

Cowboys feast on Redskins

Stung by the first benching of his career, Emmitt Smith made the Washington Redskins pay with his best game of the year, scoring three touchdowns and gaining a season-high 155 yards Thursday. That led Dallas past Washington 21-10 and put the Cowboys in a first-place tie with the Redskins in the NFC East./1D



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Rainy day keeps celebrations indoors

Steady sprinkles throughout Thanksgiving Day cover Midland with nearly inch of rain.

By Gary Shanks
Staff Writer

Thursday was a day for staying indoors, eating turkey and watching football.

The cold rain that greeted West Texans Thanksgiving morning was the result of an area of low pressure that was over the Southwest moving eastward into Texas, according to a forecaster at the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport.

The storm front dropped nearly an inch of rain on Midland Thursday, the forecaster said.

There is "mid- and upper-level atmospheric instability at the leading edge of an upper-level low pressure front," the fore-

caster said. "This (upper level low pressure) is beginning to move close to the area, and as it does, it's spreading that mid- and upper-level energy."

Temperatures are expected to stay above freezing, diminishing the chances that any rain may turn into snow.

Temperatures should return to normal by Monday with highs expected in the upper 50s to mid-60s.

This pattern should hold until this morning, with cloudy skies and areas of fog expected early. Some clearing is expected by the afternoon hours, however.

The high for today should be near 60 and

Please see RAIN/4A



Midland was greeted with clouds and rain showers Thanksgiving Day. Many of Midland's intersections, such as Garfield Street and Holloway Avenue, turned into giant puddles as rain fell throughout the day.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

Some students find it hard to be thankful for attending classes on Thanksgiving Day

31-day teachers' strike forces district's youths to be in school on Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, with only one day off for Christmas.

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — It didn't feel much like Thanksgiving in this mountainside community as students trekked to class under a dusting of snow.

"It's not right," said Bill Giza, whose fiancée roused him from bed to drive her 9-year-old daughter to Lincoln Elementary School.

Classes were held on the bone-chilling holiday morning thanks to a 31-day teachers' strike. The district's 3,300 students will be in school on New Year's Day, too — and will get just one day off at Christmas.

"They won't even get to play with their new toys," Giza lamented.

The trouble began in September for Pittston, a former coal-mining town 100 miles north of Philadelphia now billed as the Quality Tomato Capital of the World. Teachers walked out after the district tried to impose contract changes in the 21st month of fruitless talks.

The school district is stuck between the state-mandated 180-day school year and a law barring classes after June 30, except in cases of severe weather. In 1993, those rules forced Upper St. Clair schools near Pittsburgh to hold Thanksgiving classes.

Then — as now — teachers were blamed, and fuming parents lobbied for a change in state law.

"It just creates such anim — oh, I don't want to say animosity, but it makes you trepidatious about what people think about you," said math teacher Patricia Schillaci. "I think it makes people look at you as an educator and question your values or where you stand or what you believe."

"We have cheap teachers," said Megan Rowlands, a 16-year-old junior, chewing gum and swinging a brown purse.

"Just because the teachers wanted to be greedy and go on strike, the kids should be punished for it?" asked senior Melissa Spechtold.

Teacher pay in the district averages nearly \$50,000. The union says it worked a whole year without a contract before taking the step of walking out.

"It got to a point where the talks just broke down," said Leonard Pesotini,

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Thanksgiving FEAST

Kirstan Munoz, 23 months old, eats Thanksgiving dinner Thursday at the Midland Soup Kitchen Ministries. Related photos on page 1B.



By Madeline Baro
Associated Press

Texans found unique ways to say thanks on Thursday — everything from making Thanksgiving dinner for thousands to special deliveries in the rain.

In the farming community of Pep, Texas, they had plenty of turkey, but they had even more German sausage.

The town of 100 people hosted its 51st annual Thanksgiving festival, with 5,800 pounds of German sausage, 50 pounds of breakfast sausage, 700 pounds of turkey and 145 pounds of turkey breast for the 1,000 or so people they expected to show up.

Why so much sausage? Well, tiny Pep, which is about 43 miles northwest of Lubbock and has a post office, a gas station, a church, a parish hall and an alternative

Midlanders join Texans in celebrations to give thanks, help others

school, is known for it.

"People come from all areas to buy our sausage," said Marcy Demel, one of the principal organizers.

They weren't worried about leftovers, either.

"Sometimes we've got a little left over, but it's all gone before Christmas," Demel said.

In Midland, the cold rains may have been responsible for keeping some of the city's needy from partaking of the Thanksgiving Day meals provided at the Salvation Army, according to lodge manager Steve Dubie.

Only eight people showed up for that free dinner, he said.

"That was very unusual. We were looking forward to about 100... I think the rain kept some of them in," Dubie

Please see GIVE/4A

Photo by Tim Fischer

Organizers to kick off holiday season with children's parade, tree lighting

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

The annual Christmas parade and tree lighting downtown have been scheduled for Dec. 7.

The events always are held on the first Saturday of December.

The festivities will begin with the Midland Children's Christmas Parade at 3:30 p.m. that day. Participants will begin assembling at 2 p.m.

The parade will depart from Dennis the Menace Park (South Garfield Street and Indiana Avenue), proceed north on

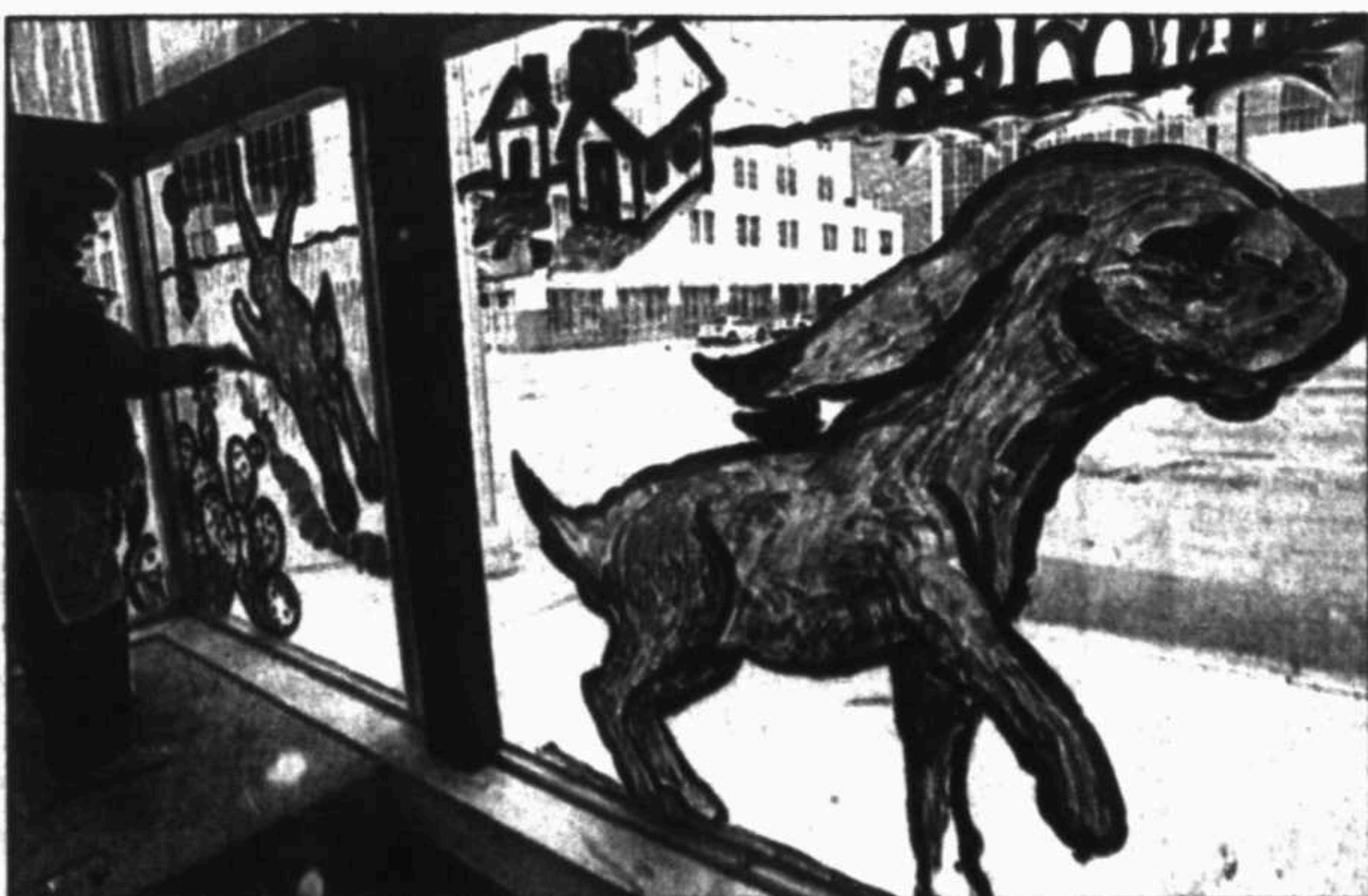
Garfield Street, turn east on Wall Street and continue toward downtown to the post office.

"It's going to be a good parade. I think the kids will have a lot of fun," said Rodney Wilson, one of the parade organizers with the Midland Shrine Club.

The parade will include a variety of participants including a Santa Claus — who organizers are still trying to find — and the Boy Scouts serving as color guards.

"At this point we have about 100 entries but they're coming in every

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Cristi Branum-Harper worked on a mural on the windows of the building at the corner of Colorado and Wall streets earlier this week. In the mural, "Natives of 1900," jackrabbits watch the development of Midland.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

A.M. BRIEFING



"Rocky" the dalmatian gets ready to watch the opening showing of the new Disney movie "101 Dalmatians" with his owner Cathleen McMonagle. The two came to the showing at the Liberty Cinema's in Wenatchee, Wash., on Wednesday afternoon.

101 Disney hits?

Cruella DeVil may be bad for animals but she's great for business. She's Disney's most inspired piece of animated malevolence, and she's the reason its new live-action "101 Dalmatians" is going to make the fur fly at the box office. Close, in short, delivers the kind of performance that not only will turn "101 Dalmatians" into a huge hit but likely will turn it into a Pandora's box too, as Disney execs rush to transform the rest of the studio's animated library into a string of what it hopes will be similarly successful live-action remakes.

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Sharing millions

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Hungry monkeys in Japan look for food in all the wrong places

By Eric Talmadge

Associated Press

ODAWARA, Japan — It all started with some innocent tangerine snatching. Sweet potatoes came next, then candy bars right off the shelves.

Now, after having their shops regularly ransacked, their homes invaded and their farms vandalized by monkeys run amok, people in dozens of towns across Japan are ready to fight back.

If they only knew how.

"We've tried just about everything, but nothing has worked," said Shuichi Seto, a city official who tracks monkey troops in the hills around this resort city on Japan's central coast. "They are a tricky adversary."

Japanese macaques, found only in this country, are one of the most common wild mammals in Japan, and monkey-related damage to crops long has been a problem in the countryside.

But steady growth in the monkey population in recent years has forced many troops to make increasingly frequent forays out of the forests and into the farms and cities.

The pressure to find food, victims say, has made them almost brazen.

"They came right into my house," said Naoto Hasegawa, who lives in Odawara's monkey-plagued outskirts. "My wife tried to scare them with a mop, but they chased her all the way to the train station."

The frequency of monkey forays varies — communities closer to forests see more of them. In Odawara, the pillaging primates have been reported about once a week.

Beyond growling and the baring of teeth, actual attacks on people are extremely rare. Some shopkeepers are armed with slingshots and air guns — just in case. But most say the monkeys hardly notice.

Known for their intelligence and hardiness, macaque troops can be found from the semi-tropical south to the northernmost tip of Japan's main island, farther north than any other primate in the world.

Gray or burnt amber in color, the macaques can reach nearly three feet tall when standing on their hind legs and can weigh 26 pounds or more. They eat a variety of foods, including fruits, seeds, insects and shellfish.

Researchers stress that the monkeys aren't to blame for the current problems.

Most of the big troops are located in or near macaque havens created in the 1970s and '80s to attract tourists to rural areas. Overfeeding fueled baby booms, and crowding pushed the macaques out into farmlands and city fringes.

At least 14,800 acres of crops are destroyed or damaged by monkeys each year, Japan's agriculture

ministry says.

To control the population — estimated at between 20,000 and 60,000 — the government has allowed 5,000 monkeys to be killed across Japan since 1980.

But even the hardest-hit farmers don't like the idea of killing the creatures.

"They aren't just any animal, after all," said Kenichi Akiyama, who heads a local farmers' cooperative. "They are like our distant cousins."

He said nearly 200 monkeys living in the forested hills around Odawara cost farmers an estimated \$100,000 each year in damages.

That figure is low compared to many other parts of Japan where monkeys are a problem, but Odawara farmer Mamoru Akiyama says such estimates can be misleading.

"The numbers would be higher, but we've had to stop growing things they like," he said. "It's as though the monkeys decide what we can and cannot plant."

This year, the agriculture ministry is putting \$370,000 into developing electric fences and other devices to monkey-proof farms.

Officials in Oita, in southern Japan, are experimenting with various kinds of birth control — including hormone shots and IUDs — on a population of more than

2,000 resident macaques.

Other local governments are investing in efforts to teach tourists not to feed the wild monkeys, or to relocate troops to more remote habitats.

Getting the macaques back into the wild, however, is not easy.

Hoping to entice the monkeys around Odawara and the neighboring city of Hakone to move, officials seven years ago began building what they had hoped would be a macaque preserve.

Although they planted more than 30,000 trees and spent \$2 million, the monkeys have yet to call it home. The preserve — unlike the tangerine fields — remains empty.

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Canadian general meets Zairian rebel general, discusses proposed relief mission for refugees

GOMA, Zaire (AP) — A Canadian general toured parts of the western shore of Lake Kivu with Zairian rebels on Thursday, and reported that 40,000 Rwandan refugees were heading north along the lake toward home.

Canadian Lt. Gen. Maurice Baril, leader of a proposed international intervention force to ensure aid delivery, also said at least 100,000 other refugees were still in the nearby mountains.

Canada has proposed setting up a multinational force headquartered in Entebbe, Uganda, to coordinate relief deliveries to refugees fleeing ethnic violence in central Africa. The United States and some 20 other countries have said they would support it.

But the United States has expressed reservations about another Canadian suggestion — an airdrop of relief supplies to the Rwandan refugees in Zaire who have not yet made it to the border. Americans fear the airdrops would not reach malnourished refugees but would be taken instead by Hutu militants.

After meeting Thursday with rebel leader Laurent Desire Kabila in Goma, Baril said all parties agree it is in everybody's interest to coordinate the relief mission. He said he would assign a liaison officer to Kabila, if necessary.

"Anything that I do, I will coordinate with the one who is holding tactically the ground," Baril told reporters. "It would be ridiculous not doing that."

Baril refused to comment on any operation to help refugees in areas of eastern Zaire still held by the Zairian government. He and Kabila refused to be photographed together or to speak to the press together.

The government of Zaire condemned their meeting.

"This is a way to legitimize the rebellion," Zairian Information Minister Boguo Makeli said Thursday.

Boguo also said Zaire is "categorically opposed to air dropping food and will not authorize these flights over its territory." He said dropping food to the refugees and displaced Zairians was an insult that would "treat them like dogs."

Aldo Ajello, a European Union diplomat, met President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire on Thursday, and said Mobutu wants to settle the refugee crisis and the uprising in eastern Zaire peacefully.

"He envisions political and diplomatic solutions to the crisis without turning to the army," Ajello told reporters in southern France, where the 66-year-old Mobutu was convalescing after cancer treatment.

It was not known when Mobutu would return to Zaire.

Baril, the Canadian general, said the 40,000 refugees on the road from Minova, 30 miles south, were expected to arrive today in Sake, a town nine miles west of Goma. There, U.N. aid agency trucks were picking up refugees and driving them the last leg of their journey home.

He said rebel soldiers had produced anti-tank mines they had found on the road to the town of Numbi, 28 miles south of Sake, where he believes the bulk of the refugees remain. U.N. workers had planned to send a convoy to Numbi, but for now are just shuttling refugees from Sake to the border with Rwanda.

OPEC ministers keep current production levels

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Shrugging off Iraq's possible return to the oil market, OPEC ministers decided Thursday to keep their current oil production levels to cash in on recent high prices.

Analysts said demand should keep OPEC oil prices above the group's target of \$21 a barrel for now. But if Iraq actually starts selling oil again, after several failed attempts, the market could change quickly.

"Attention is now focused on the Iraqi barrels," said Leo Drollas, chief economist at the Center for Global Energy Studies, based in London. "We have to see when they come and how much it will be."

But ministers of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Coun-

tries were upbeat. They wound up their two-day winter meeting, the first in years that took place while prices were high, and nobody did or said anything to spook traders.

Saudi Arabia's Ali Naimi, the most influential minister who controls nearly one-third of OPEC's production, summed up the mood in a word. "Excellent," he said with a broad grin.

OPEC ministers say demand for oil is strong enough to cushion any shock from Iraq's return. The United Nations banned Iraqi crude exports after President Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait in August 1990, but a limited resumption is now being negotiated and Iraq has said it could be back in the market within weeks.

OPEC has exceeded \$21 a barrel since September, and now is getting between \$22 and \$23 a barrel — good news for the oil producers but bad news for consumers going into the peak winter season.

Prices showed little change Thursday on the London futures market, rising after the OPEC meeting ended then dipping slightly late in the afternoon. New York markets were closed for the Thanksgiving holiday, but traders there had pushed prices higher Wednesday.

Drollas noted that lower prices on crude oil contracts to be delivered next spring indicate concern that supplies could be more than adequate by then. Still, traders don't worry about any big plunge.

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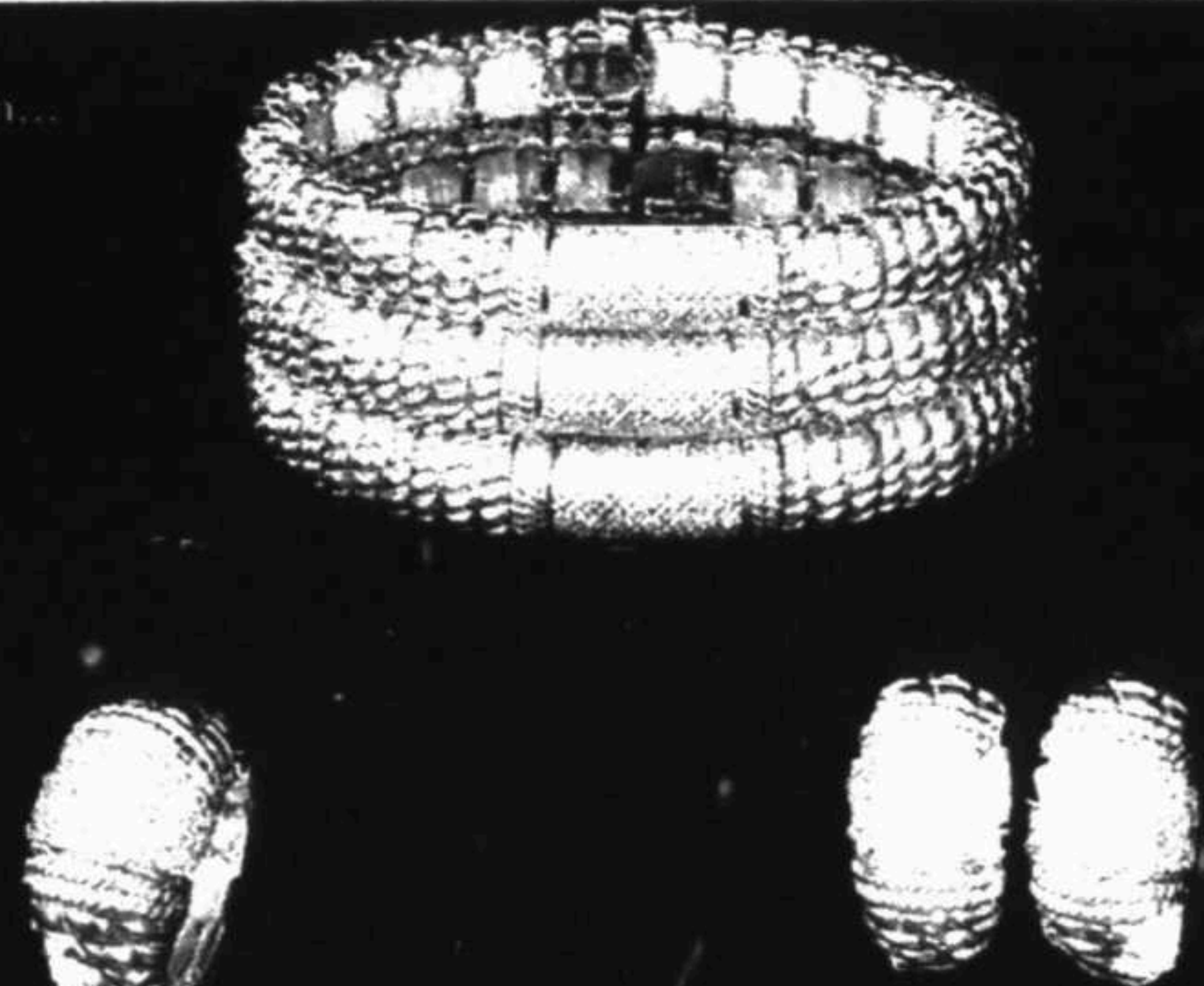
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WEATHER WATCH

RAIN: Chance of more on way

Staff Report

(From 1A)

winds should be from the south-west at 10-20 mph.

Tonight should be mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain and an overnight low near 40.

A 30 percent chance of morning showers is predicted for Saturday.

Otherwise, the day should be windier and colder with a high expected to be between 45-50.

After an overnight low of 35, Thursday's high reached only 40, compared to the record high for that date of 85 set in 1949. The record low was 16 set in 1976.

STATE

A rainy, cool Thanksgiving holiday greeted most Texans Thursday. Rain fell across the southern half of North Texas as cloudy skies and winds from the east dominated the rest of the region.

Temperatures ranged from 41 at Abilene to 50 at Lubbock and Longview. More rain with a few thunderstorms are expected today. Highs will be in the mid-50s north to mid-60s south.

Cloudiness also dominated the West Texas landscape as widespread areas of light rain extended from Trans-Pecos through the Permian Basin. Temperatures were in the upper 30s and 40s.

Light rain will continue through today as a storm system and cold front move through the area. The rain may change to snow over northern areas and the southwest mountains.

A large portion of South Texas experienced a cool, cloudy Thanksgiving as warm, moist Pacific air rose over a cool air mass. High temperatures were in the 40s west to 50s east, about 10 to 20 degrees below seasonable normal temperatures.

A low pressure system and associated coastal trough developing along the lower coast will keep cloudy skies in place today. Heavy rain is possible along the middle and upper coast as temperatures adjust to normal levels with highs in the 60s to 70s and lows in the 50s to 60s.

NATION

A snowstorm in the Northwest pushed south through Oregon and into northern California but most of the nation enjoyed calmer and drier weather on Thanksgiving Day. Cold temperatures gripped the Northeast.

Up to a foot of snow fell across the mountains of northern Washington, northern Idaho and northwest Montana. The storm brought rain showers as far south as the San Joaquin Valley of central California.

Wind gusts over the east slopes of the Rockies reached 60 mph in Montana and 40 mph in Wyoming.

There was some light snow in the lower Great Lakes region as well as the Northeast. Accumulations were in the 1 to 2 inch range from Ohio into western New York. A cold high pressure dominated the Northeast. Record lows were reported at New York City, 21 degrees, and Washington, D.C., 19 degrees.

Rain showers fell across southern Texas as Gulf moisture was drawn into the region. Some places across south-central Texas reported more than a half inch of rain. Light snow showers also fell in the mountains of eastern Arizona and New Mexico.

Thursday's temperatures around the Lower 48 states ranged from a morning low of minus 4 degrees in Leadville, Colo., to an early afternoon reading of 78 degrees in the Florida cities of Marathon Key, Fort Lauderdale and Key West.

Also see expanded weather coverage, map on page 3C.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery:

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Pick 3 Texas

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

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43 residents in Roby to split \$50 million

ROBY (AP) — A little news goes a long way in this West Texas cotton farming community.

Imagine the effect of word that 43 of the town's 600 residents will share a \$50 million Lotto Texas jackpot.

"Talk about Thanksgiving!" Mayor Cecil King told The Dallas Morning News. "We've really had it here today."

Confirmation won't come until today, when the Texas Lottery Commission sorts through its computer records to pinpoint the store where Wednesday night's \$50 million Lotto Texas ticket was sold.

But a group of 43 relatives and friends in Roby weren't waiting to give thanks on a very special Thanksgiving Day.

If their ticket is confirmed, the group, headed by Peggy Dickson, will split the biggest Lotto Texas jackpot of the year to date.

She told the Abilene Reporter-News she was at the Terry Cotton Gin, where she is a bookkeeper, and mentioned to her cousin Vernon Terry that "we ought to all pitch in and get a pool going like they did in Snyder."

On June 5, 19 employees of BJ Services Inc. in Snyder split half of a \$35 million jackpot. A ticket purchased in San Antonio took the other half of the pot.

But this pot belongs solely to the Roby Gang, 21 of whom are Terrys or their relatives.

Mrs. Dickson said she asked people who came into the gin office if they wanted to pitch in \$10 each to buy Quik Picks for the Wednesday night drawing.

Mrs. Dickson had a Wednesday dental appointment in Sweetwater, about 20 miles south of Roby, so she decided to buy the tickets there at the Longhorn Liquor store, which she said has a reputation for selling winning tickets.

When she arrived with \$430, store owner Jim Carson chipped in \$10 of his own and tossed in another 10 tickets for free, for a total of 450 Quik Picks. Carson will get not only his share but also a 1 percent bonus — about \$500,000 — because his store sold the winning ticket.

The jackpot couldn't have come at a better time for the farming town, about 45 miles northwest of Abilene.

The surrounding rolling prairie and the cotton that grows there has been hit hard by the drought of the past year. A freeze last Sunday threatened even more damage to Fisher County's most valuable crop.

Cotton is Roby's lifeblood, said Gene Terry, 61, part-owner of the gin and among those who will share in the jackpot. He said many of those in the lottery pool were on the verge of quitting farming.

"These are people who really deserved this," Terry said. "Almost everybody in this was either a farmer or a rancher. And most of the employees of the cotton gin were in on it, too."

Said Mrs. Dickson, 48: "I think that it is just so much hard times. People are like, 'Why not take the chance?' We are just grasping at straws right now."

ANNUAL: Midland to hold holiday events

(From 1A)

day," Wilson said earlier this week. "I'm looking for it to be larger than last year."

This year's parade — which marks its 16th year — is expected to have more than 150 entrants compared to about 80 last year.

Trophies for best entrants — first, second and third place — will be presented at the City Council meeting on Dec. 17.

Following the parade will be the 43rd annual Christmas tree lighting at Centennial Plaza downtown. The event is organized by the Midland Jaycees.

Activities will begin about 5 p.m. with the tree lighting at about 6:15 p.m.

"We'll have Santa Claus out there. We'll have hay rides. And we'll have hot chocolate and cookies," said Sharon Thornton, president of the Midland Jaycees.

Santa Claus arrives on the scene — via fire truck — following the lighting of the 30-foot-plus tall Eldaricka pine.

All the fun is free but the Jaycees are asking for a \$3 donation to have a picture taken with Santa Claus.

"Usually we have a very large turnout, a lot of families," Ms. Thornton said. "We usually end up with 1,500 to 2,000 people in the course of the evening."

Downtown decorations — including a new 15-foot-tall lighted and waving snowman outside the Midland County Courthouse — were put up last week by the city.

In addition, storefronts along Colorado Street between Texas Avenue and Wall Street will be decorated thanks to The Arts Assembly of Midland.

Murals of scenes from Midland's history are being painted on the windows of that section of Colorado Street. The artists are Cristi Branum-Harper, Nina Green and Melissa Newman Naylor, who won a Make Your Mark! contest sponsored by The Arts Assembly.

Hand-painted porcelain dolls — courtesy of the Porcelain Doll Club — and toy trains will be displayed in the former Tesco building at Texas Avenue and Colorado Street.

For more information about the parade, call Rodney Wilson at 694-7736 or 694-8657.

STRIKE: District's students go to school on Thanksgiving

(From 1A)

president of the Pittston Area Federation of Teachers. "There's a lot of issues they (board members) just don't want to talk about."

Melissa was one of many high-schoolers who showed up only because it was a half-day. Many said they planned to skip today, or a couple of days around Christmas. One wanted to save up allowed absences for hunting season.

All told, only about half of the students showed up Thursday, and high school principal Joseph Costello said he was being particularly lenient about letting students leave early. "It's a holiday. And we're not unreasonable people," he said.

"I'm leaving in, like, 10 minutes," said 17-year-old Shukri Rahman, tossing a half-smoked cigarette to the asphalt. His buddies had planned on meeting for breakfast a little after 8 a.m. at a joint called LaFratt's.

They didn't miss much. In half-empty classrooms, students talked or watched films or listened to casual teaching. One math teacher had students add up the



Pittston Area High School students Jennifer Griglock, left, and Maura Biscotti wait for a friend to arrive at school Thursday, in Pittston, Pa. The students were forced to attend classes on Thanksgiving Day after a teachers' strike left them without enough school attendance days to achieve the mandatory 180.

typical cost for a turkey dinner. In a history class, teen-agers learned

about the first meeting between colonists and American Indians.

GIVE: Texans celebrate holiday in their own unique ways

(From 1A)

said. The Midland Soup Kitchen Ministries had a bigger crowd. About 350 people attended the free feast there, according to Mariano Rendon, president of the organization.

The weather, however, did not keep volunteers from coming in to help out at both dinners. These annual holiday meals would not be possible without those who donate funds, food and time, Rendon said. These people deserve thanks of their own on this day, he said.

Across the state in Houston, the Bank United Thanksgiving Day parade featured a "Texas-sized" version of "101 Dalmatians" — 303 dalmatians and their owners. Among the group were "dalmatian wannabes," which included chihuahuas in dalmatian sweaters.

A giant turkey also made a customary appearance, along with Santa Claus.

The 17th annual Jimenez Thanksgiving Dinner in San Antonio was missing a familiar face — founder Raul Jimenez.

Every year, the restaurateur wears his trademark blue costume and oversized chef's hat to the dinner for the homeless and elderly, greeting crowds and dancing to mariachi music. This year, however, ill health kept him at home.

Patricia Jimenez said her father kept up with pre-Thanksgiving Day preparations.

"He came to all 16," she told the San Antonio Express-News. "He can recall the emotion and joy. Though he may not be here physically, he'll be here in spirit."

The Jimenez dinner at the San

Antonio Convention Center was expected to serve 20,000 people. Chefs had begun cooking 150 or more turkeys a day starting Monday to prepare for the big event.

If anyone knows about serving large groups of people, it's the Salvation Army. In Dallas, at the Carr P. Collins Social Service Center, more than 800 people had showed up for Thanksgiving dinner by early afternoon.

Carol Frank, executive director of the center, said they expected to feed about 1,100 people Thursday.

"We have just been overwhelmed by the number of families," Ms. Frank said.

She said most of the people coming to the center for dinner were families from the surrounding community. About 100 volunteers were pitching in to serve dinner.

Ms. Frank didn't have an exact count on how much food was being used, but said the food director had prepared 87 turkeys and there was a lot of the rest of traditional Thanksgiving food.

"I couldn't even count the pumpkin pie, couldn't even begin to count it," she said. "Believe you me, it takes a lot of food (to feed 1,000 people). I'll tell you that."

A South Texas family made Thanksgiving Dinner a private labor of love for their neighbors.

Addie and Ysidro Arismendez, along with their eight children, their children's spouses and 22 grandchildren prepared meals for about 300 elderly and handicapped Bee County neighbors, expanding on a decade-long tradition.

Gerald Arismendez, son of Addie and Ysidro, said every member of the family participates in the assembly-line preparation of the meals — the smaller children helping with tasks like stuffing



Youngsters try to stay warm as they watch Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, Thursday. Hundreds of thousands turned out to see floats and balloons on one of the coldest days recorded for this date. The low temperature Thursday dipped to 21 degrees Fahrenheit.

bread into plastic bags.

"We do this to instill a spirit of sharing and caring to our kids," he said Thursday. "If we can demonstrate this and instill this in our children, they're going to do that with their children."

About 20 members of the Palm City Lion's Club in McAllen braved a chilly drizzle to take Thanksgiving meals to the doorsteps of local low-income families.

The volunteers took turkey, rolls, stuffing, potatoes and soda to 50 families.

"It's great we can help these families a little," Luis Figueroa, one of the volunteers, told The (McAllen) Monitor. "Without these meals, they probably won't have Thanksgiving dinner."

The Lion's Club has been delivering the meals for more than 20

"I just feel sorry for the kids," said Linda Collins, a crossing guard with hardly any children to guard.

Debbie Decker feels for the children, too, and not just because they weren't at home with their family on Thanksgiving morning.

"The message we're sending our kids is not the message they should be getting," said Decker, president of the parent-teacher organization. "We should be teaching them about compromise. Instead, it's 'Be pigheaded and you'll get your way.'"

Negotiations over teacher salaries, workloads and the like continue next month, when the judge who ordered teachers back to school in October begins mediating the talks.

That's of little consolation to parents, some of whom arrived to bring students home only an hour after the first bell.

"I think it's terrible!" said Marilyn Royce, whose son called for a ride around 9 a.m. — somewhere between the peeling of the sweet potatoes and the stuffing of the bird. "I'm in the middle of cooking!"

Researchers find gene that can trigger, diminish anxiety

WASHINGTON (AP) — Part of the difference between a person who worries and frets and one who approaches life with a laid-back attitude may be a gene that controls the effects of a brain chemical, researchers say.

A new study that probed the personalities of 505 people found that those with one variation of a gene called 5-HTTP are more anxious than people with another form of the gene, although the difference is very slight.

Dr. Dennis Murphy of the National Institute of Mental Health, senior author of a study to be published today in the journal Science, said the research gives strong evidence that 5-HTTP influences how the brain makes use of serotonin, a neurotransmitter, or signaling molecule, that affects the sense of well-being.

"Serotonin is thought to modulate anxiety in humans and in animals," Murphy said. "Many of the drugs, such as Prozac, that treat anxiety and depression act primarily on the serotonin system in the brain."

Murphy said 5-HTTP is a so-called transporter gene because it determines the rate at which the serotonin signals are cycled between neurons.

The cycling rate of serotonin is reduced in

people with a short form of the gene. As a result, people with a short form of the gene are more anxious than people with the long form, he said.

But Murphy said the influence of the gene "is small," which means that many other genes also play a role in mood.

Dr. Dean H. Hamer, another NIH gene researcher and a co-author of the study, said the gene's effect is only a "tendency" and not a total determination of mood or personality. And the range of difference, he said, is what is seen in ordinary people, not in those who require medical care.

"Some people are a little bit more worried, a little bit more pessimistic," he said. "Others are more optimistic, more relaxed and cheerful. Among ordinary people, some are high and some are low in these traits."

The 5-HTTP gene plays a role in these basic attitudes, said Hamer.

More research on the effect of genes on personality may lead to diagnostic tests that would enable doctors to more precisely target mood-altering drugs. Now, said Hamer, doctors often must use drugs on a trial and error basis to find the exact one needed by a patient.

In the study, researchers took blood samples from 505 people and conducted an analysis to identify the type of 5-HTTP gene each person had. The scientists then conducted a series of personality tests that determined the level of anxiety that each test subject experienced.

The results show that the gene variation caused a 3 to 4 percent difference in amount of tension or anxiety the people felt.

"This is a finding about anxiety within the ranges seen in the general population," said Murphy, and does not relate to symptoms that would require medical treatment. Genetic studies of such disturbed patients are planned, he said.

Dr. David Goldman of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism said the finding will be significant if it is confirmed in other laboratories.

"This appears to be a very important clue on the origins of normal and pathological personality variations," he said.

Goldman emphasized that the gene's effect is small and that there are certain to be other genes and other factors that have powerful influence on personality.

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Algerians turn out in large numbers for vote that would ban Islamic parties

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Algerians defied threats of violence and cast ballots in high numbers Thursday in a constitutional referendum that would ban Islamic parties and expand presidential powers.

About three of every four registered voters went to the polls, a sign of success for the military-backed government of President Liamine Zeroual, who risked the vote to consolidate his rule. The opposition had called for a boycott or "no" vote.

At a high school in downtown Algiers, about 100 people were seen voting in classrooms during a 20-minute visit. They signed a list, then placed a white "yes" ballot or a blue "no" ballot in envelopes in full view of election officials.

Seven weeks of violence marked by massacres and bombs — and blamed on Islamic militants fighting to topple the government — led up to the referendum. More than 250 people have been killed in greater Algiers.

The Armed Islamic Group, the most feared of the country's Muslim guerrilla movements, had threatened to slit the throats of any of the 16.4 million voters who cast ballots to amend the 1989 constitution.

Dozens of heavily armed security forces in bulletproof vests patrolled the capital's Bab el-Oued district, considered a stronghold of Islamic militants. The neighborhood is home to one of the mosques where the now-banned Islamic Salvation Front came to preeminence.

Tens of thousands of security forces were posted at the 35,500 voting centers around the country to guard against attacks, but no violence was reported.

The constitutional revisions would ban political parties based on religion, language and regionalism, a reference to Algeria's substantial Berber community that long has worked for official recognition of its language.

The draft constitution also would enable the president to appoint one-third of the members of a newly created second chamber of parliament. The other two-thirds would be chosen indirectly by local officials.

Observers say this would enable the government to block any unwelcome initiatives by parliament, which Zeroual has said would be elected in the first half of 1997.

Opponents say the revisions would open the way to a constitutional dictatorship and that the referendum is dangerous for a democratic process that is struggling to take hold.



AP Laserphoto

Algerians wait outside the entrance of a voting station Thursday, 18 miles west of Algiers, to vote on a referendum that would outlaw political parties based on religion and possibly give authorities a new tool in their battle against Islamic extremists.

"It doesn't resolve anything," said Ahmed Ben Bella, Algeria's first president who now heads the Movement for Democracy in Algeria. He spoke with France-Info radio in France, Algeria's former colonial ruler.

But in the largely pro-Zeroual eastern city of Constantine, residents drove around in cars waving flags and honking horns after the

polls closed Thursday night, anticipating the referendum's approval.

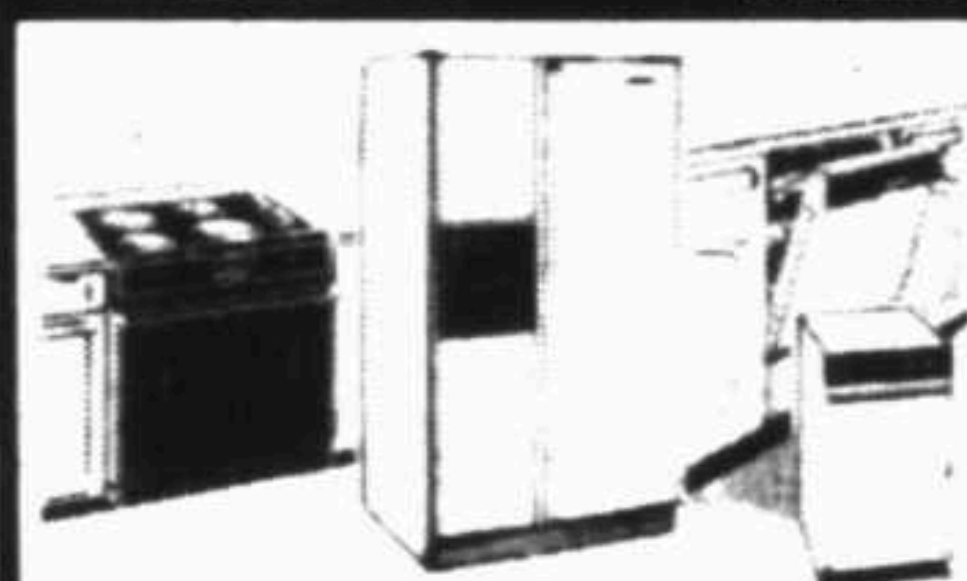
The turnout nationwide was about the same as 12 months ago, voting that gave legitimacy to the retired general brought to office by the army less than a year earlier.

As he left a polling place in the Algiers neighborhood El Mouradio, Zeroual promised "to respect the will of the people."

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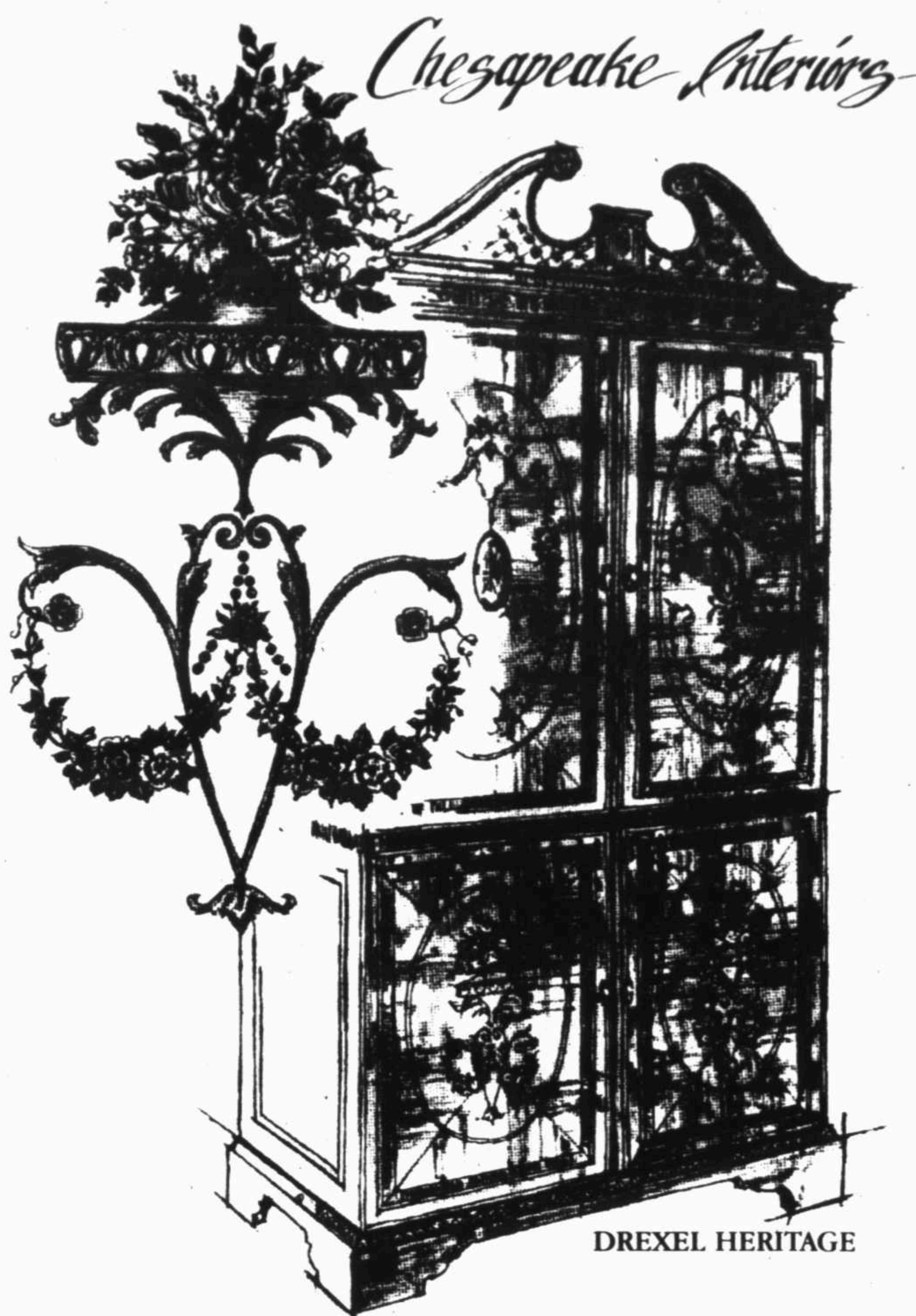
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Ex-president of Mexico testifies in assassination

N.Y. Times News Service

Testifying under oath for the first time in an assassination that rocked Mexico, the former President Carlos Salinas de Gortari has denied that he was behind the 1994 murder of the man who was campaigning to succeed him, prosecutors said Thursday.

The special prosecutor investigating the shooting death of Luis Donaldo Colosio, the presidential candidate from the political party that has long governed Mexico, questioned Salinas on Wednesday for 12 hours in a closed session.

Mexican officials said the former president was interviewed as a witness in the case, not a suspect, and they said he answered more than 300 questions.

Salinas delivered his testimony at the Mexican Embassy in Dublin, Ireland, where he lives in exile. Salinas came alone to the session, without a lawyer, and "answered each and every one of the questions we put to him," Luis Raul Gonzalez Perez, the special prosecutor, said in radio interviews Thursday.

It was the first time Salinas has given sworn testimony in a legal case since his term ended Dec. 1, 1994. Mexican presidents have enjoyed nearly absolute power while in office, and they and their families have been effectively exempt from judicial proceedings once they left.

Since Salinas stepped down, he and his family have become enmeshed in scandal. Opinion polls consistently show that a large majority of Mexicans believe Salinas encouraged a conspiracy to assassinate Colosio, the candidate of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), who had been his close friend, after Colosio began to seek political independence.

Salinas has consistently denied he had any role in the killing of Colosio, whom he personally

Carlos Salinas de Gortari has consistently denied he had any role in the killing of Luis Donaldo Colosio, the presidential candidate from the political party that has long governed Mexico.

picked to be the candidate in a race Colosio was virtually guaranteed to win. But since Salinas left Mexico a few months after stepping down, he has kept a near complete silence.

Gonzalez Perez said Salinas denied he had ever pressed Colosio to resign his candidacy and maintained that he always had "an adequate relationship" with Colosio.

Colosio's supporters within the PRI and opposition groups have publicized a version of events before the assassination in which Salinas is said to have soured on Colosio, ultimately demanding that he abandon his campaign. Colosio's supporters have clamored for months for Salinas to be called to testify.

At the opening of Wednesday's session, Salinas handed the prosecutor a 10-page document detailing his account of the "political environment" surrounding Colosio's campaign up to the time of his death, which was admitted into the official record, Gonzalez Perez said.

Salinas said he was "one of the people most aggrieved" by Colosio's death, according to Mexican press accounts of the statement. Colosio was gunned down during a political rally in Tijuana on March 23, 1994. One gunman, Mario Aburto, has been convicted and sentenced to 45 years in the crime.

Prosecutors have tried to show that the killing resulted from a larger political conspiracy. But several accused conspirators have

been acquitted, leading to the dismissal in August of the third special prosecutor in the case. Gonzalez Perez, the fourth, is a human rights lawyer who made his name investigating a 1995 peasant massacre.

Salinas also faces questioning next Wednesday in connection with another assassination in September 1994, that of a prominent PRI politician, Jose Francisco Ruiz Massieu, prosecutors said.

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Troops in Bosnia get Thanksgiving visit from Perry

■ Soldiers from 1st Infantry Division stand in icy rain to hear defense secretary's message of discipline, patience for their mission.

Associated Press

CAMP DOBOL, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Defense Secretary William Perry joined U.S. soldiers in the mud and freezing rain Thursday to deliver a Thanksgiving message of discipline and patience for their still-unfinished mission in Bosnia.

"This is not exactly the first place you want to spend your Thanksgiving, and it's not my first choice either," Perry, making a farewell visit to the troops, told some of the 850 Army soldiers based in tents here, about 12 miles outside Tuzla. "I'm here to say thank you. You are doing the work of the Lord."

The soldiers from the 1st Infantry Division stood in an icy rain to hear the defense secretary, who also held top-level meetings with U.S. and Russian generals on the mission of NATO's new 31,000-member international force.

The new group, which succeeds a NATO peacekeeping force of twice that size, takes over Dec. 20 and includes about 8,500 U.S. troops.

Later, during a flight to Kuwait where he was meeting with more American troops, Perry said he expects the U.S. force in Bosnia to be cut to 5,500 soldiers by next fall if peace is maintained. He said NATO planners also are making preparations to bolster the number of peace keepers should an emergency develop.

"This is going to be a difficult task. It's not fighting in a war. But maintaining the security situation will demand discipline," Perry said.

He lavished praise on the soldiers, who came to Bosnia in October to protect departing U.S. troops who had been part of the year-old peacekeeping force. But he warned the young troops that they will be required to remain as part of the alliance's new "stabilization force."

At U.S. troop headquarters in Tuzla, Air Force Technical Sgt. Basil Forrest of Brooklyn, N.Y., noted that Thanksgiving is the first of several holidays he'll spend in this war-scarred land.

"I'll be here for Christmas and New Year's and my birthday" on Jan. 16, he said. "Tell my mom not to forget my present."

While the military has done its job separating Bosnia's warring factions and getting local forces to

put their heavy weapons aside, Perry said, much needs to be done on the civilian side. He said that includes the return of refugees, holding local elections and advancing the work of the war crimes tribunals.

"Civilian work has been, bluntly, slow to get off the ground," Perry said.

Perry met with Russia's deputy defense minister, Gen. Vladimir Toporov, who told reporters he expects his 1,500-member airborne brigade to stay on for the new mission along with the Americans. But its size might be cut by 200 to 300 soldiers.

Russian and U.S. forces have been conducting joint patrols in the region, a development Perry often points to with great pride.

"The peace is pretty fragile, but there is still a peace," Toporov told reporters.

Perry also met with top NATO commander Gen. George Joul-

wan, who said that the 31,000 NATO troop level could be reduced by the end of 1997 if peace endures.

Perry joined U.S. and Russian soldiers for a traditional Thanksgiving feast that included turkey, ham, corn bread dressing, cranberry sauce, peas and pumpkin and apple pie.

Americans also got a holiday break at the Aviano Air Base in northern Italy, where British and Spanish airmen took over their scheduled flights over Bosnia for the day, said Rep. Ike Skelton of Missouri, a senior Democrat on the House National Security Committee.

Skelton, who celebrated the Thanksgiving meal with two Marine squadrons, said he was impressed by their high spirits and dedication to their job. "I wish every American could see what I saw today. I'm afraid they are being forgotten at home," he said.

It is Perry's third year of visit-

ing troops in the field on Thanksgiving. He travels on to Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Japan to continue his holiday troop visits.

The 69-year-old defense secretary has given notice he won't be at the Pentagon's helm in President Clinton's second term. He appears to be using this holiday trip as a farewell to U.S. troops and to let the 1.4 million men and women in uniform know they haven't been forgotten.

Perry, who has traveled more than any other civilian head of the military, earlier told several hundred sailors in Naples that he loves traveling "to see firsthand, to hear firsthand from the troops, 'How's it going?'"

Two years ago on Thanksgiving he visited U.S. troops sent to help restore democracy in Haiti. Last year he was in Macedonia to meet with the several hundred U.S. soldiers working to ensure that the Bosnia conflict did not spill across Balkan borders.

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Most Americans stick with Thanksgiving traditions

Associated Press

While most Americans bundled up for Thanksgiving parades, relaxed with family or dished out food to the less fortunate, eight North Carolina families have a special reason to remember this holiday. They came home cradling baby girls adopted from China.

"It's the most special Thanksgiving Day ever for me," said Ken Laws, who arrived to cheers at Raleigh-Durham International Airport with his wife, Susan, and their new daughter, Hannah. "It's a culmination of a long period of waiting and wondering if this day was ever going to come."

Evan Hunziker also counted himself among the Americans glad to be home for the holiday. He was released this week after three months in North Korea on spying charges, which he denies.

"I'm having Thanksgiving dinner with my father," Hunziker, 26, said from his father's home in Parkland, Wash. "I'm happy to be back here."

Other Americans found a warm welcome and a warm meal at shelters and community centers where volunteers helped brighten their day.

"If you can't have family, this is the best you can get," Roy Viera, 28, said at a Paterson, N.J., shelter. "Here we all feel at home."

In Atlanta, the Rev. Hosea Williams' annual holiday dinner fed an estimated 35,000 people. Elsewhere, restaurants pitched in to feed the needy.

U.S. soldiers serving in Bosnia-Herzegovina shared their Thanksgiving with Defense Secretary William Perry in a festive mess hall in Tuzla.

In addition to the main meal of

turkey, cornbread dressing, mashed potatoes, corn on the cob and three kinds of pie, plates of mixed nuts and candy overflowed on every table.

"We are kind of family," said Spc. Rob Clark of Bedford, Va. "But you'd always rather be home."

Millions started the day on the streets of New York City and Detroit, or in front of televisions watching the cities' parades. The 70th Macy's Thanksgiving Parade in New York marched on in a record low of 21 degrees.

Corinne Donohue, 8, of Commack, N.Y., wrapped up in a sleeping bag to watch the helium-filled balloons and floats. "We took off our shoes in here, and it's warm," she said, displaying her socks-clad toes.

Volunteers also visited the elderly and home-bound.

"For a lot of our clients they won't get any other visit today. It would be just another day alone," said Karen Mudd, a board member of Philadelphia's Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly.

President Clinton and his family spent Thanksgiving at Camp David, Md., enjoying a traditional dinner of turkey with cornbread stuffing made from a recipe by the president's late mother, Virginia Kelley.

The only turkey in sight at The Milton Inn near Baltimore was in the smoked turkey salad. There were other birds on the menu — duck, goose, pheasant and quail — but no gobblers. The posh eatery hasn't served roast turkey on Thanksgiving for years.

"We've found that people like a change and that's why they come here," co-owner Roland Unger said. "A lot of people when they

call say 'You're not serving turkey, are you?'

It wasn't turkey in tiny Pep, Texas, where organizers laid out 5,800 pounds of German sausage for a 1,000-person dinner.

"Sometimes we've got a little left over, but it's all gone before Christmas," said Marcy Demel, 65, who has taken part in the annual feed since it began in 1945.

There was turkey on and near the table in Medford, Ore., where Mike Ayers served a plate of ground cornmeal to Strut, a 35-pound bird who might have been the main course elsewhere.

But there was no sign of another family bird, Tom the turkey, the 30-pound pet of Carol Counterman missing in Nazareth, Pa., since Sunday.

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Few worry about debt; most have rosy economic picture, poll says

NEW YORK (AP) — As Americans decide how much to spend during the holiday season, only two in 10 say they are uncomfortable with their ability to pay the bills they already owe, according to an Associated Press poll.

The nation's consumers have racked up more than \$1 trillion in debt, but the total declined recently for the first time in more than three years. Whether Americans will continue to be cautious with their credit cards at Christmastime is a question with enormous implications for retailers and the nation's economy.

In the AP poll, 29 percent say they will spend less money for gifts than in the last few years — a figure that is not unusual and has been as high as 40 percent five years ago. Fourteen percent say they will spend more, and 55 percent about the same.

"The list hasn't gotten any bigger or smaller," said Bill Deverson of Coral Springs, Fla., while looking at a Christmas display in a Manhattan store window.

But another window shopper, Ana Jordan of New York, said she decided at the beginning of this year to hold down her spending because "I have too many debts."

In the poll, 78 percent say they are comfortable they can pay their bills, and 20 percent are uncomfortable. The rest don't know or won't say.

The poll of 1,010 adults was taken by telephone Nov. 21-25 by ICR of Media, Pa. Results have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Two-thirds think the economy is holding steady or improving. The 23 percent who say it is getting better is up from just 5 percent five years ago, when Americans' financial worries reached their most recent peak. But there was even more economic optimism, 29 percent, shortly after President Clinton was first elected in 1992.

There has been a slight increase in those who say the economy is getting worse — from 27 percent in 1992 to 32 percent now. Six in 10 of these economic pessimists are women, down from seven in 10 four years ago. Republicans also are more likely to be in this category now, perhaps because Bob Dole stressed economic problems in his GOP campaign.

Generally, the poll finds low-income people are more pessimistic about the economy and their personal finances. Higher-income people, who may have benefited more from the run-up of the stock market, feel better about the economy.

Overall, 52 percent expect to have more money next year. There has been little change in this sentiment among the youngest adults, but optimism is down a bit among baby boomers. Only 22 percent think they will have less money, reflecting the confidence that comes with the low jobless rate produced by the third-longest economic expansion of the century.

The poll found that even among those who think the economy is getting worse, those who are uncomfortable with their personal debt and those who fear inflation, four in 10 still think their household finances will improve next year.

About half those polled are "very concerned" that prices are going up, and an additional 35 percent are "somewhat concerned."

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Changing inflation measure is key to balanced budget, some experts say

■ 1 percentage point trim in Consumer Price Index would yield \$628 billion in deficit savings over decade.

By Martin Crutsinger

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With both President Clinton and Congress seeking a balanced budget, the search is on for a way to save money. Some outside experts see a simple solution: measure inflation differently.

A 1 percentage point trim in the Consumer Price Index would yield \$628 billion in deficit savings over a decade. But the proposal also is political dynamite because it would lower Social Security benefits and raise taxes.

"One in four people who get Social Security rely on it for 90 percent or more of their income. Any reduction will reduce their standard of living," said Evelyn Morton, a lobbyist for the American Association of Retired Persons.

Next week, the Commission on the Consumer Price Index will produce a report to bolster its earlier finding that the current CPI measurement overstates inflation by about 1 percentage point annually,

according to sources close to the panel.

The commission also will suggest solutions, including scrapping the CPI altogether as a cost-of-living adjustment and replacing it with an alternate gauge, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The new index would seek to correct for a major problem in the current CPI by updating the market basket of goods measured on an annual basis to reflect actual buying patterns.

Currently, the CPI is based on a fixed market basket of goods that is overhauled only once every 10 years and thus doesn't reflect recent changes. The new gauge would show less inflation, the experts believe, because it would capture movements, such as when shoppers substitute cheaper products when prices go up on what they had been buying.

The new gauge would be used to make the annual adjustments to government benefits and tax brackets that are currently being made by the CPI.

So far, the Clinton administration has expressed opposition to trimming the CPI adjustments. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said the administration would only support reductions in the CPI that were recommended by the techni-

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cal experts at the Bureau of Labor Standards.

The BLS has recommended some minor changes, but they are expected to trim the CPI by only about 0.2 percentage points annually, far below the savings needed to provide significant progress toward a balanced budget.

But congressional balanced-budget supporters — Republicans and Democrats alike — believe the commission report will provide momentum for their cause. The five-member commission of distinguished economists is headed by Stanford professor Michael Boskin, chief economist in the Bush administration.

"We now have a majority in the House and Senate and a president who are saying that balancing the budget in 2002 is a worthy goal. That means there is going to have to be a lot of honest give and take on spending and tax issues," said Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas.

Using the current CPI, the nation's 44 million Social Security recipients will see their benefit checks go up by 2.9 percent in January. That translates into a \$21 increase to \$745 in the average monthly check.

However, if the CPI adjustment had been trimmed this year by 1 percentage point, that would have meant \$7 less a month. Over a decade, a reduction of that magnitude would translate into a \$5,000 loss for the average beneficiary, according to calculations by AARP.

The Congressional Budget Office, which calculated the potential 10-year, \$628 billion savings figure, said \$218.1 billion of those savings, or 35 percent, would come from lower Social Security benefits.

Another \$214.8 billion, or 34 percent, would come from higher taxes, reflecting smaller annual adjustments to keep individuals from being driven into higher tax brackets by inflation.

The other savings primarily

reflect lower cost-of-living adjustments for military and civil service pensions.

Critics already are accusing those who support reducing the CPI of seeking a back door approach for cutting Social Security and raising taxes.

But despite those attacks, the idea of limiting the annual cost-of-living increases has attracted significant support among deficit

hawks in Congress, just because the potential savings are so large.

A budget with a one-half percentage point reduction in the CPI came within five votes of passing in the Senate last year.

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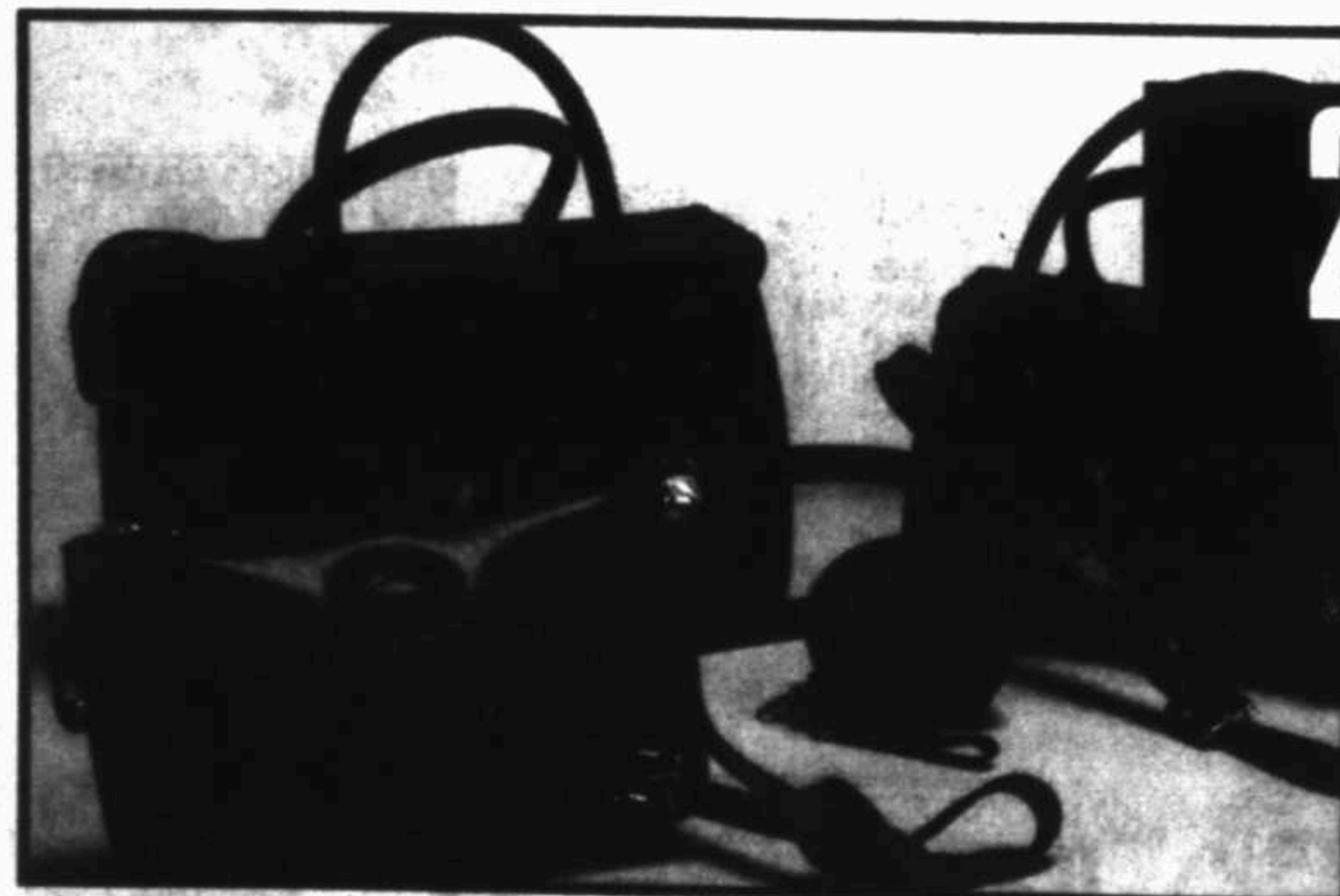
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The call came in about 9:20 p.m. that a truck carrying anhydrous hydrochloride had developed a minor leak, according to witnesses at the truck stop.

Firefighters worked to contain the leak of material, which was described as "extremely hazardous" by Fire Department personnel.

At the time of this report, the situation was being brought under control and no evacuation had been ordered for the truck stop.

A&M Club meets

The Midland A&M Club is to meet 11:30 a.m. Dec. 6 at Ranchland Hills Country Club. Officers for 1997 will be elected at the monthly luncheon. For more information call Tony Best at 688-5217.

Ballot confusion

FORT WORTH — Voter confusion caused more than 40,000 ballots cast in Dallas- and Houston-area congressional races to be thrown out, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Thursday. More than 13,000 votes for Congress in Dallas County and nearly 30,000 in the Houston area were wasted because voters bewildered by special election procedures picked two candidates for the same office, the newspaper reported, citing election records.

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Waiting on justice

BROWNSVILLE — Susie Mowbray celebrated Thanksgiving Day the same way she has for the last eight years: eating turkey and dressing with her fellow inmates inside the Gatesville state women's prison. She once thought she would be spending the holiday with her family; she thought she would have much more to be thankful for. It was a year ago Saturday that a judge recommended Mrs. Mowbray's conviction be set aside and she be granted a new trial on a charge of killing her husband.

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Hospital inquiry

GALVESTON — Disagreements about treatment and miscommunication among doctors are to blame for complaints about emergency room procedures at the University of Texas Medical Branch, the hospital's chief of staff says. Dr. Joan Richardson said a three-month investigation produced no evidence that UTMB trauma teams routinely performed needless procedures on patients or violated their rights to refuse treatment.

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TODAY'S AGENDA

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

Myrtle-Tree ministries, Women's Bible Studies, noon, 312 W. Illinois, 683-1370, 683-5670.

Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 South G. Info, 570-8612.

Recreation lessons for those with mental retardation, 682-9771.

Tall City Road Riders, dinner ride, 7 p.m., leave from Texas Am. Bank, 684-5310.

Beyond Choice support group, for those dealing with post-abortion issues, 1:30 p.m., Dot, 683-3775 or Kim, 580-HELP.

SATURDAY

Overeaters Anonymous, noon, 408 S. G Street, 694-4166; 580-7545; 684-8726.

Midland Co. Library, volunteers from the Midland Genealogical Society are available 10-12 a.m. to help beginners search their family tree.

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Landscape ordinance dies

City Council abandons measure in light of complaints

By Michael Kashgarian
Staff Writer

A proposal to create an ordinance setting minimum landscape requirements for new retail and commercial developments has been abandoned.

The City Council recently agreed to shelve the idea after city planning and zoning representatives met with a group of developers earlier this month.

The developers — about a half-dozen — were united in their opposition to the proposed ordinance.

Developers argued that the added regulations would hinder some development because of economic considerations and the City Council already can impose

landscape requirements in some instances, city officials said.

Indeed, the city can stipulate some landscaping when granting a zone change for a planned district. Such was the case on some developed areas of Loop 250 that were rezoned as planned districts for retail use.

As a result of the concerted opposition, city officials have backed down on the proposed across-the-board landscaping requirements.

"We don't want to impose further burdens or regulations that could undo some of the favorable aspects of growth we've had," Assistant City Manager Glen Hackler said.

City staff briefed the council on the

opposition and advised that there was "no middle ground" to satisfy developers. Unless a council member requests the issue be reconsidered, the proposal is dead.

At the onset of drawing up plans for a landscape ordinance, city officials said overcoming developers' opposition would be the biggest hurdle.

The idea for a landscape ordinance was discussed by city officials in the late 1980s and was revived again about three years ago as commercial development increased. In addition, Keep Midland Beautiful requested such an ordinance be pursued, city officials said.

The proposal had been reviewed and recommended by the city's Planning and

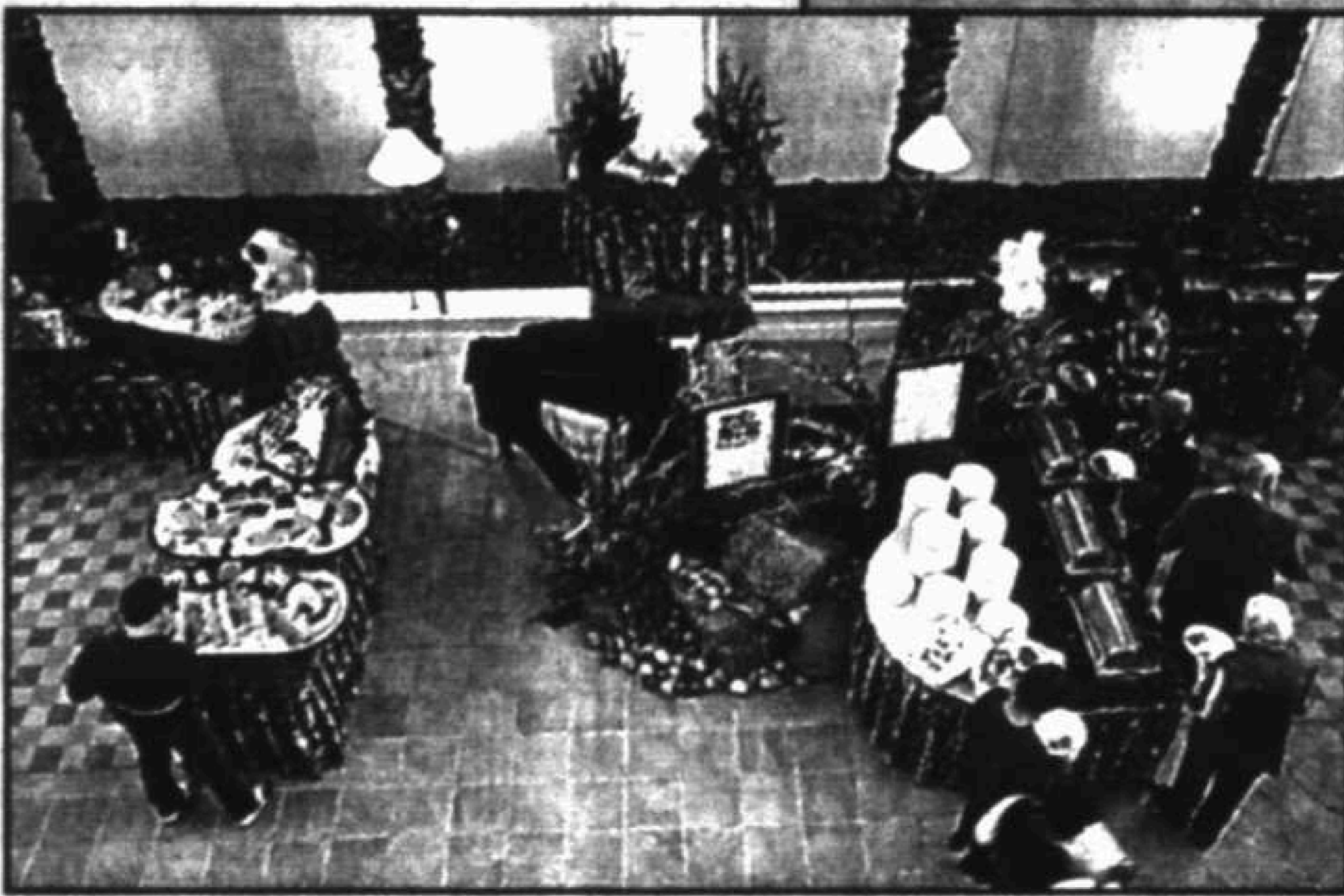
Zoning Commission and appeared favorable to the City Council a couple of months ago.

Generally, the ordinance would have required an irrigated lawn and some shrubbery and/or trees. Xeriscaping — use of native vegetation — would have been an acceptable alternative.

Also, such an ordinance would have prevented new businesses from building on entirely paved sites void of any vegetation.

Officials, during earlier talks, kept in mind that landscaping minimums might not be economically feasible or always appropriate due to location and anticipated exceptions would be permitted under the terms of the ordinance.

Giving thanks in the Tall City



Christopher Munoz, above, 3, gobbled down Thanksgiving dinner at the soup kitchen. Lora Beard and Peter Bofes, above left, put out all the trimmings that were served Thanksgiving at the Midland Soup Kitchen Ministries. The buffet at the Midland Hilton and Towers, left, was decorated with small turkeys dressed up in black-tie tate and also included the traditional turkey, roast beef, fresh-made omelets, sauteed pasta, salmon pate, fresh fruit and pies.

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Man to receive medal 51 years after war ends

From Staff Reports

Midlander James P. Merriman, who was a U.S. Marine Corps aviator during World War II, is to receive the Distinguished Flying Cross 10 a.m. Saturday in the Confederate Air Force Hangar at Midland International Airport.

A Lubbock-based Marine Corps honor guard is to participate in presenting Merriman with the DFC — awarded for heroism or extraordinary achievement in aerial combat — 51 years following the end of the war.

According to the CAF, Merriman, now 74, was a member of the Marine Corps' VMB 413 bomber squadron that was based in the Solomon Islands and flew raids against the Japanese at Rabaul, New Britain, and other installations held by the Axis force.

The VMB squadron, known for its night missions as the "Flying Nightmares," was the target of Japan's "Tokyo Rose" propaganda radio broadcasts.

Merriman and his aircrew were shot down off Bougainville in June 1944. He went on to fly 29 additional missions with the VMB 413 squadron.

Merriman piloted the twin-engine PBJ bomber, the Navy's version of the U.S. Army Air Forces' B-25.

Run away girl says she was abused by mother's boyfriend

DALLAS (AP) — Police found an 11-year-old girl Thursday who told police she ran away after her mother's boyfriend had improperly touched her.

Cecily Moore, last seen Tuesday playing in the courtyard of her northwest Dallas apartment complex, was taken in by police after her mother, Donna Harrison, brought the girl in from the cold.

Moore's mother's boyfriend was arrested on unrelated outstanding warrants, but police said he is a suspect in the sexual abuse allegation.

Ms. Harrison said the girl spent the night at a friend's before she was recovered by police and seemed to be in good condition.

"She doesn't have a bruise on her," Ms. Harrison said. "She's clean. She's healthy. She looks good."

Federal judge rejects megatheater's lawsuit

Associated Press

DALLAS — A development corporation's lawsuit over the rejection by Dallas officials of an 18-screen Tinseltown movie theater has been dismissed by a federal judge.

U.S. District Judge Barefoot Sanders ruled the city was not liable for any harm Mayfair Development Corp. may have suffered when the City Council rejected the megatheater plan in January 1994.

Council members who opposed Tinseltown felt vindicated by the Wednesday ruling.

"I think this is a resounding victory for the city," said City Council member Larry Duncan. "It's too bad we didn't do the same thing with the other two lawsuits."

The Mayfair lawsuit was one of three lawsuits brought against the city over the megatheater's rejection.

Two were settled.

The largest suit was filed by Cinemark USA Inc., a Dallas-based theater company that had pitched the proposed megatheater. The company said the council's rejection of the theater was illegal because it complied with existing zoning. Cinemark sought damages of up to \$40 million.

The case was settled in April when council members voted 12-3 to pay the company \$5 million plus \$1 million in legal fees.

A second suit brought by a real estate broker who said he lost his commission because the deal fell through, was settled this summer. The city paid him \$77,000. He'd sought \$200,000 in damages.

City council member Donna Blumer said Wednesday's ruling was proof that her colleagues made a mis-

take when they settled the other lawsuits.

"It was a big win for our side," said Ms. Blumer, whose district included the site of the proposed movie theater. "The council never should have settled."

Council member Chris Luna, however, who voted to approve Tinseltown and later to settle the legal cases, said anyone who said the cases should not have been settled was showing their ignorance because the Mayfair case was legally different from the others.

"People who are not lawyers will rally behind the Please see SCREEN/2B

Fightin' Texas Aggie Band members keep 100-year tradition going strong

By Chris Newton
Associated Press

When the Texas A&M football team takes the field Friday against its most bitter rival, the University of Texas, the team's fate will rest in the hands of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band.

Sound silly?

Not to fans who say the band's performance has been a crutch for the team when they've needed it.

"They've turned the tide before and anyone who has ever been to a game knows it," said junior Jason McKinney, an A&M spirit club member. "At Oklahoma State, we were down at halftime

and the band really got the crowd fired up. Even though we were in their place, their team couldn't hear their quarterback."

The Aggies went on to beat Oklahoma, 38-19.

Win or lose, members of A&M's band say belonging to the school's elite corps means more than being a foil for the competition of the day.

The band represents a 100-year tradition and is the last of a dying breed — the World War II-style military marching band.

"The Aggie band is recognized nation-

Please see BAND/2B



Members of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band march during halftime of the Texas A&M vs. Oklahoma game on Nov. 16 in College Station. In a recent Battle of the Bands contest the Aggies were rated among the nation's best.

AP Laserphoto

DEATHS

Guy Bradley

Graveside services for Midlander Guy Bradley, 71, are to be 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 30, at Fairview Cemetery will the Rev. Wayne Lemons officiating. Services are under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

Bradley died Monday, Nov. 25, at his residence.

He was born Nov. 30, 1925, in Rhame.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.



Bradley

He was a U.S. Army veteran. He worked for the U.S. Weather Service and retired from the civil service.

He was a member of American Mensa Ltd.

He was preceded in death by a brother.

Survivors include two nephews, including Bob Duff of San Antonio, and four nieces.

Orene Mitchell

Services for Orene Mitchell are to be 11 a.m. today, Nov. 29, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Mitchell died Monday, Nov. 25, at a local hospital.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, 2304 W. Wadley Ave., Midland 79705.

Pallbearers are to be Morris Howell, Kendale Wright, Bob Pritchett, Bill Owens, Tommy Gibson, Don Thompson, Marvin Raven and Ed Barfield.

Joseph Crook

Services for Joseph R. Crook are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

Crook died Thursday, Nov. 28, at a local hospital.

Alton Duff

Graveside services for Midlander Alton Duff are to be 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 30, at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

Duff died Monday Nov. 25, at a local hospital.

He was born Feb. 21, 1923, in Snyder, where he was raised and educated.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department Thursday

Vandalism: A rock allegedly was thrown through a window at 4706 N. Midkiff Road, reported at Western Beverages at 2:55 a.m.

Vandalism: A windshield was broken out on a vehicle at 3417 N. Midland Drive. It was reported at 1:14 p.m. by Traci Shock.

Midland Sheriff's Office Wednesday

Theft: Equipment was taken from a vehicle at 4505 S. County Road 1200. It was reported at 4:10 p.m. by Douglas Everett.

Burglary of a residence: A report was made at 4208 Cotton Flat Road. The incident was

reported at 5:08 p.m. by Paul Weldon Slough.

Theft: A telephone was taken at 9600 S. County Road 1200. It was reported at 5:32 p.m. by Scottie Mansfield.

Thursday

Theft: Beer was taken at 13920 W. Highway 80. It was reported at 3:04 a.m. at South-west Convenience Stores.

Burglary of a business: Beer was taken at 2622 S. Texas Highway 349. It was reported at 4:32 a.m. at Town & Country.

Anyone having information concerning these incidents should contact the Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

SCREEN: Federal judge throws out lawsuit filed by megatheater group

(From 1B)

political rhetoric that we should not have settled," he said. "It's absolutely political. They will try to resuscitate this as their last hurrah instead of admitting to any responsibility that they were accountable."

Mayfair had contracted to purchase the theater site and sell it to a subsidiary of Cinemark. Mayfair would retain a portion of the land and develop a restaurant at the site. The company sought \$1.75 million from the city — including \$250,000 in legal fees — contending that it lost money when the deal fell through because the project was denied.

Judge Sanders ruled that May-

fair did not have a constitutional-ly-protected property interest in the site and said the company failed to show that the city's denial of the project was directed specifically against Mayfair. He also ruled that the council's decision to reject the plan was not "arbitrary and capricious" something that Cinemark had contended.

"I'm absolutely ecstatic," said neighborhood leader Kathy Coffman. "It tells me that if we had gone to court and not settled and had the kind of representation we should have...the taxpayers would not be out \$5 million."

Supreme Court taskforce makes election proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — A Texas Supreme Court task force proposed Wednesday that nonpartisan elections to confirm state judicial appointments as a means of reforming how judges are selected.

The Judicial Selection Task Force proposed the step to increase diversity on the bench and "ensure that Texas judges are qualified, ethical and accountable to the voters," said Task Force Chairman Tom Luce.

The specific proposals will be presented on Dec. 13 to the Commission on Judicial Efficiency, a panel commissioned by the Texas Legislature to improve the state's judicial system.

The proposals call for all judicial vacancies to be filled by gubernatorial appointments, subject to

confirmation by two-thirds of the Texas Senate.

The appointed judges would then participate in wide-open, nonpartisan elections during the next election cycle in which that court is up for election.

If the appointee wins, he or she thereafter would submit only to uncontested retention elections, in which voters would vote only on whether to retain the judge.

However, if a challenger wins, he or she would face a contested election after serving two years in office, then would face retention votes if they survive the contested election.

The recommendation was approved by two-thirds of the task force. A minority report will accompany the recommendation to the commission.

BAND: Aggies carry on 100-year tradition

(From 1B)

wide as one of the only true military bands in the nation," said Col. Rich Dunn, the band director.

"If we were to change to the modern, contemporary style, that would really be the end of it — a distinct style of collegiate band would be no more."

In the recent ESPN Battle of the Bands competition on the Internet, the Aggies were selected as one of the top 16 bands in the nation. The competition allowed voters from around the nation to cast their votes for the top bands.

The Aggies were eliminated in the third round by Dartmouth University. But the Internet site described the A&M band as the "most precise and intricate band in the nation."

Richard Floyd, executive officer of the College Band Directors National Association, said most university bands have gone to a show style, using a quicker step, a lot of jazz and other concepts more closely associated with contemporary music.

"As far as universities that are a part of the top echelon of college athletics, there's no one else that does what they do, either in style or in size," said Floyd, the state director of music at UT.

On game day, the Aggie band performs in army green and khaki uniforms and relies on bass and light brass to supply a thundering undertone for its military sound. Dunn said the band rarely does "tricks" like spelling out names or formations, but instead marches in narrow patterns. Every mistake is

obvious, and a small misstep might result in a collision.

The band also performs a new field routine every week.

"It's not just a game out here," said Mike Maltberger, a four-year member of the Texas A&M Core of Cadets. "Every member of the band has to spend two years in the ROTC so that they can precision march."

Maltberger says achieving that level of accuracy means grueling practices and military training.

Every morning at 6, a shrill whistle awakens the band members, who live in a separate dormitory. Within 15 minutes, all units must be dressed and headed to Kyle Field for the day's two-hour practice.

The band, run like a military operation, practices regardless of

the weather.

"We've played in 114-degree heat before... we've played in the frozen rain," Maltberger said. "There's no doubt about it... you have to love it."

Drum Major Shane Tanner said the dropout rate is high among freshmen.

"I can respect that some people decide that maybe this is not for them," said Tanner, a senior. "It's tough, but you can't be a military band without putting in this amount of effort."

The Aggies will play two traditional military anthem-style pieces at the halftime of Friday's game: The Noble Men of Kyle and a variation of The Yellow Rose of Texas.

Boot camp program whips dropouts into shape

By David Cannella
New York Times Service

'Here, I'm realizing I'm not as strong as I thought. I always thought I had all the answers. I'm finding out there's a lot I don't know.'

— Suzanne Chole, enrolled in Project Challenge

PHOENIX — The instructor looks at Suzanne Chole's pencil.

"It doesn't look like it's sharpened correctly," he says. "Drop and give me 20."

The petite 18-year-old pumps out a clean repetition of military-style push-ups. Back in her seat, she continues her studies.

"It can be for anything," she says. "They're really into push-ups here."

"Here" is Project Challenge, a five-month live-in program for high-school dropouts.

Run by the Arizona National Guard, the program, on the Williams Gateway Airport campus in southeast Mesa, is designed to get youths into shape, mind and body.

"The style here is a military style, a no-nonsense approach," says Staff Sgt. Don Smith, dean of students for the program. "Teen-agers need a lot of structure, and that's what we provide."

Unlike other "boot camp" programs, such as one run by the Arizona Department of Corrections for young offenders, the approach here mixes strong discipline with compassion.

The main goal: Study for and pass the test for a general-equivalency diploma.

The program began in 1993 with a federal grant of \$2.5 million. However, as the federal government scales back support it was cut 22 percent last year. The project's challenge now is to find alternative sources to keep afloat.

The Maricopa County Attorney's Office pre-

sented a grant this week of \$25,000 to program administrators.

Officials want to raise \$600,000 and will be looking to the Legislature for help.

The participants, who range in age from 16 to 18, cannot have a history of violent offenses and must be drug free — no illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco use. And, unlike most rigorous boot-camp programs, they must want to be take part.

Chole, who dropped out of Dobson High School in Mesa her senior year, said she learned a lot about herself since she arrived in October.

"I was running with the wrong crowd in high school," she says. "I was ditching school, getting high that's what was fun for me."

"Here, I'm realizing I'm not as strong as I thought. I always thought I had all the answers. I'm finding out there's a lot I don't know."

The program, which has about 100 youths, stresses teamwork.

It's up at 5 a.m., for a day full of physical fitness, classroom work, study and reflection. There are inspections, marching in formation, team projects and community-service work.

There's no TV, loud music, long hair or flashy jewelry.

And there's no cost to the participants. Each receives a weekly allowance of \$10. After completing the five-month live-in program, they are eligible for a \$1,200 stipend that can be applied toward tuition for college or trade school.

So far, about 500 young people have gone through the program, with nearly 90 percent of them obtaining their GED. Most come from broken homes, have no strong male role model, and have regularly used drugs such as marijuana.

Andrew Chapa, 17, dropped out of Trevor Browne High School in west Phoenix his freshman year. He had gotten a girl pregnant, and tried to find work to support her and his newborn daughter.

"But I didn't get work," he said. "I got into a gang and into drugs. I wasn't headed anywhere in life. I knew that."

Chapa, who said his father is in prison on a manslaughter conviction, saw Project Challenge featured on a TV news program and called.

He's studying hard for his GED and hopes to go on to community college and then into the military.

Teachers here have been caring, something he said he didn't feel in high school.

Report: More than 40,000 ballots thrown out

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Voter confusion caused more than 40,000 ballots cast in Dallas- and Houston-area congressional races to be thrown out, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Thursday.

More than 13,000 votes for Congress in Dallas County and nearly 30,000 in the Houston area were wasted because voters bewildered by special election procedures picked two candidates for the same office, the newspaper reported, citing election records.

More than 10,000 votes — one of every dozen ballots — were thrown out in the 30th Congressional District congressional race won by Democratic incumbent Eddie Bernice Johnson of Dallas because people voted twice, Dallas election records show.

"It's disappointing to think someone thought they were voting correctly and then had their vote not count," said Dallas County elections administrator Bruce Sherbet.

The special elections, ordered by a federal court, allowed more than one candidate from a particular party to run for the same congressional seat. In some districts, as many as half a dozen candidates or more were listed.

Many voters became confused and picked two or more candidates for the same congressional seat, Sherbet said.

"Where you saw it happen the most was where you had a party with more than one candidate in the race, such as two Democrats," Sherbet said.

Several thousand votes were also voided because of multiple voting in five other North Texas congressional races, including 2,193 votes in the 24th Congressional District race won by Democratic incumbent Martin Frost of Dallas.

Despite publicity efforts, election officials said, fears of voter confusion were realized.

Beverly Clark, a Harris County congressional candidate who

missed a runoff against Democratic incumbent Ken Bentsen Jr. by 200 votes, is challenging the result in federal court. The challenge is based largely on a separate voting problem reported recently, in which thousands did not vote for congressional candidates, officials said.

Not enough Dallas County ballots were voided to cause a similar challenge, Sherbet said. Although 10,449 votes were thrown out in Johnson's race because people voted twice, she beat her closest challenger in a nine-candidate field by 41,000 votes.

Because of the special election, congressional races were listed separately. Voters casting straight-party ballots were required to vote separately for Congress.

But many voters mistakenly thought a straight-party vote included all races, as it usually does, and did not vote separately for Congress, officials said. More than 100,000 voters in Tarrant and

Dallas counties did not vote for congressional candidates, officials said.

On ballots where voters voted twice in the same race or did not vote for congressional candidates, votes for other races such as for president were still counted.

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November 26, 1986

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She Makes Me Thankful

She was there this morning, just like she has been for over two years. Across the church parking lot, down the street to get groceries and things, and four blocks back home to an invalid husband who waits. It is some kind of miracle from God, and every time I see her, I am thankful.

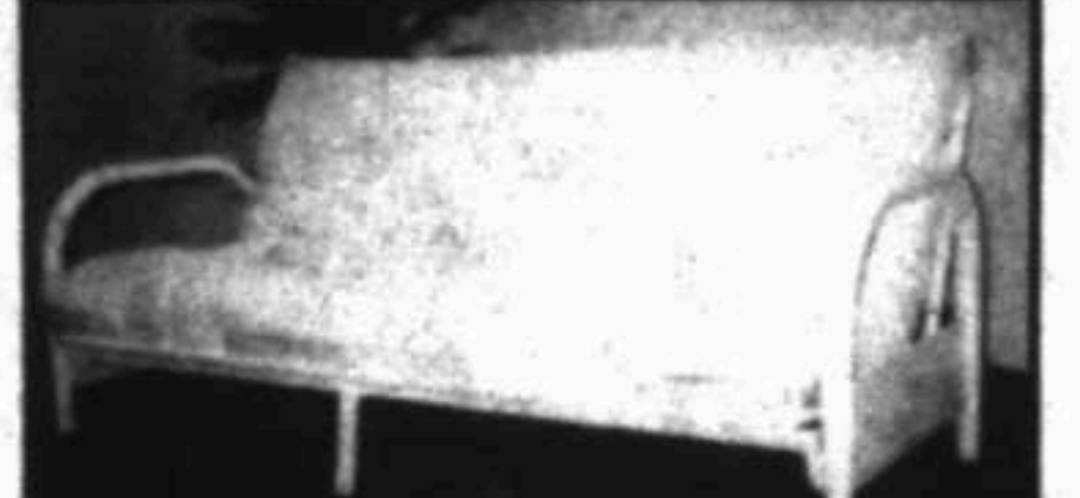
When we first met and talked, she was kind but distant. She was struggling on a walker then and clutching a sackful of things. I offered to help but she declined. I invited her to worship, and she kindly spoke of her faith and church. A few weeks later I drove up, and found her unconscious on the pavement. It was epilepsy, but she refused help from EMTs that day, and kept on walking. Two years later, she has discarded the walker, then a cane, and now there's just a slight limp. To me, she is a sign of God's love for all, and some kind of miracle.

And, she makes me thankful. Thankful that those with faith and heart can do it. The Bible says, "With God, all things are possible." Mark 10:27. Her determination to keep moving and doing what she can to survive, and win. She makes me thankful for my own health, and to know her.

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By Pauline A
Associated Press

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Mother, son anxiously await decision from court on invalid evidence

By Pauline Arrillaga
Associated Press

BROWNSVILLE — Susie Mowbray celebrated Thanksgiving Day the same way she has for the last eight years: eating turkey and dressing with her fellow inmates inside the Gatesville state women's prison.

She once thought she would be spending the holiday with her family; she thought she would have much more to be thankful for.

It was a year ago Saturday that a judge recommended Mrs. Mowbray's conviction be set aside and she be granted a new trial on a charge of killing her husband.

The ruling, based on new evidence that the state's blood-spatter expert gave scientifically invalid testimony during trial, was forwarded to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals on Dec. 5 for a final decision.

At the time, Mrs. Mowbray and her son — a 25-year-old law student who has worked almost four years trying to prove his mother's innocence — had hoped she'd be out for Christmas.

But as holiday after holiday passes, Mrs. Mowbray remains behind bars while her case awaits resolution.

Although Mrs. Mowbray says she believes she will be released, she has stopped planning on holidays with her family.

"You learn to prepare for the worst," she told The Associated Press in an interview this week. "I have to prepare myself for another Christmas here, and I have."

Her son, Wade Burnett, also struggles to deal with the uncertainty.

"It's incredibly difficult to have to live with that kind of indefiniteness, to not be able to make any plans about the future," he said.

"We've lived with a year of that."

Mrs. Mowbray, 48, a one-time cheerleader and beauty queen in her hometown of Shreveport, La., was convicted in May 1988 of killing her husband, Bill Mowbray, at their home outside of Brownsville. She was sentenced to life in prison.

She has contended all along that Mowbray, a wealthy car dealer, shot himself in their bed one night

'A judge ruled in my favor — where is the logic in this? Where is the justice? Doesn't this qualify as cruel and unusual punishment.'

— Susie Mowbray,
Texas prison inmate

because of financial and emotional troubles.

Burnett, who at 16 was in the courtroom when his mother was convicted of his stepfather's murder, began a quest in 1993 to prove her innocence. He filed a new appeal based on evidence that appeared to contradict the state's expert witness on blood-spatter.

The witness, Austin police Sgt. Dusty Hesskew, testified at trial that scientific tests had discovered microscopic blood-spatter on Mrs. Mowbray's nightgown, even though no bloodstains were visible.

At an evidentiary hearing ordered by the Court of Criminal Appeals in August 1995, Hesskew admitted his trial testimony was scientifically invalid because a

follow-up test was not conducted to confirm his findings.

State District Judge Darrell Hester ruled that without that testimony, there was "another equally reasonable hypothesis other than the applicant's guilt: Mowbray's death was suicide or an accident."

Opinions differ as to whether one year is a long time to wait for the appeals court to decide such a case.

Mrs. Mowbray's attorney, Robert Ford, called the length of deliberations "highly unusual."

"If the same trial court judge had ruled in favor of the state, we'd have had a decision within 30 days of the recommendation reaching the court," Ford said. "There is no

reason for this. It really is reprehensible."

Richard Wetzel, the court's executive administrator, said the Mowbray case is simply making its way through the process. Cases that present issues requiring in-depth review and analysis can take up to three years to resolve, he said.

In the meantime, Mrs. Mowbray goes about her daily routine in prison. She works as a clerk in the education and recreation office, crochets, reads and writes letter after letter to her family and friends.

What she dreams of, however, is returning to the life she once knew.

"I just want to wash dishes, sleep in a real bed, buy groceries, cook — normal things," she said. "This isn't normal."

She says the love of her family has encouraged her to remain hopeful, but she acknowledges the past year was the hardest of all her time in jail.

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"I don't understand," she said, "and I don't have the answers."

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Complaints about UTMB are unfounded, hospital's chief of staff says

Associated Press

GALVESTON — Disagreements about treatment and miscommunication among doctors are to blame for complaints about emergency room procedures at the University of Texas Medical Branch, the hospital's chief of staff says.

Dr. Joan Richardson said a three-month investigation produced no evidence that UTMB trauma teams routinely performed needless procedures on patients or violated their rights to refuse treatment. "Of the cases we've investigated and the cases we've looked at, we've found nothing substantiated," Ms. Richardson said Wednesday. "I'm still responding to the complaints or allegations that have been

raised by former and present employees." The allegations stemmed from an honest disagreement among the emergency room employees, Ms. Richardson said. Poor communication worsens the situation, she added.

"I think there is a major miscommunication and I think there is a wide divergence of opinion in terms of what constitutes the best medical management of patients who suffer trauma," she said.

The hospital official said two cases of alleged patients' rights violations cited in Houston Chronicle reports were investigated and found meritless.

Ms. Richardson disagreed with a former patient who told the Chronicle that she felt

'I felt raped, honest to God.'
— Peggy LeRoy,
homemaker, former LVN

as if she had been raped instead of examined in a UTMB trauma service room after a car accident in April.

"I know that case and I know the details about that case, and I have to tell you that the information that I know about that case varies a good deal from the information that was in the newspaper," Ms. Richardson said.

However, patient-privacy laws prevented her from giving UTMB's versions

of the two incidents, she said. "I have a disadvantage in that I am morally and ethically bound not to discuss patient matters," Ms. Richardson said. "That's confidential."

Peggy LeRoy, 43, said the UTMB trauma service team members inserted a urinary catheter in her against her will and only her vehement protests stopped them from inserting a tube through her nose into her stomach.

"I felt raped, honest to God," said Ms. LeRoy, a Bolivar Peninsula homemaker and former licensed vocational nurse. "They cut my clothes off of me; they did a rectal exam with no curtains drawn," LeRoy told the Chronicle. "I'm 43 years

old, a grandmother, and I'm butt-naked where anybody walking down the hall could see me."

Such treatment is "assault and battery," said Stephanie Hohman, a registered nurse who recently quit UTMB after three years because of controversy over trauma service practices.

She and other UTMB employees, past and present, told the Chronicle that surgical residents, interns and medical students who make up trauma teams routinely force nasogastric tubes (those inserted into the stomach via the nose), urinary catheters and intravenous needles into patients who have exercised their legal right to refuse treatment.

Judge throws out cable-theft charges against officer

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A judge has thrown out cable-theft charges against a San Antonio police officer who argued that a warrant against him was improperly obtained by an off-duty detective working for the cable company.

Willie Mendez was facing charges of misdemeanor criminal mischief and cable theft, both Class B misdemeanors punishable by up to a year in jail and a fine up to \$4,000.

"I'm not defending anybody for stealing cable... but the problem was the way the cable company went about (recovering stolen boxes)," said Mendez's attorney, Bill Berchelmann.

The case was dismissed Tuesday by County Court No. 8 Judge Karen Crouch. Mendez still could

be disciplined by the police department pending an investigation.

Paragon Cable spokesman T.J. Connolly said the company has had a longstanding relationship with the Police Department in which off-duty officers have served warrants for the cable operator.

Berchelmann said the detective didn't tell a magistrate he was working for Paragon at the time he requested the warrant.

According to court records, Mendez was served the warrant at his North Side apartment Sept. 1 by Detective James Jones.

Jones is one of two officers allowed to work for the cable company during off-duty hours, but Deputy Police Chief Albert Ortiz said that Jones never was cleared to execute arrest or search warrants for the company.

Ortiz said the matter was a miscommunication between Jones and his supervisors, and said the officer would not be disciplined.

"We don't have a policy specifically geared for that type of work," Ortiz said. "Of course it opened our eyes... one of the things we did not was that (off-duty) work permits from now on will have to be specific as to their duties."

In the meantime, Ortiz said Jones had been ordered not to seek or execute any warrants for Paragon.

Connolly said Paragon has been paying off-duty officers to serve the warrants for about a year, leading to the recovery of more than 50 illegally obtained cable boxes.

The premise behind using off-duty officers, he said, is so the

Police Department can use its resources for higher priority crimes.

"I'm concerned that the judge does not understand the law upon which she is ruling," Connolly said. "I find it highly, highly unusual that the only time this matter has been challenged in court is when it involves a San Antonio Police Department officer."

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When the car reached a dead end, the man inside the pursued car jumped out and fled on foot, Wilkins said. Police fired one or two shots at the man and captured him, but Wilkins said it was not clear if the man was hit.

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Nuns shelter homeless girls to age 18 in Mexican border town

By Marisa Taylor
Associated Press

REYNOSA, Mexico — Sister Natividad speaks softly and carries a big stick.

Once angered by the kidnapping of a 10-year-old girl, the mother superior of a local convent here grabbed a stick and marched to the notorious red light district known as "Boys Town."

Confronted by burly men who guard the neighborhood, Sister Natividad — who barely reaches 5 feet tall — threatened to strike anyone blocking her path.

Grudgingly allowed to pass, the nun began looking in the dozens of strip joints lining the neighborhood's streets. Sister Natividad finally found the young girl in a cramped room, bound and gagged. "I thought I had walked into hell," the 56-year-old nun says. "Everyone looked like little devils. It was horrible."

Fearing the wrath of a nun, Sister Natividad says the kidnappers quickly freed the girl destined for sale into prostitution.

The mother superior, head of a convent known as Casa Amparo, where homeless girls are sheltered, often finds herself in situations most people might find baffling.

"Sometimes, I don't know what to do," she says. "But I have to do something because otherwise the girls would end up on the street or become prostitutes."

Sister Natividad, who shed her last name when she became a nun more than four decades ago, cares for about 20 homeless girls in a quiet convent on the outskirts of this city, which sits on the border south of McAllen, Texas.

The girls, ranging in age from

four months to 18, come from city slums and impoverished rural towns.

Some are runaways who fled incest or abuse. Others, deserted by one or both parents, fend for themselves on the streets. Often, their fathers are drug addicts and their mothers are prostitutes.

"I never had a real home until I came here," says Gabi Roa, a 16-year-old from Veracruz. "This place is like a paradise for me."

To the nuns, the refuge represents almost two decades of struggle.

More than 17 years ago, they arrived to a dusty patch of land with no money. Drumming up donations, the nuns supervised construction of dormitories, a large kitchen complete with bread ovens and a school house.

The nuns also scraped together funds for a driveway, cobblestone paths and a vegetable garden. Recently, a wealthy family donated an unadorned chapel dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

The result is a serene sanctuary in the heart of a rough-and-tumble working class neighborhood.

Eleven nuns carefully watch over the girls, alternately playing the role of mother, teacher and counselor.

"Look children, you have to study hard to get somewhere," Sister Natividad advises the girls. "Don't think about your mother. Don't think about your father. You don't have to end up like them."

Despite their best efforts, the nuns know some girls will return to the city streets.

"You are here of your own free will," Sister Natividad tells the girls. "Nobody is forcing you to stay."

Since the shelter's inception,

hundreds of Mexican girls have chosen the security of the convent's walls.

Sister Natividad recounts the story of a 13-year-old girl who arrived to the shelter impregnated by her own father. At the time, doctors predicted the girl would die unless she underwent an abortion.

The nuns found themselves in a serious religious quandary. Catholicism forbids abortion, yet they could not allow the girl to die.

With the help of U.S. volunteer workers, Sister Natividad tracked down a Michigan doctor who was willing to perform a risky operation that saved both mother and child.

The story ran on television shows on both sides of the Rio Grande. The girl, mesmerized by the publicity, chose to leave the convent before her 18th birthday. Soon, the girl put her child up for adoption and returned to the city streets.

"She was so smart," Sister Natividad says sadly.

But the nun resumes her determined manner as she straightens her white and black habit.

"Sometimes you have to be hardhearted," she says with a sigh. "You can't cry over one girl when you have 30 more at your door."

The nuns also remain pragmatic about each girl's future.

Many of the girls, arriving to the shelter with an elementary school education, are years behind their peers in schooling.

"We don't fool ourselves," Sister Natividad says. "If these girls stay off the streets and learn to read and write, they're lucky. Most of them will live simple lives."

The mother superior encourages the girls to seek normal lives. The girls, who wear red plaid uniforms in the shelter, are prohibited from joining the convent.

"We don't want our children to be scared of the outside world," she says. "We tell them when they grow up, they can have normal lives."

The girls agree that the convent walls sometimes seem a little too safe.

"Outside, I feel like someone will make fun of me," 16-year-old Roa says, quietly looking down at her

hands. "Sometimes, I'm afraid to leave."

Many of the girls, however, flourish under the nuns' care. For these girls, the shelter represents the first taste of a stable life.

"I feel calm and safe here," Cynthia Rodriguez Sosa, a 16-year-old Tampico native, says. "I have more confidence."

Roa, who last saw her parents eight years ago, says she became attached to the nuns only after a few months at the shelter.

"They are like mothers to me," she says. "I love them."

The nuns, who receive no government funding, depend almost entirely on charitable donations from Rio Grande Valley residents

and U.S. retirees who travel to the border area from the Midwest every winter.

The volunteers, charmed by the outspoken mother superior and her noble cause, often work long hours to help out. One 70-year-old man set aside several days to construct a table for the convent's kitchen. A McAllen microbiologist parked her BMW along a Valley road and sold sweet bread baked by the nuns.

"Some days are difficult," Sister Natividad says. "But help always miraculously arrives."

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NASA lacks spacewalk expertise as station work looms, senior astronaut says

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Think of it as going from building a treehouse to building a skyscraper.

That's the challenge facing NASA as the space agency goes from occasional practice spacewalks like the one planned Thursday night aboard shuttle Columbia, to construction of the international space station beginning in just one year.

Senior astronaut and veteran spacewalker Story Musgrave warns that NASA needs to start hustling. Right now, he says, the agency lacks the necessary spacewalking expertise and equipment.

"It's moving a little slow right now and it will take an exponential to get us where we need to be."

— Story Musgrave,
senior astronaut and veteran spacewalker

"We're going to have to get high-fidelity trainers, the right number of trainers, the right amount of fidelity. ... We are going to have to ramp up those resources and the capabilities to handle that amount of spacewalking. We're not there yet," Musgrave said before rocketing into orbit aboard Columbia on Nov. 19.

"It's moving a little slow right now," he added, "and it will take an exponential to get us where we

need to be."

That's powerful stuff, especially considering the source.

Musgrave, 61, a six-time space flier and the world's oldest spaceman, was the lead spacewalker for the Hubble Space Telescope repair mission in 1993. He helped design the spacesuits currently used by astronauts and, in 1983, performed the first spacewalk of the shuttle era.

This time, the plan called for

Musgrave to stay inside and direct a 6 1/2-hour spacewalk by Tamara Jernigan and Thomas Jones.

Their mission was to test a crane and other tools that will be used to build the 470-ton international station, the length of a football field. They will float back outside Saturday night for another 6 1/2-hour practice session.

NASA chose two spacewalk rookies in order to add to the pool of 19 active astronauts with spacewalking experience.

The Russians already have considerable spacewalking skill because their Mir station has been orbiting for nearly 11 years.

A Russian rocket is supposed to launch the first chunk of the international station on Thanksgiving Day 1997. One week later,

shuttle Endeavour will haul up part No. 2. And so it will go, and go, and go, until the station is completed in June 2002.

NASA expects U.S. shuttle astronauts will have to perform more than 60 spacewalks to build the orbiting laboratory — and that does not include maintenance. Russian cosmonauts will have their gloved hands full, too, with some 30 spacewalks. Crunch time in the five-year schedule will be around the year 2000.

In 15 years of space shuttle flight, U.S. astronauts have conducted 33 spacewalks. After this mission, it should be 35.

This is the fifth of six shuttle mis-

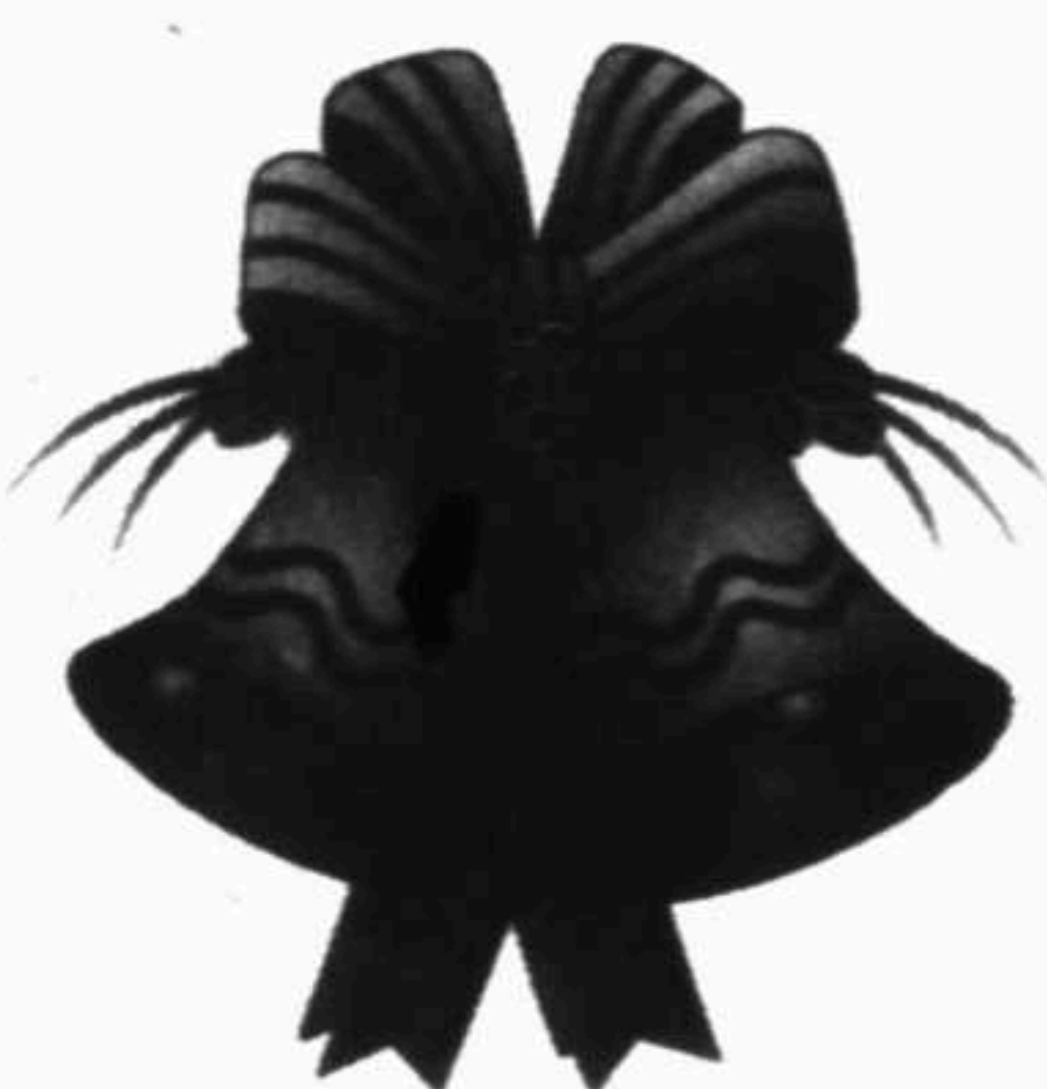
sions with station-building dress rehearsals. The sixth, next fall, will look at an astronaut's spacewalking stamina after four months of weightlessness.

"We certainly have a big task ahead of us and it's like nothing we've done before. We are aware of that," said Daryl Schuck, the NASA flight controller in charge of Columbia's spacewalks.

"There is certainly a long way we have to go, to learn," he said. "We're doing everything we can do to proceed smartly through this test series to make sure that we're getting the most bang for our buck and learning all the lessons we can."

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Ambassador, Terri decided to undiplomatically discuss the State Department's efforts to recruit the Foreign Service. "Just putting out that you are an employer does not say Toddman, a diplomat who retired in no interest in having several black officers — some retired — described in a two-paragraph report as a "smug white male." The department aggressively to lure women — into its ranks — it is having difficulty with the higher-paid and contending cracy that creates periods between actual assignments.

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Despite efforts, State Department attracts relatively few minorities

By George Gedda
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — For a six-time ambassador, Terence Todman is decidedly undiplomatic when he discusses the State Department's efforts to recruit more blacks for the Foreign Service.

"Just putting on your stationery that you are an equal opportunity employer does not make you one," says Todman, a black former diplomat who retired in 1993. "There is no interest in having minorities."

Several black Foreign Service officers — some current, some retired — describe a culture of exclusion at an institution described in a two decade-old government report as a haven for "smug white males."

It's a charge the State Department denies emphatically. The department says it is moving aggressively to lure blacks — and women — into its ranks. But it says it is having difficulty competing with the higher-paying private sector and contending with a bureaucracy that creates long waiting periods between application and actual assignment.

The department has touted Foreign Service careers in minority print media and broadcast outlets. In one recent year, State Department recruiters went to more than 200 schools and professional organizations, reaching 40,000 individuals, half of whom were minorities and females. The department also is offering scholarships to promising minorities and women in return for a 4 1/2-year commitment to the Foreign Service.

At one point, the State Department established a "near pass" category for blacks taking the written examination for entry into the Foreign Service. That meant that if the number of blacks passing the exam did not reach a specified target, some who failed would be allowed to proceed, leapfrogging whites who posted higher, albeit failing, grades.

The gambit had little impact on black membership in the Foreign Service; nearly 90 percent of "near passers" were eliminated in the oral exam, officials said.

To make the State Department culture more hospitable to blacks and women, the department instituted a "diversity awareness" program for all managers and supervisors. Also, officials say, promotions for blacks come far easier now than before; the number of black males in senior Foreign Service grades is more than double what it was in 1983.

Yet the minority numbers

remain low, especially for black males; there are fewer now than there were 13 years ago — 142 compared with 160. In 1983, blacks made up just 4.8 percent of all Foreign Service officers. Today, the number is only fractionally higher: 5.2 percent. Nationally, blacks comprise about 12 percent of the population.

Efforts to attract women have been far more successful. Over the past 13 years, the net number of women Foreign Service officers has increased by 500, and women now account for 27 percent of the total, compared with 15 percent in 1983.

But Todman, among others, believes that when it comes to attracting minorities, the department is just going through the motions.

"Letters are sent, statements are made but there is no follow-up," he says.

Ulrich Haynes, another black former Foreign Service officer who served as ambassador to Algeria, expresses frustration "that we do not have a minority ambassador serving in a major post anywhere in the world."

The director general of the Foreign Service, Tony Quainton, says money is a major reason why many blacks — and whites as well — shun the Foreign Service.

"People who have money as their first and foremost consideration are not going to come into the department," says Quainton, who notes that entry level Foreign Service officer pay — \$30,000 to \$40,000 — is often a third or more less than the pay of some corporations, which are no less eager than the State Department to recruit black talent.

Another drawback, says Quainton, is that cumbersome State

Department processes often make prospective officers wait up to two years before actual hiring.

It was not until 1961 that the first black Foreign Service officer won an ambassadorship. There have been 31 others since then. Other blacks have accepted ambassadorships as political appointees.

Small poor African countries have been the destination of the great majority of black Foreign Service ambassadors. Only two have served in NATO countries and only one each has gone to Asia or the Middle East.

For the past two decades, the State Department has been brought to court by blacks — and women — who allege the system is

biased against them.

In 1976, a group of Foreign Service women sued, and a U.S. District court ruled in their favor in 1987. This past spring, as an outgrowth of a 1986 discrimination suit, the State Department agreed to pay \$3.8 million to black Foreign Service officers. It also granted retroactive promotions to 17 officers.

Early in the Clinton administration, Clifton Wharton Jr., the son of a black Foreign Service officer, was named the State Department's second ranking official but it soon became apparent that Wharton's duties were not commensurate with his title. He left the department after nine months.

Meanwhile, the department was pushing diversity on other fronts. On Jan. 11, 1994, then-State Department legal adviser Conrad Harper, who is black, stood before a large gathering of department employees and said, "It simply will not do to walk into a bureau in this place and not find anybody who looks like me. It will not do. Nor will it do to walk into a bureau in this place and find only one person who looks like me."

The remark astonished some veteran State Department hands, who said it seemed to ignore the legal requirement that merit must be taken into account in personnel decisions.

In a recent memo, Secretary of State Warren Christopher asserted that racial and gender preferences will not be tolerated in personnel decisions.



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Officials search for teens linked to 'vampire' cult in couple's slaying

EUSTIS, Fla. (AP) — A group of teens from a self-described "Vampire Clan" in Kentucky was being sought on murder warrants Thursday in the bludgeoning deaths of a Florida couple.

Richard and Naomi Wendorf were found beaten to death late Monday and their 15-year-old daughter, Heather, was missing. At first, investigators feared she had been abducted. Then they realized she was a suspect, along with her former boyfriend and three other teen-agers linked to the Kentucky group.

"They apparently like to suck blood. They cut each other's arms and suck the blood. They cut up small animals and suck the blood. They honestly believe they're vampires," Murray, Ky., police detective

Sgt. Mike Jump said Thursday.

Miss Wendorf, a granddaughter of a former official with the organization of evangelist Billy Graham, was thought to be traveling with the Kentucky teens in her father's blue 1994 Ford Explorer.

The vehicle was missing when Miss Wendorf's 17-year-old sister, Jennifer, found her parents' bodies in separate rooms of their rural home late Monday night, the Lake County sheriff's office said.

The sheriff's office said there was no evidence of satanic rituals in the deaths, but they said Miss Wendorf had told friends she was a demon in past lives and had talked with spirits during human blood-drinking rituals.

Prosecutors issued murder warrants Wednesday for Miss Wendorf; Roderick Ferrell, 16; and Dana Cooper, 19, both of Murray; and Scott Anderson, 16, of Mayfield, Ky.

Another teen-ager from Murray, Sarah "Shea" Remington, 16, also known as Charity Lynn Keesee, was charged with being an accessory to murder after the fact.

Ferrell lived in Florida for a while and attended Eustis High School with Heather before dropping out last year, according to newspapers in central Florida and western Kentucky. Eustis is 30 miles northwest of Orlando.

The Orlando Sentinel reported Wednesday that Ferrell and Miss Wendorf dated

for two years and kept in touch when he moved back to Kentucky. It said his mother is facing attempted sodomy and rape charges on a 14-year-old boy authorities say she tried to initiate into the vampire cult.

Efforts to have Kentucky authorities confirm the account on Thanksgiving were unsuccessful.

From what authorities and schoolmates told the Sentinel, Ferrell and Miss Wendorf stood out in their rural communities. He sported shoulder-length black hair, wore a black trench coat, carried a wooden stick and boasted of immortality as a vampire. She wore purple hair, black fish-net stockings and a dog chain around her neck.

Police in Kentucky suspect the teen-agers' cult, "The Vampire Clan," has about 30 members.

Earlier this month, Calloway County officials said one of the Murray teen-agers was charged with three misdemeanor counts for breaking into the animal shelter. One puppy was stomped to death, and another was mutilated. Kentucky law prevents a juvenile from being identified in such cases.

James Wendorf, a 75-year-old retired lawyer for the Billy Graham Crusade, hopes investigators are wrong about his granddaughter.

"Heather's so quiet. She's a demure little girl," he said. "I never saw any evidence of anything like that."

Businessman had access to White House 49 times, according to report

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Taiwanese American who gave \$366,000 to the Democratic Party made at least 49 trips to the White House and is using evidence of those visits to promote his business, according to a published report.

Entrepreneur Johnny Chung frequently displays a brochure for his clients containing 10 photographs of himself with Hillary Rodham Clinton and a handwritten note from her thanking him "for your support and friendship," the Los Angeles Times reported in Thursday editions.

Chung and President Clinton were photographed together at Clinton's 48th birthday party two years ago and in the Oval Office, the Times added.

The newspaper said Chung frequently brought prominent Chinese guests with him to the White House and that the chairman of a Chinese beer company accompanied Chung to a White House Christmas party with the Clintons in 1994.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Chung may have used his access to further his private interests and Chung "may have attempted to portray himself as someone who had greater influence than the facts would allow."

Chung, who owns a business that can send a single fax to thousands of locations simultaneously, defended his conduct.

"While I am honored and privileged to have met the president and various officials, neither I nor my company have received any preferential treatment from the White House or any government official — merely occasional words of encouragement," he said in a prepared statement.

Chung's is the latest name to surface in the controversy over contributions to the Democratic National Committee. The DNC has returned over \$1 million in foreign-linked campaign contributions in recent months because of questions over where the money came from.

The DNC said Chung's contributions are legal. His DNC donations started in 1994. His White House visits were from early 1994 to June of this year.

Chung served as co-chairman of presidential birthday fund-raising event, attended a Los Angeles luncheon where Clinton spoke in 1994 and went to a fund-raiser for Clinton at the home of filmmaker Steven Spielberg, according to the newspaper report.

Tucker says Whitewater trial was tainted, seeks new one or acquittal

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Former Gov. Jim Guy Tucker says he should get a new trial or his fraud and conspiracy conviction should be overturned because his Whitewater-related trial was tainted.

Attorneys for Tucker filed an appeal with the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals at St. Louis this week seeking to overturn his conviction.

The appeal claims that there wasn't enough evidence to support the convictions, that prosecutors defamed Tucker unfairly, and that juror shouldn't have been allowed to serve on the panel.

Tucker was sentenced to four years probation, and resigned from office on July 15. A judge released him from 18 months of some detention so he could move to Rochester, Minn., to wait a liver transplant at the Mayo Clinic.

Tucker was convicted along with James McDougal and his ex-wife Susan — the two former Whitewater partners of President Clinton and wife, Hillary.

According to the appeal, juror Renee Johnson was married on a lunch break during the trial to Charles Marvin Hayes, nephew of Robert McIntosh, a vocal Tucker critic. Tucker also had denied Hayes clemency in 1992 on a drug conviction that was later overturned.

The appeal said the juror failed to mention her financial conviction or her ties to the family.

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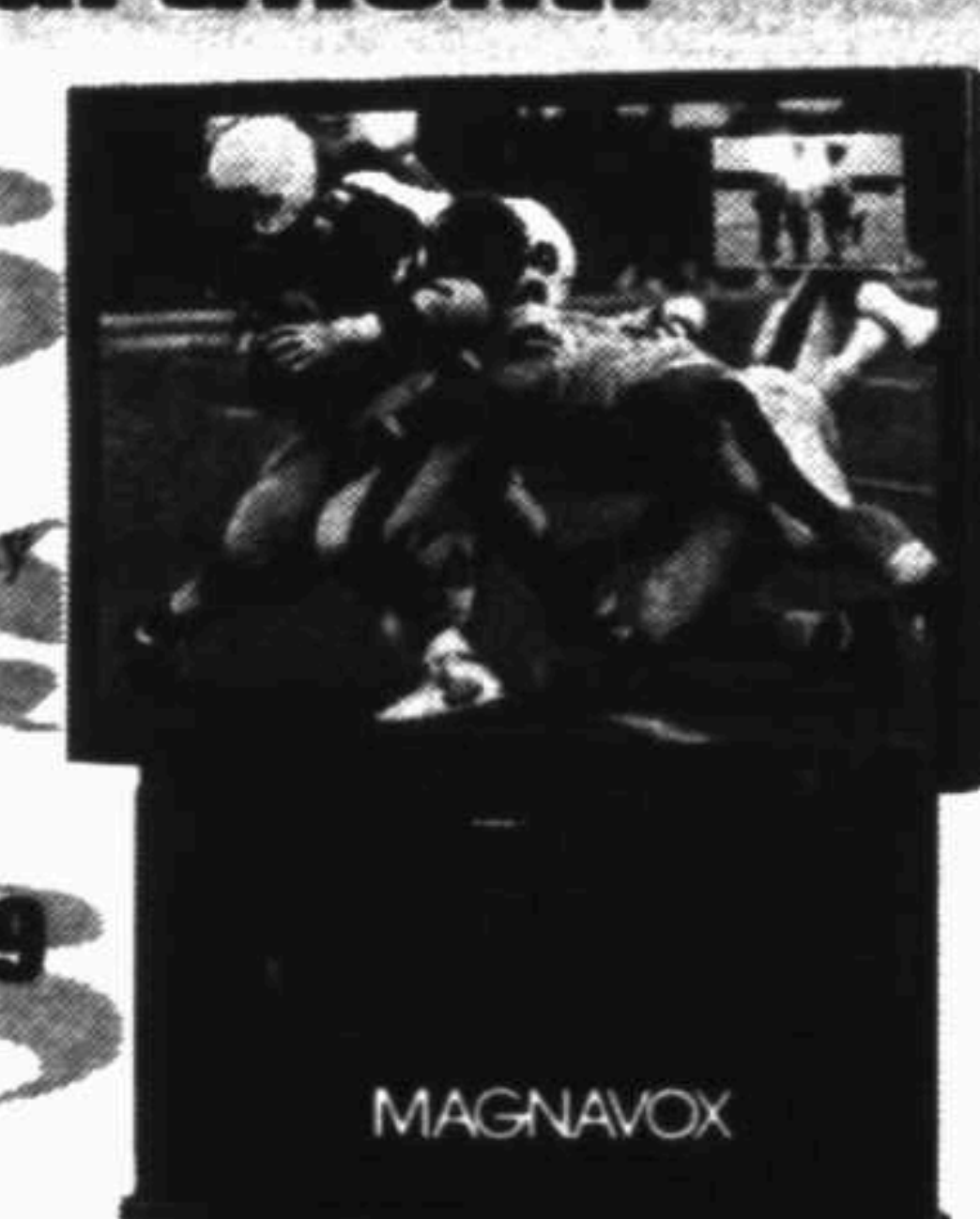
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Miami woes

MIAMI — Teetering toward bankruptcy and reeling from a bribery scandal, Miami has asked the governor to help regain control of city finances.

Miami's bond ratings slid from a "BBB" to a "B" rating Wednesday, making it even more expensive to work the city out of debt through bond sales. The city already pays for recurring expenses with non-recurring dollars such as grants and could be out of money by March.

Kiwi rescue

NEWARK, N.J. — A Maryland surgeon, Charles C. Edwards, joined forces over the weekend with an earlier Kiwi International Air savior, Wasatch International Corp. of Boynton Beach, Fla., to rescue the company with a \$5 million loan.

The plan from the new entity, Edwards-Wasatch Enterprises, was approved by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Rosemary Gambardella. The airline could be back in the air by mid-December.

African poverty

WASHINGTON — Up to half of sub-Saharan Africa's 590 million people get along on less than a \$1 a day despite more than 50 years' effort to cut poverty there, the World Bank said.

"Whereas in other parts of the world we're seeing poverty declining, in Africa and sub-Saharan Africa unfortunately we are seeing the reverse trend," Callisto Madavo of Zimbabwe, a World Bank vice president, said.

French truck strike

PARIS — A crippling strike by French truckers spilled into other parts of Europe, but the truckers won at least one key demand and the government said a solution to the transport debacle was near.

The 10-day-old standoff has pitted truckers demanding higher pay, better hours and early retirement against company owners under pressure from an increasingly competitive European economy.

Airplane talks

NEW YORK — Faced with an onslaught of new orders, Boeing Co. said it is in talks with less fortunate McDonnell Douglas Corp. to get some help building airplanes.

"We have a lot on our plates. We have the work and they have the resources," Boeing spokeswoman Janice Hayes said from company headquarters in Seattle.

Pilot agreement

CHICAGO — United Airlines announced it has reached agreement with its pilots union on a four-year contract, the company's first labor agreement since employees became majority owners two years ago.

The contract negotiations were seen as a test of how well management dealt with unions whose members are both owners and employees of the airline.

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Credit card rates lowered for season

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A credit card war is brewing, just in time for the holiday shopping rush.

AT&T Corp., the nation's second-largest issuer of credit cards, is offering sharply lower interest rates to its best customers. On a smaller scale, No. 1 Citicorp gave some of its customers a rate cut in September.

Other credit card companies are expected to follow their lead.

The motivation? To entice customers to pull out their company's card when they charge Christmas gifts. About 20

percent of a year's charges is made between Thanksgiving and Christmas, said Robert McKinley of Ram Research Corp.

"It's a move for wallet share," said Mitchell Montagna, a spokesman for AT&T Universal Card Services Corp.

The rates are dropping even though interest rates in general have not moved significantly lower.

The prime rate, which banks charge their best customers and which is used as a benchmark for other loans, has not changed since February 1, when it was lowered by one-quarter percentage point

to 8.25 percent.

Consumer advocates, including Stephen Brobeck, executive director of the Consumers Federation of America, said the rate move proved that credit card issuers have room to lower their rates without hurting profitability.

"Credit card rates are extremely high, given the cost of credit to banks," Brobeck said Monday.

The average bank-issued credit card charges 18 percent interest; the average credit union card charges 13 percent.

In a letter to customers last week, AT&T Universal said it would lower the

interest rate on its credit cards to 13.85 percent. That represents a drop of 4.3 percentage points for AT&T's most expensive card, from 18.15 percent rate right now. The new rate, effective Dec. 1, will remain 5.6 percentage points over the prime lending rate.

AT&T is offering an even lower teaser rate to customers who transfer balances from other credit cards onto their AT&T account.

Montagna would not say how many of AT&T's 23 million cardholders received the letter but said it was a "significant portion."

Video games dominate Santa's list

Associated Press

NEW YORK — He flies, flounders and flips, and this fancy footwork is turning Super Mario 64 into a big hit of the holiday season.

Running on Nintendo's new home video game player, Super Mario is one of the most sought-after toys this Christmas, along with Pilot Wings and Mortal Kombat Trilogy, two other games for the just-released Nintendo 64 system.

"Video games are coming on strong this year," said Gary Jacobson, an analyst at Jefferies & Co. in New York. "That's generating a lot of excitement for toys in general because it's bringing more people into the stores."

That may mean strong sales for other toys on kids' wish lists, including Barbie, Star Wars action figures, Goosebumps and anything tied to the new movies "101 Dalmatians" and "Space Jam." A barrage of classics from Monopoly to Mr. Potato Head are also expected to be big sellers.

After several years of soft sales, video games are coming back, led by the launch of Nintendo 64, which uses advances in computer chip and software design to create three-dimensional game play. The system costs about \$200 in stores, with each game tacking on an additional \$70 on average.

Sony's PlayStation and Sega's Saturn, while on the market for a year, are also quite popular and are helping to revive interest in video games. Both game players retail for about \$200, with games costing an average of about \$50 each.

While these high-tech systems are expensive, parents are already scrambling to find them in time for the holidays and retailers are struggling to meet customer demand.

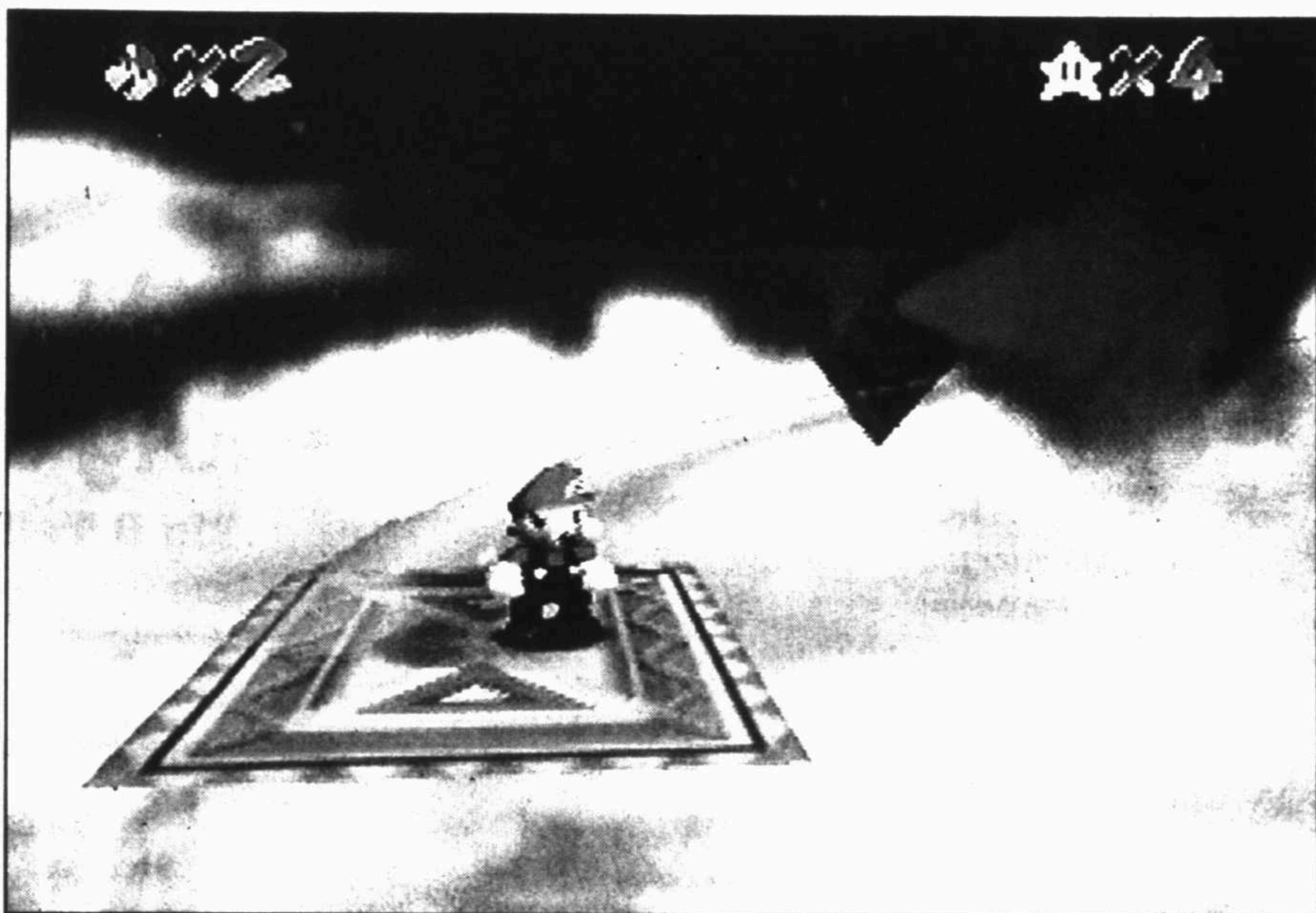
"There are no screaming gotta-haves this Christmas, but there are a few hot products that everyone will be going after," said Margaret Whitfield, an analyst at Hancock Institutional Equity in New York. "That's sending parents to stores now before stocks sell out."

That's a good sign for the toy industry, which depends on the fourth quarter for about 65 percent of all its sales. Sales hit \$20 billion last year and analysts predict that amount will grow by 4 percent to 6 percent in 1996.

"Unlike last year, the economy is pretty good right now and people are willing to spend," said Frank Reysen, editor of Playthings magazine, a New York-based trade publication. "That should make it a good Christmas season after a few lackluster years."

Mattel Inc.'s Barbie still reigns as the top-selling doll, with a few new looks this year, including pet doctor and scuba diver outfits. Holiday Barbie is having another big year, with inventories already low in some part of the country.

Please see TOYS/2C



In the photo above, the electronic action figure, Super Mario, rides a magic carpet in this image from the Nintendo 64 video game. It is one of the most sought after toys this holiday season. At left, Kevin Buckman, 6, of Ham Lake, Minn., plays with the Nintendo 64 system at the Blaine, Minn., Toys "R" Us store. The outlet is the only Twin Cities metro area store still to have Nintendo 64 in stock. The yellow sign posted on the front of the game reads "Due to high demand for the N64 system we must limit (1) one per customer."

AP Laserphotos

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Money market accounts boost retirement earnings

By Eric Tyson

Q: My retired mother, age 78, has approximately \$80,000 in a standard savings account paying about 2.75 percent interest. We have been advised to look into high-yield corporate-bond mutual funds, with the goal of earning 10 percent. This interest, combined with her monthly Social Security check, would allow my mother to remain in her home. She desires a monthly check of \$550 from the bond account.



Tyson

Is this a good plan?

A: Like other older people who

choose to use a bank savings account, your mother is probably concerned about the safety of her money. While I don't think that she should keep her money where it is, putting it into a high-yield-bond fund, which invests primarily in what are known as "junk bonds," might make her mighty uncomfortable.

Without taking any additional risk, your mother certainly could do a lot better than a 2.75 percent bank savings account. That's a terrible interest rate, especially for such a high-balance customer as your mother.

She could invest her \$80,000 in a money market mutual fund account or simply a higher yielding credit union or bank money market account, the best of which are paying around 5.25 percent.

As a first step to getting your mother into higher-yielding investments, I would recommend that you get her to establish a money market fund at one of the leading mutual fund companies such as Vanguard, USAA, Fidelity or T. Rowe Price.

For conservative investors such as your mom, my top pick would be Vanguard. By moving her \$80,000 into a good Vanguard money fund, her monthly interest income would jump from about \$180 to about \$340.

In order for her to earn \$550 per month, she would need an investment that is yielding about 8.25 percent. Vanguard's High Yield Corporate bond fund, which is a "junk bond" fund, is currently yielding 9 percent, so that

would provide her with about \$600 per month income.

However, investing in that type of bond fund is risky for someone such as your mom. First, the market value of bonds, especially high-yield bonds, fluctuates with changes in interest rates. If your mother needs to sell some of her bond-fund shares at a time when interest rates are high, the market value could be less than what she originally paid for them.

Another risk with bonds, particularly junk bonds, is the possibility of default. Junk bonds pay higher yields than bonds with high credit ratings because junk bonds are issued by companies with a slightly elevated — around 1 to 2 percent — risk of default. Investing in junk bonds through a good, diversified mutual fund helps mitigate that credit risk, however.

Bonds also are exposed to the risk of inflation, which over time can seriously erode the purchasing power of the interest paid.

While the Vanguard high-yield fund would pay your mom about \$600 per month in income now, the value of that \$600 interest in 10 years with just 3 percent annual inflation would be \$446.

That risk can be addressed by allocating a portion of your mom's assets to growth-oriented vehicles such as stocks.

The main "problem" with stocks is that they will pay a far lower yield from dividends than bonds. In the long run, though, stocks have historically produced greater total returns than bonds, thanks largely to appreciation. And good stocks generally increase their dividends over time.

Typically, someone your mom's age would have 20 percent to 30 percent of her money in stocks.

If your mom has equity in her home, she also can tap into that asset and use it to help finance her retirement. Home equity can be tapped through the sale of a home or through a reverse mortgage.

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TOYS: Barbie continues to be popular

(From 1C)

Kenner's Juice'n Cookies Baby Alive, which sips, chews and dirties her diaper, is a strong contender in the doll segment, as are Mattel's Cabbage Patch Kids, especially its new SnackTime Kid that looks like it's really eating.

Demand for action figures is strong again this year, with Batman, Star Wars and GI Joe among the hot picks.

And, as usual, toys with movie and television tie-ins are expected to be on many shopping lists. Store shelves are filled with toys from Michael Jordan's new animated film "Space Jam" and Disney's "101 Dalmatians" and "The Hunchback of Notre Dame."

In addition, the video release of "Toy Story," the box-office hit from last Christmas, has awakened interest in classic toys like Mr. Potato Head and Slinky Dog, which are featured in the film.

Kids also want anything that's tied to Goosebumps, the children's books written by R.L. Stine. Glow-in-the-dark flashlights, scary-faced figures and board games are a few of the Goosebumps-themed toys.

Parents also are turning to creative and educational toys, especially with children becoming more computer savvy and more families owning PCs.

"Toys are entertainment, and entertainment is about building on your intelligence," said Judy Ellis,

chairwoman for the New York's Fashion Institute of Technology's toy department. "This year, we're seeing a lot of toys and interactive software that bring children into creative play."

Tiger Electronics' My First Laptop teaches pre-schoolers counting and matching on a battery run system, which also can be hooked into a home computer for more advanced applications. V-Tech's Smart Start Speak & Listen Computer is geared for elementary school students learning spelling and math.

Tyco's \$100 VideoCam, which connects to a VCR to allow kids to shoot their own black-and-white videos, also is a popular pick, as are the computer drawing system kidDraw, made by kidBoard, and Tiger Electronics' Brain Warp, a fast-paced hand-held game.

Also going high-tech are classic board games, with titles like Monopoly, Clue and Battleship available on CD-ROM. Barbie has a new CD-ROM that lets kids create their own fashion designs, print them and then make the outfits.

"I'm looking for toys that my kids can learn from, but they also need to be fun and they have to want to play with them," said Valerie Ortiz of New York, who has two children ages 5 and 2.

Although retail sales and consumer confidence have rebounded in 1996, the toy industry is still using aggressive tactics to attract shoppers.

Toys R Us Inc., the country's largest toy store operator, released its holiday sales catalog in early November with \$1,700 in coupons. And Kmart, the No. 2 toy seller, already launched a new national advertising campaign featuring Rosie O'Donnell and Penny Marshall.

But the pre-Christmas promotions have been scaled back somewhat after toy retailers were hurt in last year by deep discounts that cut into their profit margins.

"The deals aren't out there this year," said Whitfield of Hancock Institutional Equity. "Toy retailers are watching their inventory and cutting out inventory that didn't sell."

With the holidays just weeks away, kids are busy compiling their wish lists.

Jason Schnein, a 5-year-old from Oxnard, Calif., can't decide what he wants the most this year — Goosebumps paraphernalia, new Sega games or computer software.

No charges as Prudential probe ends

N.Y. Times News Service

New York — Federal prosecutors in New York said they have closed their criminal investigation into Prudential Securities Inc.'s sale of \$8 billion of oil and gas limited partnerships.

The probe led to a 1994 settlement of government charges that the brokerage misled thousands of small investors who bought ri...

limited partnerships from the firm in the 1980s.

Prudential will remain on probation until October, under the terms of a criminal settlement it reached with the U.S. Attorney's Office in 1994.

U.S. Attorney Mary Jo White said her office won't seek additional criminal charges against the firm. She also said she won't seek charges against its current and for-

mer executives. No individuals were charged in the case during a three-year investigation.

The U.S. Attorney said Prudential Securities hid the risks and losses of the investments, which gave thousands of investors stakes in oil and gas partnerships Prudential organized. Investors say they lost billions of dollars in the limited partnerships.

Investment advisors still bullish about U.S. stocks

N.Y. Times News Service

New York — Investment advisers' optimism about the outlook for U.S. stocks rose last week for the fifth time in six weeks, as rising share prices extended the market's two-year tear.

Increased confidence is reflected in a weekly survey by the Investors Intelligence newsletter, which found the percentage of 140 advisers who said they were bullish last Friday jumped to 54.7 percent from 52.1 percent the week

before. It was the fifth week in six that optimism rose.

The proportion of advisers who said they were pessimistic declined for a third week, to 30.8 percent from 32.5 percent three weeks ago.

The percentage of advisers who said they foresee a short-term drop, or "correction," in stock prices also fell for a third week, to

14.5 percent from 15.4 percent a fortnight ago.

A short-term drop is typically considered a decline of about 10 percent, often in less than a year.

The Standard & Poor's 500 Index is up 1.46 percent during the last week, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average has gained about 1.1 percent.



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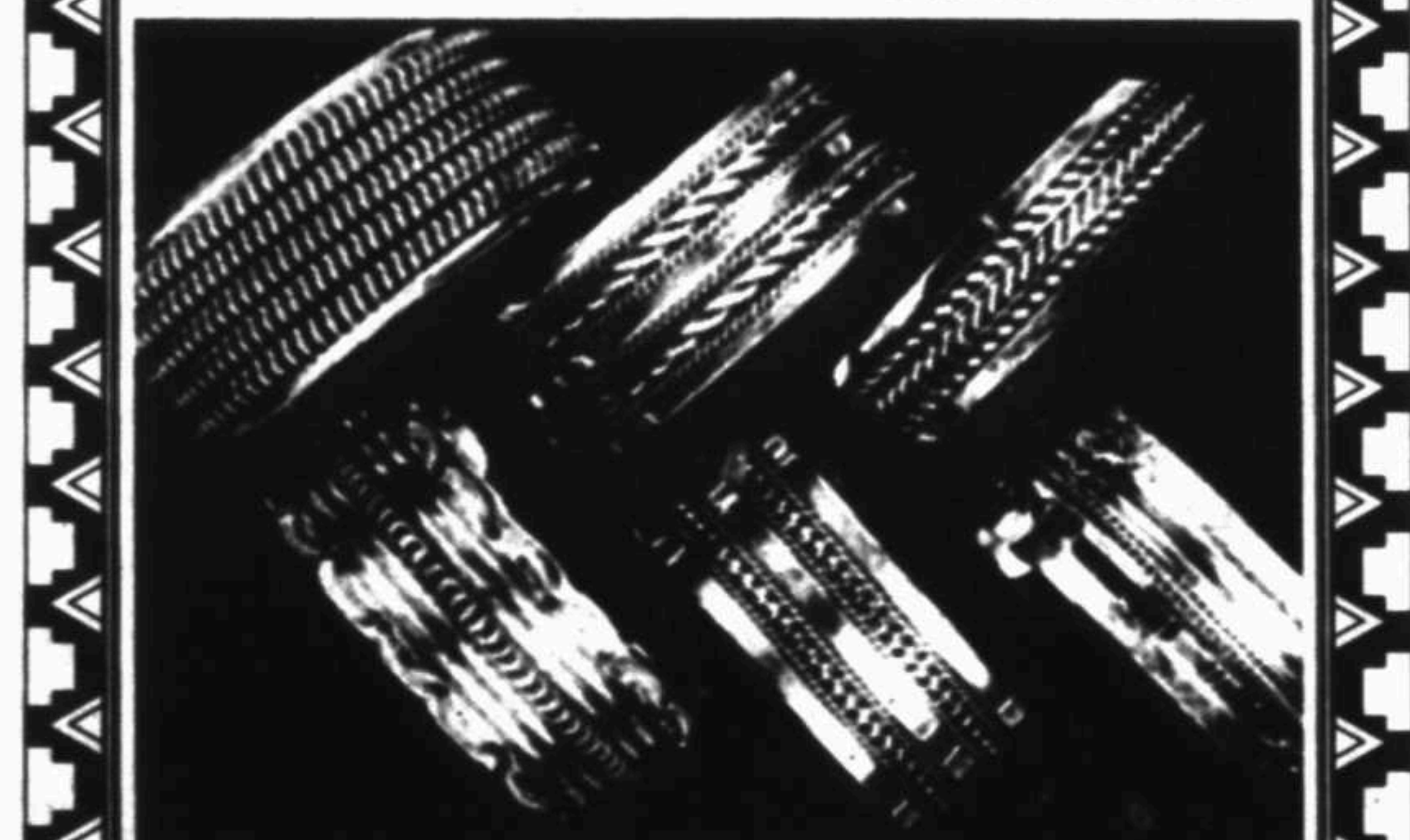
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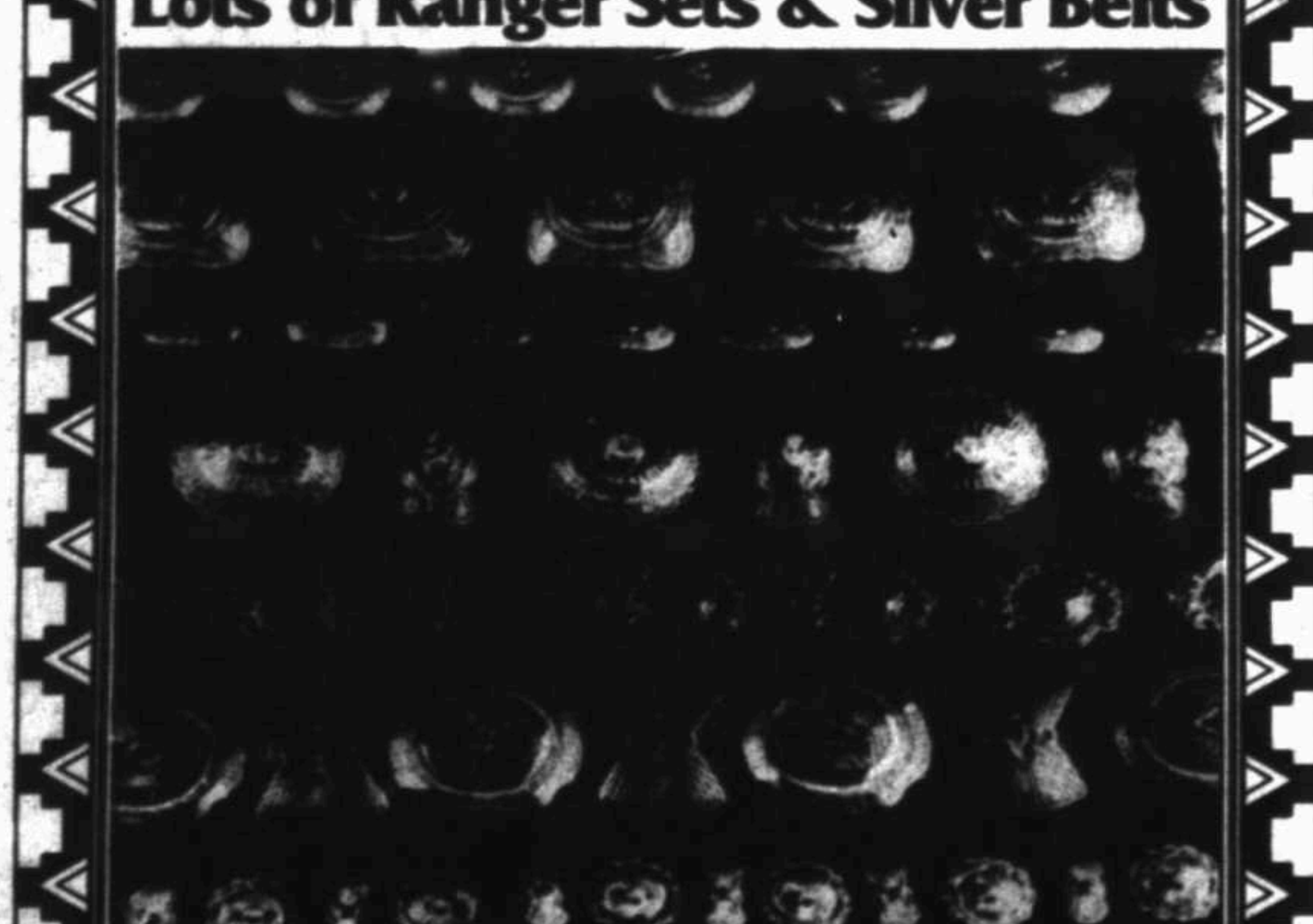
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To the Employees of Midland Independent School District and the Taxpayers of Midland:

MISD employees recently received a letter outlining the proposed 1997 Medical Plan which includes both an HMO (Health Maintenance Organization) and a PPO (Preferred Provider Organization). The PPO is Blue Choice® and the HMO is HMO BlueSM Southwest Texas. There are some facts you need to know about the proposed plan.

First, the plan was not the lowest cost proposal of the 18 reviewed by MISD. One other company claims their proposal was at least \$600,000 lower than the proposal recommended by and sent back to the committee by the MISD board at their November 12, 1996 meeting.

Second, the proposal does not offer you a choice of hospitals in Midland. Westwood Medical Center has not been included in either Blue Choice® or HMO BlueSM as a hospital service provider.

Third, HMO BlueSM Southwest Texas is the business name of Mid-Con Healthplans, L.C., a for-profit HMO whose president is listed as Harold Rubin. Harold Rubin is also the president of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, Midland.

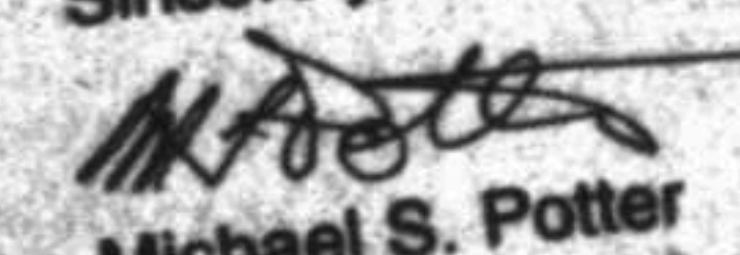
Fourth, the Blue Choice® participants in Amarillo, Abilene, Lubbock, Odessa and San Angelo all have two or more hospitals in their city to choose among.

Fifth, Westwood Medical Center offered to take cost out of the question by agreeing to accept the same fee schedule that Memorial Hospital and Medical Center is using for both the PPO and HMO. Additionally, if MISD were to choose a self funded plan (such as the lower cost plan already mentioned), or a direct contract, Westwood agreed to fees 5% lower than Memorial.

Sixth, according to MISD staff the committee is sending the MISD board exactly the same proposal which they previously recommended, and the MISD board sent back to the committee at their Nov. 12, 1996 meeting.

If you believe you should have a choice of hometown hospitals as In Plan Providers, or if you are a concerned taxpayer, you should attend the December 3rd MISD board meeting at the MISD offices, register to speak, and voice your opinion.

Sincerely,



Michael S. Potter
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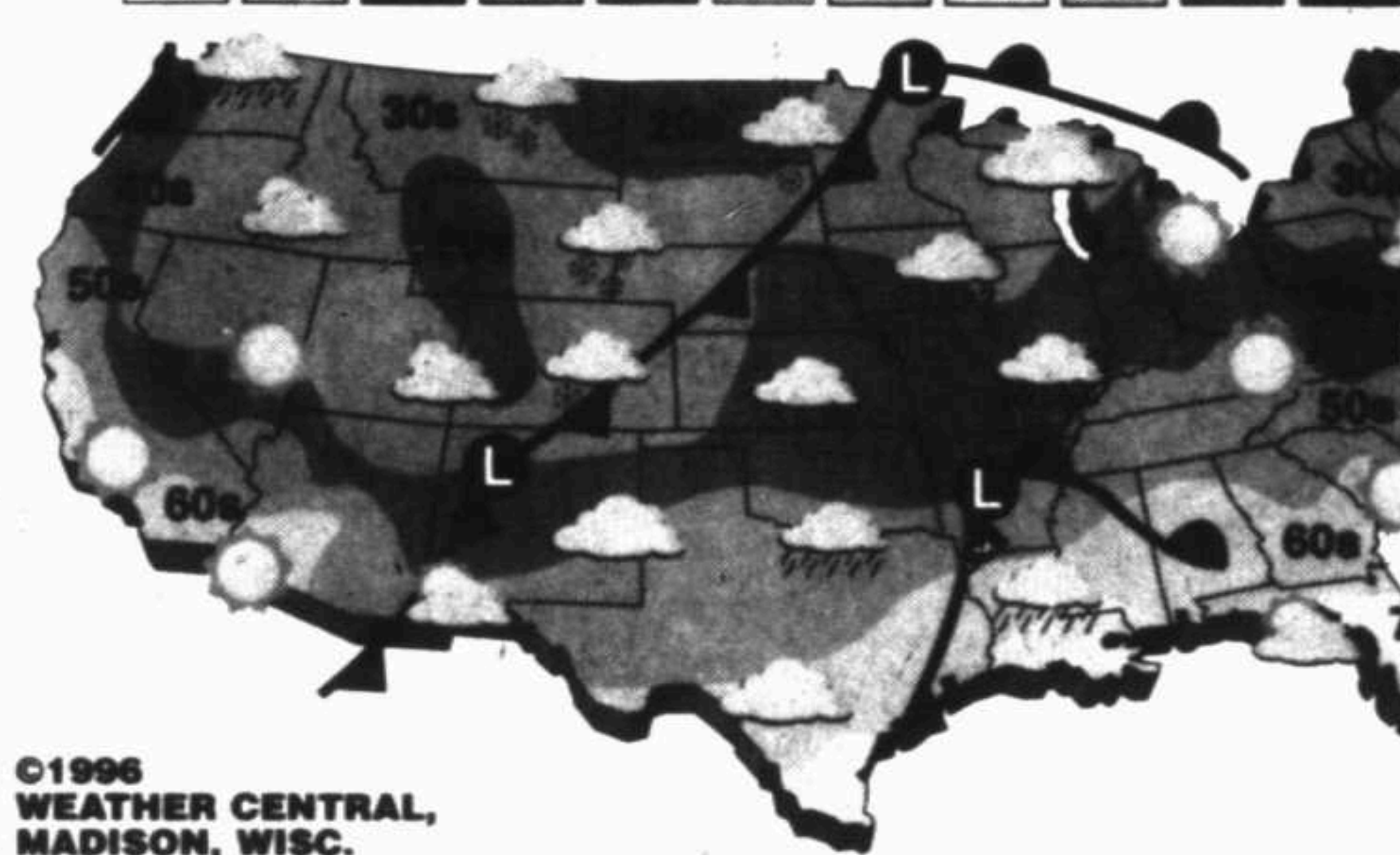
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Thanksgiving was a good day to stay indoors as the basin was covered with light rain and cold temperatures. The mercury barely reached 40 degrees in the afternoon and most of the Midland area received up to six tenths of an inch of rain. Another storm system will move into West Texas early on Saturday with temperatures dropping back into the 50s for highs.



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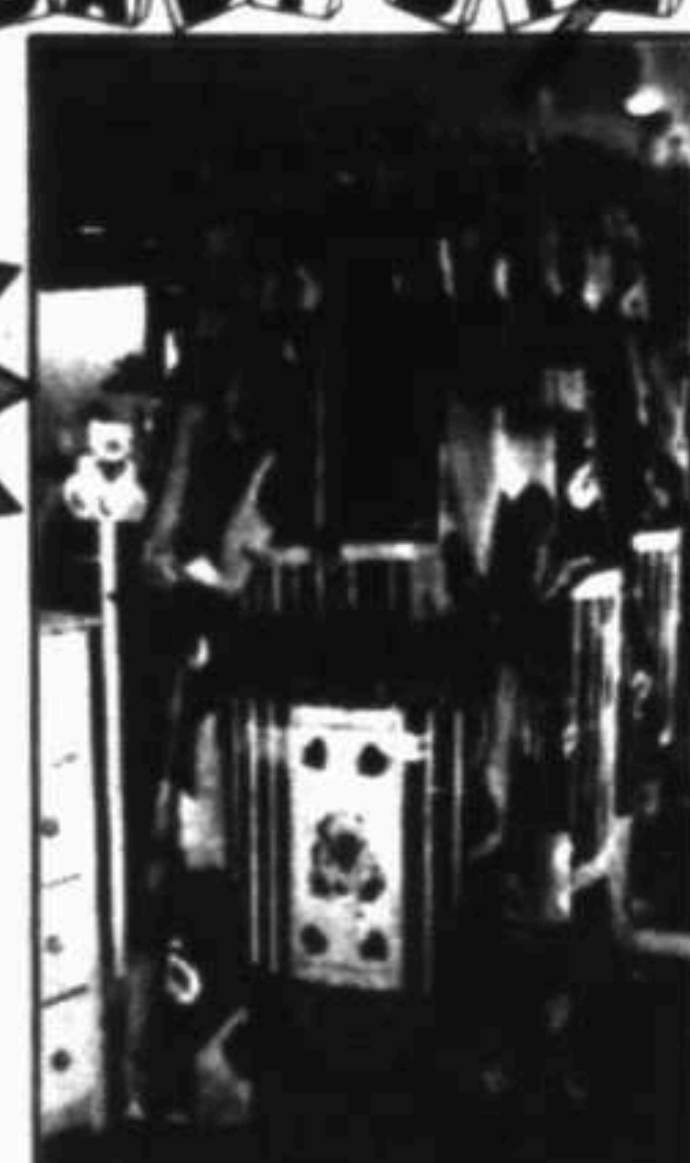
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Flight 800: It's easier to think it was work of terrorists

By Matthew Purdy
N.Y. Times News Service

The wreckage of Trans World Airlines Flight 800 was still a tangled mess on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean, but in many quarters the verdict was already in: This was Lockerbie off Long Island.

The calculation was simple and sensible. Boeing 747s don't just explode. Terrorists had killed 19 U.S. servicemen in Saudi Arabia less than a month before. And the Olympics in Atlanta would be starting three days later.

But there were deep financial and psychological reasons why the possibility of sabotage remained robust in the public mind even as nothing to support it had been found in the wreckage of the July 17 crash that killed 230 people.

Last week, the lead criminal investigator acknowledged that there was movement away from the strong initial hunch of terrorism. James K. Kallstrom, who heads the FBI's New York office, said that he now considered sabotage a less likely scenario than he had previously thought, since more than 95 percent of the plane has been recovered and none of it has shown evidence of a crime.

(However, Kallstrom and investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board, who have not determined a cause, said they still considered sabotage a possibility.)

But more likely or less likely, evidence or no evidence, terrorism became the favored — and sometimes preferred — explanation among the public and other interested parties.

Some had vested interests, including airline people who might feel the sting of liability. And others, considering the range of awful options for what could have brought down the plane, found terrorism a little bit more comforting.

"When you consider how many people fly on 747s, you don't want to think there's a fuel tank stuck in the middle of the plane that could just blow up," said Rodney Wallis, the former director of security for the International Air Transport

Association. "It's much nicer to think it's a terrorist act. Because it's so rare, you know there's a remote chance you'll get caught up in one."

Two FBI agents found out just how high the feelings about sabotage were running inside TWA when they were traveling on the airline after the crash. They identified themselves to flight attendants who handed them a memo that had been circulating inside the company. "It said it was a missile and we knew it and were covering it up," said an FBI official.

A retired pilot involved in the investigation said that after the crash all of his colleagues thought the plane was destroyed by a bomb. Not only that. "They hoped it was a bomb," he said. "They continue to hope that."

It wasn't just self-interest motivating the pilots. For 25 years, the 747 has been the durable standard for jumbo jets. "You don't have 1,000 747s flying around the world for years and suddenly one goes poof," said a TWA pilot who flies them. "It's weird."

Given pilots' interest in the fate of Flight 800, it's not surprising

that the now-famous Internet message alleging that the Navy mistakenly shot down the plane was created by a retired pilot. The theory has been repeatedly and strenuously denied by federal officials, but was recently revived when former ABC correspondent Pierre Salinger became its promoter.

The news media have been clamoring for information from the first. As investigators searched hard for evidence of sabotage, their various hunches about bombs and missiles leaked out, producing stories that encouraged thinking that terrorism may have destroyed the plane.

But there are those who felt all along that it wasn't a bomb. Under international treaties, an airline's liability for each passenger on an international flight is limited to \$75,000 per passenger unless "willful misconduct" is proven.

So Lee S. Kreindler, a well-known aviation lawyer who helped win \$500 million for the families of victims of Pan Am 103, which crashed over Lockerbie, Scotland on Dec. 21, 1988, said he was "clapping hands" when he saw Kallstrom on television saying sabo-

tage was less likely. "This is worse news for TWA than a terrorist act," Kreindler said. "Anybody can be bombed."

The airline, which is partly owned by employees, has already been hurt by the crash. Last month, TWA reported losses of \$14.3 million for the third quarter because of slumping ticket sales, and its chief executive, Jeffrey Erickson, announced his resignation.

If the crash turns out to have been caused by mechanical failure, TWA's maintenance operation and Boeing, the airplane's manufacturer, could both be open to lawsuits.

If lawyers have jumped the gun alleging a mechanical failure, some politicians may have jumped the other way. Eight days after the crash, President Clinton came to New York to meet with the victims' families and announce a series of steps to combat aviation terrorism.

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GOLF — Nedbank Million Dollar Classic, noon, FSS.

HOCKEY — Chicago Blackhawks at Anaheim Mighty Ducks, 3 p.m., ESPN.

Dallas Stars at Tampa Bay Lightning, 6:30 p.m., FSS.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Pittsburgh at North Carolina, 6:30 p.m., ESPN.
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Great Alaska Shootout, semifinal No. 2, teams TBA, at Anchorage, Alaska, 11 p.m., ESPN.

PRO BASKETBALL — L.A. Lakers at Detroit Pistons, 7 p.m., TNT.

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Sports Today

JUCO BASKETBALL — Odessa College Thanksgiving Classic, Midland College Men vs. Frank Phillips, 6 p.m., OC Sports Center; KCRS (AM 550) Radio.

Odessa College vs. Angelo St. JV, 8 p.m., OC Sports Center.

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Midland High Girls vs. Brownsville Pace, 1:30 p.m.

Georgetown Tournament, Midland Lee Boys vs. Austin Anderson, 10:30 a.m.

Midland Lee Girls vs. Austin Anderson, 1:30 p.m.

Agassi withdraws

MELBOURNE, Australia — Andre Agassi, saying he needs rest, has decided to skip the 1997 Australian Open, tournament director Paul McNamee announced.

Agassi, who won the Open in 1995, plans to play in the Compaq Grand Slam Cup next week before taking a two-month break from tennis, McNamee said.

"It's disappointing that Andre will not be playing, but he clearly feels he needs some time off," said McNamee.

Official entries for the Australian Open close on Monday.

McNamee had earlier said he expected all the top 20 men and women players to compete in the tournament, which will be held at the National Tennis Center from Jan. 13-26.

Edberg's wish

MALMO, Sweden — Stefan Edberg got what he wanted in his last Davis Cup final.

The 30-year-old Swede, who plays the last two matches of his illustrious tennis career this weekend, drew the first match in the World Group final on Friday against Cedric Pioline.

Edberg, a six-time Grand Slam champion in singles, has always preferred a fixed starting time in Davis Cup play.

"It's a big advantage to start," he said after Thursday's draw in the Malmö Convention Center, a former car plant that seats about 5,600.

Thomas Enqvist, playing his first Davis Cup final for Sweden, takes on Arnaud Boetsch in the second singles in the best-of-5 match series.

Edberg lost his last ATP Tour match to Swedish teammate Nicklas Kulti in the first round of the Stockholm Open three weeks ago. It was a tough time for him, both mentally and physically, during a busy week in the Swedish capital.

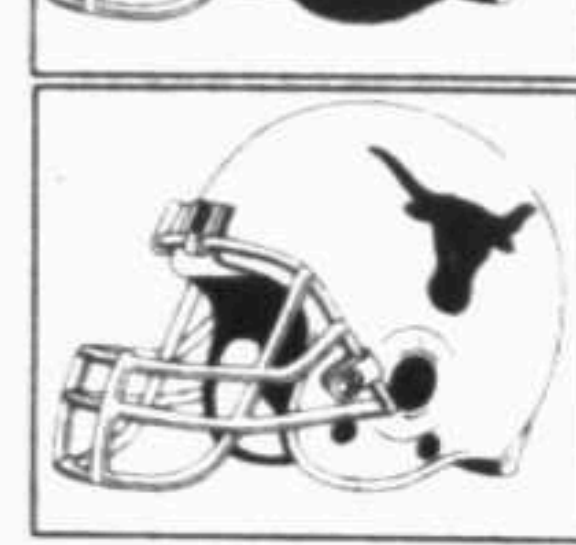
The finish will come on Sunday when Edberg is scheduled to play Boetsch in the last of the two reverse singles.

Sweden, one of the most successful Davis Cup nations in the last two decades with five victories in nine finals since 1975, is favored.

Edberg is the most experienced and successful player in the final, having been a member of four of the five previous Swedish Davis Cup champion teams. Edberg has played 69 singles and doubles matches and is 35-14 in singles.

Lots on the line for Texas, A&M

By Chip Brown
Associated Press Writer



AUSTIN — Nothing would make Texas A&M happier than to ruin the Big 12 championship dreams of rival Texas.

Longhorns coach John Mackovic knows it.

"I'm sure that will be a big thing with them, to rain on our parade," Mackovic said. "I know if it were reversed, we'd be saying, 'Let's knock them out of the Big 12 title game.'"

Aggies running back Sirr Parker understood.

"This is our chance to put it all on the table," Parker said. "We know they're thinking about a bowl game."

Texas (6-4, 5-2 Big 12) is a five-point favorite to beat A&M (6-5, 4-3) in Austin on Friday. Kickoff is set for 11 a.m. EST. Both teams are on a roll, each riding three-game winning streaks.

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BIG 12 CONFERENCE

	North				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Colorado	7	0	209	109	9	1	307	182
Nebraska	7	0	348	62	9	1	468	104
Kansas St.	6	2	197	162	9	2	325	172
Missouri	3	5	197	307	5	6	278	376
Kansas	2	6	171	286	4	7	300	358
Iowa St.	1	7	221	299	2	9	314	401

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Texas A&M 4 3 159 123
Oklahoma 3 5 193 290
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Today's Games
Texas A&M at Texas, 10 a.m., ABC; Colorado at Nebraska, 1:30 p.m., ABC.

Dec. 7
Big 12 Title Game in St. Louis: Texas Tech or Texas vs. Nebraska or Colorado.

Nebraska, Colorado can't afford to lose this must-win game

By Ed Howard
Associated Press Writer



LINCOLN, Neb. — Each of them has lost a game and neither of them can afford to lose another.

So there is a sense of urgency about Friday's game between No. 4 Nebraska and No. 5 Colorado, a matchup that will give one of them a shot at the inaugural Big 12 Conference football championship.

Nebraska must win Friday to keep alive the slimmest of chances for a third straight national title. Colorado must win to make a statement against the Huskers, who have dominated the Buffaloes.

Even with a win, Nebraska's ultimate fate will be decided by the wins and losses of higher ranked teams. "I think everybody knows if we don't play well this week then you can forget about all that national championship stuff or even the Big 12," coach Tom Osborne said.

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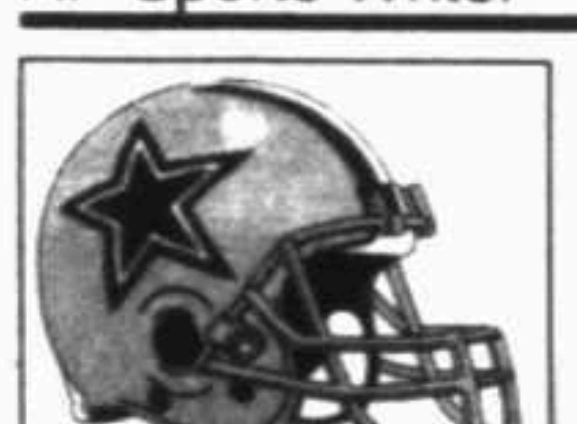
EMMITT'S BACK!



Dallas Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith (22) leaps over Washington Redskins defender Leomont Evans (35) as he scores a fourth quarter touchdown in Irving.

Cowboys RB proves he's 'the man' with 155 yards and three scores in win over Washington

By Denne H. Freeman
AP Sports Writer



Cowboys ... 21
Redskins ... 10

IRVING — What's wrong with Emmitt Smith?

Absolutely nothing. Stung by the first benching of his career, Smith made the Washington Redskins pay with his best game of the year, scoring three touchdowns and gaining a season-high 155 yards Thursday.

That led Dallas past Washington 21-10 and put the Cowboys in a first-place tie with the Redskins in the NFC East.

Both Dallas and Washington are 8-5. Philadelphia is 7-5 and hosts the New York Giants (5-7) on Sunday.

Smith, benched in the fourth quarter of last Sunday's 20-6 loss to the Giants after gaining just 18 yards on 11 carries, ran like a young colt instead of somebody with ankle problems. Smith didn't practice all week while resting a sore right ankle, and coach Barry Switzer was worried he might have to start Sherman Williams.

"It ticked me off all those things I heard and read," Smith said. "I told the coach I could get the job done. With the

rest, it was probably the best I felt all year. I had some spring in my step and could do some slashing and cutting."

Smith, who became the 12th player in NFL history to reach the 10,000-yard plateau, scored on runs of 4 yards twice and again on a 3-yard carry.

"Emmitt told me before the game that he could play near 100 per cent," Switzer said. "He said he wanted to prove something. And he did. He slashed up in there inside. It was like the Cowboys of old saddled up and running. Any question Emmitt Smith has lost it were answered today."

Smith has 108 career rushing touchdowns to move ahead of Jim Brown into third place on the NFL's career list and it within four of Marcus Allen, who took the lead Thursday with 112 by scoring twice in Kansas City's victory over Detroit.

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NFC East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Dallas	8	5	0	.615	254	201
Washington	8	5	0	.615	291	251
Philadelphia	7	5	0	.583	279	265
Arizona	6	6	0	.500	231	291
N.Y. Giants	5	7	0	.417	200	226

Thursday's Games
Dallas 21, Washington 10
Sunday's Games
Arizona at Minnesota, noon.
New York Giants at Miami, noon.
Washington at Tampa Bay, noon.
Philadelphia, noon.
Thursday, Dec. 5

Philadelphia at Indianapolis, 7 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 6
New York Giants at Miami, noon.
Washington at Tampa Bay, noon.
Dallas at Arizona, 3 p.m.

Dallas relishes chance to run

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Even if Dallas Cowboys coaches weren't sure whether they'd have Emmitt Smith against the Washington Redskins, their game plan was going to stay with the run.

Dallas repeatedly attacked the NFL's second-to-last run defense Thursday, and with Smith healthy again the Cowboys gained a season-high 203 yards. Smith had 155 of them as Dallas moved into a tie for the NFC East lead.

"We finally got back to doing what we do best," said tight end Eric Bjornson. "When we block like that, and he runs like that, we're hard to beat."

The success of Dallas' running game hinges on Smith and his line, but for the first 12 weeks one or

the other appeared off track, leading to questions about his health and the line's age.

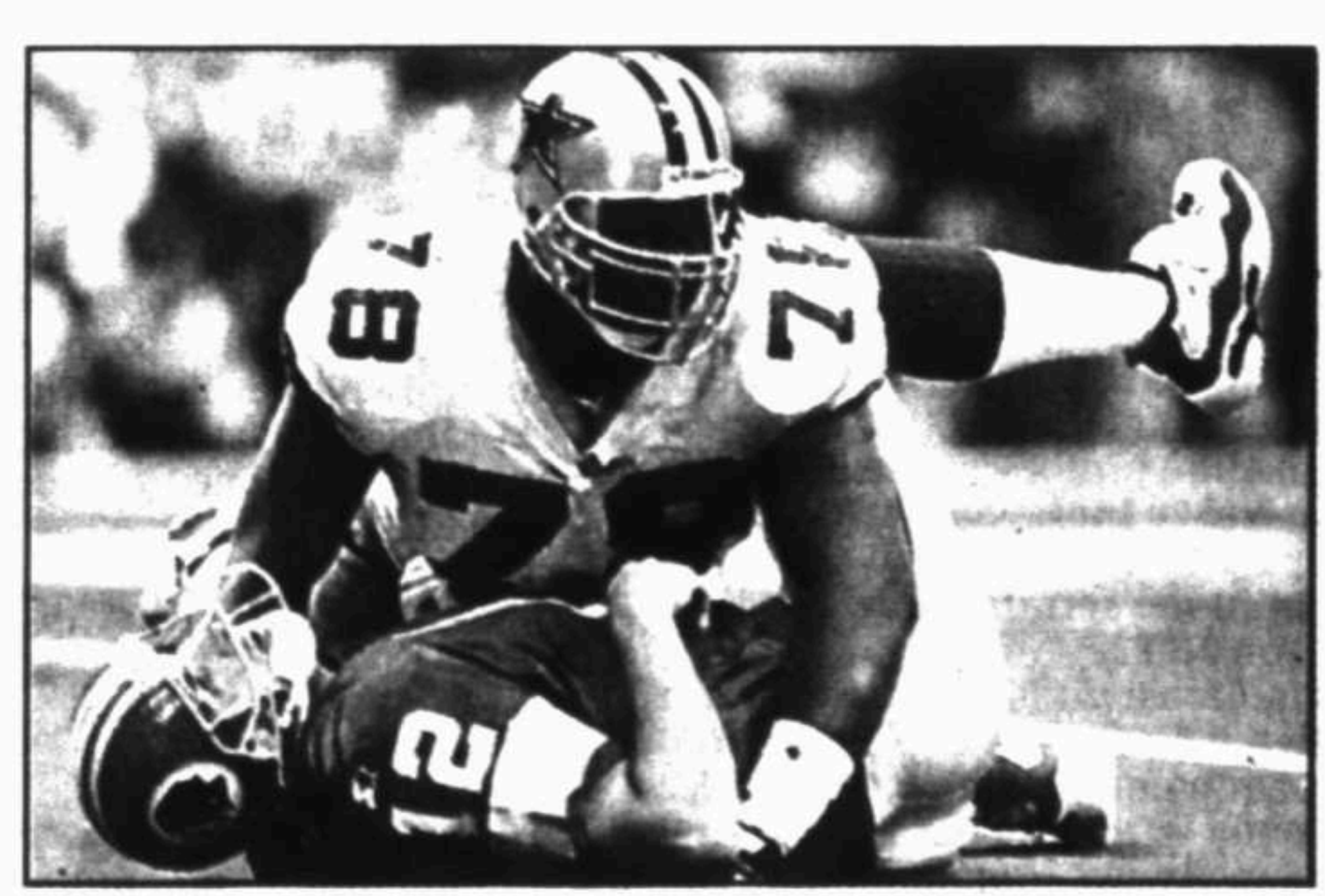
Yet coach Barry Switzer and offensive coordinator Ernie Zampese didn't waver. They decided early on to base Thursday's offense around their running game, even though the Redskins have been just as vulnerable to the pass.

"We went into this week knowing we had to run the ball and we did that," said center Ray Donaldson. "This is how we played all last year."

Guard Nate Newton said he was fired up for this challenge because he knew the line would be in the spotlight.

"It felt good because I knew they were going to give us a chance to pound them," Newton said. "I

Please see BOYS/4D



Cowboys defender Leon Lett (78) knocks Washington Redskins quarterback Gus Frerotte (12) to the turf Thursday.

TERRY WILLIAMSON

This Rebel run isn't about talent, it's about Lee's focus

State football playoff survival brings on a slate of hazards with each passing round. It's a roller-coaster ride where emotions must remain high and minds focused.

We tend to forget that high school football is played by kids in the 16-18 age group. "Focus" to a teenager is just something you yell at a movie theater.

The state high school football playoffs is a six-week run in the Class 5A Small School Division. Six weeks to a kid is longer than 10 adult years. Remember when you were in high school? Think back.

Many of us feel like we were in high school most of our natural life.

To win a single playoff game, a team must show up with talent and focus hand in hand. Winning is more than just talent. Ask North Mesquite, ranked No. 1 all year before losing a running back, and sitting home as we speak. A lot of people felt North Mesquite lost more than a running back. They lost focus with the injury.

And focus can be hard. Weather, too, is a factor. For most of the season, games are played in rather ideal conditions. Football in Texas' fall is about as

perfect as it gets. It's the most enjoyable time of the year.

However, when the state playoffs start, the weather starts to get nastier, and by the time the state championship rolls around, it can be bitter. You never know what to expect. Weather can plague focus.

Every one envies the playoff teams. It is the statement of success for a season, the measuring stick for respectability. That envy grows each week as teams fall by the wayside. You are only a member of the elite as long as you win.

But it's not all that easy. There is the price to pay for success. This week was proof positive. There are only 24 Class 5A teams left in the playoffs (8 Big School, 16 Small School). Those teams were working on Thanksgiving Day.

In Midland, Thanksgiving Day was the pits unless you had log on the fireplace and the TV tuned to the NFL. The Midland Lee Rebels, one of the elite 24 this week, was on the field Thursday morning with skies dripping and cold air seeping through the bones.

Sometimes football isn't fun. You have to pretend like it is. That's called focus.

By the time you reach this stage of the state playoffs, focus is the key ingredient of life. Everyone has talent at this level (and we won't bring up Waco). Lee has done a good job of focus. They have

stepped up their game at the time they have needed it. Lee stepped up the level of their play in the Abilene Cooper and the Odessa Permian games. They also stepped up a bit last week against El Paso Socorro, a team that put a scare into them the year before.

Few realize how rare it is to be 11-0 on the year. You don't only have talent, but you have learned to focus on the situation at hand.

Who says defense wins championships? It's focus — and don't forget it. Pay attention.

With a 42-9 (.824) record in the picking game this year, here's Round III of the playoffs for District 4-5A.

Midland Lee 27, Flower Mound Marcus 22: The two teams have never met, but Marcus is a mirror image of Abilene Cooper, and we know what that score was.

Abilene Cooper 22, Irving Nimitz 21: This game can go either way depending on if the pass is going or the run. And I make this pick more with the heart than with the mind. It's something we all want to happen — Lee vs. Cooper next week.

Terry Williamson is sports editor of the Reporter-Telegram

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No. 8 Kentucky routs Syracuse, 87-53

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Derek Anderson scored a career-high 25 points as No. 8 Kentucky turned the rematch of last April's NCAA championship game into a laugher with an 87-53 rout of No. 12 Syracuse on Thursday night in the Great Alaska Shootout.

Jamaal Magloire added 16 points for the Wildcats (1-1), who handed the Orangemen their worst loss in 33 years and the worst loss ever under coach Jim Boeheim.

Otis Hill had 17 points and a game-high 16 rebounds for the

Orangemen (1-1). Syracuse forward Todd Burgan, playing while appealing a seven-game suspension imposed for violating student conduct rules, scored 3 points.

Magloire, Jared Prickett and Ron Mercer each pulled down eight rebounds for Kentucky.

The Wildcats gave Syracuse, one thrashing expected last April, when Kentucky won the national championship with a 76-67 victory over the Orangemen.

While that game was much closer than expected, Kentucky's suffocating defense and crisp passing had the Orangemen on

their heels from the outset this time.

Leading by 22 points at half-time, the Wildcats pushed their lead to 38 points late in the second half, long after most of the starters had been pulled by Kentucky coach Rick Pitino.

Kentucky took the lead for good three minutes into the game on Nazr Mohammed's layup, which ignited a 21-7 run over the next six minutes that put the Wildcats in control.

The Orangemen closed to 32-24 with four minutes left in the half.

Five Pacers hit double figures to beat Kings

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Reggie Miller and Indiana's bench took care of the Pacers' recent home-court disadvantage.

Miller scored 19 points to lead five Indiana players in double figures as the Pacers ended a three-game home losing streak with a 101-83 win over the Sacramento Kings Thursday night.

Duane Ferrell added 15 points. Travis Best 12, Jalen Rose 10 and Dale Davis had 10 points and 12 rebounds for the Pacers.

Ferrell and Rose both played big minutes in backup roles.

"In the previous games, we have

let the other teams get away. This one we were able to put them away," Davis said.

Indiana's reserves contributed 45 points, including 24 in the fourth quarter, while Sacramento's subs added 23.

"Our bench was terrific," said Indiana coach Larry Brown. "This was fun when a lot of guys contribute and help you win."

"We played very well as a team," Ferrell said. "And things worked out."

Mitch Richmond led Sacramento with 18 points, but shot just 7 of 20 from the field. Mahmoud Abdul-

Rauf added 12 points for the Kings, but made only 4 of 13 field goal attempts.

Abdul-Rauf agreed the Indiana's subs were the difference.

"They played extremely well off the bench. They kept going to their strengths," he said.

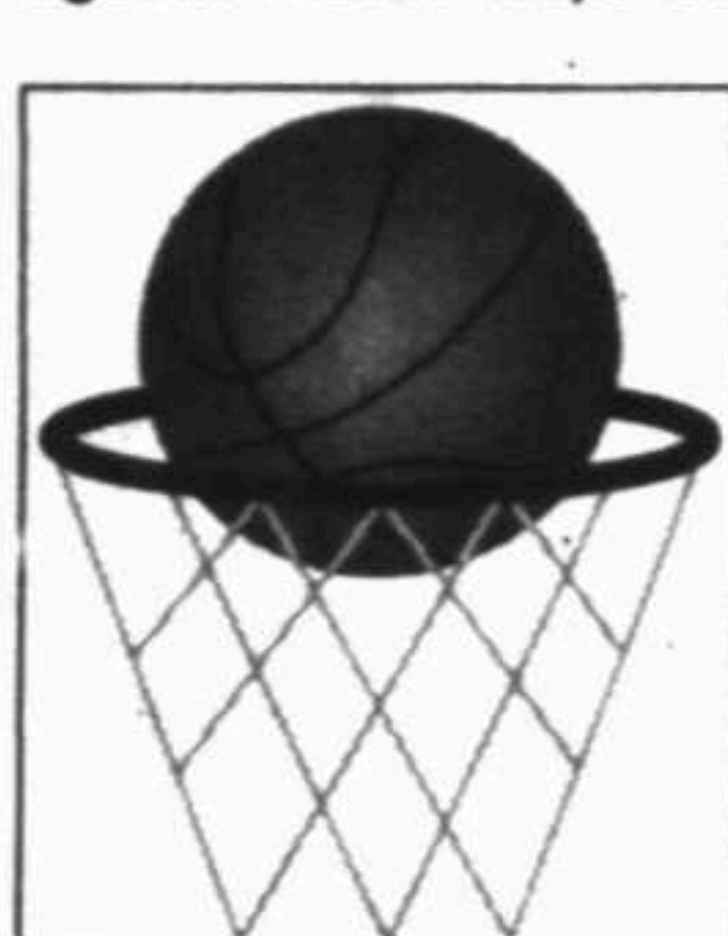
Miller scored 19 points in the first quarter as the Pacers built a 22-point lead in the first half before the Kings rallied to pull within 43-38 at the half.

In the third quarter, Best and Miller combined for 15 of Indiana's 25 points to help the Pacers push their lead to 10 points.

Local Basketball Today

MEN

Midland College at Odessa College Thanksgiving Shootout
When: Chaparrals start play at 6 p.m. Friday against Frank Phillips College. If they win they play at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, and if they lose they play at 11:30 a.m.



Where: Odessa College.
Records: Midland College is 6-3 overall, Frank Phillips is 7-4 overall.

Coaches: Midland College — Pat Rafferty.
Opponents: Frank Phillips is a fellow member of the West-

ern Junior College Athletic Conference. This is a non-conference game.

Last action: Beat Mesa (Ariz.) Community College, 79-67, Saturday in the Chap Shootout.

Notes, quotes: Cedric Goodwyn has averaged 28 points in the last two games. The Chaps did shoot a cold 29-of-52 from the free-throw line in the win against Mesa. In other tournament action, Odessa College faces Angelo State JV at 8 p.m. Friday.

Next game: Host Angelo State JV at Chaparral Center at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3.

GIRLS

Midland High at Harlingen Tournament
When: Plays Brownsville Pace at 1:30 p.m. Friday and continues tournament play through

Saturday

Where: Harlingen.
Records: Midland High is 6-2 overall.
Coaches: Midland High — Jim Raughton.
Opponent: Brownsville Pace is a Class 5A team.

Notes, quotes: The Lady Dawgs have been on a roll lately with wins over Sweetwater (49-41), Seminole (63-29) and Andrews (55-37). Every player for Raughton's squad has gotten playing time. This comes after suffering their second defeat to Lubbock Coronado (78-59) in the finals of the Howard County Tournament.

Next game: Host Big Spring at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Midland Lee at Georgetown Tournament

When: First game is at 1:30 p.m. Friday against Austin Anderson. Tourney continues through Saturday.

Where: Georgetown.
Records: Midland Lee is 2-3 overall.
Coaches: Midland Lee — Elise Kail.
Opponent: Austin Anderson is a Class 4A team.

Notes, quotes: The Lady Rebels are struggling offensively going into this tournament. They are coming off their worst loss of the season with a 58-40 defeat by Lubbock Monterey on Tuesday.

Next game: Travel to play in the Levelland Tournament next Friday through Saturday.

BOYS

Midland High at Harlingen Classic
When: Start play at 1 p.m. Friday against Roma and continue tournament play on Satur-

day

Where: Harlingen.
Records: Midland High is 5-0 overall.
Coaches: Midland High — Jack Stephenson.

Notes, quotes: The Bulldogs are coming off an 80-57 win over Class 4A Levelland on Monday. MHS won despite its bus being late. Sophomore Charles tatum has averages 24.5 points per game in the last two victories against Levelland and El Paso Bel Air (66-60) on Saturday.

Next game: Bulldogs play El Paso Austin at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6 at Chaparral Center.

Midland Lee at Georgetown Tournament

When: Start tournament play at 10:30 a.m. Friday against Austin Anderson. Tournament continues through Saturday.

Where: Georgetown Gym.
Records: Midland Lee is 4-1 overall.
Coaches: Midland Lee — Jon House.

Opponent: Austin Anderson is a Class 4A team that was picked by many to advance to the South regionals.

Notes, quotes: The Rebels are coming off their first loss of the season Tuesday to Lubbock Monterey, 81-62, in what House described as "one of the worst outings of the year." Arron Washington has scored 34 points in the Rebels' last two ball games.

Next game: Rebels host El Paso Franklin at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6 at Chaparral Center.

Rangers announce 1997 schedule, including eight series with NL West teams

ARLINGTON — The Texas Rangers unveiled their 1997 regular-season schedule Wednesday, including their first regular-season series with National League teams.

The American League team will play two-game series at home and on the road against the four National League West clubs: the Colorado Rockies, the Los Angeles Dodgers, the San Diego Padres and the San Francisco Giants.

The Rangers will host the Giants June 12-13 and the Padres next two nights before visiting Colorado for a two-game set June 17-18.

Texas will visit Los Angeles for a two-game series June 30 and July 1 before hosting the Rockies July 2-3.

The Rangers will visit San Fran-

cisco and San Diego for two-game series Aug. 28-31 before closing its first season of interleague play by hosting the Dodgers Sept. 2-3.

The Rangers has scheduled 70 night and 11 day games at home. The first day game will be the April 1 season opener against the Milwaukee Brewers. That and three other weekday games are scheduled for 12:35 p.m.; all other day games are scheduled for Sundays at 2:05 p.m.

Texas will close out its home schedule Sept. 21 with a Sunday day game against the Anaheim (formerly California) Angels. The Rangers will finish the regular season with a six-game West Coast road trip ending with an afternoon game in Anaheim Sept. 28.

Ex-Cooper Cougar lifts Indiana to last-second win

By Jim O'Connell
AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK — Former Abilene Cooper star Andrae Patterson hit a baseline jumper at the buzzer to give No. 20 Indiana a 74-73 victory over Evansville on late Wednesday night in the semifinals of the Pre-season NIT.

The Hoosiers (4-0), who led 72-64 with 2 1/2 minutes to play, scored after inbounded the ball with 1.2 seconds left. Freshman A.J. Guyton inbounded from in front of the Indiana bench and found Patterson on the left side. Patterson, who finished with 20 points, caught the ball and shot in one motion and the buzzer sounded as the ball was in the air.

Marcus Wilson's drive with 22 seconds left capped a 9-0 run by Evansville (3-1) and gave the underdog Purple Aces a 73-72 lead.

Indiana brought the ball down court after Wilson's basket without calling a timeout and Neil Reed's shot from the lane with seven sec-

onds left bounced off the rim, rolled around the floor and was finally knocked out of bounds by an Evansville player in a scramble.

The Hoosiers sandwiched two timeouts around one by Evansville before the final play.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Lee JV falls to Plainsmen

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Keith Rotan had 12 and Blake Hinsley threw in 11 for the 5-1 Rebels.

Lee sophs down Monterey

The Midland Lee sophomore boys basketball defeated Lubbock Monterey 82-61 to improve to 7-0 for the season.

The Rebels received 26 points from Justin Gibson. Orlando Castillo had 18 while Tony Smith scored 17.

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Oakland 10
At Oakland
Blue vs. Gray 11 a.m. (ABC)
Altoona 10
At Altoona
California (6-5) vs. Erie (6-5) 2:30 p.m. (ABC)

Friday, Dec. 6
Liberty 10
At Liberty
Houston (7-4) vs. Big Spring (7-4) 2 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 7
Clemson 10
At Clemson
Big Ten fourth vs. Big Ten fifth 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Dec. 8
Alamo 10
At Alamo
WAC second vs. Big Ten 11 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 9
Holiday Bowl
WAC champion vs. WAC second 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Dec. 10
Heritage Bowl
At Atlanta
MEAC vs. SWAC 11 a.m. (CBS)

Sun Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
Pac-10 fifth vs. Big Ten 11 a.m. (CBS)

Independence Bowl
At Shreveport
SEC fifth vs. At Large 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Orange Bowl
At Miami
No. 4 vs. No. 6 from All-SEC 4 p.m. (CBS)

Wednesday, Jan. 1
Outback Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
SEC third vs. Big Ten 11 p.m. (ESPN)

Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville
North Carolina (9-2) vs. Wake Forest (9-2) second, 11:30 a.m. (NBC)

Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Northwestern or Penn State second, noon (ABC)

Rose Bowl
At Pasadena
Arizona State vs. Ohio State 8 p.m. (ABC)

Fiesta Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.
No. 3 vs. No. 5 from All-SEC 8 p.m. (CBS)

Thursday, Jan. 2
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
No. 1 vs. No. 2 from All-SEC 7 p.m. (ABC)

H. Class 5A

Big School Region I
Lawrenceville (12-0) vs. Lubbock (11-1), 6 p.m., Saturday, Stadium, Abilene

Region II
Longview (9-3) vs. Kilgus (10-2), 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Iron Field, Bedford

Region III
Houston Lamar (10-2) vs. Park North Shore (12-0), 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Rice Stadium, Houston

Region IV
Converse Judson (11-1) vs. Paces (10-2), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Stadium, San Antonio

Small School Region (8-3)
Nimitz (8-4), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Flower Mound Maroush (10-2) vs. Midland Lee (11-0), 2 p.m., Memorial Stadium, Midland

Region II
Tyler John Tyler (11-1) vs. Stadium, Waco

Richardson Lake Highlands vs. Waco (5-7), 1 p.m., Texas Stadium, Irving

Region III
Houston Madison (10-2) vs. Houston Yates (12-0), 11:11 a.m., Friday, Pritchett, Houston

Region IV
Austin Westlake (11-1) vs. Houston, 7:30 p.m., Friday, um, Houston

San Antonio Churchill Harington (12-0), 2 p.m., Santa Christi

Class 4A

Big School Region I
Pampa (9-2) vs. Azle (5-7), Friday, Stadium, Irving

Region II
Grapevine (12-0) vs. Mustang (6-4), 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Stadium, Irving

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Allen sets rushing TD record; Chiefs defeat slumping Lions

By Harry Atkins
AP Sports Writer

PONTIAC, Mich. — Marcus Allen says records are nice, yet winning is better. He experienced both Thursday.

Allen rushed for two touchdowns, including the go-ahead score with 46 seconds remaining, sending the Kansas City Chiefs to a 28-24 victory and ending the Detroit Lions' slim playoff hopes.

Allen now has 112 rushing touchdowns, bettering the old mark of 110 he had shared with Walter Payton.

"The second touchdown was better, because we really needed the win after last week," said Allen, who finished with 73 yards on 15 carries. "Records are made to be broken, and there is already someone on my heels, so I feel like I'm just borrowing the record."

The Chiefs also buried any quarterback controversy that might have grown from coach Marty Schottenheimer's decision earlier in the week to start Rich Gannon ahead of Steve Bono.

Gannon, who was given the job because of his mobility, scrambled for 45 of the 243 rushing yards for Kansas City (9-4). Gannon also completed 18-of-15 passes for 120 yards without an interception. He

tossed a 17-yard scoring pass to Chris Penn and a 9-yard AD strike to Derrick Walker.

"It wasn't pretty, but we won," Gannon said. "I have to give a lot of credit to the offensive line, because they just pounded the Detroit defense. We ran the ball a ton, and they really came through."

Detroit (5-8) needed another miracle finish to take the heat off embattled coach Wayne Fontes. Instead, the Lions have lost six of their last seven, after starting the season 4-2.

"We need to play defense," Fontes said. "That's the bottom line. You look at the teams that win championships or just win. They have the quarterback and the running back and we have those. What makes those teams different is when their defenses go on the field they stop people."

The Lions couldn't do that in the clutch against Kansas City. The Chiefs ran the ball on 12 of 15 plays during their 76-yard drive for Allen's winning touchdown. They ran 7:55 off the clock in the process.

"We played fairly well today, but in the end they ran the ball right down our throats," said Detroit safety Bennie Blades. "We just couldn't stop the run. That's the

Chiefs 28, Lions 24	
Kansas City	7 7 0 14 = 28
Detroit	0 14 7 3 = 24
First Quarter	
KC—Allen 1 run (Stoyanovich kick), 11:11.	
Second Quarter	
Det—Morton 16 pass from Mitchell (Hanson kick), 10:06.	
Det—Wells fumble recovery in end zone (Hanson kick), 2:40.	
KC—Allen 17 pass from Mitchell (Stoyanovich kick), 6:58.	
Third Quarter	
Det—Sanders 13 run (Hanson kick), 14:39.	
Fourth Quarter	
KC—Walker 9 pass from Gannon (Stoyanovich kick), 4:08.	
Det—FG Hanson 21, 6:19.	
KC—Allen 1 run (Stoyanovich kick), 14:14.	
First downs	26 21
Rushes-yards	45-243 24-81
Passing	18-15 18-30-3
Comp-Att-Int	18-30-3 18-30-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-25 2-10
Punts	3-40-3 1-46-0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1 1-0
Penalties-Yards	5-47 6-44
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS	
RUSHING—Kansas City, Hill 17-103, Allen 15-73, Gannon 7-45, Anders 2-18, McHale 2-7, Vanover 2-1, Detroit, Sanders 20-77, Mitchell 3-10, Rivers 1-1 (minus 6).	
PASSING—Kansas City, Gannon 15-18-0-120, Detroit, Mitchell 18-29-2-247, Sanders 0-1-0.	
RECEIVING—Kansas City, Anders 5-44, Walker 3-28, Lechappelle 2-20, McHale 2-3, Penn 1-17, Johnson 1-11, Bennett 1-5, Detroit, Parham 8-131, Moore 7-84, Morton 2-27, Metzke 1-5.	

way Kansas City likes to play."

The Chiefs also played solid defense. They picked off three Detroit passes, one by Barry Sanders who was trying to lob a

float to Herman Moore in the end zone.

Sanders had 77 yards on 20 rushes, including a vintage 13-yard touchdown dash.

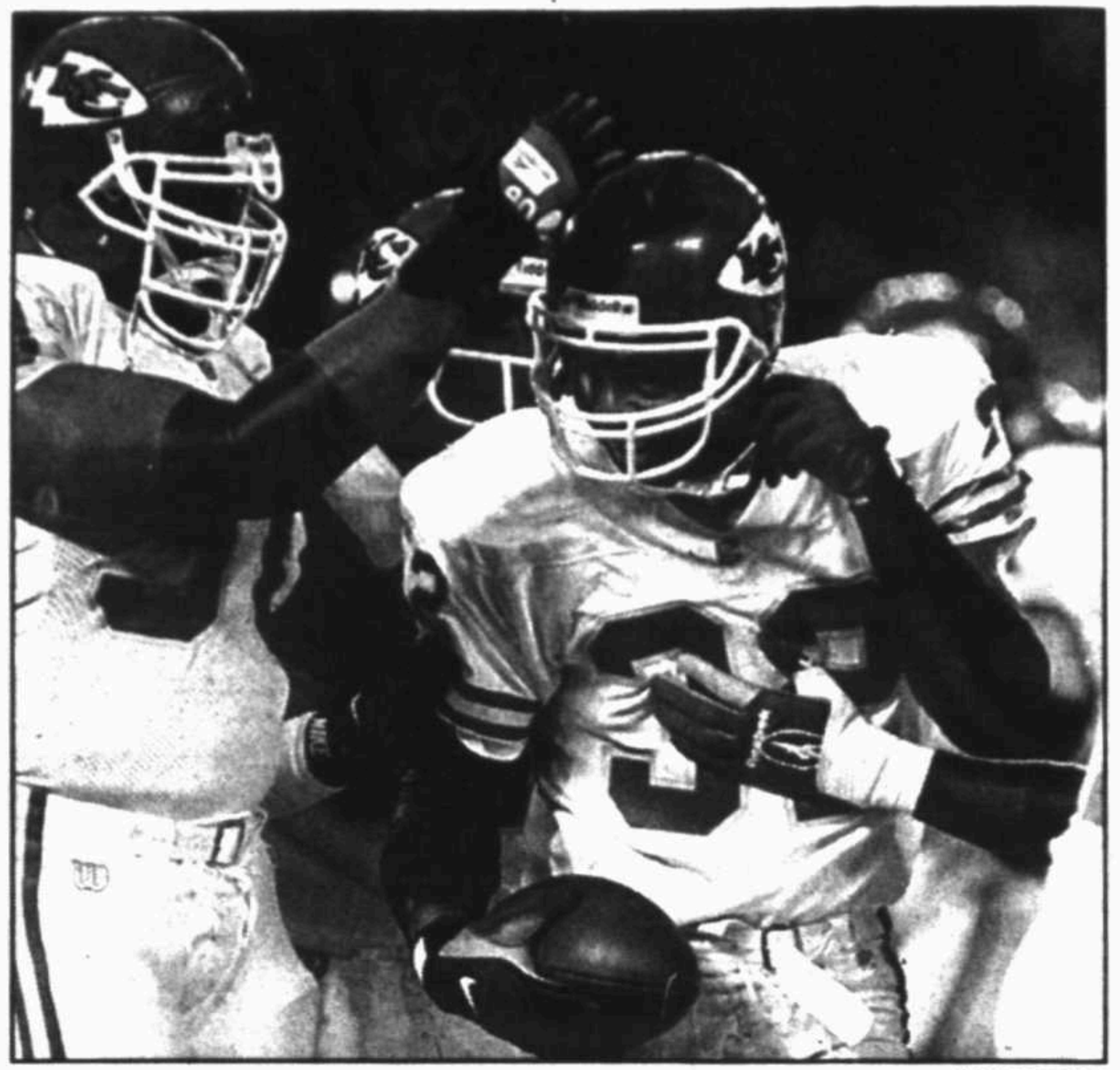
A 21-yard field goal by Jason Hanson gave Detroit a 24-21 lead with 8:41 left in the fourth quarter. Thereafter, it was all Kansas City. Gannon set the tone for the Chiefs' winning drive with a 16-yard scramble on the first play. Then he began handing the ball off to Greg Hill, who ripped the Lions' defense behind solid blocking from the offensive line.

Hill, who had 103 yards on 17 carries, ran seven times for 29 yards during the clinching drive. After a 7-yard run by Hill gave Kansas City first-and-goal at the 2, Allen returned to the backfield.

Allen was stopped a yard short on his first carry, then soared over the top in a classic dive for the winning touchdown.

"If he hadn't gotten in on that play, we would have run the exact same play again," Schottenheimer said. "And Marcus would have found a way to get in."

Allen got No. 111 at 11:11 of the first quarter. He helped set up the record-breaking score with a 35-yard run earlier in the drive, then followed a lead block by fullback Tony Richardson into the end zone.



Kansas City back Marcus Allen is congratulated by teammate defensive end Neil Smith (90) after his first quarter touchdown against the Detroit Lions at the Silverdome in Pontiac, Mich., Thursday.

As he headed to the sidelines, getting hugs and pats from teammates, Allen raised his right fist over his head.

"Our game plan was to run the ball and try to wear them down," Allen said.

The touchdown dropped Jim Brown to third on the NFL career list with 106 rushing TDs. Brown is followed by Emmitt Smith with 105 and John Riggins with 103. Scott Mitchell completed 18-of-29

for 247 yards, with two interceptions. He tossed a 16-yard TD pass to Johnnie Morton, and Mike Wells fell on a Kansas City fumble in the end zone to give Detroit a 14-7 lead in the second quarter.

The Chiefs, who have won four of their last five games, now have defeated all four NFC Central teams. Earlier, they knocked off Minnesota, Green Bay and Chicago.

BOYS: Smith rushes for 10,000 in career

(From 1D)

just hope we can be consistent now.

"We feel like we can run on anybody. When we're doing that, you never know what can happen."

The biggest turnaround was the Cowboys' success near the goal line. Instead of settling for field goals as they've done the last two weeks, Dallas was able to punch in all three scoring opportunities. Smith getting the job done each time.

Smith, who didn't practice all week after being benched in the fourth quarter of last Sunday's loss to the Giants, broke an arm tackle on his first score, wasn't touched

Cowboys 21, Redskins 10	
Washington	0 3 7 0 = 10
Dallas	0 7 7 7 = 21
First Quarter	
Det—E. Smith 4 run (Bonioli kick), 12:57.	
Was—FG Blanton 21, 14:37.	
Second Quarter	
Was—Shepherd 26 pass from Fretotte (Blanton kick), 4:35.	
Third Quarter	
Det—E. Smith 4 run (Bonioli kick), 8:58.	
Fourth Quarter	
Det—E. Smith 3 run (Bonioli kick), 7:11.	
Was—A-64, 9:55.	

on the second and easily dived in on the third.

"I thought last week I had some running lanes and this week I had a whole lot of running lanes," said Smith, who went over 1,000 yards for the year and 10,000 for his

career. "They did a great job of holding their blocks."

Smith wasn't the only one to excel. Backup running back Sherman Williams came within two yards of his career best, getting 46 yards on 13 carries.

WIN: Dallas 5-0 vs. Redskins on holiday

(From 1D)

"I ran the ball the best I have all year long," Smith said. "Last week it was cold weather and the turf was hard and I couldn't get going. It looks like I've weathered the storm."

It didn't surprise his teammates. Defensive back Kevin Smith said "Emmitt felt all the world was against him. We knew he would come out like this."

Smith rushed 29 times against the Redskins, ranked No. 29 against the run, although he was spelled at times by Williams.

He tore off a season-long 42-yard run in the third quarter to set up his 4-yard scoring run, and gained 55 of the 77 yards on the drive that put the Cowboys ahead 14-10. Then he gained 25 yards on a 65-yard drive to put the game away, scoring his third touchdown with 7:49 to play.

Dallas running back coach Joe Brodsky said it was incredible how some people thought Smith's career was waning.

"It was so ludicrous to say he's washed up it was bordering on stupidity," said Brodsky, who muttered sarcastically "he's washed up, the guy's washed up" as he walked past the media.

Washington coach Norv Turner said he was worried about facing an inspired Smith.

"He's one of the greatest competitors you're going to be around," Turner said. "When somebody told me Emmitt had a problem I expected to see a special

Career Rushing TDs	
By The Associated Press Through Nov. 28	
The career rushing touchdown leaders in the National Football League (2-active):	
Player	TDs
1. x-Marcus Allen	112
2. Walter Payton	110
3. x-Emmitt Smith	106
4. Jim Brown	106
5. John Riggins	104
6. Franco Harris	91
7. Eric Dickerson	80

effort out of him. That's what happened."

Linebacker Ken Harvey said he didn't believe Smith was over the hill.

"I didn't believe what people were saying about him," Harvey said. "He proved today that he's still a good player."

The Cowboys ended the longest scoring drought in franchise history with 2:03 left in the first half on Smith's 4-yard TD. It was the first time the Cowboys had scored in 30 consecutive possessions spanning 10 quarters.

The TD came after linebacker Fred Strickland recovered a fumble on the Washington 33. It came on a fumbled center exchange between center Jeff Uhlenhake and quarterback Gus Fretotte.

So, despite minus-seven yards passing the Cowboys led at intermission 7-3. Troy Aikman was just 4 of 11 for 10 yards and was sacked twice by Ken Harvey for 17 yards in losses.

But Washington came back on the first series of the second half to take a 10-7 lead on Fretotte's 26-yard touchdown pass to Leslie Shepherd.

The Cowboys had to convert a fourth-and-1 at the Washington 24 on Aikman's quarterback sneak to keep the drive alive. Brian Walker interfered with Herschel Walker at the Washington 4 and Smith scored on the next play.

Washington's Scott Blanton, who earlier had a 40-yard field goal attempt blocked, kicked a 21-yarder just before halftime for the Redskins.

Washington lost wide receiver Michael Westbrook in the first quarter with a bruised kneecap, and Shepherd went out in the series following his touchdown with a sprained ankle. Defensive tackle Sean Gilbert went out with a knee injury in the fourth quarter.

The Cowboys lost twice last year to Washington, but the Redskins have never beaten Dallas on Thanksgiving Day. They are 0-5 against the Cowboys on the holiday.

Aikman hit only 9 of 19 passes for 63 yards while Fretotte was 17 of 33 for 175 yards.

Report: Lett faces one-year ban for positive cocaine test

Associated Press

DALLAS — Dallas Cowboys defensive tackle Leon Lett is facing a one-year suspension by the NFL after testing positive for cocaine, The Dallas Morning News reported.

Without identifying its source, the newspaper reported in its Friday edition that Lett appealed the suspension and that a hearing has already been held on the appeal. Lett, questioned after the Cowboys' 21-10 victory Thursday over the Washington Redskins, denied testing positive.

"Don't put anything I say into the paper because you're going to write what you want to anyway," he said.

NFL spokesman Joe Browne, reached Thursday night by The Associated Press, declined comment, citing the league's policy of confidentiality in substance-abuse matters.

Specifically, the appeal and the hearing focused on how the urine sample that tested positive for cocaine was handled, the Morning News reported the source as saying.

The appeal contended that a procedural error by the NFL

marred the test, the source said. If the chain of custody was broken, the results of the sample could be discarded.

"If the league messed up my test, then how could it be positive?" Lett asked. "I haven't failed any drug test."

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has denied any knowledge of the matter, and has said Lett denied having attended a hearing in New York.

The Morning News reported that, according to its source, Lett talked with NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue by telephone on Nov. 21 and denied using cocaine.

The newspaper said that was followed Tuesday by a hearing involving the NFL, representatives for Lett, and the person responsible for collecting urine samples from the Cowboys.

If his appeal is denied, Lett

could be suspended before the end of the season, The Morning News reported. If the appeal is upheld, Lett could escape suspension.

The NFL suspended Lett for four games last season for violating its substance-abuse policy. As a result, the player now is tested two to 10 times per month. A second positive test would carry with it an automatic one-year suspension.

Jones and his son, Stephen, a vice president for the Cowboys, have denied receiving notification from the NFL concerning Lett's drug test. Each also has denied vigorously any knowledge of a suspension involving Lett or any procedural mistake that might have voided a test of Lett.

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Associated Press

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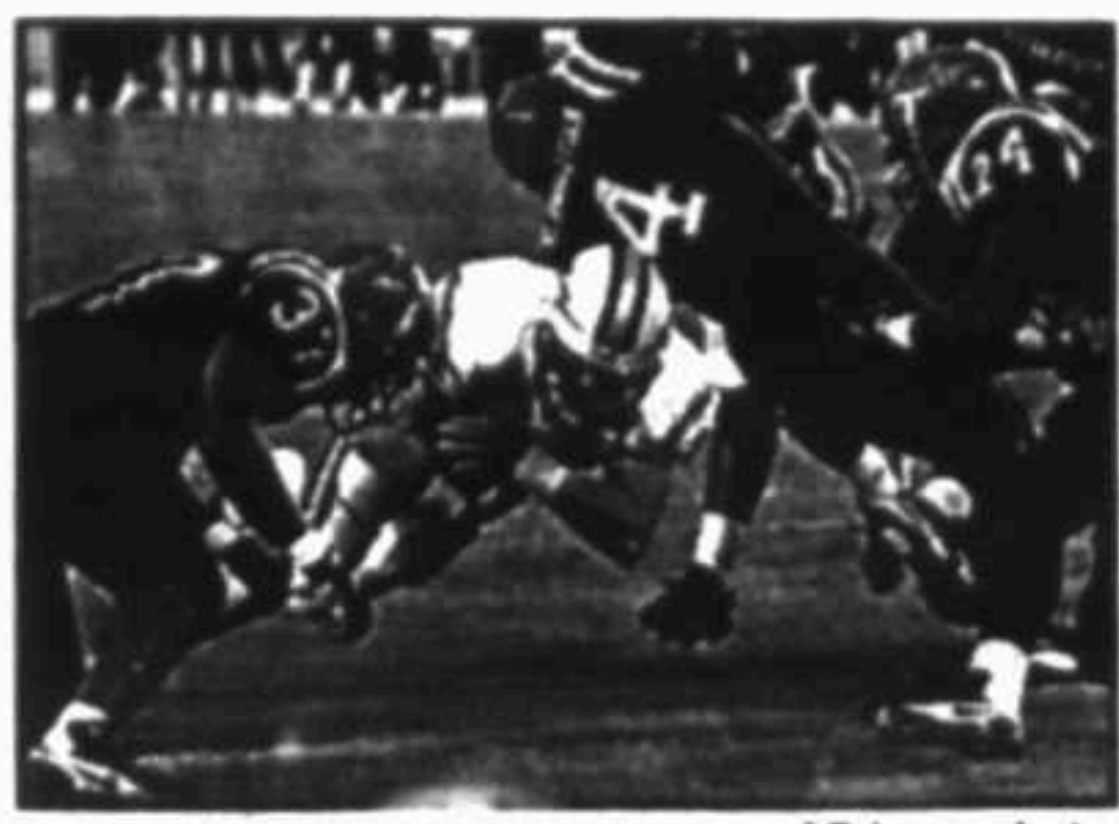
SAN DIEGO (AP) — Billy Blanton threw two touchdown passes, and an opportunistic defense led San Diego State to a 28-23 Western Athletic Conference victory Thursday night over Air Force.

The Aztecs' defense recovered a pair of fumbles to score one touchdown and to stop an Air Force scoring drive late in the third quarter.

The Falcons also committed a costly blunder, when a roughing-the-kicker penalty allowed San Diego State (8-3 overall, 6-2 in the WAC) to keep alive a drive it converted into a 5-yard touchdown pass from Blanton to Leandrew Childs. The scoring pass increased the Aztecs' lead to 28-16 in the third quarter.

Air Force (6-5, 5-3), coming off a bye week, made things interesting when quarterback Beau Morgan scored on a 16-yard run with 10:07 left in the game.

Morgan, who rushed for 89 yards on 17 carries and two touchdowns, returned to start the second half after leaving the game midway through the second quarter with a



AP Laserphoto
Air Force quarterback Beau Morgan dives into the endzone for their only touchdown in the first half.

shoulder injury.

The game was originally scheduled to be played Oct. 5. But it was rescheduled because of a conflict with a National League playoff game.

compete in track and skip spring practice, and he's almost always held out of contact to keep him healthy for games.

Dunn came to Florida State several months after his mother, police Cpl. Betty Smothers, was gunned down by robbers on a Baton Rouge, La., street. His five younger siblings and grandmother will be at the game Saturday — Dunn's final home appearance.

In his freshman season, Dunn roomed with fifth-year senior quarterback Charlie Ward, who would win the Heisman Trophy that year.

"Charlie has helped me in general to just become a better person and not worry about the downside, but the good side of life," Dunn said. "He's been like a big brother to me."

And Bowden has filled in the father role.

"Since day one, he has been someone who has taken me under his wing and looked over me to make sure I was doing the right thing," Dunn said. "It's not just a love for football, but a love for each other."

Dunn has been a key part of Bowden's offense from the middle part of his freshman season. Dunn needs five yards Saturday to reach the 1,000-yard mark for the third year — the only Seminole to do it more than once.

NORTH: Both teams are 9-1, 7-0

(From 1D)

Colorado coach Rick Neuheisel said his Buffaloes, 18-point underdogs, are anxious to let their performance answer those who feel they can't beat the Huskers or bid for a championship.

Colorado relishes the challenge of Nebraska's storied home field advantage. The Huskers have won 35 straight at home. Colorado, however, has won 10 straight on the road.

Both teams are 9-1 overall and 7-0 in the conference.

Colorado is led by senior quarterback Koy Detmer, the league's most efficient passer. The Buffs average 469.6 yards each game,

including 311.2 yards passing.

Osborne and Nebraska know that to be successful the Huskers must pound Detmer all day. Colorado, Neuheisel said, must do what only Arizona State has done — hold off a Nebraska defense that has rolled up 44 sacks, consistently throttled running backs and generally contained opposing receivers.

Nebraska's defense has scored 51 points and limited opponents to an average of 10.4 points per game. Husker defenders are credited with setting up 152 points off turnovers.

The Huskers will be without line-backer Terrell Farley whose career ended when he was arrested

for the second time this year on a drunken driving charge. Farley, whose speed added to the pass rush and special teams, will be replaced by veteran Ryan Terwilliger.

Osborne noted Terwilliger plays regularly and started seven games last season and two games this year — the latter when Farley was previously suspended.

Nebraska fell from the No. 1 spot in September when the Cornhuskers played a miserable game and suffered a humiliating 19-0 loss to Arizona State.

A week earlier Colorado was beaten by Michigan, 20-13.

Neuheisel said the Buffaloes have been written off by many because of the loss.

Dunn nears end of Florida State career

By Brent Kallestad

Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Bobby Bowden knows the day is coming when Warrick Dunn will leave school, and the Florida State coach does not like to think about it at all.

"I nearly get sad every time I look out there and realize that guy won't be out there next year," Bowden said. "He's always on time, always at practice, never complains, goes to class, goes to study hall. You just couldn't ask for anymore."

As is the case every time he takes the field, Dunn comes into Saturday's game against Florida a marked man.

"Warrick Dunn is the key," says Gator cornerback Fred Weary. "Stop him and you can stop the offense."

The star tailback is the Seminoles' career rushing leader and one of their best big-game players. He has averaged more than 140 yards offense in four games with Florida, including a 23-17 Sugar Bowl victory almost two years ago.

Since arriving at Florida State in 1993, Dunn has been special to Bowden. Dunn has been allowed to

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A&M: Aggies have won 10 of last 12

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If Texas wins, the Longhorns will represent the Big 12 South in the league championship game against either Colorado or Nebraska in St. Louis on Dec. 7. A&M would be eliminated from bowl contention.

If the Aggies win, Texas Tech will go to St. Louis and A&M will earn a postseason berth, most likely to the Alamo Bowl.

The Aggies were in the hunt for the Big 12 title game until Tech knocked off Oklahoma last week.

"I thought there was a real potential for problems if we put all our emphasis on the Big 12 game when it could be taken away from us," said A&M coach R.C. Slocum. "We took the approach that we were playing Texas, a big rivalry game."

"That in itself is motivation enough. And we have the added motivation of needing to win to go to a bowl game."

On paper, the game figures to boil down to Texas' ability to pass the ball against A&M's inexperienced secondary, and A&M's ability to run on a Texas defense giving up 206 yards per game.

Texas linebacker Tyson King is expected to be tested by A&M running backs Tiki Hardeman, Dante Hall, Eric Bernard and Parker.

Mackovic says A&M's secondary, scorched in early losses to Brigham Young, Southwestern Louisiana and Colorado, has improved dramatically.

"There's nothing worse than opening with a young secondary against BYU," Mackovic said. "They're playing the coverages they've played in the past and doing well. They've grown up."

Despite Mackovic's praise, Texas quarterback James Brown believes the Longhorns can exploit the Aggies' pass coverage.

"They're much better than they were against BYU," Brown said.

"But I don't think they're as good as our secondary that we go up against every day in practice."

The Aggies have won eight of the last 10 meetings with the Longhorns and have a 10-2 record against Texas since 1984.

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"Disney's 101 Dalmatians" is now playing at the Tall City 10, 4915 W. Loop 250.

Top weekend movies

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All dollar figures in millions

Rank	Title	Weeks in release	Gross to date	Number of screens
1	Star Trek: First Contact	1	\$30.7	2,812
2	Space Jam	2	\$16.2	2,850
3	Remains	1	\$13.2	2,788
4	Jingle All the Way	1	\$12.1	2,401
5	The Mirror Has Two Faces	1	\$8	2,488
6	Get It Off	1	\$3.3	1,016
7	William Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet	1	\$3.2	1,808
8	The English Patient	1	\$2.7	268
9	Slipstream	1	\$1.4	1,582
10	The First Wives Club	1	\$1.237	900

Mini Reviews

Fly Away Home (PG)

A first-class flight. To help a flock of orphaned Canada geese migrate south, a sculptor-inventor (Jeff Daniels) teaches his adolescent daughter (Oscar winner Anna Paquin) to pilot a small aircraft, then encourages her to fly solo. Yes, the premise veers dangerously close to the real-life tragedy of Jessica Dubroff, the 7-year-old who crashed and died in April during a cross-country solo flight. But in the sure hands of director Carroll Ballard ("The Black Stallion"), this "crazy idea" becomes an uplifting symbol of father-daughter bonding, environmental activism and female empowerment. Rated PG for mild language and adult themes. — Doug Hamilton

The Glimmer Man (R)

When last we saw Steven Seagal, he was free-falling from a hijacked airplane in "Executive Decision." This detective thriller finds him back in action, playing a Los Angeles flatfoot on the trail of a serial killer. Keenen Ivory Wayans co-stars.

Independence Day (PG-13)

On a pure popcorn-movie level, it's a blast. After alien spaceships blow up Earth (spectacularly!), President Bill Pullman, fighter pilot Will Smith and computer whiz Jeff Goldblum lead mankind's counter-attack. Offering support — or potential victimhood — is a large cast headed by Judd Hirsch and Mary McDonnell. As director Roland Emmerich would be the first to admit, despite references/borrowings from sci-fi classics of every stripe (notably a germ of an idea updated from H.G. Wells' "The War of the Worlds"), the movie is really a state-of-the-art '70s disaster flick — "The Towering Inferno From Outer Space." Is it a great movie? Hardly. But it is great fun and, sometimes, that's just as important. Rated PG-13 for violence and scary stuff.

Larger Than Life (PG)

Lifeless. The usually reliable Bill Murray hits a career low with this singularly unfunny comedy. As a struggling motivational speaker who inherits a pushy pachyderm named Vera when his father, a circus clown, dies, the former "Saturday Night Live" regular is made to participate in gags so corny they would give the Three Stooges pause ("Vera, put my cellular phone down now — step on it"). Worse are the moments of extreme bathos, as when Murray bids adieu to Vera in the forced finale with the line "They say an elephant never forgets, but the truth is, you never forget an elephant." Sheesh! Rated PG for mild language and adult themes. — Doug Hamilton

Michael Collins (R)

Neil Jordan's superb film gives us hope that the death of David Lean hasn't meant the death of impassioned and intelligent historical epics. Based on the short, turbulent life of the Irish revolutionary who freed part of his country from 700 years of British rule, the movie stars Liam Neeson as Collins, the inventor of modern urban guerrilla warfare, Alan Rickman as Eamon De Valera, Collins' chief-turned-enemy and Julia Roberts as the woman both he and his best friend (Aidan Quinn), fall for.

REVIEWS AND PREVIEW EDITOR
JIMMY PATTERSON



'101 Dalmatians' is now playing at the Tall City 10, on Loop 250.

WOOF! WOOF!

By Jay Carr
N.Y. Times News Service

@ THE MOVIES

Cruella DeVil may be bad for animals but she's great for business. She's Disney's most inspired piece of animated malevolence, and she's the reason its new live-action "101 Dalmatians" is going to make the fur fly at the box office. As the outrageous dominatrix who melts for pelts, Glenn Close is perfect. Spiky, angular, strident, jagged with sophistication, boasting the social skills of a Venus flytrap.

Close's devilishly entertaining Cruella lifts the film above the danger of cuteness, delivers it from a potential pall of wholesomeness and packs a tidal wave of curdled holiday cheer into her greedy red talons.

Close, in short, delivers the kind of performance that not only will turn "101 Dalmatians" into a huge hit but

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HOLIDAY FILM PREVIEW



In photo at left, Alec Baldwin, left, and Whoopi Goldberg costar in "Ghosts of Mississippi"; Jack Nicholson and Cloris Leachman are the President and First Lady in "Mars Attacks," and, at bottom, Kenneth Branagh does more Shakespeare in "Hamlet."

Holiday film fare favors adults over kids

By Lynn Elber

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — Grown-ups must have been very, very good this year, because Santa Claus' Hollywood division is rewarding them with a sleighful of worthy movies.

Children, on the other hand, might feel their stockings look a tad understuffed, at least by comparison.

Not that the stars attached to kid-oriented holiday films are anything to sneer at: There's Michael Jordan and pal Bugs Bunny in "Space Jam," Arnold Schwarzenegger in "Jingle All the Way" and Glenn Close and lots of Spots in "101 Dalmatians."

And some youngsters might consider the big-screen arrival of MTV's cartoon brats in "Beavis and Butt-head Do America" the fulfillment of their heart's desire.

But this quartet of fluffy children's films pales next to the adult fare, which is plentiful and frequently ambitious.

There are dramas both classical ("Hamlet") and intensely contemporary ("Ghosts of Mississippi"), and romances that are fanciful ("The Preacher's Wife") and soulful ("Breaking the Waves").

Humor isn't ignored ("Mars Attacks!") and "Mother" and even the musical, that faded genre, is making a comeback ("Evita").

"Right now, it's the movie business equivalent of jamming 20 coeds in a phone booth," said Miramax spokesman Mark Gill. For moviegoers, he adds, it's "the greatest thing in the world."

For the business, it's too much to sustain; some studios already have said they plan to lighten their production schedules.

And for filmmakers caught in this holiday traffic jam, competing for audiences as well as industry attention for Academy Award nominations, it's stress-inducing.

"It's like watching your baby crawl across the freeway," said Scott Hicks, director of "Shine," a wrenching Australian drama based on the life of brilliant, emotionally disturbed pianist David Helfgott.

Thoughtful films such as "Shine" and "The English Patient" are squaring off with other thoughtful films, as well as the sundry blockbuster such as Sylvester Stallone's latest

action derby.

"I open up the newspaper and see ads with 'STALLONE. DAYLIGHT,'" said Hicks. "And that's how so many films are marketed. One big name above the title and a one-world title. If you think about it, it's intimidating."

Movies such as "Shine" can fight back with sharp advertising — "Shine's" campaign emphasizes the musician's triumphs, not tragedies — and with attention from impressed critics.

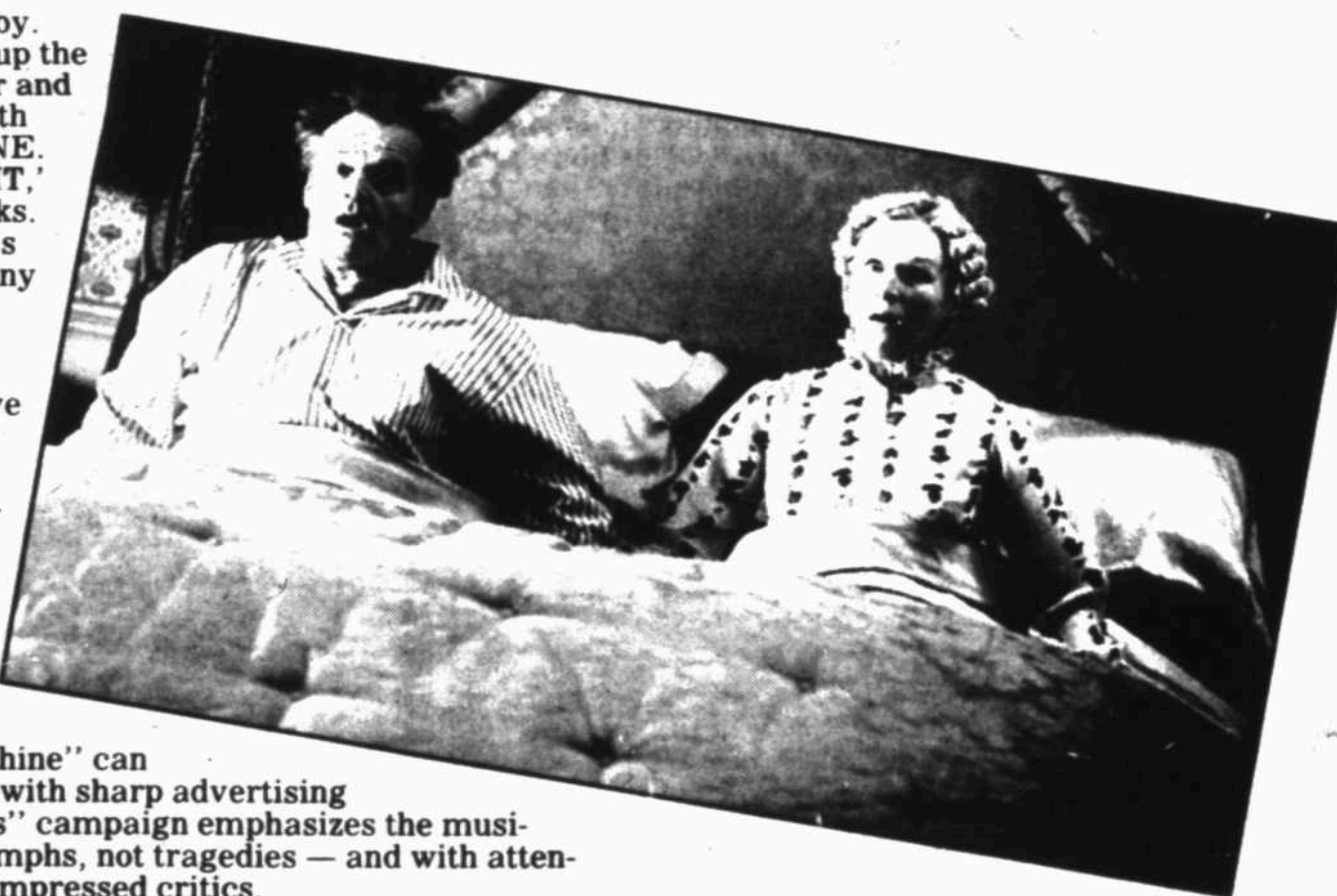
Hicks is certain there's an audience for his film: "It's a matter of reaching them, and a matter of them giving themselves permission to go see 'Shine.'"

There's also the issue of finding the time. Here's the daunting list of what will be under the tree in the coming weeks:

■ "Breaking the Waves," the tale of a naive young woman (newcomer Emily Watson), the oil rigger she loves and the tragedy they endure in a remote, conservative Scottish village.

■ "Citizen Ruth," with Laura Dern as a pregnant woman who becomes the confused pawn between pro-choice and anti-abortion groups in this black comedy.

■ "The Crucible," the Arthur Miller play about a 17th-century New England town caught up in the



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Bill Murray on noogies, elephants and aliens

By Kathleen Sampey
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — It's hard to know what to expect from Bill Murray.

He opens the door to a hotel suite dressed in black slacks and an orange-print shirt so loud it is positively screaming.

One instinctively braces for a barrage of "noogies."

Instead, Murray extends a soft, mechanical handshake and offers a soda, politely inquiring just how much ice is desired.

Listening carefully to each question, he alternates between sober responses or comic riffs so droll it is hard to tell the difference.

Murray claims not to have yet seen his new movie, "Larger Than Life," in which he portrays a motivational speaker who

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inherits an elephant from the newly dead, circus-performer father he never knew about. He's also coming out in "Mars Attacks," Tim Burton's offbeat science fiction comedy about aliens who land in Arizona, and find an assortment of odd Earthlings.

A question about his Roman Catholic upbringing in Wilmette, Ill., sparks observations about the similarities between Pope John Paul II and Muhammad Ali.

"It's a big deal that the pope's sick," Murray declares. "He's got Parkinson's maybe, they say. Muhammad Ali and the pope, both with the same affliction."

They're two of the most famous people on earth and they got it and they're going down. It's one thing to be a retired boxer. People don't expect you to work. But the

pope's got a worldwide gig. What does he do?"

Murray is staring off into space now, and it's as if he's talking to himself.

"To have a guy who is really way up there, who can't hide — it just makes it Greek. Very heroic. I don't know what all this illness means."

Suddenly self-conscious, Murray smiles.

"Am I really raving here?" he asks. "Because the world is raving so much."

His demeanor is almost meditative. He can be philosophical and funny without being obviously "on." It's a trait not unlike that of a man he lists as one of his comedic influences: Jack Benny.

"Only when I got older did I go, 'Holy cow! That guy's moves are amazing,'

Murray, 45, says of the comedian whose



Bill Murray

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HOLIDAYS: Shirley MacLaine returns for 'Terms' sequel

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fever of a duel hunt. Winona Ryder and Daniel Day-Lewis star in Miller's screen adaptation.

■ "The English Patient," a World War II-era romantic adventure based on Michael Ondaatje's prize-winning novel. Ralph Fiennes, Kristin Scott Thomas and Juliette Binoche star.

■ "The Evening Star," the sequel to "Terms of Endearment." Shirley MacLaine is back as Aurora Greenway, coping with the grandchildren she raised after their mother's death. Jack Nicholson returns as well.

■ "Evita." Madonna. Andrew Lloyd Webber. Need we say more?

■ "Ghosts of Mississippi," details the effort to bring the killer of civil-rights activist Medgar Evers to justice. James Woods plays assassin Byron De La Beckwith; Alec Baldwin and Whoopi Goldberg co-star.

■ "Hamlet," director-star Kenneth Branagh's four-hour take on the Shakespearean tale. Along for the ride are Charlton Heston, Kate Winslet and Robin Williams.

■ "I'm Not Rappaport," an

adaptation of Herb Gardner's Tony Award-winning play about two Central Park bench buddies who tilt at life's injustices. With Walter Matthau and Ossie Davis.

■ "In Love and War," stars Chris O'Donnell and Sandra Bullock in a World War I romance about injured cub reporter Ernest Hemingway and the nurse who tends him. Richard Attenborough directs.

■ "Jerry Maguire," a sports comedy starring Tom Cruise as an ambitious agent who rethinks his job and life when he suddenly develops scruples. Cuba Gooding Jr. co-stars.

■ "Mars Attacks!" Science fiction comedy from offbeat director Tim Burton ("Ed Wood"). Aliens land in Arizona, and find Earthlings that include Jack Nicholson, Glenn Close and Annette Bening.

■ "Marvin's Room," starring Meryl Streep as a free-spirited woman who tries to reconnect with the family she left, including sister Diane Keaton and dad Hume Cronyn. Robert De Niro, Leonardo DiCaprio co-star.

■ "Michael," Is John Travolta a smoking, drinking genuine archangel? Reporter William Hurt and angel expert Andie MacDowell try to find out.

■ "Mother," an Albert Brooks

comedy about a man who wants true love or, in place of that, a healthy relationship with his mother. Debbie Reynolds co-stars.

■ "My Fellow Americans," a comedy starring James Garner and Jack Lemmon as rival ex-presidents on the run, framed in a scandal by the current commander in chief, Dan Aykroyd.

■ "Night Falls on Manhattan," with Andy Garcia as an idealistic district attorney who confronts defense attorney Richard Dreyfuss and questions of cover-up and compromise.

■ "One Fine Day," stars George Clooney and Michelle Pfeiffer as single parents who tangle and tango on one hectic, fateful day in this romantic comedy.

■ "The People vs. Larry Flynt," based on the life and times of the Hustler magazine publisher. Woody Harrelson and Courtney Love star in this Oliver Stone-produced film directed by Milos Forman.

■ "The Portrait of a Lady," with Nicole Kidman in an adaptation of the classic Henry James novel about a headstrong 19th-century woman. Jane Campion ("The Piano") directs.

■ "The Preacher's Wife," Denzel Washington is an angel helping preacher Courtney B.

Vance salvage his faith and marriage (to Whitney Houston). Based on 1947's "The Bishop's Wife" with Cary Grant.

■ "Some Mother's Son," Helen Mirren and Fionnula Flanagan play mothers trying to save their hunger-striking sons as the tragedy of Northern Ireland provides meat for more drama.

■ "The Substance of Fire," Jon Robin Baitz's adaptation of his play about the clash of a Holocaust survivor and his children over the family business. With Ron Rifkin, Tony Goldwyn, Sarah Jessica Parker and Timothy Hutton.

TRAILERS: What can we expect from the new managers at Sony's studios? Maybe their personal movie favorites are a clue. Top guy John Calley cites "The Maltese Falcon," "Dr. Strangelove" and "Lawrence of Arabia." Jeff Sagansky's picks include "The Way We Were" and "Schindler's List," while Yuki Nozoe is a fan of "High Noon" and "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." Does that mean they might have passed on Jim Carrey's "The Cable Guy"?

MURRAY: Comedian misses Radner

(From 6D)

show he watched regularly in his childhood.

As a player in Chicago's Second City comedy troupe in the early 1970s, Murray recalls constantly wondering who had it and who didn't in terms of comedy.

"Guys like Jackie Gleason. This guy had a lot of moves," he says with an air of amazement. "Here was a guy who was really a solid, strong actor and you saw how much comedy was about acting."

An original cast member of television's "Saturday Night Live," Murray seems to approach movie roles as that of a dramatic actor trapped in a comic's body: His steady gaze can either signal that an exasperated eye-roll is imminent or that a wounded introspection lurks beneath those frat-boy hijinks.

As if to underscore the point, Murray who is of Irish descent, leans forward and effects a whispering brogue to reveal what he considers his most Irish characteristic: "I tend to brood," he says with a nodding squint. "And I can hold a grudge. I also have an affinity for working people. Working people don't frighten me."

In fact, they inspire him. His father, Edward, was a lumber salesman, and the nine Murray children often competed for the privilege of making him laugh.

He insists that doing live television every week is much more work than making movies and admits to a certain longing to be back in the "creative ham-mock" that was SNL.

"I miss that job. When something really great goes on in the world, you think, 'We could do some funny stuff with that.'"

Murray also misses the zany comedian Gilda Radner, an original SNL cast member who died of ovarian cancer in 1989.

He played the sleazily nerdy Todd DiLaMuca, dispensing "noogies" to her nasally nerdy Lisa Lupener on SNL, and says, "I never was funnier in my life than I was with Gilda Radner. She pushed me to do stuff that I

never did with anyone.

"She had very high standards because, obviously, she was a very funny person. I remember doing a thing where I had a toy teddy bear and I beat this thing up the whole day. I just kept doing more stuff with this thing and couldn't stop making her laugh. It was almost sadistic."

As for the current SNL, Murray thinks it's much improved. "They got really good really fast," he says of the newest cast. "The one where Phil Hartman hosted just killed me. He does a Sinatra with these two girls. The sketch is just unbelievable."

Among other works he describes as "unbelievable" for their artistry are the book "Huckleberry Finn," which Murray recently re-read, and his favorite film, "North by Northwest."

"The technique is just incredible," he says of Mark Twain's much debated ending. "The way he's able to maintain tension through these chapters. The humanity of this kid, what you call an uneducated child from a poor background. The humanity he comes by traveling with someone who's treated as less than a man."

When reminded that the ending has been heavily criticized in academic circles, Murray turns into his SNL incarnation of the movie-critic/gossip columnist whose flip advice was often punctuated with, "Now, get outta here."

"Woulda, coulda, shoulda?" he intones incredulously. "This is 'Huckleberry Finn.' Get outta the way. Get 'round back."

Alfred Hitchcock's "North by Northwest" contains his favorite scene in moviedom: the one in which Cary Grant is relentlessly pursued by a crop-duster.

Murray loves it for precisely the reason he loves Twain's convoluted ending: the sheer artistry of technique.

He could just as easily be talking about his own interviewing technique, when he admiringly says of the scene, "It has nothing to do with the plot. Nothing."

DOGS: Lines from original script often used

(From 6D)

likely will turn it into a Pandora's box too, as Disney execs rush to transform the rest of the studio's animated library into a string of what it hopes will be similarly successful live-action remakes. Better not to contemplate some of them — a "Cinderella" built around Madonna, perhaps? A "Snow White" starring Rob Lowe? But we can worry about that later. Meanwhile, there's Close to enjoy.

Unless, of course, you're a Dalmatian — or someone who loves the spotted dogs. There are plenty of them in addition to Pongo and Perdita. In fact, the real heroes of this enterprise are the many trainers and handlers who have brought the dogs and puppies together into the most awesome display of animal cooperation since "Babe." Not that this "101 Dalmatians" is anything like "Babe." For one thing, Disney decided against talking animals. Nor is there any singing this time around. But you won't miss either.

In fact, you won't miss much in this zestfully extravagant and exhilaratingly stylish retelling. With Close metaphorically swooping above it all like a vulture, delighting in her own political incorrectness when she isn't flooring her DeVillmobile, this "101 Dalmatians" has the good sense to use a lot of the lines from the original. And it does an even better job of filling the screen with the kind of Englishness that speaks of sentimental

holiday warmth along with puppy love and puppy liveliness. Jeff Daniels and Joely Richardson deliver low-key charm as the couple agonizing over the dogs.

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PRIME TIME CALENDAR

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Casa de Amigos is located at 1101 E. Garden Lane. For more information about services provided call 682-9701. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards; bowling; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. gem and mineral; 10:15 a.m. sing-a-long; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. advisory meeting; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. adult classes; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. Bible study.

MIDLAND YMCAs

The Midland YMCAs have many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. For more information regarding available activities and classes contact Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, 682-2551; Alamo YMCA, 901 N. Midland Drive, 694-2528; Northeast YMCA, 2301 Butternut, 682-9469.

Scheduled activities at the Central YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m., 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Low impact aerobics; 7 a.m. YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.

■ Call for information, Y's Way to a Healthy Back.

■ By appointment, Specialized Strength Training for Seniors.

Scheduled activities for Alamo YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Arthritis Water Class.

■ Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 10 a.m. Aqua Aerobics; by appointment, Water Rehab Therapy.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

The Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information about services offered, call 685-7231. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, needlework and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting, crafts and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, choir and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. Bible class and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. movie and center bingo.

MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Midland Senior Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space #18. For more information call 681-7636. Activities for Dec. 2-6 include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes, ceramics for fun and exercise; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. grocery shopping; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes, and cards.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes, ceramics and line dancing for beginners; 9:30 a.m. line dancing for fun; 10:30 a.m. Alzheimer's support group; 11:30 a.m. lunch; Noon craft class (call for details); 12:30 p.m. art class; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes, cards, billiards and ladies billiards.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, ceramics class, cards, dominoes

and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing and tree trimming; 11:30 a.m. lunch; Noon Just One Club; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 9:30 a.m. country/western dancing and line dancing; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art for fun; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, quilting and dominoes; 9:30 a.m. 1997 Advisory Board meeting; 10 a.m. Advisory Board meeting; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. creative writing, bridge, dominoes and cards; 7 p.m. dance with band.

MISSION ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Mission Adult Day Care Center of Midland is open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 2510 W. Ohio. For more information call 570-8710. Weekday schedule includes:

■ 8 a.m. light breakfast or snacks; 9 a.m. visitation, dominoes, special events; 10 a.m. exercise, R.O.M., discussion, current events, Dear Abbey, devotion prayers; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. rest period; 2:30 p.m. snacks.

■ Men's bowling, second Friday of each month; women's shopping trips, first Friday of each month.

Birthday parties and visits by the Kitchenettes are monthly. Licensed professional staff includes nurses, activities director and certified nurses aids present daily. Transportation is insured.

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City of Midland Aquatics has programs of water exercise for seniors. The 1996 seniors/therapeutic fall schedule is:

■ Monday: 7:30-10:30 a.m. water walking; 10:30-11:15 a.m. seniors/therapeutic aerobics; 12:15-1 p.m. or 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

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RSVP

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is recruiting persons 55 years and older to volunteer with non-profit agencies. RSVP will match volunteers' skills and interests to community agencies' needs. The program is sponsored by Community and Senior Services, 3301 Sinclair. For more information, call 689-6693. A sample of current opportunities include:

■ "Minute Man" volunteers are needed to work on special projects such as bulk mailings, health fairs, greeters and other short term group projects. Very flexible hours.

■ An information receptionist for the Midland County Judges' Office is needed two days weekly to welcome visitors and provide directions to various county offices and courts. Two days weekly. Training provided and directory available.

■ Friendly faces needed to visit, read to or just be with residents of Courtyard Care Center. Requires one or two hours weekly. Orientation and introductions provided.

Helping others is focus of labors

By Lana Cunningham

Learning is a never-ending process, believes Elnora McCoy Robinson, and age is no excuse to stop gaining knowledge.

For Mrs. Robinson, learning means education, as in high school. As a volunteer assistant in the GED classes at the Southeast Senior Center, she works with other seniors who are the students. When others beg off the classes, claiming they are too old to learn, she counters with, "Life is a learning process. Nearly every day you can learn something new."

And Mrs. Robinson has discovered that life brings surprises which have forced her to adapt and learn — learn how to care for a granddaughter who was 5 months old, learn how to face each day as a widow and now, how to adjust to life as a new bride.

"We talk about ministries in our church (Mount Rose Baptist) and helping others is one of my ministries," said the soft-spoken woman.

Three mornings a week, she helps in the GED classes — something she started doing several years ago when the classes met at Hollowell United Methodist Church. When they were moved to the Southeast Center, she went with them.

The current teacher is blind, "and I'm the eyes for her. I find out what she can't see. She's organized," said Mrs. Robinson. Each student works on his/her individual lessons with guidance from the instructor and assistance from Mrs. Robinson.

"I really enjoy being in the GED classes. I'm a senior myself," said the 63-year-old West Texas native who said she always learns something while helping the students. "Sometimes I feel I'm not doing anything," she said, her voice trailing. A student walked into the room and remarked she had missed Mrs. Robinson. "I've missed you, too," she said quietly and then encouraged the woman to come back to class. Later, she admitted maybe just her presence and encouragement help the



Elnora McCoy Robinson believes that a person is never too old to learn. That is one reason she is a volunteer assistant in the GED classes at Southeast Senior Center, where she also takes a computer class on Friday mornings. Helping others is the focus of her labors.

others. "I feel they can all get their GED."

Schooling holds a special interest for the woman who still remembers certain things she learned as a child growing up in

Lamesa, including a poem titled, "Courage and Self-Control," and a skit she performed called, "Husbands are Husbands," she recalled with a laugh.

"My favorite Psalm is the 27th.

It talks about all the things the Lord is to us. And my favorite song is "If I Can Help Somebody." It tells about all the things you can do and then your living is not in vain.

"That song is my life's goal. If I had a ministry, that would be it — helping somebody."

Helping others has been the focus of her labors. Fourteen years ago, for example, she took in her 5-month-old granddaughter to raise. At a time when most people her age are looking forward to life without children in the house, Mrs. Robinson is entering the years that every parent dreads: Those troublesome teens. But, she said, times have not been turbulent. "Travel," for Mrs. Robinson means ferrying her granddaughter to many church activities. "Raising her is a challenge, but she's a good girl."

Two years ago, Mrs. Robinson's husband of almost 40 years — George McCoy — died. They had married in Lubbock and moved in 1957 to Midland for work. It was here they raised their five children. His death was a blow to her and her granddaughter.

"I hadn't thought about remarriage. After my husband died, my goal was to focus on raising my granddaughter." But then she met an old acquaintance from her childhood days, and she recently married Johnny Robinson.

"I don't feel like my life is at a standstill," she said jokingly.

Her time at the Senior Center isn't spent just in the GED classes. She is taking a computer class on Friday mornings. And there are times she helps in the kitchen during lunch, or performs with the Golden Agers singers. "We'll go anywhere we're asked," she said. Recently, they performed at a nursing home.

Singing is another of her ministries and Mrs. Robinson enjoys performing with her church choir. She's also team-teaching a women's Sunday School class.

"I do enjoy life," she said. "Each day is a miracle and I couldn't do it on my own. I tell others in the GED class that life is a learning process."

DR. PAGE

Elderly should take precautions in cold weather

By Henry F. Page, M.D., F.A.C.P.

Now that the heat generated by the recent election has dissipated, the hot topic of the "vox populi" is the oncoming cold, with particular reference as to what senior citizens should do about it.

Even in Biblical times, this problem existed as exemplified by the fair young maidens who while attempting to warm elderly King David exclaimed "gat him no heat." Now a days, with the advantages of central heat the cry is: "Turn on the heat, 50 degrees, get hot for papa or papa will freeze."

This feeling applies particularly to elders who exhibit a propensity toward "holing in" when the chill blasts of "Blue Northers" loom over the horizon. This fear is justified. Every year in the United States, approximately 75,000 "excess winter deaths" occur, resulting from hypothermia, influenza and pneumonia.

Hypothermia is defined as the unintentional decrease of body temperature to 94 degrees or less. In addition to obvious exposure to the elements, other causality factors are 1) diminished perception of cold, 2) sedation, 3) alcohol, 4) anti-depressants and 5) various nerve disorders. One's vulnerability to cold also results from diminished physical activity and reduced



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caloric intake, both affecting the body's ability to generate heat. It is of interest to note that Eskimos average 9,000 calories daily and their lifestyle requires vigorous activity.

Prevention constitutes the best therapy. Flu and pneumonia vaccines greatly reduce the incidence of these problems. Add to this adequate clothing and the maintenance of an activity program and the average older person is well protected. At one time hereditary genetic factors such as Afro genes were considered to increase one's vulnerability, but Arctic research has demonstrated that all races living in different climates have the same response. Lack of the use of protective clothing caused the apparent discrepancy in developing frost bite, etc.

Gradual, not rapid, warming along with the maintenance of all basic vital signs plus fluid and nutritional intake expedite one's return to normalcy. Profound cases of hypothermia can prove lethal and require immediate hospitalization plus expert management. In summary:

When winter's blast does all things chill
Don't weep and wail and just sit still
But be physically active, clothe warm and eat well
And then you won't feel you're in an "Eskimos' Hell."

Henry F. Page, M.D., F.A.C.P., is health and safety consultant to Midland Presbyterian Homes.

Millionaire launching new attempt at ballooning record

By Nicole Ziegler

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Millionaire adventurer Steve Fossett, known for throwing caution to the wind, has announced another attempt to be the first to circle the world in a balloon.

Fossett, 52, picked Busch Stadium, the home of the NL Central champion St. Louis Cardinals, to promote his second try at an around-the-world flight. He plans to launch his hot-air balloon "Solo Spirit" from the stadium sometime in the next few months.

"Ballooning is the oldest form of aviation, yet it is the area of aviation for which no one has made an around-the-world flight," Fossett said at a news conference Nov. 14. "We think it's the greatest unachieved goal in aviation."

Two other teams will compete with Fossett to grab the title during the winter ballooning season, which runs until Feb. 15.

Unlike the other balloonists, Fossett will fly solo in an unpressurized cabin. The cabin will make the flight even more challenging. Fossett said, because he will not be able to fly as high as the other teams and will have to rely on oxygen and heaters to complete the flight.

"The biggest risk of the flight not succeeding is actually the equipment," he said.

The other risk — physical endurance — is well in hand. To train for the rigorous flight, Fossett completed a triathlon in Hawaii in October.

In February 1995, Fossett made the first solo balloon flight across the Pacific, setting a distance record of 5,430 miles over four days. He attempted to fly around

the world last January but a winter storm stopped him 36 hours after he took flight.

During that attempt, Fossett nearly touched down in the icy Atlantic. He threw enough weight overboard at the last minute to make it to a farmer's field in Canada.

British entrepreneur Richard Branson and Dutch pilot Henk Brink also ran into trouble last year after announcing around-the-world flights. Branson had to postpone his trip because of bad weather, and Brink's balloon, "The Unifex Flyer," was deemed unsafe.

This year, Branson will again compete against Fossett for the record.

Bertrand Piccard, grandson of Swiss scientist Auguste Piccard, who made the first stratospheric flight, and Belgian hot air balloonist Wim Verstraeten also have announced plans to circle the globe. The two teamed up to win the first transatlantic balloon race in 1992.

Fossett plans to take flight from St. Louis at the first sign of a winter wind strong enough to carry him around the world.

The flight could take anywhere from 15 to 20 days, he said.

When he's not attempting to fly around the world, Fossett races Porsches, sets sailing records and undertakes grueling physical feats.

He's swum the English Channel, participated in the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in Alaska and climbed some of the world's tallest mountains.

"I think it's important that we do have a spirit of adventure," Fossett said. "This is a major goal."

College grads can spend eternity on the grounds of their alma mater

EMMITSBURG, Md. (AP) — You can call it a permanent homecoming of sorts. Dozens of alumni of Mount St. Mary's College have decided to spend eternity buried at their alma mater.

The Roman Catholic college in northern Frederick County has sold more than 100 of the 260 plots in a cemetery it opened nearly two years ago.

At least 42 of the buyers were alumni like George Green, class of '51, a retired IBM executive living in Frederick, 25 miles south of St. Mary's. "The Mount's been my mountain home for many years, and it's the only place I considered for my burial," Green said. He buried his wife there in 1995, two months after they chose their plots in the foothills of the Catoctin Mountains.

Other colleges have cemeteries but few bury alums, according to Becky Haffa of the National Funeral Directors Association. Most are reserved for school founders, administrators or celebrated professors.

Mount St. Mary's opened its cemetery after nearby St. Anthony's Church said it could no longer accept Mount alums in its crowded graveyard, according to George Gelles, the college's director of auxiliary services. He said the college takes St. Anthony parishioners at its cemetery, which is otherwise restricted to Mount alumni, employees and their families.

Plots start at \$500 and can cost up to \$2,000, depending on location and view. Gelles said the prices were in line with cemeteries in the area.

"It makes sense to return to where you started your professional life," Gelles said. "Recent graduates move all over the country, and even people from the classes in the '50s and '60s have moved quite a bit in their lifetimes. They don't want to end up in one of those gigantic cemeteries alongside some highway."

Gelles said two colleges have contacted him for advice in creating campus cemeteries. Some schools, including Bethany College in the northern panhandle of West Virginia, are considering expanding existing burial grounds to meet increased demand.

"Colleges, certainly Bethany, are in a position to assist families with inns, caterers, chapels, musicians, even chaplains. A one-stop service with people you know and probably at a price that's right," said Robert A. Sandercox, special consultant to the college president. "Cemeteries are a natural follow-up."

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Children of all ages are invited to bring their parents and have "Breakfast With Santa" as well as have their picture taken with Santa and receive a goody bag. There will be activity booths including face painting and ring toss. Entertainers performing will include the Children's World Choir, the Blackhearts Jumpers, Bingham's Dance Studio and Later Rain Gospel Country Band. A donated live Christmas tree will be given away to the winner of a drawing.

The group is a nonprofit agency that assists low-income families in securing quality child care. Proceeds from the event will fund emergency child care needs for families in the Permian Basin who may not qualify for assistance otherwise. For more information, call (915) 366-3788 in Odessa.

MIDLAND PORCELAIN Arts Club have its annual Christmas Party 2-4 p.m. Dec. 8 at 2801 Emerson Lane. A wreath decorated by members with hand-made ornaments will be awarded. Hand-painted mugs and ornaments will be exchanged. Interested china painters are invited. For more information, call 682-3509.

MIDLAND COUNTY Historical Society and members of the Midland County Historical Commission will meet 2 p.m. today at the Midland County Historical Museum to decorate for Christmas. Members are asked to bring a small ornament for the tree.

The Society also is preparing a box for the Midland Soup Kitchen and members are asked to bring can goods for this project. For information, call 682-2931.

BALLROOM DANCE Society's Christmas Dance will be 8 p.m. Dec. 4 at the Petroleum Club of Midland. Tommy Anderson's band of Lubbock will play. For more information, call 682-5412 or 520-2070.

LAST PRESENTATION of Opera Goes to the Movies for this year will be Hansel and Gretel by Engelbert Humperdinck at 7 p.m. Dec. 3 in the Roadrunner room of the Scharbauer Student Center at Midland College.

The conductor for the movie performance of this three-act fairy tale opera is Sir George Slatos and features the Vienna Boys Choir with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

Reservations for the limited seating performance can be made by calling 520-7515.

ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL Inc. of Midland will host its annual Christmas banquet 6:30 p.m. Dec. 12 at Ranchland Hills Country Club. "The Legends" will provide entertainment.

NEWCOMERS CLUB will meet for an informal coffee 9:30 a.m. Dec. 5 at 3508 Trinity Meadows. Persons new to the area are invited. For information, call 689-0832 or 694-0759.

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MIDLAND FESTIVAL Ballet, accompanied by Midland/Odessa Symphony, will present "The Nutcracker" 8 p.m. Dec. 14 and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 15 at Lee High School's auditorium. Performers will include 85 local dancers.

Special guests will be soloists from New York City Ballet: Bart Cook, who played the part of Father Drosselmier in the movie version of "The Nutcracker" with McCauley Caulkin, Maria Caleghari as the Sugar Plum Fairy, and Cornell Crabtree as the Cavalier.

Tickets prices are \$10 for adults and \$7.50 for children and senior citizens. Silent auction of four authentic German nutcrackers will be conducted at each performance. For more information call 682-2653.

WOMEN'S AGLOW will meet 9:30 a.m. Dec. 4 at the Lincoln Tower Ballroom, 311 West 4th Street in Odessa. Christmas Carols will be sung and special music will be presented. A reading of "God's Trees" will be given and a skit is planned.

DEAR ABBY

Teenagers defend parents who lay down the law

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to Mary Lou Childs' letter about how parents today are so much more lenient with their kids, and "more concerned with being their children's pals" than with disciplining them.

First, I would like to know whose house she has been visiting. I am a 15-year-old girl, and both my younger sister and I are severely punished for anything our parents find inappropriate. Trust me, it's happened. And I can tell you, Abby, that neither of us whines or carries on when we get punished because if we don't realize our own mistake in the first place, we know that arguing won't change their minds.

Granted, my mother and father set pretty fair rules and usually leave them open for discussion.



Van Buren

But this does not mean that we don't have rules at all. If my parents do consult with me on such issues as extending a curfew, it's only because they believe I am old enough to start forming my own opinions and looking out for my own good.

I also found Childs' comment about "when I was a kid" extremely stereotypical of adults. It's time to quit reminiscing about those days. The past is simply that — over and done with. Maybe parents were more strict "back then," but I feel that growing up is a much more difficult task in the '90s than it was years ago. And please remember that teens today have different circumstances and rules to live by. — LAURA N. KELLY, JOLIET, ILL.

DEAR LAURA: Thank you for an intelligent letter. Obviously you come from a home where expectations for your ability are high — but limits are set and enforced. My response to Mary Lou Childs was that many parents seem reluctant to enforce their own rules for fear of traumatizing their little ones, and an excellent way to ensure

obedience is to state one's wishes in a tone that lets the child know this is not something open for discussion. Also, Ms. Childs was writing about small children, not young adults.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to Mary Lou Childs of Eugene, Ore. In her letter she complained about how parents today, after telling their children to do something, will follow with, "OK?" I don't know how everyone in the world does this, but when my parents say, "OK?" they are not asking if that's all right with me or opening it up for discussion. They are making sure I have heard them. (They say I have a case of "selective hearing," as all teens my age do.)

An example that I hear regularly is, "Go to bed at 10:00, OK?" And then I reply with a simple, "Yes," or else I'll go to bed right then no matter what time it is.

Abby, I am just writing to defend my parents and others like them who do not deserve to be insulted by her harsh comment. Please do not print my name. Sign me ... OFFENDED IN ARIZONA

DEAR OFFENDED: Ms. Childs' complaint was less about language and more about the issue of enforcing parental authority. You do not need to defend your parents. They appear to be doing a fine job.

DEAR ABBY: I just finished reading the letter from Mary Lou Childs — and you are right! Totally right! One hundred percent right! I hear it every day: "Don't do that — OK?" Part B cancels Part A! Forty years as a psychiatrist and 35 years as a parent lead me to say, "Dear Abby, thank you once again." — THOMAS P. LOWRY, M.D., WOODACRE, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: Bill and I had 46 years together before I lost him to cancer. He was the kind of husband every woman needs.

In 1949, I had nine benign tumors removed from both breasts. Consequently, instead of a pretty bustline, I was left with two "bags."

Six months later, Bill and I were engaged. Three weeks before our wedding day, I found more lumps in my breasts. Heart sick, I told Bill and asked him if he wanted to call

off our wedding. I told Bill if they operated again, even the "bags" might not make it.

He put his arms around me and said, "Don't worry, honey, whatever comes, we'll handle it." Then he smiled and added, "I am very fond of tangerines — I never cared much for grapefruit."

Thank God it turned out to be scar tissue, and I went on to nurse all of our four wonderful children. Abby, wasn't he a sweetheart? — VIRGINIA IN FLORIDA

DEAR VIRGINIA: Yes. You were blessed with an angel in disguise. My condolences on the loss of your sweetheart, who deserves a special place in heaven. For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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FAMILY MATTERS

Confused wife looks for reasons for husband's actions

By Jim May, Ph.D.

DEAR FAMILY: My husband is 62 and I am 58. We have been married two years. He has been a good sex partner, very affectionate and loving until about six months ago. He told me he had never had a very strong sex drive (he is sterile). I have never pressured him for sex although I still feel a strong urge. I can forgo sex for a good marriage but I need affection, holding, hugs, kisses and communications; all of which we did until about six months ago.

Four months ago I discovered him masturbating — serious to the point of climax. This was on a Saturday morning while I was preparing breakfast. I stepped around the corner and could see the bed without him seeing me. I was so shaken I could not say or do anything. I was very disturbed the rest of the day. It happened again Sunday morning. Then week after week after that there was evidence that he does it at other times.

I am a light sleeper and there have been many times that I have awakened to find him masturbating. I have become very depressed and withdrawn. I finally decided to try to talk to him about it because I could not take it anymore. He told me I was crazy, that no such thing had ever happened. This is

destroying our marriage. I need help and advice. I need to know why he is doing this. He is very alert and attuned to everything. I have no one I can talk to about this. CONFUSED WIFE

DEAR CONFUSED: You have very accurately described the heart of the problem in your relationship — your husband would rather communicate with himself sexually than with you. He has made matters worse by denying that truth. Given his frequency of masturbation he certainly does not have a problem with sexual desire, but he may have a problem with sexual expression.

Clifford and Joyce Penner point out in their book, "The Gift of Sex," that "If our adult stimulation (masturbation) takes something away from our partner, then the behavior is not loving." While your husband's activities may be preferred sexual practice for him, it should be within the context of an agreement with you rather than your exclusion. As Masters and Johnson note, surveys indicate some 72 percent of young married husbands and 68 percent of young married wives masturbated. They observe in their book, "Sex and Human Loving," that, "Rather than count masturbatory episodes, it is probably more useful to consider whether masturbation involves anxiety, conflict, guilt, or an overwhelming compulsiveness. If it does, a person may benefit from professional help. But if masturbation leads to satisfaction and pleasure, it's unlikely to be a problem."

While the general therapeutic position concerning masturbation is

one of "personal choice," the active thought in your situation is that your husband is substituting masturbation for a sexual relationship with you. I encourage you to try to talk to your husband again about his activities, but from the position of including the practice in your sexual relationship (if you agree). That is, if he needs or prefers the extra friction (sensation) that can be created when he masturbates, then he would want to be direct about that with you. If he finds it more stimulating (erotic) to masturbate by himself, then he would want to discuss that with you too. In that discussion, you could offer to expand your sexual scripts to include masturbating with him or your masturbating him. In "Sex and Human Loving," Masters and Johnson explain how to include these practices in their Sensate

Focus exercises.

If your husband refuses to discuss this situation then I encourage you to seek professional help. This is not an unusual problem for a qualified sex therapist or marital counselor, but it can be a "marriage wrecker."

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■ Be specific about how you expect them to behave in various situations.

■ Let them make decisions about manageable situations, and encourage them to "talk it over" with you when they are confused.

■ Trust them with regular jobs without reminding them all of the time. See what happens.

■ Talk openly about good things you see in them.

■ Don't withhold compliments you've received from others about them.

■ Give credit for trying to do one's best even when there are mistakes or accidents.

■ Threatening them or comparing them to other children is never helpful.

Jim May is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

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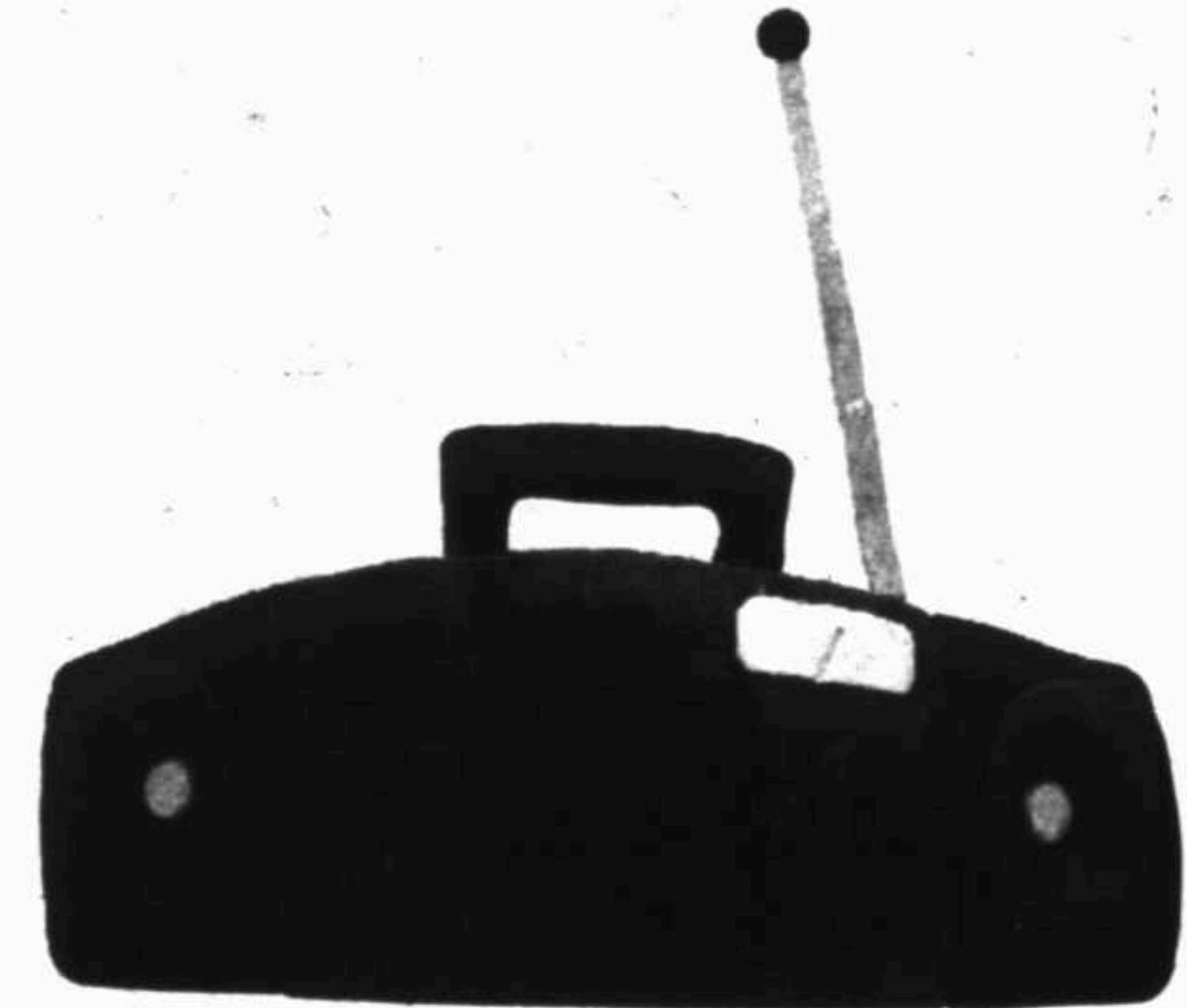


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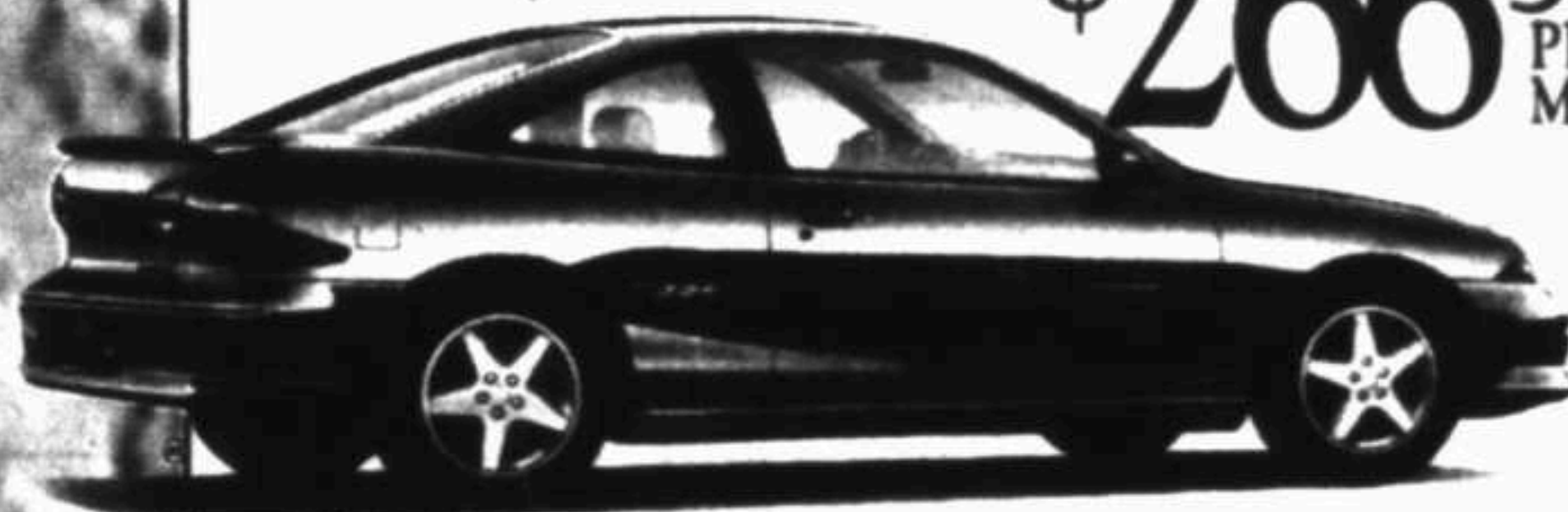


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Mo. Payment	Amount Due	# Of Mo.	% APR	Am. Financed
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Mo. Payment	Amount Due	# Of Mo.	% APR	Am. Financed
\$266.53	\$800 + TT&L	36 Mo. Lease Plan	6.99%*	\$12,864.00 WAC

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Mo. Payment	Amount Due	# Of Mo.	% APR	Am. Financed
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Sale Price \$12,651.36, sk#96112

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Mo. Payment	Amount Due	# Of Mo.	% APR	Am. Financed
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Mo. Payment	Amount Due	# Of Mo.	% APR	Am. Financed
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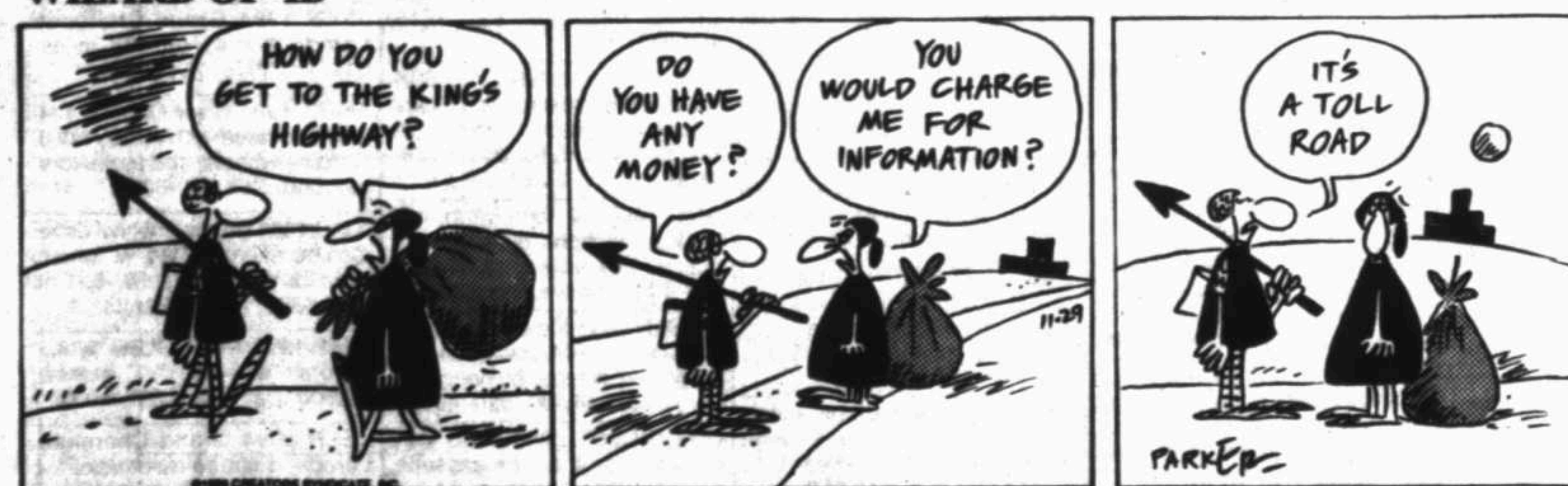
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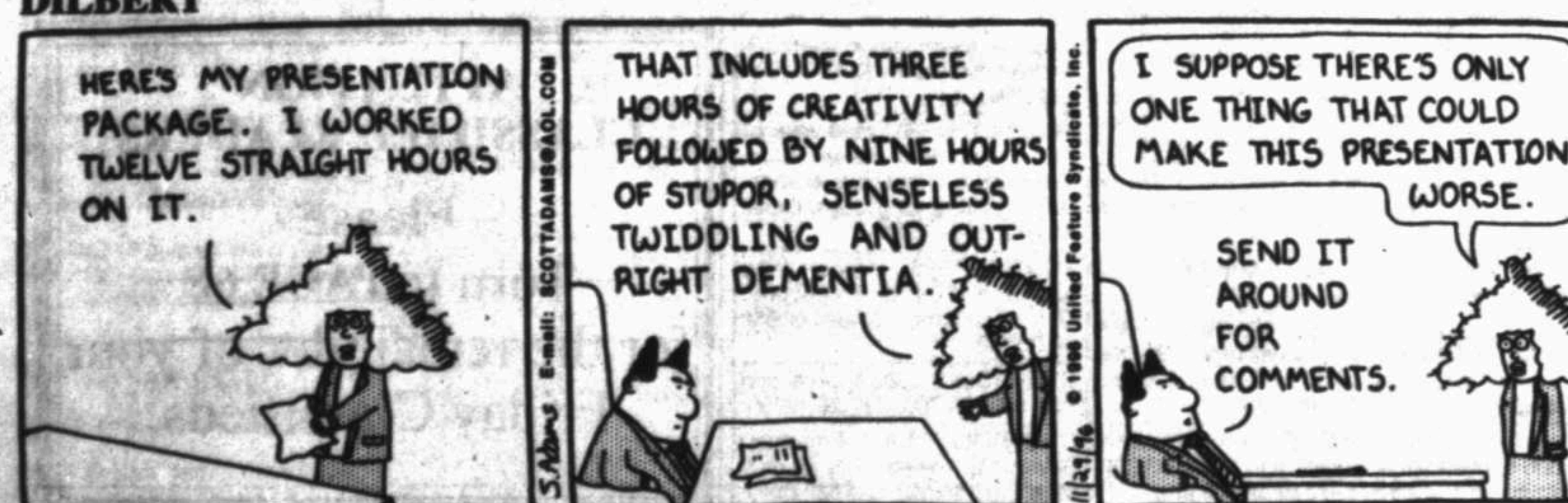
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Record career or financial gains are likely. A chance meeting over the winter holidays leads to a wonderful friendship or romance. A legal battle will be settled to your satisfaction once 1997 begins. Your well-known business acumen convinces those in authority that you are on the right track. A raise or promotion is in the works. Family ties grow stronger. A lengthy engagement could culminate in a wedding next fall. A long-standing debt is finally paid.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: actress Diane Ladd, comedian Garry Shandling, musician Chuck Mangione, skier Suzy Chaffee.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A good day to tend to family matters and get an early start on your holiday gift-buying. Becoming a comparison shopper will help stretch your dollars.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be diplomatic when airing your views. Remember, subtlety works better than anger. Guard your reputation for reliability; put romance on hold while taking care of important business.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Invite the neighbors in to share post-holiday treats. Keep your financial

options open. Paying bills on time will preserve your credit rating. A platonic relationship could blossom into true love.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be patient; let others come to you. Your technical know-how helps you decipher confusing information. Refuse to let outsiders undermine a special relationship; they could be jealous!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Work responsibilities weigh heavily now. Evaluate your contributions, then approach those in authority if you feel underpaid. Be frugal. Buy clothes when they go on sale.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Get ready for a big push at work. High-earns make last-minute changes or demands. Overtime may be necessary; advise your mate as soon as possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): "Easy does it" when around difficult people. Stabilizing events put you on an even keel. Avoid acting overly sensitive about a financial issue. Concentrating on solo projects will boost your earnings.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Creative writing brings in extra income. Focus on contracts and

investments but seek expert advice. A romantic partner who shares your intellectual interests makes a great companion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A house guest who stays too long could become a burden. Limit dining out if money is the big issue. Diplomatically encourage someone to go home by pleading an incredibly hectic schedule.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A romance will be rewarding even if it is not long-lasting. Group activities involving friends and neighbors hold strong appeal. Avoid trying to mix business with pleasure this evening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A delightful stranger could have a great impact on your life. Dress to impress when attending a social event. You will find yourself the life of the party. Share your romantic feelings with your loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Stay at home if torn about going to a party. One-on-one encounters are favored. A candid conversation leads to deeper rapport with your mate or partner. Shared interests shore up your relationship.

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 ♠ A Q J 8
 ♥ 10 5 2
 ♦ A K Q
 ♣ J 10 3

EAST
 ♠ 7 3
 ♥ A Q J 8 4 3
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SOUTH
 ♠ 10 5
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The bidding:
 EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH
 2♥ Pass Pass Dbl
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Opening lead: Six of ♣

In a classic battle between declarer and the defense, South came close to finding a way to make the three-no-trump contract. Only a master stroke by a defender prevented that.

At this vulnerability, East had a dead-minimum weak two-heart opening bid. South was tempted to pass North's takeout double, but rightly decided the holding was not strong enough, since North might be balancing.

Much as West would have liked to lead partner's suit, that was impossible, so a low club was selected. Since there was no quick entry to the South hand once dummy's high diamonds were cleared, declarer found an interesting line of play. After taking the first club in dummy (winning in hand and leading the ten of spades would be no better regardless of what West does), declarer cashed the three diamonds and then led a club to the king and

ace. West ran the clubs to complete the defensive book, declarer discarding two hearts from the table and three from hand. Down to nothing but spades, had West exited with a low card in the suit all would have been lost. Declarer would have run that to the ten, cashed the two winning diamonds and then taken the spade finesse for the last two tricks and nine in all. But West ruined declarer's dreams by exiting with the king of spades. The best declarer could do was win in dummy, come to hand with the ten of spades and cash two diamonds, but then had to surrender the setting trick to East's ace of hearts.

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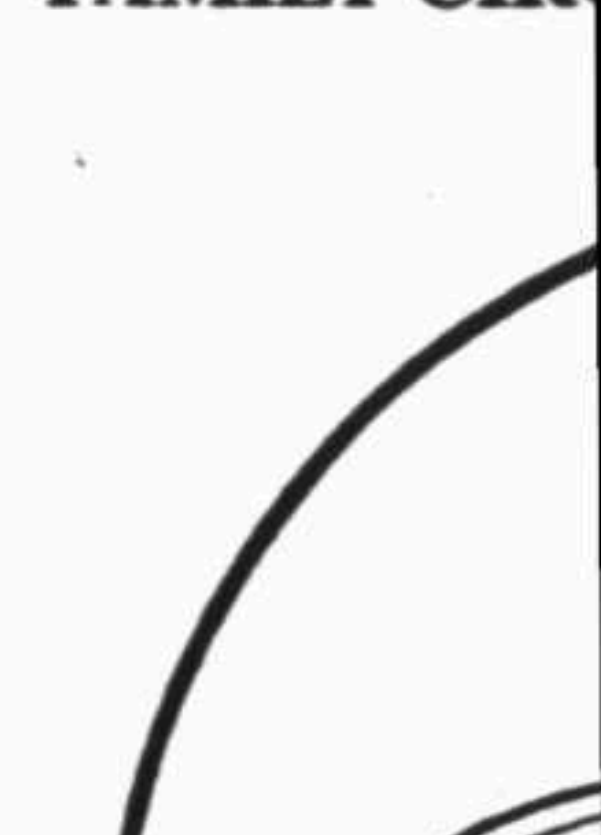
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"But that's how they print their R's at the toy store."

DENNIS THE MENACE



"If you're just going to talk, can we borrow the cards?"

PEOPLE

Former farmhand files sexual harassment complaint against Wynonna, her husband

FRANKLIN, Tenn. — A former female farm hand for country star Wynonna and her husband has filed a complaint accusing the couple of sexual harassment and discrimination.

In her complaint, Andria Surles accuses Wynonna of making suggestive comments, such as telling her she had "a cute butt." She also claims Wynonna asked her to come to her bedroom and massage her buttocks.

The complaint filed Wednesday in county court is seeking \$800,000 from Wynonna, the former member of the mother-daughter duo the Judds who has had solo hits with "Tell Me Why" and "No One Else on Earth."

Surles claims Wynonna's husband, Arch Kelley, described himself to her as "being physically well-endowed" and tried to measure her buttocks with a tape measure.

Surles, who was fired in May, also claims she wasn't paid as much as the previous male farm manager at the couple's property south of Nashville.

Telephone calls to Wynonna's spokesmen were not returned Thursday.

LOS ANGELES — Puppies, no sweat. But the spike heels and costumes weighing 90 pounds were a bit of a drag for Glenn Close.



Glenn Close had a hard time with heavy costumes and spiked heels for "101 Dalmatians."

Close, who plays villainess Cruella De Vil in the "101 Dalmatians" movie released Wednesday, wore a corset and teetered on 4-inch heels in the heavy get-up for hours at a time.

"You can't let yourself be eaten up by costumes like that," Close said.

"There were endless hours of shooting with me standing on the very tips of my toes all day long."

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VENTURA, Calif. — Former "Step by Step" actor Sasha Mitchell spent Thanksgiving Day in jail for violating probation in connection with his recent wife-beating conviction.

Mitchell, 29, was given three years of probation and ordered to receive counseling after pleading no contest to misdemeanor spousal abuse last year for beating his pregnant wife.

Prosecutors said Mitchell, now a farmer in Tennessee, has twice violated terms of his probation. He allegedly left Los Angeles without finishing his counseling.

Judge Bruce Clark on Wednesday boosted Mitchell's bail from \$25,000 to \$100,000 and ordered a Dec. 13 hearing.

SANTA FE, N.M. — Done television. Been to Broadway. Hello, radio.

Carol Burnett and Ali MacGraw are lending their time and voices to a local radio program designed to promote literacy. Both live in Santa Fe.

Burnett, who earned a Tony nomination this year for her performance in the Broadway comedy "Moon Over Buffalo," and "Love Story" star MacGraw are participating in "Literacy '96: Building the Future," which will be broadcast this weekend.

Also pitching in is children's author Judy Blume, whose books include "Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret" and "Blubber."

LOS ANGELES — Maybe Bill Gates will pick up some pointers.

The Microsoft Corp. chairman peeked over the shoulders of some students at the Central Library's new computer classroom Wednesday, with a \$1.1 million donation in hand.

Microsoft is giving \$500,000 worth of software and assistance to expand the Los Angeles Public Library's database. An additional \$600,000 in cash and software will be used for teacher and student training.

KALAMAZOO, Mich. — Yankee Stadium can sometimes be the field of screams. Just ask shortstop Derek Jeter.

"New York fans are kind of harsh," Jeter said. "They throw stuff at other teams, they throw batteries, oranges; they're pretty rough."

"They didn't throw anything at me, not yet. And hopefully they won't."

Jeter followed up his team's World Series title by being named the American League's rookie of the year. The 22-year-old star was welcomed home on "Derek Jeter Day" by 3,000 enthusiastic fans Tuesday at Kalamazoo's Central High School.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

FRIDAY EVENING										November 29, 1996										For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings		
Broadcast	C	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:30	11:00	11:30										
3 KMD	2	News 233	Wheel of Fortune	Family Man	Boy Meets World	Sabrina, the Teenage Witch	Clueless	20/20	6726	News 95320	Clueless	11368	6539	Movie	95320	Movie	95320	Movie	95320			
5 KPEJ	24	3	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	Sliders: Dead Man Walking	Millennium: Kingdom Come	Star Trek: Voyager: The Q and the Gray	Star Trek: Voyager: The Q and the Gray	Star Trek: Voyager: The Q and the Gray	Mad About You	In the Heat of the Night	Mad About You	In the Heat of the Night	Movie	95320	Movie	95320	Movie	95320			
7 KOSA	7	7	News 8004	Entertain. Tonight	Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: 11884	Figure Skating: Ice Wars: USA vs. The World	Figure Skating: Ice Wars: USA vs. The World	Figure Skating: Ice Wars: USA vs. The World	Figure Skating: Ice Wars: USA vs. The World	Letter Show With David Latham (10-35)	Letter Show With David Latham (10-35)	Letter Show With David Latham (10-35)	Letter Show With David Latham (10-35)	Married... With Children	Letter Show With David Latham (10-35)	Married... With Children	Letter Show With David Latham (10-35)	Married... With Children	Letter Show With David Latham (10-35)			
11 KWES	9	News 9252	Steinfeld	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	20/20: The Lady Dicks (PG-13)	Movie	95320	Movie	95320	Movie	95320			
12 KMLM	42	12	The Light of the Southwest	285146	The Tripps	Frederick R. Price	Praise the Lord	27225	Talking With David	To Be Announced	95233	To Be Announced	95233	Charisma	95233	Charisma	95233	Charisma	95233			
13 KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	464707	Wash. Post	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis	McLaughlin Technopolis			
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15 WGN	10	Family Man	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30								
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17 BRAV	18	Inside Actor's Studio	Fortunes of War	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You	We Think the World of You			
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22 FAM	23	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336	40th Anniversary of American Bandstand	436336			
23 CNN	35	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeTime Politics	Larry King Live	839962	Larry King Live	839962	Larry King Live	839962	Larry King Live	839962	Larry King Live	839962	Larry King Live	839962	Larry King Live	839962	Larry King Live	839962		
24 ESPN	36	SportsCenter	College Basketball: Pittsburgh at North Carolina	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship	College Basketball: Chase NT Championship			
25 USA	37	The Muppet Show	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)	PG-13 (95)			
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29 NICK	41	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters	Real Monsters			
30 LIFE	42	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life			
31 OUTDR	43	Wild World	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental	Environmental			
32 HSE	44	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub	Unsub			
33 COM	51	The Daily Show	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect	Politically Incorrect			
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37 MAX	22	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science	World Science			
38 VCI	29	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach	James and the Giant Peach			
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Preparing for Pregnancy



More than nine out of 10 women believe it's important to see a doctor before pregnancy.

But less than 3 out of 10 actually see a doctor before conceiving.

Source: 1995 March of Dimes survey of 2010 women conducted by The Gallup Organization

DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Trude Michel Jaffe

ACROSS

- Go on a scavenger hunt
- Iraqi port
- Legal order
- Ancient Egypt's King — II
- Yellowish hue
- Prefix with dollars
- Actor Stoltz
- Hype
- Crested parrot
- Happening
- Money-exchange fee
- Three, in Bonn
- Without
- Varying: Music
- Bye-bye
- Singer Laine
- Certain dolls' cries
- Dill doubled
- Accomplish again
- Was in accord
- Jack and Jill's burden
- Actress Merkel
- Forbidden acts
- "— kleine Nachtmusik"
- Hoopla
- Lost a sunburn
- Holm and Ziering
- Nancy Kerrigan's practice site
- Ill-bred
- Bouncy outbacker
- Ruckus
- Prizefight
- Tony's cousin
- Alaskan native
- Hops drier
- Benji and Babe
- Spike and stiletto
- Is —: has discovered

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- Done without commitment
- Saarin
- "Beowulf," for one
- New Mexico people
- Tuxedo
- Sound before "Gesundheit!"
- in: easy winner
- Auto of yore
- Dadaist painter
- Cotton-eating beetle
- Churlish
- Golf club
- Bender
- Feats of derring-do
- Farmer's occup.
- Rotunda ceilings
- hog: inconsiderate driver
- Use steel wool
- "Maria —"
- Purple Heart is one
- Forbidden
- Compu. msg.
- Sheeplike
- Applied grease
- Mythical king of Crete
- Drama critic
- Simon
- Game for tots
- Lake Malawi, formerly
- Fine threads
- Burgundian wines
- Chang's Siamese twin
- Artist Dufy
- Karate blow
- Cartoonist
- Goldberg
- Landed
- "Around the Fish" painter
- Strawberry colt
- Expel
- Von Bismarck
- Derivative utterance
- Pub quaff

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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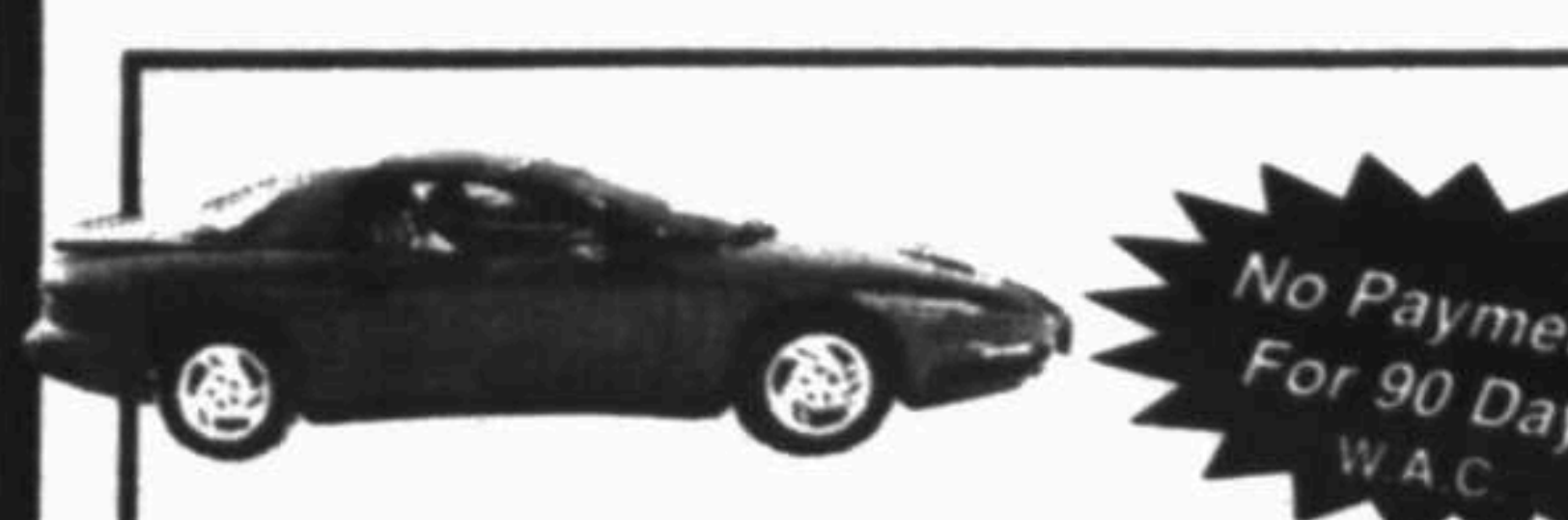
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VACUUM cleaners \$40 and up, all brands. Wrightway Vacuum Cleaner Sales & Repair, 520-6464.

2900 KENTUCKY. Storage unit #396. 4 Family. Hide-a-bed, appliances, bedding, miscellaneous furniture, clothing, lots of miscellaneous. Saturday, 9-?

79703

GARAGE SALE! Miscellaneous items, humidifier, microwave, scroll saw, garage door opener, tall ladies clothing, craft items. 902 Goliad Drive. Saturday, 8-6.

3309 BAUMANN. Electric range, queen waterbed, portable dishwasher and miscellaneous. Friday, 8-2.

3 FAMILY GARAGE Sale!!! Childrens clothes, furniture, antique Coke machine, lots of misc! 4625 Princeton, Saturday 8 am- 2 pm.

CHRISTMAS SALE! Homemade candy and other goodies, ornaments and gifts. Saturday- Thursday 3304 Marianna.

SATURDAY ONLY 9 am- 2 pm - rain or snow! Girls (12 months- 6), Boys (3 and up), womens (and plus), glassware, hanging lights, sheets, 55 gallon aquarium stand, decorative knobs, Christmas tree and lights. 4821 Ric.

79705

MOVING SALE- Furniture, kitchen items, clothes, etc. Friday, November 29th, 8-3. 2402 Bellechase.

79705

MOVING SALE. Friday only, 8-5. Baby items, water cooler, washer, dryer, vending machines, appliances, toys, clothes. 1513 Pueblo.

FRIDAY/ SATURDAY 2005 Sands. Kids clothes, bikes, computer, kids bed, lawnmower, exercise equipment, toys, more!

79706

LOTS OF ELECTRONICS, tools, new and used clothing, some furniture and miscellaneous. Saturday, Sunday, 8:30 am. 6508 FM 307- Located in Greenwood area.

79707

4016 ANGELINA. Saturday, 7- noon. Camping equipment, microwaves, lawn mower, golf clubs, cabinets. Great stuff!

5208 SAN ANTONIO. Saturday only, 8:30-2. Sewing machine with cabinet, treadmill, lots of miscellaneous.

FRIDAY- SUNDAY 8 am- 1 pm, 5112 Greentree, Midland. Large Appliances, drafting & office desks, power tools, lawn tools, workbench, LOTS more! 528-1444.

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PRETEEN clothes of exceptional quality. Layway for Christmas! Daisy's, San Miguel Square (Midkiff & Wadley).

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

\$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20 \$20

GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE \$20

*7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
*2 Days
*★/♥ Stand Out Emblem
*Garage Sale Kit
(Includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints, \$5 Value)
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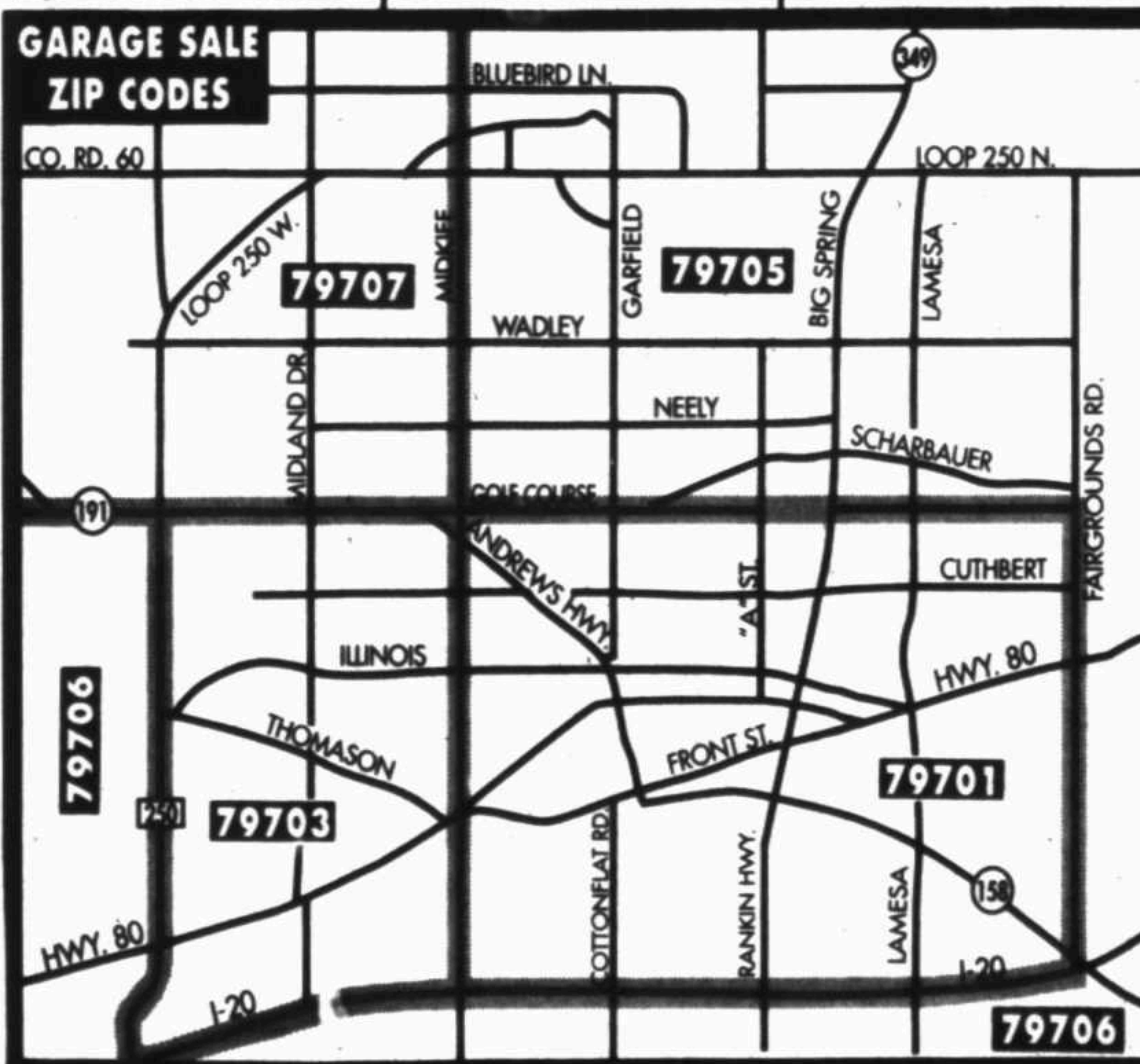
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330 Employment Wanted

ACCOUNTANT with extensive public accountant experience in Tax, Oil & Gas experience. Managerial services, seeks contract work or will trade for office space. Call 687-2130 days.

336 Adult Care Providers

HOME HEALTH Aides available to attend your daily needs. Also hospital sitting. We work from 4 to 24 hours. Call 570-4475, ask for Jackie.

PRIVATE SITTING by CNA. evenings/ nights. 5 years professional experience caring for elderly/ disabled. 520-9429.

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341 Child Care Providers

REGISTER now for infant program, beginning January 1. First Aid/ Infant CPR. 2 Openings. 694-9871.

DO YOU NEED a reliable dependable babysitter? Reasonable rates, good references. 520-3427.

350 Business Opportunities

Attention Readers

Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points and the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract.

JUMPING BALLOONS- Custom made. Great for small businesses. Lay Away Plan Available. For more information call toll free, 1-888-902-9090.

GET REAL Estate License quickly. Short state course. Day, weekend or evening. Southwest College. 697-7277.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

COLLECTIBLE AVON Plates. Christmas, early 70's. 561-5420.

2 PENN Down riggers, Lowrance x15 paper graph for sale. 363-8348.

GAS HEATERS, mowers, evaporative coolers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, washers, dryers, furniture, dining/ suites., TVs. 570-4851.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

MACHELLE'S & THE ZOO

Gifts & Women's Apparel
2101 Wadley, #43
Plaza Center

40% OFF STOREWIDE

FRI. 11/29 & SAT. 11/30

SMITH CORONA Word

Processor with 13" monitor. \$170. 520-7067.

WESLOW FLEX 3XT weight/ exercise machine. Stepper, ab bench. 32 exercises- complete instructions. \$100. 684-5213.

RESTHAVEN- Garden of Meditation, 2 spaces, \$950 each. Schwinn Air Dyme exercise bicycle. Never used, \$495. 683-1524.

HERBALIFE Independent Distributor. For products or opportunity call 689-HERB1.

RESULTS FITNESS Center 1 year membership. Value \$599, sell for \$490. Nordictrack copy. Like new, \$195. 686-8328. Leave message.

MAHOGANY Stuffed chair, 2 sided chair, wooden cradle, ski rack, credenza/ cabinet. 697-1217.

FOR SALE: Solid Oak Architectural drawing desk. For more information, call 699-5353.

RESTHAVEN Memorial Park cemetery lots - Garden of Love addition. Save 40% on cost. Call 683-5131 or 683-4976.

DOG Houses, New, \$35- \$45. Porch Swings, \$35. Glider Swings, \$85. Bookcases, \$35. Call 563-0452.

OVERSTOCKED on 8 x 10 wide portable storage buildings. 563-3108.

FOR THE Seamstress Janome New Home 3 bobbin serger, used twice. \$250. 694-5974.

DATSUN 1981 Z280. 305 Chevrolet engine- runs. 337-3943.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

★ BIBLE TALK: "Can we establish Bible authority from an inference found in God's word?"

520-0381. Free recorded message.

VACUUM cleaners \$40 and up, all brands. Wrightway Vacuum Cleaner Sales & Repair, 520-6464.

413 Jewelry & Furs

ROLEX WATCH. Man's President Model No. 1803. 18 ct. with fold over clasp. \$3,250. May be seen at Houck's Jewelers, 216 N. Main.

FEMALES MAHOGANY Mink stroller, size 12, asking \$2,000. Females Russian squirrel coat, size 10-12, asking \$500. Females rabbit coat, size 16, asking \$150. 694-2424.

AUTUMN HAZE Mink Coat. Finger tip length. \$500. 694-5974.

LUNARINE MINK Stroller with matching hat. \$1,000. Call 683-1524.

1/3 CARAT MARQUIS wedding band, brand new, never worn, \$900 or best offer. Call 520-0289, leave message.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

WOULD LIKE to purchase pool table. Call 368-9858.

WANTED: Reasonably priced, in good condition, full size violin with case. Call 366-1527 home, 367-3212 work.

420 Good Things To Eat

GARDENDALE PECAN Processing, shelling and pecan sales. FM554, Gardendale. Monday through Saturday 9 am- 6 pm. 550-7609.

430 Household Goods

BROWN WICKER Couch, 2 chairs, and end table. Like new, \$400 or best offer. 368-9858.

REMODELING SALES: Ethan Allen oak collection sofa, 2 chairs/ ottomans, \$850. Coffee, end, rent tables, \$600. Grandfather clock, \$750. 6 Piece entertainment wall unit, \$1,000. Dining table/ chairs, \$750. Call 686-0933.

21.7 CU FT GE Refrigerator/ Freezer. Good condition. \$150. Call 697-6454.

★ FREE REMOVAL of your unwanted appliances. Fast pickup. 567-5221.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

WHITE Westinghouse upright freezer, frost free, for sale. \$300 or best offer. Call 689-0991.

EVERYTHING is selling fast! UPTOWN CONSIGNMENTS, needs your furniture, antiques and collectibles. Call 570-0099, 404 Andrews Hwy.

FACTORY second 5 person hot tub. 10 year warranty. 563-3108.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

BRAND NEW, still in plastic, any size mattress and box set. Free frame or delivery. 550-5123.

LACK'S Bradford queen size sofa sleeper, blue southwest design, 9 months old. Paid \$911, asking \$500. 697-5400 or 688-1050.

FLOOR MODEL spas. 4 left. Must go this week. 563-3108.

KENMORE heavy duty washer & dryer, almond, good condition, \$100/ both. Call 697-2749.

440 Firewood

GOOD FIREWOOD, oak or mesquite, you pick up or we deliver. Call Larry Tucker, 689-7151.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453-2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

FIREWOOD for sale. All mixed, large stacks, \$55 and \$15 to deliver. Also, selling firewood racks, \$125 each. 697-5768.

TURF SPECIALTIES FIREWOOD. 2427 E. Hwy. 80. Many varieties available. Delivered or do it yourself. Call 684-7166 or 570-7166.

450 Sporting Goods

MUST SACRIFICE- CSA Gold's Gym weight gym. Practically new. Paid \$800, take \$450. Call 689-0017.

JIM'S GOLF Club Repair. Custom Clubs. Big Bertha Irons (Clone). Paid \$800, take \$3. 3115 Haynes, 694-1334.

MASTER Gun Smith. Service, repair, & engraving. By appointment only. Please call (915) 684-0809, 1-800-327-0809.

GT MOUNTAIN Bike. 16" aluminum RTS frame, 21 speed Shimano STX package, full suspension, new tires, like new, \$850. Can be seen at Forgotten Treasures, 689-6588.

SET of Senior Wilson Ultra Golf clubs, graphite shaft. 2-SW \$200. Wilson Staff Dyna- Power, fluid-seal aluminum shaft 2-PW \$150. Also several drivers. 366-4868.

PING ZING 2's 3-PW \$425 or best offer. Juan 337-5323.

INVEX BY Wilson driver, 3W & 5 wood. New graphite with titanium inserts. \$350- excellent gift idea! Juan, 337-5323.

460 Antiques & Art

LONE STAR ANTIQUES. Unit #3, Advantage Storage, 5000 N. Lamesa and Soloman Lane, 570-9243.

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CHEZ LANAE. 5701 Austin, Odessa, TX. Call 550-3106. Special holiday hours for December: Monday-Saturday, 10-6 pm. Sunday, 1-5 pm.

BEAUTIFUL French 1920's 4 door armoire (double size). \$995. Call (Home) 687-0640 or 688-0727 (Work).

FOR YOUR Shopping Convenience D & D Antiques will be open Sundays from 1-5 pm the month of December only. 2210 W. 46th Street, Odessa. 915-367-9427.

THE CATS MEOW Antiques Mall. 408 Andrews Highway, Mon.-Sat., 10-6. We buy and sell antiques. (915) 687-2004.

Musical Instruments

YAMAHA 581 HA open hole flute, in-line G key, solid silver, retail \$3,078, will sell \$1,950. Excellent condition. 367-9638 or 366-7722.

WURLITZER Spinet piano for sale. Needle tuning, but excellent condition. \$500. For information call 694-3011.

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100 WATT TECHNICS component stereo system with receiver, tuner, equalizer, dual cassette deck, 2 large speakers and cabinet. Asking \$250. 687-8374 or 682-1835.

NINTENDO Nintendo, Super Nintendo, and Game Boy. Over 30 games & accessories. Less than half price! Call 689-9429.

Computers & Accessories

PACKARD BELL 386SX IBM compatible PC with built-in modem, software and dot matrix printer. Asking \$400. Call 687-6374 or 682-1835.

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL Gateway 486 SX33 color lap top, 170 mg hd, 8 mg mem. Win 95, Multi Media. \$1,250. 915-550-2446.

Computers & Accessories

FOR SALE: Pentium 133 computer. 16 Meg ram, 850 meg hard drive, 64 bit video card, 14.4 modem. Internet ready. \$1,100 or best offer. 570-5365 or 142-1678, pager.

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Internet Access

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Computers & Accessories

COMPUTERS: New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, etc. 8am to 10pm. 686-8835.

2 COMPUTERS: new in boxes. Optiva 486, Packard Bell 486, CD roms. Great for Christmas or college students. 520-5479.

For Free

LARGE AMOUNT of dead tree branches/brush for kindling, bon fires, etc. 687-6790.

TO GIVE AWAY: 1 year old female, 1/2 Shih Tzu, 1/2 Pekingese. Very loving. 687-5617.

FEMALE BEAGLE. 5 years old, gentle, loving, to good home. Call 694-4772.

TUXEDO CHARLIE: cute, black 10 week old male kitten, white paws. Loves kids. 570-4860.

BEAUTIFUL MALE, black & white cat. 9 months old. Free to good home. 689-0322.

SHAR-PEI, female, 3 years old needs good home, please call for interview. 520-2888.

SHEPHERD Chow mix male, 6 month old playful, lovable puppy to good home. 684-1198.

JACK RUSSELL 8 week old male. No papers. First shots, wormed, tail docked. \$225. 683-9345.

AKC LABRADOR Puppies. Black/yellow. Ready December 19th. Hold until Christmas Eve. Accepting deposits. 694-5033.

Pets & Supplies

RECYCLE LOVE! Adopt a Golden Retriever. Call 683-3863.

Certified pedigree, papered Rottweiler Royal Empire, black mahogany. Gorgeous stud, birth date 3/8/95. \$600. For appointment call 694-9664.

READY in time for Christmas! Hurry! Going fast! AKC Bassetts \$250. Full blooded Siberian Huskies \$200. Taking deposits. 682-2685.

AKC MINIATURE Pinscher puppies and 1 Yorkie. 1st shots, wormed. Ready now for Christmas! (915) 756-6441.

AKC REGISTERED Shih-Tzu puppies. Precious! Only 3 females left. Hurry before they're gone! 1st shots, Parents on premises. \$300. Call 694-3877 evenings and weekends.

AKC LAB Kennel. Quality bred Lab pups. Chocolate, Black, Yellow. Championship bloodlines. 808-633-4364.

AKC ROTTWEILER puppies for sale. Mother & Father on premises. Championship bloodlines. Call 697-4411.

ADORABLE GERMAN Shepherd female puppy. 10 Weeks old. Excellent for Christmas. \$80. Call 682-5708. 570-2996.

AKC ROTTWEILERS. Shots & wormed, \$250 each. Call (915) 267-4626.

AKC BLACK LAB puppies- 2 Males, 1 female. HCH bloodline, dew claws, hips, and eyes guaranteed. \$300. 915-267-7119.

FERRRET. Albino white with cage and supplies. \$175 firm. Also, rabbits. \$5 each. 684-6803.

AKC BASSETT HOUND puppies. Available now! Pet & Show quality. Serious inquiries only. Call 689-3401.

POODLES AKC Standard, top quality, can deliver. Christmas deposit, most colors. Call (915) 636-4493.

AKC Shih Tzu puppies. Males with shots. \$250. Parents on premises. Call 563-2802, evenings/weekends.

SIX YEAR old sorrel gelding. \$1,500. 699-4369.

Livestock & Poultry

LARGE ROUND Bales of Red Top Cane. Good, Clean. \$45.00 bale. Holloway Farms. 915-459-2373 or 915-459-2499. Leave message.

HAYGRAZER, round bales, \$50 per bale. 2 or more \$45 each. Rain damaged \$35 each. Call 683-2630 or 684-7000.

FOR SALE: 4 Roping Saddles, 1 Kids Saddle. Heavy stock roping saddles. Call 570-8427.

OFFICE FULL of nice furniture: Desk, Credenza, Bookcase, Chairs, etc. Call Diana at 685-6088.

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT for sale. Working- Good condition. Call 683-6027.

240 FEET of used 35 lb. structural I-beam. \$7 Per foot. Call 570-8427.

RETURNED from lease. Portable office buildings. Several sizes to choose from. 563-3108.

WE move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings.

MORGAN (915) 563-1860.

CARPET TOOLS for sale. Everything possible needed for carpet laying. Call for more information. 570-0334.

NEED TO SELL. Sears band saw, radial arm saw, 6" planer jointer, router table, wood lathe. 915-354-2809.

"HAPPY ADS" for any occasion as low as \$12. Call 682-8222 for more information.

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It is the County's intention to award a bid within thirty (30) days of receipt of the bids at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Commissioners' Court. All interested parties are invited to attend the bid opening and the

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97SUP02 "ONE (1) Computer Assisted/Managed Instructional Software, Hardware and Services"

MIDLAND JUDICIAL DISTRICT CSCD reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive all formalities.

Specifications and bid information may be obtained from the Information Desk, First Floor, of the Midland CSCD Building, 200 N. Main, Midland, Texas.

*Primary objective of this bid is to acquire computer assisted/managed instructional software, hardware and services for one (1) site. Each site is required to have three (3) stand alone student workstations.

*All proposal received shall be subject to the provisions of the Competitive Proposal Procedure for High Technology Items as set forth in The County Purchasing Act, Article 2368.5, Texas Revised Civil Statutes.

Linda K. Smith Director

SEALED BIDS will be received by Education Service Center, Region 20, 1314 Hines Avenue, San Antonio, TX 78204, (210) 299-2401 until:

2:00 pm, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1996, for the purchase of B.E. Supplies and CUSTODIAL Supplies; and

2:00 pm, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1996 for the purchase of GRAPHING CALCULATORS.

by school districts and other government entities, located in the following counties, participating in the South Texas Cooperative Purchasing Organization:

Atascosa, Bandera, Bastrop, Bexar, Caldwell, Comal, Dimmit, Frio, Guadalupe, Hays, Kendall, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Medina, Pecos, Travis, Val Verde, Webb, Williamson, Wilson

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1. ONE TRAILER MOUNTED COMPRESSOR
2. ONE VEHICLE MOUNTED CRANE
3. ONE AIR DRIVER FOR SIGN POST
4. CARGO BODY FOR 1/2 TON CAB CHASSIS
5. JACKHAMMER
6. JACKHAMMER DRILL

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By: Nancy L. White
Paul M. Thompson
Purchasing Agent

Westwood Medical Center PUBLIC NOTICE

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of this organization on December 4-5-6, 1996. The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations, Organization Liaison
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

This notice is posted in accordance with the Joint Commission's requirements and may not be removed before the survey is completed.

Date Posted November 4, 1996
Westwood Medical Center

LEGAL NOTICE

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By: Nancy L. White
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Westwood Medical Center PUBLIC NOTICE

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of this organization on December 4-5-6, 1996. The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations, Organization Liaison
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

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This notice is posted in accordance with the Joint Commission's requirements and may not be removed before the survey is completed.

Date Posted November 4, 1996
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*Primary objective of this bid is to acquire computer assisted/managed instructional software, hardware and services for one (1) site. Each site is required to have three (3) stand alone student workstations.

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Single black female, early 20s. Seeking a non-smoker, a good looking man, who doesn't mind children and having a little fun. **1802 (exp 12/15)**

BLACK WOMAN
5'6", brown hair, brown eyes, looking for a one-woman man, who loves to cuddle, must be 6', 30-35, race unimportant, drinkers and smokers ok. **1801 (exp 12/15)**

SLIM BLONDE
Attractive white female, 25, seeks slim, attractive, professional white male, 28-34, who enjoys dancing, driving, movies, children and intelligent conversation for friendship first. **1800 (exp 12/15)**

PROFESSIONAL
Divorced white female, 42, Christian, intelligent, professional, romantic, tired of playing games. Seeking white male, 37-50, to spoil and pamper. **1757 (exp 12/15)**

EXHILARATING, EXCITING
Extremely attractive, adventurous blonde beauty, 20s, black hair, eyes, half Italian, half Hispanic. Enjoys biking, swimming, etc. Seeking deal male, 18-30, for sportsmanship. **1756 (exp 12/15)**

ADVENTUROUS
Divorced white female, 43, 5'5", brown/green, enjoys movies, candlelight dinners, rock-roll music. Seeking male, with similar interests, for friendship, possible relationship. **1755 (exp 12/15)**

PRETTY SHY FEMALE
Divorced, professional female, 40ish, 5'7", height/weight proportionate, loves the outdoors, sports. Seeking tall, white professional who is sincere, with good sense of humor, who also enjoys the outdoors. Non-smoker. **1754 (exp 12/15)**

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN
Single black woman of two, 31, enjoys romance, children, movies, music. Seeking strong, intelligent man, 30-45, race unimportant, no drug users need apply. **1752 (exp 12/15)**

DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH
Single white female, mother of one, blonde/blue seeks friendship and possible relationship with single male, 18-31, I enjoy reading, writing, tv and being romantic. **1745 (exp 12/15)**

MEANING OF LOVE
Divorced mother of two seeks male, 27-35, who can tell me the meaning of love and enjoys romance in all areas and children. **1744 (exp 12/15)**

EXCITING
Divorced white female, 57, 5'9", slim, non-smoker, enjoys country and western dancing, sports, movies, dining. Seeking single white male, 56-62, with same interests. **1651 (exp 12/15)**

COMPANIONSHIP
Divorced white male, 42, 5'11", 165lbs, disabled, friendly personality. Loves movies, dining out, computers, and more. Seeking single or divorced white female, 35-45, for fun, friendship, possible relationship. **1956 (exp 12/22)**

LOVABLE GUY
White Christian male, 50, 6'2", 200lbs, dark brown hair, brown eyes, honest, romantic, lovable, sensitive, spiritual. Seeking a lady, with above qualities, whose medium to tall, thinks church is important, and wants a monogamous relationship. **1803 (exp 12/15)**

PEOPLE LIKE HIM
Divorced white male, non-smoker, seeking attractive, petite, Latin/Asian/Hispanic or Puerto Rican, for friendship or relationship. Find out why? **1803 (exp 12/15)**

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Seeking slim, white female, 21-32, athletic, financially secure, childless. Enjoys water/skiing, movies, dinners, having fun and caring. **1954 (exp 12/15)**

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Divorced white male, early 50s, 6'1", 210lbs, enjoys fish markets, boating, the lake, movies, pool. Seeking honest, sincere female, 40s, height/weight proportionate, non-smoker, who enjoys home life, for long-term relationship. **1650 (exp 12/15)**

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