

## Prices up 0.5 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — A fresh surge in food prices pushed wholesale prices up 0.5 percent in November, the biggest increase since January and the first of any kind since July, the government said today.

Energy costs and automobile prices also rose last month.

Food prices rose 0.7 percent, largely the product of big jumps in meat prices, the Labor Department said.

The November increase in the Producer Price Index meant wholesale prices rose at an annual rate of 1.9 percent through the first 11 months of the year, more than triple last year's 0.6 percent gain but still well under the rates of more than 10 percent in 1979 and 1980.

Economists expect next year's increases to be only slightly higher than this year's.

Energy prices rose 0.6 in November, including a 1.7 percent gain for heating oil at the start of the fall heating season in many parts of the nation. Heating oil prices had risen 3.3 percent in October.

Automobile prices were up 0.4 percent after a 1.2 percent seasonally adjusted October decline that had helped cause the 0.2 percent decrease in that month's overall wholesale prices.



Wrecked car reflected in sheet of ice

Staff photo by Ed Copeland

## Roads in area coated with sheet of ice

BY CATHY SPAULDING  
Staff Writer

Sleet and freezing rain combined to coat area roads with a treacherous thin sheet of ice this morning.

The only dry roads in the area were reported near White Deer, but Precinct 4 Carson County commissioner Pleasant Meadows said at 9:15 a.m. today that sleet was beginning to stick to the roads there.

There is a winter storm watch and traveler's advisory throughout the Panhandle, portions of the South Plains, Permian Basin and southwestern mountains. Cold will continue in most sections with snow in the north and freezing rain and snow in the south. Icy roads will cause hazardous driving conditions.

In Pampa, slippery roads caused only two minor accidents. But the Texas Department of Public Safety reported a two-vehicle accident this morning at Price Road and Highway 80.

According to a spokesman for the Department of Public Safety, Ricardo Ramirez, 41, of 1201 S. Wilcox, reportedly was driving a Ford pick-up truck into the J.T. Richardson Co. parking lot at the northwest corner of Price Road and the highway when he collided with a 1965 LTD Galaxy driven by Keith Arzen, 26, of 437 Hill, at about 7:30 a.m. today.

Arzen and Ramirez were treated for minor injuries and released from Coronado Hospital as were Pam Arzen, 26, and Brian Arzen, 5, passengers in Arzen's car. A DPS spokesman said that apparently Ramirez was temporarily blinded in his left eye and didn't see Arzen's eastbound vehicle.

Minor accidents were reported in the McLean area throughout the morning. A spokesman for the McLean area ambulance service reported a one-car rollover

occurred at about 5 a.m. today and several "fender-benders" happened in the area, but none caused any injuries. McLean residents reported seeing several trucks sliding off the interstate, unable to go up hills.

City road crews in Pampa and Canadian spent the morning putting sand on slick intersections.

"We have done most of the intersections downtown and we'll be hitting the slick spots as we go on," said acting Pampa city manager Allyn Moore. "We have the street department and the park department working on it."

He has received no reports of frozen pipes, "but I don't think the frost has penetrated the ground enough to get to the pipes."

However, he expressed concern that the conditions may get worse if the freeze continues through the night.

The Pampa fire department reported a chimney fire at the Jack Miller residence at 1615 Grape. Tar reportedly built up in the flue, causing minor damage to the chimney.

While a spokesperson for the city of Canadian reported city crews were sanding intersections this morning, a Hemphill County road worker said that they are not having road problems, even though the roads "are slick."

A Wheeler County Sheriff's office dispatcher reported that U.S. Highway 83 and State Highway 152, "and everywhere else" was very slick. She reported that state road crews were putting sand on the icy intersection. No accidents were reported.

A dispatcher with the Roberts County Sheriff's office reported no accidents, although roads were slick there.

A spokesman for Carson County precinct 1 near Groom said that the state highway department "was out about 5:30 a.m." today sanding the highways there.

## Schroeder survives stroke

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — William Schroeder survived a partially paralyzing stroke, his second setback since he became the world's second recipient of a permanent artificial heart, but motion in his weakened right side improved overnight, his doctor said today.

The stroke, which froze Schroeder's arm in midair as he was eating, came just hours after he received a Social Security check that was hand-delivered by two officials Thursday, as a result of his complaints to President

Reagan in a telephone conversation the day before.

But Schroeder began recovering quickly, and "he is even better still" today, Dr. Allan M. Lansing, chairman and medical director of Humana Heart Institute, said this morning. The patient had improved steadily since 8 p.m. Thursday, two hours after the stroke, Lansing said.

Tests indicated there was no permanent damage in Schroeder's right leg, although "the arm motion is still not normal," Lansing said.

Schroeder, 52, was in serious but stable condition today, his 19th day with the artificial heart. His blood pressure and other vital signs were normal.

Schroeder had a restful night, and he "did moan, attempt some garbled speech during the night," nurses reported, Lansing said. There was "spontaneous movement of both the arm and leg" overnight, Lansing added.

At 6 p.m. Thursday, during dinner, Schroeder's wife, Margaret, realized that something was desperately wrong with her

normally talkative husband, officials said. He suffered a stroke in the lower left side of the brain that partially paralyzed his right side and affected his speech.

Doctors were encouraged by Schroeder's attempt to talk shortly after the stroke and that he recognized his wife.

During the night Schroeder was given two units of packed red blood cells to help carry more oxygen to the brain, Lansing said. A stroke temporarily cuts off oxygen to a part of the brain.

## Grand jury returns 84 indictments

In a marathon session Thursday, Gray County grand jurors returned 84 indictments, including charges against two Pampa men in connection with an alleged murder-for-hire scheme, and 62 drug-related charges in the city's biggest drug bust ever (see story page two).

Donald Aaron Swindle, 22, 1002½ E. Francis, was indicted in connection with two separate stabbings and six arson fires. The grand jurors charged Swindle with burglary with intent to commit murder and with attempted capital murder in connection with the Nov. 3 stabbing of a Pampa teenager.

Swindle also was charged with aggravated assault with serious bodily injury in connection with the unrelated stabbing of a Pampa woman on Sept. 12. The jurors also

returned six arson indictments against the suspect. Judge Don Cain set bonds totaling \$86,000 on the stack of charges.

Edward Earl Holt, 33, 613 Plains, was indicted on a charge of solicitation of capital murder. Bond was set at \$20,000.

The state alleges that Holt "did request, command and attempt to induce" Swindle to kill his estranged wife, Bertha Holt. Swindle broke into Mrs. Holt's Varnon Drive residence and hid in a bathroom, waiting to carry out the alleged assignment, the state charges. But the suspect stabbed the "wrong person," when Mrs. Holt's daughter by a previous marriage entered the home alone. The girl was stabbed 10 times but escaped from her attacker.

An indictment also charges Swindle with the bizarre, random stabbing of Theresa Bissett, 29. Bissett told police a passing stranger, a man dressed in a camouflage suit, stabbed her as she walked across the railroad tracks near Tyng and Russell.

Swindle also is charged with setting fires at homes in Pampa on Oct. 14, 22, 28, 29, 30 and 31.

Assistant District Attorney David Hamilton has said Swindle "fits the mold" of a "serial-type" criminal.

The grand jury also charged Juan Estrada in a two-count indictment alleging murder and aggravated assault. Estrada is charged in connection with the Sept. 19 stabbing death of Pampan Earl Love, 32. Love was stabbed

with five young men near the 7-Eleven store, Ballard and Browning. Two of the men have been convicted in connection with the death. One defendant received 15 years in prison; the second is serving a five-year term.

Estrada told police he was present during the attack on Love but didn't participate. The suspect, whose arm was cut, was arrested while driving away from the scene, police said. He wasn't initially charged in connection with the death. But Hamilton said Estrada's story to police didn't stand up. Judge Cain set Estrada's bond at \$7,000.

Others indicted Thursday and their charges and bonds include:

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## Sheriff nabs mountain men

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — A sheriff who spent five months tracking two mountain men who allegedly kidnapped a woman the younger man wanted as a bride and killed her would-be rescuer got "the drop on them" as the exhausted pair huddled by a campfire.

"It was exactly as I had hoped it would be — exactly as I prayed it would be," Madison County Sheriff Johnny France said Thursday after he single-handedly marched Don Nichols, 53, and his son Dan, 20, at gunpoint to other law officers who had flown into the rugged mountains of southwestern Montana to meet them.

"I have planned this thing, dreamed of it and everything I did today was just as if I'd been there before," France told The

Associated Press in a telephone interview Thursday night.

France said both men were charged with aggravated homicide, assault, felony kidnapping and felony intimidation. They were taken to Virginia City and arraigned, then taken to the Gallatin County jail in Bozeman.

The Nicholoses are accused of kidnapping Kari Swenson, 23, a Montana State University student and member of the U.S. biathlon team, as she jogged along a mountain trail near Big Sky on July 15. The men apparently wanted her as a bride for Dan Nichols, authorities said.

A day later, Don Nichols allegedly shot and killed Alan Goldstein, who was searching for Miss Swenson along with Jim Schwalbe.

## 'We do it for their own good,' say local narc officers

BY JEFF LANGLEY  
Senior Staff Writer

The Pampa Police Department employs a man of a thousand faces.

He's a narc.

"He came in one time with green hair," his partner recalled.

That happened when one of the many dye jobs on his bushy hair didn't turn out as expected.

"Billy" and "Bob," who asked that their real names not be used, coordinated the four-month, undercover investigation that led to the biggest bust in Pampa history.

Billy must periodically alter his looks. Many of the drug dealers in town would know him like a first cousin if he didn't because the narc in disguise has been buying drugs and making busts here for about four years. Bob is a newcomer to lengthy drug investigations, but he worked as the man in charge of the recent probe.

Both men are trained in narcotics work. They work regular assignments in the department but qualify as the department's nearest thing to a narcotics squad.

"It's the most interesting aspect of law enforcement. You

### Pampa deals with drugs

One of a series

get to meet a lot of different people. It's kind of an adrenaline high, knowing that you're doing something super - worthwhile," Billy said.

"We've worked our tails off," Bob said of the work that brought about the bust.

The partners, known to some as "Mutt and Jeff," "Starsky and Hutch," or "AC - DC," put in double weeks during the investigation.

The men take pleasure in busting people for selling or using drugs. The arrests cause some to "straighten up" and quit dope, they said.

"The real satisfaction is in the people that stop. That get out of it and carry on with life," Billy said.

Bob said he really cares for some of the people he puts in jail. He likened what he does to "a father spanking his children."

"You will develop friendships.

You get to really like these people. You wish they would get off drugs," Bob said. "We've done it for their own good."

The good feelings aren't mutual with some of those locked up by the pair. Billy and Bob said they have received numerous death threats to themselves and their families. Some of the people making the threats are quite capable of carrying them out, the undercover officers said.

Being a narc includes other job hazards.

"You burn out quicker. We wish we could stay up 24 hours a day and do it... There are times when my family and kids don't remember what I look like," Bob said.

"You've always been taught that lying is bad. When you work undercover, it's basically a lie. That causes a little bit of a problem, not much," Billy said. "You develop these friendships and trust and then turn around and put them in jail."

The pair said it takes a good line of "b.s." to be a narc. Sometimes, the officers have been forced to "simulate" smoking marijuana in order to make a buy. Billy said he holds the smoke in his mouth, goes

through a believable routine of coughing and trying to "hold the hit," then lets the smoke out.

Anything can go wrong during a buy. The task can be dangerous, because most often, the officer must go in unarmed. But a backup officer always waits nearby, ready to respond should trouble start.

The cases developed by the officers in the investigation usually started from informants' tips.

"Informants come from lots of different places. Sometimes, it's revenge motivated. Sometimes, it's good citizens. Revenge includes a bad drug deal, or they're dealing and want to eliminate competition. A few come from people in jail trying to help their own cause. Or maybe an old lady will call and say she has seen a lot of traffic at a house," Billy said.

"An informant isn't like what you see on TV. Some have delusions of being a narcotics officer. They envision themselves as being secret agents," Bob said.

"An anonymous tip just gets us rolling. Then, we go out and

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REFRIGERATED PILLS — Police found these drugs hidden inside a Bandaid box in the refrigerator of a home searched in a raid last month. (Staff Photo)



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## Winter weather arrives as tornado victims digging out

MESQUITE, Texas (AP) — It came with a quickness that surprised forecasters, startled children, and stunned people darting through stumbling houses in a frenzied attempt to escape its devastating wrath.

When it was over, at least 45 people were injured, and hundreds of buildings were damaged in the 65-mile path of a fierce December storm that spawned tornadoes and high winds through three counties in North Central Texas.

Although the storm Thursday morning leveled occupied buildings in at least 11 communities, there were no deaths attributed to it.

But damage was extensive, although exact estimates were not available. Officials said losses would total in the millions.

"Some of the homes are slabs," Mesquite police Sgt. John Black said.

The tornadoes hit without warning. No severe weather alerts had been issued by the National Weather Service in Fort Worth because the storm system had not shown up on radar screens.

Michele Seiber of nearby Garland was talking on the telephone when she heard a loud noise outside. Then, windows broke and the back half of her house caved in. She ran to the bathroom and crouched in a tub.

"Oh God, everything is a shambles," she said.

The worst hit area was in

southwest Mesquite, where police and fire officials said 17 people were injured and as many as 500 homes damaged.

Eighteen kindergarten students were trapped aboard a Happy Days Child Care Center van after they boarded to go to a mall to see Santa Claus.

"The wind blew up so suddenly, we didn't have time to get the children back into the building," said Theresa Congers, part-owner of the center.

"Things were flying all around and the van was rocking, but the children remained calm."

"It was scary," said Jimmy Underwood, 5. "It made a lot of racket, but we didn't cry."

At other schools, children huddled in hallways and sang Christmas songs to help calm their fears.

Starting at about 9:30 a.m., a tornado began cutting a path through a 50-mile area in Ellis, Dallas and Collin counties.

In a stroke of good fortune, it produced winds of only 80 to 110 mph, half the velocity of some twisters.

But the suddenness of it left even forecasters surprised.

"What happened in Dallas kinda defied all the rules," said Fred Ostby, director of the National Severe Storms Forecast Center in Kansas City, Mo. "You reach a point where you can't answer what caused what. The thing you had there this morning was so

unusual." Within four hours, from an area of widely scattered thunderstorms hovering over Central Texas at 5:30 a.m., the weather specialists witnessed an alarming change in patterns.

Then warm, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico collided with the storm system near Dallas.

"This was not a situation that could have been well-forecast because (the weather systems) could not be seen a day ahead of time," said Don Burgess, a meteorologist with the National Severe Storms Laboratory in Norman, Okla.

Damage estimates were hard to deliver.

"We have damage estimate figures that show 43 homes were destroyed, 103 with major damage and 316 with minor damage," said Patty Garner, a Red Cross spokeswoman.

"There is no way to even estimate right now. It might take several days," said Capt. Gus Rose of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department.

The storm's path stretched from southeastern Ellis County through Dallas County and to Princeton northeast of Dallas in Collin County.

"After it was over, I was dispatched to the dairy to assist, and the trailers were completely leveled," said Ferris police Lt. Jeff Cottongame. "It looked like a garbage dump."

"The people were blown everywhere, and a victim that had to be helicoptered out was 75 yards from where her trailer had been. She was just sitting there among all this debris," Cottongame said.

The weather service said the storm moved in a northeasterly direction, touching down intermittently.

Mesquite Police Officer R.L.

Bullard said the twister hit that city at about 10:10 a.m., ripping off roofs and walls.

Earlier Thursday, Central Texas was hit by heavy thunderstorms and winds of up to 55 mph that uprooted trees, damaged mobile homes and toppled power lines. A tornado watch was in effect most of Thursday afternoon for parts of northeastern and East Central

Texas. More than 1½ inches of rain fell during a 15-minute period in portions of San Antonio and south Bexar County.



LOOKING OVER DAMAGE—Debbie Decker of Mesquite looks over the damaged remains of her house after a tornado swept through the Dallas suburb Thursday. A violent storm system spawned tornadoes and high winds in North Central Texas. (AP Laserphoto)

## White says new tax unlikely

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Mark White, voicing his belief that the Legislature won't approve any new taxes next year, says the budget he will recommend to lawmakers in January will include spending restrictions for most state agencies.

"I do not intend to see any taxes raised," White said Thursday. "Everybody is going to receive some cuts with very, very few exceptions."

The comments came during a wide-ranging news conference that took place while the Legislative Budget Board wrangled with state agency budget requests that exceed revenues the state expects to take in next year.

White said he finds little

sentiment among House members — where any tax increase would have to originate — for raising taxes.

With Comptroller Bob Bullock projecting that revenues will fall up to \$900 million short of spending requests, the governor was asked whether a tax increase is inevitable.

"I don't think so. I don't think so at all," he replied.

White said his financial summit meeting with top legislators and other state officials will be held Dec. 20. Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, House Speaker Gib Lewis, D-Fort Worth, members of the House and Senate finance and appropriations committees and many statewide officials will take part, he said.

Noting the state's severe financial problems as the summit is called, White added, "We're going to open with a prayer."

Among other cuts, legislative budget writers have recommended a 26 percent cut in state aid to colleges and universities, but White didn't criticize them for doing so.

"I don't think they're being irresponsible at all," he said. "I think they're showing the dramatic reduction in revenues that have occurred and I think they're trying to form those priorities as best they can to meet the needs of our state."

White rejected speculation that the move to cut university aid was a bid to have higher education lobbyists lead the fight for a tax hike.

"I can assure you there will be very little success unless they can find somebody in the House of Representatives who wants to introduce a tax bill and produce it out of committee. I don't care how much preaching goes on," he said.

The governor also noted talk about raising state college tuition, saying he opposes it unless provisions are made to guarantee that poor students still can get a college education.

"The whole point there is we should not deprive any child who is qualified for admittance to a university ... an opportunity for that educational enhancement," he said.

"I will assure you we have to make certain the door is open to every child in this state who is educationally capable of doing the work. I want to make sure that money does not become a barrier to their ability to enhance their education."

White said he has recommended a number of cost-saving and revenue-producing measures for colleges and universities, including raising tuition for out-of-state students, foreign students and those in professional schools such as law school and medical school.

## Two prison inmates stabbed

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Two Texas prison inmates were in stable condition after they were stabbed in what officials believe were gang-related attacks.

The unrelated assaults Thursday bring to 385 the number of inmates attacked in Texas Department of Corrections facilities this year, a prison spokesman said.

Monty L. Morgan, 25, serving 13 years for a Dallas County conviction of aggravated robbery, was attacked at the Wynne Unit in Huntsville, TDC spokesman Charles Brown said.

Morgan was stabbed repeatedly with a homemade knife at about 3:15 p.m. in a recreation room at the unit. He received wounds to the abdomen, face, chest and right arm and was taken to the TDC hospital in Galveston, where he was in stable condition late Thursday night.

A suspect, a 37-year-old inmate serving a life sentence for an

aggravated robbery conviction, was being held in administrative segregation, Brown said.

Walker County sheriff's officers were investigating the incident.

In another incident, 27-year-old Sergio Lugo Monroy, serving two years for a burglary conviction from El Paso County, was stabbed at the Eastham Unit in Houston County.

Brown said Monroy was stabbed at about 3:30 p.m. about six times in the back with a homemade knife.

Houston County sheriff's officers were questioning a suspect, a 23-year-old inmate serving 65 years for Cameron County convictions of aggravated robbery and burglary.

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## Proper role of the press

Three views expressed in these columns in recent weeks show that even people in the news business disagree about the proper role of the press.

I started it by talking about the Gen. William Westmoreland case, saying that when the press deliberately lies about someone, that person should have some way to seek redress.

Jeff Langley followed with a column in which he said the press should be absolutely immune from legal actions involving anything it writes or broadcasts about people in government, even if they are deliberate liars.

Larry Hollis said he thinks newpeople have no business reporting on the private lives of people who are public figures.

I don't agree with either of them. But I don't totally disagree, either.

Jeff and I, for example, both think it is impossible to libel most people in government. You can't call them anything worse than what they are.

But I asked him if he thought we should be allowed to shoot politicians and he said no. I then contended that lying about them is the same thing. The only difference is in the degree of harm.

He said the constitution guarantees the press absolute freedom, the good press and the bad press. And he's right. But I don't view the constitution in the same light as Jeff and most other people.

As Jeff pointed out, I am a libertarian (spelled with a little "l" to show that I'm not a Libertarian Party member). Libertarians don't consider actions right or wrong simply because the United States constitution says they are. We don't think the constitution contains laws. We think it contains rules. We believe that nature makes laws and man can only make rules. When the rules of man are in conflict with the laws or nature, we think those rules are wrong. And that doesn't change even if someone puts them in a document called a constitution.

A law of nature, we believe, is that one person has no right to harm another. We believe the rules in the constitution that forbid individuals from harming others are right. We believe the rules in the constitution that grant persons or governments the ability to harm others through the exercise of power and control are wrong.

If the constitution grants the press the right to harm others by lying, I think that part of the constitution is wrong.

If a person who is considered a "public figure" happens to be a part of government, I think we have the right to report on anything that person does, even his private affairs. If he seeks our permission to rule us, we have a right to know everything about him. When he seeks to become a part of government, he must surrender all claims to privacy.

But if the press deliberately lies about that person, it has harmed him and that is wrong.

If there is a legitimate purpose for government, it is to prevent one person from harming another when possible. If we agree to lock up killers to achieve that purpose, to me, it does not seem illogical to make liars pay victims in an effort to achieve the same goal.

I admit that I am not confident in the ability of government courts to dispense true justice in connection with such issues. But I have not been able to think of an acceptable alternative.

Simmons is managing editor of The Pampa News.

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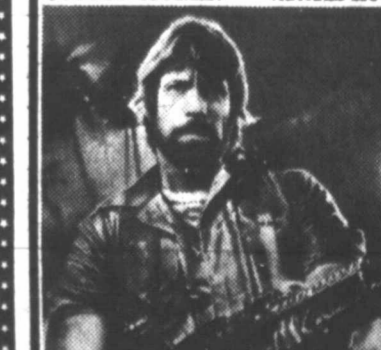
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## Opinion

### When solutions are the problem

What often happens when government bureaucrats conspire to lessen the federal deficit? You guessed it. It increases.

That's what John Heins points out in an article in Forbes magazine, citing the case of the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 gone awry.

According to Forbes, the Department of Housing and Urban Development had been selling notes to finance public housing construction. HUD guaranteed the interest on the notes, and local authorities sold \$18.4 billion in 1983 and \$14.7 billion through August of this year.

But then the sales stopped. Apparently the Deficit Reduction Act, passed in July, made the notes subject to reforms aimed at industrial-development bonds. While IRS bureaucrats tried to clarify whether the housing bonds were, in fact, covered by the act that would have denied their tax-exempt status, HUD stopped selling them.

Nevertheless, new housing projects did not stop, and the kindhearted HUD bureaucrats went searching for new ways to get involved. Their answer? Direct loans from U.S. Treasury funds.

Although the HUDlings have previously socked the Treasury for no more than \$500 million in an entire year, since August they have tapped the taxpayers for \$4 billion to finance the new loan program. And, as if that weren't enough, President Reagan recently authorized them to borrow up to \$8 billion more until April!

It doesn't take a government economist to see the drain on the people. Where once government had simply been guaranteeing interest, now it is footing the entire bill. Forbes quotes John Knapp, general counsel for HUD: "From an accounting point of view, the loans are now direct outlays of the Treasury, which adds to the deficit."

It seems that the more government bureaucrats try to solve what they call problems, the more they create what everyone calls problems. Think they'll ever learn to leave well enough alone?

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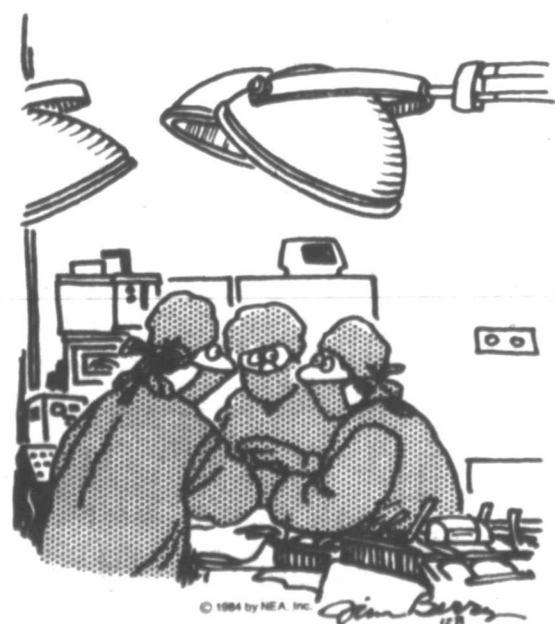
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## Advice Reagan doesn't need

NEW YORK (NEA) — Whatever problems may be facing President Reagan these days, lack of advice certainly isn't one of them. No sooner had the votes been counted than the barrage of advice began: most of it unsolicited, much of it plainly bad, and a surprising amount of it from people who had fought Mr. Reagan's re-election tooth and toenail.

The Democrats, for example, have been downright generous. They have made it clear that if only Mr. Reagan will propose a tax increase, slash defense expenditures and go easy on domestic spending programs — if, in other words, he will just agree to repudiate every pledge he made to the voters during the campaign — they will magnanimously forgive him for winning the election.

Then there is James Reston. Whenever a Republican is elected or re-elected to the presidency, Reston sheds his customary Democratic sympathies like a snake shedding its skin and emerges as a devout advocate of bipartisanship. Suddenly he perceives

that the nation's problems are so grave that they call for a "ministry of all talents," in which pious Democrats would share with like-minded Republicans the responsibility for running the executive branch.

I had been waiting for this year's version of this famous old hymn, and in late November, sure enough, it appeared. This time Reston zeros in on foreign policy.

"At least some of the leaders of the Democratic Party want to help if they can and if they're asked ... For example, the last two Democratic secretaries of state, Cyrus Vance ... and Edmund Muskie ... are surely available. They would come running to help the president even as observers in the coming nuclear negotiations if invited, especially if they were asked to go back to Geneva."

President Reagan no doubt remembers what Reston neglected to add: that Cy Vance resigned from the Carter Cabinet because he considered Carter too much of a hawk. What a help he would be in Secretary Shultz's

forthcoming talks with Gromyko in Geneva!

Then there were the "four prominent former officials" (as The Washington Post described them) who recently told Mr. Reagan in Foreign Affairs that he must choose between his proposed space-based defense against nuclear missiles and any hope of achieving an agreement with the Soviet Union on arms control. But the credentials of these four alleged experts as counselors in this field are to say the least a bit ragged, for they are: Robert McNamara, defense secretary under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, who personally invented the doctrine of "mutual assured nuclear destruction" that a space system would replace; McGeorge Bundy, national security adviser to the same two presidents, who was probably the single individual chiefly responsible for America's ill-conceived involvement in the Vietnam War; George Kennan, a long-retired U.S. ambassador to Moscow, who is now probably the severest critic of the policy of "containment" that he himself

authored 35 years ago; and Gerard Smith, chief U.S. negotiator of the Nixon-era arms agreements that the Soviet Union is now systematically violating.

My own favorite, though, was CBS Television's anonymous "State Department source," who recently floated a proposal that the United States, as a gesture of good will before the coming Geneva talks, should announce a "temporary" moratorium on all further deployment of Pershing II missiles in Europe and on all testing of anti-satellite weapons. In other words, this faceless idiot (assuming he really exists at all) proposed to concede to the Russians, in advance and "temporarily," almost everything they hope, in their fondest dreams, to achieve in the Geneva negotiations!

Fortunately it took Mr. Reagan's own national security adviser, Robert McFarlane, less than 24 hours to scotch that idea. Let's hope the rest of the gratuitous advice described above gets equally short shrift.

(NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)



News item: Some congressmen want to start a national lottery.

### Today in History

Today is Friday, Dec. 14, the 349th day of 1984. There are 17 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Dec. 14, 1799, the first President of the United States, George Washington, died at his Mount Vernon, Va., home at the age of 67, nearly three years after leaving office.

On this date:

Ten years ago: Author and political analyst Walter Lippmann died in New York City at the age of 85.

Five years ago: Canada's seven-month-old Progressive Conservative government came to an end as Prime Minister Joe Clark dissolved Parliament and asked for new elections after his government lost a key budget vote in the House of Commons.

One year ago: President Reagan told reporters that American forces in Lebanon would defend themselves if attacked, but also said the Marines would be withdrawn if there were a complete collapse of authority in Lebanon.

Today's birthdays: Former Sen. Margaret Chase Smith of Maine is 87. Comedian-actor Morey Amsterdam is 70.



**Paul Harvey**

## His magic not really magic

Since television brought Ethiopia into your living room you are not seeing many Americans feeling sorry for themselves anymore. Suddenly the \$10,000 - a - year family income we have considered "poorness" does not appear very poor anymore.

During the recent political campaign, the eyes of the news sought out welfare recipients with 13 children and pleading lips and demanding eyes: "What am I supposed to do?"

That question implied that their problems were somehow the government's fault.

Journalist Carl Hutter noted that we never - but never - hear how "the poor person was born into a rotten family, goofed off through 12 years of state-supported schooling. How the poor person got his or her first job, defied employers, affronted fellow employees, called in sick three or four times each month. How the poor person persisted in having

more children outside marriage."

Hutter concedes that it is not fair to place the entire blame on the poor person...

"But neither is it correct to blame the federal government or the schools or the community - because if we have learned nothing else from the last 20 years we should have learned that giving money to the poor is not the answer, that welfare frequently creates dependency, kills incentive and makes it financially foolish to take any entry-level job."

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Roman Catholic bishops, in their pastoral letter, are proposing solutions to worldwide poverty problems, solutions which are 40 years out of date and thoroughly discredited.

While the last election demonstrated that Roman Catholic laity is ready for new ideas: "peace through strength," "prosperity through work."

Our country's present leadership is just "riding the tide"; you are doing the leading.

The Reagan "magic" is not "magic." We've been calling him "a great communicator" when what he is is a "great listener!"

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**Anthony Harrigan**

## Double standard of media

How the major media treats disorders in different countries makes for an interesting and important study. Consider the approaches utilized with respect to the internal problems of India and the Republic of South Africa.

Both countries have experienced disorders this fall. The rioting in South Africa, however, has been limited to a few localities. India has experienced the assassination of President Indira Gandhi, and an orgy of religious and communal violence which resulted in hundreds of deaths and thousands of injured Sikhs. Both countries have called on their armies to deal with the disorders. The rioters in South Africa demanded political rights. The Sikhs demanded self-rule.

Both of these situations are enormously complex. South Africa adopted a new constitution this year to widen the franchise, but opening the door to change has provoked fresh opposition at home and abroad. India refuses to allow the Sikh minority a measure of autonomy. The late Mrs. Gandhi insisted on a unitary Indian state and used massive military force to crush her opponents.

The major media in the United States consistently condemn the South African administration's policy of "constructive

engagement." No credit is given the South Africans for constitutional change or for attempts to deal with a near-impossible internal situation. India continues to get most-favored nation treatment by the major U.S. media. It is continually referred to as "the world's largest democracy," though Mrs. Gandhi placed her political opponents in preventive detention and rewrote the Indian constitution to get her way.

Allowing everyone to vote does not automatically make for democracy. Everyone voted in Hitler's Germany; they all voted "Ja." India is ruled by the Nehru dynasty, the very opposite of democracy.

Americans should understand these contradictions and realize that liberal commentators have a double standard for judging countries. They also should realize that American-style democracy isn't feasible everywhere in the world, that the racial, religious and communal problems of countries from Cyprus to South Africa, and from Lebanon to India dictate very different forms of political order and distinctive timetables for change and adjustment.

In our own hemisphere, Mexico isn't a democracy in the American sense. The same

party has won every election for 50 years, and power and corruption are concentrated in that party. If Americans can be patient with the Mexicans, they can be patient with what is happening in the Indian and African subcontinents.

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# Oklahoma court hearing set on Phillips takeover bid

BARTLESVILLE, Okla. (AP) — In a courtroom down the street from Phillips Petroleum Co.'s headquarters, arguments were scheduled today on Phillips' bid to block an unwelcome takeover bid from a group led by oilman T. Boone Pickens Jr.

apply to the partnership. On Dec. 7, Vice Chancellor Carolyn Berger in Delaware's Chancery Court barred Phillips from taking any steps to enforce the Oklahoma order.

At issue is a temporary order issued Dec. 6 by Washington County District Judge John Lanning which has so far prevented Pickens' group from proceeding with its plans to buy more Phillips stock as part of a proposed \$9.1 billion buyout of the nation's eighth-largest oil company.

Also at question is the jurisdiction of the court to handle the case. A state court in Delaware has said it should decide the case and has scheduled a hearing for Monday.

Pickens, the chairman of Mesa Petroleum Co. based in Amarillo, Texas, also heads Mesa Partners, a group that already has purchased 8.9 million shares of Phillips' stock. The partnership, which includes the independent oil firm of Wagner & Brown, seeks to begin an offer of \$60 a share for another 23 million shares, to raise its stake to 21 percent of the company's stock.

But at a proceeding last week, in which only Phillips was present, Lanning issued a temporary restraining order halting Pickens' group from proceeding with its bid pending today's hearing.

Phillips has argued that the takeover bid violates an agreement between Mesa and General American Oil Co. of Texas in which Mesa agreed that for five years beginning Jan. 6, 1983, it would not acquire General American stock. Pickens, meantime, has asked state and federal courts in Delaware for a judgment that the standstill agreement does not

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# Legislative budget makers approve \$25.7 billion bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas House and Senate leaders have prepared a \$25.7 billion state spending bill for the 1985 Legislature that can be covered by expected revenue, plus a \$160 million cushion.

A major issue of the 69th Legislature meeting Jan. 8 will be whether to hold spending to available revenue or consider new or revised taxes.

Altogether, the Legislative Budget Board cut requests for 1986-87 money from state agencies and institutions to \$768 million below 1985 spending.

Comptroller Bob Bullock warned earlier that spending cuts had to be made, or new revenues found, because of the faltering oil and gas economy, which provides much of Texas' tax money.

Gov. Mark White will send the Legislature his budget recommendations in mid-January, then the Senate and House will hold public hearings and each write a spending bill. The final version of 1986-87 expenditures likely will be written by a 10-member conference committee, made up largely of those who produced the LBB bill.

"I think with these dramatic reduction in our revenues, the board is trying to form the priorities the best they can to meet the needs of our state," White said Thursday after the LBB final session.

The LBB recommendations did

nothing about demands of state employees for a pay raise.

"Such a proposal is totally unfair and unjust to the 183,000 dedicated state employees across Texas," complained Gary Hughes, executive director of the Texas Public Employees Association. "The TPEA vows a major fight in the upcoming session to see that these workers get what they deserve."

Much of the final budget-writing session was spent on the LBB staff's recommendations to the Texas Department of Corrections which is under federal court orders to improve overcrowding and other living conditions.

On the motion of House Speaker Gib Lewis, the board voted 9-1 to ignore its staff recommendations and those from TDC, and recommended a total of \$660.9 million, well below the LBB staff recommendation of \$697.1 million and TDC's request for \$824.2 million.

"This just gets a framework into the Legislature where we can think this matter out," Lewis, D-Fort Worth, said after a long discussion over spending \$40 million for 538 psychiatrists and aides who would treat 5 percent of the prison population.

Lewis made his motion after the board voted not to go along with a compromise effort by Lt. Gov.

Bill Hobby that the request for new psychiatric services be reduced \$9.5 million and the difference given to mental health community centers under the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

LBB staffers said the 5 percent figure was the result of an agreement between attorneys for prisoners who won a federal court suit for prison reforms and TDC attorneys.

Rep. Bill Hollowell, D-Grand Saline, said the agreement should be appealed to the U.S. Supreme court.

Hobby earlier questioned the need for adding 306 new workers to the TDC security administration staff, mostly to distribute mail to prisoners in the 27 units.

LBB staffers said the new mail clerks, costing \$6.2 million, would relieve security guards who now have to sort and distribute the mail.

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## Budget cutters hit military stone wall

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's effort to wrap up an initial round of decisions on a \$42 billion deficit-reduction plan has snagged on administration infighting over the Pentagon budget, including arguments about a military pay freeze.

Reagan's senior budget advisers are virtually unanimous in pressing for about an \$8 billion reduction in the planned 1986 military buildup.

Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger has proposed a smaller reduction — about \$6 billion — using savings that some of the budget advisers say add up to even less than Weinberger claims.

The president, meanwhile, is remaining silent.

The argument has been building over the past several weeks as Reagan has worked his way through a series of decisions aimed at meeting his goal of cutting deficits from a projected \$200 billion a year to \$170 billion in 1986, \$138 billion in 1987 and \$99 billion in 1988. To do that will require budget savings of \$42 billion next year, then \$85 billion and \$110 billion in each of the next two years.

The fighting increased Wednesday during a private White House meeting among Reagan, Weinberger and the president's senior budget advisers, and then spilled into the open Thursday when the defense secretary publicly walked away from a military pay freeze plan the group had discussed the day before.

Weinberger made an unexpected appearance at the regular Pentagon briefing for reporters Thursday to deny reports that he had proposed freezing the salaries of military personnel.

"The idea of being unfair to the troops who are performing such fine services for all of us is certainly no proposal of mine and no proposal of the president," Weinberger said.

"The stories that have been appearing to that effect, I think, do a great disservice to them and to their morale," the defense secretary added.

"There are others who are unenlightened about such matters who don't understand fully the effect of such things who may be talking about it," Weinberger said. "It certainly was not I."

However, Weinberger did not deny that a proposal to freeze military pay was discussed during the White House meeting.

One of the participants at Wednesday's meeting, who spoke only on condition he not be quoted by name, reflected the sentiments of White House advisers when he reacted to Weinberger's statements saying, "Cap's being Cap."

On the first day of the crucial LBB hearings, the board trimmed spending plans of state senior and junior colleges and universities 26 percent, about \$586 million below 1985 spending.

Staff members said the budgets proposed for junior colleges were 90 percent of 1985 spending.

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## Shultz assures allies on Geneva talks

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz, in meetings with NATO foreign ministers, has reassured them the United States will consult them on new arms control talks with Moscow and stressed that "allied unity" is the best way to achieve results.

Shultz will meet with the Soviet foreign minister, Andrei Gromyko, Jan. 7-8 in Geneva to develop a framework for new comprehensive arms control negotiations.

The allies' intense interest in the meeting, and their hopes for its success, resulted in a 3 1/2-hour private discussion Thursday during the opening session of the two-day NATO conference. The conference concludes today.

A senior U.S. official, who briefed reporters on condition he not be identified, said Shultz told his NATO colleagues "we all hope

it might be the beginning of a better era in East-West relations."

"He emphasized... our commitment to consult... every bit as full and varied as in the past," the official said. "You could hear a pin drop" inside the meeting room as the NATO ministers listened to a presentation by Shultz, the official said.

The official said Shultz talked for an hour about his upcoming meeting with Gromyko, what led to it, and the prospects for progress.

"He emphasized the importance of allied unity, how important that was in getting us where we are," the official said.

Lord Carrington, NATO secretary-general, said he told Shultz at the conclusion of Thursday's discussion that he "goes to Geneva with our encouragement and support," although "nobody expects miracles."

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## Europeans hope to make space station international

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — European astronauts hope to be able to fly into orbit aboard their own space shuttle by the time the U.S. has completed a planned permanent space station.

Three European astronauts — Wubbo Ockels of the Netherlands and Reinhard Furrer and Ernst Messerschmid of Germany — said on Wednesday that the European science community is becoming "more and more positive" about

developing and financing a manned space program that will be able to ferry scientists to and from the American space station.

"To compete, you cannot stay out of space research," said Furrer. "To keep up, you have to fly. Our only concern is that we aren't flying enough."

Ockels, Furrer and Messerschmid are members of a U.S. space shuttle science mission now set for October of 1985. The

plan calls for them to orbit the Earth for seven days with four American astronauts aboard space shuttle Columbia which will be equipped with a science module in its cargo bay.

Experiments on board will concentrate on materials processing in weightlessness, biological research and medical studies. Much of the cost of the mission is being borne by West Germany.

American astronauts on the mission are Henry W. Hartsfield, the commander; pilot Stephen E. Nagel, and mission specialists James F. Buchli, Guion S. Bluford and Bonnie J. Dunbar.

Furrer said the European science community is becoming more determined to compete in space research with scientists in orbit conducting experiments.

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## Cone gets doctorate in ministry

Rev. Claude William Cone, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will receive the doctor of ministry degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth during fall commencement Dec. 14.

Pastor of the Pampa church for the past 12 years, Cone will be among 336 new graduates from the world's largest seminary to receive degrees from President Russell Dilday.

Southwestern is one of six seminaries operated by the Southern Baptist Convention. In its 77th year, Southwestern trains men and women for Christian ministry in schools of theology, religious education and church music.

## Bishop Tutu mixes humor with outrage

By GEORGE W. CORNELL  
AP Religion Writer

Referring to South Africa's Department of Plural Affairs, an agency to regulate black people, the black bishop says its name suggests that "one of us would be a singular Plural. If he lived out of town, I suppose he'd be a rural Plural."

Such touches of humor, mingled with indignation at restrictions on blacks in his homeland, are hallmarks of South African Bishop Desmond Tutu, winner of the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize and elected last month as the Anglican bishop of Johannesburg.

He is the first black to hold that influential post in the strongly white branch of the worldwide Anglican communion, magnifying his position as a forthright opponent of South Africa's racial separation laws at a time of rising American protests against them.

"We shall be free, about that there can be no doubt," he says, emphasizing his conviction that God is involved in the situation and that his purposes of justice will prevail.

"For goodness' sake, don't mope," he recently advised a group of U.S. church people. Despite the present sufferings of blacks in his country, he said, "Don't feel sorry for us. We are going to win. Of that, we can be certain because God is going to win."

That firm confidence radiates steadily from the blocky bishop of 53, along with his bent for laughter, his sense of the absurd in compartmentalizing races and his banked outrage at the dehumanizing effects of it.

About that, he admits he himself sometimes gets despondent. "Sometimes I feel so low I could crawl under a snake."

South Africa's whites "are trying to defend the indefensible," he says, adding his typically charitable note. "They are not demons. They are human beings who are scared." He notes that whites are only one in five of South Africa's population, and, arching his brows, adds perplexedly:

"Perhaps they have reason to be scared."

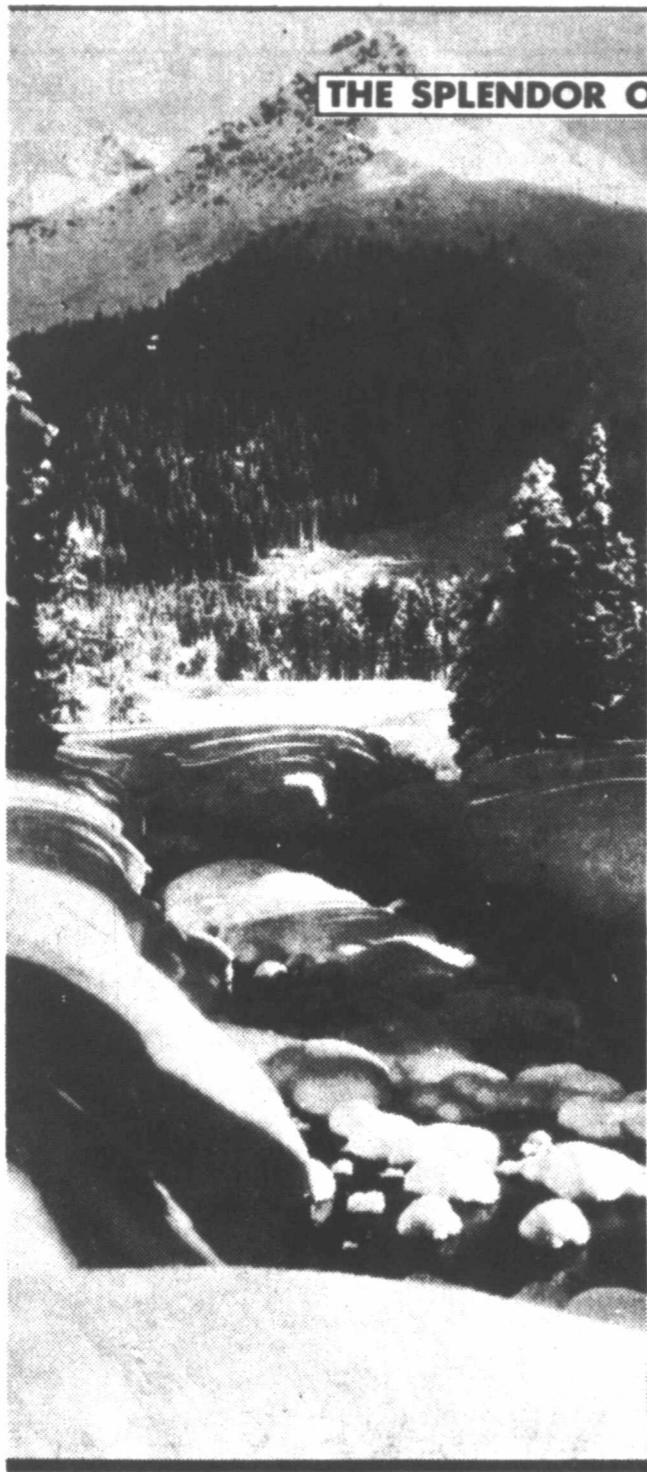
Tutu is a marvelously expressive man, gesturing expansively, clapping his hands, scratching the back of his neck as he speaks, puckering his lips, sometimes breaking into high-pitched, infectious chuckles, his eyes lighting with impish mirth.

"What I do has nothing to do with courage," he says. "It has everything to do with belonging to the church of God. When God takes you by the scruff of the neck, you've had it."

At present a visiting professor at the Episcopal General Theological Seminary in New York, he since 1979 has been general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, his country's biggest ecumenical organization, including whites. He is expected to take over the bishopric of Johannesburg early next year.

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### THE SPLENDOR OF THE *Snow*

Snow falls and puts a beautiful white blanket over the mountains, and even before this one is gone, others will fall. It will become deeper and deeper until the spring, when it begins to melt and provides life giving waters to many streams. These streams meet with others and become rivers and provide water for irrigation and lakes throughout our land.

Our Lord, Jesus has said that He will give to any that seek Him... "a well of water springing up into everlasting life." — John 4, 14



The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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**SNOWY STROLL**—A bit of snow and chilly temperatures don't seem to bother this couple as they stroll Thursday along the Boulevard Ring, a narrow park encircling the center of Moscow. (AP Laserphoto)

## Application for Southern Oklahoma racetrack killed

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Citing questions about financing, the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission Thursday denied backers of a proposed pari-mutuel horse racing track in Love County an extension of a conditional permit and then — in a surprise move — denied the group's original application.

The eight commissioners were unanimous in their decision not to grant the backers of Oklahoma Downs a time extension to get their financing in order. But a acrimonious exchanges punctuated discussion leading to the 4-3 decision to yank the proposed park's application.

Before the second vote was taken, Laurence W. Ritter of Los Angeles, secretary-treasurer of Oklahoma Downs, told the commission such an action "would destroy us financially. No lender is going to set aside money on an indefinite hope."

Following the vote, he said the group was "deeply affected ... we're going to regroup" before being cut off by his partner, John Wolcott, chairman, president and chief executive officer of the proposed track. Wolcott, from Shreveport, La., once was president of the Louisiana Downs racetrack.

### Survey shows one of four high school students are failing

AUSTIN (AP) — One out of every four Texas high school students was failing at least one course this fall under a new law tightening academic standards, a new survey shows.

The survey was conducted by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals; 852 of the state's 2,100 junior and senior high school principals responded.

The study found that most principals support the new minimum passing grade of 70, which replaced 60 at the beginning of the school year.

But it also found that more than 80 percent of the administrators think the school reform law has weakened discipline and will boost the state's high dropout rate.

Harold Massey, executive director of the principals' association, said the survey results will be used to lobby for changes in the law during the 1985 Legislature.

He said the controversial "no pass, no play" rule is on the organization's hit list. The rule requires students to pass all course to take part in extracurricular activities.

The study showed that only 22 percent of the principals surveyed approve of the rule.

"We're talking about 200,000 students in Texas high schools who won't be able to participate next semester if this failure rate holds up," Massey said.

The principals' group survey showed that 25 percent of all high school students and 23 percent of all junior high students were failing one or more courses during the first six-weeks grading period this year.

A random sample survey of 98 high schools by the Texas Education Agency this fall found an even higher failure rate of about 35 percent after the first six weeks.

The survey also found that:

- 88 percent said only new teachers should have to take competency tests.
- 95 percent think high seniors should have to master basic skills to get a diploma.
- 83 percent believe students who bring weapons or drugs to school should be automatically expelled for a semester.
- 86 percent think the "no pass, no play" rule will discourage students from taking tough courses.

The proposed \$52 million Oklahoma Downs would have been located in the rural community of Thackerville, just north of the Red River and halfway between Oklahoma City and Dallas.

An attempt by Commissioner Tommy Ray Young of Woodward to table the question of an extension on the conditional permit — effectively giving the backers their aim of more time to secure financing — was denied.

Young blasted fellow commissioners in comments preceding the vote to withdraw the application, saying they were erroneously equating the Oklahoma Downs application to another application which had been denied, Winchester Park in Oklahoma County in northeastern

Oklahoma. The commission had granted Oklahoma Park a conditional permit Nov. 1, which contained a series of deadlines requiring backers to provide various financial documents, construction plans and progress reports.

"You were asking us to do something that was physically impossible to do in 30 days," Wolcott said. "We felt we could ask for a few days more, and we had hoped that we'd be back in 10 days or less."

Commissioner Sheldon Detrick of Tulsa said, however, that he wanted "to see a financial commitment that's irrevocable before I'm interested in issuing a license."

## 'Preaching' trooper resigns

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — Douglas Fetters, the Texas highway trooper accused of preaching to a teen-age motorist about sin for two hours, says he has resigned.

Fetters, who was also accused of forcing the youth to sign a statement dedicating his life to God and then co-signing the document "Jesus," refused this week to talk about his resignation.

But Jim McGinnis, the former trooper's attorney, said his client has accepted a job with the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

"He has been considering this for some time," McGinnis said. "It will be a promotion ... and allows him to remain in the area."

Larry Todd, a spokesman for the

Texas Department of Public Safety, said Fetters' resignation becomes effective at year's end.

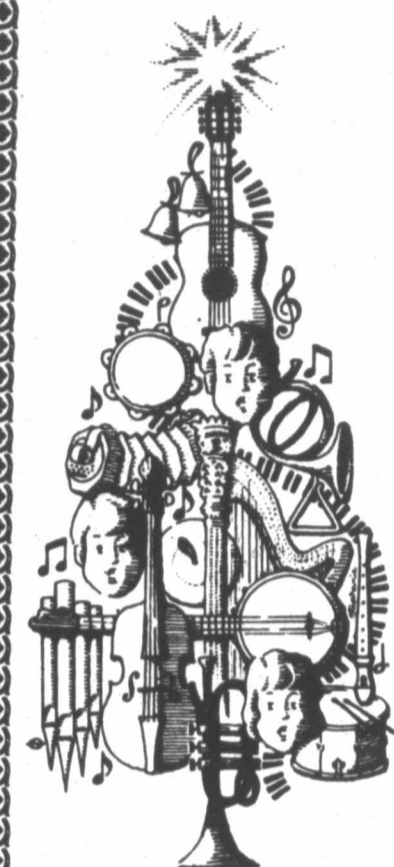
The DPS conducted an internal investigation into the accusations against Fetters, Todd said, and a \$750,000 lawsuit was filed by the teen-ager, who has not taken any action in the case yet.

"The issue is moot now that he's resigned," Todd said.

Darryl Craig, 17, of Orange charged in the lawsuit — which was filed last month in Beaumont federal court — that he was driving home from a Sept. 13 rock concert when his truck slammed into a utility pole and overturned on Interstate 10, just east of Beaumont.

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- 1 German river
  - 5 Greek theaters
  - 9 190. Roman
  - 12 Exude
  - 13 Religious ceremony
  - 14 Flightless bird
  - 15 Weaver of fate
  - 16 Tropical palm
  - 17 German article
  - 18 Non-professional
  - 20 Loan deposit
  - 22 Ands (Fr.)
  - 23 On same side (pref.)
  - 24 French river
  - 27 Atomic
  - 31 Civil (abbr.)
  - 32 Plant disease
  - 34 Organ stop
  - 35 Vegetable spread
  - 37 Son of Ruth
  - 39 Chilean Indian
  - 40 Standards
  - 42 Ate
  - 43 Compass point
  - 45 Roadster
  - 46 Greek region
  - 48 Courting activity
  - 53 Spy group (abbr.)
  - 56 Places
  - 58 Over (Ger.)
  - 59 Sixth sense (abbr.)
  - 58 Wave (Fr.)
  - 59 Gives a bad review (sl.)
  - 60 English river
  - 61 Leaves
  - 62 Magnolia
- DOWN**
- 1 Mrs. Charles Chaplin
  - 2 Condemn
  - 3 Old Testament book

- 4 Lessee
- 5 Lower world
- 6 Fashion name
- 7 And so on (abbr.)
- 8 Greek dialect
- 9 Surrender ceremony
- 10 December holiday (abbr.)
- 11 Curse
- 19 Summers (Fr.)
- 21 City in Norway
- 23 Dainty
- 24 Holy image
- 25 Farm building
- 26 At all times
- 27 Knots
- 28 Black
- 29 First-rate (2 wds)
- 30 Study
- 33 Birthmark
- 36 All (pref.)
- 38 Normandy invasion day (comp. wd.)

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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- 41 Similarity
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- 46 Cooled
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**STEVE CANYON**

12 STEVE'S STOP-ACTION DREAM  
14 FALLS BACK INTO GEAR!

STEVE IS DREAMING

MAYBE THIS TIME IT WON'T BE BAD LUCK.

WHEN CHEETAH AND I GET TOGETHER!

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BUT AT THIS MOMENT STEVE'S AIRCRAFT GIVES THAT AWFUL COUGH—WHICH MEANS A NEARLY EMPTY FUEL TANK!

MILTON CANIFF

## Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol  
Dec. 15, 1984

Considerable career progress will be made this coming year. However, your climb to the top may be slow rather than speedy.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Let bygones be bygones today, even if you have to deal with someone you dislike. Nursing a grudge will take the sparkle out of your day. Looking for romance? The Matchmaker set can help you in your search. Send for it today by mailing \$2 to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Do not spend this evening with friends who are not willing to share the expenses. You won't appreciate having the tab dumped in your lap.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Ambition is an admirable quality but don't be so self-serving today that you defeat your own purpose. Know when to stop pushing.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** Strive to be amicable when dealing with others today, but don't be wishy-washy because this will leave an opening for a domineering companion to think for you.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Keep your guard up today if you have to deal with a cold, hard, businesslike individual. He might use unsavory methods to gain his desires.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** If you're putting together a social happening this evening, don't invite two parties who are always clash. They could put a damper on the event.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You won't be able to relax and enjoy yourself today if you know in the back of your mind that you've neglected certain responsibilities.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** If you're involved in some form of friendly competition today, whether it be a game or a sport, keep betting out of the picture. Gambling invites complications.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** This is not a good day to discuss the family budget with your mate. Both of you may want to trim expenses in areas objectionable to the other.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** In joint ventures today if you are overly concerned about the other guy holding up his end, you may let your own sag. Concentrate on what's expected of you.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Do not put unnecessary strain on your financial means today. If there is something expensive you want, wait until you have a little surplus.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Be equally as considerate and understanding to family members today as you are likely to be to outsiders. Violating this rule could spell trouble.

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MARLEN

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MARLEN

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I THINK HE LACKS THE KILLER INSTINCT.

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# Rodeo rider recalls his days as a movie stunt man

By MARK TOOHEY

The Houston Chronicle  
WEBSTER, Texas (AP) — Blackie Storm was a bull rider on the rodeo circuit when he got the break that would bring him to Hollywood with the likes of John Wayne, Robert Mitchum and Richard Boone.

"The rodeo was in California at the time," recalled Storm. "Robert Mitchum just happened to be in the crowd and he was shooting a rodeo picture called 'The Lusty Men.' He asked me if I wanted to do some riding in the movie. Everything just sort of fell into place after that."

Storm went on to become one of Hollywood's top stunt men in the 1950s and 1960s appearing in the movie "The Alamo" and television shows such as "Wyatt Earp," "Rin Tin Tin," "Gunsmoke," "Bat Masterson" and "Have Gun Will Travel."

"Riding a bull in the rodeo and all, it didn't take me long to learn how to take a fall as a stunt man," said Storm with a laugh.

Storm retired from Hollywood in 1979. Now 58, he lives in Webster and drives an 18-wheel truck for a living. Show business, however,

remains in his blood.

Storm and a group of fellow stunt men and women he calls his Storm Riders can be found at Houston area fairs, bazaars and other benefits re-enacting old west shoot-outs and demonstrating the art of gun twirling and of using a bull whip.

"The kids just love us to death," said Storm. "During our show we also stress the danger of using guns and how people can get hurt and even killed just using blanks."

Growing up on his family's farm in Alabama, Storm said, he would spend hours breaking the horses and herding the cattle.

"Breaking horses is what led me into joining the rodeo and I learned how to use the bullwhip herding cattle," said Storm, who is still considered a bullwhip artist by his peers.

At a recent carnival in the area, he demonstrated his dexterity with the whip by slicing in half a tissue paper held by his wife. He later held a cigarette in one of his own hands and with his other hand used the whip to cut the cigarette in half.

"You can tell there's a lot of force behind the whip because the cracking sound you hear is when

the noise breaks the sound barrier," said Storm. "I takes lots and lots of practice. You must remember I've been doing this most all my life."

Storm fondly remembers his Hollywood days and still enjoys name-dropping the famous actors he rubbed shoulders with.

"I remember John Wayne as a hard-working man," recalled Storm. "And he expected everyone around him to be the same way. After work, he'd buy everybody a steak dinner and a drink and we'd all have a great time. But the next morning we'd all better be back on the set and ready to work."

Storm said he remembers Richard Boone as an "ornery-type of guy who wasn't out to hurt anybody but who could aggravate people."

A few broken ribs and a broken leg were the only injuries Storm said he suffered during a career that spanned 20 years.

"I was lucky because it was dangerous work," he said. "There was more than just the horse falls, fight scenes and barroom brawls. We also did stuff like jumping into water off cliffs, and fight scenes on top of moving stagecoaches."

Storm said his most dangerous scene was jumping off a barn into a stack of burning hay. "The hay was really on fire but what you couldn't see was a hollow vat inside the hay and the vat was filled with water. I survived that one OK."

In his day, Storm said, there were no schools that taught people how to perform stunts so "we just had to learn by doing it."

"As you get older you start to break a little easier and that's when it's time to get out," he said.

## Workers at Arlington GM plant ratify local agreement

GRAND PRAIRIE, Texas (AP) — The United Auto Workers union has overwhelmingly approved a local contract with General Motors Corp., settling more than 2,000 employee grievances, union officials said.

Seventy-eight percent of the members of UAW Local 276 voted Wednesday to approve the new contract and 22 percent voted against it, a margin of 3-1, according to officials.

The new local contract covers improvements in job transfers, working conditions and vacations at the GM Arlington plant, union leaders said.

The contract negotiations have resolved more than 2,000 grievances and improved relations between the company and the

workers, said Pete Peterson, chairman of the local's bargaining committee.

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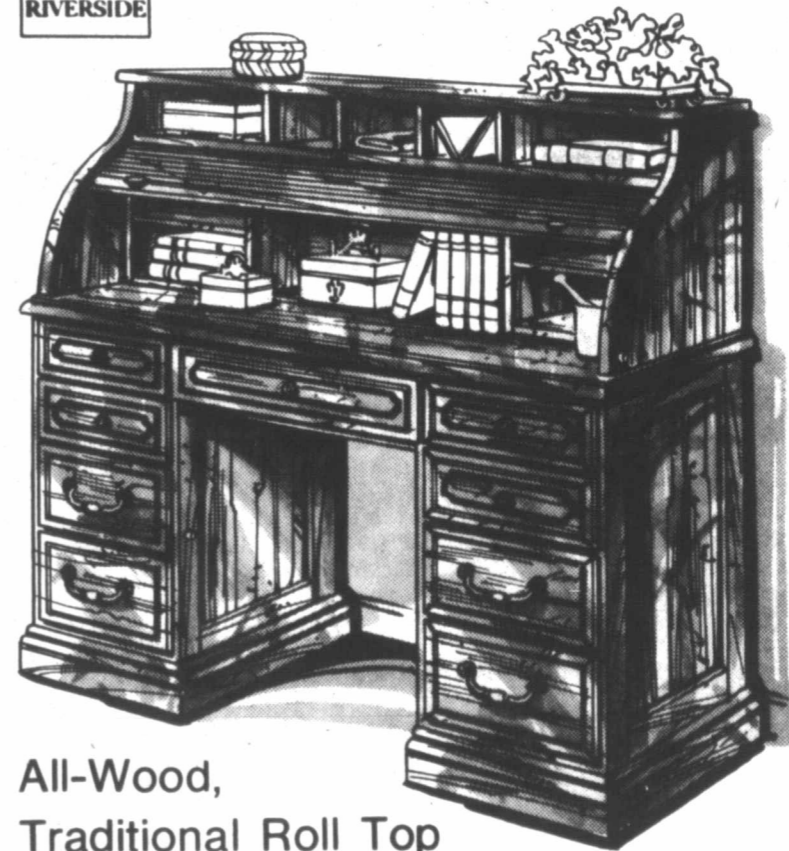
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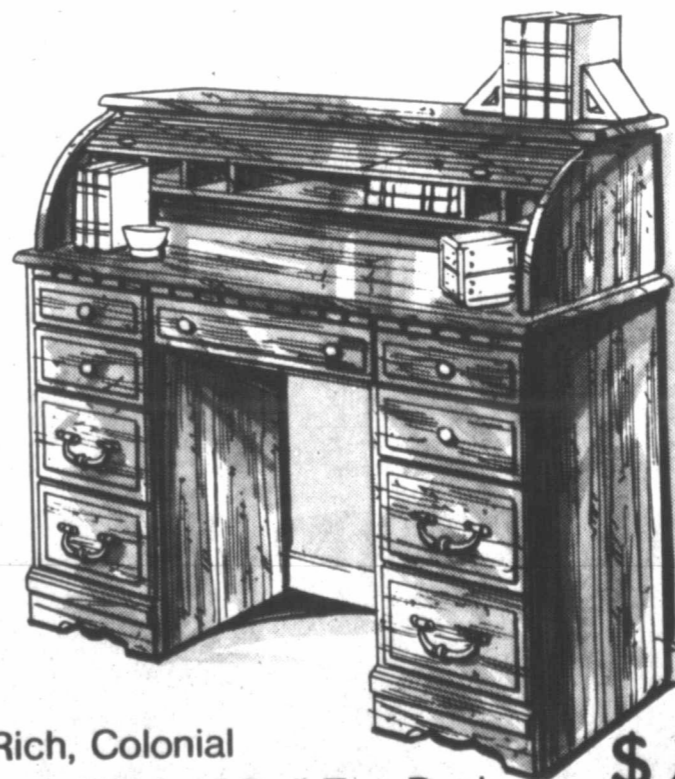


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# Rams put playoff hopes on the line tonight

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The San Francisco 49ers, in search of a National Football League record, and the Los Angeles Rams, hoping for a place in the playoffs, tonight open a suspenseful final weekend of the season with a game that could affect three other playoff hopefuls.

The 49ers, 14-1, who already have clinched a place in the postseason competition, hope to become the first team in NFL history to win 15 regular season games.

"We're going to go into the game to win it," 49ers Coach Bill Walsh promises, but the 49ers are expected to go without a few players, such as defensive back Ronnie Lott, who has slight injuries.

His team clinched its third division title in four years several weeks ago and won't have to leave

Candlestick Park during the National Conference playoffs. The Rams, 10-5, will assure themselves of a wild-card berth if they stop the 49ers' eight-game winning streak and deprive them of that 15th victory.

If the Rams lose, they'll face an anxious few days, perhaps including practice for a game they won't play. They could reach the playoffs at 10-6, but it would depend on the outcome of other NFC games during a weekend that will see three division titles as well as two wild-card berths decided.

The NFC East title will be riding on Sunday's game between the Washington-Redskins and St. Louis Cardinals, while championships in the American Conference West and Central divisions also will be on the line.

Tonight's game will have

bearings on the chances of the Redskins, Dallas Cowboys and New York Giants for NFC berths.

The other three NFC playoff contenders would like to see the Rams lose and are hoping the 49ers compete as they did on Oct. 28 at Anaheim.

Joe Montana, the NFC's top-ranked quarterback, threw for 365 yards and three touchdowns as the 49ers ran over the Rams 33-0 on Oct. 28. He also had three TD passes last weekend, playing only one half of a 51-7 mismatch with the Minnesota Vikings.

Tonight is Montana's final tuneup opportunity before the 49ers' playoff opener on Dec. 29 or 30, and Walsh says, "If the game is in doubt, we're going to stay with Joe to win the game."

While the 49ers have a record-breaking goal, that

pressure is now behind Rams running back Eric Dickerson.

Dickerson got his record breaking out of the way ahead of schedule, rushing for 215 yards against the Houston Oilers last Sunday to make his season total 2,007, four yards over O.J. Simpson's record established in 1973.

The Giants have possibly the greatest stake in the Rams-49er game. If the Rams win, the Giants will make the playoffs as a wild-card team providing they can beat New Orleans on Saturday.

If the Rams lose to the 49ers, then the Giants' game doesn't matter. Then, their eventual fate would depend on the Washington-St. Louis game which will decide the NFC East championship and the

Dallas-Miami game Monday night. The only way the Giants could then make the playoffs is for Washington to beat St. Louis and for Miami to beat Dallas.

Altogether, there are five teams still in line for three remaining playoff berths in the NFC — the Rams, Giants, Washington, St. Louis and Dallas. If Washington beats St. Louis, the Redskins will win the NFC East outright, and the Cardinals will be knocked out of the playoff picture.

If the Cardinals win, they will be the division champion, but Washington still could be in the running for a wild-card berth.

So far, San Francisco and Chicago have qualified in the NFC with division titles — the Bears as champions in the Central.

In the AFC, four teams have already qualified for the playoffs —

Miami as champion of the East Division and Seattle, Denver and the Los Angeles Raiders as wild-cards, all from the West Division. Seattle and Denver will decide the championship of the West in their game Saturday.

The only other AFC race up for grabs is the Central between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, which will be decided Sunday when the Bengals host Buffalo and the Steelers play at the Raiders. Pittsburgh leads Cincinnati by one game and can wrap up the title with a victory, no matter what the Bengals do.

In other games Sunday, it's Chicago at Detroit; Cleveland at Houston; Indianapolis at New England; Green Bay at Minnesota; the New York Jets at Tampa Bay; Kansas City at San Diego and Philadelphia at Atlanta.

## SPORTS SCENE

### NBA roundup

## Sikma's shot downs Lakers

By WILLIAM R. BARNARD  
AP Sports Writer

The Seattle SuperSonics have the solution to a problem the rest of the National Basketball Association has a hard time solving — beating the Los Angeles Lakers.

Jack Sikma hit a jumper with eight seconds left in overtime Thursday night to give Seattle a 124-122 victory over the Lakers, the third time in three tries the Sonics have defeated the three-time defending Western Conference champions this season.

"They seemed to have our number," Lakers Coach Pat Riley said. "It seemed like they made every big shot. They always kept one step ahead of the posse."

Tom Chambers scored 34 points to lead Seattle, while Sikma and Al Wood added 22 apiece. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar had 34 points and James Worthy 28 for the Lakers.

The Lakers are now 15-10, while Seattle improved to 11-12.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was the Los Angeles Clippers 106, Portland 100; New York 119, Utah 115 in

overtime; Houston 96, Atlanta 93 and Phoenix 116, Washington 86.

Suns 116, Bullets 86

Phoenix pulled into a first-place tie with the Lakers in the Pacific Division by routing visiting Washington.

Larry Nance hit nine of 10 field-goal attempts to lead the Suns with 18 points, while Jay Humphries scored nine of his 13 points while Phoenix was outscoring the Bullets 30-14 in the third quarter.

Washington, trying to make Gene Shue only the third NBA coach to win 700 games, was led by Gus Williams, who scored 22 points and had five steals, tying him with Randy Smith for the career theft mark of 1,403.

Rockets 96, Hawks 93

Lionel Hollins, who replaced John Lucas after he retired with drug problems, scored 21 points to lead Houston past Atlanta.

A three-point play by Akeem Olajuwon and three free throws by Hollins, starting his second game and playing 41 minutes, kept the

Rockets in front after the Hawks rallied from a 15-point halftime deficit to cut Houston's lead to 89-88 with 2:17 left.

Dominique Wilkins led Atlanta in scoring with 18 points despite making only five of 24 shots from the field.

Knicks 119, Jazz 115

Bernard King scored 13 of his 30 points in the fourth quarter and six more in overtime to lift New York over Utah.

The Knicks trailed 86-78 with 11:14 left in regulation, but King scored eight points during a 17-0 surge that put them ahead by nine. Darrell Griffith, who led all scorers with 35 points for the Jazz, responded with 13 points in the final 7:14 to help force the extra period.

Clippers 106, Trail Blazers 100

Los Angeles won its third straight game and handed Portland its third consecutive loss as Derek Smith scored 29 points and Junior Bridgeman 22 for the Clippers.



SLAMMER— Atlanta's Kevin Willis (42) slams a dunk past Houston's Ralph Simpson during NBA action Thursday night. The Rockets won, 96-93. (AP Laserphoto)

### Pro Picks

## Giants eye NFL playoff berth

By DAVE GOLDBERG  
AP Sports Writer

It's the time of year when picks can be simple — take the contender against the also-ran. Except that in this year of 1,002 variations, the contender may not have any more motivation.

Take the New York Giants, contender, who play the New Orleans Saints, also-ran, at Giants Stadium Saturday. They're favored by 9 1/2 points, but it may make no difference at all to their playoff chances if they win or lose.

You read right.

If the Los Angeles Rams beat the San Francisco 49ers Friday night, then the Giants can make the playoffs by beating the Saints on Saturday. But if the Rams lose, the Giants can make the playoffs by:

- a Beating the Saints and hoping the St. Louis Cardinals lose to the Washington Redskins and the Dallas Cowboys lose to the Miami Dolphins, or
- b Losing to the Saints and hoping the Cards lose to the Redskins and the Cowboys lose to the Dolphins.

Coach Bill Parcells says the Giants will be motivated. But the Giants only beat good teams by 9 1/2

points or more. The Saints aren't in that class. So take the SAINTS.

St. Louis (plus 6 1/2) at Washington. The pick is the CARDS.

Denver (plus 4) at Seattle. (Saturday). The SEAHAWKS.

Rams (plus 6 1/2) at San Francisco. (Friday night). It's the RAMS.

Dallas (minus 6 1/2) at Miami. (Monday night). The DOLPHINS.

Buffalo (plus 13 1/2) at Cincinnati. The BENGALS.

Pittsburgh (plus 6) at Raiders. The RAIDERS.

Other games (home team in caps)

TAMPA BAY (minus 4) over New York Jets

NEW ENGLAND (minus 10) over Indianapolis

HOUSTON (minus 2) over Cleveland

GREEN BAY (minus 7 1/2) over Minnesota

DETROIT (pick 'em) over Chicago

Kansas City (plus 2) over SAN DIEGO

Philadelphia (minus 3) over ATLANTA

Best Bets: Packers, Eagles.

Toughest to Figure: Giants-Saints, Dolphins-Cowboys, Steelers-Raiders.

Straight up winners: Giants, Redskins, Seahawks, Rams, Dolphins, Bengals, Raiders, Bucs, Patriots, Oilers, Packers Lions, Chiefs, Eagles.

Cisco Junior College; Bill Kelly, head coach at Eastern New Mexico University, and Jerry Watson, head coach at Ranger Junior College.

WT President Dr. Ed Roach is expected to make the final decision as to who the new coach will be. Roach has been out of town, but is expected back today.

Don Davis quit as head coach last month. He had a 6-26-1 record in three seasons as head coach.

Since Davis left, assistant coaches Lew Kasselmann, Bill Hopson and Jeff Carpenter have been in charge of recruiting. About 12 JUCO recruits will be visiting WT this weekend.

### Optimist tourney starts tonight

The Optimist Club City Girls Basketball Tournament tips off tonight with six teams entered in the double-elimination tournament.

Two games will be played with starting times of 6 and 7:30 p.m. The league champion Owls and runnerup Red Raiders drew first-round byes in the double-elimination tournament.

Two games are scheduled Tuesday and Wednesday and one game Thursday, starting at 7 p.m. The championship game will be played at 6:30 p.m. next Friday.

A B team tournament will be held Saturday, starting at 9 a.m. The championship game will be played at 5 p.m.

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High Average: Men - 1. Van Vandebrook, 182; 2. Raleigh Rowland, 174; 3. James McIlveene, 172; Women - 1. Kitten Kotara, 159; 2. Linda Mears, 157; 3. Tami Jones, 155.

High Handicap Series: Men - 1. Rick Bullard, 714; 2. Raleigh Rowland, 708; 3. Van Vandebrook, 705; Women - 1. Marion Mears, 667; 2. Sandra Ragan, 661; 3. Linda Mears, 649.

High Handicap Game: Men - 1. Gary Hicks, 271; 2. Raleigh Rowland, 267; 3. Joe Wilson, Jr., 266; Women - 1. Linda Mears, 245; 2. Sandra Ragan, 243; 3. Jo Hicks, 238.

High Scratch Series: Men - 1. Van Vandebrook, 654; 2. Raleigh Rowland, 633; 3. Richard Casaus, 602; Women - 1. Linda Mears, 544; 2. Sandra Ragan, 541; 3. Tami Jones, 533; High Scratch Game:

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Har-rumph!

BYU stalks Wolves

By Major Amos E. Hoople Sage of the Sidelines

Egad, friends! This holiday season promises some excellent college football...

In the Holiday Bowl, Brigham Young University (12-0) will try to prove its right to be ranked No. 1 by defeating Michigan (6-5) of the Big Ten.

But the Michigan Wolverines are much better than their record indicates.

The five teams that beat the Wolves are in bowls - Michigan State (Cherry), Iowa (Freedom), Purdue (Peach), Ohio State (Rose) and Washington (Orange). Two of Michigan's victims - kaff-kaff - are also bowl participants: Miami of Florida (Fiesta) and Wisconsin (Hall of Fame).

So, if BYU can score an impressive win over Michigan, the Cougar credentials will be gold plated. Har-rumph!

Here is how the Hoople System is calling this season's early bowls:

Saturday, Dec. 15 CALIFORNIA BOWL at Fresno, Calif. Toledo (8-2-1) vs. Nevada-Las Vegas (10-2)

The best in the Mid-America Conference, Toledo, faces the Pacific Coast Athletic Conference titleholder in the fifth game of this series. Both clubs played excellent football this year. The Nevada-Las Vegas Rebels had a slightly stronger schedule than the Rockets.

In a close one, the Hoople System is calling it: Nevada-Las Vegas 28, Toledo 24.

Saturday, Dec. 15 INDEPENDENCE BOWL at Shreveport, La. Virginia Tech (8-3) vs. Air Force (7-4)

This is a tough one to call. Um-kumph! First-year Coach Fisher DeBerry guided the Air Force Falcons to impressive victories over Navy and Notre Dame on successive

weekends. Then they lost a heart-breaking five-point decision to BYU in their Western Athletic Conference clash.

Bill Dooley's Hokies have an excellent attack. Their defense, sparked by All-America tackle Bruce Smith and backs Ashley Lee and David Carter, should put the clamps on the Falcons. We give it to Virginia Tech, 24-14.

Friday, Dec. 21 HOLIDAY BOWL at San Diego BYU (12-0) vs. Michigan (6-5)

Boasting the longest win streak in the nation - 23 straight - the BYU Cougars will be sky high against Michigan.

This is BYU's chance to cement its hold on No. 1 and their first-ever national title. Victory would also give LaVell Edwards a 118-37-1 record in 13 years as coach of the Cougars.

With QB Robbie Bosco at the controls, look for BYU to score a BIG victory, 35-26. Har-rumph!

Saturday, Dec. 22 FLORIDA CITRUS BOWL at Orlando, Fla. Florida State (7-3-1) vs. Georgia (7-4)

For some inexplicable reason - kaff-kaff - the wheels have suddenly come off the vaunted Georgia victory

express. Vince Dooley's Bulldogs have lost three in a row. Amazing! Coach Bobby Bowden's explosive Seminoles, averaging close to 40 points per game, will turn what amounts to a home-field audience to their advantage.

They will deal Georgia its fourth straight reversal, 38-21. Hak-kaff!

Saturday, Dec. 22 SUN BOWL at El Paso, Texas Maryland (8-3) vs. Tennessee (7-3-1)

Maryland's Terps, who swept their Atlantic Coast Conference competition (6-0), surprised other clubs with their offensive prowess. They came back from a 31-point deficit to stop the Miami Hurricanes, 42-40, took rugged Clemson, 41-23, and toppled Virginia, 45-34.

But the Tennessee Vols also know their way into the end zone, particularly when fleet RB Johnnie Jones (117 yards per game) is carrying the ball.

In a free-scoring fray, the Hoople Forecast comes down on the side of Maryland. It's the Terps, 42-38.

Saturday, Dec. 22 CHERRY BOWL at Pontiac, Mich. Army (7-3-1) vs. Michigan State (6-5)

Jim Young, completing his second year as head coach of the Army Mules, has turned the Cadets' program completely around. In his first season Army won two and lost nine, including a 24-7 pasting from arch rival Navy. This year Young's forces won seven, including a sweep of the service academies.

Michigan State's record doesn't look good, but don't sell the Spartans short. They won five contests in the tough Big Ten, including victories over bowl participants Michigan and Iowa.

In a down-to-the-wire finish, we see Army taking a narrow 28-24 victory. Har-rumph!

Watch for my forecast on the major bowls coming your way soon. (NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN)

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FOOTBALL FORECAST

1984

Sutcliffe stays with Cubs

CHICAGO (AP) - The bidding for Cy Young winner Rick Sutcliffe is over, and the Chicago Cubs' commitment to re-sign their free-agent pitchers is nearly fulfilled.

Although the Cubs would admit only to being "very confident" of re-signing Sutcliffe, Chicago won the player raffle by default Thursday when every other team in the running was eliminated from consideration.

The Atlanta Braves, Kansas City Royals and San Diego Padres all confirmed Thursday that they had been informed Sutcliffe was going elsewhere - meaning the Cubs. The Padres, apparently the last team in the running, were the last to be informed, around 6 p.m. EST. "The Cubs got him," said General Manager Jack McKeon of the Padres. "We were happy to be in the final two."

The Cubs now have re-acquired

free agent pitchers Dennis Eckersley, Steve Trout and Sutcliffe. Rick Reuschel also left the club via free agency, but Chicago has shown little interest in re-signing him. That leaves only free agent reliever Tim Stoddard out of the fold.

"We made a commitment to the city of Chicago and to our ballclub to get our people back," General Manager Dallas Green said when the Cubs re-signed Trout last week.

On Thursday, as news of Sutcliffe's intentions leaked to the media, Cubs public relations director Bob Ibach would say only: "We're very confident that we'll re-sign Rick Sutcliffe."

Team president Jim Finks refused to comment on the reports, but Green told a television reporter: "I'm happy. We're getting closer by the minute. It still could fall through. Until Rick and Barry (agent Barry Axelrod) come

to me and we're shaking hands on the deal, it's not a deal."

Ibach said team officials were shunning the media because they "didn't want to muddy the waters" until talks with Sutcliffe were completed. Ibach said he did not know when the Cubs could announce Sutcliffe's signing.

Details of the veteran right-hander's new contract, estimated to be worth between \$9 million-\$10 million over five years, were still being negotiated, Cubs officials said.

Only a day earlier, Axelrod had said that once Sutcliffe picked a team from the four offers, it would take some time to finalize the contract. While all four vying clubs had submitted a "top dollar" offer for a five-year contract, there still remained to be worked out such matters as deferred payments, loans and signing bonuses.

Philly mayor predicts Eagles will stay

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Mayor W. Wilson Goode predicted a quick resolution of the fight to keep the Philadelphia Eagles here, while team owner Leonard Tose, emerging from two days of seclusion, said staying or leaving remained a 50-50 proposition.

City officials met on the subject of the Eagles most of Wednesday and Thursday - including sessions with Tose and his daughter, team Vice President Susan Fletcher. Goode said Thursday night that the verdict as to whether the club will stay could be in as early as this afternoon.

Goode said two loan proposals that would refinance Tose's debts, including a loan from the Crocker National Bank in San Francisco, were being considered. One proposal involves local investors buying a limited partnership in the National Football League franchise.

"Within the next 24 hours, this should come to a head," Goode said after a town meeting in northeast Philadelphia.

Until Thursday, Tose had stayed in his Villanova home for two days while stories shook the city about an agreement to sell a 25 percent interest in the team to Canadian real estate investor and part-time Phoenix resident James G. Monaghan.

On Thursday Tose emerged to get a haircut, meet with his lawyers, Goode and city officials, and have dinner with his daughter.

When he came out of his barber shop, bystanders booed him. Pressed by reporters, he said Goode "was trying to help" but that the odds of the team staying were still 50-50. Neither Tose nor Goode would talk about details of the negotiations.

Tose also told the Philadelphia

Inquirer that nothing had been signed, and that "I'd be delighted if he (Goode) works something out. I'm not talking about matching (the Phoenix offer). I'm talking about survival. You understand? Survival."

Goode has said that Tose does not want to sell the team outright. Current efforts are aimed at finding local investors willing to buy just a partial interest in the team.

The Inquirer reported that sources close the negotiations said potential investment or loans would be contingent on keeping Tose, reportedly a big spender and gambler, from controlling how the money is spent.

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Mutual Life Insurance Co. and CoreStates Financial Corp. were involved in negotiations, the newspaper said.

Goode said that Tose needed \$42 million to keep the team here.

The Inquirer quoted a source close to the negotiations as saying that Monaghan's offer was to give Tose \$40 million in cash and a \$45 million loan, if Monaghan could take control of the team in three years.

At the town meeting, Goode was asked by 7-year-old Eddie Foster, "Can you please keep the Eagles?" Goode replied, "We are doing all we can to keep the Eagles. We also did all we could to keep the Stars."

Tose said he felt the team "belonged in Philadelphia. I never thought I could move it."

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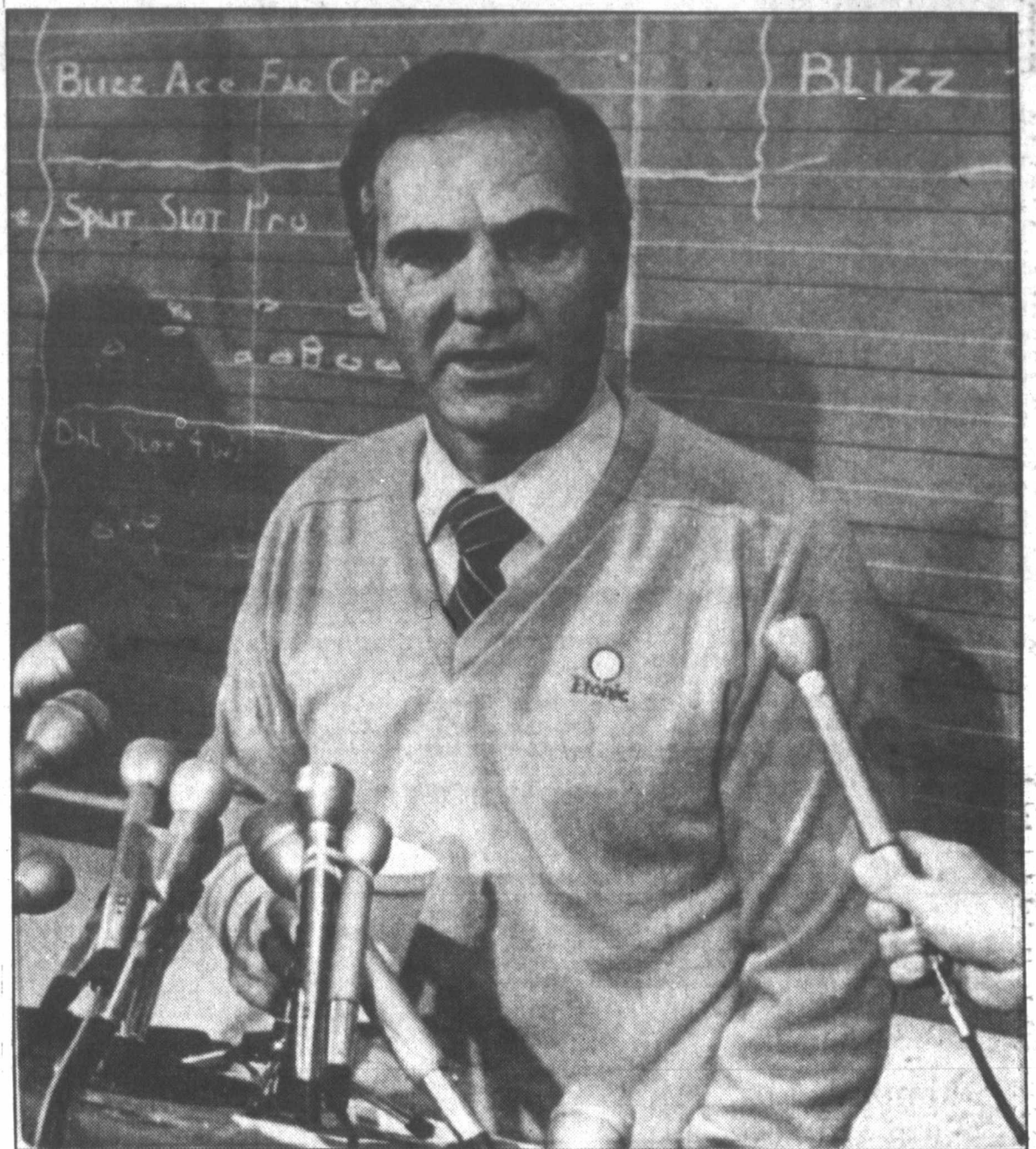
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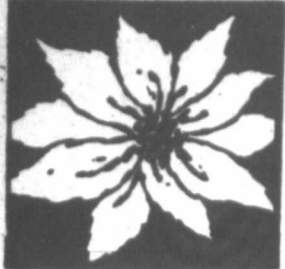
KUSH RESIGNS- Frank Kush resigned as head coach of the Indianapolis Colts in the National Football League to take the head coaching position with the Arizona Outlaws of the United States Football League. Kush made the announcement during a press conference Thursday. Hal Hunter replaces Kush as interim coach. (AP Laserphoto)

Colorado ski report

(AP) - Colorado Ski Country USA reports the following conditions at major Colorado ski areas on Thursday, Dec. 13: Aspen - Opening to be announced. Arapahoe Basin - 55 depth, 4 new, powder, packed powder, 85 open. Aspen Highlands - 36 depth, 1 new, powder, packed powder, 75 open. Aspen Mountain - 37 depth, 3 new, powder, packed powder, 85 open. Buttermilk - Opens Dec 14. Beaver Creek - 43 depth, 3 1/2 new, powder, packed powder, 85 percent. Berthoud Pass - No report. Breckenridge - 37 depth, 4 new, powder, packed powder, 48 open. Ski Broadmoor - Snowmaking, 1 1/2 new, powder, packed powder, 50 open. Ski Cooper - Open Friday through Sunday. Copper Mountain - 43 depth, 7 new, powder, packed powder, 75 open. Crested Butte - 48 depth, 5 new, powder, packed powder, 80 open. Cuchara Valley - Snowmaking, 4 new, powder, packed powder, 85 open. Eldora - Snowmaking, 6 new, powder, packed powder, 45 open. Ski Idlewild - 35 depth, 3 new, powder, packed powder, 80 open. Keystone 270ft4, 3 new, powder, packed powder, 82 open. North Peak - 38 depth, 2 new, powder, packed powder, 100 open. Loveland Basin - 44 depth, 5 new, powder, 100 open. Loveland Valley - 44 depth, 5 new, powder, 100 open. Monarch - 47 depth, 5 new, powder, packed powder, 80 open. Powderhorn - 38 depth, 4 new, powder, packed powder, 80 open. Purgatory - 48 depth, 8 1/2 new, powder, packed powder, 85 open. Silver Creek - Snowmaking, 1 new, powder, packed powder, 34 open. Snowmass - 40 depth, 3 new, powder, packed powder, 50 open.

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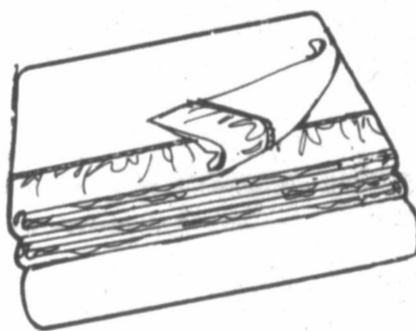
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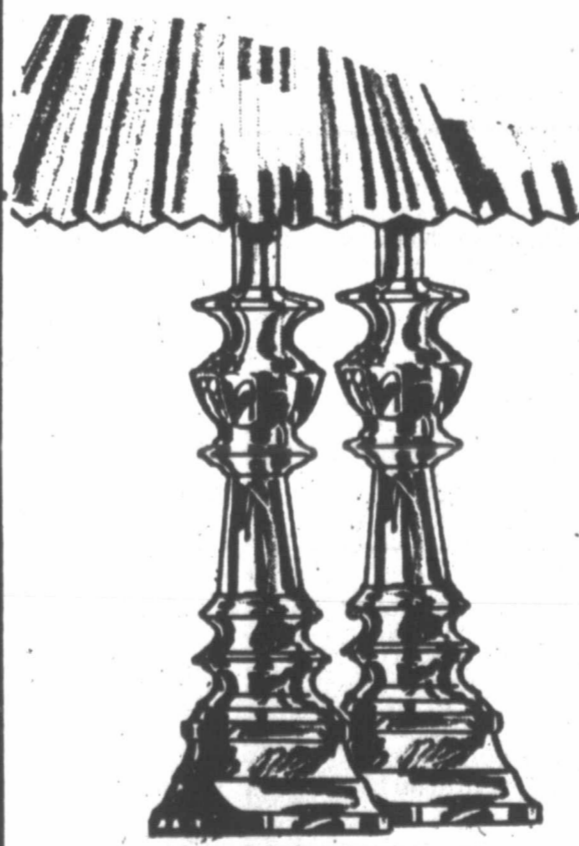
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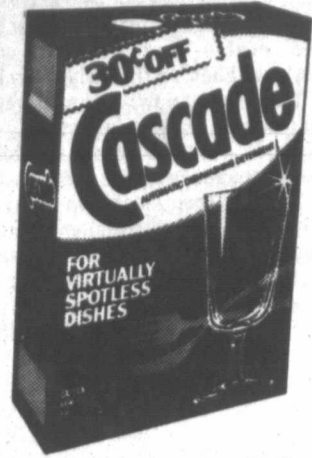
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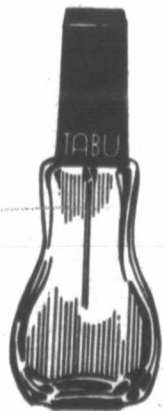


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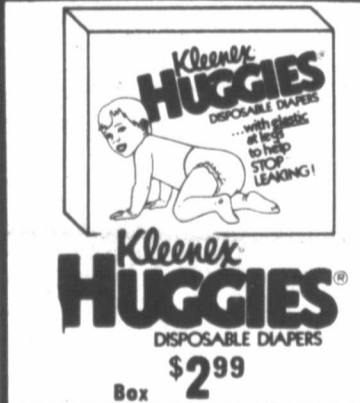


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# Precedent could prevent U.S. hearing of gas disaster suits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawyers filing multibillion-dollar claims against Union Carbide over last week's Bhopal, India, poisonous gas disaster may encounter problems getting their cases heard in an American court.

"Our initial research has shown there should be nothing to prohibit" the suits from being tried in courts in the United States, said George Misko, a Washington lawyer with a firm representing some of those with claims against Union Carbide.

But a 1981 Supreme Court ruling could pose a serious obstacle to efforts to place the suits before an American jury.

The high court ruled three years ago that those filing damage claims arising from an overseas accident are not entitled automatically to a trial here just because the U.S. legal system is likely to treat their case more favorably.

The 1981 decision stemmed from an air crash in Scotland of a plane manufactured in Pennsylvania.

A federal judge in that state, ruling that it was more convenient to try the case in Scotland, threw out the suit by relatives of several Scottish citizens killed in the crash.

The Supreme Court said the judge acted properly. In a 5-2 opinion with two justices not taking part, the court said it was reasonable to assume that trying the case in Great Britain presented fewer problems than trying it in the United States.

The fact that U.S. courts and juries might be more favorable to the plaintiffs was not a good enough reason to try the case here, the court said.

Peter Raven-Hansen, a law professor at George Washington University, said the case may have a bearing on the Bhopal disaster in which at least 2,000 people died and tens of thousands were injured in a Dec. 3 leak of a deadly gas, methyl isocyanate, from the Union Carbide plant.

Raven-Hansen, who said he was not familiar with the details of the Indian case, said the 1981 Supreme Court ruling makes it difficult to force a trial here of a foreign case.

"The first thing to consider is whether there is an open court elsewhere," he said. "It might be different if it were the Soviet Union. But the Indian courts are modeled on the British system and are supposed to be open."

A number of factors then could weigh in favor of handling the suits

in India, he said.

For example, it would be easier to get testimony from witnesses, to produce physical evidence in court and to allow the jury to view the disaster scene first-hand.

Also, judges generally prefer that juries be familiar with the local customs and the community where a case originates.

But lawyers on the other side said there are good reasons why the Indian claims should be placed before an American jury.

They say that Union Carbide has its headquarters in Connecticut and the safety systems that failed in India were designed and produced in the United States.

"The management-level people came here for training," said Misko, the lawyer with the Washington firm of Coale and Associates that is representing Indians in the case.

John Coale of Coale and Associates has been visiting Bhopal and was quoted there as saying he expected to line up more than 15,000 major damage claims.

The courts here are regarded as more favorable for the claims in part because plaintiffs in India must pay steep fees — based on the amount of damages they seek — just to file their suits. For example, a claim for \$10,000 requires a \$300 fee, said Misko.

The idea is to discourage frivolous lawsuits.

But, said Misko, most of those affected by the Bhopal case are desperately poor slum dwellers.

"You've got a lot of people who couldn't come up with \$10," he said. The Indian tragedy could be a bonanza for U.S. lawyers if the suits are tried in this country. The damage claims could be tens of billions of dollars and American lawyers usually receive about one-third of the award to their clients.

On Friday, San Francisco lawyer Melvin Belli and members of several other firms specializing in personal injury suits filed a \$15 billion lawsuit, on behalf of victims of the disaster, against Union Carbide in Charleston, W. Va.

An American relative of six victims filed a class-action lawsuit Wednesday in Chicago seeking \$50 billion from Union Carbide.

The suit, on behalf of five adults and one child injured in the disaster, was filed in U.S. District Court by Raj Shrivatsava, 50, of Chicago, who was born in India and is related to all six people named in the suit.

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# Stalking prey with camera calls for skill

By TOM FEGELY  
Allentown Call-Chronicle  
ALLENTOWN, Pa. (AP) — It's a tough chore attempting to photograph Alaska's varied wildlife — especially if you choose to follow directions.  
"Make noise when you hike so that you don't surprise animals," advises a brochure from Denali National Park. However, the serious photographer knows that stalking some unsuspecting prey takes a bit of stealth and usually a


quiet approach.  
Yet the warning serves to alert one to the danger of grizzly bears that don't like to be surprised and may react by charging the photographer. But not all wild creatures are that dangerous, I discovered in a recent two-week visit to this most spectacular of states. From her braided river flats to the towering peaks of Denali and Lake Clark National Park, Alaska hosts a mammalian wildlife array ranging from bears

to wolves and wolverines.  
The hardest to reach are the Dall sheep. Even long telephoto lenses can't capture full frames of these ridge-runners that only occasionally retreat, in winter, from their high country homesteads. As summer progresses, the sheep go higher and higher in search of the plants exposed by the melting snows. Photographers with the time and stamina to scale the ledges are said to find certain Dalls as curious as the camera-toters themselves.  
Away from the national parks where hunting isn't permitted, the white sheep take on different


temperaments. The hunter, despite the long-range ability of a high-powered rifle, will more than likely become frustrated at chasing the sure-footed animals across snow-covered, glacial slopes.  
Caribou are also high-country dwellers, choosing to traverse ridgetops when possible, but occasionally wandering into the moss-and lichen-covered lowland where black and white spruces create the habitat known as the taiga. There are 13 distinct herds of barren ground caribou in Alaska, all with their defined migratory paths.

The caribou is unique in that both the males and females grow antlers. They're the only members of the deer clan to possess the trait. But even the biggest of cow "horns" can't be compared to the most meager headgear of a bull.  
Unlike their caribou cousins, with which they occasionally cross paths, the moose are neither group travelers nor wearers of antlerage. The big bulls weigh between 12,000 and 14,000 pounds, more than three times the weight of caribou.  
The calves, fast growers, stay with their mothers for a year, possibly two, but are rudely kicked from the nest when the birth of

another generation is imminent.  
Grizzlies — also known as brown bears in the coastal regions — are prized sightings. Coastal bears thrive on the salmon that annually deliver themselves to the interior, spawn and then die a slow, prescribed death.  
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# Educators say athletes are better off with better performance in classrooms

**EDITOR'S NOTE** — Jim Bob, the high school football star who reigned on the gridirons of a simpler era, has fallen on hard times, a casualty of population explosions, growing affluence and the influence of professional sports. But with more attention being paid to his performance in the classroom as opposed to the playing field, some educators say he's better off.

By **MICHAEL A. LUTZ**  
AP Sports Writer  
HOUSTON (AP) — Call him Jim Bob.

He once was king of the campus, strolling through the corridors of his high school, wearing his letter jacket and combing back his hair.

His pony-tailed girlfriend, call her Jo Beth, might have been wearing a ribbon with lettering that admonished Jim Bob and his teammates to "Stone the Sandcrabs" or some such epithet directed at that week's football opponent.

Jim Bob could have played high school football in Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Wink, Munday, Apple Springs, Chillicothe or most any other Texas town in the 1940s through the early 1960s and received adoration approaching hero worship.

He was respected as a campus leader when the Friday night football game and a sock hop afterward provided the week's entertainment.

Although times have changed more slowly for Jim Bob's country cousins, a myriad of changes has tarnished Jim Bob's star, making him just another joe on big city campuses.

Integration and busing broke up traditional rivalries in the larger cities; the population explosion created more high schools and splintered loyalties; growing affluence provided attractive alternatives to devotion to school spirit. Possibly the biggest change has been the influence of professional sports and television.

In addition, a new law takes

effect in Texas Jan. 1 requiring high school students to maintain passing grades in all subjects or be declared ineligible for any extra-curricular activities.

A committee formed by Dallas millionaire H. Ross Perot lobbied for the law. Some coaches and administrators fear that the new guideline will cause borderline students to miss out on athletic careers.

They say Jim Bob, and those who follow, will never be the same.

"There was a point when the high school football player was hero worshipped," says Bailey Marshall, executive director of the University Interscholastic League, the organization that administers the state's extra-curricular programs.

"But I think you see less hero worship of your athletes than you did 10 or 15 years ago," he says.

Joe Tusa, athletic director of the Houston Independent School District, cites statistics to show that attendance and participation in the HISD are similar to 10 to 15 years ago.

The city's population has mushroomed, however, and the number of HISD schools has expanded from nine in the 1940s to 25.

School officials in Dallas, San Antonio and Austin show similar figures. But their population base also is larger.

"The biggest thing that takes away from spectator participation is the tube, television," Tusa says.

"We are being saturated, especially since cable came along. There's not a night you can't turn on the television and get the very best in college and pro football."

The encroachment of television also has affected football attendance in the mid-sized cities, although winning seasons in small towns still draw big crowds.

"We've reached a comfort zone in Wichita Falls," Hirschi High Coach W.D. Largin says. "Some of the high school games are on cable television here so a lot of people

just say, why go out and fight the traffic or the weather. They'll just see it on television.

"The old die-hards are still here. But we used to go into Coyote Stadium and draw 14,000 to 16,000. We have to get in the playoffs to get the big crowds now."

Donald Jay of Austin is executive director of the Texas High School Coaches Association, which annually holds the largest gathering of coaches in the nation and sponsors high school all-star

football and basketball games.

Jay has watched the all-star games go from money-makers to deficits over the years. Last July in Houston, fewer than 11,000 fans attended the football all-star game in the Astrodome, the smallest crowd since 1946.

"We don't get the townspeople anymore," Jay says. "You don't have the close ties with the high schools anymore. Here in Austin, all the people who went to the old Austin High have moved away."

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### Firm hires experts to avoid takeover

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Datapoint Corp. has hired an investment banking firm to come up with ways to avoid a takeover bid by New York investor Asher Edelman, company officials say.

Datapoint's Chief Executive Officer Harold O'Kelley and President Edward Gistaro announced the step this week in a letter to the company's 8,500 employees.

Edelman said Monday he owns 8 percent of Datapoint's stock and is considering seeking control of the San Antonio-based computer manufacturing firm.

The Wednesday letter is the only response Datapoint officials have made to Edelman's efforts.

"We do not intend for our position to be compromised," the 1½-page Datapoint letter said.



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# LIFESTYLES

## Bears make educational, fun gift



Dear Abby

*Patriots both young and old sound off on national anthem*

By Abigail Van Buren

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**DEAR ABBY:** This is prompted by "Patriot's" letter urging you to use your influence in retiring "The Star-Spangled Banner" as our national anthem in favor of a song that's easier to sing.

Few people know that we had a national anthem before 1916. When I went to elementary school in Detroit, our singing teacher taught us the national anthem—"My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty." That was our national anthem until I graduated from the University of Michigan in 1915. The following year, President Wilson proclaimed "The Star-Spangled Banner" our national anthem, and Congress confirmed it in 1931 when Herbert Hoover was president.

I don't know if "My Country 'Tis of Thee" was ever officially proclaimed our national anthem, or if, like Topsy, it just grew. For me it's part of my heritage. "The Star-Spangled Banner" has always seemed a poor substitute. By the way, I am 91 years old.

HELEN BEUTLER,  
COLDWATER, MICH.

**DEAR HELEN BEUTLER:** Read on for an opposing view:

**DEAR ABBY:** Tell the person who wants to get rid of "The Star-Spangled Banner" to jump in a lake. We are second-graders and we know all three verses by heart. Come to our school and hear us sing.

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**DEAR ABBY:** Other than plastic surgery, what can you recommend for breast enlargement? I have always been flat-chested and would feel so much better about myself if I could add a couple more inches to my chest measurement.

I've tried creams and exercises, but they don't work, and I can't afford all these gadgets I see advertised. Besides, I heard they don't work anyway. If I had \$2,000 to spare, I'd get the surgery, but that's out of the question. Please help me.

FLAT-CHESTED  
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**DEAR FLAT:** I know of no "gadgets" that will add inches to your measurements. Get a padded bra—it will solve your problem in nothing flat!

**DEAR ABBY:** I've had it with some of the forms I've had to fill out when applying for a job or establishing credit. (Most doctors and dentists use these forms when a patient comes for a first visit.)

After "marital status" are the following: Single? Married? Widowed? Separated? Divorced?

Abby, I am legally single, and it's nobody's business if I am widowed, separated or divorced. I have indicated that I am single on all the forms I've filled out since my divorce, but those who know that I am divorced have crossed out "single" and written "divorced."

How should this be handled?

SINGLE, PERIOD!

**DEAR SINGLE:** In filling out the form, indicate that you are single, then ignore the other categories.

Some questions that appear on forms are clearly an invasion of one's privacy, so should you encounter a question that you feel uncomfortable answering, either ignore it, or write "not applicable." You will be astonished how infrequently your refusal to answer will be questioned.

**CONFIDENTIAL TO "US IN TACOMA":** Your suggested 11th commandment, "Thou shalt not get caught," is very catchy. But if you obey the first 10, you won't need an 11th.

(Every teen-ager should know the truth about drugs, sex and how to be happy. For Abby's booklet, also available in Spanish, send your name and address clearly printed with a check or money order for \$2.50 (this includes postage) to: Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.)

**By APRIL BAIL**  
It's true ... hindsight is 20-20! Last year, when I gave the toddlers in our family toy drum sets for Christmas, my relations said they would speak to me again when the toys broke, and not until! Our family reunion this summer was ver-r-r-r-y quiet!

This year, I promised that I would forgo the banging, clanging, nerve-jangling toys for the toddlers, and everyone was pleased. Then I went one step further, and guaranteed that the toys would be both entertaining AND educational. That announcement received a standing ovation.

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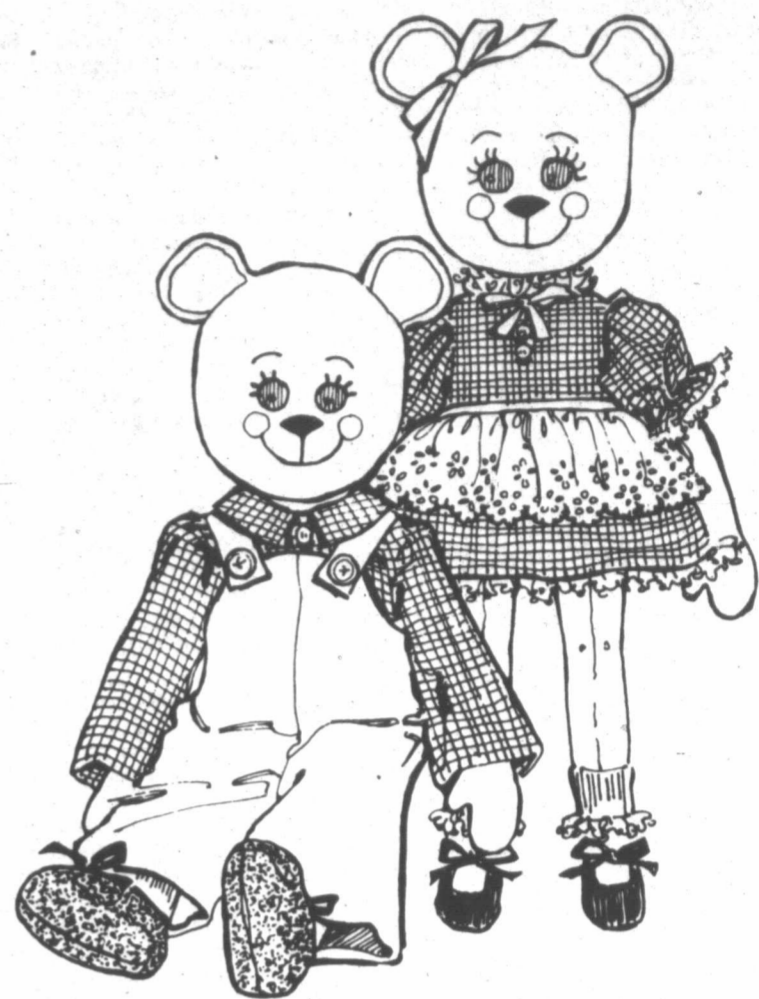
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### It's not too late to plan retirement

Even if you're already in your 50s and have done little or nothing so far to plan for retirement, you may still have an excellent chance to plan successfully, according to a current Family Circle magazine article.

Financial expert Barbara Gilder Quint suggests in the article that if you're in your 50s or even older, consider these strategies for a prosperous retirement:

**Open an IRA.** Obviously, you don't have time to accumulate a substantial nest egg by saving small amounts, such as \$50 a month for 35 years. But even if you and your spouse are 57, and each is able to put the maximum permissible \$2,000 a year in an IRA (\$166 a month), you'll have over \$50,000 by age 65. Interest alone on this could provide you with \$5,000 a year for life.

**Don't speculate with your savings.** It's hard to accumulate

savings, and you won't have a second chance. Think carefully before you take risks. If you can earn 10 percent to 12 percent risk free on your money in insured bank accounts or government securities, is it really worth taking a chance on stocks or other speculative investments in order to earn 15 percent or 20 percent or even 30 percent?

**Check out your Social Security retirement income.** Phone your local Social Security office and ask for a "Request for Statement of Earnings" postcard. If you are over 55, write the words "Retirement benefits estimate" in the upper left-hand corner; they will send you an estimate of what your social security check might amount to upon retirement.

**Find out the exact terms of your employee pension plan.** If you're entitled to pension benefits, ask your personnel department how much you can expect to receive upon retirement.

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**DEAR POLLY** — Keeping a roll of masking tape and a magic marker near the refrigerator to mark the contents on the lids of plastic containers has saved me much frustration.

I also mark partly used paint cans with identifying information, such as which room the paint was used in and the date.

To save your back when picking beans or peas in the garden, use a small child's chair to sit or kneel on. Move it down between two rows of vegetables and pick from the two rows as you move along.

A few slices of bacon placed on the breast of turkey or chicken acts as basting and gives a nice flavor.

Make a habit of reinforcing buttons on all new garments before wearing them. This avoids the difficulty of trying to match a lost button. — MRS. W.N.

**DEAR POLLY** — Several years ago, I dried some baby's breath and static. To preserve the flowers, I sprayed them with hair spray.

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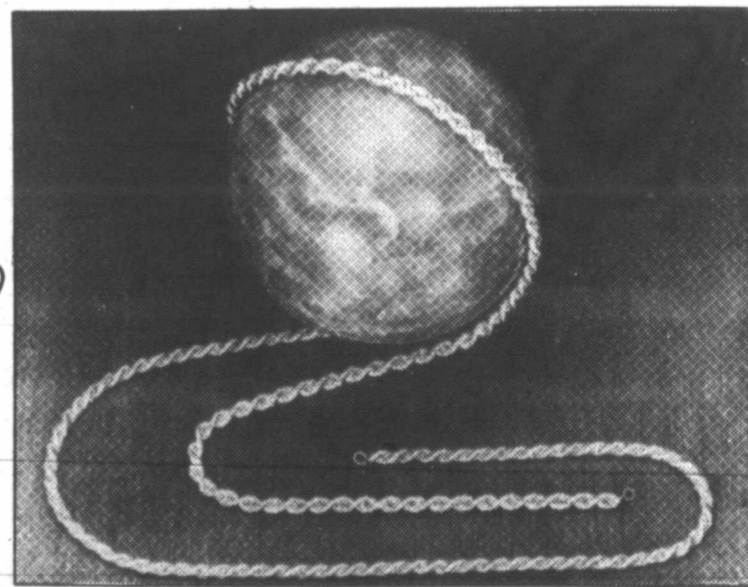
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# Gena on Genealogy

By GENA WALLS

With Thanksgiving gone and Christmas getting closer most of us are thinking about gifts. If you are giving a Bible, take the extra time to complete the family history pages usually located between the Old and New Testaments. Remember to make it as complete as possible and accurate names instead of nicknames.

I received a bookmark last week with a "family tree" on one side and on the other "ask me about my family" was written in old English style. This would be an easy gift to make to

include with your packages or Christmas cards.

Another suggestion, use your Christmas cards to show the family lineage with your personalized message, such as "Our branch of the WALLS family extends best wishes for the holidays and coming year."

Are you having difficulty reading the census or county records? Attention should be given to the letters that were made differently in the 1800s than now. For example, the letter "s" might look like the letter "p" especially when two

letters are together. Mississippi might appear as Mippissippi and the surname PASSMORE would have been written "Pappmore."

If you have help in searching records, be sure you point these things out to the other person. It might avoid names being overlooked especially on indexes for marriages 1860 - 1900. Letters "T" and "F" are often interchanged when just an initial is given and might confuse the researcher.

It would be helpful to obtain a book, or use your library, and

compare the different styles of writing. The style also varied with the area of the country and the nationality of the citizen.

Susan Nine, Rt. 2, Box 43, Gage, Okla., 73843 is searching for the parents of MILES RIGHT BROWN and would appreciate any assistance. According to her research,

MILES was born in Kentucky in 1815 and on Jan. 1, 1843, he married ELIZABETH STALKER in Parke County, Indiana. MILES died about 1889 and is buried in Neosho Rapids, Kan. Can anyone help Susan?

## Dallas residents report counterfeit dolls

DALLAS (AP) — Two Dallas-area women say they have purchased counterfeit Cabbage Patch Dolls, which federal officials warn are highly flammable and may be chemically toxic.

Brenda Sanders and Linda Wilson, both of Bedford, said they purchased the dolls recently after

seeing them advertised at bargain prices in an area newspaper classified ad.

The dolls were being sold by a vendor from his home, the two women said. After removing the plastic wrapping, they noticed the dolls had a kerosene-like smell.

Ms. Wilson removed some of the

stuffing and touched a flame to it. "It ignited and went up in flames, not like the real ones," she said.

Meanwhile, officials of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission in Dallas said Monday they had received 20 calls from consumers and state fire marshals concerned about counterfeit Cabbage Patch Dolls.

FBI officials have begun a nationwide investigation of the dolls, which they say appear to be stuffed with cloth treated with a kerosene-like substance.

"You can be within three feet of one and it just smells like someone dipped it in a can of kerosene," said Robert Mott, a special agent for the FBI in Detroit.

Last week, FBI agents seized about 5,000 dolls believed to have been manufactured in Taiwan. No

one has been arrested or charged with any criminal violations.

The real dolls are manufactured by Coleco, which sells the dolls from between \$26.95 to \$130. The counterfeit dolls are selling at flea markets and through street vendors for between \$10 and \$35.

"From what I understand, they are all over the country," Mott said. "I've gotten calls from Dallas, Utah, Baltimore and Newark. We've pretty much covered the map ... I'm sure Detroit was the minutest tip of the iceberg."

Coleco says the real dolls come in boxes and have two copyright markings — one the back of the head and the side of the body. The counterfeit usually come wrapped in plastic and are usually sold by small independent vendors.

## Children learn music by Suzuki method

By SEHYON JOH  
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — After a tough night of knocking them dead at Carnegie Hall, a concert pianist likes to unwind. For Aki Kanaya, that means a bedtime story from her chaperone.

But the 5-year-old Japanese pianist is no prodigy; she's a typical product of the Suzuki method of teaching music.

She appeared at Carnegie Hall recently with other Suzuki students, the oldest of them 14, to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the method.

Aki began her piano lessons at age 2½ and she now plays Bach's Partita in B-minor "quite well," according to the leader of the tour, Masaaki Honda.

"In fact, she is a typical Suzuki student who has responded well to our system of providing young children with a favorable environment for learning music," said Honda, a protege of Shinichi Suzuki, who founded the school with the belief that "man is a product of his environment."

About 20,000 youngsters study the Suzuki system in Japan, and as many as 400,000 students are enrolled in the United States.

Similar to the techniques used to teach foreign languages to the very young, the Suzuki method relies on the child's ability to quickly and eagerly absorb tremendous amounts of knowledge.

The method also requires the active participation of parents "who need not be musical." The parents learn music with their children so that they can act as a substitute for teachers at home.

A violinist and child psychologist, Suzuki, now 87, began teaching violin to children 35 years ago, branching later into piano, cello and flute. He has developed scaled-down instruments for child-sized hands, and has written textbooks and music for his students.

The Suzuki method was introduced to the United States in 1958 when a Japanese student brought a film showing 1,000 children standing in rows with small violins under their chins, playing a Bach double concerto.

That picture was credited with

igniting a "Suzuki explosion" in America. The interest was kept up through an annual U.S. tour by 10 select students, beginning in 1968.

There are now between 300,000 and 400,000 children in America learning music under the Suzuki method, said Louise Behrend, director of the School for Strings in Manhattan.

"The number is growing by leaps and bounds," she said.

Some 20,000 children are taking the Suzuki courses in Western Europe and many more in Canada and Australia as interest in the Suzuki method spreads to other parts of the world.

Not everyone is impressed. The famous violinist, Isaac Stern, for one, maintains that such mass education projects stifle individuality and character development.

Mrs. Behrend acknowledges that the Suzuki method is part of the Japanese educational system that stresses group, rather than individual, learning. That is probably why many Suzuki students grow up to be excellent chamber music or orchestra players, she said.

"But the Suzuki school is not aiming at producing great soloists," she said.

Honda, a pediatrician who worked with Suzuki for more than 20 years, explains: "Our goal is to enrich children's life through music. We believe that through the medium of music sensitivity and understanding may be raised in children, creating for each child a better life — and for us all, a better world."

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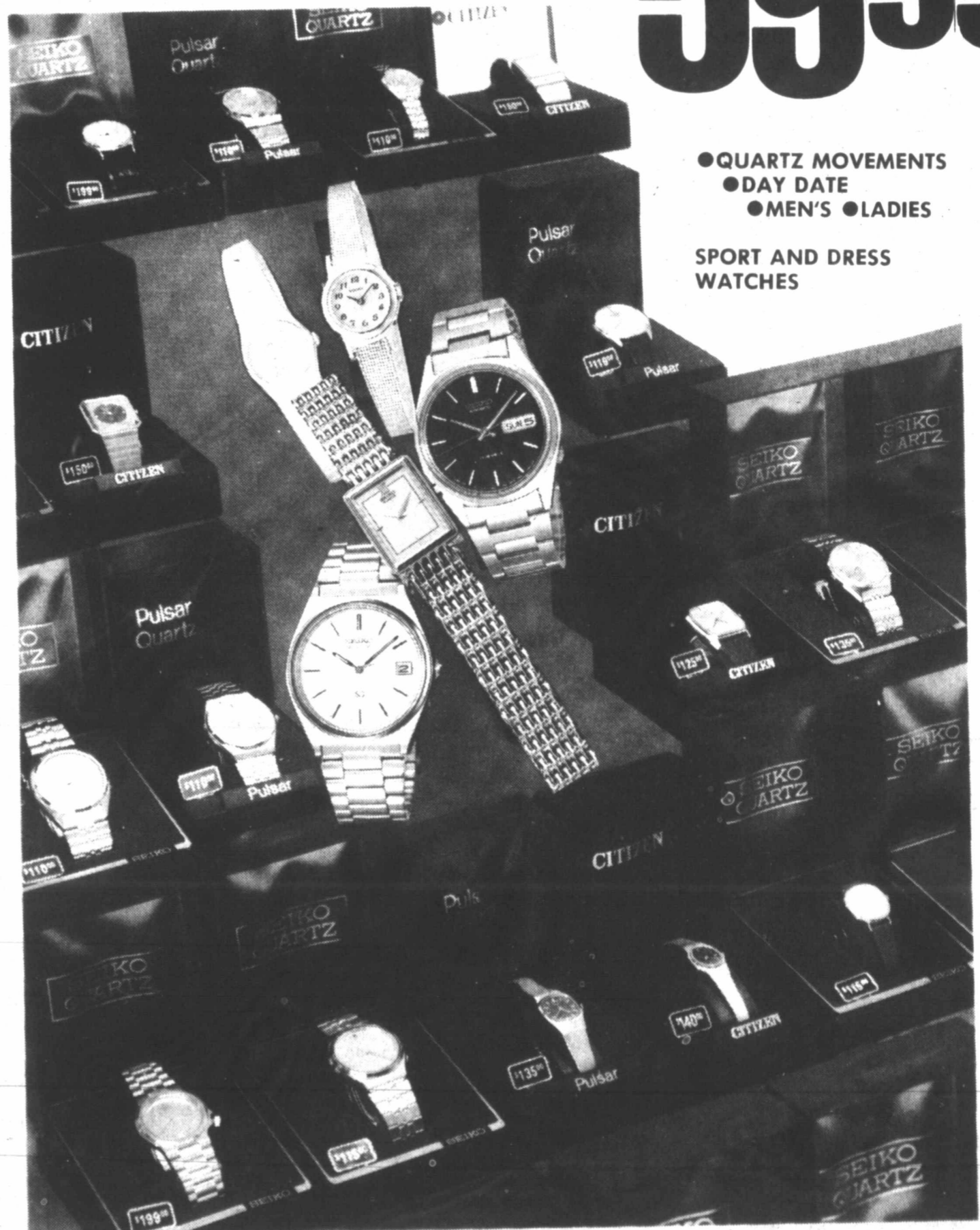
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**BUSINESS TEENAGER**—Alvia Marquez, 19, is a manager of a variety store in Monahans and is responsible for 10 employees in a store that has a \$600,000 yearly volume. With the experience he is getting now and a college education in the future, he hopes to own his own retail store chain. (AP Laserphoto)

## Monahans teen-ager excels in the world of business

By RICK BROWN  
The Odessa American  
MONAHANS, Texas (AP) — The day doesn't have enough hours to suit 19-year-old Alvia Marquez, a self-professed "economic animal" and variety store manager.

"I've always had the attitude that anything I do is not good enough, that I've got to do better," said the Marfa native, who often works an 8 a.m. to midnight schedule.

Marquez is responsible for 10 employees in a store that has a yearly volume of \$600,000.

He said recently he considers himself among a new breed of young people, a person who is "taking more responsibilities and more stress than teen-agers from the '60s would have handled."

"It's like (President) Reagan said, young people today are striving to get into professional careers," he said.

Dashing about his 9,500-square-foot store in Monahans, about 35 miles west of Odessa, Marquez answered numerous questions and dealt with small emergencies, at the same time trying to complete his own tasks.

In a period of about 20 minutes, Marquez, clipboard in hand, totaled a section of Christmas craft items, gave advice on how to display those items, scheduled employees' hours and helped a customer find a certain brand of pantyhose.

A straight-A student in high school, Marquez said, his climb up the business ladder hasn't been without difficulties.

"In any career, you'll have moments when you feel like giving up. I look at the good things I've done and that gives me the motivation to get on with it," he said.

"I've experienced hard labor and that's not the life I wanted," he said, adding he worked as a gas station attendant for three years before he entered retail. "I was looking for a professional career."

Marquez began his meteoric rise at age 14 as a stock boy in his company's Marfa store. Promoted to sales clerk after a month on the

job, he reached assistant manager at 17 and took over operations in Monahans last August after an accelerated managerial course.

The store manager also acknowledged taking time to "party" and "goof off" helps him do a better job. "It gives you a better attitude the following day," he said.

Marquez said he had to develop two personalities to manage people who often are much older than he.

"It's a skill. When I get myself ready to go to work, I've got a business mind. When I walk into the store, they know I'm the manager and I'm there for business," he said.

And at least one employee's comment is an indication the message seems to have taken.

"He likes everything perfect," said 35-year-old Lucy Esparza, a six-month employee at the store. "But if you're behind, there's no problem getting help."

Nonetheless, Marquez said, he has "lost a few friends" because "they resented the fact that I had this opportunity and took it."

But, he added, "I didn't push

them out of the way. They avoided me."

Reflecting on his high school days, he said, "I have felt that maybe I did miss out on much of my teen-agehood. It was always working and thinking about the future.

"But if I didn't do what I did, I wouldn't have been able to get this far. I've already got a steady base."

The oldest of four children in his family, Marquez said his parents are financially "well off," but he "didn't rely on them too much."

They instilled in him an attitude that "if you want something, you work for it," he said.

And now, "everything I ever wanted I find I can afford," said Marquez, who declined to divulge his exact salary, but said he makes between \$20,000 and \$30,000 a year.

"I like anything with class," he said, mentioning the "fancy apartment" and "nice clothing" he enjoys and the new sports car he plans to buy next year.

Marquez described himself as an explorer, a person who likes to "go different places and see different things."

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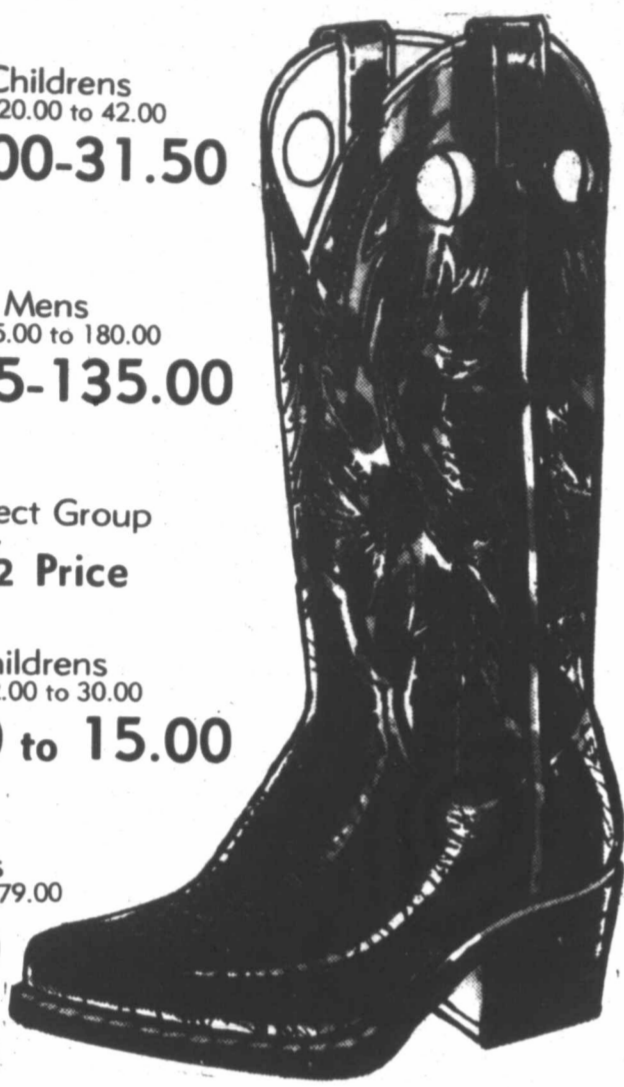
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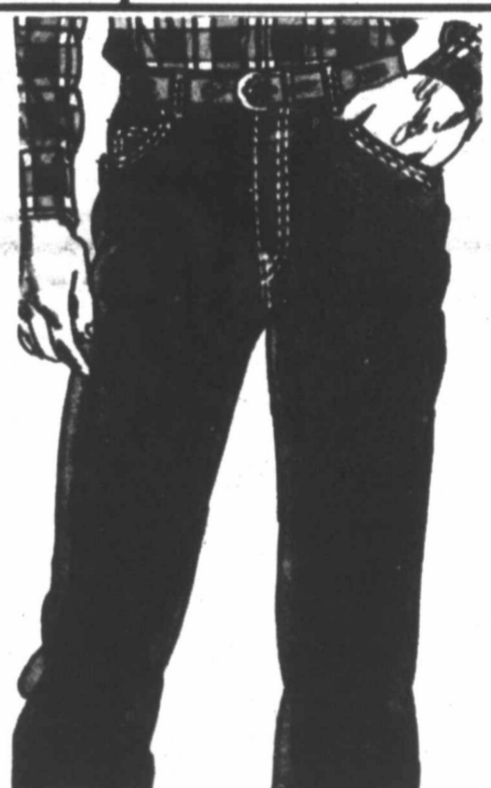


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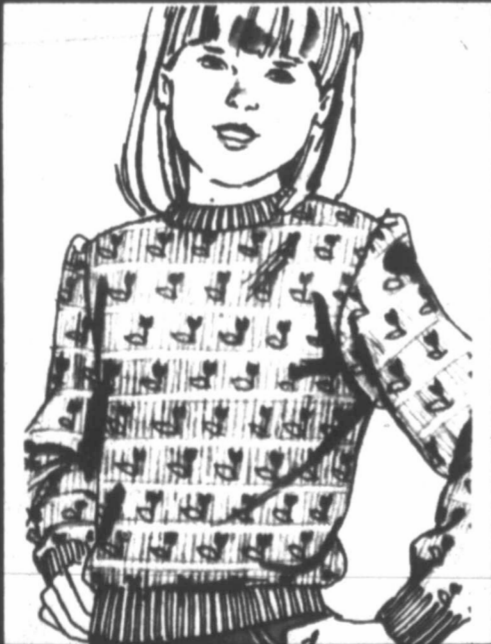


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**FORREST'S ARK**—A 35-foot boat owned by Boulder, Colo., lawyer Forrest Cook was hoisted by crane from in front of his home in the mountains west of Boulder, bound for the California shores, recently. Cook bought the boat two years ago and has been finishing the inside. He will be taking a year's sabbatical to sail around the South Pacific. (AP Laserphoto)

## Ancient sport makes a comeback

**SUDELEY CASTLE, England** (AP) — Wheeling and swooping in the sunshine, the majestic peregrine falcons of Sudeley Castle represent something of a renaissance for a sport that was once as popular as football. But professional falconers aren't rejoicing.

After a centuries-long decline to the brink of extinction, hawks and falcons are becoming sought-after birds in many countries.

But experts say that despite stricter controls introduced during the past five years, a worldwide illegal trade is thriving. At the same time, they say, innocent bird lovers threaten some species by taking on a sport that demands far more time and expertise than they have reckoned on.

"More people are getting interested and demand (for birds) is exceeding supply. That is our very great difficulty," says Anthony Jack, head of the British Field Sports Society.

Falconers are reluctant to talk about their sport. They say publicity can encourage thieves as well as irresponsible bird lovers. Gary Cope, who trains falcons at the 3,000-acre Sudeley Castle estate in the Cotswold Hills 80 miles west of London, was wary of publicity, saying he was afraid of attracting thieves.

In June, U.S. and Canadian authorities arrested 45 people they said were smuggling falcons to Europe and to Arab countries where falconry is regarded as a princely sport. They said more than 400 birds of prey had been stolen from the North American wild since 1981 and sold on the black market.

A peregrine is worth about \$1,000, while the rare Arctic gyrfalcon can fetch \$50,000. England abounds with stories of Arab sheiks offering fortunes for good birds. While dismissing the stories as sensationalism, falcon experts say the myth encourages falcon thieves dreaming of wealthy Arab customers.

The surest way to rile a falconer is to mention "Kes," a renowned film made some 20 years ago in Scotland about a lonely boy who turns a kestrel into his friend and defender.

"Kes" was seen by millions of Britons, but, Cope says, "It was a very bad film. Firstly, the hero stole the bird from the wild, which was naughty. Secondly, the film sent masses of schoolboys into the countryside to take birds out of their nests."

Dr. A. Melland, administrator of the British Ornithologists Union, says that each time "Kes" is revived on television, her office is deluged with queries from children, sometimes whole school classes, about how to become falconers.

The trouble is, falconing takes more patience and expertise than they reckon on. Dr. Robert Kenward of the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology says falconing "is not a weekend sport like fishing or shooting. It requires at least two hours of attention every day."

Falconry is believed to be the world's oldest sport, originating in China in 2000 B.C. It came to England in about A.D. 860 and until the 17th century and the advent of firearms was unrivaled in popularity.

It was the common man's means

of getting food, and the nobleman's mark of distinction. A code written in 1486 defined which type of bird could be owned by which class — 15 categories ranging from eagles for emperors to kestrels for knaves.

In the 20th century, many species faced extinction because of pesticides. The British peregrine was down to its last 200 mating pairs 20 years ago. Now there are 800 — more than before the pesticide plague, says Kenward.

Falcons cannot be taken from the

wild without a license, and applicants must be recommended by a qualified falconer.

Equipped with lure and glove, Cope puts his falcons through their paces for visitors to Sudeley Castle. The peregrine climbs as high as 400 feet before diving at a lure. Some of its dives take it inches over the head of the spectators. At rest on its perch, eyes glowingly alert, it allows children to stroke its chest.

## Iranian strict religious code is translated into English

**CLEVELAND (AP)** — A Cleveland-area physician devoted three years to translating into English the Ayatollah Sayyed Ruhollah Mousavi Khomeini's complex and strict rules governing all aspects of life for most Iranians.

The doctor says his motivation came primarily from his perceived absence of a clear understanding among Americans of Iranian society.

But there was another motivation, one he called deeply personal, stemming from his years in Iran when he said he was persecuted because he would not recant his Baha'i faith.

Some 3,000 rules make up Khomeini's "Resaleh Towzih al-Masael," meaning "A Clarification of Questions."

The translator is a doctor in his 40s who uses the pseudonym J. Borujerdi — derived from the Iranian city of Borujerdi — to protect his identity. He fears that relatives in Iran might be in danger if his real name is known.

Borujerdi's Baha'i religion was founded by the Persian Mirza Husain Ali, known as Baha'u'llah, in the latter part of the 19th century. Baha'is constitute less than 1 percent of Iran's population, and are persecuted by the Shi'ite majority who live by Khomeini's rules, Borujerdi says.

The 132-page book is considered to be the first complete translation from Persian of the religious "purity code" which guides the Iranian Shi'ite sect of Islam.

"The book shows with what closed-mindedness and what preoccupation they look at religion," the translator says.

The ayatollahs, or Shi'ite religious leaders, during their religious history have compiled rules for life. Khomeini, as the current leader, adapts those rules as he sees fit, and his followers must live according to the rules, Borujerdi says.

"The ayatollahs order the right and wrong of things, from the very elementary, like how to wash your hands, to the most sophisticated things, like transplantation of a cardiac valve," Borujerdi said.

"About a third of the book has to do with women and their standards of life. A good many (rules) have to do with divorce.

He (Khomeini) gives gradations, from persuasion to coercion, including the killing of

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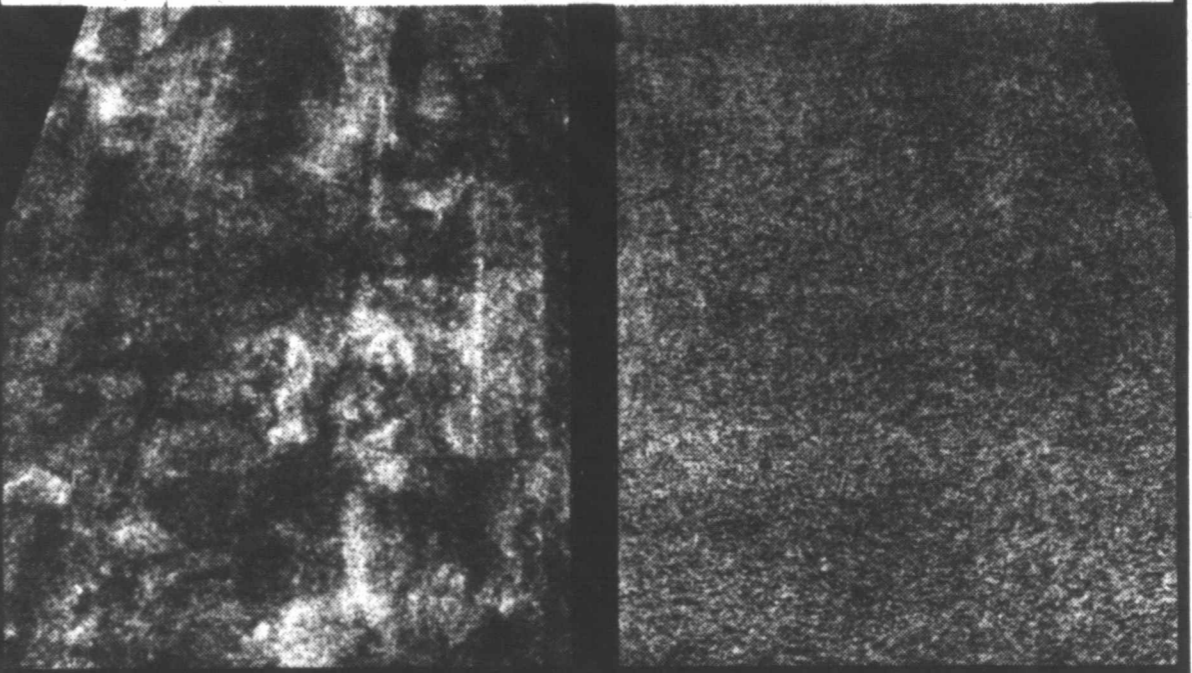
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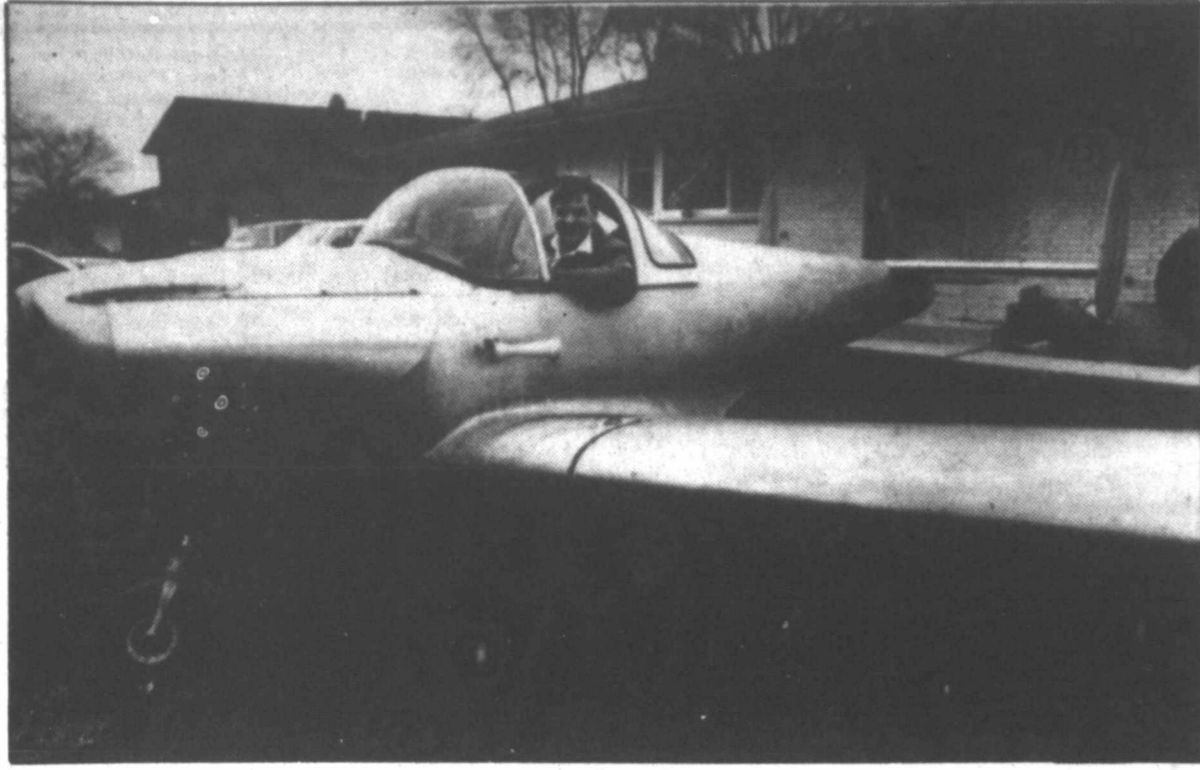
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By **TERRENCE PETTY**  
Associated Press Writer  
STILLWATER, N.Y. (AP) — A German surgeon born more than 200 years ago has been Helga Doblin's guest in her backroad cape house near this eastern New York town for better than two years now, but she has not grown tired of having him around.

Mrs. Doblin has been enraptured by Dr. J.F. Wasmus and other Germans hired out to the British in the American Revolutionary War ever since she began translating newly found journals, letters, diaries and military documents written by them.

"I live with Wasmus, I expect him to appear to me. I really conjure him up," jokes the lively, 73-year-old Mrs. Doblin, emeritus professor of languages at Skidmore College in nearby Saratoga Springs with degrees from the University of Berlin and Harvard.

Mrs. Doblin, who was born in Freiburg, Germany, and emigrated in 1939, herself comes from a military family.

The papers were tracked down by National Park Service employee Stephen Strach, a voracious reader of early American history since his childhood in Buffalo. He followed a trail of obscure printed clues that led to the Library of Congress, where he found long-forgotten microfilm and photostat copies of the German documents.

Mrs. Doblin's translations of the papers give a colorful and human dimension to the often-maligned German mercenaries; they also alter and correct some long-standing perceptions.

Some 200 German troops died in the Aug. 16, 1777, Battle of Bennington which was fought on and around an open-topped hill in Walloomsac, N.Y., 35 miles east of Stillwater and five miles from the southwestern Vermont border. The remaining 400 or so were taken prisoner, including Wasmus.

Wasmus and his comrades have been telling their versions of the war to Mrs. Doblin in her and her husband's home in Stillwater, the town where thousands more soldiers hired out by the independent German states of Brunswick and Hesse died or were taken prisoner in the Battle of Saratoga.

They communicate to her through a microfilm reader. Since 1982 she has spent long hours at this machine, creating English sentences out of 18th-century German ones. Their handwriting is often difficult to read because of personalized flourishes, and sometimes the letters are so small Mrs. Doblin has to resort to a magnifying glass.

Translating obscure currencies, weights and measures is not easily accomplished. But Mrs. Doblin's knowledge of languages helps her translate French, Italian and Latin words mixed in with the German.

The copies of the papers have been stored at the Library of Congress since the 1920s, when the originals were photographed at archives in Germany. There's no telling how many documents are in that still uncataloged chaos of German writings in Washington, D.C., says Strach.

Mrs. Doblin calculates that if she lives to be 126 she'll have finished translating the 52 microfilm reels purchased by the National Park Service's office at the Saratoga Battlefield.

Mrs. Doblin has been receiving an annual \$4,000 federal grant for her labors, but her primary compensation is the thrill of mentally accompanying these often overlooked warriors on their adventures in North America.

"I started just with translating. I was not interested in the subject matter, just in translating. And then I really got fascinated by it," she says.

The history of mercenaries from Hesse and Brunswick — two of several German states — fighting for the British two centuries ago is

not something even Germans have looked very closely at, says Mrs. Doblin.

When Mrs. Doblin began traveling to Germany for further research she found the archives where the original papers are kept "in disarray. But interest is mounting."

The translations by Mrs. Doblin detail the mercenaries' lives from their march to troop ships on the Elbe River in Germany and their arduous voyage to Canada to their return in 1783.

The seven-year journal of Wasmus is especially Homeric, telling of long, deadly winters in Canada, desertions, executions, scalplings, his new life as a country

doctor in New England following his dramatic capture and his apparently hesitant return to Wolfenbuettel, Brunswick.

Wasmus was with the mostly German force sent to Bennington to capture rebel supplies needed to enable the British to continue their siege at Stillwater. But the Germans were met by a surprisingly large force of Americans in Walloomsac, five miles short of their destination.

Some of Mrs. Doblin's translations will appear in Brown University's "Military Collector and Historian" journal next year, and she and Strach are researching other routes to get more of the papers published.

## Agency assists people who fall through mental health care cracks

By **NANCY SHULINS**  
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MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Falling through the cracks of America's health care system is one of the biggest hazards facing the chronically mentally ill.

But if they stumble in Madison, says Robert Mohelnitzky, "someone will pick them up before they hit the ground."

Mohelnitzky is executive director of the Dane County Mental Health Center, a private agency under contract to provide community mental health services to the county's 300,000 residents.

Its highest priority is to serve those in greatest need of treatment, the approximately 1,000 people identified as chronically mentally ill. Many are former patients of Mendota State Hospital, located on the outskirts of Madison.

In the early 1970s, Mohelnitzky says, the Dane County Mental Health Center had little to offer these newly released patients. Accountability was minimal, services were few, and communication between the center's staff and the hospital's was virtually nonexistent.

"Nobody could have told you what the center did, why, or what it cost," he recalls.

Today, the center offers a broad range of services. Its success can be measured in several ways.

While the nation's hospitalization rate for mental patients has increased, Dane County's has dropped. The county's readmission rate is 25 percent, less than half the national average.

The rest of the country spends an average of seven out of every 10 mental health dollars on hospitalizations, leaving three for community-based care.

In Dane County, less than \$2 out of every \$10 is spent on hospital care.

Some of the center's success in dealing with chronic mental patients has to do with the nature of

the county, an isthmus of land with 40,000 university students, Mohelnitzky says.

Some of the credit for Madison's success rests with the state Legislature.

In 1973, Wisconsin passed a law mandating that each county provide or purchase mental health, developmental disability, and alcohol and drug abuse services for its residents, either individually or by banding together with another county.

The law specified that a single agency be made responsible for each county's services, and it defined a formula for allocating state funds.

It also defined state hospitals as a separate resource that must be paid for by the local agencies. As a result, when a county agency decides to hospitalize a client, the county gets the bill.

Dr. Leonard Stein, a psychiatry professor at the University of Wisconsin and the center's medical director, says another reason for Madison's lower hospitalization rate is the wide range of services offered by the center. They include:

—A mobile treatment unit that dispenses antipsychotic medicine, provides counseling and teaches such living skills as grocery shopping and budgeting to about 70 of the county's lowest-functioning residents. Accountability is high; if a client fails to show up for

medicine or keep a counseling appointment, staff members follow up with a phone call or home visit.

—A crisis intervention program. It combines a telephone hotline with a 24-hour mobile unit that responds to any mentally ill county resident in trouble. The staff sees clients in hospitals, jails and at home, and works closely with police and courts. No one can be admitted to a hospital on public dollars without authorization from a staff member.

—A support network program. Designed for higher-functioning clients, this day treatment program assigns a single case manager responsibility for each client. Participants do much of the program's clerical work, cook daily meals for fellow clients, visit others in the hospital, produce a monthly newsletter, and take turns answering phones. Many of the jobs are paid positions.

—A housing program that operates two group homes and rents 40 apartment units for clients who need supervised housing. The service also refers clients to room-and-board homes.

Stein says Dane County residents need less hospital care because they have more alternatives. "In many places, there's a tremendous gulf in systems of care. There's office psychotherapy and there's the hospital. If that's all there is, many people are going to wind up in hospitals," he says.

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