.75	–.31
FLM	Flemng	13.00	+.06
FFS	FlerFD	94	–.06
FFSr	FlerChl	rt	.02	...
FEG	FletEgy	36.25	–.19
FPC	FlaProg	u54.31	+.38
FLO	Flowers	16.56	–.06
FLR	Fluor	37.19	+.19
FTS	Footstar	u41.06	+.25
F	FordM n	23.81	–.56
FRX	ForestLab	129.25	–3.88
FST	ForestOil	14.06	–.06
FJ	FtJames	35.69	+.88
FO	FortuneBr	27.75	–.50
FWC	FostWh	d4.94	...
KDE	4KidsEnt	13.06	+.13
FS	FourSH g	80.88	–1.19
FOX	Fox Ent	16.94	–.31
FFA	FranFin	21.50	+.06
BEN	FrankRes	36.38	–1.14
FRE	FredMac	59.00	+.88
FCX/A	FMCG A	s7.19	+.25
FCX	FMCG	7.25	+.19
FMT	Fremont	4.13	–.19
FDP	FDelMnt	4.81	+.25
FGH	FGoldmn	5.13	–.13
FTR	Frntrins	.31	...
FBN	FurnBrds	15.94	–.13
GMT	GATX	45.06	–1.19
GPU	GPU	u34.19	+.19
GAB	GabelET	11.38	–.13
GGT	GabGlobl	11.19	–.44
GLC	Galileo Int	19.63	–.31
AUG	Gallaghr s	58.06	–1.94
GLH	Gallaher	24.56	+.13
GCI	Gannett	54.19	+.19
GPS	Gap	24.38	+.88
IT	Gartner	9.31	–.44
IT/B	Gartnr B	8.75	...
GTW	Gateway	d33.20	–1.44
DNA	Genentech	65.25	–.75
CHR	GenerSA	16.38	–.13
GAM	GAInv	36.38	–.13
BGC	GnCable	6.50	–.06
GCG	GnChem	.63	...
GD	GenDyn	72.00	–1.81
GE	GenElec s	49.00	–1.75
GIS	GenMills	ul2.06	+.13
GM	GnMotr	d50.69	–.62
GMH	GM H s	d23.70	–1.30
SEM	GenSemi	10.13	+.13
GCO	Gensco	20.13	–.50
GEN	GnRad	10.88	–.25
GPC	GenuPrt	18.88	–.25
GGC	GaGulf	12.56	–.13
GP	GaPcGP	23.63	+.38
TGP	GaPcTimb	26.78	–.09
GGB	Gerdau s	9.13	–.13
GPM	GettyMkt	5.13	–.06
G	Gillette	36.44	–.06
GLG	Glamis	1.38	...
GLX	GlaxoWel	58.00	–.94
GLB	GlenRT	15.44	+.13
GX	GlbCrss	d14.38	–2.00
GLM	GlobM	25.69	–1.13
GTS	GlbTele	d1.19	...
GSB	GoldStBc	24.81	...
GDW	GoldWF	53.38	–.25
GS	GoldmanS	79.94	–4.25
GR	Goodrch	34.88	–.75
GT	Goodyear	17.37	–.17
GOT	Gotchk	4.88	...
GRA	Grace	2.38	–.13
GWW	Graingr	34.81	–.19
GVA	GraniteC	28.31	–.13
GRP	GrantPr n	16.88	–.38
GPK	GraphPk s	1.25	–.25
GAP	GtAtPc	d8.50	...
GLK	GtLkCh	33.06	–.81
GPT	GreenptF	n27.75	–.50
GFF	Griffon	6.19	–.06
CEL	Gpolusac	12.13	–.38
TV	GTElevsa	48.44	–2.69
GTK	Gtech	19.00	+.88
GUC	Gucci	94.00	–5.00
GES	Guess	4.69	–.25
GDT	Guidant	51.13	–1.25
GFD	Guilford	1.69	...
GOU	GtFdCda g	4.19	–.19
HQH	H&Q Hlt	25.50	–.94
HQL	H&Q Life	22.06	–.25
HMK	HA–LO	3.31	+.06
HCA	HCA Hlth	40.25	+.44
HCC	HCC In	23.50	–.44
HRP	HRPT Prp	6.50	...
HSE	HS Rsc	32.63	–.69
HSB	HSB Gp	38.75	–1.13
HBC	HSBC	68.30	–3.55
HAE	Haemon	24.00	–.81
HAL	Hallibltn	35.88	–.69
BTO	HancBT	7.25	–.06
HDL	Handlm	7.94	–.06
HGR	HangrOrth	2.31	+.13
HC	HanovC s	31.88	–1.06
H	HarcGn	55.00	+.09
HOI	HarleyD s	43.94	–1.88
HAR	Harman s	41.20	–.81
HET	HarrahE	27.06	–.50
HRS	Harris	31.88	–.56
HSC	Harsco	21.19	–.13
HIG	HartfdFn	69.06	–6.44
HAS	Hasbro	11.25	–.13
HE	HawEl	33.50	+.13
HED	Head NV n	4.63	+.38
HCN	HlthCr	16.94	–.13
HMA	HlthMgt	21.69	+.19
HR	HlthRlty	18.38	+.19
HNT	HealthNet	21.00	–.81
HRC	Hillhsth	12.94	–.25
HTV	HrstAsrT	18.19	–.19
HL	HeclaM	4.63	+.25
HNZ	Heinz	46.63	+.25
OTE	HellnTel	7.19	...
HF	HellnFn	26.06	–.19
HP	HelmPayn	32.13	–1.13
HPC	Herculs	18.38	+.19
HPCpA	HerculT pf	14.88	–.88
HSY	Hershey	59.69	+.13
HRZ	Hertz	34.13	–.13
HWP	HewlettP	s34.10	+.91
HXL	Hexcel	11.00	–.19
HIB	Hibern	11.25	–.25
HIO	HilncoOp	7.94	+.06
HYI	HiYld	4.75	+.19
HYP	HiYdPl	d5.15	–.11
HIW	HighwdP	21.75	–.06
HB	Hillenbd	48.75	–.19
HLT	Hilton	9.63	–.31
HSP	HispBrd s	27.88	–2.00
HIT	Hitachi	d96.13	–3.69
HLR	Hollingr	14.06	–.13
HD	HomeDp s	36.88	–1.63
HBI	Homebased	1.44	+.13
HM	Hmstke	4.38	+.50
HON	HonwlIntl	48.13	–1.75
HMN	HorMan	16.00	–.25
HRL	Hormel s	16.00	–.69
HPT	HospPT	22.00	...
HMT	HostMarr	11.00	–.06
HTN	HoughtM	37.44	–.31
HI	Houshlnt	44.06	–2.19
HUB/B	HubbelB	25.75	–.44
HU	HudsnUtd	17.81	+.13
HUF	Huffy	7.06	–.63
HUG	HughSup	15.19	+.34
HGT	HugotnR	14.00	...
HUM	Humana	11.94	–.13
HYC	Hyprcm	d4.44	–.31
IBP	IBP	22.00	–.44
IBN	ICICI Bk n	7.13	–.81
IC	ICICI	9.56	–.44
ICN	ICN Phrm	32.06	–1.38
IGL	IMC Glo	11.50	–.13
IMK	IMS Hlth	26.94	+.06
ING	ING	67.19	–3.25
ITX	IT Gp	4.94	+.13
ESI	ITT Ed	20.25	+1.25
ITT	ITT Inds	33.38	–.50
IDA	Idacorp	49.50	+1.06
IKN	IkonOffSol	3.13	+.06
ITW	ITW	54.88	–1.37
IMP	ImprBc	21.13	–.81
ICI	ICI	26.63	+.19
N	INCO	14.50	–.19
IIT	IndoSatel	9.25	–.19
TLK	IndoTel	5.06	–.06
NTZ	IndNat

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Tkr	Name	Last	Chg
	A-B-C		
ACTM	ACT Mf	22.50	–2.63
ACTV	ACTV	26.50	–.88
ADCT	ADC Tel s	19.75	–1.00
ADRX	Adrex	08.63	–.56
ADTN	ADTRAN	38.63	–3.00
AEIS	Advanced En	41.00	–3.00
AFCI	AmerClothg	01.50	–.61
AGIX	AmerGnInt	01.50	–.63
AIMC	Altra	11.50	–.63
AIRT	Air T Inc	07.50	–1.00
AITI	AIT Ltd Cl A	07.75	–1.00
AITX	AIT Cptl	27.75	–1.00
AITXU	AIT Ltd Wt	04.94	–.81
ATMI	ATMI Inc	016.63	+ .63
ATSI	ATS Med	11.75	–1.38
ASTM	Aastrom	1.53	–.16
ASGX	Asgrow s	02.13	–4.63
AUDT	Audiovox	07.00	–.63
AVCT	AvidTech	10.31	+ .06
AVIR	Aviron	61.38	+1.50
AVCT	AvocetCp n	50.69	–.88
AWRE	Aware	24.00	–.63
AXLG	Axcelis n	8.06	–.16
AXNT	AxentT	17.88	+.19
AXPH	AxPharm	4.38	–.38
AZRX	AzurRx	1.88	–.06
BOUT	BOUTnet	22.13	–1.19
BAGL	BasicEl	11.50	–.63
BASI	BasinRes	18.56	+ .13
BKMI	Bookham	0.69	–.19
BCRU	BrckrCrude	22.31	–.63
BCTI	Actel	29.13	–2.00
BCTR	Alterra n	09.81	–1.81
BCPW	BctPwr n	016.88	–1.94
BCTU	Actuate s	24.81	–1.94
BCOM	Acxiom	35.88	–1.75
BDAC	BdcLabs	18.38	+ .06
BDAT	Badger	012.25	+ .31
BDAP	BdpBird s	06.75	–.94
BDSY	Bindview	4.50	+ .06
BOLAC	Adelph n	29.56	+1.31
BOBE	BobEvans	22.31	–7.69
BDTN	Adtran	39.44	+ .13
BDVP	AdvPara s	33.94	–.19
BDIC	AdvDigI s	16.31	–.63
BEIS	AdvEngy	18.69	–1.13
BFCI	AdvFCm	27.13	–2.63
BRTT	AdvRadio	02.50	+ .13
BSCX	AdvSwitch	07.75	–1.22
BTIS	AdvTec	4.06	.94
BOVS	Advsnt s	50.63	–4.88
BRXX	Aeroflex s	47.88	–2.13
BETH	AethrSys	05.88	–15.13
BFFX	Affymet s	58.75	–4.88
BDOM	Agoy.com	05.84	–.47
BGIL	AGInSft	48.50	–3.38
BNCC	AirNet n	07.25	–1.28
BKAM	AkamaiT	092.13	–3.94
BLKDY	Alaco	48.75	+ .13
BMRI	AlbnyMic s	01.13	–1.13
BLKS	Alkerm s	31.13	+ .31
BLLR	Allaire s	05.88	–.38
BLGX	AllegTel s	017.69	–1.25
BFOR	AllFBO n	08.50	–1.63
BLLP	AllanPh	9.22	–.13
BLSC	AllianSemi	15.75	– .81
BLLC	AlldCap	20.38	
BLTR	Alld

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BUSINESS BRIEFING

OIL PRICES

Wednesday	$35.40
Previous	$35.16

POSTED

Wednesday	$32.50
Previous	$32.25

NATURAL GAS

Wednesday	$6.600
Previous	$6.408

Sharp drop

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks fell sharply Wednesday as Wall Street again wrangled with concerns about corporate earnings and the slowing economy. The persisting deadlock in the presidential election only added to the market's own stalemate.

Investors trade on their increasing fears that a slowing economy and the possibility of higher interest rates would further crimp company profits, particularly those of high-tech firms. The Florida Supreme Court's ruling late Tuesday that election ballots being recounted by hand should be included in the state's overall tally also contributed to selling.

The Nasdaq composite index tumbled 116.11 to 2,755.34. The last time the Nasdaq closed lower was Oct. 19, 1999 when it finished at 2,688.18.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 95.18 to close at 10,399.32, and the broader Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 24.99 to 1,322.36.

Crude rebounds

NEW YORK (Dow Jones News) — Crude oil futures rebounded from an early fall Wednesday as news of an explosion in the Israeli town of Hadera fanned worries about tensions in the region.

After opening sharply lower on inventory reports from the American Petroleum Institute showing a huge build in crude oil and a small increase in heating oil stocks last week, crude futures also received a lift from colder weather forecasts and continuing Iraqi recalcitrance, traders said.

January crude futures ended 24 cents higher at $35.40 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Natural gas futures continued to support the oil complex, notching up contract highs Wednesday. December natural gas gained 16.9 cents to $65.77 per 1,000 cubic feet. Heating oil futures closed above at $1.094 a gallon, up .3 cent and December unleaded gasoline was up 3.5 cents to 92.01 cents a gallon.

Mixed results

LONDON (AP) — The dollar was mixed against other major currencies in European trading Wednesday. Gold rose in London but fell in Zurich.

The euro was quoted at $0.8413, down from $0.8454 Tuesday.

Other dollar rates: 110.14 Japanese yen, down from 110.28; 1.8040 Swiss francs, up from 1.7996; 1.5462 Canadian dollars, down from 1.5554.

The British pound was quoted at $1.4070, down from $1.4158.

Based on euro rates, the dollar is worth: 2.3245 German marks, up from 2.3127; 7.7960 French francs, up from 7.7564; 2.6191 Dutch guilders, up from 2.6058; 2,301.25 Italian lire, up from 2,289.55.

Gold closed in London at $266.30 bid per troy ounce, up from $265.90 on Tuesday.

In Zurich the bid price was $265.90, down from $266.00.

Gold rose 50 cents in Hong Kong to $267.25.

Silver closed in London at $4.62 bid per troy ounce, down from $4.64.

National unemployment claims rise

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The number of Americans filing new claims for state unemployment insurance edged up last week, suggesting that the economy's hunger for an ever-increasing supply of new workers is easing.

The Labor Department reported Wednesday that new claims for jobless benefits rose by an unexpected 7,000 to a seasonally adjusted 336,000 for the week ending Nov. 18. That was the highest level since the beginning of the month.

Many analysts were expecting jobless claims to fall.

The more stable four-week moving average of jobless claims, which smoothes out week-to-week volatility, also rose to 330,500, the highest point since Jan. 16, 1999, when claims were at 342,000.

"The numbers are in line with the fact that the economy is slowing somewhat," said economist Clifford Waldman of Waldman Associates. "Although the labor market is still fairly strong in terms of the overall hiring situation, we're starting to see some pockets of softness, particularly in manufacturing," he added.

Economists said auto plant layoffs helped push last week's claims higher. Manufacturers have temporarily shut down plants or scaled back production to trim inventories given the economic slowdown. The shortened work week due to the Veteran's Day holiday also may have been a factor in boosting claims, they said.

The Federal Reserve has raised interest rates six times since June 1999 to slow the high-flying economy enough to keep inflation in check but not so much as to cause a recession. Economists said the Fed's rate increases are working.

"Jobless claims are at their highest level in two years, indicating that the economy has moderated," said Merrill Lynch economist Karen Dexter.

The economy slowed dramatically in the third quarter, growing at an annual rate of 2.7 percent, less than half the pace of the sizzling 5.6 percent rate registered in the second quarter.

As the economy continues to moderate, Dexter believes that the nation's unemployment rate in November will rise to 4 percent from October's 30-year low of 3.9 percent.

Last week, the Fed decided not to boost interest rates, deciding to wait and see whether the six rate increases it has approved since June 1999 will be enough to slow the economy and keep inflation under control.

The central bank did leave open the possibility that it will raise rates further if it detects any signs that the tight labor market and higher energy prices are causing inflationary troubles.

Even with the increase in claims, the nation's labor market remains tight, meaning businesses are struggling to find qualified workers to fill openings.

While a tight labor market is good for workers, economists are always watchful for signs that the tight labor market will trigger wage and price inflation.

They worry that wages and benefits could rise too sharply as employers struggle to recruit and retain workers — added costs that companies could pass along to consumers as higher prices. That has not happened yet.

For the work week ending Nov. 11, 13 states and territories reported increases in new jobless claims, while 39 reported decreases, the jobless report said. That information lags a week behind the national figures and is based on seasonally unadjusted claims data.

HOT TOYS



AP Photo

Hot holiday toys, clockwise from left, "Tekno" the robotic puppy, "Amazing Babies," "Let's Pretend Elmo," "Diva Starz," and "Poo-Chi" the interactive puppy.

Galveston lowers its port fees after Del Monte threat

GALVESTON (AP) — Faced with threats from a key customer, port officials have cut cargo fees for Del Monte Fresh Fruit Co., but the concessions are smaller than those sought by the fruit importer.

It's unclear whether the reductions will keep Del Monte in Galveston, where it has shipped bananas since 1969. A local Del Monte official last month said other ports would welcome the company, which has declined to extend its Galveston lease beyond 2002.

Del Monte officials declined to comment.

In an effort to save about 50 full-time jobs generated by the Del Monte shipments, port officials agreed this week to cut the cargo fee from $1.40 per ton to $1.15 per ton for both bulk cargo and containerized cargo.

That would represent an 18 percent reduction in Del Monte's rate on bulk cargo and a 48 percent cut in the rate for containerized cargo. But Del Monte had sought larger reductions — originally to 90 cents per ton, later to $1.15 per ton.

The lower fees were contained in an amendment that Galveston's Wharves Board made to the company's lease Monday.

Del Monte had also asked the port to pay $2.75 million toward new facilities for the company, although that request was not on the wharves board's agenda Monday.

Under the reduced rates offered this week, the port would lose $124,000 in revenues over the next two years, a 9 percent reduction from Del Monte's payments last year.

In port documents, staff members described Galveston's proposal as "more than fair" because Del Monte will not have to extend its current lease, which expires at the end of 2002. The port has made other concessions to Del Monte over the years, including cutting its annual rent from $200,000 to $50,000 in 1997.

"From what I've seen of the negotiations, the port is bending over backwards to try to maintain and retain their business," said Ted O'Rourke, secretary of International Longshoremen's Association Local 20.

Last month, Del Monte port manager James M. Stapleton told the wharves board, which sets policy at the port, that he had spoken to other ports that would welcome the company.

Stapleton also wrote to port Director Kay O'Neal, telling her, "Del Monte considers themselves to be a premium customer, and we will either be treated as such or we will find a port facility who desires the Del Monte business."

Feds update investigation into two Ford cars

By Nedra Pickler
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal safety officials have upgraded their investigation into 277,656 of the 1998 Ford Contour and Mystique sedans that may spit out gasoline during refueling.

There have been more than 300 reports of the problem made to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Ford Motor Co.

Ford has another 11,066 reports of frequent nozzle shutoffs and difficulty in filling the tank that do not mention spitbacks.

Ford officials did not immediately return calls seeking comment, but according to an investigation report, the automaker maintains that the amount of fuel that is expelled is not large enough to create a safety problem.

NHTSA is upgrading the investigation to conduct testing and interview owners who have complained.

NHTSA begins any investigation with a preliminary evaluation, during which the agency and the manufacturer exchange paperwork that includes any complaints. The investigation then could be upgraded to an engineering analysis, during which engineers study parts to see if they are defective, as in the case of the Contour and Mystique.

An investigation eventually can lead to a recall, but many are dropped.

NHTSA investigators have been busy examining the safety of Firestone and Goodyear tires that allegedly can lose their tread. There have been reports of at least 119 deaths involving Firestone tires and 15 deaths involving Goodyear tires.

According to a monthly report of investigations released Wednesday, the agency also opened a preliminary evaluation into 1999 and 2000 Lincoln Continentals with side air bags that have reportedly deployed suddenly without any impact.

The agency has three complaints of the problem, including reports of two people receiving minor injuries. There are about 50,000 of the vehicles on the road.

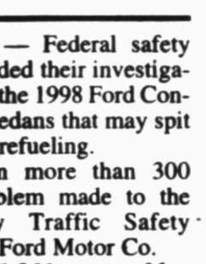
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THE ECONOMIST

Election 2000 proves to be catalyst for voter participation

By M. Ray Perryman

Every president of the U.S. has left his fingerprints on the nation's — and increasingly the world's — economy. I am prepared to discuss ad nauseam the potential ramification of the president-elect's tax cuts, budget spending plans, trade policies, and every other aspect of his proposed plan. But as we hit our publication deadline, the American people don't yet know if "he" is Bush or Gore.



Perryman

Even after the winning political party lays claim to Florida's Electoral College delegates, the losing party may challenge the decision in the courts; legal machinations may drag out the process indefinitely. (Of course, the wisdom embodied in our Constitution provides for such unusual circumstances, but who wants to go there?)

The consequences of all the posturing and political chess moves have left voters disenchanted (not to be confused with others who claim to have been disenfranchised). One of the more reliable political polls reports that one-third of Americans who voted this year are convinced they will never know who truly won on November 7. However, at the end of the day, the people's dissatisfaction over the election's results and the ensuing criticism expressed from coast to coast may be more of an historic event than who is the next president.

Witness the incredible outpouring of the public's response to every aspect of this almost comedic sequence of events. People had immediate access to information through a spectrum of channels — and they (we) took advantage of each opportunity. As a result, the public became deeply and dramatically engaged with the candidates, the broadcasters, and even each other. In between online stock trades, Americans e-mailed their opinions to chat rooms, and newscasters surveyed focus groups that supposedly represented us all. In the presidential debates, sound systems recorded sighs while on-screen moving graphics tracked instant responses from live audiences.

On the big day, 24 hour news coverage gave state-by-state vote counts in real time, misleading some voters and causing them to turn back prematurely from polling stations. In the midst of the information onslaught, Vice President Gore learned via cell phone he was still in the race. Soon cameras were transferring images of hanging chads and dimpled cards. Reporters swarmed everywhere; no one could get enough information.

In part, this year's confusion during the election vividly displays (nondigitally) the growing pains of a nation moving from traditional news transfer to wired, sophisticated data exchange. Information was colliding rather than smoothly coalescing because we are in the process of "morphing" to a tech-savvy world. Consumers, who are the voters of today and tomorrow, are educated and demanding. They are technologically astute, and they are information junkies. In order to be successful in this environment — whether you are selling political ideas or marketing a product — you must be fully informed about your competitors, know your market, and discover the unique quality that can set you apart from the rest of the pack.

These are interesting times. Our democracy is riding the e-wave of change — we are not getting buried by it. The wild and crazy news coverage of Election 2000 was a catalyst for a new level of voter/consumer participation. The entire election spectacle is a prime-time example of the new norm for doing business (economic, political, or otherwise): a constant stream of real-time information — sometimes reliable, sometimes not. As the King of Siam would say, "It's a puzzlement!"

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Two dead, more than 50 hurt, in car bomb explosion

By Dina Kraft
Associated Press

HADERA, Israel — A car packed with nail-studded explosives blew up next to a crowded Israeli commuter bus Wednesday, sending the bus flying into a building as victims writhed on the ground and nearby stores burst into flames. Two Israelis were killed and more than 50 were hurt in the blast blamed on Palestinian militants, further dampening hopes for a near-term Israeli-Palestinian truce.

Israel said it ultimately held Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat responsible for the blast, and that it would retaliate. Prime Minister Ehud Barak convened his security Cabinet for an emergency session Wednesday evening to approve a response. In the past, Israel has rocketed Palestinian targets over the killings of civilians.

The bomb, made of homemade materials and apparently detonated by remote control, went off in downtown Hadera, a working-class town in northern Israel, at about 5:20 p.m. local time — evening rush hour.

It detonated as the bus passed the rigged car, parked outside a pizza restaurant. The force of the blast propelled the bus across the sidewalk and then front first into a bakery.

One woman had both legs blown off below her knees. She was writhing in pain and still conscious when she was wheeled on a stretcher to an ambulance. A bystander pumped the chest of a man lying on the ground.

The pavement was littered with overturned cafe tables, shards of glass and metal and victims' shoes. Rescue teams used a power saw to extricate trapped and wounded passengers.

"I saw people scattered on the ground, people without limbs," said Benny Tapiro, 22, who works at a photo store a few yards from the blast site.

"I saw a baby on the ground and his father was near him and injured in the back. I gave him over to the ambulance crew," Tapiro said. The 2-year-old was taken to a nearby hospital.

Doctors and police said two people were killed and 55 wounded, including three in serious condition. Two of those wounded were Israeli Arabs — 1-year-old Thara Abu-Hussein and her father, Hussan Abu-Hussein, who was taking her for a routine health checkup when the bus blew up. Thara suffered second- and third-degree burns, while her father was in surgery and was listed in fair condition.

The blast turned the rigged car into a twisted pile of smoking metal and blew out the windows of the bus. Several nearby stores caught fire. Thick smoke rose into the air.

"The whole bus flew in the air from the explosion," a witness, identified as Shmuel, told Israel radio. "The whole floor of the bus buckled."

In Jerusalem, tens of thousands of Israelis attended a rally held by the hawkish opposition on Wednesday evening. Opposition leader Ariel Sharon, whose Sept. 28 visit to a contested Jerusalem shrine triggered the current round of Israeli-Palestinian fighting, said the government must take much harsher action.

"We have to stop twisting and turning. Arafat is not a partner. Arafat is a cruel enemy," Sharon said. "It is not the people who are tired. It is this government which has gotten tired."

Barak, who heads a minority government, faces a new challenge next week when parliament votes on a bill to hold early elections. Sharon's harsh criticism of the government suggested he was rebuffing Barak's new overtures for his faction to join the coalition.

Barak said responsibility for the attack lay with the Palestinian Authority which, he said, "freed terrorists, members of Hamas and Islamic Jihad, and encourages and directs its people to carry out attacks."

Arafat's Palestinian Authority said it had nothing to do with the bombing. "We condemn in the strongest way the false accusations of the prime minister," Palestinian spokesman Marwan Kanafani said.

About 100 supporters of the Islamic militant group Hamas, which has carried out such attacks in the past, staged an impromptu march of celebration in the Gaza Strip after the blast. However, leaders of the group did not claim responsibility.

The explosion came several hours after Israeli troops tracking a local Palestinian militia commander linked to Arafat's Fatah movement opened fire on two cars in the Gaza Strip, killing four people, including the wanted commander, the army said.

Palestinians said the soldiers fired without provocation. The windshield of one of the cars was riddled with dozens of bullet holes. Mohammed Dahlan, a Palestinian security chief in Gaza, called the shooting a "barbaric assassination."

In all, more than 250 people have been killed in Israeli-Palestinian fighting in the past two months. Several days ago, there was a lull in the violence, as Arafat ordered gunmen to stop shooting at Israelis from Palestinians areas. It appeared that both sides were interested in a gradual return to negotiations.

However, bloodshed intensified again Monday when Palestinian militants carried out a deadly bomb attack on an Israeli school bus in Gaza. Israel rocketed Gaza in retaliation, killing two Palestinian policemen. In response, Egypt recalled its ambassador, sidelining itself as a mediator.

Wednesday's explosion and the expected Israeli retaliation further dampened prospects for a resumption of peace talks before President Clinton's term ends in January.

Israel has been on high alert for terror attacks by Palestinian militants since the recent violence began. In the past, the Islamic Jihad and Hamas groups have carried out car bombings in hopes of wrecking Israeli-Palestinian peacemaking.

On Nov. 2, two Israelis were killed in the packed Mahane Yehuda market in central Jerusalem when a car bomb exploded on a nearby side street. Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for the attack.

In Hadera, six people were killed in a suicide bombing in 1994 that was claimed by Hamas. A string of bombings in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem in 1996 killed scores of Israelis.



AP Photo

An Israeli soldier looks a car riddled with Israeli army gunfire, where four suspected Palestinian militiamen were killed near a roadblock close to the Jewish settlement of Morag, near Rafah, in the southern Gaza Strip, Wednesday.

Tanzania introduces power rationing

DAR ES SALAAM, Tanzania (AP) — Tanzanians face months of long daily blackouts after the state power company announced rationing measures Wednesday, saying it cannot afford to buy fuel because government offices have not paid their bills.

Power will be cut off eight to 16 hours a day until March as the Tanzanian Electric Supply Company seeks to reduce national power consumption by 35 percent, TANESCO spokesman Daniel Mshana said.

He said TANESCO collects $6.9 million a month, while operating gas-powered generators costs $10 million a month. A total $61 million in bills are unpaid, mainly from government offices, Mshana said.

The rationing, which begins Friday, aims to ensure that water at Mtera reservoir, the country's main source of hydropower, is not completely drained before replenishment by the short rains which are just beginning in parts of the country, Mshana said.

Tanzania has experienced unofficial power rationing during the past two months as TANESCO struggled to sustain power supply before general elections on Oct. 29.

President Benjamin Mkapa, who came to office in 1995 and was re-elected in the vote, has sped up economic reforms, including privatization, slashing inflation from over 30 percent to less than 6 percent, increasing domestic and foreign investment and reducing the national debt.

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Fox taps left-wing foreign minister, conservative economic team

By Lisa J. Adams
Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — President-elect Vicente Fox offered the first glimpse of Mexico's new government Wednesday, naming a left-wing New York University professor as foreign secretary and a tenacious tax collector to head an economic team dominated by conservative businessmen.

On a whirlwind day only a week before Fox takes office, his advisers also presented an ambitious agenda for reforming the army, the legislature and the Constitution — an agenda some say attempts to do too much.

Fox, whose Dec. 1 inauguration will be the first democratic transfer of power from one party to another in Mexico's history, is sailing into uncharted waters, and Mexicans desperate for a hint of how he will govern were watching his announcements closely.

Fox named Jorge Castaneda to be his foreign secretary, an appointment that could indicate both a more combative stance in relations with the United States and a chill in Mexico's historically warm relations with Cuba, whose human rights record Castaneda has criticized.

Castaneda, whose father held the same job from 1979-82, is a 47-year-old left-wing academic who has taught at U.S. universities and served as columnist for U.S. newspapers and magazines. He currently teaches at New York University.

He is widely credited with advising the conservative Fox to push the United States harder for immigration preferences and monetary aid for Mexico.

Fox named Ernesto Ruffo, Mexico's first opposition governor, as coordinator for U.S. border issues. Ruffo, who was governor of Baja California from 1989-95, will serve as one of several "czars," meant to work on broad policies across agency lines.

Francisco Gil Diaz was named treasury secretary. Gil (pronounced HEEL), 57, is chief executive officer of telecommunications company Avantel S.A., 45 percent owned by WorldCom Inc. The appointment is a nod to big business, which actively lobbied for his appointment.

Gil also is known as the father of Mexico's current tax regime from his days as deputy treasury secretary for revenue from 1978 to 1982. His reputation as the "Iron Taxman" portends a clampdown on tax cheats and a broadening of the fiscal base, one of Fox's chief campaign promises.

Gil's chief rival for the treasury post, Luis Ernesto Derbez, was named to the newly created Economy Secretariat, an expanded version of the Secretariat of Commerce. Derbez, a 53-year-old economist, is on leave from the World Bank.

Fox named Eduardo Sojo, an adviser on his transition team, as his economic czar.

Earlier Wednesday, Fox advisers proposed a mammoth list of political changes that touched on some of the nation's most sensitive problems.

The 175-member committee recommended allowing re-election to Congress, saying the ban on immediate re-election has resulted in a crop of inexperienced legislators. It also proposed creation of a mechanism for presidential impeachment.

It recommended a constitutional ban on using soldiers for peacetime policing or anti-drug work, areas where the army currently plays an important role. And it called for a national debate on abortion, which is largely illegal in Mexico.

It also recommended dropping an article of the constitution that allows foreigners to be expelled arbitrarily, and suggested a South African-style "Truth Commission" that would investigate past human-rights abuses and corruption — but would not directly punish them.

Fox also appointed:

■ Ernesto Martens, a chemical engineer, as energy secretary;

■ Javier Usabiaga, a farmer known as the "Garlic King," as secretary of agriculture;

■ Pedro Cerisola, an important businessman, as secretary of transportation and communications;

■ Victor Lichtinger, former director of the environment commission of the North American Free Trade Agreement, as environment secretary;

■ Leticia Navarro, a little-known businesswoman, as tourism secretary;

■ Martha Sahagun, Fox's longtime media director, as presidential spokeswoman.

The list was notably thin on women, despite Fox's earlier promise they would be well represented. Fox said he would announce the rest of his Cabinet by Monday.

He initially had promised to name his Cabinet by early September but later said he needed more time to acquire top talent. Fox, a former president of Coca-Cola in Mexico, sent out corporate headhunters to search for his top aides.

Six Kenyans charged over lethal brew

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A Kenyan court charged six people with manslaughter Wednesday in connection with a toxic brew that killed 134 people and left hundreds more hospitalized.

Residents of Nairobi's sprawling, desolate slums and a nearby district began dying a week ago after drinking the lethal home brew, which was reported to have been laced with methanol.

Indidis said no new deaths had been reported in the last 24 hours, but many of those hospitalized have been blinded by the potent drink. Dr. Hoseah Waweru, director of Kenyatta National Hospital, said Tuesday that 21 patients of the 37 still admitted there have permanently lost their eyesight.

In 1996, a homemade brew believed to be laced with methanol killed 24 people and left another six blind. Two years later, a similar brew killed 100 people, and last year another 23 died and five were blinded by lethal home brews.

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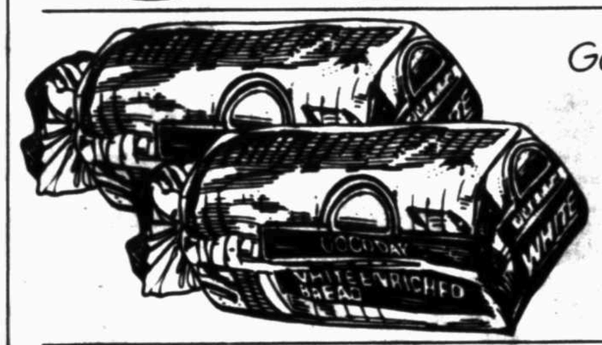
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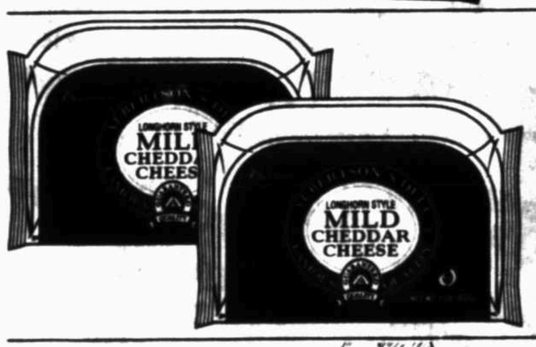
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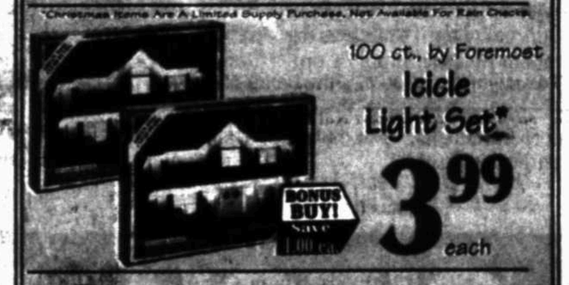


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Defense steps up for Midland Christian

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

The Midland Christian Mustangs this year have proven capable of putting up plenty of points with a balanced offense. But probably the biggest difference why they will be playing for the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Class 4A state championship this Saturday is due to the work of the defense.

Remember the saying, "Offense wins games but defense wins championships." The defensive guys have proven that true so far this season.

They may not get the recognition all the time and may not get all the write-ups or get their mugs on television, unless maybe they return an opponents' turnover for a touchdown. But this defensive unit for the Mustangs has been the heart and soul of the team. This unit might even be considered among the best to ever play at the school. The Mustangs' defense has allowed and average of 239 yards per game this season against some very strong competition.

"Our defense has been tremendous this year," said Midland Christian head coach Greg McClendon, who will lead his 9-3 Mustangs against Fort Worth Christian in Waco's Floyd Casey Stadium. "They play with tremendous enthusiasm, they have great pursuit of the football and I really believe that's due to the kids' hard work ethic and the coaching staff.

"They've been the difference. I felt that we've had a pretty solid offense for the last three years but we've definitely proven the fact that offense wins games and defense wins championships. With the defense coming on this year, it's the tell-tale sign of where we're at."

This unit has also stepped up in big games. Take the 24-12 win over Stanton in the sixth game of the season. The Mustangs stopped the Buffaloes on four fourth-down conversion attempts and held the dangerous running back tandem of Jeremy Hull and Clay White to 184 yards, a week after they rushed for more than 400 yards against Iraan.

"The Stanton game is when they really started to click as a unit," said defensive coordinator Greg McKinney.

"That's the first time we really came together," said junior linebacker Jordan Wilson. "The Stanton game is where we really stepped it up. That was a big night for us. We knew we had to stop Hull because he's one of the best in the state. We just did what we were supposed to do."

Sophomore middle linebacker Cody Crossland said the Stanton game is where this unit made its mark.

"We had been talking about coming together and then we made that goal line stand against Stanton and that's where we really made a name for ourselves," said Crossland, the leading tackler with 97 stops.

One area of the defensive unit that has really stepped up this year has been the secondary, which has three three-year starters.

"We demand so much from our secondary because we put (cornerbacks) Garrett Hellums and Paul Bez-

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Early Deadline

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Midland Reporter-Telegram went to press early Wednesday night in order that MRT employees may spend some time with their families.

We understand that there will be several sporting events that will be missed in this edition. The Midland High girls basketball team is playing in San Antonio and the Odessa Jackalopes are playing a late game in New Mexico, and those games are not in today's MRT.

We thank you for your patience and we will return to our regular deadlines on today for Friday's paper.

MIDLAND LEE'S TREK TO A THIRD STATE TITLE

Lee's Mount Winston

Standing 6-7, 280, it's hard to miss Lee's big tight end

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

You can't miss him on the field. He's the boy mountain with the stretched No. 87 on his jersey.

Midland Lee tight end Eric Winston is 6-foot-7, 280 pounds of dynamite, destined for some lucky Division I college. But that's still another year away. He has one more year to play for the Rebels.

But he already owns near legendary status among the Rebels.

"He may be as good of a blocker as I've ever had," says Lee line coach Randy Smith. "If you want to know what he is, he's a Rex Richards playing at tight end."

Rex Richards, just finishing his sophomore year at Texas Tech, has been a two-year starter for the Red Raiders. He was an offensive tackle at Lee.

"Eric just had his 17th birthday last Friday," said Lee coach John Parchman. "My first recollection of him was when he was in junior high. He would come to the booster club meetings and was always hanging around the field house because his older brother (Matt) played for us. It seems like he's always been around.

"His dream has always been to play for the Midland Lee Rebels, and he's done everything he could to make that dream come true."

Winston has been a "huge" force in just about every sport he has played. He played baseball when he was younger. He has played basketball for Midland Lee since he was a freshman and plans on joining coach Mark Coffman on the hardwood when this football season ends.

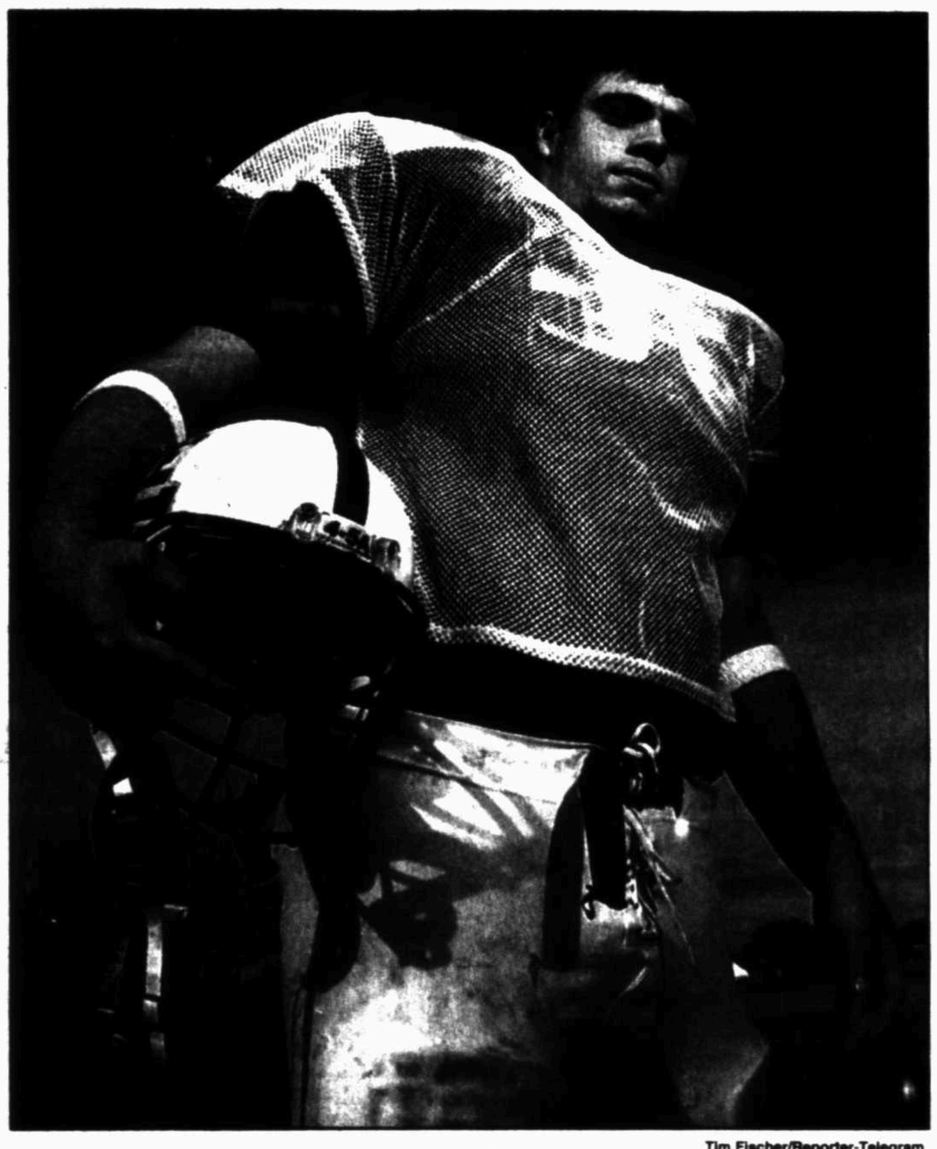
But he's used to being the big one.

"As long as I can remember, I've played just about every thing I could," Winston says. "I was always bigger than guys in my class. When I played in the GMFL (Greater Midland Football League), I played a grade up because I was so big.

"And I always played with my brother, Matt, who is three years older than me. I played with his friends and I got used to the greater speed of the games by doing that at an early age."

Winston, however, says that his major "growth year" in football came last year as a sophomore when Lee went 15-0, capturing a second consecutive state championship.

"Playing on that state team was great for me," Winston said. "That's when I got to watch guys like (center) Andy Brewster and (guard) Colby Marcum. They taught me that this game isn't always about the physical part, but that a lot of it is mental. They knew how to prepare for games. A lot of my success belongs to Coach Smith and Coach Parchman, but those two helped me a lot, too. I owe a lot of my success to them."



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Lee's Eric Winston has been a force for the Rebels the past two seasons on offense and defense, and Rebel fans will get to see him another season since the 6-foot-7, 280-pound tight end is just a junior.

But when Winston stepped into his first huddle when football practices started this summer, the likes of Brewster and Marcum were gone. There were a lot of new and unexperienced faces.

"It was weird in the huddle. I was still standing by Cedric (Benson), but everybody else was another face," Winston said. "And next year, Cedric won't be there, and that's really going to be strange."

Almost by default, Winston became the leader of the offensive line as a junior.

"Having Eric is almost like having another coach on the field," Smith says. "In fact, I wouldn't be surprised if he became a coach somewhere in his future. Sometimes it's tough carrying a leadership role on a team when you are a junior, but that hasn't been a problem on our team because most of our linemen are newcomers this year. None had a great deal of experience and they all respect what Eric had done as a sophomore."

Smith and Winston don't always agree, and that can produce some lighthearted moments.

"Eric grades his own film," Parchman said. "He will take the game video home over the weekend and grade himself. If he comes up with a different grade than Coach Smith gives him, they sit down and go over it again together."

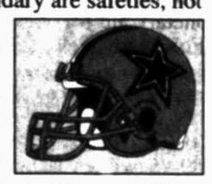
Smith dead panned, "You can bet I'm always

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Like '98, Vikes seek explosion against Dallas

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Randall Cunningham is on the Dallas sideline this time, not Minnesota's, and the injured members of the Cowboys' secondary are safeties, not cornerbacks.



Otherwise, the NFL's traditional late afternoon game on Thanksgiving sets up awfully similar to the 1998 version.

Cunningham and the Vikings benefited from Dallas' damaged defense that day in a wild 46-36 victory. The way things are going for both teams now, Minnesota could have 50 by halftime, while the Cowboys would be happy just to score.

Fresh off being shut out for the first time in nine years, Dallas (4-7) will be without eight injured starters. Quarterback Troy Aikman will start, but with only four days of rest for his brittle back, he'll be more sore than usual.

Among the missing Cowboys are both starting defensive tackles and the two starting safeties. That's no way for the league's worst run defense to go against the No. 1 rushing offense.

And to go along with the NFL's most productive ground game, Minnesota (9-2), has one of the best pass-

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One year later, Texas' Simms gets the start

By Jim Vertuno
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — As tough as this season has been for Texas quarterback Chris Simms, it pales in comparison to his first start for the Longhorns.

About 25 minutes before last season's kickoff against Texas A&M, one of the Longhorns' fiercest rivals, coach Mack Brown told the rookie he would start. Major Applewhite had a stomach virus and was too sick to play.



"Something I had always dreamed about," said Simms, who played admirably in the 20-16 loss but was pulled late in the game when Applewhite was ready.

A year later — with few touchdowns, more interceptions and a questionable quarterback battle behind him — Simms will start again Friday when 12th-ranked Texas (8-2, 6-1 Big 12) renews its rivalry with the No. 22 Aggies (7-3, 5-2 Big 12).

Applewhite is still considered questionable after spraining a knee three weeks ago in a victory over Texas Tech. Although Applewhite could play, Simms will

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OSCAR LEROY

Mustangs realize dream of playing for state championship

Every high school football team in the state dreams of making it to a state championship.

From the hot days of August when teams start two-a-day workouts, thoughts of lifting championship trophies bounce in the heads of both the players and football coaches. But only a few get to actually realize that dream.



LeRoy

It takes a special group of players and coaches to win state championships. It takes heart, determination and sheer will to accomplish that goal. If there's one team that may fit that profile, it has been the Midland Christian Mustangs. They will be going for the glory at 4:30 p.m. Saturday in Waco's Floyd Casey Stadium where they will face Fort Worth Christian for the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Class 4A title.

After five TAPPS six-man titles in the early 90s, the Mustangs are going after their first state crown in 11-man football. This is a team which has live up to its slogan of "Breaking Barriers."

"We had a kid who came up with that slogan this year," said Midland Christian coach Greg McClendon. "I generally put a slogan together but the kid made that comment, and I said, 'Boy what a perfect comment.' We went with it and it's been prophetic."

Part of the reason the Mustangs have broken barriers, is the team's tenacity. They just don't give up. Even though they lost the first meeting against Fort Worth Christian, 35-28, they easily could have lost the game in a blowout after trailing 35-6 in third quarter. Most teams would have just buckled. Not Midland Christian.

"These kids don't have any quit in them whatsoever," McClendon said. "They're fighters, scratchers and clawers. Because of that, we've had the teams that have had success. It takes a special team not to ever get their heads down."

The success they've had this year is only going to breed more success for the years to come at Midland Christian. The state championship attitude was there when the school was winning five state championships in six-man and they're hoping a new state championship attitude will begin in 11-man football.

"Midland Christian has been playing 11-man football for five years and I think it's been a growing process," McClendon said. "I think the kind of legacy that this group of kids will leave for this school is that we don't have to be one of the little guys any more. We can step up and be the perennial quality football team.

"It's just an awesome atmosphere at our school. It's a proven fact that it takes success to be successful and right now our young kids have gotten another third of the season to practice and that will prove valuable next year with the experience we get and the excitement generated. The young kids will be in the weight room to get bigger and stronger, trying to do the same thing these kids are doing."

It's also been fun for the coaches, most of which are getting to experience a state championship atmosphere for the first time. After spending eight years as an assistant coach at Midland Lee, McClendon looks to be having the time of his life in this third year of his first head coaching job. McClendon has been quick to credit others for the success he's enjoying.

"It feels awesome but the whole key is that I have an outstanding coaching staff," he said. "Our coaches do a great job. I've been richly blessed with the coaching staff I've been able to put together. That's probably the thing that makes this more special for me because this coaching staff is like a family to me. I love the guys to death and I enjoy being around them. I think we do a good job of working together. It's been an awfully fun ride but it wouldn't be much fun if I was doing it alone."

And just like their leader, the Mustangs have taken this year's success in stride.

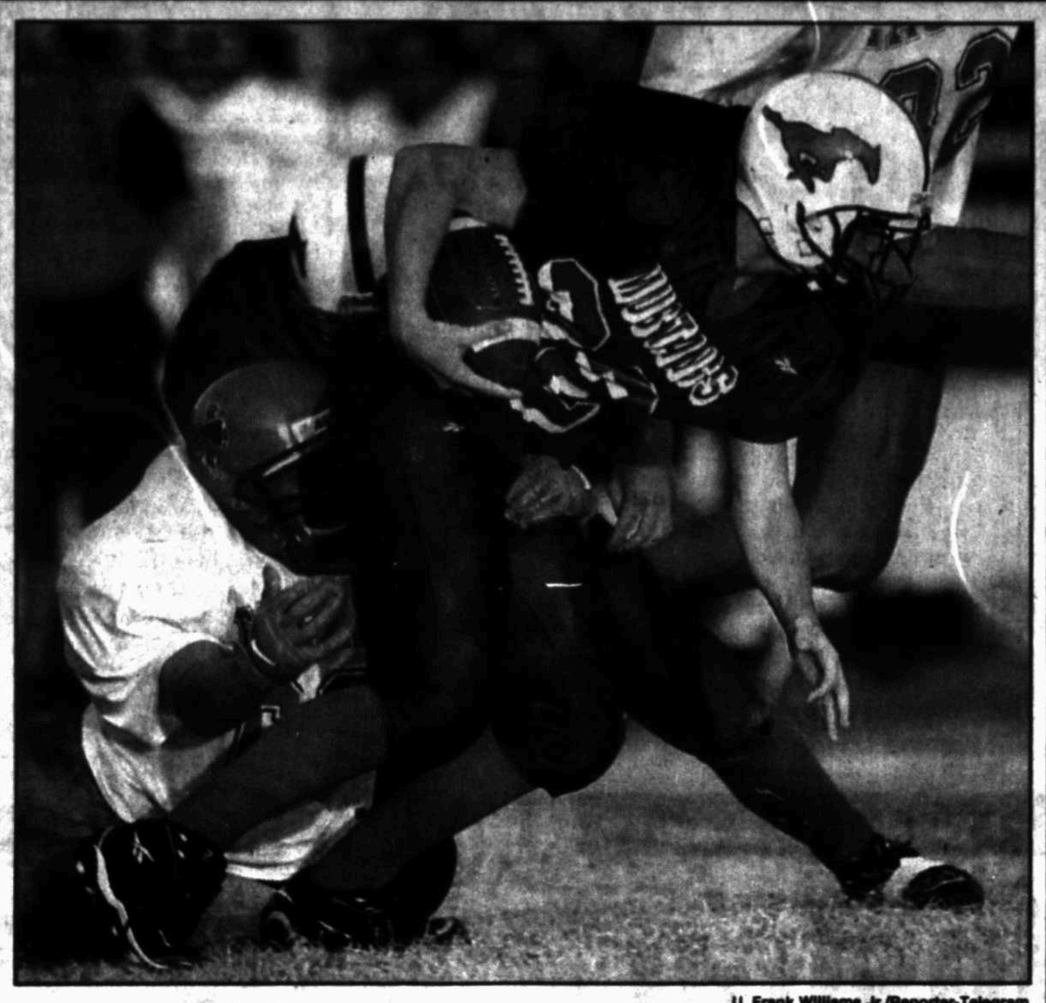
"I've been very proud with the way these kids have handled success," McClendon said. "They've been very business-like. They haven't strained any muscles patting themselves on the back."

It takes special teams to get to the state championship game, and the Mustangs have proven to be a special bunch this season.

Oscar LeRoy is a sports writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS



U. Frank Williams Jr./Reporter-Telegram

Midland Christian's Thomas Minihan carries the ball against Seagraves in a game played earlier this season. This weekend, MCHS plays Fort Worth Christian in a state title contest.

This week's schedule of high school football playoff games, as compiled by The Associated Press. All Region I games are area-round games, while TAPPS is holding championship games for all classes except Six-man.

Class 5A

DIVISION I
Region I

EP Franklin (7-4) vs. Midland Lee (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Midland Lee

Lewisville (10-1) vs. Duncanville (10-1), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium

DIVISION II
Region I

EP Andress (9-2) vs. Lubbock Monterey (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Fri. at Lowrey Field, Lubbock

Keller Fossil Ridge (8-3) vs. Arlington Lamar (7-4), 7 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium

EP Del Valle (11-0) vs. Abilene Cooper (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Ratliff Stadium, Odessa

Coppell (6-5) vs. De Soto (8-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, Irving

Class 4A

DIVISION I
Region I

EP Ysleta (6-5) vs. Frenship (9-2), 1 p.m. Friday in Monahans

WF Rider (6-5) vs. FW Wyatt (6-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford

DIVISION II
Region I

EP Riverside (8-3) vs. Big Spring (7-4), 3 p.m. Saturday, Artesia, N.M.

Wichita Falls (11-0) vs. Brownwood (8-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, Gerald J. Ford Stadium, Dallas.

EP Parkland (8-3) vs. Andrews (8-3), 2 p.m. Saturday in Andrews

Southlake Carroll (7-4) vs. Stephenville (9-2), 4 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium

Class 3A

DIVISION I
Region I

Littlefield (7-4) vs. Lamesa (10-1), 6 p.m. Saturday at Lowery Field, Lubbock

Abilene Wylie (11-0) vs. Aledo (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Birdville Stadium, Haltom

DIVISION II
Region I

Sanford-Fritch (9-1) vs. Greenwood (8-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, Lowery Field, Lubbock

Sweetwater (8-3) vs. Lake Worth (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday in Brownwood

Muleshoe (11-0) vs. Denver City (8-3), 2 p.m. Friday in Levelland

Ballinger (8-3) vs. Ferris (8-3), 1:30 p.m. Friday at Birdville Stadium, Haltom

Class 2A

DIVISION I
Region I

Sonora (11-0) vs. Idalou (10-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Abilene Wylie.

Friona (10-1) vs. Olney (11-0), 3 p.m. Friday, Childress.

DIVISION II
Region I

Ozona (8-3) vs. Stanton (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at San Angelo.

Spearman (9-2) vs. Hamlin (8-3), 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Childress

Eldorado (8-3) vs. New Deal (10-1), 2 p.m. Friday at Coahoma

Canadian (9-2) vs. Albany (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Vernon

Class A

Region I

Wheeler (7-4) vs. Springlake-Earth (8-2), 4 p.m. Friday, Amarillo

Petersburg (10-1) vs. Iraan (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Seminole

Stratford (11-0) vs. Sudan (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Bivins Stadium, Amarillo

Paducah (11-0) vs. Rankin (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Colorado City

Six-man

Regions I and II

Follett (10-1) vs. Whitharral (9-1), 6 p.m. Friday, Turkey

Wellman-Union (9-2) vs. Grandfalls-Royalty (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Seagraves

Groom (11-0) vs. Lazbuddie (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Silverton

Highland (11-0) vs. Sanderson (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Mertzon

TAPPS

FINALS
at Floyd Casey Stadium in Waco

Class 5A

Dallas Bishop Lynch (11-1) vs. Trinity Christian Academy-Addison (10-2), 7:45 p.m. Saturday

Class 4A

Fort Worth Christian (8-4) vs. Midland Christian, 4:30 p.m. Saturday

Class 3A

Galveston O'Connell (10-3) vs. Katy Faith West, 1:15 p.m. Saturday

Class 2A

Rockwall Christian (11-0) vs. Hallettsville Sacred Heart, 10 a.m. Saturday

SEMIFINALS
Six-man

El Paso Jesus Chapel vs. Greenville Christian-Bryan Brazos winner, TBD

Metropolitan (12-0) vs. Abilene Christian (10-2), TBD

College football teams play for big bucks this weekend

By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

While No. 1 Oklahoma is looking for a win and No. 2 Miami a rout, No. 11 Notre Dame is playing for a $13.5 million payday.

The Sooners (10-0), heavily favored against Oklahoma State on Saturday, need only to beat the Cowboys and then Kansas State in the Big 12 title game to move to the Bowl Championship Series' national title game in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 3.

The Hurricanes (9-1), now third behind Oklahoma and Florida State (11-1) in the BCS standings, are looking for a big win over Boston College to remain in the national title chase. The top two teams in the final BCS standings Dec. 3 play in the BCS' title game.

But Saturday's biggest bonanza is waiting for Notre Dame (8-2), which needs a win over rival Southern California (5-6) to clinch an at-large BCS bowl berth worth $13.5 million. A loss and the Irish and coach Bob Davie must settle for a $1.4 million payout in the Gator Bowl, where they would play No. 15 Clemson (9-2).

There's a bit of history working against Notre Dame. In 1996, USC beat the Irish 27-20 in overtime and cost Notre Dame an $8 million payday in the Fiesta Bowl; in '98, the Trojans won 10-0 and kept Notre Dame out of a BCS game worth $12.5 million.

Before schools start making travel plans and counting their money, though, the games still have to be played.

Sooners quarterback Josh Heupel, coming off one of his least productive games in a 27-13 win over Texas Tech, leads his team against Oklahoma State. The left-hander is seventh in the nation in passing with 3,018 yards and 17 touchdowns. The Cowboys (3-7), playing their final game under coach Bob Simmons, are 80th in pass defense, allowing 262.9 yards per game. Simmons' resignation becomes effective after Saturday's game.

Miami has stars on both sides of the ball — from linebacker Dan Morgan to wide receiver Santana Moss and quarterback Ken Dorsey. Last week, the Hurricanes shut out Syracuse 26-0. Dorsey is eighth nationally in passing with 2,485 yards and 20 TDs.

Freshman quarterback Matt LoVecchio leads the Irish into the Trojans' den, where Notre Dame last won in 1992 — there was a 17-17 tie in '94. Despite early season-ending injuries to quarterback Arnaz Battle and defensive end Grant Irons, Notre Dame is looking for its seventh win in a row.

USC, with coach Paul Hackett's job in jeopardy, is coming off a 38-35 win over crosstown rival UCLA.

The picks:

No. 1 Oklahoma (minus 25 1/2) at Oklahoma State

At this point, Sooners will take a win by any margin. ... OKLAHOMA, 42-14.

Boston College (plus 25) at No. 2 Miami

Hurricanes need to win — and win big — to stay in national title race. ... MIAMI, 45-10.

Virginia (plus 20) at No. 6 Virginia Tech

With QB Vick healthy, Hokies look to remain alive for a BCS game. ... VIRGINIA TECH, 35-17.

No. 11 Notre Dame (pick 'em) at USC

USC had big win last week vs. UCLA; Irish need this one to cash in on BCS game. ... NOTRE DAME, 24-22.

Colorado (plus 24) at No. 9 Nebraska (Friday)

Two weeks after loss to K-State, Huskers take out frustrations on Buffs. ... NEBRASKA, 41-14.

No. 22 Texas A&M (plus 5 1/2) at No. 12 Texas (Friday)

Can 'Horns RB Mitchell run for 200 yards against Aggies? TEXAS, 28-24.

No. 13 TCU (minus 23) at SMU (Friday)

Horned Frogs looking for first 10-win season since 1938. ... TCU, 42-10.

No. 18 Georgia Tech (plus 1 1/2) at No. 19 Georgia

Tech QB Godsey could be the difference. ... GEORGIA TECH, 24-20.

No. 23 Mississippi State (minus 4 1/2) at Mississippi (Thursday)

Battle for the Golden Egg. ... MISSISSIPPI STATE, 23-21.

No. 24 LSU (minus 3) at Arkansas (Friday)

Tigers looking for win No. 8 for new coach Nick Saban. ... ARKANSAS, 31-30.

No. 25 Tennessee (minus 16) at Vanderbilt

Commodores' last win vs. Vols was 18 years ago. ... TENNESSEE, 41-21.

Last week: 11-5 (straight); 6-8 (vs. points)

Season: 175-52 (straight); 117-97-3 (vs. points)

SIMMS: Applewhite could play for UT

(From 1C)

start, Brown said Tuesday.

Unlike last year, Simms gets to play on his home turf in Texas' Royal-Memorial Stadium.

Last year, Simms got the last-minute call in front of 86,000 screaming Aggies at A&M's Kyle Field. Already an emotional rivalry, that game came right after the collapsed bonfire tragedy that had killed 12 people and injured dozens more. Aggies fans needed an outlet and Simms' No. 8 jersey was the perfect target.

"You know, sometimes it's more fun to play in that adverse situation where there's 90,000 against you. I kind of enjoyed that; it was my first time getting booed, it was loud and I like having all odds against us," he said.

"When I went to the line and started looking from side to side at (A&M fans) waving those towels, I thought 'What am I doing here?'" Simms said. "On TV, it looked like I was looking over the defense, but I was watching those fans wave those towels."

Simms and Applewhite rotated as starters the first half of this season as the Longhorns stumbled to 3-2. Applewhite got more playing time and it was obvious he had better command of the offense. Simms, meanwhile, was making a bad habit of throwing interceptions that were returned for touchdowns.

After a blowout loss to Oklahoma, Brown made Applewhite his regular starter and Texas won four straight. Simms didn't get another start until Applewhite was injured against Texas Tech.

And again Simms struggled. But not for long.

Against Kansas, Simms threw yet another pick-off that was returned for a TD. He didn't get rattled and his two long touchdown passes to Roy Williams rallied Texas to what turned into an easy 51-16 win.

Between his one complete game and the shared playing time with Applewhite, Simms has passed for 681 yards, five touchdowns and seven interceptions.

Not quite the season he envisioned back in August when he had changed his jersey to No. 1 and was penciled in as the starter.

Although he would like a better touchdowns-to-interceptions ration, Brown said Simms has come a long way — not only from last year's A&M game, but from the beginning of this season as well.

LEE: Winston leads team in receiving

(From 1C)

glad when we are close on the grading. I don't want to have to tell him he's wrong. The last time I looked, he was 6-7, 280."

Winston said of his grading process, "I like to look at the film really slow and see where I need to improve. Coach Smith sometimes has to look at the film really fast. But most of the time, the grade is usually the same."

Naturally, the offensive line was a major concern coming into this season since Winston was the only one back with major playing experience.

"We (the offensive line) have had to do a lot of growing up this year," Winston said. "We were watching the film of our first game with (El Paso) Franklin the other day and I think that showed us how far we had come since then. I think we're beginning to step up now."

Of course, with Cedric Benson setting some kind of record with every carry, a lot of attention has gone to the outstanding running back the past few years. That attention doesn't seem to bother Winston at all.

"We all take pride in what Cedric does," Winston says. "In fact, the offensive line sets goals for him. We feel it's all on us. If he doesn't get his yards, we haven't done our job, it's our fault. He's so good, that the only way he's not going to get his yards is if we don't do our job.

"The best sight in the world is to see him sitting on the sideline in the second half. That means we have done our job and Cedric is through for the day. Our job is to put him on the bench."

Lee hasn't exactly been a passing team this year, but Winston leads all Lee receivers with nine catches for 209 yards and two touchdowns. Would he like to be in the passing lanes more often?

"Catching passes and scoring touchdowns is fun. I admit that," Winston said. "But we do whatever it takes to get the job done. In other words, if I get a good block and Cedric scores, it's the same as if I had done it. I think everyone on the line feels the same way. I think Cedric feels the same way. We don't really care how we score. We just want to score."

We say Winston is "scoring" well. After all, the last time we looked, he was 6-7, 280.

Benson, Hull, Bueno honored

The plaudits continue for Midland Lee running back Cedric Benson, who leads three area players as a nominee for Dave Campbell's Texas Football Magazine 2000 Player of the Year.

There are five senior nominees in each classification, with Benson perhaps the highest profile player in the Class 5A category. Benson will lead the Rebels into their Class 5A Division I area round playoff game Friday at 7:30 p.m. against El Paso Franklin at Memorial Stadium.

Joining Benson are Andrews running back Jamie Bueno is one of the nominees in Class 4A, and Bueno will lead the Mustangs into the Division II area round against El Paso Parkland Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Mustang Bowl. Stanton running back Jeremy Hull is nominated in Class 2A and he'll lead the Buffaloes into the Division II area round Friday at 7:30 p.m. against Ozona in San Angelo.

The winners in each classification will be announced at halftime of the Class 5A Division I Texas Bowl on Dec. 16 on Fox Sports Network.

Hobbs blasts Midland High boys

Staff Report

HOBBS, N.M. — The Midland High boys basketball team discovered Tuesday night that when you're a young team seeking your first win of the season, going to Hobbs, N.M. isn't the best place to be.

Facing the defending New Mexico state champions, the Bulldogs fell behind early and simply couldn't keep up in the second half, losing to Hobbs 104-64 to start their season an uncharacteristic 0-3.

Junior Jarvis Brown had his second straight strong game for MHS, scoring a career-high 23 points including five 3-pointers against Hobbs, but it wasn't nearly enough. Hobbs ran away by outscoring the Bulldogs 60-33 in the second half.

The Eagles opened their comfortable margin with 31 points in the second quarter, as Ronald Ross scored 13 in that period. Ross and Allen Haynes were the only Hobbs scorers in double figures, but with 35 and 32 points respectively, they outscored the Bulldogs by themselves.

Lucquente White added 16 points for MHS while Blake Huggins had a career high for the third game in a row with 11 points. MHS will try for its first win in its home opener Friday when it hosts El Paso Montwood in its only game this season at the MHS gym at 6:30 p.m.

Hobbs, N.M. 104, Midland High 64

Midland High (0-3): Jarvis Brown 7 4-4 23, Roget King 2 0-2 4, Drew Potter 0 0-0 0, Markist Medearis 0 0-2 0, Anthony Jackson 0 0-0 0, Jason South 1 0-0 2, Roman Conner 2 0-4 4, John Alcala 0 0-0 0, Scott Winter 0 0-0 0, Aaron Saddler 0 0-2 0, Lucquente White 7 0-2 16, Blake Huggins 4 3-4 11, David Koss 0 1-2 1, Will Smith 0 2-4 2. **Totals 23 10-24 64.**

Hobbs: Michael Jackson 1 0-0 2, Jeremy Soria 1 2-2 4, Willie Henry 1 0-0 2, Billy Austin 3 1-2 7, Ronald Ross 13 6-7 35, Chris Marshall 0 1-2 1, Guy Baber 0 2-4 2, Allen Haynes 10 7-9 32, Jason Mackey 1 2-2 4, Chris Dunn 2 0-0 4, Ty Smith 4 0-2 8, Chad Tabor 0 3-4 3. **Totals 36 25-34 104.**

Midland High	**10**	**21**	**21**	**12 —64**
Hobbs	**24**	**20**	**31**	**29—104**

Three-point goals: MHS 7 (Brown 5, White 2), Hobbs 8 (Ross 3, Haynes 5). **Total Fouls:** MHS 21, Hobbs 23. **Fouled Out:** Conner, Dunn. **Technicals:** MHS coach Stephenson.

BOYS: Dallas defense has hands full

(From 1C)

ing attacks.

The Vikings also have the incentive of being in control of home-field advantage in the playoffs, a role inherited when St. Louis lost Monday night.

And, Minnesota players certainly remember how easy things were the last time they played at Texas Stadium. Cunningham does.

"When I was there and we came down here, we were pretty close to 50 — and that was with Dallas' whole defense intact," he said, smiling.

That afternoon, then-rookie Randy Moss caught just three passes, but they were for touchdowns of 51, 56 and 56 yards. Cris Carter also had a 54-yard TD catch and Leroy Hoard had a 50-yard touchdown run.

While few teams can cover Moss and Carter effectively, the Cowboys were especially ill-equipped because starting cornerback Deion Sanders was missing and Kevin Smith missed the second half.

This time, three-time All-Pro Darren Woodson is out with a broken right forearm and George Teague is out for the year with a broken foot. Among the replacements is Greg Myers, who was benched by Cincinnati last season and signed with Dallas only a week ago.

Cowboys coach Dave Campo was the defensive coordinator two years ago, when he had players such as Kenny Wheaton and Terry Billups chasing Moss and Carter.

He said the strategy now will be as it was then, a patchwork plan of changing schemes that he calls "Rolodexing."

"You don't get set in one thing that they can hang their hat on. Don't give them two things in a row exactly the same," Campo said. "But that's a problem for us as well, because our guys have to be able to handle that."

Baltimore said lots of nice things last week about respecting Dallas; then, after a 27-0 victory, the Ravens admitted to trying to crush the Cowboys while they're down.

Minnesota has won the last three meetings with Dallas, including a playoff win last season, and is following the same pregame PR plan.

Carter is seven catches shy of 1,000 for his career. The Thanksgiving spotlight makes this game the perfect time for him to join Jerry Rice as the only players in NFL history to reach that milestone.

"That's going to be huge," Minnesota coach Dennis Green said. "I think that's going to be something that's pretty exciting for the whole ball club."

MCHS: Defense doesn't expect letdown

(From 1C)

inque out on an island and we ask a lot from (safety) Colby Turnbough in run support," McClendon said. "Those guys do a tremendous job back there to allow us to be as aggressive as we want to up front."

"We just all work really well together," said Hellums, a junior. "We all know what we need to get done and we all know what our jobs are."

"We all know what we have to do and there's not a situation we can't handle," said Turnbough, a senior. "I think this is one of the best secondaries I've ever played with."

The front eight has also done a good job of stopping the run and putting pressure on the quarterback.

"We've got several good linebackers that rotate in there and that has helped us out this year," said assistant coach Van Gravitt. "Cody Crossland at middle linebacker takes charge on the field and has been pretty dominant.

"In the past, the weakside of our defense has been a little bit vulnerable, but with T.J. Midkiff at weakside linebacker and Coy Riley playing 'Pony' and Phillip Prude at weakside end, they don't run there anymore."

Also among the front eight starters, there's strongside end J.D. Machacek, probably the best defensive player on the team; Wilson at strongside linebacker, defensive tackle Dustin Hull, defensive tackle Jacob Canon and defensive tackle Roan Moreno.

For this defensive unit, it all comes down to being aggressive, something that the coaches have stressed a great deal to their players.

"A big key for us this year is that the kids have learned to run to the football," Gravitt said. "I've heard coaches who have made the comments that they see six or seven of our guys around their ball carrier."

They've also had different heroes in each game. Such as Coy Rilye, who has a blocked punt in each of the last two games.

"A different kid each week steps up," McClendon said. "It's not one kid who is just dominant. There's 11 kids playing as a unit."

The way the Mustangs' defense has performed this year can only make the coaches smile on the sidelines.

"It's fun to watch them play," McClendon said. "They play with a great deal of enthusiasm, they get excited and they make great plays. There's no showboating going on, they celebrate with each other.

"They better buckle up this week because they're going to have their biggest challenge."

The Mustang defense doesn't expect a letdown this Saturday against the 8-4 Cardinals.

"We're just hungry and want to win the state championship," Crossland said. "That really motivates you to make the stops and get the ball back to the offense. We need to go out there and play the best we can. I really would love to shut them out, especially at state, knowing that they beat us last time."

LOCAL SPORTS

Brown, Edens win at TISCA

DALLAS — A pair of Midland swimmers scored victories over the weekend at the North TISCA Zone Swim Meet.

Stephanie Brown of Midland High and Kyle Edens of Midland Christian both picked up wins in the meet. Brown, a senior, won the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 53.58 seconds, marking a personal best. Edens, a freshman, won the 500 free in 4:45.

Brown was also on the MHS 400 free relay team with Mallory Keathley, Emily Alvarado and Keleigh Wentworth which posted a third place finish. Wentworth also finished second in the 200 free.

Basketball

Junior Varsity

Midland Lee 79, Lubbock Monterey 52. For Lee (2-1): Jermaine Packer, 25; Korey Adams, 13.

Sophomores

Midland Lee 68, Lubbock Monterey 27. For Lee (3-1): Jermaine Packer, 23; Steven Samuel, 12.

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NFL Roundup

NFL Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	8	3	0	.727	220	146
Buffalo	7	4	0	.636	220	206
Indianapolis	7	4	0	.636	303	239
N.Y. Jets	7	4	0	.636	243	219
New England	3	8	0	.273	183	219
Central						
Tennessee	9	2	0	.818	228	159
Baltimore	8	4	0	.667	218	128
Pittsburgh	5	6	0	.455	184	153
Jacksonville	4	7	0	.364	220	259
Cleveland	3	9	0	.250	130	268
Cincinnati	2	9	0	.182	106	233
West						
Oakland	9	2	0	.818	311	221
Denver	7	4	0	.636	333	262
Kansas City	5	6	0	.455	267	257
Seattle	4	7	0	.364	185	260
San Diego	0	11	0	.000	189	291

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	8	4	0	.667	264	179
N.Y. Giants	7	4	0	.636	213	184
Washington	7	4	0	.636	218	178
Dallas	4	7	0	.364	227	246
Arizona	3	8	0	.273	170	311
Central						
Minnesota	9	2	0	.818	279	235
Detroit	7	4	0	.636	213	218
Tampa Bay	6	5	0	.545	262	180
Green Bay	5	6	0	.455	235	231
Chicago	3	8	0	.273	153	256
West						
St. Louis	8	3	0	.727	412	336
New Orleans	7	4	0	.636	225	183
Carolina	4	7	0	.364	210	204
San Francisco	4	8	0	.333	290	336
Atlanta	3	9	0	.250	192	306

Thursday's Games

New England at Detroit, 11:30 a.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 3:05 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 26

Chicago at N.Y. Jets, noon
New Orleans at St. Louis, noon
Cleveland at Baltimore, noon
Philadelphia at Washington, noon
Buffalo at Tampa Bay, noon
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, noon
Atlanta at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
Denver at Seattle, 3:15 p.m.
Miami at Indianapolis, 3:15 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego, 3:15 p.m.
Tennessee at Jacksonville, 3:15 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Arizona, 7:20 p.m.
Open: San Francisco

Monday, Nov. 27

Green Bay at Carolina, 8 p.m.

Today's Games

MINNESOTA (9-2) AT DALLAS (4-7)

Time, TV — 3 p.m., FOX

OPENING LINE — Vikings by 6 1/2.

RECORD VS. SPREAD — Vikings 7-4; Cowboys 5-5.

SERIES RECORD — Cowboys lead 9-8.

LAST TIME MET — Vikings beat Cowboys 27-17 on Nov. 8, 1999 at Minnesota.

LAST WEEK — Vikings beat Panthers 31-17. Cowboys lost to Ravens 27-0.

VIKINGS OFFENSE — RUSH (1), PASS (6), OVERALL (4)

Amassed 446 total yards, 329 passing. Had been averaging 244.2 passing per game. QB Daunte Culpepper was 22-for-29 for 357 yards with 3 TDs. RB Robert Smith had 173 yards (103 rushing, 70 receiving) with 2 TDs (1 rush, 1 catch). WR Cris Carter had 8 catches for 138 yards with 1 TD. WR Randy Moss had 5 catches for 106 yards and 1 TD.

COWBOYS OFFENSE — RUSH (15), PASS (24), OVERALL (19)

Managed just 192 total yards, 55 rushing. Had been averaging 125.4 rushing per game. QB Troy Aikman was 19-for-33 for 138 yards with 3 INTs vs. 0 TDs. WR James McKnight had 4 catches for 50 yards. Had no red zone trips. Converted just 1 of 10 third down chances. Were shut out for first time in 152 games (Sept. 15, 1991). C Mark Stepnoski (knee) is out for season.

VIKINGS DEFENSE — RUSH (10), PASS (25), OVERALL (13)

Yielded 330 total yards, 78 rushing. Allowing 97.9 rushing per game, fourth in NFC. DT John Randle had 5 tackles, 2 sacks and 1 forced fumble. DE Talance Sawyer had 2 sacks and 1 fumble recovery. CB Robert Tate had 9 tackles, 1 INT and 3 passes defensed.

COWBOYS DEFENSE — RUSH (31), PASS (3), OVERALL (22)

Surrendered 479 total yards, 250 rushing. Yielding 171.1 rushing per game, worst in NFL. CB Philippi Sparks had 4 tackles and 2 INTs. DE Alonzo Spellman and DE Dimitrius Underwood each had 1 sack. CB Ryan McNeil had 8 solo tackles. S Darren Woodson (arm) is out.

KEY MATCHUP — WRs Moss and Carter vs. Dallas secondary (No. 3 in NFL).

STREAKS, STATS AND NOTES — Vikings and Cowboys combined for 82 points, 984 total yards, 92 passes, 806 yards passing and 5 TDs passing in 1998 Thanksgiving Day game. ... Vikings are 4-1 career on Thanksgiving and are averaging 35.6 points per game. ... Moss has 14 catches for 361 yards and 6 TDs in 3 career games vs. Cowboys. He became second player with 1,000 yards receiving in each of first 3 years. ... Carter needs 7 catches to become second player ever with 1,000. ... Randle and Sawyer each have 5 1/2 sacks. ... Cowboys are 21-10-1 on Thanksgiving Day. ... Cowboys RB Emmitt Smith averaging 115.4 yards rushing in Cowboys 7" Thanksgiving wins in 1990s vs. 39 in 3 losses. ...

NEW ENGLAND (3-8) AT DETROIT (7-4)

Time, TV — 11:30 p.m., CBS

OPENING LINE — Lions by 7.

RECORD VS. SPREAD — Patriots 4-7; Rams 4-6.

SERIES RECORD — Series tied 3-3.

LAST TIME MET — Patriots beat Lions 23-17 on Sept. 25, 1997 at Detroit.

LAST WEEK — Patriots beat Bengals 16-13. Lions beat Giants 31-21.

PATRIOTS OFFENSE — RUSH (25), PASS (19), OVERALL (25)

Gained 291 total yards, 39 rushing. Had been averaging 91.6 rushing per game. QB Drew Bledsoe was 22-for-36 for 258 yards and 1 INT. WR Terry Glenn had 11 catches for 129 yards.

LIONS OFFENSE — RUSH (23), PASS (26), OVERALL (27)

Had 314 total yards, 219 passing. Had been averaging 164.6 passing per game. QB Charlie Batch was 20-for-32 for 225 yards with 3 TDs. WR Johnnie Morton had 6 catches for 78 yards and 1 TD.

PATRIOTS DEFENSE — RUSH (20), PASS (15), OVERALL (15)

Allowed 365 total yards, 137 rushing. S Lawyer Milloy had 10 tackles, 4 assists, 1 INT and 1 forced fumble. CB Otis Smith had 6 tackles, 2 assists and 1 fumble recovery. LB Tedy Bruschi had 8 solo tackles. DE Greg Spires had 1 sack and 1 forced fumble.

LIONS DEFENSE — RUSH (21), PASS (16), OVERALL (17)

Yielded 373 total yards, 53 rushing. Had been allowing 127.5 rushing per game. DE Robert Porcher had 3 sacks and 1 fumble recovery. S Kurt Schulz had 5 tackles and 1 INT. LB Stephen Boyd had 6 tackles and 3 assists. DE James Hall had 1 sack and 1 fumble recovery. Allowed 3 of 12 third down conversions.

KEY MATCHUP — WR Glenn vs. CB Terry Fair.

STREAKS, STATS AND NOTES — Bledsoe has 490 yards passing in 2 career games vs. Lions. ... Patriots RB Kevin Faulk tied for second among AFC RBs with 13 third-down catches...

Misc.

NHL Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	10	6	2	1	23	60	53
Philadelphia	9	7	4	0	22	53	57
N.Y. Rangers	10	10	0	0	20	67	63
New Jersey	8	8	3	0	19	63	55
N.Y. Islanders	6	9	2	1	15	39	51
Northeast Division							
Ottawa	11	5	4	0	26	65	47
Toronto	11	6	3	1	26	59	40
Buffalo	10	5	2	1	23	50	42
Boston	6	10	2	2	16	46	73
Montreal	5	14	2	0	12	49	69
Southeast Division							
Carolina	6	9	3	1	16	44	57
Tampa Bay	6	9	2	1	15	52	69
Atlanta	4	6	6	1	15	46	48
Florida	4	8	4	3	15	42	53
Washington	4	9	6	1	15	48	62

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	13	4	3	0	29	62	38
Detroit	12	7	1	1	26	61	51
Nashville	7	7	5	1	20	45	51
Chicago	7	10	2	2	18	55	63
Columbus	7	12	1	1	16	42	65
Northwest Division							
Colorado	14	4	3	0	31	65	44
Vancouver	12	5	3	1	28	75	58
Edmonton	12	8	3	0	27	65	58
Calgary	5	11	3	3	16	47	63
Minnesota	5	12	3	1	14	44	59
Pacific Division							
Phoenix	11	5	6	0	28	64	50
San Jose	12	4	2	0	26	52	39
Los Angeles	11	6	4	0	26	75	56
Dallas	10	5	3	1	24	52	40
Anaheim	8	9	3	2	21	59	72

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia at Buffalo, late
Vancouver at Washington, late
Boston at Detroit, late
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, late
Edmonton at Toronto, late
Carolina at Pittsburgh, late
N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, late
Calgary at Minnesota, late
Dallas at Nashville, late
Columbus at Colorado, late
Chicago at San Jose, late
New Jersey at Anaheim, late

Thursday's Games

Edmonton at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Montreal at Atlanta, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Miami, late
Philadelphia at Charlotte, late
Portland at Milwaukee, late
Vancouver at Minnesota, late
Seattle at San Antonio, late
Denver at Utah, late
New Jersey at Phoenix, late
Chicago at Sacramento, late
Golden State at L.A. Lakers, late

Thursday's Games

Toronto at Indiana, 7 p.m.

NBA Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	10	0	1.000	—
New York	8	4	.667	3
New Jersey	6	4	.600	4
Miami	5	5	.500	5
Boston	4	6	.400	6
Orlando	4	8	.333	7
Washington	3	9	.250	8
Central Division				
Cleveland	7	3	.700	—
Charlotte	6	6	.500	2
Indiana	5	5	.500	2
Toronto	5	5	.500	2
Milwaukee	3	6	.333	3 1/2
Detroit	4	8	.333	4
Atlanta	1	10	.091	6 1/2
Chicago	1	10	.091	6 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	7	3	.700	—
Utah	7	3	.700	—
Dallas	8	5	.615	1/2
Minnesota	6	4	.600	1
Houston	7	5	.583	1
Denver	6	5	.545	1 1/2
Vancouver	4	6	.400	3
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	7	3	.700	—
Sacramento	7	3	.700	—
L.A. Lakers	7	4	.636	1/2
Portland	8	5	.615	1/2
Seattle	5	7	.417	3
L.A. Clippers	4	8	.333	4
Golden State	3	8	.273	4 1/2

Wednesday's Games

Houston at Boston, late
New York at Atlanta, late

WPHL Standings

Eastern Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Austin	11	5	1	23	65	54
B.-Shreveport	11	5	1	23	55	45
Monroe	11	6	1	23	66	63
Central Texas	8	6	3	19	53	49
Corpus Christi	9	8	1	19	52	66
Tupelo	9	9	1	19	86	65
Lake Charles	8	9	0	16	59	74
Fort Worth	3	14	1	7	49	71
Western Division						
Amarillo	9	5	3	21	67	65
San Angelo	9	6	3	21	52	60
El Paso	8	7	4	20	57	57
New Mexico	9	3	1	19	58	52
Lubbock	8	8	2	18	64	68
Odessa	7	4	3	17	52	46

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; shootout losses earn one point and are referred to as ties.

Tuesday's Games

No games scheduled

Wednesday's Games

Corpus Christi at Fort Worth
Tupelo at Lake Charles
Odessa at New Mexico
Austin at San Angelo

Thursday's Games

No games scheduled

Friday's Games

El Paso at Amarillo
Corpus Christi at Monroe
Tupelo at Bossier-Shreveport
Odessa at Lubbock
Central Texas at New Mexico
Austin at Fort Worth

Harrah's Odds

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Odds for college football and NFL games this week as provided by Harrah's Reno Casino & Sportsbook:

NCAA Football

Wednesday

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Toledo	24	Bowling Green

Thursday

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
Mississippi St.	4 1/2	at Mississippi

Friday

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Nebraska	25	Colorado
at Southern Miss.	6	East Carolina
LSU	3	at Arkansas
at Pittsburgh	5 1/2	West Virginia
at Texas	5 1/2	Texas A&M
at Arizona	6 1/2	Arizona St.
at Utah	6	BYU
TCU	23	at SMU

Saturday

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Virginia Tech	20	Virginia
at N.C. State	17 1/2	Wake Forest
at Georgia	2	Georgia Tech
at Syracuse	25	Rutgers
Tennessee	16	at Vanderbilt
at Tulsa	OFF	Nevada
at Southern Cal	Pk	Notre Dame
at Miami	26	Boston College
Oklahoma	26	at Okla. St.
at San Jose St.	Pk	Fresno St.
UNLV	OFF	at S. Diego St.
Wisconsin	18 1/2	at Hawaii

NFL

Thursday

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Detroit	6	New England
Minnesota	7	at Dallas

Sunday

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Tampa Bay	4	Buffalo
at Indianapolis	5 1/2	Miami
at St. Louis	13 1/2	New Orleans
at N.Y. Jets	7	Chicago
at Washington	6 1/2	Philadelphia
at Baltimore	15	Cleveland
Pittsburgh	4	at Cincinnati
at Oakland	11	Atlanta
Tennessee	3 1/2	at Jacksonville
Denver	3	at Seattle
Kansas City	3	at San Diego
at Arizona	6	N.Y. Giants

Monday

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
at Carolina	Pk	Green Bay



Jacks Watch

Wednesday's Game

Odessa Jackalopes vs. New Mexico Scorpions, late.

Next Game

Odessa Jackalopes at Lubbock Cotton Kings, 7:05 p.m., Friday.

Radio

KMCM (FM 96.9). Broadcast Time - 6:45.

Last Five Games

Odessa 4, El Paso 2
Odessa 5, Lubbock 2
San Angelo 4, Odessa 3 (SO)
New Mexico 6, Odessa 5 (SO)
Amarillo 6, Odessa 4

Next 10 Games

Nov. 24	at Lubbock	7:05 p.m.
Nov. 25	at San Angelo	7:05 p.m.
Nov. 28	Amarillo	7 p.m.
Nov. 30	Lubbock	7 p.m.
Dec. 1	New Mexico	7 p.m.
Dec. 2	Austin	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Amarillo	7 p.m.
Dec. 9	El Paso	7 p.m.
Dec. 12	Amarillo	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	El Paso	7 p.m.

Sports on TV

Today

NFL — New England Patriots at Detroit Lions, 11:30 a.m., CBS. RADIO: KCRS (AM 550).

Minnesota Vikings at Dallas Cowboys, 3 p.m., FOX. RADIO: KODM (FM 97.9), KCRS (AM 550).

COLLEGE FOOTBALL — Mississippi St. at Mississippi, 7 p.m., ESPN.

NBA — Toronto Raptors at Indiana Pacers, 7 p.m., TNT.

NHL — New Jersey Devils at Los Angeles Kings, 7:30 p.m., ESPN2.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Great Alaska Shootout, first round, Syracuse vs. DePaul, 11 p.m., ESPN.

What's on Deck

PREP BASKETBALL — Girls, Midland High at Lovelady Tourament.

Sports Briefs

NCAA affirms six-game suspension of Woods

TUCSON, Ariz. — The NCAA on Wednesday affirmed its six-game suspension of Arizona senior center Loren Woods for accepting money from a family friend last month.

Woods and school officials had appealed the NCAA decision, which came down Saturday as the top-ranked Wildcats were heading to Hawaii to open their season at the Maui Classic.

He will not be able to play for Arizona until Dec. 9 against Connecticut.

The 7-foot-1 Woods set an NCAA record with 14 blocks against Oregon before missing the latter part of last season with a back injury that required two operations.

Woods reportedly has had a unidentified "mentor, adviser and family friend" who has given him financial support since high school.

SuperSonics suspend Payton for blowup with Westphal

SEATTLE — All-Star point guard Gary Payton was suspended for at least one game by the Seattle SuperSonics Wednesday for an argument with coach Paul Westphal.

Payton had to be restrained after confronting Westphal during a time-out in the fourth quarter of Tuesday night's game in Dallas, the News Tribune of Tacoma reported Wednesday.

The newspaper said Payton told Westphal in the huddle that he didn't care "about this game anymore. You all can suspend me for the rest of my career."

NBA fines Mavs owner $25,000 for actions against officials

NEW YORK — Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban was fined $25,000 by the NBA on Wednesday for verbally abusing and publicly criticizing officials Tuesday night.

It's the third time in eight days that the Internet billionaire has been fined for the same reason. His previous punishments were for $5,000 and $15,000.

Fearing he was becoming a distraction to the team, Cuban missed his first two games of the season after his $15,000 fine. He returned Tuesday night and witnessed a 116-110 loss at home to Seattle.

After sitting calmly through the game — with his mother seated next to him — Cuban then waited outside the officials' locker room. When they arrived, he said: "Am I mistaken or did No. 30 just hand them the game? Nice game No. 30."

Bush's golfing buddy Ben Crenshaw joins picket line

AUSTIN — Ben Crenshaw doesn't play mulligans and doesn't think Al Gore should either.

The 1999 U.S. Ryder Cup team captain joined about 30 other people on a protest line Wednesday outside the Texas Governor's Mansion in support of George W. Bush's bid for the White House.

"We just feel strongly the rules have been changed nearly daily," said Crenshaw, who believes Bush is the rightful president-elect.

To a pro golfer like Crenshaw, who plays by the tour's strict honor code in which players are expected to penalize themselves if they break the rules, the Florida vote recounts are like taking a free do-over off the 18th tee.

"Rules are what golfers have lived by for 500 years," said Crenshaw, who carried a fluorescent pink sign that read "Florida, no more mulligans."

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT IN A PRODUCTION FORMATION

Endeavor Energy Resources, L.P., 110 N. Marienfeld, Ste. 200, Midland, TX 79701 is applying to the Railroad commission of Texas for a commercial Disposal Well Permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject oil and gas waste into the San Andres Formation. June Sanders TR -A- Lease, well numbers 24W and 29W. The proposed injection wells are located 23 miles southwest of Midland in the War-San (San Andres) Field in Midland County. Fluid Waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 6,070 to 6,180 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended. Title 3 of the **Texas Natural Resources Code**, as amended, and the **Statewide Rules** of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., December 13, 2000, to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 200 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(2)

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Centennial Lodge #1448
1600 W. Wall
Reg. meetings, 1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30 am
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Wayne Reddin, W/M
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Acacia Masonic Lodge#1414
1000 Upland
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Keith Hughes, W.M.
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Reg. Meeting 3rd. Thurs.
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Thurs. 7:30 pm
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Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Midland Chapter #253
Order of Eastern Star
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12/12-Christmas Mtng. 7:30pm. No Mtng 12/26
WM Verla Carpenter
WP Tom Carpenter

150 Lost & Found

REWARD- LOST white/tan Sheppard wolf female. Call 561-5151 days, 694-6155 evenings.

FOUND POODLE Cross small dog, black curly hair, female. Wydewood area. Pease call 699-5501

FOUND CALICO- Longhaired, on Gateway, no collar. Call 520-3410, leave message.

FOUND BULL Dog mix, female, approximately 16 weeks old in Wydewood area. Call 689-8718

FOUND POMERANIAN- Large reddish brown male, black collar, vicinity 3810 Rankin Highway. Call 683-5732

FOUND prescription glasses, blue case, found Downtown. Please call 686-7237 after 5:00 pm

LOST SMALL Neutered Male Pomeranian and Medium size Mutt from Northgate area. Reward. Call 697-1674

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FIELD ENGINEER
Are you searching for better career opportunities with a fresh, innovative and exciting company? If you are, this rapidly-expanding oil and gas automation software company is accepting applications for the position of field engineer. The successful candidate will possess the following:

- Minimum 5 years experience with SCADA systems and SCADA software, **AND**
- Minimum 5 years experience in the oil and gas industry, including a good understanding of field end devices, including RTU's, PLC's, POC's, etc.
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- Should be self-motivated and able to work unsupervised

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Please submit resume to:
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- Minimum 5 years experience in the oil and gas industry, including a good understanding of field end devices
- General network, database and PC skills a plus
- Should be self motivated and able to work unsupervised

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Saulsbury Engineering & Construction
Is looking to recruit a qualified Mechanical Engineer to lead the Mechanical Engineering and Design Group. The successful candidate will have a minimum of 15 years experience in the petrochemical industry, with experience in the control of staff, discipline estimates, vessels, rotating equipment and piping. Knowledge of materials would be an advantage. The successful candidate will be expected to take full charge of the Mechanical department, which includes responsibility for all piping work in addition to both static and rotating equipment.

Contact Saulsbury Engineering at 915-366-3686
Or fax Resume to 915-366-6952.

WILSON SUPPLY
Has an opening for an Operations Accountant in Midland, Texas. Four years of college or equivalent, strong analytical skills, MS Office, Access and ORACLE are needed to compile monthly billing workbooks. Candidates should fax resumes to:
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jroark@wilsononline.com or mail to:
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310 General Help Wanted

La Bodega Restaurant is taking applications for Cocktail Waitstaff & Bar Tender. Apply in person 2700 North Big Spring.

LET'S TALK AVON part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520–0119, Independent Rep.

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MANAGER for small apartment complex. Apartment and small salary for management and light maintenance duties. Send resume to: Manager, 405 Sunset, Apartment #5, Midland, TX 79701.

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DISABILITY SERVICES of The Southwest needs responsible, dependable personal care attendants to assist persons with disabilities in their homes. Currently we have positions open in Midland/ Odessa area: early morning hours, afternoon hours and weekends available. You must be at least 18 years of age, currently certified in C.P.R., drug free & background check required. Please call 580-5557 or come by 808 Tower Dr., Suite #7, Odessa, TX. For more information. EOE.

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Now hiring Cooks & Car pops, All shifts available will work around school schedules. Apply in person at 4201 Midland Drive.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

TRINITY TOWERS is now accepting applications for the following position: Maintenance- Full-time position available in the maintenance department. Experience in the following areas a plus, but not required- plumbing, painting, dry wall, heating and air conditioning. Applications may be complete at 2208 N. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX 79707 in the Human Resources Department. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE. Fax (915)694-2551. Manor Park, Inc. is an equal Opportunity Employer.

WAITPERSONS needed at Green's Restaurant, Call 682-2132, from 9 am to 11:30 am and from 1 pm to 2 pm for interview.

WANTED EXPERIENCED Machinist must be able to cut threads. Salary & benefits based on experience. Needed immediately. Location Midland. Call 915-570-7577 is set-up interview.

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WAREHOUSE PERSON
Local well- established manufacturing company is in immediate need for Warehouse Person. Need to be hard worker, team player and organized. Minimum one year experience. Will be responsible for stocking, shipping/ receiving and inventory for a gas compressor manufacturer. Previous experience with gas compressors and related equipment/ parts a plus. Non- smoking facility. Full benefits. Applications being taken from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday at Hy-Bon Engineering Company, 2404 Commerce Drive, Midland, Texas 79703.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

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312 Professional Help Wanted

AN AGGRESSIVE, Midland Based Service Company is now hiring for a permanent, full time accounting position. Must be proficient in MS Excel and Word Software. Great Plains accounting software is preferred but not required. The selected applicant will be responsible for Oil and Gas accounting, including payables, receivables, revenues, joint interest billing and regulatory reporting for Texas and New Mexico. This position requires a team player capable of working on multiple, self, directed tasks. Send resume to Box P-6094, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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312 Professional Help Wanted

LEGAL SECRETARY. Midland law firm seeks experienced secretary to assist attorneys in commercial, oil and gas, corporate and litigation practice. Must be proficient with WordPerfect. Legal secretarial experience is preferred. Send resume, including list of computer software expertise, to: Box P-6095, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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OFFICE/ WAREHOUSE For Lease- 7 offices/ large shop. Approx. 3,236 square feet, shop/ office area./ +/- 12,000 square feet of land paved & fenced. Great Location. $1,550.00 per month. Call (915)689-6341.

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668 Retail/ Stores

411 N. Midland Drive retail space for lease. Was beauty shop. For details. 684-6405, 557-0330.

670 Warehouses/ Storage for Rent

★OFFICE/ WAREHOUSE and/ or Shop Space. 2,500 to 24,000 sq. ft. Rent- Lease-Purchase. 682-9787.

675 Recreation Resort

RUIDOSO Rentals nightly. Cabins, condos, some hot tubs. Century 21, Aspen Realty. 800-657-8980.

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8 DRILL SITE locations- Frizzy East Side of Midland. $10,000 per location, 76% NRI. Call Russell B. Cox 685-9110.

700 Mobile Homes

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, 2 living areas. Cameo Doublewide- 28x60, remodeled in and out. Must see! 570-6870.

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1997 16X80 CLAYTON TEXAN model, two bedroom, two bath, lots of extras, fenced yard. 10X16 work shop. $303 monthly on 9 year assumable loan. Located in Airline Park, 7100 W. Highway 80. Call 522-1308 for appointment.

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701 Real Estate

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1606 S. CO. RD. 1129-Large 3 bdrm, 2 bath home with 2 living areas plus a sunroom, 2 car garage and 1.65 fenced acres..... $79,900

10709 E. CO. RD. 105-Lovely 3 bdrm, 2 bath on 1/2 acre lot, new carpet, fresh paint, only..... $87,900

FOR LEASE
4004 SUNSHINE PARKWAY-4 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths....$900. $900 dep.
10807 E. COUNTY ROAD 108-3 bdrms, 2 baths....$800. $800 dep.
1601 N. CULVER-3 bdrms, 2 baths....$800. $800 dep.
4716 COMANCHE....$400. $300 dep.

TO SEE ANY OF THESE PROPERTIES OR FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL CLEMMIE SORGE AT RE/MAX 682-9620 EXTENSION 142

4706 TEAKWOOD TRACE-Very pretty 4 bedroom home in Greentree, two living areas, formal dining, great kitchen, 3 car garage, just reduced to..... $167,000

1810 HEREFORD-Just waiting for a new owner, wonderful 4 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath home with formal dining, 2 living areas, great view of the golf course, price reduced for a fast sale..... $139,000

1000 N. A STREET-Charming 4 bdrm, 3 bath home with a great view of the duck pond. Owners ready to sell to settle an estate..... $75,900

4904 SUNSHINE PARKWAY-For sale or lease - Nice 4 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath home with a large dining area, paneled den, 2 car garage..... $74,900

703 OSAGE-Updated 4 bdrm home with 2 living areas, pretty tile, large den with fireplace, priced to sell..... $74,900

1801 CULVER-For sale or lease-Pretty 3 bdrm, 2 bath with 2 living areas plus a small sunroom, large den with fireplace, ready to move into..... $70,900

5207 SAN ANTONIO-Pretty as a picture with 3 bdrms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, nice kitchen with lots of tile countertops, only..... $71,900

600 LIDDEN #51-LOW MAINTENANCE-Completely updated condo with lots of tile flooring, new kitchen, huge bedrooms, small courtyard with a storage bldg. come see it and you will want to say, only..... $32,500

3212 PARK LANE-COMMERCIAL LOCATION-Presently used as a day care center, perfect location of a small office or one person business, priced at..... $36,000

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Jan
124 BAYBERRY: 2.19 Acres, Last lot in Mission Ridge..... $42,000
2219 SOUTHAMPTON: Polo, 5BR, 3BA, 2LA, 3 car garage..... $165,000
5410 CROWLEY: Patio Home, 3BR, 2.5 BA, 2 LA, 3 Car Garage..... $145,000
208 S. MARIENFELD: 10,000 sq. ft. Commercial Bldg. Downtown..... $175,000
100 WINDRIDGE New Constr., 2BR, 3BA, 3 Car Garage..... $178,000
6915 SUNRISE CT.: GreenTree North, On Course!-4BR, 3BA, Pool..... $230,000
117 WINDRIDGE: New Constr., 3BR, 3BA, 2 LA, 3 Car Garage..... $225,000
Callie Stevens, Broker Associate
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BY OWNER- 2510 Dartmouth. Quiet neighborhood, across from college entrance, end of cul-de-sac. 3,486 sq. ft. upgraded home, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, large living room, formal dining room and den. Plantation shutters throughout, enclosed patio, storage building with storm shelter. $159,900. 684-4702 or 682-2843 for appointment.

UP GROUP 684-7788
1400 E. Missouri $27,900 3 Bedroom, 2 living areas.
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Town Plaza #25 $23,900 Rent $420.

NICE BRICK four bedroom, two bath, large kitchen with built in appliances, two car garage, patio with BBQ, storage building, shade trees, nicely landscaped low maintenance yard, lovely pole fence, new A/C & heating unit, double insulation. Near Lee High and Rusk Elementary $66,000. By owner! 520-3263 for more information and address.

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

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LIKE NEW Electric Wheelchair & lift. Installed in July used 6 items. $5,000 negotiable. 520-3692.

BOFLEX EXCERCISE MACHINE, almost new paid $1,000 will except reasonalbe best offer. Call 697-0579.

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→NEW TODAY←
RAINBOW WATER filter vacuum cleaner, the original "bagless" Like new, $195. 520-6464.

GREAT CHRISTMAS gift 20' girls bike comes with helmet, rode twice, too small. $50. 697-8376.

→NEW TODAY←
1950'S EVERGLEAM ALUMINUM Christmas tree, 6'. Excellent condition! (With color wheel) $200. 520-3242, 425-8680.

✔BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIP Tickets. Three Pair, Hotel reservations available. 570-6307.

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BABY STROLLER- Like new for sale. $15. Call Llinda at 699-6388 for more information.

10'X16' workshop/ storage buildings $41 a month. Delivery/ financing available. 915-563-3108.

4 SPACES For Sale at Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery. $800 each. Call 699-5201.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

MOVING BOXES, good condition, for sale. Collapsed, perfect condition. Assorted sizes. $5 each obo. 522-7494.

413 Jewelry & Furs

ROLEX: MENS Two tone, in original box, looks new, recently serviced. $2,395. Pager 915-495-7951.

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LADY'S PLATINUM- ring utilizing 2 marquise brilliant cut diamonds, 8 straight cut diamonds, and 10 round brilliant cut diamonds. This ring is cast in platinum and has an all brilliant finish. This ring can be seen at Houck's Jewelry at 216 Main, Midland.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

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420 Good Things To Eat

GARDENDALE PECAN- Buying and shelling pecans. FM 554 Gardendale 550-7609.

432 Household Furniture

BROYHILL COUCH, neutral colors. Good condition! $200 obo. Call 520-9003, leave message.

↓SOLD↓
COUCH- like new, queen size sleeper, floral print: mauve/ dark blue/ cream background.XXX-XXXX.

DARK BLUE couch, multicolored threading, southwest style, good condition, $150. Call 520-5617 after 5pm.

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Call Classified to add *NEW TODAY* on your Classified Specials for only $3.00 Extra 682-6222

ANTIQUE ARMOIRE- $300. Call 686-8103.

GRAHAM KRACKER Baby Bedding $200, Child craft baby bed, $200. 4 kitchen bar stool chairs, $150. 686-8103.

KITCHEN TABLE with four rolling chairs. $60. 520-4817.

STURDY COUCH with 3 cushions in multi earth tones. $35. Please call 697-5256.

BAMBOO & RATTAN furniture bought in Thailand. Beautiful natural gold in color. Perfect for sun room or casual living area. Set includes 6 pieces- sofa, chaise lounge, two arm chairs, end table & coffee table. Custom made cushions included. Highest quality would cost $$$$ to purchase in U.S. Asking $3,000. Also need to sell Scandinavian style teak pieces- Cocktail table, $75. End table $40. TV/ stereo cabinet, $50. Three book cases, $30 each. 30 gallon glass aquarium with iron stand, $50. Please call 685-6066.

COMPUTER ARMOIRE, 6' ft., bifold doors, desktop and keyboard tray, file drawer, $200. 694-3170.

CHILD'S BEDROOM suite: twin bed, headboard, nightstand, desk, dresser. Maplewood- color, $250. Please call 682-5370.

EXECUTIVE WALNUT wooden desk- 39"X75", $300. Call 699-5678.

432 Household Furniture

→NEW TODAY←
3 (Gl) HOLLYWOOD Bunk Beds, fair condition, would be great for a hunting camp. $150 per set. 687-0601.

RUSTIC PINE pedestal bed, dresser/mirror, chest, side table, $500 set. Highchair $30, swing $30. 697-4034.

435 Household Appliances

★FREE REMOVAL Of appliances 550-6540. Sale- washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezer. $75-up. Free delivery 90 day warranty.

USED STOVE/ microwave combo. Good condition. $150. Call 699-1526, leave message.

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450 Sporting Goods

MICHAEL JORDAN acrylic basketball back board, metal mesh net, $75. Call 522-7494, leave message.

450 Sporting Goods

JIM'S GOLF CLUBS. "Tight- Lie" woods. $60 each. "Hawk- Eye" irons, $184/ set. (clones) Reshaft, Regrip, low prices. 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

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BRAND NEW Kona Mountain bike. Front & rear derailleur, free wheel, InSync fork, $500 firm, 520-3625.

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GREEN TREE Membership- $500. Call 689-2313 after 5 pm.

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✔ 2608 KESSLER.

Fantastic Redo! 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom with formal dining room, central air and full brick exterior. Call Scott at: 520-2777 or 238-2462. Owner/ Agent.

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725 Condo Townhouses

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740 Out of Town Property

BIG BEND- 200 Acre "Willow Mountain" highway Frontage on Highway 118 south of Alpine. Approximately 1 mile north of Study Butte- entrance to Big Bend National Park; near Terlingua and Lajitas. Property has cleared Building Site, Electricity, resident Deer Herd. Terlingua Ranch Property Owner's Association member privileges. Priced at $85,000 Owner Financing available, Discount For Cash. Will consider partial Trade. Call 570-7960 (Midland) for more information.

760 Lots & Acreage

2.5 ACRE LOT, #12 Dunblane- Saddle Club Ranch Estates. Reduced to $25,000. 915/694-3734.

LOTS FOR SALE- .335 acres, Lots 1 & 2, block 68, West End Addition, AKA 1601 W. Illinois, $21,000.00- 688-2650 or 682-1186.

14 ACRES GRASSLAND with water well. 5 miles south Midland off Midkiff Road on CR 150. $1,000 down, $300 month. 570-1336.

UNDER ACREAGE for sale: 10 acres 3 wells (former Pecan Orchard now has plenty of firewood). Must sacrifice $25,000 or best offer. $5,000 down and will carry paper. 685-1882.

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Hunting Tracts
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158 ACRES ML Young , County- heavily wooded-lots of game- Agent Royce Bernard. Home 940-521-0164, mobile 940-550-5874.

770 Resort Property

POSSUM KINGDOM Lake, LOT #226 Phase 1 at The Cliffs, next to Tee Box 5. Charlie Goss 694-8662

780 Business Property

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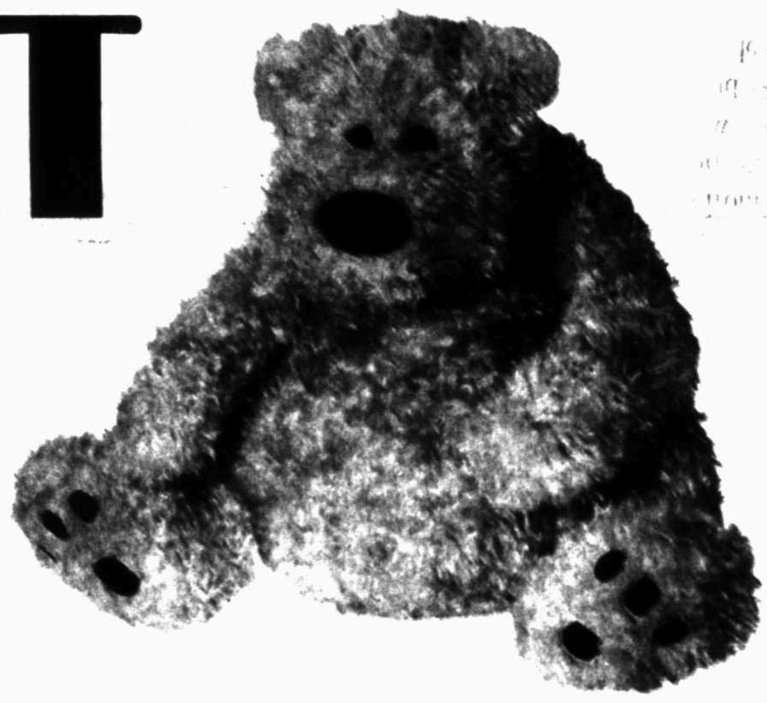
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Give toys with special charm

By Ruth B. Roufberg
Los Angeles Times Syndicate

The following toys each have a special charm and features that will enrich children's play in a variety of ways. Consider each child's particular interests and developmental stage in making your holiday gift decisions — and trust your own judgment.

■ **Flip-Flop Activity Blocks** are four soft cubes that hinge together to form a large cube. When flipped open, each surface reveals a different pattern, color or texture. Squeezing or shaking produces different sounds. Turning the cubes to search for something new or return to something remembered helps a baby master finger, hand and wrist motions. Ages 3 months and up. (Lamaze/Learning Curve).

■ **AHOI** is a wood labyrinth "lake" in which to maneuver two tugboats and two swimmers through straight and curvy channels. The hand motions children use while playing will later help them guide a pencil on paper; indeed, you will notice that many of the channel segments resemble letters. The moving pieces are securely embedded in the channels and cannot get lost. Ages 2 and up (Haba/T.C. Timber)*

■ **Village of Towers** emerges gradually as the curious child removes from the big red box 16 cubes of assorted colors and graduated sizes, plus panels, arches and roofs. Then comes the fun of grouping the pieces, many with cutouts for doors and windows, into a setting for play with dolls or vehicles, or for experiments in shape, color and size sorting. When play is done, all 27 pieces nest inside the 9-inch cube for compact storage. Fine wood, painted in primary colors. Ages 3 and up. (Dollsandreams)*

■ **Jamtown Junior** is a simple rhythm kit with authentic, rich-sounding instruments handcrafted by village artisans in Peru and Bali: claves (two thick rhythm sticks made of renewable old growth hardwood), shaker (carved dried gourd), and drum (double-headed goat skin stretched over wooden bark frame). Audiotape, rhythm cards and 30-page activity guide are included with a traveling instrument bag. Ages 3 and up. (Jamtown).

■ **Mini-Doll House With Furniture** is the classic wood dollhouse your child (and you!) have always yearned for. Interior of peak-roofed house is accessible through generous openings in front, sides and roof. Five rooms of clean-lined, color-accented wood furniture are included. Ages 3 and up. (Rita & Nicky Toy Collection, distributed by Marlon).

■ **Horses & Ponies** combines imaginative play with learning opportunities. Crepe rubber pieces form field, corral, stable and jumping areas where children can stage equestrian events. There are ponies, barns, and a stable to lace, trace, string and sort. Suggested activities enhance the versatility of this toy. Everything stores in a neat carrying case. Ages 4 to 7.(Lauri)

■ **Glove Marionette: Clown** offers one-hand manipulation. The secret is a black glove that stretches to fit the left or right hand, with non-tangling string connected from each fingertip to the head, knees, and hands of the clown. Wiggle your fingers and enjoy the performance. Ages 5 and up. (Folkmanis).

■ **California Chariot** looks like a cross between land-based water skis and a scooter with two narrow footboards. Whatever it looks like, testers agreed that it was the coolest ride-on ever. Even parents sneaked it for a run around the block. Ages 6 to 12. (California Chariot Company).

■ **Little Felt People Kit.** Have you ever touched the soft, airy fluffiness of pure wool fleece? It's in this kit, and children can learn the ancient craft of turning it into felt by rolling bits of fleece in their wet hands and shaping it with soap. Fleece in three skin colors, five hair colors and five additional colors for clothing will make up to a dozen small "children of the world." Ages 8 and up with some adult help, $13. (Felt Crafts).

■ **Detour!** won raves from testers for its transformable game board and unique method of determining each player's move. The goal of this highway travel game is to be first to visit eight tourist attractions, collect a postcard from each, and return home. Instead of dice or a spinner, press an electronic gas pump. A moving light twinkles and beeps. If it stops at a number, that's how many spaces to move. But if the "Detour" sign lights, rotate any of four highway sections to change a straight roadway into a U-turn, or vice versa, thus helping yourself or thwarting an opponent. Ages 8 and up. (DaMert).

■ **Boomwhackers** are tuned plastic percussion tubes ranging from 12 inches to 50 inches long that would make a fine gift for a group — your own family, perhaps, or your child's school. Each person holds one or two tubes and whacks it against a hard surface or any body part (preferably one's own!) to produce the sound. The gradations in length and color help players arrange themselves in sequential notes. Groups that cooperate well can make beautiful music together. Ages 3 to adult. (Whacky Music).



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The Glove Marionette Clown is controlled by a black glove that stretches to fit the left or right hand.

From classic to innovative: Take your pick for babies

By Ruth B. Roufberg
Los Angeles Times Syndicate

This year's babies, born on the cusp of a new century, have the best of two millenniums. Toys that delight babies and stimulate their growth and development can be found among both classics from the past and innovations from the present.

■ **Baby Story** is a gift for parents as well as for their newborn. During the infant's first year, parents paste their best baby photos onto the special book pages, add captions and embellish the pages with a selection of stickers enclosed. Mail the pages in the postpaid envelope, and in about two weeks you will receive a professionally typeset hardcover book that will be a treasured keepsake for yourselves — and for your child in future years. You can even order extra copies for grandparents. (Creations by You)

■ **Double Feature** is a two-sided mirror/graphic design toy that has been providing visual delight to infants since 1990. Newborns usually lie on their backs with their head turned to one side. If you attach the mirror to the crib rails where your baby can look into it while lying down, any movement of her hand or blanket will create a moving reflection to follow with her eyes. The more she moves, the more interesting is her view. In a few months when your baby is able to push up on her arms, position the mirror in front of her. The reward of seeing her reflection will encourage her to continue pushing up on her arms, thereby strengthening her back and arm muscles. The back of the mirror displays stimulating black and white graphics of varied complexity. Ages from birth to 24 months. (Wimmer-Ferguson Toys/Manhattan Group)

■ **Sparkling Symphony Gym** starts as a play environment where a baby lying on her back (or reclining in a baby seat or sitting independently) can reach for the dangling sun, moon, and stars that activate twinkling lights and music. Later, the gym converts to a keyboard where the toddler can stand and press the hand-sized keys to play single notes or songs — classics from Vivaldi, Mozart and Beethoven, as well as traditional children's favorites. Ages newborn to 2 years. (Fisher-Price).

■ **Tiny Love Stacking Links & Rings** is an updated version of the classic rings on a post. When fully assembled, it looks like a creature with the big-eyed "smiley-face" that appeals to babies. The post is a cone, so the different-sized rings stack only in proper sequence. Two of the four velour rings are held closed by Velcro-attached "paws." When pulled apart they can be linked onto each other, or onto the fully closed rings, to form a chain. Or used as bracelets or a crown by a toddler. Ages 6 months to 3 years. (Maya Group).

■ **Twin Rattle** is "geared" for the baby who is fascinated with faces and is learning to use both hands together. Two happy faces on permanently connected cog wheels make a clickety-clack sound as they turn in either direction. Passing it from hand to hand makes one face roll around the other in an intriguing action that tempts the baby to keep practicing this new finger skill. Ages 6 months and up. (Ambi/Learning Curve).

■ **Happy Shapes** puts a new twist on shape sorters. The lid has three openings (square, circle and triangle) into which fit cubes, spheres and pyramids. But the shapes don't simply fall to the bottom of the container. Instead, the wall curves like an elbow macaroni so the shapes glide toward a side opening that is covered with soft plastic flaps. The child reaches in to retrieve the shapes and repeat the cycle all over again. But children get quite creative with this toy, sometimes turning it so the soft opening is on top and inserting the shapes through that opening; sometimes removing them by lifting off the lid. There are four of each shape so you can show your child games of color and shape matching, ball-rolling, and cube-stacking. Ages 6 months and up. (Tomy).

■ **Measure Up Cups** are a classic set of beakers for all the activities babies approaching their first birthday relish: dump and fill, stack and nest, roll them along the floor, and hide things inside. But they'll also serve for many years of preschool learning: color-sorting, size-comparison, pattern sequencing, and even the beginnings of math because the contents of cups 3 and 4 will really fill cup 7, as will all the other number combinations. Embossed patterns on bottom of the cups can stamp designs on clay "cookies." Accompanying parent book suggests even more play and learning ideas. Ages 12 months through primary school. (Discovery Toys).

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Garden railway gaining steam

By Julie Bawden Davis
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Some people have railways inching around their Christmas trees. Others, like Todd and Linda Brody, have railways winding through their gardens.

In the Brodys' North Tustin, Calif., frontyard is a miniature railroad track, complete with a town and small-scale plants. They call the 1,200-square-foot garden the Tortoise and Lizard Bash Railroad, named after their tortoise pets and the wild lizards that come to frolic on the tracks.

Garden railways like the Brodys' are becoming more popular, says Marc Horovitz, editor of Garden Railways magazine in Denver.

"In 1984, when my wife and I started the magazine, our first press run consisted of 325 copies," he says. "When we sold the magazine four years ago, the circulation was up to 18,000, and now it has doubled that."

The hobby's popularity is due to the fact that gardening in general is the leading pastime. Garden railroading also appeals to the whole family, he says. Trains, it seems, stop everyone in their tracks, regardless of age or gender.

It takes visitors to the railway some time to notice all of the intricate details the Brodys have put into the garden's design, which took three years to complete. The train chugs over 500 feet of track, emitting digitally recorded sounds from the real train after which it was modeled. On its journey, it passes over bridges and trestles, by two waterfalls and near a gold mine. There's even a tunnel.

There are more than two dozen structures in the miniature railroad community, most of which are lighted and some of which belch smoke. In and around the buildings, there are miniature people and animals. There are a bed and breakfast for the weary and a bustling town square with Tortoise Town Hall and Collard Lizzy's Clothiers. Cows moo in the farming area.

Plantings throughout the garden are to scale with dozens of miniature trees, small plants and ground covers, such as dwarf elms, dwarf crape myrtle, miniature fuchsia, baby's tears, chamomile and several varieties of thyme.

The Brodys originally got the idea for a garden railway when they saw one on display during a trip to Northern California three years ago.

"At the time we didn't have much out front of our house, except for a lawn that the gophers were constantly tearing up, so I decided to put in a railroad and give them something else to tear up," says Brody, who is a member of the Orange County and Southern California Garden railway societies.

Brody wanted to give people something fun to look at.

"We've incorporated a lot of whimsy that you begin to notice once you look closely," he says, referring to scenes such as the man fishing on a bridge next to a "No Fishing" sign and the man falling from a slippery cliff.

"Our surveys show that among couples, 60 percent to 75 percent work on the railways together," Horovitz says. "The hobby is so diverse that there's something in it for everyone. There's the trains and the track, the buildings, people and the plants."

Mrs. Brody handles most of the gardening, decorations and figurine painting for the Tortoise and Lizard Bash Railroad. "We both work on it," she says. "In terms of garden options, it's unique."

Though garden railways date back 125 years and have their roots in Great Britain, it wasn't until the early 1970s — shortly after the introduction of weather-resistant tracks by LGB (Lehmann-Gross-Bahn) — that the hobby started to gain steam in the United States.

The Brodys' tracks are always out. The buildings are also exposed to the elements year-round, except during high winds. The trains are brought inside at night.

Although the Brodys' railway garden is fairly big, it's possible to put them in "surprisingly small spaces," Horovitz says. "I've seen some great garden railways that were tiny things."

Building a garden railway can be as expensive or inexpensive. The Brodys spent $5,000 on theirs, but a starter set that includes a 4-foot track, locomotive, two cars and a power supply costs about $100. The trains, tracks and other supplies can be found in some hobby shops and through mail order.

Whatever type of garden railway you decide to install, Brody's advice is simple: "Don't be an armchair engineer. Just do it. You'll be glad."



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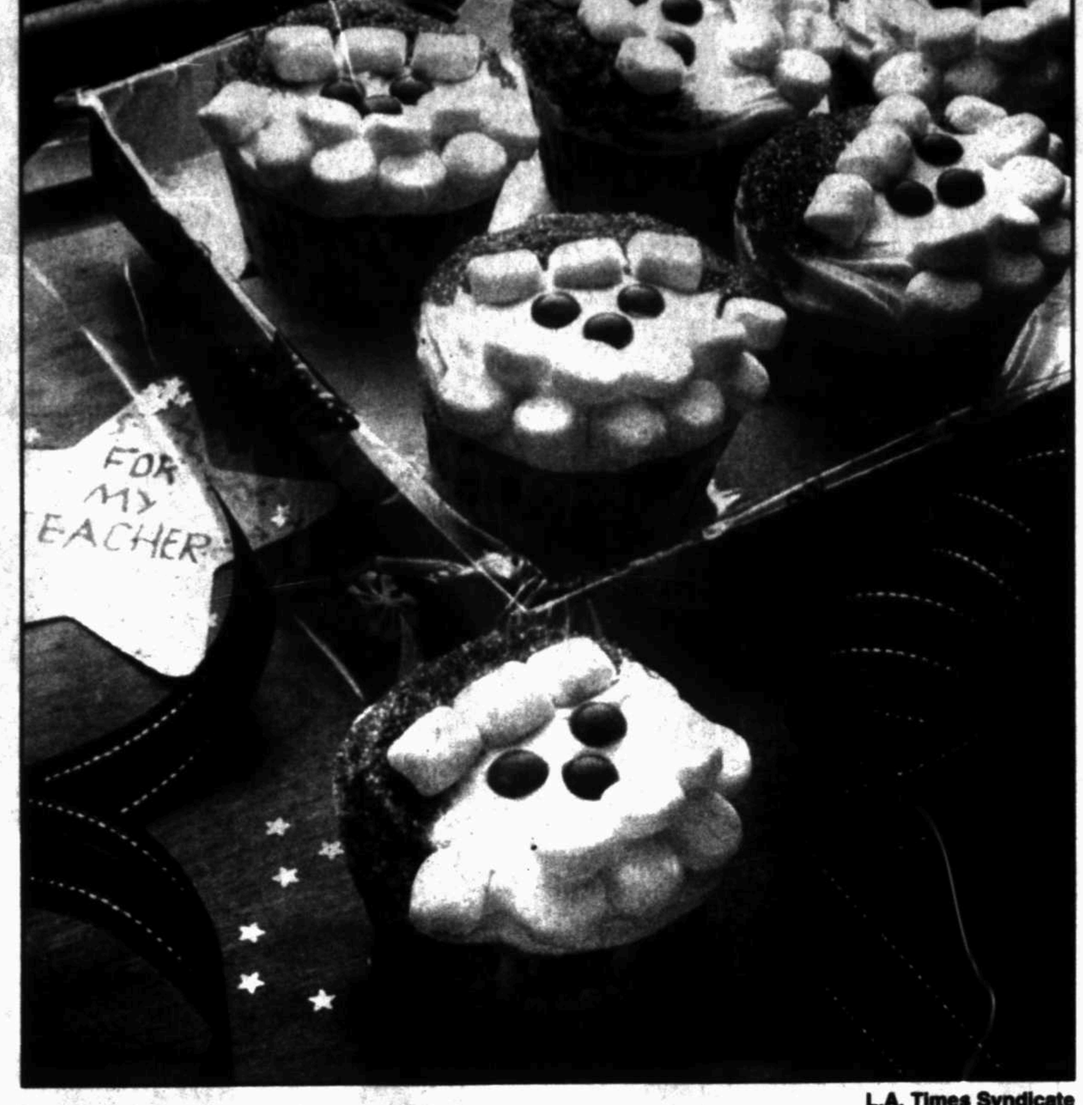
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Sweet treats for children

By Christine B. Needham
Los Angeles Times Syndicate

What would the holidays be without sweet gifts for children? You can prepare most of these recipes ahead of time and then wrap them or put them in special metal boxes to hand out as gifts. It's also a good idea to keep them on hand for unexpected young visitors.

These Santa Cupcakes, for example, are guaranteed to put children in the holiday spirit. This recipe will delight children with their marshmallow and candy decorations.



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Santa Cupcakes are decorated with marshmallows, red sugar crystals and holiday candies.

MERRY SANTA CUPCAKES

24 baking cups
1 package (about 18 ounces) white cake mix
1 container (16 ounces) vanilla frosting
Red sugar crystals
Mini candy coated plain chocolate candies
Mini marshmallows
Plastic wrap in colors or with holiday theme

Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Place baking cups in muffin pans; set aside.

Prepare cake mix following package directions for 24 cupcakes. Spoon batter into bake cups. Bake as directed. Cool.

Frost cupcakes. Decorate each cupcake to look like Santa: for hat, sprinkle top third and halfway down one side of cupcake with red sugar crystals. Place chocolate candies on frosting for eyes and nose. Cut 2 marshmallows in half lengthwise, place at edge of red sugar for hat brim.

Place a marshmallow at end of red sugar on side for the hat tassel. For beard, place about 10 marshmallows over bottom third of frosting.

Wrap cupcakes in colorful plastic wrap or place cupcakes in a gift box lined with plastic wrap.

YIELD: 24 cupcakes.

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And then there's gingerbread. No holiday is complete without it.

APPLE GINGERBREAD SQUARES

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter
1/3 cup light brown sugar
1/3 cup dark molasses
1/2 cup orange juice
1 large egg
1 and 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground ginger
1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 gala or golden delicious apple, cored and chopped
Confectioners sugar
Prep Time: 10 minutes; Baking Time: 25 minutes

Heat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Grease and flour an 8- or 9-inch square baking pan. In medium saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Add brown sugar, molasses, and juice; whisk until blended. Beat in egg.

In small bowl, combine flour, baking soda, cinnamon, ginger, cloves, and salt. Stir into molasses mixture just until combined. Mix in apples. Pour batter into prepared pan and bake 25 to 30 minutes or until center is firm. Cool just until warm; cut into squares, sprinkle with confectioners sugar and serve.

SERVES: 8

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If popcorn appeals, here are two quick goodies — caramel corn or popcorn balls.

CARAMEL CORN CRUNCH

1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
3 quarts popped popcorn

Cream butter; add brown sugar and whip until fluffy. In a large baking pan, combine with popcorn.

Bake in 350-degree Fahrenheit oven for about 8 minutes or until crisp.

YIELD: 3 quarts.

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POPCORN BALLS

3 quarts popped popcorn, unsalted
1 (1 pound) package marshmallows
1/4 cup butter or margarine

Place popped popcorn in a large bowl. In a large saucepan, cook marshmallows and butter or margarine over low heat until melted and smooth.

Pour over popcorn, tossing gently to mix well. Cool five minutes. Butter hands well and form 2 1/2 inch balls.

YIELD: About 14 balls.

To color the popcorn balls, add a few drops of food coloring to the smooth marshmallow mixture. Mix well to distribute color evenly, then pour over popcorn.

Avoid crowds at toy stores for these unique gift ideas

By Barbara Williams Cosentino
Los Angeles Times Syndicate

I'm reading a useful little book called "Organize Yourself!" and laughing, crying and berating myself all at the same time.

Nationally recognized time management consultant Ronni Eisenberg's book is full of terrific suggestions, such as establishing a gift file in your file cabinet (list clothing sizes, favorite colors and hobbies of all the people you ever buy presents for), "buy it when you see it" (making gift-buying for the holidays a year-around activity) and wrapping presents as soon as you purchase them, noting the contents on detachable labels.

I wish I was reading the book lying on the beach in July. But the Christmas carolers will soon be caroling, the menorah candles are waiting to be lit and the stores are a wonderland of tinsel, glitter and frantic shoppers.

My nonexistence gift file is empty, the closet where I hide the wrapped gifts is filled with shoes, not presents, and panic is rapidly setting in. There are a zillion tots and teen-agers on my holiday list, not to mention an assortment of grown-up friends and relatives.

Help!

Finding and selecting well-made, developmentally appropriate children's gifts is easy, explains Stevanne Auerbach, a toy expert whose books, online toy guides and nationally syndicated column have earned her the appellation Dr. Toy.

"Children learn through toys and through their play," says Ms. Auerbach. She encourages parents to consider several factors when making toy selections, including the product's design, safety, durability and overall quality.

Dr. Toy also supports the "back to basics" approach, now gaining favor with baby-boomer parents intent on reliving their own youth. Yo-yos, jacks, clay, puzzles, simple baby dolls and Slinkies are old favorites which have stood the test of time.

Kids, however, are vivid, trend-conscious consumers, and their wish lists may well include toys and products with tie-ins to popular movies or Disney characters.

Toy stores are the obvious places to shop for kids. But there are numerous other places to find attractive, creative, even offbeat holiday gifts without fighting the crowds.

■ For sports fans, there are sports collectible stores which sell everything from sports cards to autographed memorabilia to authentic game jerseys and bats. Sporting good stores carry a great selection of sweatshirts, T-shirts, caps and jackets emblazoned with the logos of favorite teams.

■ Hobby shops have radio-controlled airplanes and cars as well as model-making kits, erector sets and other craft activities.

■ Art and craft supply stores offer numerous gift ideas for kids who love to paint, paste and do crafts projects. Such stores draw many teachers and parents with bins of art supplies, Styrofoam balls, wood kits, feathers and other materials to keep your little crafter busy for many hours.

■ Chiquita Woodard, author of the "It's Just What I've Always Wanted!" suggests heading for the nearest drugstore, where you'll find possibilities for all the youngsters on your list — cosmetics and perfume, bath toys, hair care products and other stocking stuffers.

■ For those tough-to-please teens, books, videos, CDs and computer software are fail-safe choices; a gift certificate to a popular book or music store lets teens to pick out their own favorites.

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One of the goals of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, is to call attention to our country's great heritage. The reprint of this 1790 Proclamation by John Hancock, signer of the Declaration and Governor of Massachusetts, is in keeping with their goal.

Proclamation
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Whereas it is the incumbent duty of communities, as well as individual persons . . . to recollect the innumerable blessings conferred upon them by their all gracious Father and Benefactor; and as the season of the year is now approaching when – in imitation of the example of our venerable forefathers – a day has been invariably set apart for this laudable and religious purpose:

I . . . accordingly appoint Thursday, the twenty-fifth day of November next, to be observed as a day of public thanksgiving and praise throughout this Commonwealth, hereby calling upon ministers and people of every denomination to assemble on the said day and . . . render to God the tribute of praise for His unmerited goodness towards us: in favoring us with so great a measure of health; in preserving us from desolating judgments; in so far smiling upon our trade, our liberty, and the works of our hands; . . . [and] in continuing to us the innocent enjoyments of social life, the means of religion, the right of private judgment, and the Holy Scriptures – which are able to enlighten and make us wise to eternal salvation. . . .

And . . . it is highly becoming that we present our humble and penitent supplications to the God of all grace that He would be pleased mercifully to forgive our manifold sins, and through the sanctifying influences of His Spirit, correct our hearts and manners and make us a holy and happy people; that He would be pleased to preserve to us our invaluable rights and liberties, civil and religious; to prosper the administration of the government of the United States, and of this and the other States in the Union; . . . to smile upon our university and all seminaries of learning so that streams may issue from them to make glad the city of our God; . . . to put an end to civil and religious invasions on the rights of men; and to cause the benign religion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to be known, understood, and practiced among all the inhabitants of the earth. . . .

John Hancock

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STOCKING STUFFERS

By Ruth B. Roufberg
Los Angeles Times Syndicate

They may be too large to stuff into stockings, and some cultures don't even include stockings among their holiday traditions.

Nevertheless, the term "stocking stuffers" is generally understood to mean playthings costing less than $10, which serve many purposes: small gifts for children's chums and unexpected holiday visitors, one-a-day presents for Hanukkah and Kwanzaa celebrants, and on-hand resources for birthday gifts, party favors and rainy-day doldrums.

Now is the time to stock up.

■ **Duplo Clown-Go-Round** is a versatile train set with four curved track sections and eight extra bricks to expand the track, build a tower or change the clown-driven locomotive into a cargo truck. Ages 2 to 5. (LEGO product No. 2284).

■ **Paper Hand Puppet Mini-Kit** contains materials and ideas for making 10 paper bag puppet heads. Each bag has a hole in the middle through which the child's finger becomes the nose. A nice activity for young holiday visitors. Ages 3 to 7 (Make and Play Concepts).

■ **Magic Nuudles** become houses, hats, people and any construction a child fancies. When dabbed with water and pressed together, the cotton-candy-colored cylinders stick to each other or to paper, T-shirts, windows, even skin. When play is done, discard used Nuudles in the sink; they're made of cornstarch and dissolve under running water. Ages 3 and up, 600-piece bag. (KidTech Tools).

■ **Double Six Color Dot Dominoes**. Every play collection should include dominoes. This 28-piece set in a collector's tin will give years of pleasure with rules for 16 game variations for one to nine players. Ages 4 to adult. (Cardinal).

■ **Crayola Construction Paper Crayons** show up bright and clear, even a yellow crayon on black construction paper. Another specialty crayon, **Color Slicks**, gives smooth, rich color without pressing hard or going over and over an area; no messy color crumbs, either. Ages 4 and up, box of 16.

■ **Build 'em Up Sticks.** What do you get when you combine 10 dowels, 20 tongue depressor-sized craft sticks and five beads? Anything you want. A dab of glue makes the richly colored wood constructions permanent. Ages 4 to 14 years. (Curiosity Kits).

■ **The Community Puzzle** is a jigsaw puzzle version of a memory quilt. You provide paints or markers for each person to draw or paint on one of the 24 interchangeable 4-inch squares a message or picture to express the mood of the day. Good for holiday visitors, a child's birthday party, adult New Year's Eve party, or any other event. Ages 5 to adult. (Biggwood).

■ **I Scream**. There's no waiting for turns because all players simultaneously pass one unwanted card from their hand to the player on the left. The passing continues until one player has collected a set of four identical ice cream treats. Ages 6 and up. (M.J. Moran).

■ **My Pocket Friends** are four 2 1/2-inch dolls to make by wrapping colored threads around clothespins and pipe-cleaner arms. Choose desired colors for face, clothes and hair. One pin back is included to make a wearable accessory. Ages 6 and up. (Curiosity Kits).

n **Color Cube** has been called a three-dimensional Tangram equivalent. Puzzle fans know it as the Soma cube, which separates into seven mathematically derived configurations. The challenge is to reassemble the 2-inch cube. Those too young to solve the puzzle like the richly colored segments as color accents on natural wood building blocks. Ages 6 and up. (Maple Landmark).

■ **Trick Photography** reveals the secrets of taking pictures that show a child supporting a man on her shoulders, or holding up a falling building. Also learn how to create the illusion of a two-headed friend or a headless one, and have lots more fun with a camera. Ages 8 to teens. (Usborne Books/EDC Publishing).

■ **Poligrams** are 12 pieces of magnetized foam rubber pieces in three colors (purple, deep pink and emerald) and two triangular shapes that can be arranged in eye-catching patterns. The accompanying guide shows 49 designs and explains the math behind the art. Ages 8 to adult. (Design Science Toys).

They're quick, easy but gourd crafts look like they have been slaved over for weeks

By Julie Bawden Davis
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Not many crafts are quick enough to do in one afternoon, yet look like they've been slaved over for weeks. Gourds is one of these.

But chase those visions of rattles out of your head; gourds offer grown-up savvy, too. If you've got Martha Stewart-like creative leanings and lead a time-starved, real-world life, then gourd crafts are for you.

Members of the cucurbitaceae family, which includes melons and squash, gourds are the only ones that dry with a hard shell. You can decorate this shell just about any way you wish — rustically with carving and wood burning, elegantly with metallic paint and beads. Often you need little more than materials you have around the house. No special tools are required.

You might opt for simply polishing them to a bright sheen with shoe polish. You can also give gourds another dimension by attaching items such as beads, netting, plant pieces, string and leather.

Anything goes — and anybody of any age can join in.

"You don't have to be an artist to do gourd crafting," says Ginger Summit, who has written several books on gourds.

"There's no long learning curve when it comes to gourds. The first time out with a gourd will be a success," Ms. Summit says.

What is the lure of gourds? It's their earthiness and unintimidating nature, says Carol Morrison, a cultural anthropologist from Palo Alto, Calif., whose hobby is growing and crafting gourds.

"Gourds have a sensual feel that's almost like skin," she says. "And they're so easy to work with. People who think they aren't artists pick up a gourd and begin working on one and suddenly discover that they are artists."

Hard-shell gourds (lagenaria) have been grown and used for thousands of years and are a staple in many cultures as storage vessels, utensils, dishes, water containers, baby bathtubs, seed containers, vases and musical instruments. Though their main use has been utilitarian, many cultures over the years also have adorned them with designs and patterns.

You can make just about anything out of gourds, says Sunnyvale, Calif., gourd artist Janet Hatfield, who specializes in painting gourds with Native American designs. "There's a plethora of projects for the gourd crafter, from dolls to birdhouses to jewelry."

And bowls, vases, cups, candleholders, tortilla warmers, tea cups, musical instruments, Christmas tree decorations, nativity sets, cornucopias, planters, lamp shades and even bells.

Let your imagination be your guide.

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The shiny, often bumpy gourds in the store at this time of year are ornamental, generally not used for crafting.

You want hard-shelled lagenaria gourds, which can be grown in your own garden or bought at gourd farms, where you'll find thousands of gourds of different shapes and sizes.

Gourds that were grown this summer and harvested recently won't be ready for decorating for two to six months, when they are dry. If you want to try gourd crafting sooner, contact a gourd farm and choose from last year's stock.

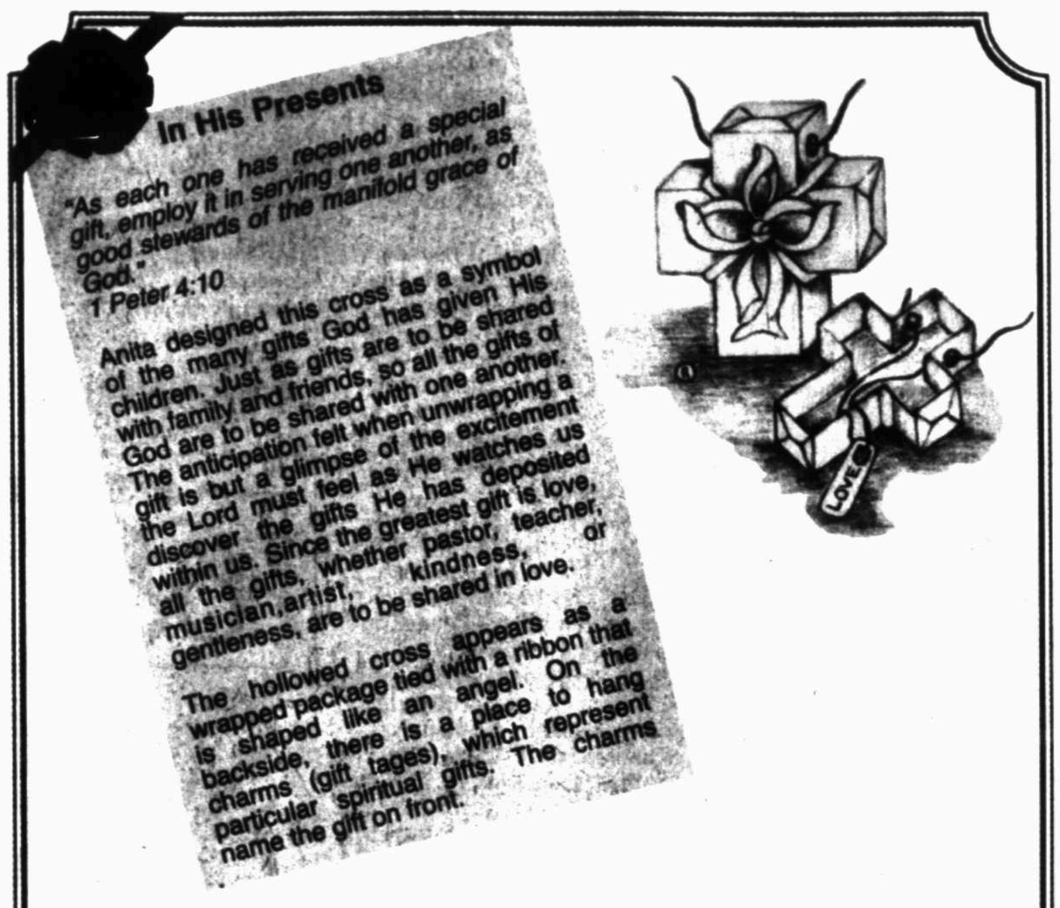
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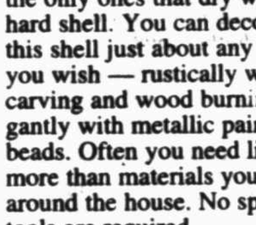
■ "Gourd Crafts: 20 Great Projects to Dye, Paint, Carve, Bead, and Woodburn in a Weekend" (Lark Books)

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GIFT GUIDE

Many gifts this season sold to benefit charities

Associated Press

To give is to be doubly blessed, the saying goes. Especially if you choose gifts that benefit good works:

■ "Little Red" is a perky 15-inch doll, with red-yarn hair and dressed in maryjanes and checked gingham shift. She's the creation of Britain's Sarah, Duchess of York, and is based on a little girl named Rhonda, the first child helped by Chances for Children, a U.S.-based charity founded by the duchess to aid children in need. Part of the sales from the doll — alone, ($16), in a new holiday outfit ($24) or with three outfits and a wardrobe case ($50) — benefit this non-profit organization. It's available at FAO Schwarz in its stores, through its catalog, or online, http://www.fao.com.

■ Watching Over You ($34) is the newest fine china ornament created by Kathie Lee Gifford and Lenox Gift Company to benefit Cassidy's Place, home to the Association to Benefit Children. The ornament depicts an angel outlined in gold atop a cloud from which a gold heart dangles. On the reverse is a greeting and signature by Gifford. Two previous ornament editions have raised more than $100,000 for Cassidy's Place, named after Gifford's daughter.

■ Choose any of eight crystal designs from Waterford's Times Square 2001 Collection and benefit America's Second Harvest, the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization. The objects range from $69 ball ornaments to $2,000 centerpiece bowls.

■ When you buy a pair of Timberland Crib Booties (about $30) this season, you'll be also be helping hungry families via Share Our Strength, the organization dedicated to anti-hunger programs in the United States. The baby boot (sizes 1-4 in pink, blue, and wheat nubuck) is a miniature replica of an adult Timberland boot.

■ It's the buddy system. Adopt Redwood Bear ($16), a 15-inch Gund stuffed toy you can find at Mervyn's California, and the store will donate an identical bear to a child in need.

■ Soft as new snow, Flurry the Snowman ($25) is a plush 18-inch toy being sold by Talbots Kids to assist the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Suitable for all ages, Flurry has coal-black eyes, carrot nose and wears a jester hat and scarf. Available in stores, catalogs or online at http://www.talbots.com.

■ Designs depicting the molecular structure of eight drugs used to treat youngsters at Johns Hopkins Children's Center have been translated into silk fabrics for ties ($39.50 each) sold at Jos.A. Bank Clothiers. All profits from sales of the ties go to the center.

Designs include Amoxicillin, an antibiotic commonly used to combat a variety of infections; Carbamazepine, an anti-convulsant that frees children with epilepsy from seizures; Cefotaxime, the main drug used to fight potentially deadly bacterial meningitis; Co-trimoxazole, an antibiotic used to fight pneumonia in HIV-positive children; Furosemid, a djuretic that "tunes up" newborns' kidney function; Fentanyl and Midazolam, the drug combination that is general anesthesia; Hydromorphone, which eases pain after surgery; and Tretinoin, a topical treatment for severe acne.

Ties are available at the stores, through the catalog or online. Call 1 (800) 285-2265; Web site is http://www.josbank.com.

■ Balloon of Dreams is a diamond-studded pin ($1,350 small, $1,850 large) created by Cassis Jeweler to aid the Michael Bolton Charities. Through local and national charities, the foundation provides assistance and "safe house" shelters to children and women at risk from poverty or abuse.

■ Heart disease is no joke, but you can have a gentle laugh with the David Letterman ByPass T-Shirt ($14.95), complete with red zipper scar on the front and the date marking the TV host's heart surgery on a sleeve. Proceeds go to the American Heart Association. Order online at http://www.wpsuperstore.com.

■ Kristina is an 8-year-old who is blind in her right eye and has only limited vision in the left. But she has painted an exuberant trio of angels to adorn one of the braille-embossed greeting cards being sold this year by the Hadley School for the Blind in Winnetka, Ill. The cards are $25 for a box of 25 (there's an extra charge for imprinting) and benefit the school, which receives no public funding. The printed greeting is repeated in braille. For information and orders, call (847) 446-8111.

■ Artists who have multiple sclerosis — or their children — have their original works featured on a line of holiday cards sold to benefit programs of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. The MS Through the Eyes of a Child line includes cards from $22 to $26 per box of 25 (check the images on the Web site). Each box can be imprinted with either a personalized message ($6.25) or envelope address ($8). Call 1 (800) FIGHT-MS; Web site is http://www.nmss.org.

■ A bench or a tree in New York's Central Park would be a fitting tribute to people you love or admire. Through the Central Park Conservancy's Adopt-A-Bench program ($5,000) a plaque with your dedicatory message will be installed on an available bench of your choice. Endowing trees, from saplings ($1,000 each) to fine heritage trees ($25,000), helps replenish and maintain the park's stock of 26,000 trees. Or make a general contribution to the Tree Trust. The gifts are tax deductible and can be made by calling Allyn Rose at (212) 310-6615.

■ Dedications also can be installed on theater seats ($10,000 each) at the Museum of Television & Radio. Call (212) 621-6600, ext. 6776. Alternatively, Adopt-a-Program ($325 for a half-hour program, $650 for an hour) lets you sponsor preservation and cataloging a program of your choice from the museum's archives, with permanent credit on the museum's database. Call (212) 621-6600, ext. 6636.

■ It's magic, at least to many of the nation's six million homeless dogs and cats and the people who care for them. Gandalf the Wizard-Clown, whose magic show is designed to help these animals find homes, donates 10 percent of sales from his line of novelty items and magic tricks to any animal shelter in the United States that the customer selects.

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Call 1 (800) 388-0708; Web site is http://www.magic4pets.com. Mail address is Box 190, Woodmere, N.Y. 11598. There's no shipping fee, but New York State residents need to add sales tax.

■ Be an angel, and help a pet. Angels for Animals ($19.99 each) are wooden angel ornaments created by Priscilla Hauser, a decorative painter and crafter for joann.com. For each ornament sold, the company will donate $5 to non-profit animal organizations such as the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the Animal Rescue Foundation. The natural wood ornaments are available on http://www.joann.com, along with Hauser's suggestions for embellishing with decoupage or paint.

■ The ultimate gift — any time of year — is organ donation for a transplant that could save a life. During its annual Holiday Resolution campaign, the National Kidney Foundation not only reminds you to sign a donor card but will send you information and a free donor card if you call them at 1 (800) 622-9010.



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A little red-haired girl named Rhonda inspired the "Little Red" dolls created by Sarah, Duchess of York, to benefit the American charity, Chances for Children. The doll is sold through FAO Schwarz.

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GIFT GUIDE

Gifts with taste

By Christine B. Needham
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Sometimes the nicest gifts are the ones with a personal touch. Here are five recipes for food gifts that will bring smiles and raves about how good they are from those lucky enough to receive them.

Grape and Cranberry Tea Bread isn't the fruitcake of old. This tea bread really does make the perfect holiday gift for friends and family because its sweet California grapes are mixed with tangy cranberries to create a harmony of flavors that is sure to wow any doubter.

With simple preparation, this surprisingly moist recipe melts in your mouth.

Grape and Cranberry Tea Bread

2 1/2 cups flour
3/4 cup sugar
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup vegetable oil
1 cup lowfat dairy sour cream
1 egg, beaten
1/4 cup lowfat milk
2 teaspoons grated lemon peel
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1/2 cup chopped dried cranberries
1 and 1/2 cups halved California seedless grapes

Combine all ingredients except grapes: mix well. Gently mix in grapes. Oil and flour the bottoms of four 5-by-2 1/2-by-21/4-inch loaf pans. Pour one-fourth of batter into each pan.

Bake at 350 F for 40 to 45 minutes or until wooden pick inserted near center comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes. Turn out onto wire rack and cool completely before slicing. Makes 4 loaves.

Tips:

■ Make ahead, wrap in aluminum foil and freeze.

■ Batter may be baked in two 81/2-by-4-by 2 1/2-inch loaf pans. Bake at 350 F for 50 to 55 minutes or until wooden pick inserted near center comes out clean. Cool completely on wire rack.

■ Bread may be tightly wrapped and refrigerated up to one week. For longer storage, wrap in aluminum foil or in freezer-safe plastic bags and freeze.

Courtesy: California Table Grape Commission

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How about tangy peanuts to snack on?

Trailblazing Texas Peanuts

1 tablespoon chili powder
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
3 1/2 cups cocktail peanuts (about one pound)

Combine dry ingredients; mix well and set aside. Place peanuts in a microwaveable dish. Microwave on HIGH (100 percent) for 6 minutes, stirring peanuts every 2 minutes. Sprinkle spice mixture over peanuts and stir until well coated. Store in a tightly covered container.

Makes 3 1/2 cups, or 14 servings.

For added flavor, drizzle one tablespoon of peanut oil over peanuts; stir to coat. Microwave on HIGH (100 percent) for 6 minutes, stirring every 2 minutes. Drain on paper towels; then sprinkle spice mixture and stir until well coated. Store in a tightly covered container.

Courtesy Texas Peanut Producers Board

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Jams and jellies just seem like perfect holiday gifts.

This Ginger Pear Jam recipe combines the sweetness of canned pears with the flavors of ginger and lemon to make a delicious jam for a variety of breakfast breads. It can be stored in the refrigerator for up to three weeks.

Ginger Pear Jam

1 can (16 ounces) pear halves or slices
2 tablespoons powdered fruit pectin
1 cup sugar
3 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh ginger

Drain pears; discard syrup or juice. Mash drained pears with fork. In 10 or 12-inch skillet, heat pears and pectin over medium-high heat, stirring constantly, until mixture is hot and bubbly. Stir in sugar, lemon juice and ginger; bring to a boil. Boil 1 minute; remove from heat.

Pour hot jam into two 1/2-pint jars with tight-fitting lids. Cover and refrigerate until jam is set, about 4 hours.

Store in refrigerator for up to 3 weeks. Makes 1 and 1/4 cups.

Courtesy: Pacific Northwest Canned Pear Service

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And how about cheesecake? This delicious Pineapple Pumpkin Cheesecake satisfies any sweet tooth by using canned pumpkin and pineapple.

Pineapple Pumpkin Cheesecake

11/2 cups firmly packed brown sugar
12 ounces light cream cheese, softened
1 can (16 ounces) pumpkin
4 eggs
2 tablespoons flour
4 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 can (15 1/2 ounces) sliced pineapple in heavy syrup

Preheat oven to 350 F. Place a 9 by 13-inch pan of hot water on lower rack in oven. Set aside 2 tablespoons of brown sugar. In food processor, combine remaining sugar with cream cheese. Process 20 seconds. Add pumpkin, eggs, flour, spice and vanilla extract. Process 10 seconds, scraping sides once.





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At right, grape and cranberry tea bread isn't the fruitcake of old. Above, tangy, spicy peanuts make a great gift.

To bake: Pour into 8-inch springform pan coated with vegetable cooking spray. Bake 50 minutes without opening door. Turn off oven. Let cake stand in oven 1 hour.

To cool: Immediately run knife around sides of pan. Cool; refrigerate 3 hours. Drain pineapple; reserving syrup. Dice 1 pineapple slice. Cook reserved syrup, reserved sugar and diced pineapple over medium-high heat 8 minutes or until thick, without stirring. Just before serving, arrange pineapple on cake. Top with glaze.

Servings: Eight

Hints: If using a small food processor, combine as directed above, omitting pumpkin. Remove to large bowl, combine pumpkin and processed ingredients. If food processor is not available, prepare in large bowl, as directed above using wooden spoon to mix ingredients. Cracking is common in cheesecake.

Variation: Substitute 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon, 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger and 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice for pumpkin pie spice.

Courtesy: Del Monte Foods and the Steel Packaging Council

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Brandied Prunes with Orange Zest

4 cups (about 24 ounces) pitted prunes, bite size or regular
2 1/2 cups Armagnac
2 cups strongly brewed black tea
3/4 cup sugar
2 tablespoons finely chopped orange zest
4 cinnamon sticks
1/4 teaspoon ground cloves

In medium bowl, combine prunes and Armagnac; set aside.

Meanwhile, in medium saucepan, bring tea and sugar to a boil over high heat, stirring occasionally. Stir in prune mixture, orange zest, cinnamon sticks and cloves. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, 20 minutes.

Remove from heat; cool 20 minutes, uncovered. Spoon into jars with lids for gift-giving. Store, covered, in refrigerator for up to 1 month. Remove cinnamon sticks before serving. Serve warm, spooned over vanilla ice cream, if desired. Can also be served warm in individual dessert dishes, topped with whipped cream and crumbled macaroons or gingersnap cookies.

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GIFT GUIDE

Satisfy month's urge to eat, give by giving cook books

By Greg Beaubien
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Forget about feeling guilty. Reasons, perfectly defensible ones, abound for why December is the best month of the year to eat good food and lots of it. Holiday traditions? Sure. Conviviality? Without question. Ancient, instinctive fears of winter food shortage? Absolutely.

Whatever the driving motivation, it's the month to gorge with ecstatic, unhesitant abandon, never looking back save in fond memory.

It's also the time for giving, of course — and both urges can be satisfied by presenting cookbooks to the culinary-minded loved ones on your holiday lists. Whenever they're prepared, the meals you'll inspire will be flavored with the lingering goodwill of the holiday season.

■ As Chicago food virtuoso Charlie Trotter notes in his cookbook, "The Kitchen Sessions with Charlie Trotter"(Ten Speed Press, Berkeley, Calif), "cooking is about caring for and loving the people you're cooking for." That sentiment alone qualifies this one as a holiday winner. Trotter likens creativity in the kitchen to the improvisation of jazz musicians — hence the book's title.

And like the be-bop innovation Trotter admires, his dishes play outside the rules — wild, unexpected combinations of flavors and textures blend and collide like notes in a Charlie Parker solo.

A companion volume to Trotter's television cooking show, the book offers jazzy recipes such as Cold Cucumber and Yogurt Soup With Oysters and Caviar, Grilled Swordfish and Somen Noodle Salad With Cilantro Vinaigrette, and Lobster Tart With Chorizo Sausage and Lobster Stock Emulsion.

The recipes are accompanied by explanatory sketches, vivid, full-page photographs and interpretive commentary from Trotter.

■ In the fall of 1999, Trotter's restaurant hosted a culinary demonstration by another chef with an unusual passion. Of all the things for which a man might profess his ardor, liver would seem to fall somewhere below tax audits and visits to the dentist — unless you're Michael Ginor.

The liver oozes fat, and it hails from a goose. Ginor's cookbook, "Foie Gras: A Passion" (John Wiley & Sons, New York), celebrates the delicacy with recipes from dozens of renowned chefs.

When Ginor first encountered foie gras at an outdoor grill in Tel Aviv in 1983, "it was like nothing I had ever tasted,'" he says. The experience hooked Ginor, so much in fact, that he later co-founded the world's largest producer of foie gras, Hudson Valley Foie Gras. Fattened goose liver is now a staple on gourmet menus across the country.

Still, Ginor realizes the object of his zeal does not arouse universal adulation. "People have very strong reactions to foie gras,"he says. "They either love it or hate it."

Among the creations in his book to adore or despise, there's Fresh Corn Tamales With Seared Foie Gras, Sesame Pineapple Mole, Pineapple Relish, and Lime Crema, and Foie Gras and Monkfish With Wild Mushrooms, Root Vegetables, and Truffle Vinaigrette.

Not to be outdone, Trotter contributed a recipe for Cumin-crusted Foie Gras With Crispy Sweetbreads, Napa Cabbage, Ramps, Morels, and Red Wine Emulsion. The book features full-page photos of exceedingly rich-looking foie gras creations, and also serves as a comprehensive reference guide and history of this food.

■ Chicago culinary star Gale Gand, pastry chef and co-owner of Streeterville's hot restaurant Tru, also has a cookbook. An ingredient-driven — as opposed to technique-oriented — baking book, her "Butter, Sugar, Flour, Eggs: Whimsical, Irresistible Desserts," (Clarkson Potter Publishers, New York) explores, aptly enough, the baking possibilities of butter, sugar, flour, nuts, cheese and spice.

Each chapter includes a "personality profile" of the ingredient, as Ms. Gand puts it, plus basics on how to work with the ingredient and recipes celebrating its "characteristics and qualities."

Among Ms. Gand's playful recipes are Cinnamon Apple Bumpy Bread, Nectarine Beignets, and Root Beer Vanilla Parfait. More than 30 pages of color photos include shots of New Year's Eve Venetian Mask Cookies and Warm Taffy Apples With Cinnamon Pastry Twists. It's no coincidence that "butter" is the first word in the book's title: "I love butter," Ms. Gand says. "I just do."

■ For another not-so-subtle hint that you'd like to come home more often to the warm aroma of cakes and pies baking — or at least to a sweet treat after dinner — consider giving someone on your gift list Francois Payard's "Simply Sensational Desserts: 140 Classic Desserts for the Home Baker"(Broadway Books, New York).

A gorgeous book printed on slick, soft paper and illustrated with lush photographs, Payard's paean to sweet courses includes chapters on dessert soups (such as Spiced Cherry and Blackberry-Pear), as well as cookies and petit fours; weekend cakes; chocolate cakes; tarts and tartlets; souffles; ice creams, sorbets and granites; holiday cakes and cookies.

The chapter on candies includes a recipe for a Raspberry Yule Log, a guaranteed crowd-pleaser during the holiday season.

■ For connoisseurs too busy eating to read every cookbook, Food & Wine has assembled a handy compendium with its "Best of the Best: The Best Recipes from the 35 Best Cookbooks of the Year" (Food & Wine Books, New York). The book congregates more than 100 recipes and 75 color photographs in a hodgepodge of gourmet insight.

Culled from disparate sources, the book's chapters lack a consistent appearance. Still, this is an excellent collection of fresh, unusual recipes for the serious cook.

Included among the winning entries are Green Dumplings Tossed With Diced Tomato, Toasted Walnuts, and Fresh Herbs, an Italian dish from the book "Mediterranean Grains and Greens," by Paula Wolfert; and Chocolate Whisky Cake, from "The Two Fat Ladies Ride Again," by Clarissa Dickson Wright and Jennifer Paterson.

■ Another fine cookbook that emphasizes content over flash is "The Bread Bible," by Beth Hensperger (Chronicle Books, San Francisco). Billed as "the last word on every kind of bread imaginable," this thick tome bulges with nearly 500 pages of recipes sure to help you consume your daily quota of grains.

Among the legions of breads covered are recipes for California Olive Rolls, Whole-Wheat Bran Bread With Dates and Jewish Egg Braid (challah) and Hungarian Sweet Cheese Bread. This is an indispensable reference for the bread lover on your list.

■ Long held in the Far East, the idea that food can have medicinal properties is starting to gain credence in the West. New Age foodies will appreciate "A Spoonful of Ginger: Irresistible, Health-Giving Recipes from Asian Kitchens,"by Nina Simonds (Knopf, New York).

The book follows the Chinese theory that good health depends on the balancing of yin and yang foods in the diet. Yin foods such as fruits, vegetables and many kinds of seafood cool the body, while yang foods such as beef, lamb and eggs radiate warmth. Imbalances cause illness.

A "Spoonful of Ginger" describes common health ailments and the foods that might relieve them. Celery Hearts in a Spicy Sesame Dressing, for example, is said to combat hypertension and help regulate the menstrual cycle. Curried pumpkin or squash, meanwhile, helps regulate blood sugar levels in the body.

Lamb is considered one of the most warming of meats; this winter, cozy up to a plateful of Red-Cooked Lamb With Sweet Potatoes, one of dozens of recipes featured in this fascinating volume.

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Adults usually enjoy children's stories, and kids often progress quickly to more complex titles. Here are some suggestions for a good holiday read:

■ Did Clement C. Moore really write "A Visit from St. Nicholas"? Do you care? It's still an enjoyable story and part of "The Night Before Christmas" (Dorling Kindersley, $17.95 hardcover), with new illustrations by Anne Yvonne Gilbert. The book also has classic holiday stories from Louisa Mae Alcott, Charles Dickens, Hans Christian Andersen and others.

■ Seven popular stories are retold by Vivian French, with illustrations by Peter Malone, in "The Kingfisher Book of Fairy Tales" (Kingfisher, $19.95 hardcover). Look for "Beauty and the Beast," "Cinderella," "The Elves and the Shoemaker,: "The Fisherman and His Wife," " Hansel and Gretel," "Jack and the Beanstalk," and "Rumpelstiltskin."

In "Color Me a Rhyme" (Wordsong/Boyds Mill Press, $15.95 hardcover) Jane Yolen collects her favorite poetic tributes to nature, with photographs by Jason Stemple.

■ "Art Fraud Detective" (Kingfisher, $15.95 hardcover), by Anna Nilsen in association with London's National Gallery, explains to young gallery goers how to spot art fakes and why it matters. Along the way, youngsters are exposed to some of the world's great art.

■ Oceangoing ships have been critical factors in commerce, warfare and adventure throughout history. Some of the high points are covered in "Ships" (Kingfisher, $16.95 hardcover), by Philip Wilkinson in association with the National Maritime Museum in London.

■ Tasha Tudor has illustrated many beloved children's books, including "The Secret Garden." Now, she's the subject of two books, "The Art of Tasha Tudor" (Little, Brown, $34.95 hardcover), by Harry Davis, and "Forever Christmas" (Little Brown, $18.95), also by Davis, with photographs by Jay Paul. Both are affectionate looks at the enduring artist and her work.

■ "The Civil War in Depth - Volume II" (Chronicle Books, $27.50 hardcover), by Bob Zeller, comes with viewing glasses to look at stereoscopic photos of the period.

■ Another book for Civil War buffs is "Confederate Generals: Life Portraits" (Taylor Publishing, $29.95), by George Cantor. It profiles men such as P.G.T. Beauregard, Robert E. Lee, and George Pickett, among others, who spearheaded the southern cause.

■ It's like a family album, except that the families keep changing. "America's First Families" (Touchstone, $18 paperback), by Carl Sferrazza

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GIFT GUIDE

Check out these gifts for your favorite do-it-yourselfer

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Got someone on your gift list who loves to putter around the house, fixing things and working on home improvement projects?

The editors of Today's Homeowner magazine dipped into their vast expertise and picked what they consider some of the best new tools based on quality, innovation, value, style, ease of installation and use, and long-term reliability.

Check them out for your favorite do-it-yourselfer.

■ Sawing without sawdust

Makita's Cordless Circular Saw gives a whole new meaning to the term clear cut. That's because there's a dust-collection box molded into the upper blade guard of the saw.

Each time a cut is made, the wood dust is blown over the blade and trapped inside the translucent blue plastic box. When the box is full, you simply flip up the rear door and empty the dust into the trash. The box catches nearly every bit of dust, but for even better results, there's a port for attaching a vacuum hose. The big drawback to the saw is that its fixed shoe does not adjust for bevel cutting. (Makita, www.makitatools.com)

■ Little big saw

Portable benchtop table saws are ideal for homeowners who don't have the space or budget for a large stationary saw. Unfortunately, most compact saws sold today sacrifice power and precision for portability. One exception is Bosch's 10-inch Titan table saw. Unique features include a removable blade tote, 13/16 inch dado blade capacity and on-tool storage for a rip fence and miter gauge. (www.boschtools.com)

■ Strong silent vacuum

Looking for a wet/dry shop vacuum? There are dozens available and most do an adequate job of cleaning up both dry and wet spills. However, there's more to performance than pure sucking power.

The new Craftsman 16-Gallon Convertible Wet/Dry Vac has a low-profile, oval-shape tub that's nearly impossible to tip over and, at only 22 inches high, it stores beneath most workbenches. Also, the hose locks onto the motor housing, so it won't pop out if you tug on it. (www.sears.com/crafsman)

■ Revolutionary wrench.

Question: What do you get when you cross an adjustable wrench with a pair of locking pliers? Answer: Stanley's MaxGrip Locking Adjustable Wrench.

As with any other adjustable wrench, this cleverly designed tool can be quickly adjusted, but it can also be locked onto the nut or bolt head with more than 300 pounds of force. That means no more tool slippage, rounded fasteners or skinned knuckles.

To use the tool, you tighten the jaws onto the nut or bolt by turning the knurled wheel. Then, squeeze closed the handle to lock on the jaws. To free the tool, you press the release lever. (www.stanleyworks.com)

■ Cordless quality

Most battery-powered circular saws are comparable in the way they look, handle and operate — with one noteworthy exception: the newly designed Porter-Cable SawBoss Cordless Circular Saw.The tool is powered by a battery that slides beneath the handle, resulting in a well-balanced saw with a low center of gravity. (www.porter-cable.com).

■ Cool tools

The Oxo line of Good Grips Hand Tools are attention-getters because these are among the coolest-looking tools ever. Upon closer inspection, it was discovered that these tools are also very well engineered and extremely comfortable to use.

Each tool is designed to fit the natural contours of the hand. Molded into every one is a soft, nonslip elastomeric grip that offers superior comfort, even in tough, sweaty conditions.

The Good Grips line contains 19 hand tools including: a 25-foot tape measure , retractable utility knife, slip-joint pliers and 10-ounce nail hammer. (www.oxo.com)

■ Two-headed multitool

Multitools have been around for a few years, but the FlipGrip offers two sets of pliers. Switch from needlenose plier to shorter utility grippers (hidden in the handle) with just a flick of the wrist. Other fold-out features are a saw blade, awl, can opener and knife.

The tool also offers screwdriver capability: A special compartment in the handle holds six driver tips that fit into a hex-shaped hole in the end of the handle. (www.alliedtools.com).

■ Superior scrapers

Scraping paint is perhaps the most detested of all home-repair chores. Most folks would rather vacuum Texas than scrape paint. But a lot of the problem is the tool. The hardened-steel blade on most scrapers becomes dull and ineffective after about 30 minutes of use. Warner's Carbide 100X Paint Scrapers last much longer. These tools have long, beefy handles fitted with superhard tungsten-carbide blade, which last 100 times longer and remain sharp 10 times longer than hardened steel. There are six tools in the line, including both push-and pull-type scrapers (www.warnertool.com)

■ Handles like a dream

Portable electric circular saws have been in use for about 75 years, and for nearly as long, carpenters have complained that each time the depth of cut is adjusted, the angle of the saw handle changes, resulting in an uncomfortable grip that's sometimes hard to direct.

Milwaukee Electric Tool's 7 and 1/4 inch Adjustable Handle Circular Saw is equipped with a specially designed handle that can be adjusted to eight different positions, regardless of the depth-of-cut setting. That flexibility permits the user to choose the safest, most comfortable grip, whether standing beside, above or behind the saw. (www.mil-electric-tool.com).

BOOKS: Something for everyone

(From 10)

Anthony, is a chatty, snapshot-filled memoir of the White House, celebrating its 200th birthday this year.

■ Maya Angelou, in the foreword, notes how the black woman carefully dresses for church on Sundays. "She dresses in the finest Sunday church clothes she owns, layers her face with Fashion Fair cosmetics and sprays herself with a wonderful perfume, and then she puts on THE HAT, and it is The Hat." Her Sunday glory is captured in words and pictures by Michael Cunningham and Craig Marberry in "Crowns: Portraits of Black Women in Church Hats" (Doubleday, $27.95 hardcover).

■ How old are you before you're old? Don't look for any burned-out cases in "On Being 100" (Prima Publishing, $29.95 hardcover), with text and pictures by Liane Enkelis. The author interviewed 31 centenarians and found upbeat survivors — of the Holocaust, the San Francisco earthquake, of life — who didn't have anything in common except that they all were independent and strong-willed.

— Over 100 years ago, Edward S. Curtis set out to capture, on film, the images of North American Indians and their cultures before they disappeared. It took him 30 years and vast amounts of money and effort, resulting in 20 volumes of text, including 2,200 photogravures. "Sacred Legacy: Edward S. Curtis and the North American Indian" (Simon & Schuster, $60 hardcover), edited by Christopher Cardozo, reproduces almost 200 of these, including portraits of proud chieftains and images of prairie and desert life.

■ "Chess: From First Moves to Checkmate (Kingfisher, $14.95 paperback, with accompanying chess set), by grandmaster Daniel King, gets you started on this fascinating game of warfare and life.

■ "It's broccoli dear," says Mom.

"I say it's spinach, and I say the hell with it," responds the moppet. The best — Chas Addams, Peter Arno, Roz Chast, James Thurber and others — are all here in "The New Yorker 75th Anniversary Cartoon Collection" (Pocket Books, $40 hardcover), edited by Bob Mankoff.

Opera lovers, lose yourself in "The Magic Flute" (Abbeville Press, $50 hardcover with two CDs), with a translation by J.D. McClatchy and illustrations by Davide Pizzigoni. Translations of the libretto of one of the world's most popular operas, by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, are in both English and German. The recordings are of the 1937 performance by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra and the Vienna State Opera Chorus, under the direction of Arturo Toscanini.

— "How to Cook Everything" (IDG Books Worldwide, $39.99 hardcover with CD-ROM), by Mark Bittmann, just about covers the whole subject. The disk includes a 1,500 recipe database.

■ "1,000 Jewish Recipes" (IDG Books Worldwide, $35 hardcover), by Faye Levy, is a guide to keeping kosher, with recipes geared to Jewish tradition and holidays.

■ Irma S. Romb er's "Joy of Cooking," first published about 70 years ago, stands as a kitchen classic. The latest permutations ar ingle-subject cookbooks under "Joy of Cooking" flag: "All About Chicken," "All About Pasta," "All About Soups & Stews," and "All About Vegetarian Cooking" (Scribner, $19.95 each). The books are by Ethan Becker, son of Marion Rombauer Becker, who carried on her mother's work, and grandson of the original author.

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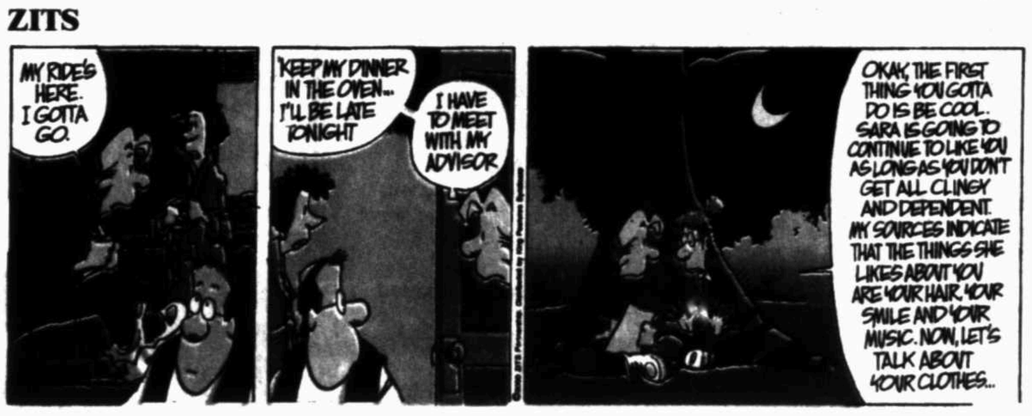
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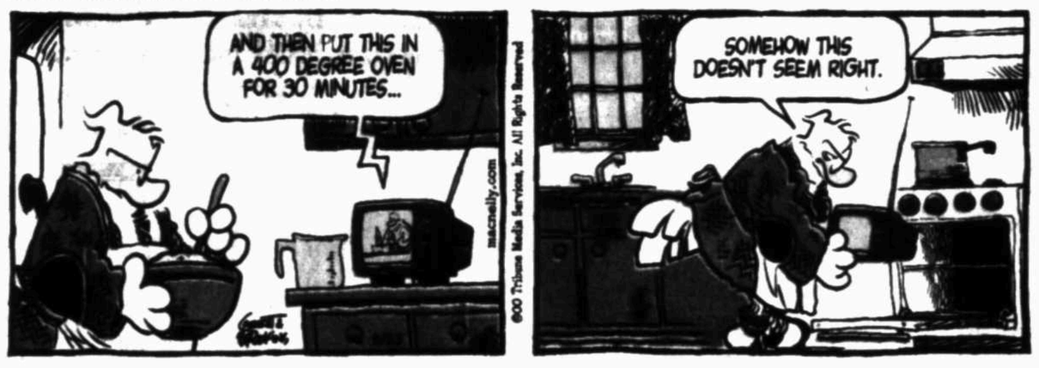
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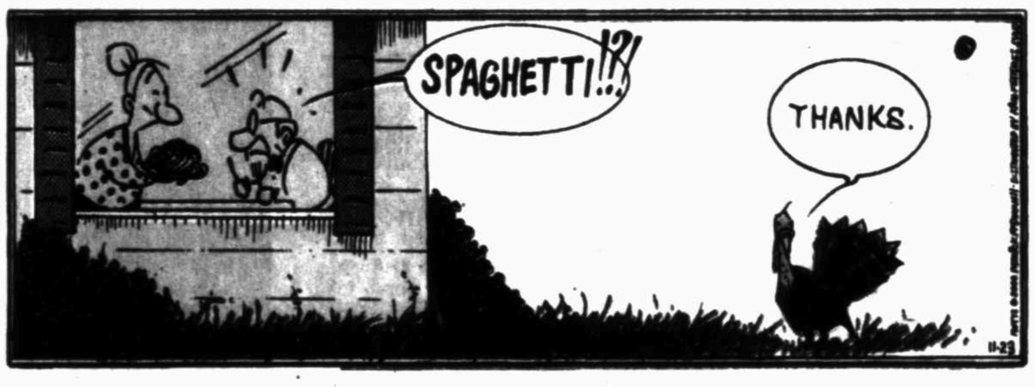
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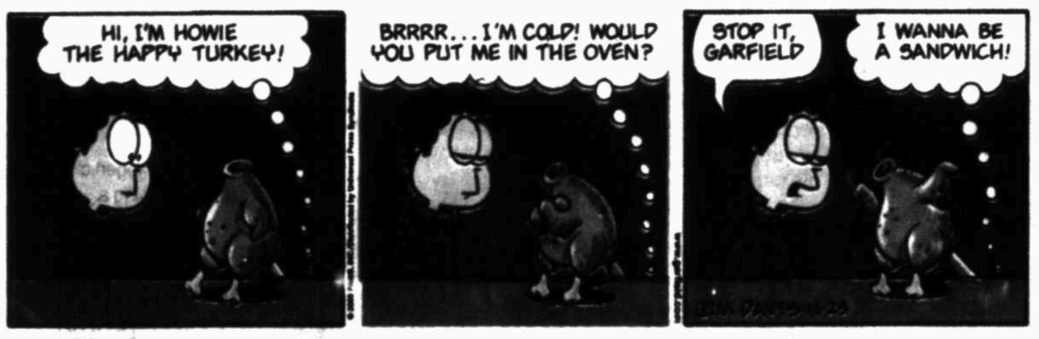
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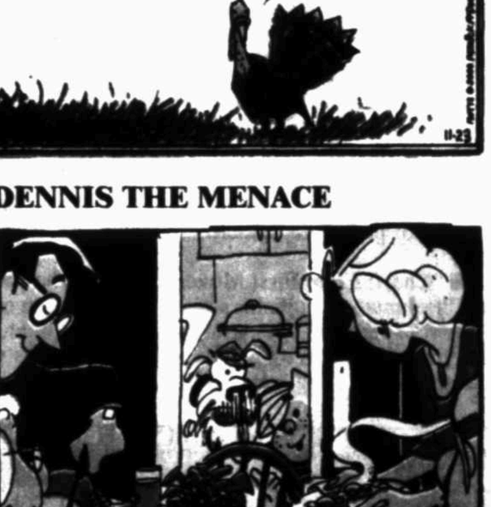
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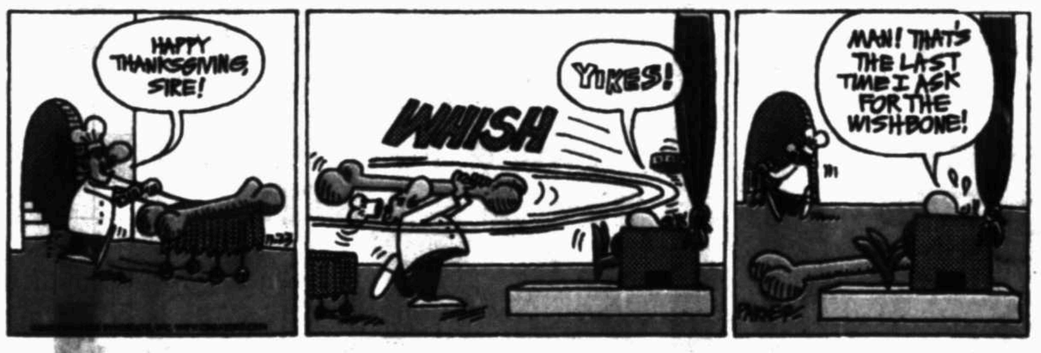
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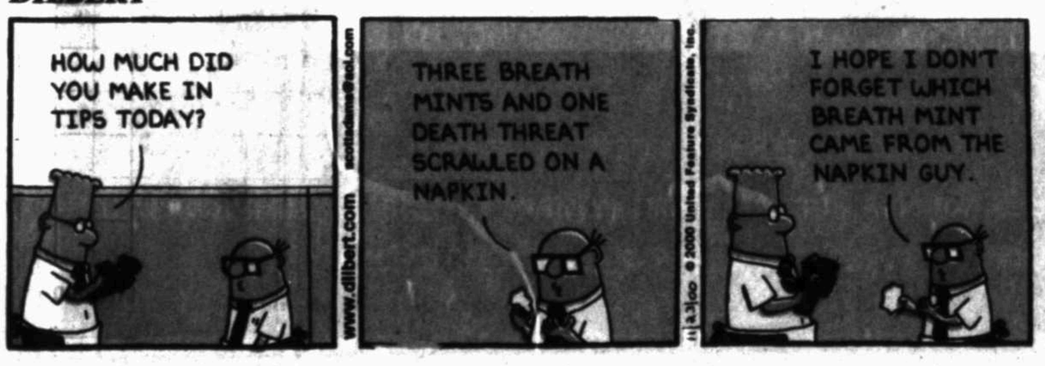
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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Married actors Arquette, Cage file for divorce in Los Angeles



AP Photo
Actor Nicolas Cage arrives at the world premiere of "Con Air" in Las Vegas in this June 2, 1997, file photo. His wife, actress Patricia Arquette, filed for divorce from Cage Friday, in Los Angeles.

FLASH

— Thanksgiving is going to drag on until Christmas this year, says **Matt Regan**, as Americans re-count their blessings.

— MSNBC reports that the **Brian Jones** fan club is selling tiles from the swimming pool in Sussex, England, where Jones was found dead in 1969.

— At the Plaza Hotel in New York, **Catherine Zeta-Jones** and **Michael Douglas** did, indeed, get married on Saturday, Nov. 18; and in Los Angeles Superior Court, **Nicolas Cage** and **Patricia Arquette** did, indeed, file for divorce on Friday, Nov. 17.

PERSONALS: How to Survive a Scandal

Sooner or later, even the starchiest and best pressed among us is apt to be splashed by the mud of scandal. Thank goodness, W provides 10 handy tips for coping (passed along here with Personals' EZ-reference list of familiar examples):



Simpson

1) "Keep a stiff upper lip." You never heard **Pee-wee Herman** whining in public.

2) "Skip town." **O.J. Simpson** is making a new life in Florida.

3) "Don't completely disappear from the scene." Even **Michael Jackson** peeks out from behind his mask from time to time.

4) "Don't forget your wedding vows." **Anna Nicole Smith** did just fine in court.

5) "Retreat into your circle of family and friends." This worked just fine for **Tonya Harding**.

6) "Prepare to meet the press." **Tammy Faye Bakker** did, again and again and again.

7) "If the evidence is incontrovertible, come clean." **Prince Charles** went on television.

8) "Do good works." **Michael Milken** ditched his toupee and helps schoolchildren in New York.

9) "Wait it out." Who remembers now the source of **Megan Marshack**'s fame? (She was with **Nelson Rockefeller** when he died, the "with" being a euphemism.)

10) "Pray." The man from Hope was very convincing at the Baptist convention this summer.

MELANIE'S JOURNAL

Melanie Griffith, just out of rehab for an addiction to pain pills, announced last week she would use her Web site, www.melaniegriffith.com, to share her journal of the experience with fans.

The journal — now complete — had three entries:

On Wednesday, Nov. 15, she wrote that she had been in rehab for a week. "I was and still am addicted to sleeping pills (barbiturates) and pain pills (opiates). This is my first message and I am still a little shaky."

On Thursday, Nov. 16, she wrote, "I am so happy and grateful to be clean, sober and off pain medication."

On Friday, Nov. 17, she wrote that she was home with her family, which "needs me, and I need them."

Elsewhere on the site, fans can buy dresses and jewelry designed by Griffith ("Experience the Goddess Collection") or enter the Goddess Style Sweepstakes.

ROYAL CHITCHAT

Janos Gereben, just back from London, forwards reports that when **Michael Caine** was knighted last week — he chose to accept the honor in his real name; he is Sir Maurice Micklewhite — the queen was quick with the small talk.

The entire text of their conversation: "I get the impression that you've been doing what you do for a very long time," said the queen. "Yes, ma'am," answered the actor.

WHO SAID WHAT

"I have my personal trainers in here by seven o'clock in the morning. I have three: One of them jogs with me through the park — that's Monday; Wednesday, I do my tummy and push-ups — that's another trainer; and on Friday, I go and do boxing and power-kicking — that's the third trainer. The people think I am high-maintenance, but I am just very disciplined."

— **Ivana Trump** on holding herself to the highest standards, in Mademoiselle magazine.

Compiled from the New York Times News Service.

TV TONIGHT

THURSDAY EVENING — NOVEMBER 23, 2000

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

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(3) KMID	2	3	2	News 887	Wheel of Fortune 149	Whose Line? 1110	Whose Line? 753	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire ∩ 'G' 7410		Primetime Thursday 4946		News 7109168	Nightline (N) 55072052	Politically 1669385	(:35) Chiara 9671033
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Home Imp. 43526	Spin City ∩ 34876	Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery (PG-13, '97) ★★½ Mike Myers. ∩ 26120				Arrest & Trial 85101	Nanny ∩ 10472	Jerry Springer '14' 23859		Blind Date 97946	Suddenly 94039
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 3014	Ent. Tonight 7694	Faith! (N) ∩ 97584		Grand Ole Opry 75th – A Celebration (N) ∩ 20168				News 7310236	(:35) Late Show (N) ∩ 'PG' 64233975		Late Late 8879052
(9) KWES	9	9	9	News 7472	Seinfeld 1052	Friends (N) 4410	Just Shoot Me (N) 7236	Will & Grace "Lows in the Mid-Eighties" 'PG' 53410		ER "Rescue Me" (N) ∩ 'PG' 40946		News 7397168	(:35) Tonight Show ∩ '14' 47528120		Late Night '14' 7581859
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	News 66526	John Hagee 57878	Light of the Southwest (Live) 17410				Hour of Healing ∩ 97472		News 61656	Knight 70304	Promise 71946	Church 85323
(13) KOCV	36	13		Newshour With Jim Lehrer 293217		Arthur's Perfect Christmas ∩ 'G' 402878		Mystery! "Hetty Wainthropp Investigates" 411526		Cincinnati Pops Holiday-Thanksgiving 491762		Telecourse 401149		Telecourse 495174	
(8) CNBC	8	27		Business Center 9768149		Hardball 9794007		Rivera Live 3499615		Brian Williams 7899471		Hardball 5633708		Rivera Live 7985762	
(10) WGN		10		Fresh Pr. 650946	Star Wars (PG, '77) ★★★★ Mark Hamill. The "special edition" of George Lucas' space opera. ∩ (TVPG) 791238					News ∩ 188304		Suddenly 812859	In the Heat of the Night "Sanctuary" 285101		Matlock 553014
(11) WTBS		11	11	Star Wars (4:15) ('77) ★★★★ 52132217	Die Hard 2 (R, '90) ★★★ Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia, William Sadler. An L.A. cop battles terrorists in Washington. 721897						Days of Thunder (PG-13, '90) ★★½ Tom Cruise. A cocky challenger enters the world of stock-car racing. 3574385				
(14) FAM		14	6	Annie (PG, '82) ★★½ Albert Finney, Aileen Quinn. ∩ 316149						Early Edition ∩ 650588		700 Club 653675		Boss?	Boss?
(20) DISC		20	26	Wild Discovery "America's Wild Turkey" 846323	On the Inside "Ambulance: Arrive Alive" 693174		Science of Magic 'G' 693994			Would You Believe It? (N) 293138		Justice Files "Out of the Shadows" 123865		On the Inside "Ambulance: Arrive Alive" 620472	
(21) AMC		21	31	Three Stooges 295675	Shane ('53) ★★★★ Alan Ladd. 1991878					Rio Bravo (:05) ('59) ★★★ John Wayne. 94941410				Cowboys	
(22) TNN		22	35	A Walton Thanksgiving Reunion ('93) ∩ 482507		A Day for Thanks on Walton's Mountain ∩ 487052						Life and Times 473859		Shooter	Ducks
(23) TNT		23	28	Wild America PG, 278491	NBA Basketball Toronto Raptors at Indiana Pacers. 156149					NBA 904304		Teen Wolf (PG, '85) ★★ (TVPG) 743120			
(24) BRAV		24		Arts 656120	Arts 647472	The Elephant Man (PG, '80) ★★★½ John Hurt. 707897				Barfly (R, '87) ★★★ Mickey Rourke. 108138				Elephant	
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(28) CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire (N)	World Today 682052		Larry King Live 668472		Newsstand 688236		Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 264830	
(29) ESPN		29	30	Sportsctr. 696120	Coll. Football 687472	College Football Mississippi State at Mississippi. (Live) 598781						Sportscenter 409781		College Basketball: Great Alaska Shootout 950651	
(30) USA		30	36	Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom (5:30) (PG, '84) ★★★ Harrison Ford. ∩ 700304				Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (PG-13, '89) ★★★½ Harrison Ford, Sean Connery, Denholm Elliott. ∩ 425101					Blade Runner (R, '82) ★★★½ Harrison Ford, Rutger Hauer. ∩ 446894		
(31) FX		31		X-Files ∩ '14' 7271385	X-Files ∩ '14' 8703859			X-Files ∩ '14' 8712507		X-Files ∩ '14' 8792743		X-Files ∩ '14' 8795830		X-Files ∩ 3450304	
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(33) TLC		33	21	Secret of Stonehenge 'G' 901217	Atlantis Uncovered 'G' 469656			In Pursuit of the Shroud 'G' 478304		How Jesus 761526	Quest: Bigfoot 906762	Secret of Stonehenge 'G' 491255		Atlantis Uncovered 'G' 450168	
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(44) COM		44		Saturday Night Live Phil Hartman, Bush. 6771656	Saturday Night Live '14' 9594656			Saturday Night Live 'PG' 9503304		Saturday Night Live Joan Allen, Jewel. '14' 9523168		Daily Show 6546033	Ben Stein 6555781	Saturday Night Live 'PG' 2113507	
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(49) ODY		49		Gulliver's	Gulliver's Travels (PG, '96) ★★★ (Part 2 of 2)			Ted Danson, Mary Steenburgen. 593830				Medicine Woman 464101		Young Riders 423014	
(50) HGTV		50	42	Old House	Lofty Ideas	New Spaces	Curb Appeal	Designing	Designer's	House	House	New Spaces	Curb Appeal	Designing	Designer's
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(61) TCM		61		Christmas Story 5705061		Some Came Running ('58) ★★★ Frank Sinatra. 7369930					Suddenly ('54) ★★★½ 3084694			Take Me Out 5720648	
(62) HIST		62	32	History	History IQ	Cavemen 'G' 6185781		Great Wall-Chn 6161101		Atlantic Wall 'G' 6181965		Save-History 6184052		Cavemen 'G' 2236439	
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(53) PLEX				Snowriders 2 74354033	Jekyll Island (:20) (NR, '98) Don Mogavero, Finola Hughes. ∩ 71269930			The Karate Kid, Part Two (PG, '86) ★★½ Ralph Macchio, Nobu McCarthy. ∩ 7099679				Bloodsport III (NR, '97) ★½ Daniel Bernhardt, James Hong. ∩ 8685965		Snowriders 2 98583985	
(65) FLIX		65		Ferry to Hong Kong (5:00) ('81) ★★ 4941705		The Out-of-Towners (PG-13, '99) ★★½ Steve Martin. ∩ 4578679		Defiance ('79) ★★ Jan-Michael Vincent. A sailor protects senior citizens from street thugs. 2746651					Eureka (R, '83) ★★ Gene Hackman, Theresa Russell. 9730876		
(66) SHOW		66	20	Notting Hill (4:45) ('99) ★★½ 61624491		Mickey Blue Eyes (PG-13, '99) ★★½ Hugh Grant, James Caan. ∩ 277304				RudeAwak 952323	The General's Daughter (R, '99) ★★½ John Travolta, Madeleine Stowe. ∩ 3593410			Striking 26898205	
(67) TMC		67	16	Election (:15) (R, '99) ★★★ Matthew Broderick, Reese Witherspoon, Chris Klein. ∩ 74782255				Lethal Weapon (R, '87) ★★★ Mel Gibson, Danny Glover, Gary Busey. ∩ 8128439				The Mod Squad (9:55) (R, '99) ★ Claire Danes. ∩ 68234946		One Tough 4053781	
(68) HBO		68	15	Stella (5:00) ('90) ★★ Bette Midler. 578410		Inside the NFL (N) ∩ 419168		The Jack Bull (R, '99) ★★½ John Cusack, John Goodman, L.Q. Jones. ∩ (TV14) 499304				G-String Divas 565946	Inside the NFL ∩ 850859	Curb 356385	
(69) HBOP		69		A Simple Twist of Fate (5:00) ★★½ 7857052		For Love or Country: The Arturo Sandoval Story ('00) Andy Garcia. ∩ (TVPG) 6627217				Making 6326364	When It Was a Game II ∩ 7558304		You've Got Mail (PG, '98) ★★½ Tom Hanks. ∩ 62318491		
(70) HBOS		70		Moscow on the Hudson (R, '84) ★★½ Robin Williams, Maria Conchita Alonso. ∩ 9633101				White Nights (PG-13, '85) ★★½ Mikhail Baryshnikov, Gregory Hines. ∩ 35830694				(:15) Out at Work ∩ 'MA' 2347946		Jawbreaker (:15) (R, '99) ★★ ∩ 3015255	
(71) MAX		71		Sleeping With the Enemy (5:15) ★★½ 42913726		Home Alone ('90) ★★★ Macaulay Culkin. A boy defends his home against inept burglars. 813120				I Still Know What You Did Last Summer (R, '98) ★½ ∩ 3677897		The Matrix (:40) (R, '99) ★★★ Keanu Reeves. ∩ 62273878			
(72) MAX2		72		Beetlejuice 17733236	Hitman's Run (R, '99) ★★ Eric Roberts. ∩ 3166168			Beverly Hills Cop II ('87) ★★½ Eddie Murphy. (TVPG) 3235304				Acts of Betrayal (:45) (NR, '97) Maria Conchita Alonso. ∩ 5748033		Passion Fish (:15) ('92) ★★★ 63218743	

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Nov. 23, 2000:

You often need and want to kick back. Assuming a high profile might not be right this year. Often, the gist of what others are saying doesn't sink in because your mind wanders. Take time to center and focus. Learn new techniques to deal with stress. If you are single, you often see someone quite differently than others do. Though this can be a gift, make sure you don't try to change this person. If you are attached, make special time often for you and your loved one. You need togetherness. SCORPIO understands you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ You would much rather spend your time with one person at a time instead of a kaleidoscope of people this Thanksgiving. Perhaps adding that extra eye contact or going out of your way to spend a few minutes with the special people in your life will work. Tonight: Be with a favorite person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Confusion surrounds your plans, and you don't much care. What is important to you is being with your friends and loved ones. Know that not everything will happen as you'd planned, but you could still have a wonderful Thanksgiving. Tonight: Let others dominate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You could ultimately be the chief meat carver or the cook. You like nurturing others. You enjoy seeing others kick back and enjoy themselves. Don't forget that this day is for you, too. Let others know how thankful you are. Tonight: Veg out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Your flirtatious and fun-loving ways emerge. A loved one has a strange way of showing his caring. Know that this person feels as if he is dealing with way too much. You dance to a different tune this Thanksgiving. Tonight: Play till the wee hours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Stay close to home. You won't enjoy yourself at the same level if you go out. A partner has very different ideas, but you can mollify him. Relax with close family members. Tonight: Put your feet up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Not only do you bring cheer to those in your immediate circle, you also go out of your way for neighbors and acquaintances. You embody the spirit of the holiday; just don't don the Pilgrim outfit unless you are having a historical Thanksgiving! Reach out for another. Tonight: Visit!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Last-minute errands could be costly. Your desire to please others proves to be a driving force. Quit deluding yourself about a child or loved one. Someone is keeping a secret that you might need to know. Share your humor and good mood. Observe. Tonight: Do something special for another.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ The moon in your sign puts you in the spotlight. Others seek you out. Your natural characteristics emerge right now. Help a family member or dear friend feel at home. Invite family and friends over. Your magnetism speaks. Tonight: Whatever you wish.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Even though you're a sports fan, somehow this holiday could be less than perfect. Perhaps you can't watch the football game you want. Or maybe you burn the turkey. Remember what Thanksgiving represents, no matter what happens. You find solace in getting down to basics. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ You seize the moment and make this Thanksgiving more than special. Your desire to celebrate takes over, allowing more to happen and giving you a greater sense of direction. Invite friends over, especially if you know they don't have other plans. Your thoughtfulness touches another. Tonight: You're all smiles.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You're in the mood to assume responsibilities. Others appreciate that you fill in where they slack. Do so graciously. You might not be exactly sure about what a parent or older relative wants. Ask questions. Remain sensitive to someone you look up to. Tonight: Could be a late night.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Make an effort to reach out to others at a distance. This might entail a trip or meeting someone halfway. Be sure to get directions clearly. You might not be listening as well as you think you are. Honor another's needs. Help this person clarify what is on his mind. Tonight: Let your imagination lead.

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BORN TODAY
Cowboy Billy the Kid (1859), actor Boris Karloff (1887), swimmer Shane Gould (1956)

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS
1 — Nui: Easter Island
5 Jerk
10 Microwave
14 Australian avians
15 M-S insert
16 Not covered
17 $50 back?
20 Terrorist's weapon
21 Was mentioned
22 Sloth, for one
23 Chills, so to speak
25 Instruct
29 Worrisome sound for a balloonist
30 Atomic —
31 Leprechaun land
32 Powerful pitch
37 Richie's dad, to the Fonz
38 $20 back?
41 Unduly
42 Smitten
43 Fine —
45 German article
46 Spiritual direction
50 Thrills
52 "Would I lie?"
55 Golfer Woosnam
56 Ann Landers, for one
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59 $5 back?
63 Tough trip
64 Pricey
65 Color of raw silk
66 Get smart with
67 Taboos
68 Go by

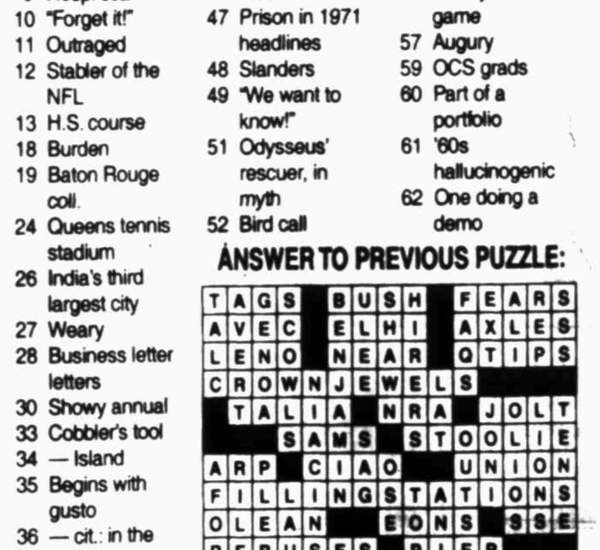
DOWN
1 Comes up again
2 Floors
3 Parts of irises
4 "— recall,..."
5 Sound asleep?
6 Pullovers
7 Cruiser calls, for short
8 Service station accessories
9 Hosp. scan
10 "Forget it!"
11 Outraged
12 Stabler of the NFL
13 H.S. course
18 Burden
19 Baton Rouge coll.
24 Queens tennis stadium
26 India's third largest city
27 Weary
28 Business letter letters
30 Showy annual
33 Cobbler's tool
34 — Island
35 Begins with gusto
36 — cit.: in the place sited
38 Ring competitor
39 Crisis center connections
40 Luau entertainment
41 Muslim conical cap
44 Trousers
47 Prison in 1971 headlines
48 Slanders
49 "We want to know!"
51 Odysseus' rescuer, in myth
52 Bird call
53 Cloverleaf features
54 Family card game
57 Augury
59 OCS grads
60 Part of a portfolio
61 '60s hallucinogenic
62 One doing a demo

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

The Modern Way

North-South vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 5 3
♡ K 10 8 6 5 2
◇ K 7
♣ Q 8 6

WEST
♠ K 8 2
♡ 4
◇ 10 9 8 6 4 2
♣ 9 3 2

EAST
♠ Q J 10 9 6
♡ Q J 7 3
◇ J 3
♣ 10 7

SOUTH
♠ A 7 4
♡ A 9
◇ A Q 5
♣ A K J 5 4

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2♣	Pass	2◇	2♠
Pass	4♠	5♡	Pass
6♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Two of ♠

Bidding made enormous strides in the second half of the last century, not least in the more aggressive approach adopted for interfering in the auction. That proved unavailing here when North-South triumphed over enemy pre-emption.

South's opening bid of two clubs was artificial and strong, and North's response was a waiting bid — a positive response in a suit generally promises two of the three top honors. East chipped in with the master suit and South's pass conventionally showed a minimum of 22 high-card points and a balanced hand. West increased the barrage by jumping to four spades and North bid the heart suit. Since South knew that at least one high heart honor was missing, a bid of six clubs was essayed, and it worked well.

At the other table in an international match, North felt obliged to respond two hearts to the opening two-club bid, so the final contract was six hearts, defeated a trick by the bad break. In six clubs, declarer ducked the opening spade lead, won the continuation with the ace and tested trumps by cashing the king. When both defenders followed, declarer ruffed a spade, drew trumps and claimed the rest of the tricks.

Note that the bid of six clubs was relatively risk-free. Since South's second-round pass had shown a balanced hand, North knew that South had at most five clubs and at least a doubleton heart, so with an unsuitable hand for play in clubs a correction to six hearts would have been safe.

GIFT GUIDE

Perfect gifts for traveling friends



Even Fido can sometimes use a travel gift.

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By Judy Wade
Los Angeles Times Syndicate

So you have friends whose life quest is to travel to the farthest-flung corners of the earth, but your idea of a journey is a trip to the supermarket. No matter. Holiday gifts for your globe-trotting friends are as close as a few mouse clicks and keystrokes.

Advantages include no mall treks and no long drives to shopping areas. Sites provide detailed information and photos, as well as gift-wrapping and overnight delivery. And you never have to shuffle farther than your computer.

Internet shopping has become so sophisticated that almost anything's available, if you know where to look. And if you don't, simply use a search engine, type in the name of the product you seek, and hundreds of sources will pop up. Selections seem limitless, as manufacturers and "e-tailers" report that many of their products are available only on the Internet.

Renowned travel catalogs such as Magellan's (www.magellans.com) have their complete inventory on line, and you can earn Delta Sky Miles or United Mileage Plus miles with every purchase. This leading source of travel supplies focuses on safety, health and comfort. Well-trained travel gear specialists are always available, as is live chat.

Magellan's representatives say they have more items on line than in their printed catalog, with the Internet offering them the flexibility to present new merchandise literally within minutes of its arrival.

No one wants to search out a beauty shop in a foreign country, but it's no problem to pack a curling iron. Magellan's has one made by Braun that operates on flameless butane rather than electricity, requiring no plugs, cords or converters. Replaceable cartridges last up to six weeks.

Frequent travelers know that second-hand smoke and exposure to colds and flu are a hazard of air travel. Magellan's offers Air Supply, a small wearable air purifier that hangs around the neck, draws in contaminated air and directs purified, germ-free air upward at about the same rate as human breathing.

You can browse the paper catalog from TravelSmith (travelsmith.com), then go to its Web site and type in an item number under ``Express Order'' for the fastest possible service. It even lets you check item availability.

TravelSmith concentrates on clothes for traveling light. Their styles can withstand the indignities of packing, are comfortable and easy care, yet have an amazing panache, thanks to stylish new microfibers that truly do shed wrinkles. Microfleece men's sweaters, for example, made of polyester and wool, take up less than a third of the space of conventional sweaters.

Among the most upscale names in travel wear is Tilley (www.tilley.com), famous for its Tilley hat that's guaranteed for life. Made of cotton duck with fore and aft wind cord that keeps the hat on even while skydiving, its brim protects from sun and an absorbent sweatband helps keep brows cool.

Ventilation grommets double as holders for sunglasses, and a pocket in the crown holds, keys, cash or a credit card. After the journey, toss it in the washing machine so it's ready for the next trip.

Ask your traveling friends what part of their body takes the most abuse when traveling, and they'll say feet. Teva (www.teva.com), makers of no-nonsense outdoor gear, has a new footwear style called Wraptor that was designed as a trail-running sandal. Travelers have discovered that its open styling, sturdy sole support and cushioning makes it ideal for a day of sightseeing as well. If feet become swollen, just loosen the straps. Sandal styling keeps feet cool in the open air. Sizes for men and women.

If civilization deprivation makes the young travelers on your list crazy, CaseLogic (www.caselogic.com) has the answer for toting their Game Boy plus cartridges and accessories. With zip top and padded divider, the back strap clips to a belt, backpack or book bag.

Traveling with a pet opens another whole world of gift-giving. PetSmart (www.petsmart.com) suggests a travel water bottle and attached dish for parched pooches, a doggie weekender bag, or a hands-free backpack for toting pups and small dogs.

One of the most inventive new gift purveyors, Site 59 (www.site59.com) lets you give the gift of spontaneity to your favorite travelers. To redeem a certificate, the recipient goes to the site, clicks on a departure city, clicks on a category such as romance, adventure, red carpet, and chooses from getaways in cities in the United States and abroad.

A recent check on romantic 3-day trips from Phoenix yielded sojourns in Northern California's Stinson Beach, Walt Disney World in Florida, romantic New York, and others. All trips include lodging, air fare and other services.

For decades, L.L. Bean (www.llbean.com) has been an icon of great gear for outdoorsy sorts and for travelers. Their Web site carries thousands of items including catalog merchandise available through Catalog Quickshop.

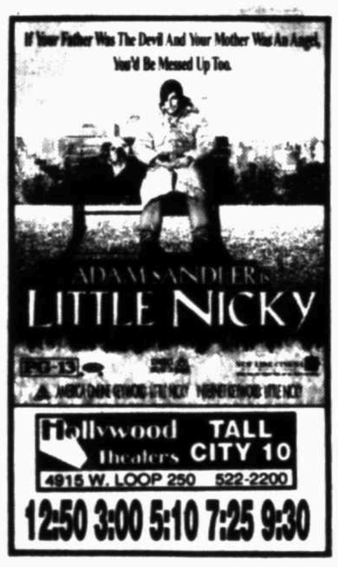
Fast replacing the conventional briefcase, Bean's (ATSIGN)Pack organizes a laptop and accessories for the business traveler. Separate from the padded laptop storage compartment are pockets for cell phone and pager. Black ballistic nylon pack has backpack straps, or may be toted with its cargo handle or removable shoulder strap.

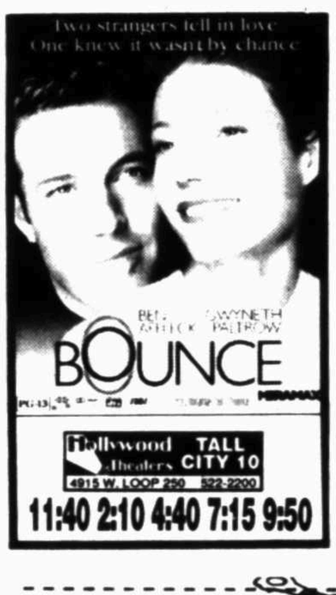
Books are always-welcome choices for travelers. A recent France-bound traveler declares that her favorite going-away gifts were a slim ``Michelin Green Guide to Paris'' and a paperback copy of ``Toujours Provence'' by Peter Mayle. They were sent by her elderly aunt, who uses the computer at her retirement center to select presents for her children and grandchildren.

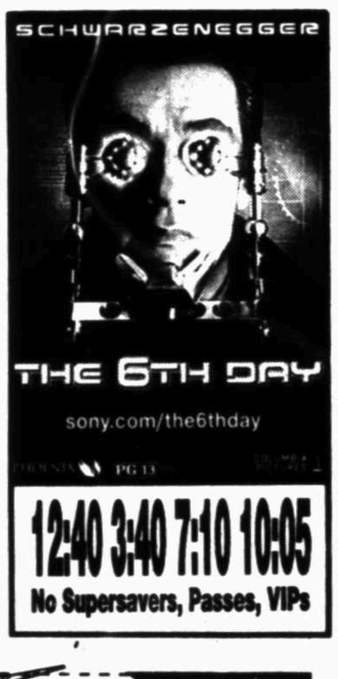
Destination guides as well as fiction and nonfiction accounts about specific areas are easily found on book sites such as Amazon (www.amazon.com) and Barnes & Noble (www.bn.com). For friends that travel a great deal, consider a world atlas. Rand McNally (www.randmcnally.com) offers dozens on its site, as well as StreetFinders and GPS for Palm hand-helds.

Need more inspiration for choosing travelers' gifts? Take a look at language translators, luggage locks, passport cases, travel kennels for pets, Swiss army knives, binoculars and cameras. They're all available online, so boot up and start shopping.



















GIFT GUIDE

Gifts for every budget

Associated Press

What makes a gift special? Perhaps the grand gesture, signaling a weighty investment or commitment? Or is one less costly but still demonstrating the giver truly had the recipient in mind?

However you choose, here are some possibilities:

■ You might expect to see Imari patterns on early Japanese porcelain. But now find those swirling brocade designs in mazarine blue, iron-red and gold on a replica Computer Mouse ($130) from Royal Crown Derby. This collectible depicts an Applemac port as a tail, circuit board components and clicker buttons as ears. Fill the mouse with sand, and you have an eye-catching paperweight.

■ Tea was one of the reasons the clipper ships rounded the globe. Paul Cardew evokes the era, aptly, with The Globe teapot ($29.95 large, $19.95 small) showing the world mapped in the round. There are coordinating teacup and saucer ($14.95) and mug ($9.95). All are from his Classics Collection.

■ The Menorah paperweight ($95) from Caithness Glass is brilliant cobalt blue with a front facet window on which a menorah is engraved and infilled with silver. Evoking the symbolism of the menorah as "a light unto the nations" (Isaiah 42:16) the piece has tiny bubbles encased within the glass that radiates light, especially when placed on a light base.

■ The starry-eyed never know when the opportunity will arise for a good look, so the portable Stellarscope ($38), from Sarut NYC is a way to please without spending astronomically. This portable planetarium is 6 inches long, comes with a waterproof carrying case, a keychain flashlight, four latitude adapters and two computer-drawn star maps.

■ For anyone who likes to read in bed or while reclining or sitting at any angle, Vermont designer/craftsman Richard Howell has come up with the Reader's Window ($295), an overhead book holder that suspends a book over a bed or chair for hands-free reading. Just lift the Acylite cover to turn a page. The device, called an "untable" by Howell, comes in natural, light teak or dark cherry finishes.

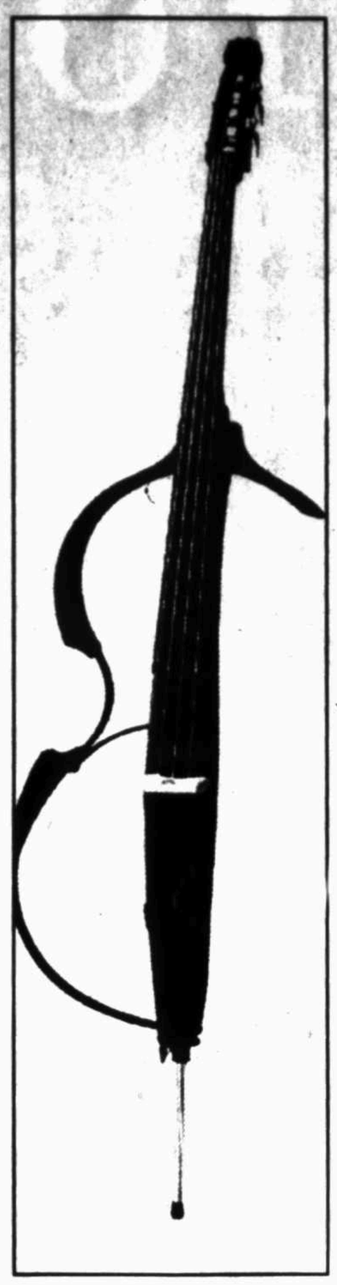
■ A collector of classic bibelots will prize one of the famous Faberge eggs. A custom begun by the 19th century royal Russian family, the eggs were designed by Peter Carl Faberge and usually denoted significant events. The Imperial Rosebug Egg ($500), a replica of the one given by Czar Nicholas II to Czarina Alexandra Feodorovna, has translucent enamel guilloche colors and hand-set Austrian crystals. The hinged egg opens to reveal a surprise — a miniature egg pendant.

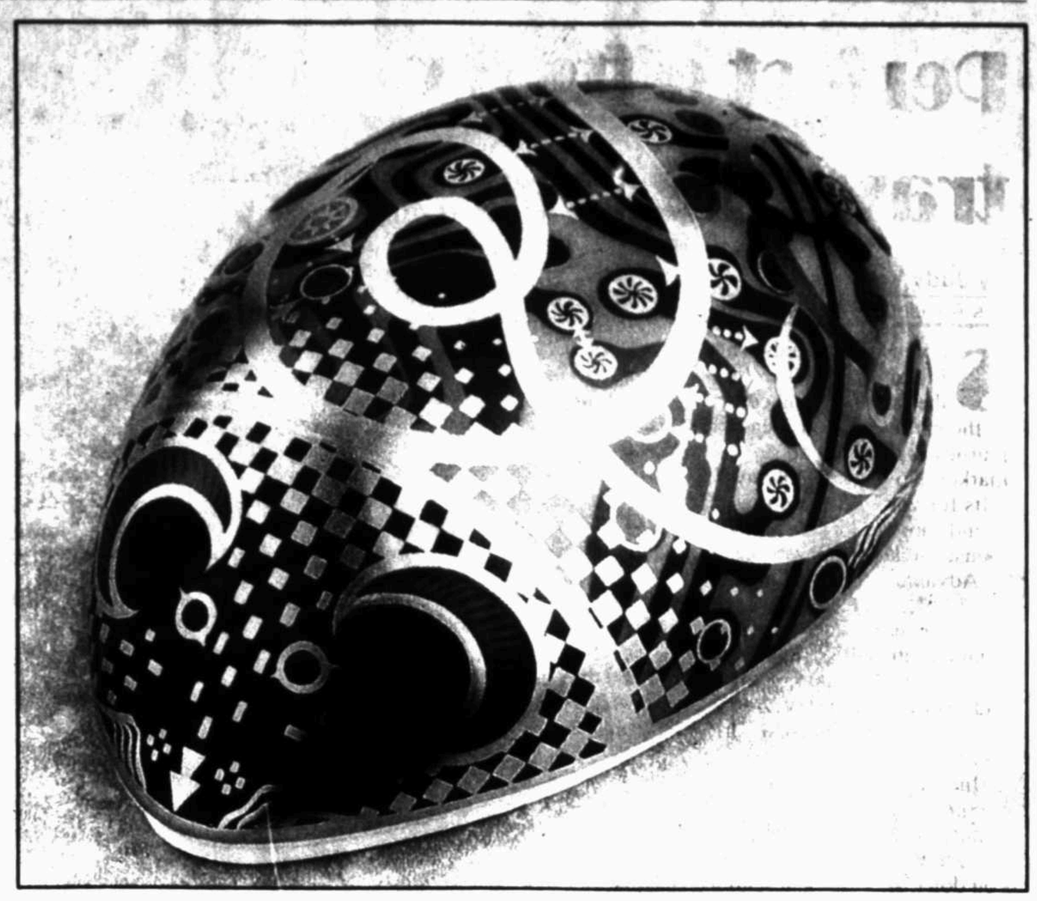
■ The "silent" instrument line introduced in recent years by Yamaha has a new addition: the Silent Bass ($3,995). It's an upright three-quarter-scale electric instrument that allows the bass player to practice silently with earphones, without disturbing neighbors or family. The detachable frame is just that — a frame without the soundbox — which results in a futuristic look.

■ The bluebonnet is the Texas state flower and the motif for a delicate Bluebonnet China pattern used by the family of Amon G. Carter, the Fort Worth publisher and philanthropist. The china, which depicts bluebonnets against a background of pale yellow rims and white centers, has been reproduced by the Amon Carter Museum in Fort Worth and is available in sets of four: cups and saucers, $125; dessert plates, $100; dinner plates, $234; rim soups, $162; and bread and butter plates, $72.

■ The $50 National Parks Pass, providing unlimited entrance to the 379 national park sites around the country for a year, opens all kinds of exploration opportunities for your recipient. It comes with a special Pop-Out map of the sites, a vehicle decal and an offer for the free GoParks Newsletter.

■ The Frank Lloyd Wright Coonley Playhouse Clock ($175 plus $15 special handling) at the Museum Company is based on the architect's famous art glass design made for the school/playhouse at the Coonley House estate in Riverside, Ill. Geometric shapes are based on balloons, confetti, and flags associated with a parade. The solid wood walng "Eloise in Paris," "Eloise at Christmastime," "Eloise in Moscow" and "The Absolutely Essential Eloise."





At left, the Silent Bass by Yamaha offers futuristic design and practice privacy. Above, a real mouse inspired the name for the computer mouse, which in turn inspired this Imari-style mouse desk ornament from Royal Crown Derby.

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