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Loading up food for feast are, top from left, Kurt Shults, Marvin Carlton and Darryl Hughes, with Ryan Hughes, 3, assisting.

## Holiday Feast happening set for Pampa residents Friday

While thousands of Pampa residents will be gathering in their homes or traveling to visit families and friends Christmas Day, there's a group of caring people who will be spending at least part of their day in helping others.

Hundreds of Pampa community residents will be gathering Friday at Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ for the third annual Holiday Feast.

The meal, with turkey and ham and all the trimmings, will be served free as a holiday season project by members of the congregation, who have spent several weeks getting ready for the event.

Monday afternoon several members collected a load of hams, turkeys and other food items from a local grocery store to be distributed to women of the church for pre-

paration. Others will be bringing cakes, pies and other items for the feast, scheduled from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the church's Fellowship Hall, 1342 Mary Ellen, south of Pampa High School.

Approximately 90 people will be involved in the preparation and serving of the Holiday Feast.

But the preparation began much earlier than just the couple of days this week involved in cooking the feast items.

Committee members have been busy lining up the volunteers, planning the menu, making arrangements for the use of the Fellowship Hall, publicizing the event, contacting agencies to see who might want to attend the meal, and checking with Meals on Wheels users for those who might need the holiday meal.

The church also has been gathering names and addresses of those who need transportation to the church Friday or those who can't attend the meal but who would want a meal delivered to their homes.

Today is the deadline for calling the church office at 665-0031 to make arrangements for transportation or delivery.

Members of the congregation said they would like to express their appreciation to those individuals, agencies and businesses that have helped in one way or another.

In the past two Holiday Feasts, more than 600 people from the community have been served at the meals. Organizers said they were expecting another good crowd this year, perhaps larger than in the two previous years.

## Rabin defends using ammo to end rioting

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli soldiers closed off two refugee camps and large-scale arrests were reported today as Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin defended the army's use of live ammunition in quelling Arab rioting.

The army's tactics, strongly criticized by the Reagan administration and the United Nations, have resulted in the killing of at least 21 Arabs in the occupied lands since rioting began there on Dec. 8.

The Arab-run Palestine Press Service said preliminary reports said 250 Arabs were detained in overnight raids in the occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank. The army confirmed arrests were made but said no figures were available.

The daily Hadashot newspaper said dozens of preventative arrests were made overnight and that soldiers raided homes in the Gaza towns of Rafah, Khan Younis and Gaza City. An Arab reporter in Gaza said a large number of arrests were made there overnight. He did not elaborate.

Rabin told the 120-member Parliament that military commanders had the authority to order detention without trial and deportation against those who incite riots. He said the army would

respond with extensive force to put down demonstrations and close or impose curfews in trouble spots.

He defended the army's widely criticized practice of using marksmen with high-powered .22 caliber rifles to single out leaders of violent protests.

"They can shoot to hit leaders of disorder, throwers of fire-bombs, as much as possible at legs, after firing in the air failed to disperse the riot," Rabin said.

In Washington, the Reagan

administration sharply criticized Israel's handling of protests and riots in the occupied lands, particularly the military's use of live ammunition against civilians.

In New York, the United States further signaled its displeasure with Israel's handling of the protests by allowing the United Nations Security Council to adopt a resolution Tuesday "strongly deploring" Israel's actions.

The vote was 14-0. The United States abstained, declining to use its veto power.



Israeli soldier checks papers of Arab motorist outside camp.

## Area offices and businesses changing hours for holidays

You can count on most Pampa area residents to be home for Christmas, but some city, county and school workers get out even sooner on Christmas Eve.

U.S. Postal Service mail carriers will be double-timing it Thursday, getting packages, cards and bills to residents.

The post office will offer window and parcel pick-up service Thursday. Postmaster Richard Wilson said, adding that the office is "experimenting with idea of closing the service windows at 4:30 on Christmas Eve, depending on the traffic."

"I don't expect tomorrow to be busy for retail sales," Wilson said, anticipating a heavy day for

the package window to the right of the envelope machine.

"We were in real good shape up to the snowy weather, and we had an excellent run after weather," Wilson said. "It's slowing down now."

The post office will offer limited window service from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday.

"We're probably having a heavier than normal Christmas, considering weather conditions, we're in good shape," Wilson said.

Pampa and other area schools are already out for a two-week Christmas holiday. Students and teachers return to class Jan. 4.

Pampa city offices will close at

noon Thursday and reopen Monday. But there will be an emergency telephone line open for residents with sewer and water trouble. Residents needing that emergency service can call 665-3881.

Pampa Police and Fire Departments will be on call, along with the Gray County Sheriff's Office and the local units of the Department of Public Safety.

Pampa banks, savings and loans and other financial institutions close at noon Thursday.

White Deer, Lefors, Mobeetie and Wheeler city offices also close at noon Thursday. A list of emergency telephone numbers

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## Reagan signs bills raising taxes and cutting spending

WASHINGTON (AP) — When President Reagan signed a pair of bills raising taxes and restraining government spending, it may have paved the way for relatively sedate budget politics in election year 1988.

But it also may have set the stage for another bitter struggle.

In a brief ceremony in the White House's Oval Office on Tuesday, the president signed the two 6-inch-high stacks of legislation.

One bill enacted \$23 billion in taxes over the next two years, including \$9 billion this year, and billions of dollars in cuts in benefit programs such as Medicare and farm supports. The other

provided \$600 billion for federal agencies to operate this year, but included \$7.6 billion in reductions from projected increases in expenses.

Reagan said the legislation was "a first step toward placing our country on a reliable and credible budget course."

The measures were a response to the October stock market crash that has left investors and business executives less optimistic about the American economy than they once were. One cause for the uncertainty, public officials and financiers agreed, was nervousness over the federal deficit, which reached a record \$221 billion in fiscal 1986 and \$148 bil-

lion in fiscal 1987.

A week after the stock market plunge, White House and congressional officials commenced a four-week-long budget summit, which produced a two-year, \$76 billion deficit-reduction package. The bills Reagan signed Tuesday implemented all of the savings for the first year, and most of them for the second.

The taxes, spending reductions, and other steps enacted Tuesday produce \$33.3 billion in savings for fiscal 1988, which began Oct. 1 — well above the \$30.2 billion target the budget summit decreed.

For fiscal 1989, the goal is savings of \$46 billion.

## 'Scrooge' snatching purses

A purse snatching Scrooge has Pampa police issuing warnings about leaving unattended valuables in cars — locked or unlocked — while shopping.

Four citizens reported stolen purses or wallets Tuesday. Three purses were taken from parked vehicles.

Two women, Danielle Mayar, 20, 1912 N. Wells St., and Linda Searl, 26, 520 Hazel St., reported someone broke into their cars parked at 1404 N. Banks St. and took their purses. Mayar's was taken between 6:30 and 8 p.m., while

Searl's was stolen at about 8:25 p.m., police said.

A third car burglary was reported in the parking lot of Seafarer's Inn, 2841 Perryton Parkway, Floyd Newton Johnson, 67, 2215 N. Russell St., reported a purse taken from the vehicle at about 7:30 p.m.

The fourth theft occurred inside Safeway grocery store at the Pampa Mall, 2545 Perryton Parkway. Police said a wallet belonging to Janice Ford, 49, Star Route 3, was taken from a purse that was left unattended in a shopping

cart at about 7 p.m.

Police Lt. Ken Hall said today that holiday burglars thrive on opportunity. Purses and packages shouldn't be left in the car, even if hidden under a seat, and even if the purse has only a few dollars in it.

"These people will do what they have to do to get in that purse," Hall said.

Hall advised locking purses and packages in the trunk when shopping.

"Out of sight, out of mind," he said. "If they can't see it, they're probably not going to bother it."

## Hereford glad to lose waste dump, sad at loss of money

HEREFORD (AP) — Although passage of a giant deficit-reduction bill assures that his community won't host a nuclear waste dump, the mayor of this Panhandle town is worried about the economic impact of being out of the running for the repository.

Some 340 jobs created by the Department of Energy's site characterization studies of the potential nuclear waste site in Deaf Smith County will vanish because of legislation that eliminates Texas as a candidate for the dump.

The measure, attached to a \$17.6 billion deficit-reduction package, calls for the DOE to work only on testing a site at Yucca Mountain, Nev., and to cease all work at the Panhandle site within 90 days of the bill's signing.

"We thought we'd have at least a two-year phase out period," Hereford mayor Wes Fisher said Tuesday. "It's like a meteorite hitting the football field."

Fisher said the DOE pullout means his community will lose \$3 million in salaries, 84 families will move out and 24 homes purchased in the last six to eight months will be back on the market.

Since the DOE opened offices here about a year ago, the agency has spent about \$2 million on procurement, the mayor said.

The DOE's principal contractor on the project, Ohio-based Battelle Memorial Institute, had just leased and renovated several buildings in Hereford, and plans to move more families from Col-

umbus to Texas were put on hold over the weekend, Fisher said.

"They were good people," Fisher said of the DOE and Battelle employees who had made Hereford their home. "They were contributing to the community in service clubs, churches and schools. They put us over the top this year in our United Way campaign."

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said he will address the issue of the DOE pullout.

"I am pleased with the agreement since I believe it effectively precludes Deaf Smith County from being the ultimate home for the dump, but I also believe the DOE withdrawal from the area must be done in a way that will minimize its impact on the

local economy," Gramm said Tuesday.

"There is some language in the final agreement that gives DOE some discretion in that area, and I am committed to making this discretion work in our favor."

Officials from Battelle and the DOE said they had just begun reviewing the legislation and could not comment on their phase-out plans.

Cutting site-characterization studies at Deaf Smith County and Hanford, Wash., will save the federal government an estimated \$3 billion.

If the DOE finds the Nevada site to be unsuitable, it must stop work there and report back to Congress, according to the legislation.

# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

LANE, Raymond J. — Graveside, 11 a.m., Hillcrest Cemetery, McLean.

## Obituaries

**RAYMOND J. LANE**  
AMARILLO — Graveside services for Raymond J. Lane, 78, former McLean resident, are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, with Dale Pearson of the Church of Christ in Amarillo officiating. Burial will be by Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

Mr. Lane died at home Tuesday.  
He was born Dec. 8, 1909, in Lipan and moved to Amarillo from McLean in 1980. He was a retired stock farmer and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include four sisters, Willie Crawford and Jo Howard, both of Amarillo, Wanda Lane of Lewisville and Jeanne Brown of Dumas, and several nieces and nephews.

**J. NELSON ROACH**  
AMARILLO — Services for J. Nelson Roach, 64, father of a Pampa man, were to be at 2 p.m. today at Blackburn-Shaw Martin Road Chapel with the Rev. Raymond Bowlin, pastor of Bushland Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was to be in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Roach died Monday.  
He had lived in Amarillo most of his life, and owned Powell Roach Co., a real estate company. He was a member of First Baptist Church, Master Masonic Lodge 1330 and Khiva Temple of the Shrine. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include three sons, J. J. of Pampa and Robert K. and Daryl, both of Amarillo; a sister, Dixie Kirk of Houston; and five grandchildren.  
The family requests memorials be to St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo.

## Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following traffic accident for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**TUESDAY, Dec. 22**  
An unknown vehicle struck a parked 1985 Oldsmobile, registered to Lajuana Mayer, 704 Doucette, in the 2100 block of North Nelson. No injuries or citations were reported.

**Accident-DPS**  
The Texas Department of Public Safety reported the following traffic accident Tuesday:

A 1976 Buick, driven by Donald Ray Coil, 925 S. Sumner, and a 1980 Chevrolet pickup truck, driven by Larry Gene Svoboda, 1325 N. Starkweather, collided at Perry and a county dirt road, one-tenth of a mile south of Pampa. No injuries were reported. Citations were issued.

## Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa...  
Wheat 2.63  
Milo 2.86  
Corn 3.39  
The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation...  
Amoco 69 1/4  
Arco 66 1/4  
Cabot 33 1/2  
Chevron 30 1/2  
Enron 37 1/2  
Halliburton 26 1/2  
HCA 31 1/2  
Ingersoll-Rand 35 1/2  
Kerr-McGee 34  
Mesa 15 1/2  
Mapco 48  
Maxxus 66  
Penny 39  
Phillips 12 1/2  
SBZ 31  
SPS 23 1/2  
Tenneco 42 1/2  
Texasco 38  
London Gold 481.50  
Silver 86.73

## Hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions	Helen Hopp, Pampa
Antonia Alvarez, Pampa	Joshua Hulsey, Pampa
Josephine Britten, Groom	James McIlveene, Pampa
Mary Britten, Groom	Wendye Murley and infant, Borger
Florine Cox, Miami	Claude Parks, Skellytown
Helen Devoll, Pampa	Tom Rideout, Midland
Connie Kidwell, Pampa	Hobart Snow, Pampa
James Murphree, Pampa	Cheryl Waters, Pampa
China Parker, Pampa	Ralph Wilson Jr., Pampa
Opal Presley, Lefors	Elizabeth Wright, Pampa
Dorothy Rosenbach, Pampa	
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions	Mary Davison, Shamrock
Janell Brown, Pampa	Columbus Bryant, Shamrock
June Cook, Pampa	
Elizabeth Dial, Peryton	Dismissals
Richard Ford, Pampa	None.
Eunice Hinkle, Pampa	

## Calendar of events

**CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER**  
Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ will serve free Christmas dinner for everyone from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday in the church's Fellowship Hall.

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**TUESDAY, Dec. 22**  
Danielle Mayar, 1912 N. Wells, reported burglary of a motor vehicle in the 1400 block of North Banks.

Janice Ford, Star Route 3, reported theft at Safeway, Pampa Mall, 2545 Perryton Parkway. Floyd Newton Johnson, 2215 N. Russell, reported burglary of a motor vehicle in the 2800 block of Perryton Parkway.

Burglary of a coin-operated machine was reported at Coronado Laundry, Coronado Center. Linda Searl, 520 Hazel, reported burglary of a motor vehicle in the 1400 block of North Banks.  
An individual wanted by the Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace office was reported in Pampa.

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23**  
Driving while intoxicated was alleged in the 900 block of West Wilcox.

**Arrests-City Jail**  
**TUESDAY, Dec. 22**  
John D. Coil, 23, 414 Crest, was arrested in the 500 block of North Hobart on a warrant alleging no insurance, a capias warrant and four Texas Department of Public Safety warrants.

Benjamin Alan Johnson, 17, Plainsman Motel, U.S. Highway 60 West, was arrested at Burger King, 220 N. Hobart, on a charge of no insurance and warrants alleging no insurance, no safety belt and failure to appear, and was later released on bond.

Troy Allen Fisher, 23, 709 Jorden, was arrested at Burger King on two capias warrants.

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23**  
Javier Ontiveros, 20, 628 N. Russell, was arrested in the 900 block of South Sumner on charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to drive in a single lane.

# Holidays delaying AFDC checks

The Christmas holidays are delaying Texas Department of Human Services checks to participants in their Aid to Families with Dependent Children program, a TDHS spokesman said.

Child Protective Program Director James Coventry of Amarillo confirmed Tuesday that checks to recipients of the AFDC program will not be mailed from the state TDHS office in Austin until the first working day after federal funds become available.

According to Coventry, funds become available at the first of each month. But since the first of the month falls on a holiday falling before a weekend, the state checks won't be ready until Jan. 4. Add about five work days to get the checks from Austin to the Panhandle and it is conceivable

that the checks will not reach AFDC recipients until Jan. 11, Coventry said.

About 186 Gray County recipients are served out of the Pampa TDHS office. The Shamrock office serves 42 Wheeler County participants while 53 participants are served out of the Perryton office.

A TDHS release said the state office is concerned that many of the families dependent on these payments may be unable to pay utility bills and rent in time to avoid utility disconnection or eviction. It added that community service agencies are concerned that they do not have the funds to provide the additional help families may need because of the delays.

But Bill Ragsdale, chairman of Good Samaritan Christian Ser-

vices in Pampa, said his agency has adequate funds to ride out any delays. Good Samaritan pays gas, city, butane and electric bills to needy residents who meet the service's stiff requirements.

"We try to keep \$6,000 to \$9,000 on hand at all times for the program," Ragsdale said, adding that the service helps 40 to 60 people per month. Winter is especially heavy.

The average utility bill is \$50 per month. Ragsdale said the community agency is supported by 20 Pampa churches, one Skellytown church and by private and corporate donations.

The TDHS is asking area utility companies and rental agencies to take the state delay into consideration and to allow additional time for payments.

# Lubbockite seeking state office

LUBBOCK — Monte Hasie, a businessman and 12-year member of the Lubbock school board, has announced plans to run for the state school board representing District 15.

The district, currently represented by Paul Dunn of Levelland, includes much of West Texas, including the Panhandle. Dunn has said he will run for another term on the board, but has not filed.

Texas voters returned the board to elected status in November, rejecting a proposal to keep

the board appointed by the governor. The board has been appointed since 1985.

Hasie, 50, a Republican, is a financial consultant with Thomson McKinnon Securities Corp. and has served as president of the Lubbock board of education for seven of his 12 years in the elected position. He also was an advisor to the state school board for two years.

A West Texas native, Hasie graduated from Lubbock High School in 1955 and received a civil engineering degree from Texas

Tech in 1959. He did graduate work at Tech in 1963 and 1964 and served as an officer in the U.S. Army artillery in 1959 and 1960.

In addition to the school board, Hasie's civic activities include sitting on the board of directors of Whisperwood National Bank and the Red Raider Club at Texas Tech. He is vice president of the Lubbock Country Club and chairman of the Basketball Congress International West Texas Region.

Earlier this year, he won the Roy Bass Memorial Award for community service in Lubbock.

# \$40 million planned for bomber

ABILENE (AP) — An estimated \$40 million will be spent on a program to make the B-1B bomber less vulnerable to "bird strikes," a U.S. Air Force official says.

Mike Wallace, a public affairs specialist with the Aeronautical Systems Division at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio,

said Tuesday the program is "related" to the Sept. 28 crash of a B-1B from Dyess Air Force Base.

The crash in Colorado killed three crewmen; three others parachuted to safety.

The accident investigation has not been completed, but Air Force officials have said from the beginning that the probable

cause of the crash was birds being sucked into the engines of the \$280 million aircraft.

Low-level training flights of B-1Bs have been suspended since the accident, Sgt. Jimmy Carlisle, public affairs chief for the 96th Bomb Wing at Dyess, said.

The initial amount approved for modification is \$10.9 million, and the total amount is expected to be less than \$40 million, Wallace said.

# Special sales prices

The special sales prices listed in the Downtown Pampa Saturday Shopper advertisement on Page 20 in Tuesday's issue of The Pampa News are good today and Thursday at the merchants having ads on the page.

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# Holidays

will be posted outside city offices.

Gray, Roberts, Wheeler and Carson county offices and Skellytown, Miami, Groom, McLean and Canadian city offices close all day Thursday. They will reopen Monday.

The Pampa News will be distributed early Christmas Eve. There will be no miss service Thursday. There will be no newspaper printed on Friday, Christmas Day. Those not receiving their Thursday newspapers can call Saturday to get missed newspapers delivered.

The newspaper business office

will close at 1 p.m. Thursday and will reopen for regular hours Monday.

Wal-Mart Discount City, Also and most stores at the Pampa Mall will close at 6 p.m. Thursday. Safeway supermarket and The Food Emporium will close at 7 p.m. Christmas Eve and will be closed Friday. Randy's Food Store closes at 6 p.m. Thursday and will be closed Friday.

Taylor Food Marts, which recently bought the 7-11 convenience store at Ballard and Browning streets, will be open regular hours Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Allsup's convenience stores will also be open Christmas.

# Miami school audit gets OK

MIAMI — School auditors gave Miami schools a nearly clean bill of health, school Superintendent Allan Dinsmore told trustees Monday at their regular board meeting.

Dinsmore said auditors with the Pampa accounting firm of Lewis Meers & Co. reported that Miami school finances for 1986-87 were in "fine shape."

The only problem auditors saw at the school was that the high school secretary was writing checks and doing bookkeeping on the activity fund, Dinsmore said. Auditors told the school the accounts should be handled by separate people. Dinsmore said the bookkeeping was assigned to another secretary.

In other business, Miami trustees learned that high school juniors scored a 94 percent mastery on their October Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills (TEAMS) tests.

Dinsmore explained that only one student failed to master math while another student failed to master language arts. Dinsmore said that, comparing the TEAMS results with Metropolitan achievement tests, the students ranked in the 81st percentile nationwide in math and the 59th percentile in language arts.

Dinsmore reported that with one month left before taxes are due, the district has already collected 83.3 percent of its 1988 ad valorem taxes. The district received a \$1,600 refund from the Roberts County Appraisal District.

Trustees also agreed to send school custodians to an asbestos control school. Dinsmore said he does not know if any traces of the toxic substance can be found at the school. Inspectors found no traces of asbestos in 1981, Dinsmore said.

Trustees Charlie Byrum and Jimmy Bowers were appointed to a committee to study Texas Association of School Board policy updates.

**CARSON COUNTY PANHANDLE** — Carson County commissioners agreed Monday to chip in to buy a new computer for the Carson County Extension office.

The \$5,000 computer will be funded partly with county funds and partly with funds from the Texas A&M Extension Service, extension home economist Kathy Gist explained.

The county will allocate \$1,040 to buy the computer and \$1,000 per year for software and maintenance.

Gist said the county extension

office will use the computer to keep records. The computer will have access to state extension software programs on diet, cattle raising, budgeting and other programs.

She expects the computer to be ready for service within four months.

**CANADIAN CANADIAN** — City officials authorized City Manager Dean Looper to meet with Hemphill County officials about setting up city utilities at a new county ballpark north of town.

City Council members discussed the ballbark with Hemphill County Judge Bob Gober Monday at their regular meeting.

The city was asked to provide water for drinking fountains and restrooms at the park and to help pay for the electricity. City officials will meet with representatives of Southwestern Public Service electric company about funding electric lines.

In other business Monday, city officials agreed to allow angle parking in front of Edward Abraham Memorial Nursing Home on Sixth Street and appointed local electricians Mel Morgenstern and James Blessingame to the electrical advisory board.

# Chief didn't violate gag order

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Police Chief Billy Prince did not violate a gag order in a \$10 million wrongful-death suit against the city because the order was never put in writing, a judge has ruled.

District Judge Joe Burnett made the ruling Tuesday, saying he had not put the order in writing and would "vigorously enforce this written order in the future."

Attorneys for the widow of Addison police officer Ronald Cox, who was shot to death last December when Dallas tactical officer Darren Coleman mistook him for a suspect during a drug raid, had sought sanctions

against Prince for comments he made Dec. 8 about the police department's efforts to locate psychological evaluations of Coleman.

Prince told reporters he had seen no indication that anyone in the department was trying to hide information that could have been damaging to the city's defense.

"We don't hire officers who have had psychological tests, so any report we may have had in the file, whether we can find it or not, wouldn't indicate an officer shouldn't be a police officer or he wouldn't be a police officer,"

Prince had told reporters.

During an hourlong court appearance last Wednesday, Prince testified he knew the judge had issued an oral gag order prohibiting anyone involved in the lawsuit from discussing it publicly.

But the chief said he thought his comments to reporters addressed administrative matters that fell outside the scope of the order.

The officer's psychological records had been sought for months by Cox family attorneys, and police and city officials said they had been destroyed as a matter of routine.

# Weather focus

## LOCAL FORECAST

Mostly cloudy and colder tonight with a 20 percent chance of light snow, and a low near 23. Winds shifting to the north, 10 to 20 mph. Much colder Thursday and mostly cloudy with a high of 29 and northeasterly winds 10 to 20 mph and gusty. Tuesday's high was 53; overnight low was 41.

## REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Becoming partly cloudy tonight and mostly cloudy Thursday. Turning colder north tonight and much of area Thursday. Slight chance of snow Panhandle tonight, of rain far west and Concho Valley, rain and snow South Plains and snow Panhandle Thursday. Lows tonight 22 Panhandle to 46 Concho Valley. Highs Thursday 29 Panhandle to 62 Big Bend.

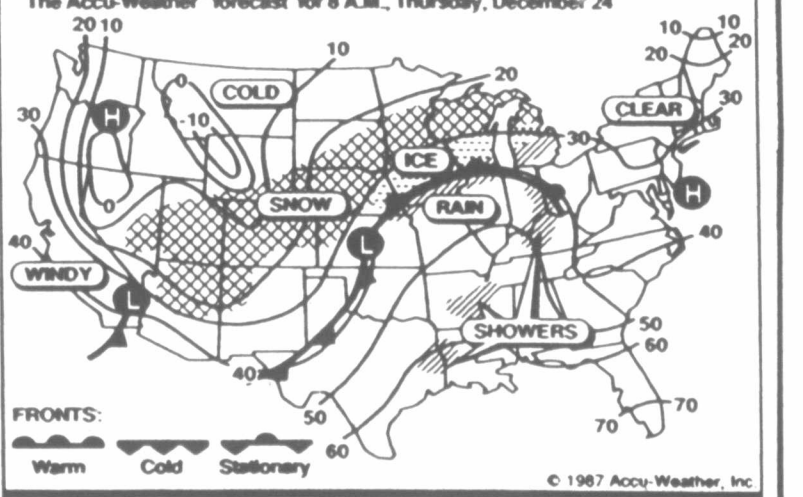
North Texas — Increasing cloudiness and warmer tonight with widely scattered showers or thunderstorms tonight. Mostly cloudy Thursday with scattered thunderstorms mainly eastern half of area. Continued warm in the east Thursday, turning colder west and northwest. Lows tonight 43 northwest to 60 southeast. Highs Thursday 52 northwest to 70 south.

South Texas — Cloudy tonight with a slight chance of showers east. Mostly cloudy on Thursday with a chance of afternoon thundershowers, mainly east. Lows tonight from near 60 north to near 70 south. Highs on Thursday from near 70 north to near 80 south.

## EXTENDED FORECAST

Friday through Sunday  
West Texas — A chance of snow Christmas Day and Saturday, except rain or snow

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far West Christmas Day and mainly rain Permian Basin and Concho Valley Christmas Day. Partly cloudy Sunday. Cold throughout the period.

Panhandle, lows in the teens and highs from the mid 20s to mid 30s. South Plains, lows mid 20s to mid teens. Highs upper 20s to upper 30s.

North Texas — Christmas Day, cloudy and colder with a chance of snow west rain or sleet central and rain east. Temperatures remaining in the 30s west and central and low 40s east. Saturday, cloudy with a slight chance of snow west with a chance of sleet or snow central and a chance of rain or sleet east. Lows in the upper 20s west to mid 30s east. Highs remaining in the 30s. Sunday, partly cloudy with lows in the 20s and highs in the low to mid 40s.

South Texas — Cloudy, windy and cold all except lower Rio Grande Valley and lower coast Friday, all of south Texas Saturday. Occasional rain or drizzle both days. Decreasing clouds and cold Sunday with rain ending. Highs in the 60s to near 70 lower valley and lower coast Friday, in the 50s lower

coast and lower valley Saturday and Sunday. Highs in the 40s to near 50 rest of South Texas.

## BORDER STATES

Oklahoma — Turning colder Panhandle and northwest tonight and most sections Thursday. A chance of snow or freezing rain northwest and rain or thunderstorms southeast tonight and Thursday. Lows tonight mid 20s Panhandle to mid 50s southeast. Highs Thursday lower 30s Panhandle to mid 60s extreme southeast.

New Mexico — Winter storm watch tonight and Thursday for the western mountains and north. Mostly cloudy and colder tonight and Christmas Eve with periods of snow over the western mountains and north and a chance for snow or rain showers in the central valleys and south. Snowfall over 4 inches possible in the western mountains and north tonight and Thursday along with areas of blowing and drifting snow. Lows tonight 5 to 25 mountains and north with 20s and 30s elsewhere. Highs Thursday 20s and 30s mountains and north to the 50s near the southern border.

# Texas/Regional

## Truck tariffs lowered

AUSTIN (AP)—Trucking rates will be simplified and reduced under new interim tariffs adopted by the Railroad Commission to take effect Jan. 1, officials say.

"Come January 1, we will have a simple, understandable truck rate system for general commodities in Texas under which everyone benefits — the shipper, the trucker and the consumer," Commissioner John Sharp said after Tuesday's vote.

"This action will benefit both shippers and carriers, and the people of Texas will be the ultimate winners by our cutting down bureaucracy, paperwork and delay," said Commissioner Jim Nugent.

Sharp said existing tariffs specifying rates for general commodity shipments around the state have been trimmed from 1,500 pages to about 68 pages, plus mileage guidelines.

The new system, using simple calculations based on weight and distance traveled, is expected to reduce general commodities rates by about 2 percent overall. Reductions of up to 28 percent may occur for some large shipments. Commissioners said those savings could be passed along to consumers by shippers.

The rates in the commission tariffs are called base rates. Under provisions of a bill passed by the Legislature, trucking companies are allowed to deviate from the base rates within a certain percentage range.

Competitors are not allowed to engage in predatory pricing to drive competing companies out of business, however, officials said.

As an interim order, the commission may change the tariff rates or calculation methods in the future when it considers permanent adoption of the tariffs.

The action was hailed by the Texas Association to Improve Distribution, a group that has sought trucking deregulation in Texas.

"The commissioners have sent a message of hope for a brighter economic future," said Tom Brackett, the group's spokesman.

## Discussing dream



(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Members of the Pampa Army Airfield Association met with an architect Tuesday afternoon to discuss plans for turning the old Pump Station No. 1 into an airfield and military museum. Meeting at the building on Memorial Park are, from left, PAAFA President W.C. "Dub" Ferguson Jr. of Magnolia, Ark.; Executive Secretary Nina Spoone-

more, Pampa; Museum Committee Chairman Blake Laramore, Pampa; and Wayne J. Trull of Connelly, Abbott and Trull Architects of Magnolia, Ark. Ferguson and Trull flew up Tuesday to meet with local PAAFA representatives and city officials to discuss initial architectural plans for the proposed museum.

## State Board of Pardons and Paroles employee arrested

AUSTIN (AP)—Prostitution charges were pending today against a state Board of Pardons and Paroles employee who was arrested while allegedly attempting to recruit a woman to work as his secretary and sex mate, police say.

The man was arrested by Austin vice officers who were hiding in the woman's home in Williamson County Tuesday, Austin police Sgt. Gene Freudenberg said.

The man's name was withheld pending the formal filing of charges of prostitution, a Class B misdemeanor that carries a maximum penalty of 180 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine. He was being held in the Williamson County Jail.

Glenn Heckman, acting director of Board of Pardons and Paroles, said the man was suspended with pay pending the case's outcome.

The parole board may conduct its own investigation, he said, adding that the man has been employed by the parole board since March 1986.

The episode began unfolding when vice officers received a call from the woman about 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Freudenberg said.

"She said, 'You may think I'm crazy, but here's what's been happening,'" Freudenberg recalled. The woman told police she had placed a personal ad in the Austin American-Statesman newspaper seeking work as a secretary.

About two weeks ago, a man answered the ad and said he was planning to open an office for a computer company and asked her to send a resume to a post office box in Taylor.

"He got all the details about her, but he wouldn't give her any information about his company," Freudenberg said. The man called the woman every day for about two weeks, and had suggested "sex-for-pay" a couple of times, he said.

"Finally, (Tuesday) he calls, and he offered her a job and a salary, plus a bonus for going to bed with him three or four times a month, and maybe (with some of his clients) once in a while," Freudenberg said. "She was just taken aback."

The man told her he would arrive at her apartment at 11:30 a.m. for sex and that he would return at 2 p.m. with her first month's salary. The woman then called police.

## Number of Texas jobs increase by 350,500 this year

AUSTIN (AP)—The statewide unemployment rate dropped from 8.8 percent to 7.9 percent, and the number of Texas jobs increased by 350,500 from November 1986 to November 1987, the Texas Employment Commission says.

TEC labor market analyst Ruth Goebler said the unemployment rate is a measure of economic hardship in that if times grow worse, more people will be forced to look for jobs instead of relying on support from working family members or other sources.

"They'll think, 'I'll wait. I don't need a job right now. I'll look when jobs are more plentiful,'" Ms. Goebler said Tuesday. "If the people who drop out... absolutely had to find a job, they'd stay in and keep looking."

The number of Texas jobs is estimated through a TEC survey of a sample of employers in each industry, along with figures from the current population survey, Ms. Goebler said.

When employers pay their taxes every year, they report the number of workers in each area, she said. That number is compared with the estimate, and adjustments are made.

In November 1986, the number of Texas jobs totaled 7,544,800, Ms. Goebler said. This November, the number went up to 7,895,300.

The number of Texas jobs in

November 1987 compared with November 1986 in urban areas is as follows:

- Abilene: 53,600 (1987) — 50,500 (1986)
- Amarillo: 99,200 — 93,800
- Austin: 424,100 — 408,700
- Beaumont-Port Arthur: 147,100 — 141,700
- Brazoria: 77,900 — 72,600
- Brownsville-Harlingen: 83,500 — 81,500
- Bryan-College Station: 58,200 — 57,500
- Corpus Christi: 151,300 — 145,900
- Dallas: 1,389,500 — 1,347,600
- El Paso: 217,300 — 204,000
- Fort Worth-Arlington: 660,400 — 621,600
- Galveston-Texas City: 98,100 — 94,700
- Houston: 1,519,400 — 1,448,000
- Temple-Killeen: 89,300 — 83,400
- Laredo: 40,400 — 37,400
- Longview-Marshall: 73,700 — 71,300
- Lubbock: 110,400 — 105,300
- McAllen-Edinburg-Mission: 129,400 — 118,400
- Midland: 48,700 — 46,200
- Odessa: 53,500 — 49,500
- San Angelo: 44,800 — 42,800
- San Antonio: 579,800 — 549,300
- Sherman-Denison: 48,200 — 45,400
- Texarkana: not available
- Tyler: 71,800 — 70,100
- Victoria: 36,200 — 34,700
- Waco: 90,000 — 86,100
- Wichita Falls: 55,500 — 52,600

## Strike canceled after airline, attendants reach new agreement

GRAPEVINE (AP)—Faced with a strike during the Christmas travel rush, American Airlines agreed to scuttle a controversial wage scale that left outraged flight attendants poised for a two-day walkout.

Just hours before the strike was to begin at 12:01 today, the nation's second-largest airline agreed to a six-year contract that kills the two-tier wage scale that began in 1983 and pays new employees less than veterans, American spokesman John Hotard said.

"We will be calling the strike off. Everybody can celebrate Christmas," Patt Gibbs, president of the Association of Professional Flight Attendants, said Tuesday night. "It's an agreement that I can put to the membership, that I can endorse and that I can urge them to vote for."

The plan "maintains the principles of both sides," American negotiator Charles Pascuto said. "Every flight flying and every flight attendant's goings to be happy on every trip (today). It's a win-win situation. The company, I know, is happy with the agreement, and I think the union can make the same statement."

The contract merges the two tiers over six years into a single market-rate scale in accordance with contracts the Fort Worth-based company previously negotiated with the pilots and the groundworkers' unions, Hotard said.

"So we are very pleased that this has happened only hours before the flight attendants were to go on strike," he said. "The union

board has approved it and it will now be put to the membership and they will have a certain length of time of several weeks to ratify it."

Under the two-tier system, A scale workers made an average of \$25,000 to \$27,000 per year, while B scale workers averaged \$12,000, Ms. Gibbs said.

"You were developing a real two-class system where people were treated different, even though they were doing the same job," she said. "We weren't out to try to kill the company. We were out there to work jointly with management to make American better for everybody."

Ms. Gibbs had predicted earlier that the airline would never negotiate the two-tier system out of the contract, "so they are the ones that chose the battleground we're on today."

The strike authorization vote ended Monday and was tallied Tuesday, although union officials wouldn't give the totals. As Ms. Gibbs announced the vote during an afternoon press conference at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, hundreds of flight attendants chanted, "No more B scale."

Although workers voted in favor of a strike, the decision to walk out came only after a spirited closed-doors meeting Tuesday in which many attendants expressed concerns to Ms. Gibbs.

"It's really emotional inside. There is a positive strike vote, but we all are deciding in there if we want to strike or not," said flight attendant Mary Burnett, 27, of nearby Euless.

## American oilman believed heading home

HOUSTON (AP)—An oil company executive imprisoned in Nigeria since last summer apparently has been released and is expected to make it home in time for the Christmas holidays.

Herbert Rooks apparently boarded a flight Tuesday in Lagos, Nigeria, that was bound for London, said his wife, Mary Rooks.

"I talked with him this morning," Mrs. Rooks said Tuesday in a telephone interview from her son's San Antonio home. "He was supposed to be on the plane. He said he was being escorted. Hopefully, he was on it."

After flying to London, Rooks was scheduled to fly to Houston and arrive here this afternoon. He then will fly to San Antonio where he will be reunited with his family.

"I can't believe it's finally going to happen," Mrs. Rooks said. "I'm thrilled."

The 58-year-old Rooks is director of New York City-based United States Oil Co. and president of the firm's Geneva-based affiliate, Panoco, which operates in Nigeria through Pan Ocean Oil (Nigeria).

Pan Ocean Oil and the Nigerian National

Petroleum Co. are involved in a \$134 million dispute now undergoing international arbitration in Paris, United States Oil spokesman Jim Grossman said.

In July, Rooks traveled to Lagos on company business. But when he attempted to leave July 31, his passport and those of his two Swiss security men were confiscated and all three were detained. The two Swiss men also have been released, Grossman said.

On Aug. 11, they were moved to Dodona Barracks, a prison on Victoria Island, adjacent to Lagos.

They were held in virtual isolation until Nov. 23, when they were released to the American embassy, but without passports, Grossman said. Rooks lost about 25 pounds and came down with malaria during his incarceration, Grossman said.

"I may not recognize him myself," Mrs. Rooks said.

On Dec. 2, Rooks' company took out ads in New York newspapers, outlining in an open letter to President Reagan and Congress the

details of the case and asking them and the State Department to put pressure on the Nigerian government for alleged unlawful incarceration.

The passport was returned Monday. "It's been up in the air — up and down," his wife said. "We just didn't know. I talked to him Saturday and he had no idea (about his return home). We kept hoping."

She said no specific charges ever were filed against him. Nigerian authorities in July told him they wanted to speak with him for about five minutes, she said, but then refused to let him go.

Rooks formerly worked for Gulf Oil Co., and lived in Nigeria for five years while working for Gulf, his wife said. She said he had no fears about traveling in the country.

"He had a lot of friends there," she said. "This was his first trip there for Panoco."

From 1975 to 1985 he lived in Odessa before joining Panoco and moving with his wife to Geneva.

## Santa Claus stopped for running stop sign

WICHITA FALLS (AP)—A police officer says he just couldn't bring himself to ticket the jolly bearded man he pulled over for failing to halt at a stop sign.

It was strange enough when the straight-faced driver identified himself as Father Christmas, officer Melvin Joyner said Tuesday, but things got weirder when the computer registered the red Chevrolet sedan to Santa M. Claus, 40, of Mesquite, Texas.

"Two-hundred and fifty pounds, 5-foot-11-inches, blond hair, blue eyes and he looks just like Santa Claus," Joyner said.

A police dispatcher, laughing, refused to read the motorist's name over the radio after Joyner stopped the man for running a stop sign in Wichita Falls last weekend and broadcast the man's driver's license number.

"He was just passing through town. He didn't go into a lot of detail. I was afraid to go into a lot of detail. I guess he was just making a shopping list," Joyner said. "But there really is a Santa Claus."

Joyner said he walked back to car, visibly shaken at meeting a childhood legend. He said Claus received the disbelief with amuse-

ment. "He just laughed. Real friendly. Jolly old fellow," Joyner said.

After such a warm greeting, Joyner said all he could do was wish K. Kringle a safe trip and carry his unused clipboard back to the patrol car.

"Would you write Santa Claus a ticket?" Joyner said. "Well, I wouldn't, either."

Aside from the physical resemblances, Santa was in street clothes and out of the famous fur-trimmed red suit, the officer said.

## Lawmakers, citizens, association honored by consumer organizations

AUSTIN (AP)—A group of consumer organizations has handed out its first Texas Outstanding Public Service Awards to five lawmakers, four citizen advocates and a retirees association.

"Honorees were chosen for their leadership on important consumer issues and their ability to effectively articulate, advocate and implement consumer concerns," Consumers Union spokeswoman Carol Barger said Tuesday.

Consumers Union, the Gray Panthers, Texas Consumer Association, Public Citizen and PACT — Providing Awareness for Consumers in Texas — gave the awards to the lawmakers, citizen advocates and the American Association of Retired Persons.

The consumer groups focused on common interests — consumer credit, utility regulation, health and safety, insurance, changes in com-

penensation for injured people and homestead protection — in making the awards, Ms. Barger said.

Award recipients included the AARP Texas Legislative Committee; Sen. Richard Anderson, D-Marshall; Rep. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi; Sen. Chet Edwards, D-Duncanville; Rep. Juan Hinojosa, D-McAllen; and Sen. Hugh Parmer, D-Fort Worth.

Also honored were research analyst Clarence Johnson of the Office of Public Utility Counsel, which represents small ratepayers; Dallas resident Patricia Kinsella, who has cancer caused by exposure in the womb to diethylstilbestrol, a drug prescribed in the 1950s to prevent miscarriages; professor Tom McGarity of the University of Texas School of Law; and Peggy Rosson, former Public Utility Commission chairwoman.

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## Opinion

### Trade agreement needs ratification

Amid the uncertain aftereffects of the global economy of Wall Street's nosedive, the prospects and dangers of protectionism loom larger than ever. An international trade war sparked by the protectionist drive in Congress could have the same damaging consequences as the 1930 Smoot-Hawley tariff act, which led to a contraction of world commerce and deepened the Great Depression.

That's why the free-trade agreement worked out in detail by American and Canadian negotiators is so important.

Ratification of the bilateral treaty by Congress and the Parliament in Ottawa would help blunt the dangerous protectionist campaign being led by Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri, a leading Democratic presidential contender. On the other hand, a defeat for the trade pact would almost certainly provide new impetus to those who want to restrict the flow of commodities, products and services on the world market.

At present, the risks of a stunning setback are greatest in Ottawa.

Although Canada stands to benefit enormously from freer access to the huge U.S. market, support for the trade deal north of the border is muted while opposition is fierce. Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, who championed the accord, is in real political trouble. He may be forced to call early elections next year, largely in order to submit the treaty to a national referendum.

Canadian opposition to wider trade with the United States is due chiefly to a surge of nationalism. Many voters fear Canada will lose its separate identity if it allows unrestricted access by American companies.

For example, one of the most hotly debated provisions of the agreement would have permitted U.S. magazines to be sold in Canada at the same low postal rates charged to Canadian publications. In the end, however, that free-trade allowance was dropped to placate Ottawa's concerns about a resulting rise of American influence in Canada.

The 1,000-page document just completed by American and Canadian bargainers would eliminate all tariff barriers between the two countries during the next decade. The result would be expanded North American trade that would immensely benefit both countries.

The U.S.-Canadian accord is a model of how to strengthen the global economy in the wake of the stock market crash. But what remains in doubt is whether the Canadian Parliament and the American Congress will seize this victory or risk repeating the disastrous mistakes of the 1930s.

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## Joke could backfire on Hart

WASHINGTON — Gary Hart merits thanks for a couple of favors: He has breathed life into a Democratic presidential race that was about to die of boredom, and he has made it a merry Christmas for the gagsters. But if the gentleman thinks he has a real prospect of winning the White House, he has another thought coming.

The story of his re-entry into the contest will be a two-day story. After that, Hart will take his place as one of seven candidates, subject to the same rules that apply to the other six.

The novelty will wear off and the Hart jokes (he decided he would rather be in bed with Dukakis) will yield to other jokes. He may do well in New Hampshire in February, but without a professional staff and cash in the bank, he will have grave problems with Super Tuesday in March.

Why did he take this plunge? Those who know Hart — to the extent that anyone outside his family truly knows Hart — are satisfied that he didn't do it for the money. He is still a million dollars in debt from his campaign of 1984, and it is conceivable that the Federal Election Commission would provide him with federal matching funds that might be applied in part to the old obligations. But whatever may be said of the former senator, he is not a mercenary fellow.

My own guess is that the surprise stemmed from a part of Hart's character that tends to get overlooked. He is a complex man, sustained by a powerful ego. There is not much humility in him. He truly believes that he has been endowed with a mission to teach — to educate the American people to realities as he perceives them.

He has a high opinion of his own ideas, and a low opinion of everyone else's. He has an even lower opinion of the press, an opinion he doubt-



James J. Kilpatrick

lessly will share with some eloquence as time goes on. It's a free country.

Other aspects of Hart's character surely will be rehearsed, but probably to a wrong conclusion. It isn't the adultery, as such, that might be held against him. The American people — most of them, anyhow — are capable of forgiving a repentant sinner. They are not so forgiving about conspicuous bad judgment, and that was what Hart displayed with his monkey business last May. The people could get very nervous about having a president who starts into arms negotiations and metaphorically takes off to Bimini with a blonde in his lap.

In presidential politics almost anything can happen. Surprises are not the exception; they're the norm. Remember Wendell Willkie? He polled only 1.2 percent of the vote in the Republican primaries of 1940 and wound up with the nomination anyhow. Remember George Romney? He was doing pretty well until he remarked offhandedly that he had been "brainwashed" by the military. Remember Ed Muskie's fatal tears at press criticism of his wife?

Remember Bill Miller? Almost no one re-

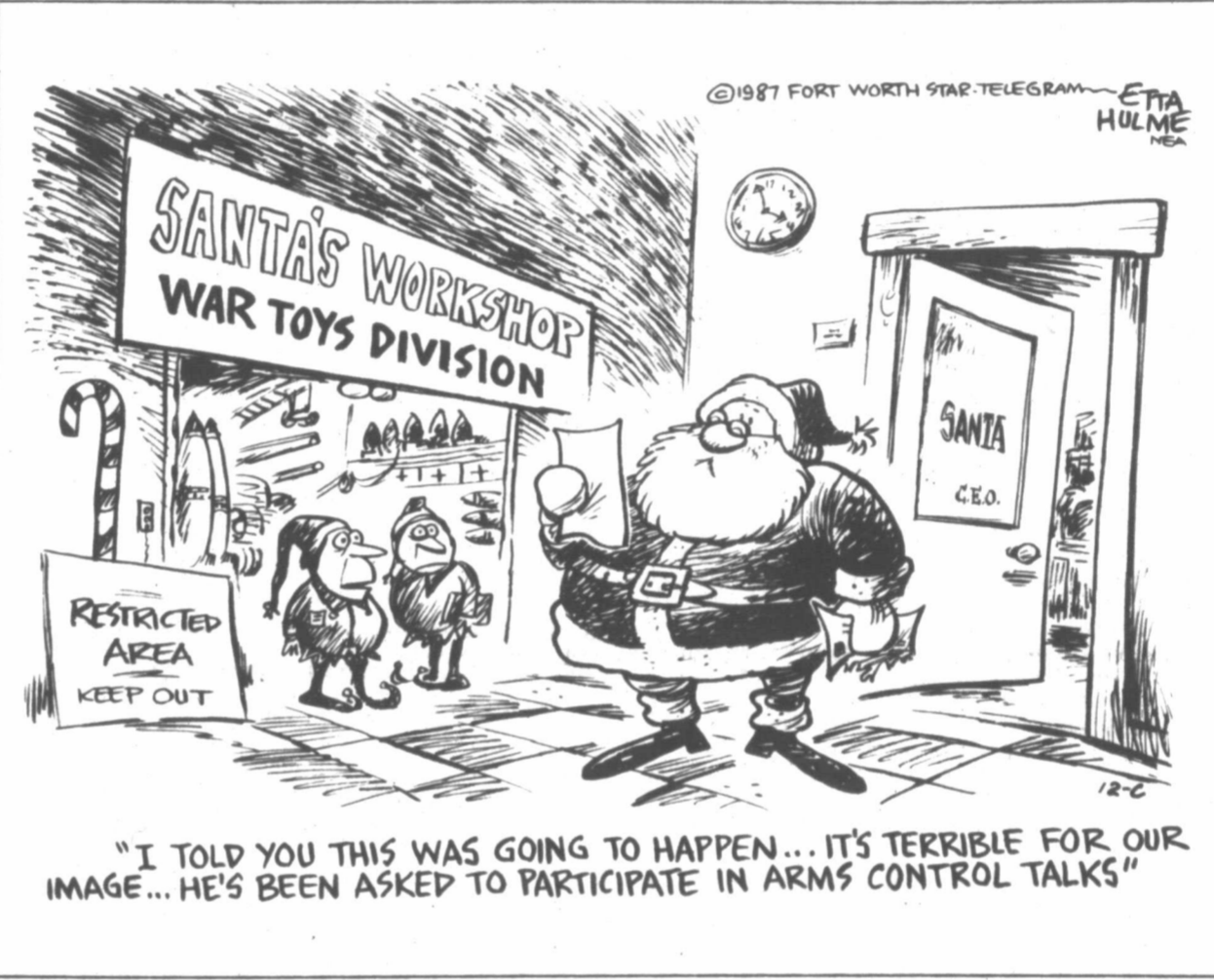
members Bill Miller. He was Goldwater's surprise choice as a running mate in 1964. Remember Tom Eagleton's withdrawal as McGovern's vice presidential choice in 1972? Remember Geraldine Ferraro? Anything can happen.

Beyond the surprises, however, lie some enduring realities. Presidential campaigns are a form of big business. They are nurtured by the mother's milk of money. Their success depends heavily upon experienced staff.

Hart has no money to speak of, and his disenchanted staff long ago leaped to other candidates. Mark Hogan, one of Hart's top advisers, has gone to Paul Simon. Teresa Vilmain, a coordinator in Iowa, has gone to Michael Dukakis. Hart's former campaign directors in New Hampshire are now working for Bruce Babbitt. Others have been hired by Jesse Jackson and Albert Gore. Some will return to Hart's camp, but most still harbor bitter memories of seven months ago. These were people who trusted Hart. He let them down.

A campaign needs advance men. It needs people who can arrange travel schedules, who can answer telephones and draft letters, who can throw bones to the press and see that the candidate gets an hour or two of sleep. Someone has to keep meticulous books. Someone has to meet requirements of filing deadlines. There is always another form that has to be filled in and signed. Campaigns are ruled by Murphy's Law: If anything can go wrong, it will.

Hart sees himself as the man of ideas, but in his vanity he fails to note that other candidates have ideas, too. They not only have ideas; they also have staff and money, and they don't have the burden of monkey business on their backs.



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### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 23, the 357th day of 1987. There are eight days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: Forty years ago, on Dec. 23, 1947, the transistor, a major breakthrough in the field of electronics, was invented by Walter H. Brattain, John Bardeen and William Shockley of Bell Laboratories. The transistor effectively replaced the much bulkier vacuum tube, and paved the way to the even more compact integrated circuit.

On this date: In 1783, George Washington resigned as commander-in-chief of the Army and retired to his home at Mount Vernon, Va.

In 1788, Maryland voted to cede a 10-square-mile area for the seat of the national government. The area became the District of Columbia.

In 1805, Joseph Smith Jr., the founder of the Mormon Church, was born in Sharon, Vt.

In 1823, the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement C. Moore was published anonymously in the *Troy (N.Y.) Sentinel*.

In 1913, President Woodrow Wilson signed the Federal Reserve Act into law.

## Paralysis hits bank industry

The urgency of today's crises is compounded by the multiplicity of news media. Competition among and within the several media is likely to lead to superlatives that exaggerate.

In perspective, in fact, the recent stock market "crash" never did drop the Dow below what it was in April of last year. And, by traditional standards, it was too high then.

Perhaps there is still fat to be trimmed. For an objective perspective, rereading history helps.

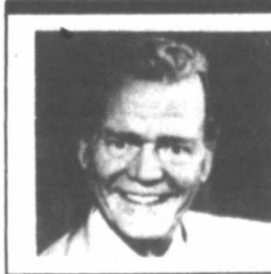
In 1907 pundits predicted that the banking industry was going to hell. Fear became panic with some bankers hiding for their lives.

Then J.P. Morgan pulled them together — got bankers to coordinate their efforts, reestablish public confidence.

That was the beginning of the Federal Reserve System.

When the postwar recession of 1921 came, the Central Bank kept us afloat.

In the early '30s it took more than that. But again — financiers and bankers leaned into the wind, sought and got a new system of deposit



Paul Harvey

insurance, sought and got an open market through the Federal Reserve. And our economy not only survived but thrived.

When the Penn-Central went belly-up in 1970, there would have been wholesale panic in the financial markets — except for the Fed.

When the Arabs had us over an oil barrel it was our banking system that recycled surpluses.

When the Continental Illinois faced a firing squad in 1984, it was bankers who erected a temporary restraining wall until the FDIC could come to the rescue.

Today the banking industry is suffering from legislative paralysis — a moratorium that shackles banks while competitors have a field day.

Today all anybody needs is an 800 number, a personal computer and a little legal advice and he's in business as "a mutual fund."

If customers are concerned about safety, the fund's assets can be confined to government securities — guaranteed!

For large corporations, the traditional bank loan has been replaced by commercial paper.

Meanwhile, outmoded laws stand in the way of any banker who tries to offer these new and better ways of serving his customers.

Fortunately, all excesses eventually are their own undoing. There is in Congress right now legislation that — with enough support — will update banking laws, enabling all financial institutions to compete more equitably.

Again, excesses, ultimately, inevitably, are their own undoing. Incidentally, this includes stock markets that rise excessively high — or sink excessively low.

### Berry's World



## So what did we achieve at the summit?

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

Most Americans, evaluating the recent summit, will have little trouble pushing aside such trivia as Gorbachev's alleged display of "PR genius" in getting out of his car to shake a few hands. The real question is which side accomplished most.

It is wise to assume that both sides think they managed to accomplish something; otherwise there would have been no summit, and certainly no agreement. What did they, in fact, accomplish?

From the American standpoint, our long-range objective is to blunt the communist drive for world domination, by persuading the communists to abandon it, if possible, or by maintaining effective political, economic and military defenses against it, at a bearable cost.

From that perspective, the Washington summit can probably be scored as a modest success. We succeeded in eliminating from both arenas one small category of nuclear missiles, and have a reasonable prospect of making much bigger cuts in

much more important (and expensive) categories at another summit next spring in Moscow.

President Reagan accomplished this over the dead bodies of his critics on both the liberal left and the mutinous right. The liberals have been belittling for years that Reagan was too preoccupied with building up America's defenses to Soviet levels, too insistent on "impossible" kinds of verification, and too unwilling to use SDI "as a bargaining chip." But the president firmly refused to stop rearming, or waive effective verification, or bargain SDI away — yet lo and behold, he has his treaty.

For their part, certain inconsolable conservatives argue that mutual withdrawal of intermediate-range missiles will benefit the Soviets most, because it will heighten West Germany's sense of insecurity and thus threaten to "decouple" NATO. Since the withdrawal was Washington's idea, first proposed in 1981 and sternly rejected by the Russians until recently, one wonders why these critics didn't make their reservations known earlier? (And where was "German in-

security" in all the years before the first Pershings were deployed, late in 1983?)

In addition, Reagan's right-wing critics point to the large number of subjects on which American remonstrances apparently got nowhere: Soviet meddling in Afghanistan, Nicaragua, Angola and Cambodia; Moscow's disgraceful human rights record; its brazen cheating on earlier arms treaties, etc.

There certainly are a great many instances of Soviet misbehavior on which this summit accomplished little or nothing. On the subject of cheating, though, it really isn't reasonable to ask President Reagan to mop up all the messes left by the ill-considered and unverifiable treaties negotiated by Messrs. Kissinger, Nixon, Ford and Carter. (Fortunately there have been hints that the notorious phased-array radar installation at Krasnoyarsk will have to be dismantled before there is agreement on a START treaty.)

And what about Gorbachev? Pretty clearly, he too wanted to reduce the cruel cost of arms, and has done so — a little now, and far more later if a

START treaty is negotiated. He probably also hoped to soften the moral resistance of the West to himself and his system, with a view to weakening its will and obtaining its technology. The extent to which he succeeded is, however, for the West to decide. (Do you happen to know whether "Moscow Nights," as Van Cliburn played it at the White House, contains a passage about a midnight knock on the door?)

There is also no question that Gorbachev wanted to halt U.S. progress toward a space shield — and that he failed utterly.

But underlying Gorbachev's readiness to bargain, I suspect, is a far more compelling motive than any of these: a dawning realization that the Soviet system is fatally at odds with the essential symbiosis, now slowly unfolding, between freedom and that very "science" upon which Marx and Lenin piled their hopes. Poor Mikhail and his fellow slave masters, in other words, are on their way to being yesterday's problems.

# Nation

## IRS won't impose penalties for underwithholding

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans are getting an \$86 million Christmas present from the Internal Revenue Service, which is admitting it made a mistake in originally making its new W-4 tax withholding forms too complex.

After a year-long effort to get Americans to fill out the new forms, the IRS threw in the towel Tuesday and said no taxpayer would be penalized for having too little in taxes withheld from their paychecks this year.

IRS Commissioner Lawrence B. Gibbs cited the confusion over the W-4 forms and a desire to make this year's

tax filing go smoothly as key reasons for the decision, which he said would cost the government an estimated \$86 million in penalty payments it otherwise would have collected.

Gibbs made his comments at a news briefing at which he unveiled the final IRS forms to be used by taxpayers to file their returns by April 15.

More than 98 million Americans will receive their 1987 federal income tax form packages in the mail beginning Dec. 26. The new forms incorporate for the first time the long list of changes made by the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

"With so much at stake — public confidence, the credibility of tax reform, a smooth-running filing season — we want to be sure that we have covered all our bases, that significant numbers of taxpayers won't be surprised come tax time," Gibbs said.

The IRS has been under attack all year over its new W-4 withholding forms, which were required by Congress to implement the new tax law. The new forms were supposed to permit taxpayers to more accurately balance their withholdings with their tax liability.

The initial furor over the W-4 form last January forced the IRS to issue a shorter, less-complicated W-4A form. The agency said Americans who filed either form with their employers by June 1, 1987, would not be penalized if it turned out they had too little in payroll taxes withheld.

Now the agency has abandoned altogether any effort to collect penalty payments on wage income this year, although Gibbs said penalties still will be assessed for underpaying taxes on other income, such as dividends and interest payments.

In another gift to taxpayers, the IRS announced it will not impose a penalty for failing to submit Social Security numbers for dependent children ages 5 and older. If taxpayers fail to include the information on this year's tax forms, they will get warning letters but will not face fines.

Gibbs said next year only one W-4 form will be used. He said the new form will be very similar to the shorter W-4A version.

The waiver of penalty payments applies only to wages earned in 1987, not 1988.

## Researchers find gene that decides sex

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — The ancient quest to understand the ultimate difference between the sexes may have been solved, according to scientists who report finding the gene that makes a man a man and a woman a woman.

The gene was located by Dr. David C. Page and colleagues at the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during a race between labs in several countries.

"People have been fascinated from the time of Aristotle about what controlled sex," said Dr. Robert Erickson of the University of Michigan. "To have finally probably found the gene that does it is the answer to a 2,000-year search."

If Page's theory is right, the gene acts as a sort of master regulator. It appears to start a chain reaction of hormones that eventually leads to development of a male.

The gene is on the Y chromosome, which is part of the inborn genetic library of men but not women. The researchers believe that a virtually identical gene determines sex in all other mammals.

"We think we have identified a single gene on the Y chromosome that is the sex-determining switch, and we think we can infer certain things about its mode of action," said Page.

While Page says he has assembled "a strong circumstantial case" that the gene really is the sex trigger, he cautioned that more work will be needed.

The discovery may someday provide new ways to treat infertility and problems of sexual development.

"Although it doesn't tell you anything that you've always wanted to know about the difference between men and women, it tells you how that difference was first laid down," said Nobel laureate David Baltimore, director of the Whitehead Institute.

Dr. Peter N. Goodfellow of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund in London, a competitor in the race to find the sex trigger, said he believes that Page almost certainly has located it.



White prepares for the holidays Tuesday afternoon at Salon Cristophe in Beverly Hills. Helping Santa with his hair and nails are, from left, Terri Dominquez, Nick Chavez, Cristophe and Anita Jackson.

## Santa to the Stars shares intimacies from lap of luxury

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — In the sun-struck, palm-studded fantasy world of Hollywood, Santa wears a Rolex watch, white Reeboks athletic shoes, Cartier eyeglasses and pulls candy canes out of a leather Louis Vuitton bag.

Madonna, Imelda Marcos, Zsa Zsa Gabor, Cher, Valerie Harper, Burt Bacharach, Monty Hall, Jessica Tandy, Hume Cronyn, Charles Bronson, Jill Ireland, even Jackie Onassis, have told Brady White their Christmas wishes.

Despite appearances, celebrities don't always have their wants fulfilled and those in the lap of luxury eagerly whisper champagne wishes into the ear of the "Santa to the Stars."

"Madonna jokingly asked me if she could be a virgin for Christmas, and I said, 'Santa can't work miracles,'" White said. One of the singer's big hits has been "Like a Virgin."

White gets up to \$2,500 an appearance and prefers to be called Santa.

His age? "Santa is ageless," he said in an interview Tuesday before he had his hair and full, natural beard styled at a swank Beverly Hills salon.

White played Kris Kringle at the glittering Beverly Center mall for five years before celebrity demand forced him to give up that job.

"I speak to the children as an '80s, hip, a now-type of Santa," White says of encounters with kids. "I keep up with the toys. Baby Heather is this year's hit for the girls and Nintendo (computer

game) is what the boys want."

He said his most outrageous moment at the Beverly Center was when the wife of deposed Philippine leader Ferdinand Marcos walked up to hire him.

"She asked me to a private party and I handed out gold jewelry to her staff, then she gave me a \$400 tip," White recalled.

At the Bacharach home last year, a ton of snow was trucked in, but Santa's sleigh couldn't make it up the steep driveway.

"I was walking up the driveway and a limousine pulled up, White said. The door opened and a voice inside asked, 'Santa, do you need a lift?'"

"It was Ed McMahon. He gave me a ride up the steep hill," said White.

For Jewish stars, White declares he's Hanu-Claus, as in Hanukkah.

"When Barbra Streisand entered the Bacharach house last year I said, 'Ho-ho-ho, Hanu-Claus,' and she warmed up to me," he said.

Last weekend, Bronson and Miss Ireland, his wife, hired White to preside over their private party at the trendy Stock Exchange club. White gave each guest, including McMahon and Robert Wagner, a silver bookmark from the couple.

Mrs. Onassis "saw me on the street and said, 'Santa, I want a taxi,' and I flagged one down and she said 'Thank You,'" he recalled.

## Oil prices jump, other markets mixed

By The Associated Press

A sharp rise in oil prices and the consequent signal of possible higher inflation has blunted a year-end Wall Street rally and pinched the bond market but raised demand for gold.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, contracts for February delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. crude, closed at \$16.61 a 42-gallon barrel Tuesday, up \$1.21 over Monday's close.

Prices for refined products also leaped, with January contracts for wholesale heating oil up 2.62 cents to 51.97 cents a gallon and January wholesale unleaded gasoline up 2.88 cents to 44.16 cents a gallon.

Traders attributed the surge to Persian Gulf violence, indications that some key Arab members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will restrict output, and a technical reaction to the oil market's recent decline.

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## Seven nations vow renewed effort to stem dollar's drop

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States and six other major industrial democracies are vowing new efforts to break the dollar's tumble, claiming sharp currency swings since the stock market crash are threatening global economic growth.

But analysts voiced skepticism over whether the new exchange-rate statement, issued by the Group of Seven industrial nations on Tuesday after final action on a U.S. budget compromise, will help stabilize the battered U.S. currency.

The joint statement said stability of the dollar was in the "common interest" of all seven allies: the United States, Japan, West Germany, Britain, France, Italy and Canada.

It called for the industrial nations to "cooperate closely on exchange markets" to keep the dollar from falling farther or from rising "to the extent that it becomes destabilizing to the adjustment process."

In effect, the new statement renewed the thrust of a currency agreement reached last February in Paris, known as the "Louvre accord," in which the major industrial democracies agreed to take steps to stabilize exchange rates around then-current levels.

"They're really back to where they were before, but the dollar isn't," said Stephen Marris of the Institute for International Economics, a privately funded economic research organization based in Washington.

"They just found another way of saying what they said before," Marris added.

Allen Sinai, chief economist for the Boston Company and Economic Advisers Inc., said the statement "sounds like a reiteration of the Louvre agreement."

"It is positive in that it indicates the Group of Seven countries are back on the track of cooperation," he said. "But whether it really makes a difference to the dollar is yet another issue. These countries are running out of ammunition."

Some analysts have suggested

that the original Louvre agreement, named after the Paris landmark where it was signed, called for dollar stability at too high a level and that propping up the dollar required the United States to raise interest rates, possibly contributing to the October stock market plunge.

Although these levels were never disclosed, they were widely believed to be around 140 yen and 1.8 marks. But since the stock market crash, the dollar plunged to levels far below these thresholds — to near 125 yen and 1.6 marks.

A weaker dollar makes imports more expensive while making U.S. goods more competitive abroad. Even though a declining dollar can help ease the U.S. trade deficit, too steep a tumble can rekindle inflation and drive up interest rates while wreaking havoc on export-driven economies like those of West Germany and Japan.

The dollar has fallen by about 50 percent against the mark and the yen since mid-1985, reaching new record lows in the weeks since the Oct. 19 stock market collapse.

Tuesday's statement accepts the reality of the recent dollar declines, but says, in effect, that enough is enough.

"It's obvious to all of us that exchange rate levels have changed since the Louvre (accord) was entered into," said a senior Reagan administration official, who briefed reporters only on condition of anonymity. However, the official added, "The process of policy coordination is alive and well."

The new statement cited agreement among the seven nations "that either excessive fluctuation of exchange rates, a further decline of the dollar or a rise in the dollar to an extent that becomes destabilizing to the adjustment process could be counterproductive by damaging growth prospects in the world economy."

The senior U.S. official suggested that finance leaders had decided upon upper target levels for the dollar.

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# Food

## 'Tis the season to indulge in cheesecakes

'Tis the season for cheesecake lovers everywhere to unite and share special variations of their most treasured indulgence. After all, a holiday just wouldn't be a holiday without a cheesecake.

James Beard once said that whoever thought up such a fantastically wonderful concoction deserves a statue in his memory. Unfortunately, no one has the slightest idea who he, or she, was. The best guess is that the originator might have been an ancient Greek, since cheesecakes of a very simple kind were offered as treats at that time.

In fact, the cheesecake is a rediscovery. In the 1700s, cheesecakes were a standard item in most family cookbooks. Those were the days when farmers laboriously made their own cheese, and the farm housewife created a variety of "chess pies," as they were referred to then. Around 30 years ago the cheesecake was found mostly in restaurants serving German, Austrian and French cuisine.

Today, the popularity of cheesecake rivals the apple pie as an American favorite, and modern cheesecake lovers need only go to the nearest food store for the makings of their favorite dessert.

The recipes offered here feature two new delectable cheesecakes created by the Kraft Kitchens especially for the cheesecake lover's holiday season.

"Light" neufchatel cheese, with 25 percent less fat and 20 percent fewer calories than cream cheese, can be substituted in each of these recipes and will perform the same as regular cream cheese.

This time of year is the sweetest time of the year. Good cooks share their finest and embrace the festive tradition of providing an abundant table for friends and family. These new cheesecakes serve well to herald the holiday season in the spirit of making and giving.

### GALA APRICOT CHEESECAKE

- 2 1/2 cups quick oats, uncooked
- 1/3rd cup packed brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 1/3rd cup margarine, melted
- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 1/3rd cup cold water
- 2 8-ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 2 tablespoons brandy
- 1/2 cup finely chopped dried apricots



### Gala Apricot Cheesecake and Chocolate Mint Meringue Cheesecake are two new delectable creations especially for the cheesecake lover's holiday season.

- 1 cup whipping cream, whipped
- 1 10-ounce jar apricot preserves
- 1 tablespoon brandy
- Combine oats, brown sugar, flour and margarine; press onto bottom and 1 1/2 inches up sides of 9-inch springform pan. Bake at 350°, 15 minutes.
- Soften gelatin in water; stir over low heat until dissolved. Combine cream cheese and granulated sugar, mixing at medium speed on electric mixer until well blended. Gradually add gelatin and brandy to cream cheese mixture, mixing until well blended. Chill until slightly thickened; fold in apricots and whipped cream. Pour into crust; chill until firm.
- Heat combined preserves and brandy over low heat; cool. Spoon over cheesecake.
- Makes 10 to 12 servings.
- CHOCOLATE MINT MERINGUE CHEESECAKE**
- 1 cup chocolate wafer crumbs
- 3 tablespoons margarine, melted
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 3 8-ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 2/3rd cup sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup chocolate mint pieces, melted
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 egg whites
- 1 7-ounce jar marshmallow creme
- Combine crumbs, margarine and sugar; press onto bottom of 9-inch springform pan. Bake at 350°, 10 minutes.
- Combine cream cheese and sugar, mixing at medium speed on electric mixer until well blended. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing well after each addition. Blend in chocolate mint and vanilla; pour over crust. Bake at 350°, 50 minutes. Loosen cake from rim of pan; cool before removing rim of pan. Chill.
- Beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Gradually add marshmal-

low creme, beating until stiff peaks form. Carefully spread over top of cheesecake to seal. Bake at 450°, 3 to 4 minutes or until lightly browned. Makes 10 to 12 servings.

Dramatic endings to festive feasts are an important part of holiday merrymaking. As much as opening the brightly-wrapped gifts, spectacular desserts are eagerly anticipated as the season draws near.

Show-stopping desserts that taste of tradition can be surprisingly easy to prepare. With the help of marshmallow creme, preparation is streamlined, creamy-smooth texture is ensured, and results are party-perfect every time.

The following creations from the Kraft Kitchens showcase favorite festive flavors — cranberry and pumpkin — in new make-ahead desserts that are sure to become Christmas classics. Quick and easy to prepare, each will serve a holiday crowd.

Cranmallow Cheesecake is a happy ending with a delicate cranberry flavor and the added richness of cream cheese and whipping cream. Perfect for dessert throughout the season, it has a light yet luscious texture — especially welcome after a big meal. For extra holiday flair, garnish with whole cranberries and mint sprigs.

Pumpkin Pecan Spice Squares delight with a taste-tempting "twist" on tradition. Accented with lively spices, they boast a creamy-smooth pumpkin filling, lightly sweetened with marshmallow creme, and a gingersnap crumb crust. Fine-textured and velvety, the squares are irresistible when topped with a dollop of whipped cream and sprinkled with pecan halves — the perfect ending to a holiday feast.

### CRANMALLOW CHEESECAKE

- 1/4 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 1/2 cup finely chopped macadamia nuts
- 1/4 cup margarine, melted
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 2 8-ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 1 7-ounce jar marshmallow creme
- 1 16-ounce can whole berry cranberry sauce
- 1 cup whipping cream, whipped



### Light and luscious Cranmallow Cheesecake is an easy, elegant grand finale to a holiday meal.

- Combine crumbs, nuts, margarine and sugar; press onto bottom of 9-inch springform pan. Bake at 350°, 10 minutes; cool.
- Soften gelatin in water; stir over low heat until dissolved. Combine cream cheese and marshmallow creme, mixing at medium speed on electric mixer until well blended. Gradually add gelatin and cranberry sauce, mixing until well blended. Fold in whipped cream; pour over crust. Chill until firm. Garnish with fresh cranberries and mint sprigs, if desired.
- Makes 10 to 12 servings.
- Variation: Substitute 1/2 cup finely chopped walnuts for macadamia nuts.
- PUMPKIN PECAN SPICE SQUARES**
- 2 cups gingersnap cookie crumbs
- 1/2 cup finely chopped pecans
- 1/3rd cup margarine, melted
- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatin
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1 16-ounce can pumpkin
- 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- 1 cup whipping cream, whipped
- Combine crumbs, chopped pecans and margarine; press onto bottom of 13 x 9-inch baking pan. Bake at 350°, 10 minutes; cool.
- Soften gelatin in water; stir over low heat until dissolved. Gradually add milk to marshmallow creme, mixing with electric mixer or wire whisk until well blended. Gradually add pumpkin, spice and gelatin mixture, mixing until well blended. Chill until thickened but not set. Fold in whipped cream. Pour over crust; chill until firm. Cut into squares. Before serving, top with additional whipped cream and pecan halves, if desired.
- Makes approximately 1 dozen.

### Cook a pot of oyster stew for holiday eve

By NANCY BYAL  
Better Homes and Gardens  
Food Editor

Oyster stew for Christmas Eve supper is a tradition my husband's family has observed for years. Recently we've begun adding vegetables and we like the new stew even better.

### OYSTER STEW WITH VEGETABLES

- 1/2 of a 16-ounce package frozen mixed broccoli, cauliflower and carrots (about 2 cups)
- 1 small onion, cut into thin wedges
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 teaspoon instant chicken bouillon granules
- 1/2 teaspoon white pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- Two 12-ounce cans evaporated skim milk
- 1 pint shucked oysters or two 8-ounce cans whole oysters

Cut up any large vegetables. In a 3-quart saucepan combine vegetables, onion, water, bouillon granules, pepper and bay leaf. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Cover and simmer 5 to 7 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender. Do not drain. Stir in evaporated milk; heat through. Add undrained oysters to vegetable mixture. Cook about 5 minutes or until edges of oysters curl, stirring frequently. (If using canned oysters, just heat through.) Remove bay leaf. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 199 cal., 20 g pro., 23 g carbo., 3 g fat, 55 mg chol., 612 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 44 percent vit. A, 66 percent vit. C, 37 percent riboflavin, 40 percent calcium, 39 percent iron, 40 percent phosphorus.

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# Lifestyles

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,  
My name is Jessica and I am 5 yrs. old. I would like a "Grubby" worm to go with my "Teddy Ruxpin" and some tapes & books for them, too.  
I have a sister named Lindsey, who is 15 mo. old. Could you bring her some thing too. Some candy & stocking stuffers would be nice, too.  
Tell Rudolf and the elves "hi."

Love  
Jessica

Dear Santa,  
My name is Christopher and I am 5 yrs. old. I would like a remote control car and a Ghostbusters' gun. Some candy & stocking stuffers would be nice, too.  
I have tried to be good all year and will leave you some milk & cookies.

Love,  
Christopher

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Aaron Childress. I am 4 years old. Please bring me a purple scooter, a sleeping bag and Lincoln Logs. My sister's name is Keisha, she is 1 year old. She would like a Puffalump and a sleeping bag.  
Santa, I hope you have a Merry Christmas, and please be careful. I also hope you'll help all little kids have a good Christmas.  
I'll leave you some cookies and milk on the table. Be sure and look at the birthday cake for Jesus that we made.

We love you Santa,  
Aaron & Keisha  
Childress

Dear Santa Clase,  
I want a scooter and a casio and a little lamp.

For mommy a necklace.  
For daddy a gospel tape.  
For Michelle some purfume.  
For Jimmy a guitar.

From Misty Wortham  
1821 N. Christy  
Pampa, Texas 79065

Have a merry Christmas.

Dear Santa Claus,  
My name is Monty Utzman. I am 8 years old. I go to Horace Mann. I would like Tesstorosa remote control car. I have been a very very good boy. I will leave a snack for you.

Love,  
Monty

Dear Santa,  
Would you bring me a dolly, a flashlight, and a bunch of play food, also I want some earrings. I Love You very much.

Love,  
Jocelyn Jacks  
(3 years old)

Dear Santa Claus,  
How have you been doing at the North Pole? I hope Mrs. Clause is doing okay. Is there lots of snow there? Tell all your elves I said hello.  
I am in Kindergarten now. I do lots of good papers. Thank you for the toys you gave me last year, especially the soccer ball. Oh yea, how's Rudolph, is he getting bigger?  
Please bring me some film for my camera, like you did last year. Please bring me Pig-Pong game, a scooter, a pogo ball & a Baby Grows. Also I want everybody to be nice to each other all the time. Hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Love  
Jancee' Jacks  
6 yrs. old

Dear Santa:  
My name is Ryan Chisum. And I'm 3 & 1/2 yrs old. I have been a good boy this year. Please

bring me a football and a car for Christmas. Please bring my baby sister, Marlee, a stuffed toy and a rattle. She is only 3 1/2 mo. old.  
I love you,  
Ryan

Dear Santa Claus,  
my name is Laramie. I am 8 years old. I have a brother named Brooke. he is five years old.

I like these kind of toys: Lego Technic with power supply, radio control vehicle, Crash & Bash, scooter.  
Brooke likes: radio control vehicle, scooter, Lazer tag, Nintendo, army bricks.  
Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
I want a Baby Heather and a crimping iron. Please bring me some more extra things. I am 6 years old and have been a good girl. I love you Santa. Thank-you.

Tiffany Watson

Dear Santa,  
I am 3 years old. I would like you to bring me some new cop cars, a new "My Buddy" and a telephone. I like candy too. I am a good boy.

I love you,  
Clinton Watson

Dear Sate Nick,  
I Wish that I could draw you good. But I can't Becuaes I don't no what you look like. can you send me a picheer of you pleses. If you can I will be very proud. thank you!

Love,  
Misty Chisum

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy.  
I have been wanting a freestyle bike and a skate bard or a scooter.  
I am 10 years old.

Love,  
David Quisenberry

Dear Santa,  
I am 2 years old. I am a good girl. I would like a pickup and bike and a skateboard and a scooter and a baby doll. I will leave milk and cookies for you.

Love,  
Tandi

Dear Santa,  
I thank you should pick the best Christmas trees. I want you to know that I want have a big Christmas. Because my dad worked at Cee-lenes. I'll tell you what I want for Christmas o.k. I want baby Heather, and roller darbes and barby ice cream shoup. And a computer and a little white puppe and baby grow". You go to the bare and ther will be soming to eat and drink. Will I guese I better be going becouse Buck James in coming on know! By!!!

Sine,  
Kaysi

Santa,  
For Christmas I won't a LeClic camera at the Food Emporeum, gets clothes at Bells, Mickey Mouse watch at J.C. Pennys, talking Mickey Mouse at Wal Mart, fish at Wal Mart, the shirt jacket that I tried on at Anthonys and a telephone.

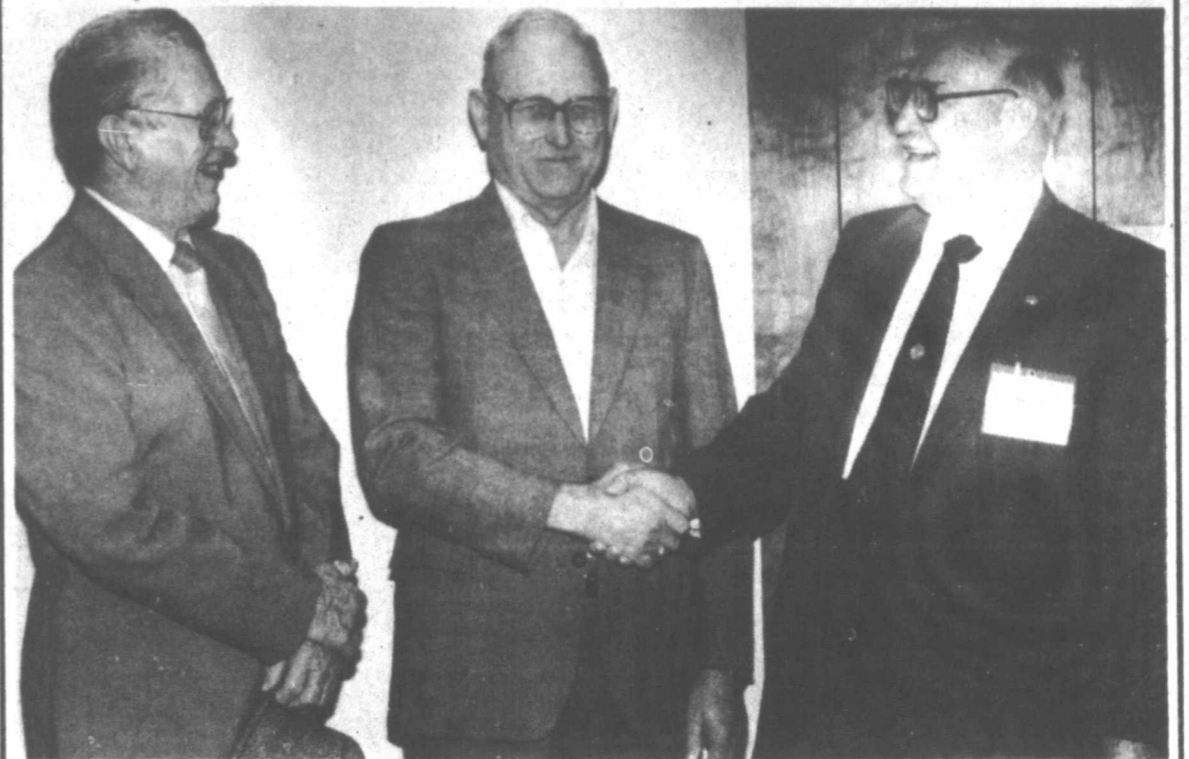
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Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. I want a corn silk doll. I'm 6 years old. I will lave you a snack.

Love,  
Duste Quisenberry

## New president



Billy C. Cox, center, was installed as the new president of American Association of Retired Persons Chapter 1198, Area 7, in Pampa during installation ceremonies at 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center. Immediate past president of the local chapter is George H. Flaherty, left. Installing officer was Melvin C. Kunkel, right, of Amarillo, assistant state director for AARP in Texas. (Staff Photo)

## Husband's noisy sleeping grinds away at marriage

DEAR ABBY: If you are asked if it's OK to sleep together before marriage, please say yes — if only for one night and no hanky-panky. This is a second marriage for both of us. Frank and I have been married for three months and I've hardly slept a wink. Why? Because Frank grinds his teeth in his sleep. It's worse when he's under a lot of tension.

I've asked him to see his dentist about the possible damage he's doing to his teeth and to get fit for a teeth guard, but he says there's no damage to his teeth and he can't sleep with an appliance in his mouth.

What can I do? I've tried to awaken him when the noise becomes intolerable, but he's a very deep sleeper and won't wake up even when I kick or slap him. Abby, I love Frank, but I'm growing very resentful. Don't suggest separate bedrooms. He says he didn't get married to sleep alone. Help me.

NO SLEEPING BEAUTY  
IN TAMPA

DEAR NO BEAUTY: You don't say how long Frank's been grinding his teeth in his sleep, but something's got to give — and it will be Frank's teeth. A custom-made teeth guard for night wear would be well worth the trouble and investment, but to get to the root of the grinding problem, another kind of doctor may be able to reduce Frank's tension.



Dear Abby  
Abigail Van Buren

But that's another letter. Frank says he didn't get married to sleep alone. Well, tell him frankly that you didn't get married to stay up all night, so the next move is his, or you are moving — to the couch.

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter from "Capt. Dave Thurston," who met his wife through your first Operation Dear Abby when he was stationed at Korat Air Force Base in Thailand in 1966.

Well, a Sgt. Bill Asher was stationed at the same air base when all those letters arrived. He answered a letter from Marilyn Fleming, a Southern California girl, and they started a correspondence. They met in February of 1968 and were married three months later.

Bill was reassigned to Japan, and their first two daughters, Shelli and Tammy, were born in Tokyo, and a

third daughter, Tina, was born in California.

I know this story well because I happen to be their eldest daughter. I just want to say thank you, Abby. If it weren't for you, I wouldn't be here and neither would my sisters.

I'm wondering how many other "happy endings" came about because of Operation Dear Abby?

SHELLI ASHER,  
CLOVIS, CALIF.

DEAR SHELLI: So do I. Readers?

DEAR ABBY: I read the letter from "Margaret W." who had found a wallet containing \$400. When she returned it to the owner, all she got was a hasty thank-you.

I can go her one better than that. My daughter, who manages a store in a shopping mall, found a billfold in the parking lot. It contained \$300 in cash and several credit cards. My daughter went back to the store, telephoned the owner, and told her that her wallet had been found.

The next morning, a woman in her early 20s came to the store, identified herself and asked for her wallet. When my daughter handed it to her, the woman said, "I had \$300 in this billfold, and all I have to say to you, young lady, is it had all better be in here!"

TOPPED MARGARET

## Computers spark new office design

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Use of computers to increase productivity must be followed by a new look at office space and furniture if the investment in hardware, software and training are to pay off, a national survey indicates.

The study suggests furniture and office arrangements designed to help workers use computers will replace cost of space and employee productivity as the leading issue in office design in the next decade. The survey was commissioned by Steelcase Inc., manufacturer of office furniture.

Of the interior designers polled, 78 percent said they now considered the specific needs of computer users when working on office designs, emphasizing the need for soft lighting to avoid glare on the computer screen.

A 66 percent majority of workers surveyed say they use a computer in the office, with 21 percent working at a computer five or six hours a day. Three-fourths of these employees are at least "somewhat comfortable" with the work space and furniture set up for computer use. The rest complain that the equipment takes up too much space and that the table holding the computer is too high.

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# Today's Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- 1 Ear (comb. form)
- 4 Conductor — Mehta
- 9 One — kind
- 12 Over (poet.)
- 13 In readiness (2 wds.)
- 14 Bullfight cheer
- 15 Girl's nickname
- 16 Seeps out
- 17 Frenzied
- 18 On the left (neut.)
- 20 Coarse cord
- 22 Bitter nut
- 23 Baseball player
- 26 Shabby clothing
- 27 Gum trees
- 29 Stretch out
- 30 Annex
- 31 Possesses
- 33 — Guevara
- 34 Bank payment (abbr.)
- 35 Greek letter
- 37 Walks
- 41 Ship
- 42 Small bird
- 43 Electric fish
- 45 O come — faithful
- 47 — Welles
- 48 After Oct.
- 49 Zero
- 53 Health resort
- 54 Three (pref.)
- 55 Language peculiarity
- 56 Always (poet.)
- 57 Navy ship pref.
- 58 Author Joyce Carol —

**DOWN**

- 1 Tea type
- 2 Beverage container
- 3 Imitation gold
- 4 — suit
- 5 Numero —
- 6 Show —
- 7 Frozen dessert
- 8 Cozy home
- 9 Eskimo boat
- 10 Projecting rim
- 11 Mosquito genus
- 19 Excessive grasping
- 21 Fighter
- 23 Most elderly
- 24 As far as
- 25 Leisure garment (comp. wd.)
- 28 Anglo-Saxon letter

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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**GEECH**



By Jerry Bittle

**Astro-Graph**

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**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Your customary caution and reserve aren't likely to be your dominant traits today. Your behavior will both surprise and please everyone with whom you'll be involved. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** You're now in an interesting cycle where the more you give, the more you are likely to get back in return. However, what you receive may come from different sources.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Others may sit around wishing for things to happen today, but you're actively doing that which is necessary to make your hopes a reality.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You are in an interesting, favorable cycle where destiny could place you in the right spot at just the right time. You could reap a harvest in areas that you have neither ploughed nor sown.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Conditions in general are extremely pleasing for you at present. It looks like a long-standing wish may soon be fulfilled.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Make a dedicated effort to work hand-and-glove with your mate today regarding a goal both have in common. Excellent results can be achieved if you pull as a team.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Harmonious conditions are in the offing today. Benefits of various sizes are likely to be derived from everyone with whom you'll be involved.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You are likely to be more ingenious than usual today in your management of side ventures, especially those which could yield rewards for you or your loved ones.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** This should be a rather exciting day for you socially. Don't pass up an invitation to go some place different where you may meet someone new.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** You'll be happiest today being with people with whom you have strong emotional bonds. Gather your clan around you and share a merry event.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Wherever you go today and whatever you do, you are destined to be the center of attraction. Others will be drawn to you as a moth is drawn to a candle.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** A friend may impulsively offer you something of considerable value today. This person's feelings will be hurt if you don't accept it in the spirit in which it is offered.

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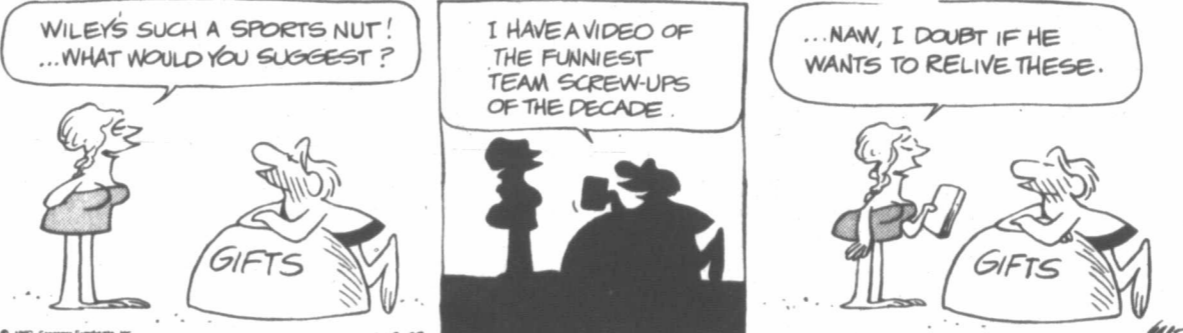
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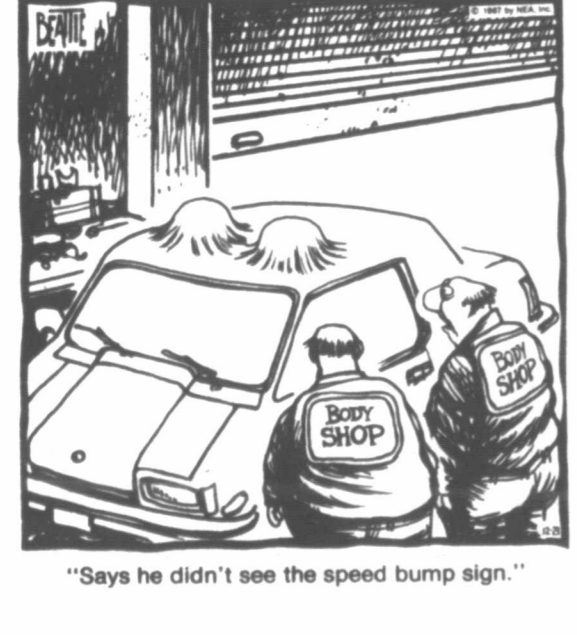
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# Sports

## Virginia outlasts BYU in All American Bowl

By HOYT HARWELL  
Associated Press Writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — With just two bowl appearances in 99 years of football, the University of Virginia is still in its postseason apprenticeship and yet to taste defeat.

"I came in with a bowl win and I'm going out with a bowl win," senior defensive end Sean Scott said Tuesday night after the Cavaliers beat bowl-seasoned Brigham Young 22-16 in the All American Bowl.

"There's nothing sweeter," said Scott, a holdover from 1984, when Virginia beat Purdue in the Peach Bowl.

Quarterback Scott Secules passed for 162 yards and Kevin Morgan and Marcus Wilson ran for 82 and 77 yards respectively as Virginia finished 8-4. The Cavaliers, runners-up in the Atlantic Coast Conference, won despite a 394-yard passing show by Sean Covey of the 9-4 Cougars, second in the Western Athletic Conference.

David Miles caught 10 of Covey's passes for 188 yards, including a 50-yard reception that led to the game's first score, a 20-yard field goal by Leonard Chitty.

But Virginia countered with two touchdowns, on runs of 2 yards by Secules and 25 by Morgan, to take a 14-3 halftime lead.

"We came in trying to establish the run and we did a good job on the ground," Secules said of Virginia's 187 rushing yards.

BYU made it 14-9 in the third period when Fred Whittingham, the Cougars' leading runner, took it

in from the 8.

The teams traded scores in the final period. Virginia got eight points on Secules' 22-yard touchdown pass to John Ford and his conversion pass to Wilson. Covey threw 1 yard to Whittingham to end the scoring.

BYU failed on two late possessions. On the first one, Virginia stopped Covey for no gain on fourth-and-one, and on the other, Covey threw four straight incomplete passes.

"Give Virginia credit, but we hurt ourselves with a dropped touchdown pass, a muffed extra point and other things," BYU Coach LaVell Edwards said. "Basically, we did it all out there to spoil our chances."

But Scott was convinced Virginia had a big role in BYU's failure.

"As a defensive unit, it was our best game this year," he said. "They said it would be an air show but they only scored 16 points. I'm proud of our defensive effort."

He had a right to be. He made the crucial tackle with 3:50 left when Covey failed on fourth and one at the BYU 46. Scott stopped him on a rollout.

But the Cougars felt they were given a bad spot by the officials.

"I thought we had it (a first down). The play was right in front of me," Edwards said.

Covey agreed.

"The ball was clearly a foot over the marker," he said. "We had the momentum going then, and who knows what would have happened. But I'm not making any excuses. We had our chances."



Cavalier quarterback Scott Secules plunges across goal line.

## Magical numbers for Missouri scoring ace

By The Associated Press

On a night Illinois again had Missouri's number, Derrick Chievous passed one of college basketball's magic numerals.

The Fighting Illini beat No. 17 Missouri 75-63 Tuesday night for their fifth straight victory over the Tigers and sixth in seven meetings.

Chievous, despite a woeful 6-for-20 performance from the field, scored his 2,000th point to extend his own scoring mark at Missouri.

Nick Anderson scored 18 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for Illinois, 8-2, but the sophomore wanted to talk defense, especially how he and Steve Bardo combined to shut down Chievous.

"We were just trying to stop him from getting the ball, beat him to the position," Anderson said of Chievous, who scored 15 points but had entered the game averaging 23. "He's a great player, but I think the defense got to him a little bit. He wasn't making the shots he normally makes."

Missouri Coach Norm Stewart blasted Chievous for not taking those shots.

"He had the post man's creed — shoot the ball and continue to shoot the ball until your arms drop off, no matter who's open,"

Stewart said. "He should have given it (ball) up."

Chievous, who now has 2,011 points, said it was simply an off night.

"Frustration is not in my vocabulary," Chievous said. "All good players have bad nights, and I had a bad night."

In other games involving ranked teams, No. 1 Arizona beat Washington State 89-55; No. 5 Wyoming defeated Boise State 59-55 and No. 10 Purdue downed Texas Tech 82-59.

No. 1 Arizona 89, Washington State 55

Arizona was playing its first game since attaining its first-ever No. 1 ranking on Monday and the Wildcats lived up to the billing.

Sean Elliott and Steve Kerr scored 20 points apiece as the visiting Wildcats, who jumped to a 9-0 lead, improved to 10-0 overall and 2-0 in the Pac-10.

No. 10 Purdue 82, Texas Tech 59  
Melvin McCants scored 19 points to lead the Boilermakers to the easy home victory.

After Texas Tech, 3-4, had closed within 22-18, McCants outscored the Red Raiders 8-3 in the next 90 seconds and Purdue, 8-1, was on its way.

Troy Lewis added 17 points for Purdue.



Illinois, Missouri players grapple for ball.

## Longhorns prepare for Pitt's 'Ironhead'

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Texas Coach David McWilliams said the Longhorns must find a way to do something no other Pitt opponent has done: stop 270-pound All-American running back Craig "Ironhead" Heyward.

McWilliams said Tuesday he's getting no help from his defensive backs as he puts together a game plan for the Bluebonnet Bowl game on Dec. 31 in Houston.

McWilliams said trying to defend a running back who has rushed for 1,655 yards would be a big challenge "even if he (Heyward) didn't weigh more than most of our defensive tackles, like he does."

"Our front seven had better stop him, because our defensive backs have already told me there's nothing in their scholarships that says they have to tackle a guy that big," McWilliams said in a telephone interview.

Heyward has gained at least 100 yards in all 11 of Pitt's games "and not even some of the best defenses in the country," McWilliams said. "Not only does he have power, he has moves. That's scary."

McWilliams said the New Year's Eve bowl could serve as a preview of the 1988 Heisman Trophy race. Texas is led by junior tailback Eric Metcalf.

"It's no secret what Texas is going to do, they're going to come out and run the ball and get it to Metcalf," said Pitt linebacker Jerry Wall. "He's very comparable to Blair Thomas of Penn State because he's got moves and has speed."

Pitt Coach Mike Gottfried said Texas, 6-5, has a big edge because the Longhorns will be playing in their home state, but McWilliams laughed when he heard that.

"It's not an advantage to me, that's a disadvantage," McWilliams said. "We lost to Houston 60-40 in the Astrodome and I don't think our team has real good feel-

ings about going back in that dome. I wish they were playing the game at Rice Stadium."

Pittsburgh is simply happy to be playing in a bowl game, period. After making nine consecutive bowl game trips from 1975 through 1983, the Panthers haven't played in one since.

Gottfried said playing in a bowl is important not only for his seniors, who've never made a post-season trip, but for Pitt's recruiting.

"It's a great reward for our guys," Gottfried said. "And our recruiting is going as well as can be expected. We have commitments from seven or eight players and four or five others are real close to committing. We're doing as about as well as we can do."

Because of recruiting, final exams and poor weather, Gottfried said Pitt, 8-3, has practiced only four times since beating Kent State 28-5 on Nov. 21. The Panthers will fly to Houston on Christmas Day, practice that day, then practice twice on Dec. 26 before resuming a normal workout routine.

"I know you're supposed to go to a bowl to have fun, but we're also going to play a game," Gottfried said.

Gottfried was asked if Heyward will go to Gilley's in Houston to ride its famous mechanical bull. "I don't think they're going to let him get on that thing," Gottfried said.

"I don't think that's what on his mind. All he's asked me for is a list of restaurants," Gottfried said.

Meanwhile, Gottfried said at least five Pitt seniors will play in post-season all-star games. Cornerback Gary Richard will play in the Japan Bowl and the East-West Shrine Game. Defensive end Jon Carter and cornerback Quintin Jones will play in the Hula Bowl, and Jones will play in the Senior Bowl.

## Cowboys host Cardinals to close regular season

By DENNE H. FREEMAN  
AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Now that he's received his Christmas present from the team, Dallas Cowboys Coach Tom Landry may give one to two of his players Sunday by playing Paul McDonald and Kevin Sweeney.

It all hinges on Saturday's Minnesota-Washington NFL game — if Minnesota wins, it automatically knocks the St. Louis Cardinals out of the playoffs and frees Landry to give some of his reserves liberal playing time.

The Cowboys and Cardinals meet at noon CST Sunday in a regular-season finale at Texas Stadium.

"I might take a shot at playing McDonald and Sweeney if nothing is at stake," Landry said Tuesday. "I'd be tempted to try some guys who haven't worked to see what they could do."

"If the Cardinals are still in it, then I'm going with my strongest lineup with either Steve Pelluer or Danny White at quarterback."

The veteran McDonald hasn't played a down with the Cowboys. Rookie Sweeney was Dallas' quarterback in the three replacement games.

Landry praised Pelluer, who directed the Cowboys to an upset 29-21 victory over the Los Angeles Rams Monday night, knocking them out of the playoffs.

"I asked the team in the war-rooms to give me a break, to put something under my Christmas tree," Landry said. "They did. Pelluer handled himself with a lot of poise. He moved the team and didn't make any big mistakes. That game helped him a lot. I couldn't see many things to fault him on."

The Cowboys snapped a four-game losing streak with their first victory in December since 1985.

"We were happy to have anything happen good," Landry said.

Landry got some bad news when doctors operated on linebacker Jesse Penn for a broken leg. "I'd be tempted to try something under my Christmas tree," Landry said. "They did. Pelluer handled himself with a lot of poise. He moved the team and didn't make any big mistakes. That game helped him a lot. I couldn't see many things to fault him on."

"We broke our own legs this time," Landry said. "Steve DeOssie fell on Penn."

Landry said he said he certainly wasn't going to take it easy on former assistant Gene Stallings, the Cardinals' coach.

## Pampa girls entered in Slaton tourney

By L.D. STRATE  
Sports Editor

Although it's just speculation right now, Levelland and Canyon may not be the top guns in the District 1-4A girls' basketball war next season.

Pampa High girls' coach Albert Nichols has heard a mixture of rumors concerning the fate of the two powerhouses before the reclassification schedule is announced by the UIL next month.

"I've visited with a lot of people who say Levelland will be going south into a district," Nichols said. "Of course, that's on down the road. Right now, we're concerned with getting into the playoffs this year."

Nichols has heard conflicting reports that either part or half of the Canyon varsity players will be transferred to Valleyview (the new high school in Canyon) next season.

"Right now it's just a guessing deal until the boundaries are set," Nichols said. "I feel like the Canyon athletic program is going to be hurt next year because they just won't have the numbers. It's going to be a lot of difference in our district."

Levelland and Canyon have been the dominant teams in the district. Levelland has won the Class 4A state title the past two seasons while Canyon is currently the state's No. 1 team, according to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

Pampa sports a 9-4 record going into the Christmas break with two of those losses coming against Levelland and Canyon. One loss came against Big Spring, ranked No. 7 by TABC, while the other setback was to Amarillo Caprock, a

Class 5A school.

The Lady Harvesters (2-2 in district play) have climbed into the TABC's No. 10 spot, up two places from last season.

"We're following along just about like last year when we were playing a lot of the ranked teams in the state," Nichols said.

The Lady Harvesters are entered in the West Texas Girls Invitational Dec. 29-31 in Slaton. Their first-round opponent is Perryton at 5 p.m. Dec. 29.

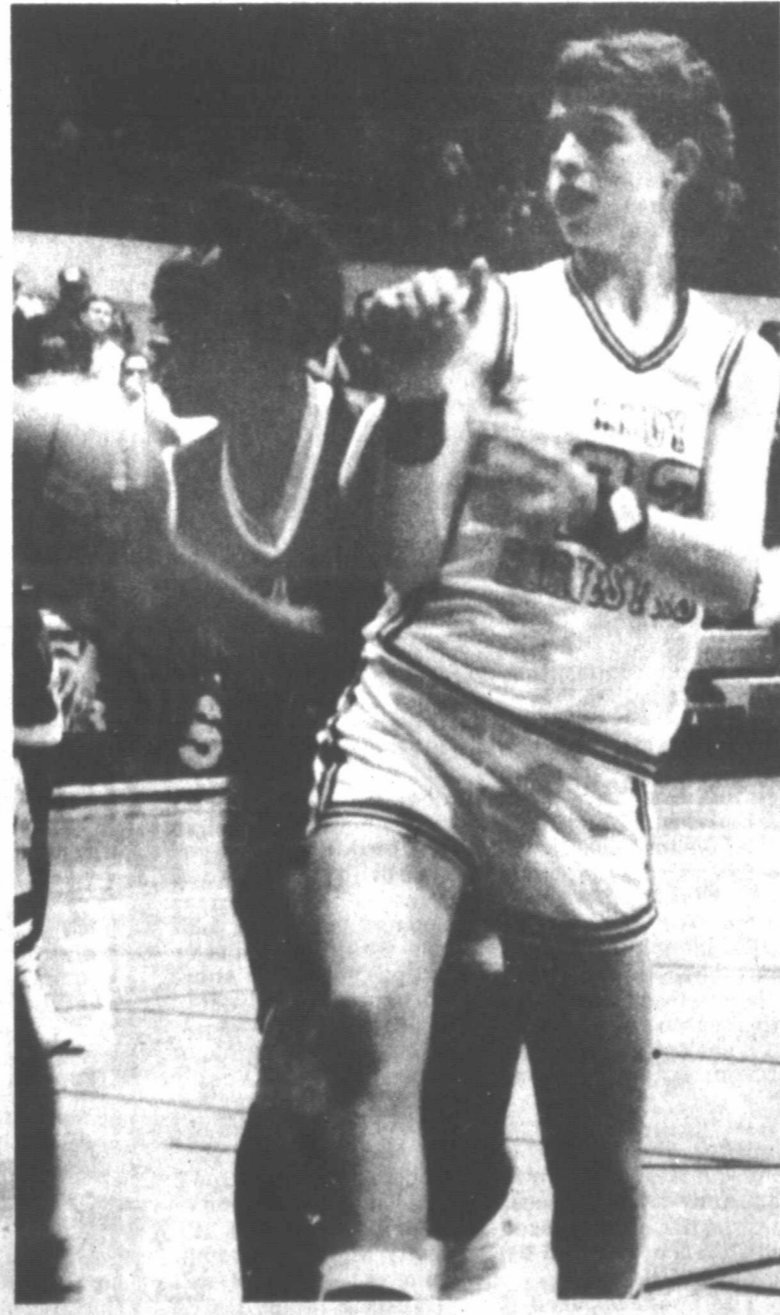
"Perryton is small, but they have some shooters and some quickness. We'll try to dominate them inside and also use our speed to get some fast breaks going," Nichols said. "The fast breaks have made us winners before."

The tournament finals will be played at 7 p.m. Thursday. Starting guard Shelly Thompson, who suffering a severely-sprained ankle in the Canyon game, is almost ready to return to action, Nichols said.

Levelland is also entered in the West Texas Tournament, setting up the possibility of another meeting between the Lady Lobos and the Lady Harvesters before a Jan. 15 district clash. Levelland meets Roosevelt in first-round action at 2 p.m. Dec. 29.

Leading Pampa's scoring attack is 5-11 junior Yolanda Brown, who is averaging 23.3 points per game. Senior guard Tacy Stoddard is scoring at a 11.0 ppg clip while senior forward Keitha Clark is third on the team in scoring at 8.9 ppg.

"I feel like if we meet Levelland in the tournament and play them a close game, we've got a good chance to upset them when we catch them at home," Nichols said.



Stoddard averages 11.0 ppg for Lady Harvesters.

# Sports

## Mavs top Bulls

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago Bulls Coach Doug Collins says there is a direct relationship between the Bulls' slipping in enthusiasm and their slipping in the standings.

Chicago sprinted to a 10-3 record in November and found themselves atop the Central Division standings. But after Tuesday night's 111-100 loss to the Dallas Mavericks, the Bulls are 5-6 in December and clinging to third place in the division.

"We lost our drive to win," said Collins, who held a 20-minute closed-door meeting with his players after the game. "We've got to self-analyze what we're doing wrong. To get it back, we've got to work harder, and the players are going to have to give a little more."

"Sometimes you can get put to sleep after early success in a season," Collins said. "We've lost some of our desire to do the necessary dirty work it takes to win. We're not a very good team right now. We're very fortunate to be 15-9."

The man who took the wind out of the Bulls' sails Tuesday was Mark Aguirre. Aguirre, who grew up in Chicago and played college basketball at DePaul, scored 32 points, all in the first three quarters, to make his homecoming special.

"It's always great to play in your hometown," said Aguirre, who wasn't needed in the fourth quarter as the Mavericks built a 20-point lead. "It's a dream for

everyone. I'm really happy. You can't help but think about it."

Derek Harper added 20 points for Dallas, Rolando Blackman had 19, and James Donaldson had 18 rebounds.

"This was an excellent game for us," said Dallas Coach John MacLeod. "Chicago is a tremendous team. We controlled the defensive boards and had very good balance between our running game and our half-court offense."

Dallas held Michael Jordan to 28 points, six less than his average, but MacLeod was no less impressed.

"What he faces every night is like a championship fight," MacLeod said of Jordan. "Psychologically, everyone is up for him because you're facing the best. Yet he rises to the occasion every night. He's like Kareem in his earlier years."

The Mavericks broke the game open early in the fourth quarter when, ahead by six, they outscored the Bulls 16-4 to lead by 18. Two free throws by Sam Perkins capped a 10-0 Dallas run and gave the Mavericks a 101-83 lead with 6:33 to play.

Chicago never got closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

Aguirre said it's the Mavericks' "family atmosphere" that gives them an advantage, and he credited first-year coach MacLeod with initiating it.

"This team is more close-knit," said Aguirre.



Mavs' Mark Aguirre looks for a shot.

## Yankees, Mariners make five-player trade

By JIM COUR  
AP Sports Writer

SEATTLE — A five-player trade with New York Yankees, bringing left-handed pitcher Steve Trout and outfielder Henry Cotto to Seattle, should help the Mariners immediately, club president Chuck Armstrong says.

"We like this trade very much," he said Tuesday.

In return, the Yankees received three pitchers; left-hander Lee Guetterman and right-handers Clay Parker and Wade Taylor. Guetterman and Parker were added to the

Yankees' 40-man roster, while Taylor was assigned to Fort Lauderdale of the Florida State League.

The trade is the third major deal between the clubs in eight years. In 1979, the Mariners traded outfielder Ruppert Jones and pitcher Jim Lewis to New York for pitchers Jim Beattie and Rick Anderson, outfielder Juan Beniquez and catcher Jerry Narron. In 1982, the Mariners shipped pitcher Shane Rawley to the Yankees for pitchers Gene Nelson and Bill Caudill and outfielder Bobby Brown.

"I think the deal has the potential for really helping us in 1988," Armstrong said. "We

gave up something in the future in Parker and Taylor, but we think this really helps us for next season."

Guetterman was the key player in the deal for the Yankees.

"Guetterman has the ability to start and relieve," General Manager Lou Piniella said. "He will get a chance to make our starting rotation, but should the starting staff become too crowded, he would be used effectively out of the bullpen."

Guetterman, 29, was 11-4 with a 3.81 earned run average for the Mariners last season.

## Plano draws closer to state football record

FOOTBALL PLAYOFF LEFTOVERS...

Unbelievably, at almost the same moment, identical scenarios were being played out at two different locations last Saturday night.

In Abilene, a sophomore was going to attempt a final-play field goal the Class A championship. In Austin, a sophomore was going to attempt a final-play field goal to win the Class AA championship. A crowd of 2,500 in Shotwell Stadium (named after legendary Coach Pete, brother of the late Frank Shotwell of Pampa) saw untested, reserve kicker Sam Zepeda boot himself into the memory book with a successful 19-yarder to give Wheeler the crown. At Memorial Stadium, 7,588 saw Joe Richard Castellano forced into the role when the regular place kicker was injured last week, miss from 32 yards, giving the title to Lorena's Leopards.

In the event of a tie, a championship is not automatic. Coaches have the option of using the UIL statistical tie-breaker system, a plan decided on by the two Class 2A finalist coaches. And it took a circus catch of a two-point extra point pass play with four minutes re-

maining to provide the ultimate one-point victory, preserved by the missed FG in Austin.

About the controversial sudden-death plan to settle tie games being proposed by some coaches, our face-to-face survey of coaches involved in the 5A playoffs shows total support for the current system. Two said they would accept whatever was approved by the UIL; all others liked the current method.

Those who want a sudden-death tie-breaker appear to be doing it for a selfish reason, failing to remember the game is still for the kids at the high school level, not for the coaches, fans or media. By playing to a co-championship, the athletes have a two-out-of-three chance of being a champion, with an outright win or tie; with the sudden-death win-or-lose proposal, the percentage is 50-50 of being a loser. The kids, after all that hard work, deserve the best odds.

The winningest football coach in history agrees. Brownwood's Gordon Wood, visiting before the 5A title game Saturday and as our halftime radio guest, endorsed the current system. Wood, who won 405 games

## Sports Forum

By Warren Hasse



while losing only 88 in 44 seasons and now retired, said: "I don't do nothing until noon, and then I work hard the rest of day doing the same thing." John McKissack, coach at Somerville, S.C. High School is in pursuit of Wood's victory record. "John's a friend of mine," said the robust looking Wood, "and I'll be with him next month (at the NCAA convention in Nashville)."

Rain fell on Austin for 24 hours prior to scheduled noon kickoff of the 5A game, saving the heaviest downpour for about 11 a.m. when a tornado passed near the area. As the wind-driven moisture fell, flooding the field and turning concrete steps into foam-covered waterfalls, enthusiastic Plano fans refused to budge from their weather-exposed visitor's side seats for the shelter available 10 yards

away under the stands.

In the officials' dressing room, referee Bob Miller headed the Austin crew charged with handling the contest. "God doesn't rain on good referees," Miller told me. And he was right on both counts. He's a good referee, and the rain had been reduced to light mist by kickoff and sunshine and blue skies by the end of the scoreless first period. For Miller, the game marked the final officiating job of a 35-year career. The Moline, Illinois native was working his last football game in a striped shirt, just as he ended his basketball career officiating a state championship game and his baseball umpiring in the school-boy state tournament.

Thanks, Bob!

Only the Texas Sports-writers' Association pre-season poll picked Plano to repeat

as big school champions. Maybe they're smarter than we think. Houston Chronicle writer Bill McMurray, author of the most informative record books and chronicler of the 527-page Texas High School Football magazine, is nearing a two-year stint as president of that organization. Over breakfast Saturday he outlined exciting plans to honor the state's outstanding athletes and coaches in all sports, including an Awards Banquet the night prior to Coaches School each August.

In winning it's sixth state football title, Plano draws within one of the Brownwood Lions' record seven crowns. And for the Houston folks who thought by agreeing to Plano's suggestion of Memorial Stadium as a neutral game site, let it be known that the Wildcats now stand 3-0 in title games at Memorial Stadium, having garnered both 2A and 3A championship trophies there in years past. Young Plano student entrepreneurs were confident. Within 15 minutes of the game's conclusion, they were selling T-shirts for \$5 a copy to fans making their way out of the stadium, the shirts proclaiming "Plano Wildcats, 1987 5A State Champions" over a state

map covered with the head of a wildcat.

Although no district runner-up team won a title this year, seven of the 20 semifinalists got there by that route, one (4A Rockwell) reached the finals. In the six seasons that runners-up have been permitted in post-season play, 5A has produced the most also-rans to reach the quarterfinals (11 of 24 teams) and has also tied 1A with 4 of the 12 finalists taking that route. Overall, in six seasons, 34 second-place district squads have advanced to the semis, 12 of 60 to the finals.

Former Borger basketballer Sammie Smith, handling the game's telecast with ex-Cowboy Drew Pearson, sandwiched the game in between his normal radio duties with the San Antonio Spurs. "My Mom still lives in Borger and despite being 78, still works a 30-40 hour week regularly," he said proudly, and not realizing he was also showing where his unending penchant for work came from. A two-hour version of the 5A game will be shown on ESPN at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

And a Merry Christmas to You and Your Family from This Corner.

## Passing attack almost foreign to Sooners

MIAMI (AP) — Oklahoma finally put the football in the air this week. After all, when the No. 1-ranked Sooners flew to Miami on Sunday they had to bring some balls on the plane with them. In Oklahoma, when they say it happens every spring, what they mean is that Coach Barry Switzer says the Sooners will throw the ball more than they have.

Switzer says it and Oklahoma throws it — but both events take place in the spring. When the season rolls around, it's back to the same old run-oriented wishbone offense.

In the last 15 years, only twice has an Oklahoma quarterback thrown as many as 100 passes; Danny Bradley passed 143 times in 1983 and 130 times in 1984.

The Sooners aired it out all of 99 times this season, so it's little wonder that Oklahoma's re-

ceivers don't get many headlines.

Have you ever heard of Carl Cabbiness? The 6-foot-1 junior split end from Tulsa was Oklahoma's second leading receiver this season — with 10 whole catches for 235 yards and three touchdowns.

"Sometimes it gets a little disappointing," Cabbiness conceded Tuesday as the serious Sooners continued their two-a-day workouts in preparation for their national championship Orange Bowl showdown with second-ranked Miami on New Year's Night.

"But we talk a lot about having pride in your blocking, and sometimes on a long run if you make an important block it's pretty important, something to be proud of."

"But a lot of times when we put the ball up it's real exciting because it's not thrown that many

times and it usually becomes a big play."

Because the wishbone is so top-heavy on the run, Oklahoma's passing game — what there is of it — usually gets single-coverage on a receiver, which often leads to a big play. The Sooners' 34 completions this season produced 730 yards and nine touchdowns.

"You need to be perfect at catching the ball," Cabbiness said. "We throw it so seldom, you have to catch it. That's why we do it — because we need a completion."

Cabbiness played split end and defensive back in high school but says Oklahoma "recruited me as a receiver, I'm pretty sure of that."

After all, he caught 58 passes his senior year. Only five players in Oklahoma history have caught that many in a career.

"Sometimes it gets frustrating," Cabbiness said. "But not to the point where... well, it's just expected that if you're at the University of Oklahoma, you know they're going to throw maybe three, four, five times a game, not very much."

Mostly, Cabbiness blocks.

"Sometimes when we come off the ball and it's a running play, you might see how they're playing you and what coverage and how fast they're running because we'll run play-action passes off our run-fakes and sometimes it helps if you know what they're going to do on the defensive side," he said.

"We did pass a lot last spring, but as a unit and by myself, I don't think we really had that good of a spring. I think maybe that's why we haven't thrown that much this season."

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## Braniff withdrawal leaves Pan Am with single bidder

NEW YORK (AP) — Braniff Inc.'s withdrawal of its proposal to take over major elements of Pan Am Corp. leaves the troubled airline company with one existing, and little-known, suitor.

Braniff announced late Tuesday it was dropping its takeover proposal, which had been supported by Pan Am's board of directors, after the Pan Am pilots union apparently decided not to support the offer.

Sources said the pilots rejected the offer mainly because of objections to Braniff's plan for obtaining \$800 million in wage con-

cessions from Pan Am unions over four years.

Pan Am had set a Tuesday deadline for Dallas-based Braniff to submit the labor concessions plan. Braniff and Pan Am said late Tuesday they had agreed to terminate a Dec. 7 letter of intent for a merger.

Braniff's pull-out leaves Pan Am facing a possible hostile takeover bid from Towers Financial Corp., a debt-collection and insurance holding company based in New York.

But despite Towers' repeated announcements regarding a possible bid, it has yet to

mount a takeover and is regarded by Wall Street as a questionable suitor with uncertain ability to muster the capital needed for a Pan Am takeover.

Towers has not yet launched a formal offer for Pan Am and has not fully identified the sources of its proposed financing for such a bid. Pan Am, in turn, has not publicly acknowledged Towers' interest.

Towers announced earlier Tuesday that it had enlisted the support of the pilots union and the Teamsters; two of the five labor unions represented at Pan Am.

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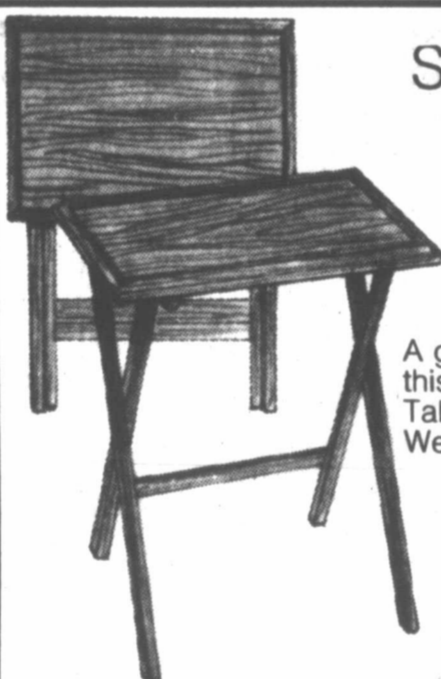
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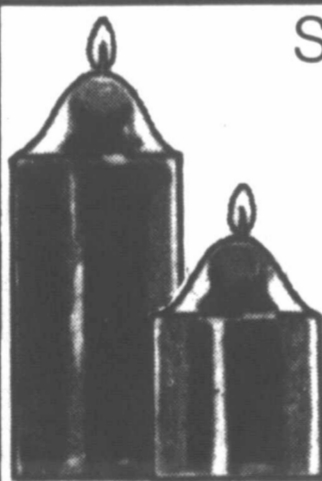


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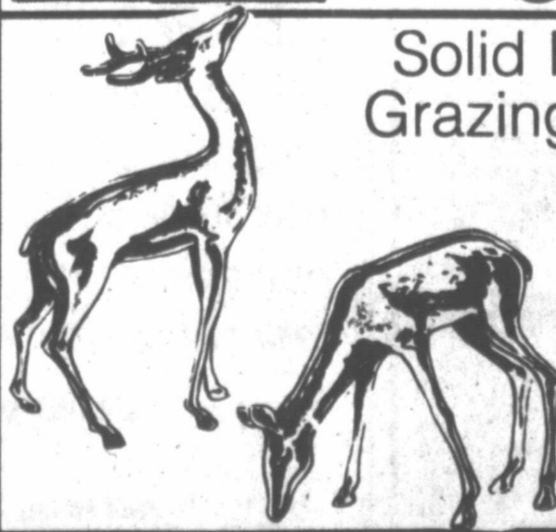
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