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The Pampa News

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Good Evening!

LOCAL

PAMPA — The Texas Department of Human Services, 1509 N. Banks, is busy preparing for its annual "Christmas Gift Bag" project for clients of its Community Care for Aged and Disabled program.

Assisting in collecting donations of personal items and food products for the gift bags is the Junior Service League. Others interested in donating items can contact Shawn Bybee, DHS social worker, at 665-1863.

The bags will be given to recipients during a Christmas luncheon sponsored by First Baptist Church, Calvary Baptist Church and Central Baptist Church on Dec. 17. Clients of the Community Care for Aged and Disabled program who will not be able to attend the luncheon will receive their gift bags by personal delivery.

The gift bag project and the luncheon are only for clients of the DHS program.

NATIONAL

MINEOLA, N.Y. (AP) — The sweet-talking scam artist says she needs a lift, but it's the men she picks up who are being taken for a ride.

Police say at least 60 men have fallen for "the sexy bandit," a woman dressed like a nurse who tells them she needs a ride because she's caring for an elderly woman and her car broke down.

Once in the car, she fondles the men — while artfully picking their pockets.

The woman has stolen an average of \$500 from the pockets of each unsuspecting motorist since 1988. All her victims were driving luxury cars. Many were senior citizens.

"It's quite a scam," Detective Tony Leterel of the Nassau County police said Tuesday.

"She gets in and after she tells him where to take her she starts talking sexy to him," Leterel said. "She touches his leg, and grabs his crotch."

The men get distracted, Leterel said, and don't notice their wallets are missing until after she gets out of the car.

QUINCY, Mass. (AP) — It may have taken Corrine Green less time to deliver her baby than it took to conceive her.

Mrs. Green's husband, Chris, dropped her off at the hospital Monday for what they thought was a routine visit for indigestion. By the time he returned after filling up the car with gas and looking for a parking spot, he was the father of an 8-pound, 6-ounce girl.

The delivery took just seven minutes.

"I was absolutely in shock," said Green, who had been taking Lamaze courses and had planned to be with his wife during delivery. "A nurse came up to me and said, 'You have a baby.' I couldn't believe it."

Mrs. Green said she had mistaken her contractions for indigestion.

This was her first child, and friends had warned her that labor could be agony. But the speedy delivery Monday has made her optimistic.

"If it's like this, I'll do it again," she said. "It was so quick. It was like, 'I have a baby. Wow, that's easy.'"

WORLD

JERUSALEM (AP) — An Arab assailant in the northern city of Afula struck a female Israeli soldier in the forehead with an ax today, seriously wounding her, police said.

Police began escorting Arabs out of the city for fear of reprisals. Afula, 60 miles north of Jerusalem, has a large population of Arabs with Israeli citizenship.

The soldier was waiting at the city's bus station when the attacker hit her in the head with an ax several times, police said. The attacker was caught several minutes later by passers-by.

"A young woman lay on the ground, the ax was stuck in her head, above the forehead," witness Avi Matzliach told Israel radio.

The unidentified soldier was hospitalized in critical condition.

Police said the captured man was from Qabatiya in the occupied West Bank. The northern West Bank has been subject to repeated police sweeps over the past two months, with 400 activists from the militant Muslim group Hamas arrested following a wave of bloody attacks.

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GATT supporters focus on Senate

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — With House approval of a sweeping 124-nation trade accord behind it, the Clinton administration today turning its attention to shoring up support for the pact in the Senate.

"This is it. The end of the road. Tomorrow, the Senate will take the most important trade vote in this country in 60 years," Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen told business executives.

Bentsen called Tuesday's House vote "a great bipartisan boost" but, he said, "it isn't a slam dunk and I'm going to be working this every step of the way."

Earlier, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole said he was more optimistic today about passage. "I thought at first it might be close, but I'm now thinking it'll be a pretty substantial margin," he said on CBS' *This Morning*.

The House concluded four hours of sometimes impassioned, sometimes perfunctory debate Tuesday by ratifying,

288-146, a vast expansion of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

"This vote demonstrates to the American people that Democrats and Republicans can work together in the national interest," President Clinton said in a statement immediately afterward.

Favoring the accord were 167 Democrats and 121 Republicans. Eighty-nine Democrats, 56 Republicans and one independent opposed it.

The margin of victory represented a victory for Clinton, who had worked the telephones throughout the day talking to undecided lawmakers, and it was the first post-election test of whether the White House and Republicans who will control Capitol Hill in January can cooperate.

"The eyes of the world are now on the United States Senate," Clinton declared.

Continuing the first lame-duck session of Congress in 12 years, the Senate was beginning a scheduled 20 hours of debate today, with a vote set for Thursday.

Bentsen and the pro-GATT floor leaders in the Senate — Daniel Patrick

Moynihan of New York and Bob Packwood of Oregon — were scheduled to address a rally today of business executives preparing a last-minute lobbying push for the accord.

The executives and administration contend GATT will create hundreds of thousands of new American jobs by cutting worldwide tariffs by 38 percent and expanding the rules of world trade to new areas such as agriculture and services.

Opponents claim it would permit multinational corporate giants to shift production to low-wage countries overseas and ship their goods back to the lucrative American market.

Under the fast-track rules for considering trade agreements, no amendments will be permitted to the ratifying legislation.

However, Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., vowed to challenge the bill under the Senate's budget rules. Sixty senators must vote to waive them.

Byrd said the bill falls \$14.5 billion short in offsetting the \$43 billion in tariff revenues expected to be lost in the first

decade after GATT takes effect. Supporters contend that by stimulating economic growth the accord will raise far more money for the government than it will cost.

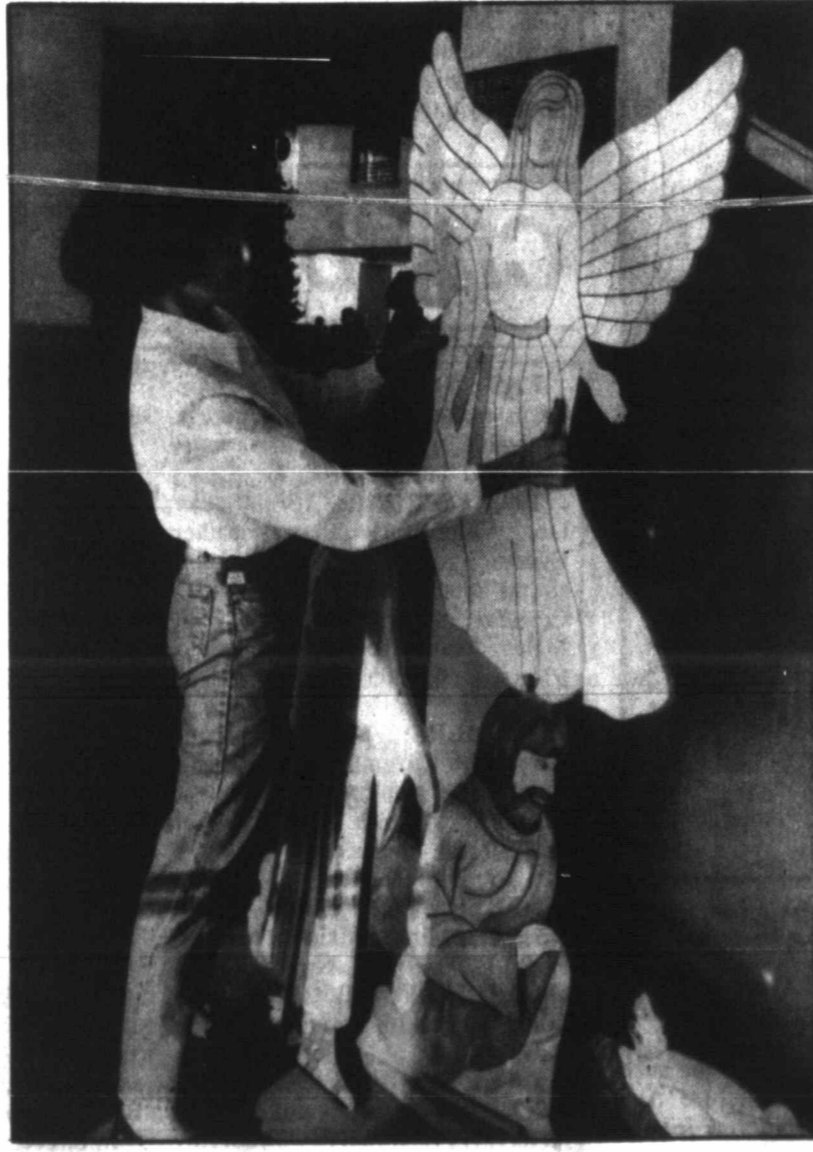
Byrd's central objection is his fear the new, more powerful World Trade Organization, created to referee disputes, will run roughshod over U.S. sovereignty.

However, Dole, R-Kan., whose support is considered crucial to GATT's passage, assured Republicans in a letter that a panel of five retired U.S. judges will review the decisions of the trade organization and "ensure U.S. interests are not trampled by bureaucrats in Geneva."

And Dole said he would "fully expect" the administration to support waiving budget rules for a capital-gains tax cut — a key part of the GOP agenda next year — just as it is urging a budget waiver now on GATT.

U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor said the House vote will lend momentum to the administration's efforts to secure 60 votes in the Senate.

Decorating the bank



It was a busy afternoon Tuesday at First National Bank — but it had nothing to do with financial accountings. Instead, it was time to put up the Christmas holiday decorations. Above, Mark Elliott with Roberta's Flowers helps to put up the Christmas tree in the main lobby. Owner Roberta Pugh said the shop has been putting up the tree in the bank lobby for 39 years. At left, bank official Debbie Stokes puts up the manger scene near the south door entrance. Stokes said the scene pieces were painted by the late Ray Williams, a sign painter; it was one of his last major works. (Pampa News photos by Darlene Holmes)

Two Wyoming men arrested on warrants for alleged burglary

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

A pair of men are in Pampa jail awaiting return to Wyoming on burglary charges after they told a local man they were in town looking for grandma's house.

Michael R. Ward, 20, and Chad Baluska, 18, both of Rock Springs, Wyo., are being held on Wyoming warrants alleging burglary after Pampa police picked them up about 2 p.m. Tuesday at 637 N. Sumner, where they went after learning from a local real estate agent the address of a vacant house belonging to Ward's grandmother.

Ward told officers he planned a surprise visit to the woman, whom officials learned actually lives in Amarillo, reports say.

The agent called police after following them to the house and seeing them leave the back yard. Police asked the pair to come to the police station, where officials learned they are wanted in Wyoming and placed them under arrest.

Ward's arrest became violent, according to police reports, after he walked out of the department's briefing room and was ordered to return. Officer Morse Burroughs ordered Ward to his knees, telling him he was under arrest.

When Ward began to walk toward the officer, Burroughs drew his revolver, reports say. Ward grabbed the gun, twisting it back and down. Another officer tackled Ward as the man shouted "I'll kill you. I'll kill you," the report says.

Ward is on probation in Wyoming, convicted of aggravated robbery, reports say. It is alleged he threatened to kill Sweetwater County Sheriff's Deputy Don Beckum in Rock Springs last week. According to reports, Beckum told Burroughs Ward threatened to shoot and kill him, declaring he would never go back to prison and would "kill a cop."

Assistant Police Chief Col. John Ellen said today he expects no local charges to be filed against the pair.

When Ward and Baluska were picked up at the North Sumner house, a 15-year-old girl was with them. She was in the custody of juvenile probation officials as a runaway.

Bivins wants Morales to pursue lawsuit on costs for immigrants

By BEN KECK
Assistant Editor

State Sen. Teel Bivins told a group of Pampans this morning that he would be willing to sponsor articles of impeachment against Texas Attorney General Dan Morales if Morales does not pursue a lawsuit to make the federal government pay some of the costs of providing services to undocumented immigrants.

Bivins made the statement in answer to a question during a short "town hall" meeting at White Deer Land Museum.

But a spokesman in Morales' office said such a lawsuit was filed against the federal government Aug. 3.

Bivins was en route to Perryton at late morning and could not be reached for clarification. A woman who answered the phone at his Amarillo office said the senator "might have been just popping off, but you'll have to talk to him."

About 40 people attended the 45-minute town hall meeting, and during a brief question-and-answer session several voiced concern that Texas is paying too much money to provide services to undocumented immigrants.

Bivins made the remark about calling for Morales' impeachment after Pampans John Triplehorn asked if the senator would be willing to sponsor legislation similar to California's Proposition 187, which calls for denying services to persons who are illegally in the United States.

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Dentures found in cod's stomach returned to owner

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — Cor Stoop sank his teeth into some cod — and he wasn't even eating at the time.

The Dutchman's false teeth dropped overboard during a North Sea fishing trip in September. He got them back Wednesday after another fisherman landed the cod and the dentures were found inside.

"It's unbelievable, but true," tackle shop owner Hugo Slammat said,

after returning the teeth to Stoop.

Stoop lost his bottom plate when he became seasick during a day trip and leaned overboard.

Slamat recovered it Sunday when he took some anglers out to his usual fishing haunts.

He was gutting the 19-pound cod caught by one of the fishermen when "I saw this thing in the cod's stomach and turned it over with the tip of my knife and then I saw the teeth."

Slamat showed them to the skipper of the Hendrik Karszen fishing boat.

"He told me he had someone on board who lost his teeth in the summer. It's an unbelievable coincidence."

Stoop's wife heard of the find over a local radio station, and her husband went to the tackle shop.

It was out with the new teeth and in with the old.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

HERNANDEZ, Jerry — 10 a.m., Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Amarillo.

MACK, Robert D. — 2 p.m., First Presbyterian Church.

Obituaries

STEVE ASH
CANADIAN — Steve Ash, 35, of Canadian, died Tuesday, Nov. 29, 1994 in Amarillo. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church of Canadian, with the Rev. Jack Lee, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Edith Ford Cemetery under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors.

Mr. Ash was born Oct. 1, 1959 at Farmington, N.M. He came to Canadian with his family in 1963 and graduated from Canadian High School in 1978. He married Suzanne Bentley on Feb. 20, 1982 in Canadian. He had been employed by Halliburton Services since 1987.

Survivors include his wife, Suzanne, of the home; two daughters, Rebecca Christina Ash and Elizabeth Suzanne Ash, both of the home; his parents, O.T. and Mary Ash of Canadian; a brother and sister-in-law, Craig and Theresa Ash of Canadian; two half-brothers, Cordon Ash of Dallas and Jim Ash of Odessa; two half-sisters, Edie Kemp of Dallas and Rosezella Wilson of Odessa; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ronald and Barbara Bentley of Canadian; a grandmother-in-law, Edith Martin of Canadian; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Charles and Kathleen McArthur of Tuscaloosa, Ala.; two nieces, Amy and Kacie McArthur; two nephews, Brian and David Ash; and aunts and uncles, Betty and George Vinson of Amarillo and Phyllis and Lee Martin of Jasper, Texas.

JERRY HERNANDEZ
AMARILLO — Jerry Hernandez, 30, son and brother of Panhandle residents, died Sunday, Nov. 27, 1994 in Amarillo. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Amarillo, with the Rev. Terry Burke officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Amarillo under the direction of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors.

Mr. Hernandez was born in Clarendon and grew up in Panhandle. He attended Panhandle High School. He was employed by Toys R Us and was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

Survivors include his parents, Mary and Melvin Coey of Panhandle; five sisters, Monica Black of Canyon, Maureen Masters of Fort Drum, N.Y., Mona Massey of Panhandle and Gloria Ramos and Virginia Hernandez, both of Amarillo; and six brothers, Melvin Coey Jr., Matthew Coey and Mickey Coey, all of Panhandle, and Eloy Solano, Johnny Hernandez and Tony Hernandez, all of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be to the Amarillo State Center, P.O. Box 3070, Amarillo, TX 79110-3070.

ELSIE OLA WAGNER
SHAMROCK — Elsie Ola Wagner, 93, died Monday, Nov. 28, 1994 in Wheeler. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in First Baptist Church of Shamrock, with the Rev. B.A. Hyatt of Wheeler and the Rev. Floyd Haddock, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wagner had lived in Shamrock since 1937. She married Charles Arch Wagner in Little Rock, Ark. He died in 1959.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Carl Wagner in 1991 and James Wagner in 1980.

Survivors include a daughter, Thelma Slaughter of Shamrock; six grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Calendar of events

VFW DOMINO DAY
 VFW Domino Day is set for 1-5 p.m. Thursday at the Post Home, Borger Highway. Free coffee, bring your own dominos. No alcohol permitted.

VFW CANNED FOOD DRIVE
 The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post is starting to collect canned goods for the Christmas food baskets that will be distributed during the Christmas Holidays. VFW members are asked to bring canned goods to the Veterans Service Office located at 123 W. Foster or the Freedom Museum U.S.A. The VFW will stop collecting canned goods on Tuesday, Dec. 13.

PAMPA HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS MEETING
 Parents of students attending Pampa High School are invited to attend a meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday in the high school auditorium for discussion of the current block schedule of classes and the nine-week grading period.

Correction

A photo caption on Page 5 in Monday's edition incorrectly listed the date of a Christmas luncheon for clients of the Community Care for Aged and Disabled program of the Texas Department of Human Services. The luncheon will be held Dec. 17. We apologize for the error and any inconvenience it may

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Nov. 29
 Damon Lynn Cox, 513 Lowry, reported theft from a 1970 Ford pickup at 1040 S. Christy. The theft occurred between 10 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. Monday.

Debbie Irene Sears, 329 Canadian, reported criminal trespass.
 A search warrant was executed by Pampa police officers and agents of the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Trafficking Task Force at 1:10 a.m. Wednesday at 1509 Williston. No arrests were made.
 Erika Ann Lapka of Allsup's #81, 1025 W. Wilks, reported theft.

Walter Shed, 2413 Mary Ellen, reported criminal trespass at 637 N. Sumner at 3 p.m. Tuesday.
 Lynette Selby of Taylor Food Mart, 1340 N. Hobart, reported theft under \$20.

Kenda Sue Maddox, 604 Lefors, reported theft \$20-\$750 between 5 p.m. Monday and 11 a.m. Tuesday.
 Kirk Eldon Gray, 2243 N. Russell, reported theft at 716 Magnolia.

Domestic assault was reported in the 700 block of North Wells.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 30
 Domestic assault was reported in the 900 block of East Scott.

Arrests

TUESDAY, Nov. 29
 Michael R. Ward, 20, Rock Springs, Wyo., was arrested at 201 W. Kingsmill on a Wyoming warrant alleging burglary.

Chad Baluska, 18, Rock Springs, Wyo., was arrested at 201 W. Kingsmill on a Wyoming warrant alleging burglary.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Nov. 26
 James Davis, 1 1/2 miles east and 1/4 miles north of Groom, reported accidental shooting.

TUESDAY, Nov. 29
 Sirloin Stockade, 518 N. Hobart, reported forgery.

Department of Public Safety
TUESDAY, Nov. 29
 Zana Lancee Beck, 22, 409 N. Somerville #10, was arrested on a charge of theft \$20 - \$500. She was released on bond.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Nov. 29
 3:55 p.m. - A 1988 Pontiac driven by Tabatha Lee Vanwagner, 307 E. Kingsmill, was in collision with a 1991 Buick driven by Virgie Armstrong Twigg, 922 Twiford, at the intersection of Houston and Foster. Vanwagner was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop sign, no driver's license and no liability insurance.

5 p.m. - A 1990 Ford driven by Karla Harris Ledbetter, 30, 1819 Beech, was in collision with a brick planter owned by JoAnn Walter in the 1300 block of East Jordan.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions Pampa

Delores Bradley	Lura Myneer
Johnny Carter Jr.	Dismissals
Sandy Jones	Pampa
Robey Mallard	Alpha Akers
William Massey	SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
Herbert Tanner	Amarillo
White Deer	Delfina Villarreal
	Dismissals
	Shamrock
	Emmitt McAlister

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.		
Wheat	3.51	
Milo	3.64	
Corn	4.07	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:		
NOWSCO	12.55/64	NC
Occidental	19.12	NC
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:		
Magellan	66.05	
Puritan	15.01	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.		
Amoco	60 7/8	dn1/8
Arco	103 1/2	up1/4
Cabot	26 1/4	NC
Cabot O&G	16 7/8	NC
Chevron	44 1/4	up1/2
Coca-Cola	52	NC
Diamond Sham	25 3/4	NC
Enron	28 1/4	up1/4
Halliburton	34 7/8	up1/8
HealthTrust Inc.	32 1/8	dn1/8
Ingersoll Rand	32 1/4	up7/8
KNE	22 1/8	dn3/8
Kerr-McGee	47	up1/8
Limited	19.5/8	dn1/4
Mapco	50	dn3/8
Maxus	3 7/8	NC
McDonald's	28 5/8	dn1/8
Mobil	85 1/2	up1/8
New Atmos	17 5/8	NC
Parker & Parsley	23	up1/8
Phillips	46 5/8	up1/2
Phillips	33 5/8	up1/4
SLB	54 7/8	up3/8
SFS	26 1/2	up3/8
Tenneco	39	NC
Texasco	62 5/8	up5/8
Wal-Mart	23 5/8	NC
New York Gold	382.65	
Silver	5.02	
West Texas Crude	18.05	

Survey: Most inmates battle drug problems

By CHIP BROWN
 Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A new state study shows that Texas prison inmates addicted to alcohol or drugs before their incarceration would be willing to prolong their sentence to get help.

The report released Tuesday by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse is based on a random sample of 1,030 inmates at the Goree Unit in Huntsville, ranging in age from 18 to 67.

The survey found that almost half of Texas prison inmates were addicted to drugs or alcohol before going to jail and that 63 percent had one or more substance abuse problems in the year prior to their incarceration.

David Farabee, author of the survey, said the most significant revelation of the study is that a quarter of all inmates would be willing to extend their prison stay by three months to receive treatment.

"Not only do we see a high rate of inmates who have substance abuse problems, but we see a high number of people willing to get treatment. They know there is a problem and

want to get rid of it," Farabee said. The Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse released a statement saying, "The total number of drug offenses is increasing and the need to treat the addicted inmate population is more important than ever."

Glen Castlebury, spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, said the survey's findings aren't surprising. He said TDCJ screenings show that 76.2 percent of the inmates admitted to prison in November had substance abuse problems.

"It is more important than ever to treat and we are," Castlebury said. "Today, we have right at 9,000 inmates in one kind of substance abuse treatment program or another."

The current Texas prison population is roughly 100,000, according to Castlebury.

But Castlebury said it wouldn't be fair to conclude that only 10 percent of the inmates are receiving treatment. He said it's likely prisoners with longer sentences wouldn't be treated until closer to their release date.

"Our goal is to time the treatment

so that it has its maximum benefit when the inmate leaves prison. Therefore, a large percentage of inmates who are enduring a long sentence would not be candidates for these programs yet," he said.

Of the inmates sampled, 39 percent claimed to have been drunk or high at the time of the offense that led to their incarceration. Seventy-three percent of that group said they wouldn't have committed the offense if they weren't drunk or high.

The crimes most committed by inmates who claimed to be drunk or high at the time of their offense are: burglary (53.8 percent); assault (50.8 percent); carrying gun on person (47.4 percent); buying stolen goods (38.4 percent); shoplifting (37.3 percent); drug sales (34.1 percent); car theft (27 percent); and injuring or killing someone (21.8 percent).

According to the survey, marijuana was the most-used illicit drug, followed by powder cocaine. Eighty-five percent of the prisoners sampled reported using marijuana; 54.7 percent reported a lifetime use of cocaine; while 13 percent reported using cocaine in the month before they were incarcerated.

5,000-year-old 'Ice Man' had arthritis, broken ribs

CHICAGO (AP) — X-rays of the "Ice Man" reveal he had arthritis as he trekked through the Alps 5,000 years ago, and before he became a mummy in a glacier, he may have had frostbite.

He also had broken his ribs, doctors said today.

The medical mishaps of the mummy, dubbed "Otzi" because he was found in the Otztal Valley of the Tyrolean Alps in northern Italy, were reported at the annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America.

"Modern radiology offers the ideal tool to study an important anthropological treasure such as this, because it enables us to view inside the body without causing damage," said Dr. William A. Murphy Jr., head

of diagnostic imaging at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

The mummified corpse, found by hikers in 1991, is the best preserved European known from an age 4,000 to 6,000 years ago when humans were just starting to use copper for tools and weapons.

Murphy was part of an international team assembled at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, to examine the mummy with X-ray techniques.

The man was believed to be 25 to 40 years old when he died.

Despite Ice Man's relatively young age, the X-rays revealed he had arthritis in his neck, his lower back and in one hip joint. He also had arthritis in one toe, suggesting

he had suffered frostbite sometime before his death.

There were about eight healed fractures in various places in his ribs. The researchers said it was impossible to tell if the fractures were simultaneous or suffered at different times.

Previously reported X-ray studies have focused on his skull.

Analysis of materials with the corpse has led scientists to believe Otzi died 5,100 to 5,200 years ago, then was buried and preserved in accumulating snow and ice.

The body is being stored in a freezer at the University of Innsbruck and researchers are allowed to work with it only 20 or 30 minutes at a time to prevent it from deteriorating.

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Bivins

California voters approved the proposition Nov. 8. It is now being challenged in the courts.

Bivins said he wasn't willing to sponsor such a proposition, "but I am willing to sponsor articles of impeachment against Attorney General Dan Morales if he doesn't pursue a lawsuit against the federal government the way Florida and California have."

"He could save some time if he'd check this out," Morales spokesman Ward Tisdale said. "We filed the suit in August."

The suit estimates Texas taxpayers paid \$1.34 billion for services to undocumented immigrants in 1993. It seeks to force the federal government to pick up the tab.

Dr. Dawson Orr, Pampa's school superintendent, told Bivins that the federal government should do a better job of controlling the borders, but he said that if the undocu-

mented immigrants are in this country, "we absolutely must educate them."

Bivins said issues that will come up in the next legislative session that begins Jan. 11 will include:

- Stopping "overzealous enforcement" of laws that infringe on private property rights.
- Limiting terms of office for state elected officials.
- Deciding whether to let voters decide if the state should allow casino gambling.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Sunny and warmer today and Thursday. Clear tonight. Low in the upper 20s. Thursday, sunny and warmer, with a high near 70. West-southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Tuesday's high was 44; the overnight low was 26.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, clear. Lows in upper 20s. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs near 70. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows near 30. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs near 70.

North Texas - Freeze warning for southeastern portions tonight. Tonight, clear. Lows 31 to 36. Thursday, mostly clear. Highs 66 to 69.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, fair. Lows in the 30s north to 40s south. Thursday, partly sunny. Highs in the 60s to near 70. Coastal Bend: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 40s inland to near 50 coast. Thursday, partly to mostly cloudy. Highs 70s inland to near 70 coast. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 40s inland to 50s coast. Thursday,

partly to mostly cloudy. Highs in the 70s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, clear. Not as cold. Lows zero to mid 20s mountains and northwest with upper teens to upper 20s lower elevations east and south. Thursday, some cloudiness across the south, sunny and warmer otherwise. Highs 40s to upper 50s mountains and northwest with mid 50s to near 70 lower elevations east and south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, clear. Lows in the 25 to 35. Thursday, sunny and warmer. Highs in upper 60s to mid 70s.

City briefs

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Health officials: Medicaid needs more money

AUSTIN (AP) — A growing number of uninsured and needy Texans will require an additional \$2.2 billion over the next two-year budget period to fund the state's Medicaid program, according to health officials.

The state's Medicaid director said Tuesday that there is no room to make cuts in the program without affecting health services to the elderly, disabled or poor.

"The basic problem in Texas is that we have a disproportionate number of low-income, uninsured people who qualify for Medicaid," said state Medicaid Director DeAnn Friedholm.

"This demand is coupled with medical inflation and higher reimbursement for institutions, such as nursing homes and hospitals."

Medicaid provides health care to poor and low-income persons, many

of whom are elderly and children of welfare recipients.

State leaders say they will try to meet the \$2.2 billion request in the budget that will pay for state programs in 1996 and 1997. That budget will be written during the 1995 Legislature, which begins in January.

"We are going to have to meet the request. It's going to be a tough, tough budget year," said Cindy Rugeley, a spokeswoman for Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over the Texas Senate. "Besides Medicaid, we have got the requirement of funding schools, a financial commitment of opening up the new prisons and the funding of our universities and colleges."

Legislative health committee members from both the Texas House and Senate listened to state officials outline cost-saving proposals that include cutting Medicaid provider

payments, cutting services, restricting eligibility or getting a federal Medicaid waiver.

The waiver would allow the state to completely restructure its Medicaid services under a federal exemption.

The estimated savings from cutting services would be \$237 million, while a reduction in provider payments would total \$482 million, according to Ms. Friedholm.

But Friedholm and lawmakers agreed that the cuts were simply a "Band-Aid" approach to save money in the short term and would ultimately end up costing more in the long term.

"The cuts are not very palatable," Friedholm said.

Friedholm said long term savings would best be obtained through a waiver that would allow the state to restructure its Medicaid program.

Texas delegation votes overwhelmingly for GATT

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most of Texas' House members on Tuesday endorsed a 124-nation trade accord, cementing a trade-friendly reputation earned last year when they helped push the North American Free Trade Agreement to victory.

Unlike last year when NAFTA's passage was in doubt until the eleventh hour, the world accord negotiated under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade won easy approval Tuesday on a 288-146 vote.

Twenty-five members in the 30-member Texas delegation backed GATT, largely recreating the coalition that endorsed NAFTA last November.

The Senate, also returning for a rare lame-duck session, begins debate on the world trade accord Wednesday with a vote due Thursday. Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, already has announced his support for the pact, which faces a difficult sell in the Senate. The state's other senator, Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison, remains publicly uncommitted.

The pact slashes tariffs by an average of 38 percent worldwide and expands the rules of world trade into new areas such as agriculture, services and the protection of copyrights and patents. The World Trade Organization it creates would eliminate the power of any one country to block an adverse trade ruling.

Echoing arguments used in the NAFTA debate, GATT critics said the accord would increase competition for U.S. workers from low-wage foreign workers. They also charged that the World Trade Organization infringes on America's sovereignty and questioned the propriety of a lame-duck Congress voting on the legislation.

But supporters stressed the accord's potential for economic gains, jobs growth and lower prices for U.S. consumers. They also argued that failure to pass the legislation would hurt America's standing in the international community.

"Our economic future is closely linked to the tearing down of export

barriers and to locking in these extraordinary reforms," said Rep. Bill Archer, R-Houston, the incoming chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee.

"With 94 percent of the world's consumers living beyond the U.S. borders the global economy is here to stay," Archer said in a floor speech. "We must compete, we must find our future there."

Outgoing Rep. Mike Andrews, casting his last vote after 12 years in Congress, cautioned that the vote sets the tone for America's future.

"Should we fail to pass this this week, America will be in retreat," Andrews told his colleagues. "If we take the reins and pass this legislation, we will have every opportunity to be the leader in this new age of international competition."

Rep. Bill Sarpalus of Amarillo, a Democrat who lost his seat to Republican Mac Thornberry, cast a yes vote for GATT.

Rep. Kika de la Garza, who as House Agriculture Committee chairman played a significant role in fashioning the GATT language relating to agriculture, touted the pact's benefits for farmers.

The Mission Democrat said the accord improves market access for U.S. agricultural producers while reducing export subsidies for foreign farmers, notably in Europe.

"There is no question in my mind that this trade agreement is the best possible among the world's trading nations at this time," he said.

But Rep. Larry Combest, R-Lubbock, voted against approval in part because he contends a lame-duck Congress shouldn't be deciding the outcome. He also voiced dislike of GATT's implementing legislation, which includes provisions unrelated to trade.

"GATT should be a vote about fair and free trade, not legislation burdened with excess baggage that has nothing to do with our best trading interests as a nation," Combest said.

Joining him in opposing the legislation were Republican Sam Johnson of Dallas; and Democrats Jim Chapman of Sulphur Springs, Henry B. Gonzalez of San Antonio and Ralph Hall of Rockwall.

Ex-teacher sentenced for harassment

HOUSTON (AP) — A former Baytown high school assistant band director convicted of sexually harassing a female student faces two years' probation and one year in a work-release facility.

District Judge Mike Wilkinson also ordered Emmett Elkins to pay a \$2,000 fine and perform 200 hours of community service.

Elkins, who was sentenced Tuesday, also must receive sex-offender counseling, have no unsupervised contact with children and

cannot teach during his probation period.

The Texas Education Association is seeking to have Elkins' teaching certificate revoked.

Elkins was fired from Ross S. Sterling High School after he was charged in February. He pleaded guilty in August to sexually harassing the then-16-year-old girl.

She told police Elkins sent her a note during band class offering to let her go on a band trip if she performed oral sex on him.

Police Officers Association planning Christmas projects

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

Christmas is a-comin' and for those whom the goose is not getting fat, members of the Pampa Police Officers Association plan to make the season a little brighter.

Five families will receive complete, cooked dinners on Christmas day delivered courtesy association members. Recipients will be selected through the Salvation Army, said association president Cpl. Donny Brown.

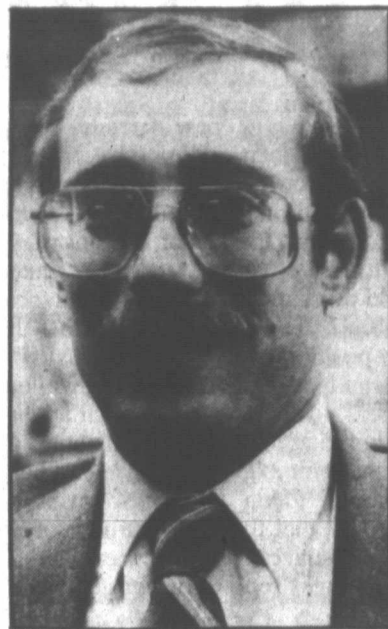
"We also are going to do Angel Tree (a Salvation Army program which matches gift donors with underprivileged children) plus children who need clothes and coats," Brown said.

The association expects to spend \$1,000 to \$1,500 on children, he said.

Goals for the newly revived association include bringing a spirit of brotherhood to the law enforcement community and positive officer involvement in civic affairs.

The group has about 18 members and primarily aims to provide officer support. It includes members of Pampa Police Department, Gray County Sheriff's Office and two constables, and spouses of officers, Brown explained.

"Why I'm so behind this ... here about three years ago, I guess it's been four years ago ... my son had to go in the hospital and I didn't have insurance on him yet ... the association provided me the money to pay the hospital bill ... that's why



Cpl. Donny Brown

I'm behind this," Brown said.

Funds come from a discount card honored by local merchants offered to those who donated money to the association, the corporal said.

In 1995, the association would like to offer a music show along with the discount card. In the long term, Brown said, the group would like to have an activity center for meetings and get together. They are considering a food drive in the future, Brown said.

The association meets bi monthly.

Officers include vice president, Brad Love; treasurer, John Goes; and secretary Fred Courtney, all of Pampa Police Department.

Postal group to rule on stamp prices

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's not a question of if or when: Stamp prices are going up in January. Only the amount remains to be decided.

The independent Postal Rate Commission is about to rule on the U.S. Postal Service request for a three-cent increase, bringing the price of a first-class stamp to 32 cents.

That would mean an extra 60 to 75 cents per month for the typical household.

The boost would be part of a proposed 10.3 percent increase in mailing costs to be applied to all types of mail.

The rate commission's decision could take effect as soon as Jan. 1. The date will be set by the post office's governing board either at its Dec. 6 meeting in Tampa, Fla., or a special session a week later in Washington.

The price of a stamp has been 29 cents for four years — the longest period without an increase since the post office became a semi-independent agency in the early 1970s.

But the agency went some \$1.3 billion in the red in the last fiscal year and needs the increase to help balance its books. Indeed, some critics contend that the planned increase

is too small, and the post office will require another price rise within a year or two.

The increase proposed by the Postal Service was supported by many large mailing organizations, which suggested the amount nearly a year ago, promising to go along if it were applied evenly to all classes of mail. Much of the jockeying during rate considerations involves efforts to shift costs from one class to another.

The rate commission's consumer advocate argued for a 31-cent first-class rate, urging a greater increase on third-class advertising mail to make up the difference. That idea drew opposition from business and particularly charities, since nonprofit groups are large users of advertising mail.

Cruise ship Achille Lauro burns off coast of Somalia

By REID MILLER
Associated Press Writer

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Fire engulfed the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro today off Somalia. Three people were reported dead but most of the nearly 1,000 passengers and crew escaped in lifeboats.

The ship, which gained notoriety when Palestinian terrorists hijacked it in 1985 and killed an American passenger in a wheelchair, was listing badly about 15 miles off shore in the Indian Ocean and in danger of sinking.

Flames roared through the rear of the ship as the last of the passengers, including the captain, were preparing to board the Panamanian oil ship Hawaiian King, one of several merchant ships helping in the rescue.

"I just passed the Achille Lauro overhead and she is fully engulfed, almost, now, in flames. Flames have progressed far forward in the ship than last reported," said U.S. Navy pilot Lt. Paul Frost, who flew over the site in the afternoon.

Capt. Zacharias Kiladitis of the Hawaiian King said in a ship-to-shore radio call initially that one person died. He later radioed the shipping company to say two other people died, according to Italian news agencies.

Eight people were injured in the fire that began six hours before, apparently in the area of the passenger cabins. The cause was unknown.

Capt. Ferdinando Lolli, a port official in Rome, said the ship was carrying 581 passengers and 404 crew. Most of the crew was Italian, and the passengers mainly South African, German, Dutch and British. No Americans were reported on board.

The ships that rescued people from the Achille Lauro were reported to be heading either for Mombasa, Kenya, or for the Seychelles. Both are about 1,200 miles away.

The Achille Lauro left Genoa on

Nov. 19, stopped in Israel, and its next port of call was to be Durban, South Africa, on Friday, said Carla Gotta, a spokeswoman for the cruise ship's owner, Genoa-based Starlauro.

The terrorists who hijacked the Achille Lauro nine years ago shot American Leon Klinghoffer and pushed him in his wheelchair off the ship. The hijackers escaped the vessel and boarded a jet but U.S. fighter planes forced the jet to land in Italy and the hijackers were captured.

The Achille Lauro resumed service as a cruise ship shortly after the hijacking. The convicted killer of Klinghoffer is serving a 30-year term in an Italian prison. Two other men are serving lesser terms and a fourth person, 17 at the time of the hijacking and tried as a juvenile, was paroled in 1991.

About 60 crewmembers initially stayed aboard to fight the blaze, said another Italian port official, Gianluca Menabene. The blaze appeared to have died down but then came back several hours later with a vengeance.

Lolli said the ship was in calm waters about 130 miles south of the Horn of Africa. But the captain of the Hawaiian King, one of the first to arrive on the scene, said "very rough" ocean swells made the rescue effort difficult.

At least three ships were at the scene, with more on the way, including two U.S. warships.

George Bennett, a spokesman for the U.N. operation in Somalia, said the Achille Lauro was 15 miles off Eil, a village 400 miles northeast of the Somali capital of Mogadishu.

Two U.S. warships — the guided missile cruiser USS Gettysburg and the missile frigate Halyburton — were headed for the Achille Lauro, said a spokesman for U.S. Naval Forces Central Command in the Persian Gulf.

But they were 350 miles away and wouldn't reach the scene for 10 hours.

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Opinion

Republicans should change the old rules

The new Republican majority comes into Congress with an ambitious program, including some tax reductions and a few modest spending cuts.

Before it is able to enact such a program coherently, however, it needs to attend to a more basic problem. Because of rules enacted in 1990, when President Bush (abetted by budget director Richard Darman) taught us to distrust his lips, it is much more difficult than is necessary to cut taxes.

The rules put in place in 1990 (remember, the panic then was about the size of the deficit) require, in essence, that any tax reduction be offset, dollar-for-dollar, by a reduction in entitlement spending.

This is a shrewd way to discourage tax cuts. Not only does the rule assume a "static" model of the effect of taxes on the economy, it pits tax cuts against spending for widows, orphans and politically powerful constituencies instead of against spending on obvious pork-barrel programs such as highway "demonstration" projects.

The static model assumes that every tax cut or reduction in tax rates means less revenue for the government. But as Presidents Kennedy and Reagan showed, some tax cuts stimulate more economic activity, which results in even more revenue for the government.

This "supply-side" model doesn't work with all kinds of tax reductions. But it does apply to income-tax rate reductions, reductions in payroll taxes and capital-gains tax cuts. These kinds of cuts stimulate investment and entrepreneurial and business activity, creating new jobs. Government often ends up with more money as a result.

(Of course, government getting more money than it otherwise would is seldom healthy for citizens. The last decade suggests that whether the federal government gets more revenue from tax cuts or tax increases, Congress spends it all and then some, making the deficit and the national debt larger.)

The other problem with the Bush-Darman rule (to be fair, they were pushed by or caved in to Democratic Sen. Robert Byrd of West Virginia, the king of pork) is that it requires that spending cuts be made from entitlement programs only.

It's not that there aren't entitlement programs that deserve cutting - including farm subsidies, congressional pay, some business loans and maritime subsidies - or that the whole issue of entitlements doesn't need some hard-nosed scrutiny. But politically, entitlements are difficult to cut, even for Republicans. And other programs should be candidates for spending cuts as well.

Rep. John Kasich of Ohio, the Republican who is slated to be chairman of the House Budget Committee, asked for hearings on these draconian rules about tax cuts last year. He should be in a position now to call such hearings, to investigate alternatives that will make it less difficult for Congress to consider beneficial tax cuts (and a wider range of spending cuts) and get new rules passed.

That should be one of the first items on the Republican agenda.

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Will Paula Jones be heard?

Paula Jones has a new friend - that is, the American Civil Liberties Union has filed a friend of the court brief on her behalf before Judge Susan Webber Wright in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas. The lead ACLU attorney is Chris Hansen, an exceptionally skilled and principled civil liberties advocate.

In the brief, Hansen emphasizes that the ACLU "takes no position on the truth or falsity" of Paula Jones' allegations that the president, while governor of Arkansas, made unwanted sexual advances. She was then working for the state and claims that when she did not succumb to those advances, her employment suffered. Paula Jones also insists, and the ACLU agrees, that the main purpose of her suit is not money damages but to redeem her reputation after all the press reports of her audience with the governor.

Although the alleged incident took place before Bill Clinton became president, he maintains that he should be granted immunity in this case to prevent his being distracted over considerable periods of time from his crucial duties as president. Furthermore, adds Clinton, permitting the Paula Jones suit to go forward might well encourage a parade of litigants to sue the president as a way of subverting the popular will as expressed through elections.

Also, Clinton says through his lawyers that bombarding the president with lawsuits would erode the separation between the executive and judicial branches and, most intriguingly, the president maintains that such lawsuits will undermine the dignity of the presidency.

The ACLU points out that judge would take account of particular demands on the president's



Nat Hentoff

time and adjust the course of the case accordingly. Actually, there are long stretches of time when the principals in a case are not needed in court at all as their lawyers duel before the judge.

As for the notion that the president must have immunity if the popular will is not to be thwarted, there is no case law supporting that imaginative contention. Nor does it hold up outside the law. As Chris Hansen notes, if "Paula Jones' charges are summarily dismissed or delayed until the end of Clinton's presidency, the plaintiff will still be free to hold a press conference at which she makes public her grievances."

She can then cite, as vividly as she likes, the evidence she would have to put forth at trial. And she will have an additional polemical advantage by charging that the president, rather than honestly dealing with her accusations, has decided to hide behind presidential immunity.

The same rebuttal applies to Clinton's concern that if Paula Jones' suit goes forward, the dignity of the office of president will be diminished. Bill Clinton has noted rather plaintively that in the presence of a world leader, he was asked questions by

reporters about Paula Jones' lawsuit.

But, as the ACLU says in its brief, the dignity of the presidency cannot be effectively preserved in this context by granting the president immunity from her lawsuit: "The real damage to the reputation of the president comes not from the court proceedings, but from the factual allegations themselves and the media attention surrounding them. Fundamentally, moreover, the presidency is not dignified by placing the president above the law and beyond the reach of the citizenry."

As for the warning that the separation of powers will be damaged by not granting the president this immunity from the court action, the former professor of constitutional law in Arkansas should remember that the authority of the Supreme Court to review actions of the other branches goes back the *Marbury v. Madison* (1803).

The essential case for Paula Jones getting her day in court - before so much time goes by that the memories of witnesses fade - is underlined at the end of the ACLU's amicus brief:

"The nation has an interest in ensuring that our system of justice ... is available to all of its people, regardless of whether the party (in the lawsuit) is high-born or low, holds high office or does not."

"That interest - that compelling interest - is far more important than facts of this case. That interest, combined with the other interest of plaintiffs seeking redress for harm, argues against adopting a rule that automatically immunizes the president from civil suits during the duration of his incumbency."

It is the granting of such immunity to the president that would indeed lower the dignity of the office.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 30, the 334th day of 1994. There are 31 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 30, 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

On this date:

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

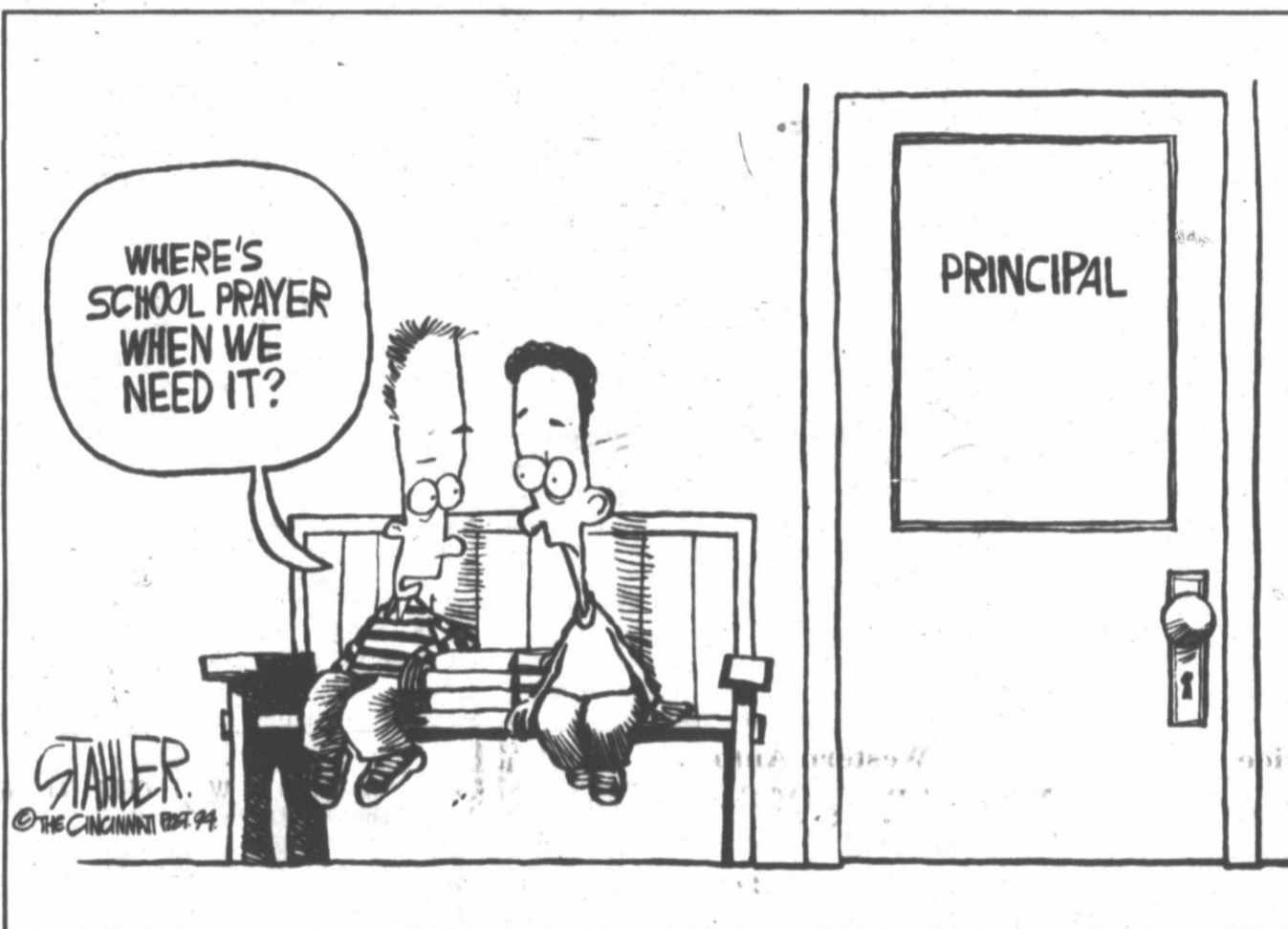
In 1804, the only U.S. Supreme Court justice impeached to date, Samuel Chase, went on trial, accused of political bias. (He was acquitted by the Senate.)

In 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens - better known as author Mark Twain - was born in Florida, Mo.

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

In 1900, Irish author Oscar Wilde died in Paris.

In 1936, London's famed Crystal Palace, constructed for the International Exhibition of 1851, was destroyed in a fire.



We need to learn to say it right!

Quote: "There ain't no missing books, and no books has been lost." That is a quote. The words are from Brooklyn School Principal Vergie Muhammad.

For a dictionary to include language does not make it acceptable English. One rejects proper English at peril only to himself.

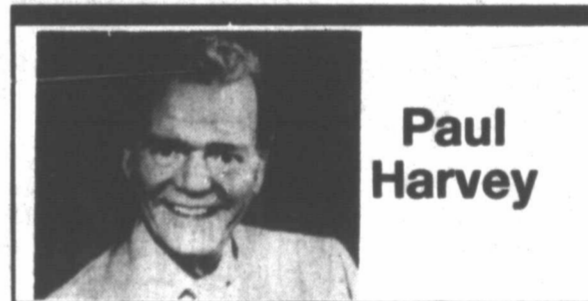
With the language of the streets now heard regularly in our schools, it's leaving a lot of room at the top for anybody willing to say it right. Francis Bacon wrote, "No man prospers so suddenly as by others' errors."

A careless mistake may be insignificant; a succession of mistakes reveals illiteracy.

A plural subject with a singular verb. A dangling participle. Putting "who" and "whom" in the wrong places. The tautology, "the reason is because ...". The use of "like" when what one means is "as."

Some scholars have given up and have decided that any words and phrases, "through common usage," must be acceptable.

Jacques Barzun, author of *The Culture We*



Paul Harvey

Deserve, responds that it is very difficult to imagine a "do-as-you-like Morse code." He notes that the mangling of the language comes from a class that we presume to be educated.

When O.J. Simpson was involved in that Bronco ride to nowhere, his friend Robert Kardashian repeatedly stumbled over words in the handwritten letter because it was riddled with errors of spelling and grammar that you would not expect of a 10 year old.

Granted, Mr. Simpson was under extreme emotional stress, but the writer was lucid enough to thank 22 of his jock friends and golfing partners -

while committing a dozen basic grammatical errors in the first paragraph!

Richard Roeper of Chicago's *Sun-Times* noted that many news organizations cleaned up Simpson's language. *Newsweek* not only corrected his grammar and spelling but restructured whole sentences. Errors included "allways" and "rectily," "wern't" and "differeant," "murtually" and "spareate," "privicy" and "problemm."

"I did not plea no contest ..."

This is not another indictment of Mr. Simpson. It is indeed an indictment of any university that graduates anybody while that person is still unable to write beyond the third-grade level.

It is not just athletes.

Journalism schools are graduating journalism majors who can't spell and whose grammar is so atrocious it's an embarrassment when they answer the telephone.

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Joan Rivers, when asked the secret of getting ahead, said: "It's not WHO you know - but WHOM!"

Statistical abstracts show where we are going

It was Abraham Lincoln who speculated about "where we are and whither we are tending." Today, the best place to continue that speculation is in the newly published annual edition of the *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, as always a remarkable work, this one containing 1,011 pages and 1,410 tables.

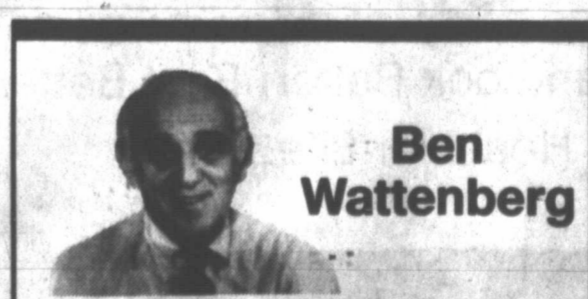
Where we seem to be tending is not so great. It's no wonder that people all over the nation are saying there has been a moral breakdown in American life. There were 399,000 births to unmarried women in 1970 - and 1.2 million in 1991. Back in 1970 just 11 percent of births were to unmarried women; in 1991 the figure was 30 percent. The divorce rate has dipped a bit, but it is still the highest in the world.

Is welfare driving the illegitimacy rate up? It's a tricky question, but the numbers do correlate. Just from 1990 to 1992, cash and non-cash benefits for persons with limited income climbed from \$210 billion to \$289 billion.

Nor is it a wonder that crime has become the No. 1 issue in the political polls. The violent crime rate climbed 41 percent from 1983 to 1992, and that followed a big prior increase. (The rate dropped by .01 percent from 1991 to 1992.)

These are the core of the "values" issues that well-intentioned liberal government has exacerbated. Smarty-pants sophisticates laughed at the Houston GOP convention in 1992 as tone-deaf Republicans misplayed the issue. But it is at the root of what ails us.

The abstract does not concentrate only on bad news. The number of persons killed in motor vehicle accidents fell from 51,000 in 1980 to 39,000 in



Ben Wattenberg

1992. The rate of fatalities per vehicle mile traveled fell 55 percent during the same time.

We're getting lots of new goodies. The number of people with cellular phone service climbed from 682,000 in 1986 to 16 million (!) in 1993.

We've weathered some crises. During the 1980s it was said that Americans couldn't afford to buy a home anymore. But in 1993, almost two-thirds of Americans (64.3 percent) owned their own residences, very close to the all-time high. It was also said that America wouldn't be No. 1 in the next century because other nations were growing their economies faster, particularly those wonderful Japanese. But in 1992 and 1993 America grew far more rapidly than any of the other major industrial nations. (Poor Japan grew by .01 percent in 1993.)

Part of our economic growth came from catfish. In 1980, there were 46 million pounds sold; in 1992 it was 457 million pounds. That's a lot of whiskers.

Professional baseball players did almost as well as catfish-eaters. In 1980 their average salary was \$144,000. By 1992 it was \$1,029,000. Attendance

at baseball games went up from 44 million to 57 million during that time.

There will be much talk about the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs (GATT) soon, when a lame duck Congress re-convenes after the election to vote on the biggest international trade deal in history. It's big stuff for America; we're going global. In 1993 American exports and imports amounted to \$1.36 trillion.

From 1985 to 1993 the number of computers in classrooms soared from 631,000 to 4 million. And where did the schools get money? Well, in 1980 there were \$2.4 billion in lottery tickets sold. In 1993 the figure was \$25.3 billion, the largest share of which went to education.

As a syndicated columnist, I am sorry to inform you that the circulation of daily newspapers has fallen from 62 million in 1980 to 60 million in 1992, while the nation was growing by 27 million souls. The new population projections, substantially up from prior estimates, show America growing from 258 million people in 1993 to 326 million in 2020. That's 68 million potential catfish buyers. Some of them might even buy newspapers.

Finally, there's going to be a lot of talk about "turnout" between now and the next Election Day. There should be. In the last presidential year 51 percent of voters went to the polls; in the last congressional-only year the figure was 33 percent. If you know who is going to bother to vote in 1996, you will know how many congressional seats the Republicans might gain.

And that might give us a clue as to whither we are tending.

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U.N. may end peacekeeping in Bosnia

By ROBERT H. REID
Associated Press Writer

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali said today he might have to end the peacekeeping mission in Bosnia after Bosnia's president refused to agree to a cease-fire and Serbs wouldn't even meet with him.

Boutros-Ghali said both sides have to show a willingness to negotiate and work with U.N. peacekeepers and aid workers who have helped feed hundreds of thousands of people throughout the 31-month-long war.

"My message to them is that unless they do this, it will become impossible for me to persuade the Security Council to keep UNPROFOR here," Boutros-Ghali told reporters, referring to the peacekeepers. He then left Sarajevo for Paris.

Tens of thousands of U.S. troops would be needed as part of a NATO-led effort to rescue peacekeepers, Pentagon officials said in Washington.

In failing to meet with him, Boutros-Ghali said Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic "has done his people a great disservice."

Sources said Karadzic did not want to travel to the Sarajevo airport

to meet Boutros-Ghali, and that the secretary-general would not go to the Serb-held Lukavica, south of the city, for the meeting.

The Serbs, who have continued their attack of the U.N. "safe area" of Bihac in northwest Bosnia, have repeatedly rejected a plan that would reduce their holdings in Bosnia from 70 to 75 percent to 49 percent.

Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic told Boutros-Ghali that Bosnia would negotiate only if Serbs accept the plan.

Security was tight as Boutros-Ghali headed to talks with Bosnia's Muslim president and other senior government officials.

"I am an optimist. I hope we'll get new momentum for a cease-fire around Bihac," the U.N. chief said upon arriving.

Rebel Serbs have detained 400 U.N. peacekeepers to deter NATO airstrikes on their positions, but released 45 British soldiers today.

On the eve of his visit, U.N. sources said Dutch peacekeepers in Srebrenica, a U.N.-declared safe area in southeastern Bosnia, came under sustained fire and asked for support from NATO warplanes.

But the sources said the U.N. chief for Bosnia, Lt. Gen. Sir Michael Rose, asked NATO not to fly in until late Thursday, a day after

Boutros-Ghali's trip.

On Tuesday, mediators from the United States and its allies, as well as Russia, met with the Bosnian government in hopes of salvaging a negotiated end to the war and averting an outright military victory for the Serbs.

However, Western officials now admit they have almost no leverage over the Serbs, since their ultimate weapon — NATO air power — did not stop the Serb assault on Bihac last week.

That offensive pressed ahead Tuesday. The United Nations reported heavy shelling, machine-gun and small-arms fire around Bihac, where outgunned government troops face rebel Serbs from Bosnia and Croatia, and a renegade Muslim force. The town's mayor, Hamdija Kabiljagic, said shells were landing every six seconds Tuesday afternoon.

U.N. officials said it was quiet overnight. But there were unconfirmed reports today that some Bosnian Serb soldiers had entered the outskirts of Bihac, which now holds 70,000 people.

In Washington, Secretary of State Warren Christopher predicted U.S. allies would accept a new U.S. initiative calling for an international conference to explore terms for a settlement.

Radio ads seek evidence of illegal alien voting fraud

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — An ad campaign created by Proposition 187 backers and partly financed by losing Senate candidate Michael Huffington claims that widespread voting fraud by illegal immigrants tainted the Nov. 8 election.

The radio ads urge people to report irregularities to a fraud hot line.

Acting Secretary of State Tony Miller, California's top elections officer, said his office was investi-

gating the allegations. Miller, who lost his own election race, said there is "not a scintilla of evidence presented with respect to voter fraud."

Huffington, who spent more than \$27 million of his own money in the most expensive Senate campaign ever, blames voting by illegal aliens for his narrow loss to Sen. Dianne Feinstein. He has refused to concede defeat and hopes evidence of fraud will make him the winner.

Martin Cooper, a member of the task force that is soliciting reports of voting irregularities, said Huffington has contributed money to pay for the ads. "He is one contributor, but he is not the sole contributor or even a major contributor," Cooper said.

Harold Ezell, a co-author of Proposition 187, said his group has received evidence of noncitizens who said they voted, as well as multiple ballots cast by the same person.



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• 1:00-2:20 P.M.	T/TH	BAS	113	01	BEGINNING KEYBOARDING	3	JOHNSON
• -LAB	TBA				BEGINNING KEYBOARDING		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	T	BAS	113	02	BEGINNING KEYBOARDING	3	CROW
• -LAB	TBA				BEGINNING KEYBOARDING		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	T/TH	BAS	123	01	INTERMEDIATE TYPING	3	CROW
• -LAB	TBA				INTERMEDIATE TYPING		
• 1:00-2:20 P.M.	T/TH	BAS	123	02	INTERMEDIATE TYPING	3	JOHNSON
• -LAB	TBA				INTERMEDIATE TYPING		
• 10:30-11:50 A.M.	T/TH	BAS	142	01	WORD PROCESSING I	3	JOHNSON
• -LAB	TBA				WORD PROCESSING I		
• 9:00-10:20 A.M.	T/TH	BAS	143	01	WORD PROCESSING II	3	JOHNSON
• -LAB	TBA				WORD PROCESSING II		
• 6:00-8:50 P.M.	M	BAS	143	02	WORD PROCESSING II	3	HAYNES
• -LAB	TBA				WORD PROCESSING II		
• 1:00-2:20 P.M.	T/TH	BAS	211	01	ADVANCED TYPING	3	JOHNSON
• -LAB	TBA				ADVANCED TYPING		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	T	BAS	211	02	ADVANCED TYPING	3	CROW
• -LAB	TBA				ADVANCED TYPING		
• 12:00-2:50 P.M.	M/W	BIO	214	01	INTRO TO ZOOLOGY	4	WINDHORST
• -LAB	M				INTRODUCTION OF ZOOLOGY		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	W	BIO	235	01	HUMAN A&P II	4	WINDHORST
• -LAB	W				HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II		
• 4:00-6:50 P.M.	T	BIO	238	01	MICROBIOLOGY	4	LOWRIE
• -LAB	T				MICROBIOLOGY		
• 2:30-3:50 P.M.	T/TH	BUS	215	01	BUS COMMUNICATIONS	3	JOHNSON
• -LAB	TBA				BUS COMMUNICATIONS		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	W	BUS	215	02	BUS COMMUNICATIONS	3	CROW
• -LAB	TBA				BUS COMMUNICATIONS		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	T	BUS	224	01	ACCOUNTING PRINC II	3	HUBBARD
• 9:00-12:00 A.M.	W.	CHM	114	02	GENERAL CHEMISTRY I	4	SMITH
• -LAB	M				GENERAL COLLEGE CHEMISTRY I		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	TH	CHM	124	01	GENERAL CHEMISTRY II	4	SMITH
• -LAB	T				GENERAL COLLEGE CHEMISTRY II		
• 6:00-9:50 P.M.	M	CIS	205	01	PRIN OF COMP INF SYS	4	DENNEY
• -LAB	TBA				PRINCIPLES OF COMPUTER INFORM SYSTM		
• 6:00-9:50 P.M.	TH	CIS	205	02	PRIN OF COMP INF SYS	4	REEVE
• -LAB	TBA				PRINCIPLES OF COMPUTER INFORM SYSTM		
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• -LAB	TBA				DEVELOPMENTAL WRITING III		
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	M	ECO	223	01	PRIN OF ECONOMICS II	3	SCHAEFER
• 6:00 - 9:50 P.M.	M/W	ELE	1002	01	AC CIRCUITS	4	FORD
• -LAB	M/W				AC CIRCUITS		
• 6:00-9:50 P.M.	T/TH	ELE	1004	01	SEMICONDUCTORS II	4	SKRAASTAD
• -LAB	T/TH				SEMICONDUCTORS II		
• 9:00-10:20 A.M.	M/W	ENG	113	01	ENG COMP & RHETOR I	3	THOMPSON
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	T	ENG	113	02	ENG COMP & RHETOR I	3	SCOGGIN
• 10:30-11:50 A.M.	M/W	ENG	123	01	ENG COMP & RHETOR II	3	THOMPSON
• 9:00-10:20 A.M.	T/TH	ENG	123	02	ENG COMP & RHETOR II	3	SCOGGIN
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	M	ENG	123	03	ENG COMP & RHETOR II	3	THOMPSON
• 10:30-11:50 A.M.	T/TH	ENG	273	01	WORLD LITERATURE II	3	SCOGGIN
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	TH	ENG	273	02	WORLD LITERATURE II	3	SCOGGIN
• 9:00-12:00 A.M.	FRI	ENG	273	03	WORLD LITERATURE II	3	THOMPSON
• 10:30-11:50 A.M.	T/TH	GOV	213	01	AMER NAT'L GOV	3	TIBBETS
• 6:00-8:50 P.M.	T	GOV	213	03	AMER NAT'L GOV	3	TIBBETS
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	M	GOV	223	01	STATE & LOCAL GOV	3	PEET
• 1:00-2:20 P.M.	T/TH	GOV	223	02	STATE & LOCAL GOV	3	TIBBETS
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	TH	HST	213	01	AMER HST 1500-1865	3	RAPSTINE
• 6:00-6:50 P.M.	T	HST	223	TV	AMER HST 1865-PRESNT	3	RAPSTINE
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	T	HST	223	01	AMER HST 1865-PRESNT	3	RAPSTINE
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	W	HST	223	02	AMER HST 1865-PRESNT	3	DINSMORE
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	M	MTH	113	01	COLLEGE ALGEBRA	3	HOWARD
• 11:00-12:30 P.M.	T/TH	MTH	120	01	MODERN MATH I	3	BAKER
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	T	NUT	113	01	PRIN OF NUTRITION	3	SULLIVAN
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• 2:00-4:50 P.M.	TH	SOC	212	01	SOCIAL ISSUES	3	WILSON
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	TH	SPE	113	01	BASIC TECH OF SPEECH	3	WILSON
• 7:00-9:50 P.M.	M	SPE	123	01	INTERPERSONAL SPEECH	3	LANE
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Judge: Hair length rule unconstitutional

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — His ponytail has gotten longer, but not much else has changed in Zachariah Toungate's four-year battle against the school district's hair-length policy.

On Tuesday, a judge ruled the hair-length rule was unconstitutional.

But Visiting Judge Norman Lanford of Houston refused to order Bastrop school officials to abolish the rule, saying the dispute didn't rise to the level requiring court intervention.

"We're happy with a win, and we're taking it as such," said attorney Paul Hunn, who represents the Bastrop school board.

But Zach's attorney, Charles Beall, considered the judge's finding a victory.

"It's an illegal and unconstitution-

al rule," Beall said. "I don't know what kind of message they (the school) will send to their students if they continue to enforce it."

Hunn responded that he expected the school board to continue to enforce the rule. He said the judge deferred to local educators by recognizing legal precedent that says the dispute isn't a matter for the courts.

In 1990, Zach gained national attention when as a third-grader he was given in-school suspension for refusing to cut his rattail-style hair.

School district rules in Bastrop, a small town about 35 miles east of Austin, required boys to have hair no longer than the bottom of their collar.

Zach was kept separated from other students, and taught alone in a 10-foot by 13-foot room. He also was prohibited from participating in

extracurricular activity.

School officials argued that the rule instilled discipline and made students more productive members of society.

In February 1991, the boy's parents withdrew him from school and taught him at home for the remainder of the year.

Zach's parents sued the school district to get rid of the rule so he could return. While the case made its way through the legal system, Zach received hundreds of letters from across the country, most of them supportive.

The case was dismissed, but an appeals court reversed that decision and said Zach's challenge to the constitutionality of the hair-length rule deserved a trial.

Last month, a jury ruled against Zach, who is now 12.

Rap artist Tupac Shakur, manager shot in holdup

NEW YORK (AP) — Tupac Shakur was shot five times during a robbery early today outside a Manhattan recording studio.

The 23-year-old rapper and actor was in guarded condition with wounds to the head, groin and hand, but was conscious and alert, Bellevue Hospital Center administrator Wesley Anglin said.

Shakur and three other men were walking into the Quad Recording Studio near Times Square when three robbers confronted them about 12:30 a.m., said Sgt. James Coleman.

The gunmen demanded that Shakur and his friends "Give it up," but Shakur apparently didn't move fast enough and the robbers opened fire, Coleman said.

Then, "Shakur lunged at one of the gunmen and fought over the gun. Shots were fired and he ran into the street after one of the gunmen," Coleman said.

The bandits vanished with jewelry. Coleman said Shakur apparently was unarmed.

Shakur's manager, 24-year-old Freddie Moore, was shot once in the stomach. His condition was not available.

The shooting was the latest misfortune for Shakur, whose troubles with the law have earned him more notoriety than his hard-edged raps or starring roles in *Poetic Justice*, *Juice* and *Above the Rim*.

On Tuesday, a Manhattan jury began deliberating sexual assault and

weapons charges against Shakur and Charles Fuller, 24.

A woman says that four days after she had consensual sex with Shakur, he lured her to his hotel in November 1993 for a gang sex attack by four of his friends. Shakur's lawyer says she is lying because she is a "vengeful suitor."

Police said when they arrived at the hotel room they found two pistols. Shakur faces up to 25 years in prison if convicted of the sex charges and up to seven years on the gun charges.

After the New York case is resolved, Shakur must serve a 10-day jail sentence in Michigan for swinging a bat at another rapper during a concert.

New selection plan announced for state judges

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — The combination of federal pressure and national ridicule may nudge Texas toward a new method of electing judges, officials say.

On Tuesday a judicial selection plan was proposed amid growing criticism that the current method prevents minorities from becoming judges, and encourages races fueled by special interest contributions.

Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Phillips, a Republican, and state Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, are members of the group formed by Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock that is pushing to change the way Texans pick judges.

Ellis said the low number of minority district judges in a state that is 40 percent black and Hispanic is a "national embarrassment."

Earlier this month, Houston voters ousted all eight minority judges, leaving the state's largest county without a black judge.

Civil rights advocates say the current method of electing district judges countywide prevents minorities from winning elections by diluting their voting strength.

By forming smaller districts from minority communities, minorities would be able to elect candidates they back to the bench.

Phillips opposes partisan judicial campaigns.

"The unfortunate result of the partisan judicial elections was that judges were defeated in the last election and other elections based on events on the top of the ticket and not anything they did," he said.

And now the U.S. Justice Department, citing Texas' "discriminatory" way of electing judges, has prohibited the state from creating several new courts.

"The partisan sweeps, the extremely expensive judicial races and the Justice Department's insistence we change our system ... those three things combined together give us an unusual opportunity to reform our election system," Phillips said.

Under the plan unveiled Tuesday: — Judges on the Texas Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals, and 14 regional courts of appeals would be appointed by the governor and confirmed by the state Senate.

Two years later, voters would decide whether the judge should be allowed to continue to serve. It would be a "yes" or "no" vote, not one where the judge faced an opponent. If approved, the judge would face voters for reapproval every six years.

If an appellate judge were rejected by the voters, the governor would appoint a new judge for that seat and the process would start again.

District court judges would seek office in non-partisan elections with no runoff.

The winner would face reapproval elections every four years. After two terms, they would have to run again with opponents in a non-partisan election.

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Parents fight over custody of Dahmer's remains

By ARTHUR L. SRB
Associated Press Writer

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Jeffrey Dahmer once said his parents' arguments drove him into a private fantasy world. Now his divorced parents have another dispute — over his remains.

Both parents want the body of their serial killer son cremated and want custody of the ashes, lawyers say. Stephen Eisenberg, who represented Dahmer after his trial, said a judge may have to split the ashes between his mother, Joyce Flint of Fresno, Calif., and his father, Lionel Dahmer of Bath, Ohio.

Authorities have performed an autopsy and won't release Dahmer's body until it's no longer needed as evidence.

Dahmer's head was bashed in Monday while he was cleaning toilets at the Columbia Correctional Institution in Portage. A bloody broom handle was found near his body, but authorities haven't determined if it was the murder weapon.

An inmate who had been working with Dahmer also was beaten and remained in critical condition today with head injuries. A prisoner who had been working with the two men, convicted murderer Christopher J. Scarver, was identified as the suspect.

It was the second attack this year on Dahmer, who killed and dismembered 17 men and boys and sometimes cannibalized or had sex with the corpses. But Eisenberg said Dahmer didn't want the restrictive living conditions that could have saved him.

"He wanted to be in with the general (prison) popu-

lation. He didn't want to sit in a hole all day long," he said.

Dahmer had been kept in isolation at the prison for a year before the staff determined he could mix with other prisoners. In July, an inmate tried to cut his throat, but the makeshift razor weapon fell apart and Dahmer escaped with a scratch.

Eisenberg said he and Dahmer never discussed his living arrangements and he didn't know whether Dahmer could have requested more secure quarters.

But if Dahmer had wanted to be in isolation, the lawyer said, "I'm sure it would have been very simple to obtain that — just commit some prison violations."

The sister of one of Dahmer's victims told the New York Post Tuesday that an inmate phoned her a month ago and promised that Dahmer would be "taken care of."

Rita Isbell said she received about 10 calls from inmates pertaining to Dahmer over the past two years. She said they probably called her because she screamed at Dahmer during his trial and called him Satan.

Dahmer told a television interviewer this year that his parents' fights were "unnerving, depressing" and pushed him into "my own little (fantasy) world where I had control." But he said the arguments weren't an excuse for his depraved behavior. His parents divorced in the late 1970s.

Dahmer's will asked for cremation as soon as possible, according to WISC-TV, which said it obtained a copy. The will also requested no autopsy, funeral ceremony or headstone, the station said.

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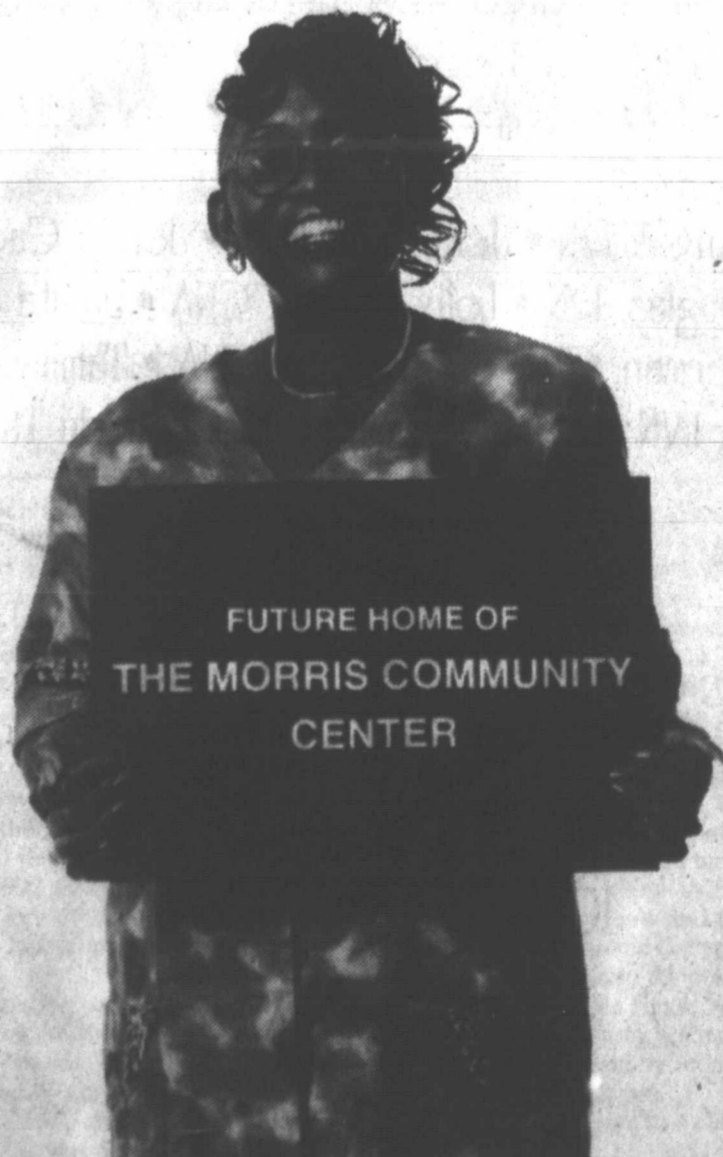
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Democrats jockeying for leadership posts as minority party

By DAVID ESPO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tom Daschle, a soft-spoken, persistent South Dakotan with less than 10 years in the Senate, laid claim to the post of Democratic leader on Tuesday and vowed to forge a legislative program "not dictated solely" by the White House.

Daschle said he had "unequivocal" pledges of support from 24 senators, enough to lead minority Senate Democrats in the Congress that convenes in January. His rival, Sen. Christopher Dodd of Connecticut, refused to concede and a secret ballot election is set for Friday. "We're still in this and I wouldn't be making the calls if I didn't believe it," he said.

Democrats were thrust into the minority in both houses of Congress in the midterm elections, and a brief lame-duck session called to consider a global trade pact brought them face-to-face with the changes wrought by the voters.

Speaker Tom Foley, whose defeat at the polls symbolized the party's debacle, banged the gavel to open the House for the final time in a Democratic reign that stretches to the Eisenhower era. Gallows humor penetrated the Democratic side of the House floor as veter-

power brokers contemplated life in minority.

"I want to go upstairs and see if they've chiseled my name off the door," Massachusetts Rep. Joseph Moakley said with a smile. As chairman of the House Rules Committee, Moakley has been entitled to an office in the Capitol one floor above the House chamber.

House Democrats held a private caucus in preparation for Wednesday's leadership elections. Conservatives are mounting uphill challenges to the party's two top leaders, Richard Gephardt and David Bonior, with talk of possible conservative defections to the GOP, depending on the outcome of the organizational caucuses.

"There is a great deal of frustration, anger and concern, but it's not focused toward Dick Gephardt," who is favored to be re-elected as leader on Tuesday, said Rep. Bill Orton of Utah. "It was focused against ourselves collectively."

In the Senate, Daschle said he was prepared to work with majority Republicans when possible. "There are going to be many times when we have to confront them. ...I have no reservation or regrets about doing so," he said in an interview.

As for the White House, he said, "I think it's clear that Democrats in the Senate must establish their own identi-

ty, that we work on an agenda that takes into account priorities within the administration but not be dictated solely by that."

Daschle, 46, who served four terms in the House before his 1986 Senate election, began running for the Democratic leader's post within hours of Sen. George Mitchell's surprise announcement earlier this year that he would retire.

Daschle's election would signify the ascendancy of a younger group of Democrats, elected in the past eight years and too junior to enjoy the power of committee chairmanships in the recent years in which their party held a majority. A list of 24 supporters released by Daschle's office includes 14 elected in 1986 or later.

With a small group of senators still publicly uncommitted, the list of the remaining 20 senators believed to be supporting Dodd is top-heavy with senior lawmakers.

Despite Daschle's claim of victory, Dodd said he was continuing to make calls. "I'm talking to people on his side and we think there's some slippage," he said, although aides declined to provide any names.

Dodd jumped into the race a few weeks ago as a replacement for Sen. James Sasser, the chairman of the Budget Committee, who was defeated for re-election in

Tennessee. At 50, Dodd is only a year younger than Daschle, but he inherited much of Sasser's support.

Among House Democrats, Gephardt is expected to retain his leadership post over a challenge from Rep. Charlie Rose of North Carolina. The party's whip, Rep. David Bonior of Michigan, faces a challenge from Rep. Charles Stenholm, a conservative Texan.

One conservative, Rep. Billy Tauzin of Louisiana, said a small group of conservative Democrats had met privately during the day. "Our preference is to work to bring our party back to the center," he said. "If we can't do that of course we're going to look at every option." He declined to identify any other potential party-switchers.

Lawmakers who emerged from the broader, closed-door Democratic caucus characterized it as part post-election catharsis and part debate about the future.

"There's just venting going on. It's necessary," said Rep. Alcee Hastings of Florida.

"There are a couple hundred midwives in there, all trying to give birth to a newly defined Democratic Party, so labor pains are imminent," said Rep. Pat Williams of Montana. "If it's born in the image I like, it will be a party that remembers who brought it to the dance, and that is America's working stiffs."

New rules set on special event tours and tickets

WASHINGTON (AP) — Maybe it should be called the Rose Bowl Rule.

The Transportation Department announced Tuesday that a new Truth in Ticketing regulation will take effect Dec. 7. It is designed to prevent scams like those that left University of Wisconsin football fans angry and ticketless outside last year's Rose Bowl.

Hundreds of Badgers fans bought tour packages last year only to arrive in Pasadena and discover that game tickets weren't available.

Under the new rule, tour operators must have a substantial number of tickets on hand or under contract before even advertising tour deals. And they cannot accept payment for a tour package unless the actual ticket is available or they have a firm contract for it.

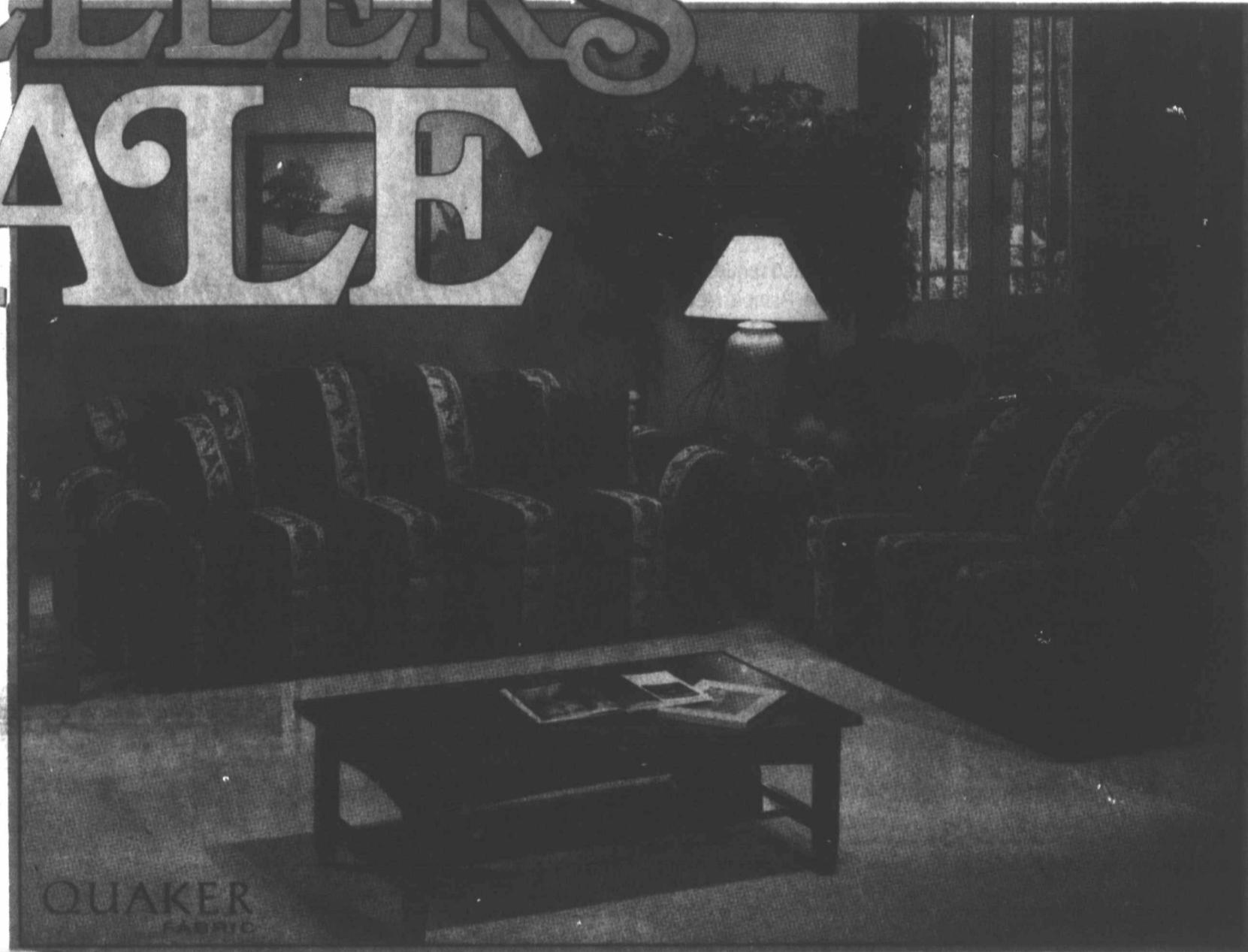
While the majority of tour operators keep their promises, new rules are needed to prevent a few unscrupulous companies from leaving sports and entertainment fans standing outside the gate," said Transportation Secretary Federico Pena.

In the past, tour operators selling packages to the National Football League's Super Bowl were required to have tickets available. The new rule extends that protection to any tour organized for the purpose of attending a sports, social, religious, educational, cultural, political or other event for which admission is advertised as part of the tour.

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Bullock aide says taxes won't be issue unless school law overturned

AUSTIN (AP) — A special assistant to Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said Tuesday that taxes won't be an issue during the 1995 legislative session unless the Texas Supreme Court overturns the school finance law.

"If the Supreme Court substantially sets aside our current school finance system, that will become the highest priority of the Legislature to find an alternative," Brad Reynolds told a tax policy conference.

"Our entire tax structure would be in debate if we have to craft a new school finance system," he said.

Since 1989, the state Supreme Court has declared Texas school funding laws unconstitutional three times.

A fourth challenge is pending before the court.

The Supreme Court has ordered lawmakers to even out funding available to school districts of differ-

ing property wealth. While lawmakers have made changes, school funding continues to rely mainly on a combination of local property tax money and state aid.

If the new law is overturned, Reynolds said proposals such as a value-added tax would be considered to replace certain property taxes.

A value-added tax is imposed on an item at different stages of production.

But if the court upholds the school finance law, Reynolds said, lawmakers will make only minor changes in the state's tax laws.

That is because Bullock, presiding officer of the state Senate, and House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center vowed more than a year ago that there would be no tax increase, he said.

Woman arrested in professor's death

FORT WORTH (AP) — A 27-year-old woman has been arrested in connection with the slaying of her husband's stepfather after she admitted killing him, police said Tuesday.

Lisa Wilcher Stevens is accused of the Nov. 8 strangling of Lyle Wayne Williams, 77, a retired Texas Wesleyan University professor. She was being held in the Tarrant County jail on \$100,000 bond.

Mrs. Stevens is the wife of Daniel Stevens, whose mother was married to Williams.

Fort Worth police said a search of Mrs. Stevens' home Monday turned up evidence implicating her, and she later called them and confessed.

Authorities allege Williams was killed at his Bedford apartment after an argument with Mrs. Stevens about money and the use of his car.

"The argument escalated and (Mrs.) Stevens wrapped an electric cord around Williams' neck and pulled him to the floor," police said in a news release. "She bound the body to make it appear as if robbery were the motive, then disposed of the body by taking it to a field ... and setting it on fire."

Police Monday released Mrs. Stevens' brother-in-law, 17-year-old Ronald Stevens, who was taken into custody last week in connection with the slaying.

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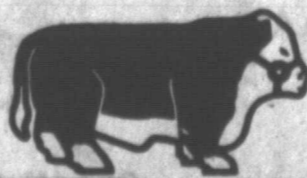
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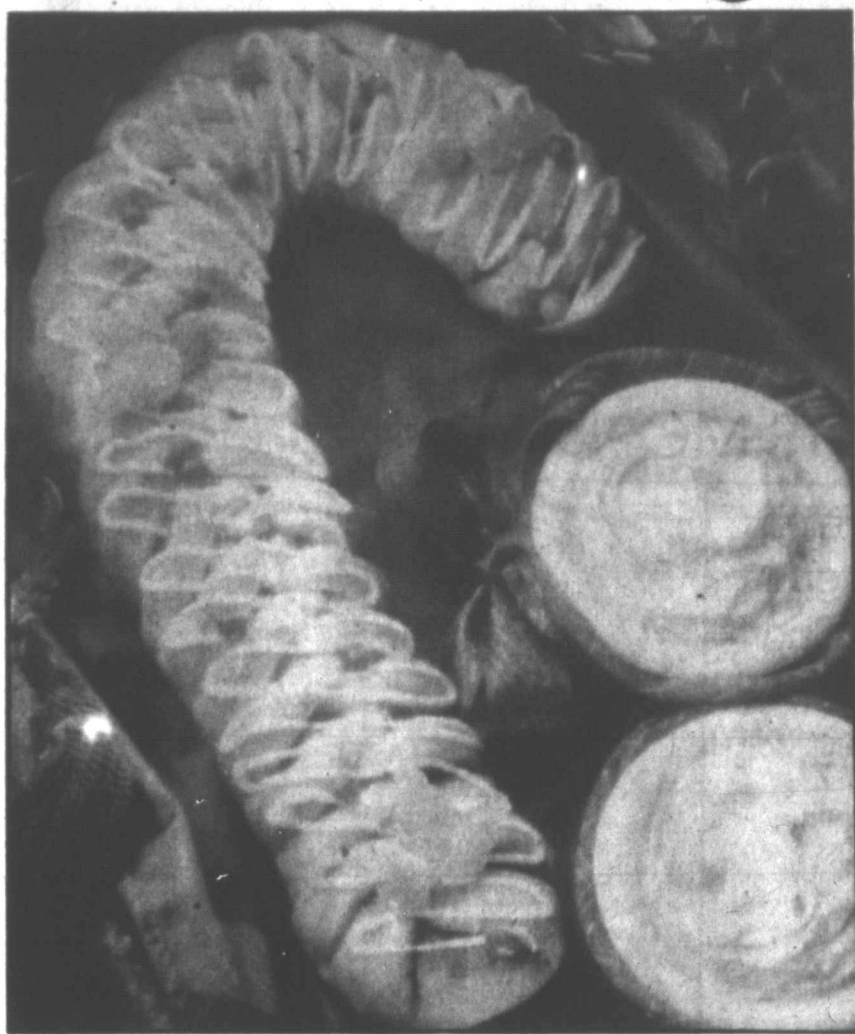
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Bake a food gift for the holidays



Candy cane coffee cakes make a festive holiday brunch dish — or gift of food. The dough is made from a quick-rising yeast, so the coffee cake is quick and easy to make. (AP photo)

By The Associated Press

Gifts of food are always appreciated at holiday time. These easy, festive Candy Cane Coffeecakes are delightful and delicious. The dough is made from quick-rising yeast. Buttermilk ensures a moist and tender coffeecake. The recipe makes enough dough for two coffeecakes.

- Candy Cane Coffeecakes**
For the coffeecakes:
3 1/2- to 4 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 package quick-rise yeast
1-3rd cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup buttermilk
1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, cut into 6 pieces
2 eggs
1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter, softened
1/4 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
2 tablespoons granulated sugar
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 recipe Glaze (recipe below)
For the coffeecakes: Combine 2 cups of the flour, the yeast, the sugar and the salt in a large mixer bowl.
Heat buttermilk and butter to very warm (125 degree F to 130 degrees F). Add to flour mixture with eggs. Beat on low speed of electric mixer, scraping bowl constantly, about 30 seconds. Beat on medium speed for 2 minutes. Stir in enough remaining flour to make dough easy to handle. Knead dough on well-floured sur-

face until smooth and elastic, 3 to 5 minutes, adding additional flour as needed to prevent dough from sticking. Let dough rest, covered, 10 minutes.

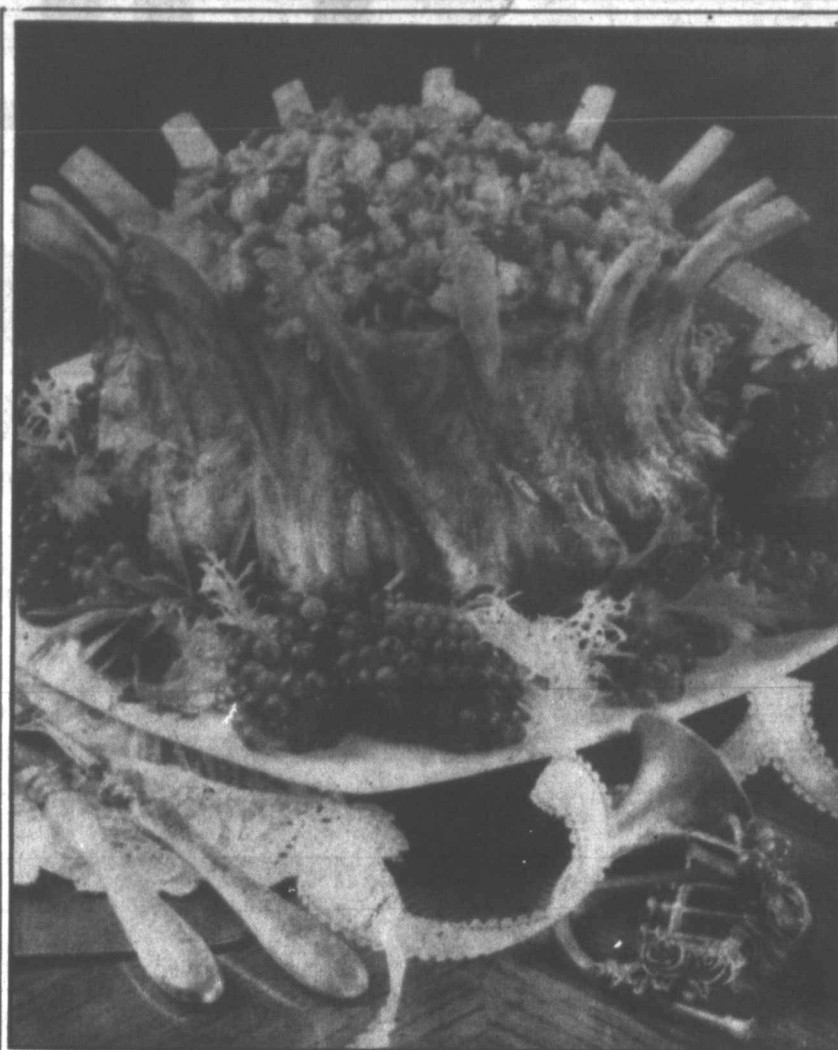
Meanwhile, for the filling, combine butter, sugars and cinnamon; mix to form paste.

Divide dough into two equal parts. On well-floured surface, roll each to a 14- by 6-inch rectangle. Place on buttered cookie sheet. Make 2-inch cuts on 14-inch sides of rectangles at 1/2-inch intervals. Spread half of the cinnamon-butter paste down center of each rectangle. Crisscross strips over cinnamon mixture. Gently stretch each rectangle to 20 inches; curve to form cane shape. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until nearly double, 20 to 30 minutes. Bake in a 375-degree F oven 18 to 20 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool slightly on wire rack. Drizzle with Glaze. Decorate as desired. Makes 2 coffeecakes, 8 servings each.

For glaze: Mix 1 cup confectioners' sugar with milk to form desired consistency for glazing.

Note: To freeze, cool completely. Do not glaze. Wrap each securely in heavy-duty aluminum foil. Freeze up to two months. To reheat, place frozen coffeecake in 350-degree F oven for 20 minutes or until heated through. Drizzle with glaze.

Nutrition facts per serving: 250 cal., 4 g pro., 10 g fat, 37 g carbo., 30 mg cal.



For an elegant holiday main dish, serve cranberry stuffing in the center of a crown pork roast. (AP photo)

Cranberry stuffing pairs with roast or turkey

By The Associated Press

For a spectacular entree, serve a crown pork roast with cranberry stuffing. The stuffing can also be served with roast turkey.

Savory Cranberry Stuffing

- 1 cup chopped celery
 - 1 cup chopped onion
 - 1/2 cup margarine or butter
 - 16-ounce can whole berry cranberry sauce
 - 2 teaspoons chicken-flavor instant bouillon or 2 chicken-flavor bouillon cubes
 - 16-ounce package herb-seasoned stuffing mix
 - 1 cup chopped pecans
 - 2 cups water
- In large skillet, cook celery and onion in margarine until tender. In small saucepan, over low heat, cook and stir cranberry sauce and bouillon until bouillon dissolves.
- In large bowl, combine remaining ingredients; add celery and cranberry mixtures. Mix well. Place stuffing in greased dish. Bake in a 350-degree F oven for 30 minutes or until hot. Serve in center of crown pork roast or with roast turkey. Refrigerate leftovers. Makes about 2 quarts.

Low-fat cooking: White bean dip wins party-goers

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine
For AP Special Features

Surrounded by fresh vegetable crudites and crackers, a bowlful of this full-flavored dip wins over party-goers, health conscious or not. Chickpeas, alias garbanzo beans, blend to a creamy thickness without a whisper of fat. Nonfat buttermilk dressing, lemon juice, yogurt and crushed red pepper

contribute the zip.

- Peppy Chickpea Dip**
15-ounce can garbanzo beans, drained
1/2 cup plain yogurt
1/4 cup nonfat buttermilk salad dressing
2 tablespoons fine dry seasoned bread crumbs
2 teaspoons lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper
2 tablespoons chopped pitted ripe olives

Assorted vegetable dippers or crackers

In a food processor bowl or blender container combine garbanzo beans, yogurt, salad dressing, bread crumbs, lemon juice and red pepper. Cover and process or blend until smooth. Stir in olives. Chill, covered, for at least 1 hour. Serve with vegetable dippers or crackers. Makes about 1 and 2-3rds cups.

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Lifestyles

Test can diagnose unexplained fainting

By DR. STUART A. DICKERMAN
NFor AP Special Features

Fainting, or syncope, is a common problem responsible for an estimated 6 percent of all hospital admissions in the United States.

Up until recently, the cause of up to half of all faints remained unknown, even after extensive testing. Fortunately, cardiologists are now learning to use an old tool to diagnose and treat a condition, called neurocardiogenic syncope, that causes many of these fainting spells.

Head-upright tilt-table testing is an old noninvasive test that is now

being used to identify patients who suffer from this disorder. The test may require as little as a standard EKG monitor, a sphygmomanometer (blood pressure cuff), and a table that can be positioned at different angles.

The test itself is administered after an overnight fast. After the patient is situated on the tilt table, the table is slowly raised to the upright position at an angle of 60 to 80 degrees. If the individual faints after being raised to the upright position, the test is considered positive.

Specialists now agree that many of these people have a disorder known as neurocardiogenic syncope. These patients experience sud-

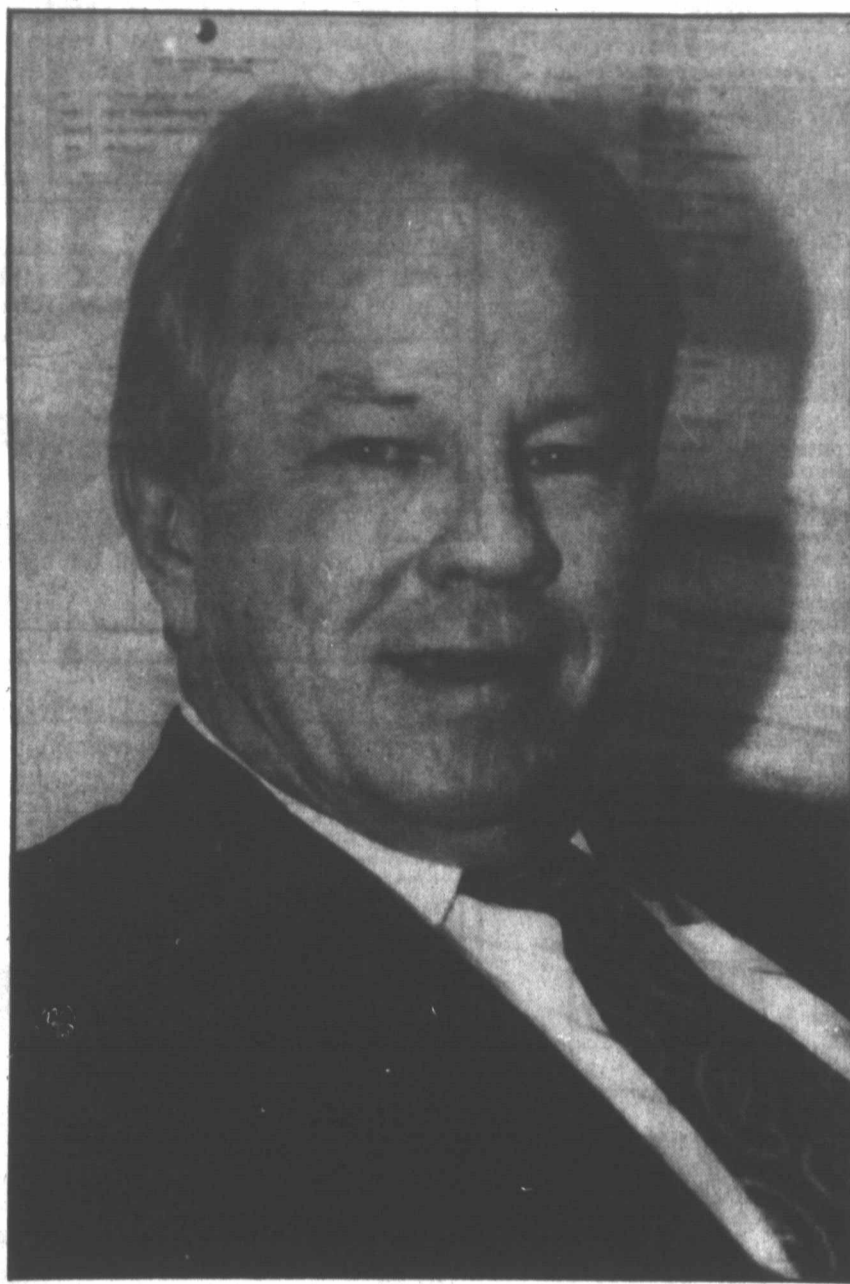
den episodes of bradycardia (slow heart rate) and hypotension (low blood pressure). These episodes are triggered by reflexes transmitted through the nervous system.

A positive head-up tilt-table test reproduces the mechanism of the neurocardiogenic faint, as the patient will experience a drop in heart rate and blood pressure before fainting.

By understanding the underlying causes of neurocardiogenic syncope, cardiologists can now successfully treat this condition in several ways. Special support stockings, pacemakers, beta-blockers and other medications have all been helpful in different cases.

The retiring game...

Bailey retires after 24 years



Harvey Bailey, senior counselor of the Texas Rehabilitation Commission, retired today after 24 years. (Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

By MELINDA MARTINEZ
Lifestyles Editor

With nearly 24 years at the Texas Rehabilitation Commission under his belt, Harvey Bailey, senior counselor, retired today.

"I always worked in an occupation related to working with people — helping people," said Bailey who had majored in social work and history in college.

"I was a counselor when we first moved to Pampa," said Bailey. The first office for the Texas Rehabilitation Commission opened in December of 1973 at 115 E. Kingsmill. He was promoted to senior counselor in 1989.

"He has been in this office all his career," said Sandy Davis, a secretary at the rehabilitation office. The rehabilitation commission helps people who have no vocation-

al skills get those skills, helps people get an education, and also helps them with personal and social adjustment skills and securing jobs or referring them to an appropriate agency that can help them.

On the average, Bailey said they help about 300 to 400 people a year in the Pampa office become productive citizens again.

"We really got involved on a one on one basis over the years," Bailey said about some of the people he has helped.

"The thing that meant more to us

"He is a shining example of people who want to help people,"
— Sandy Davis

than anything else," he said, was a Christmas card his office received from a woman that they had helped a few years back thanking them for the help they gave her getting an education and job skills.

"Not everybody is a success," said Bailey. "But the letter typifies some."

Even though he is a modest man, Davis is the one who boasts of Bailey's virtues.

"He has Christian values," she said. "I have never met a client that didn't love him."

"There are so many good things to say about him," said Davis smiling at Bailey. "He is a shining example of people who want to help people."

"My philosophy in serving people is my attitude," said Bailey, which he describes as a "servant's spirit."

"I am a servant of the public. My bosses are many but my first responsibility is to the clients and the needs of the clients."

Even though today was his last day working, Bailey said he doesn't anticipate fully retiring from activity and he said he'll probably miss his job more than he realizes.

And he may be missed around the office more than he realizes as well.

"He is one of the great storytellers of all time," said Davis. "He keeps us in stitches."

Bailey and his wife have five children and four grandchildren. He is child number 10 of 12 children and hails from Branson, Mo.



Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: A recent column had several letters from women age 60 and over who had cute responses to questions regarding their age. I think these women are part of the problem.

Our culture extends neither status nor credit to its aging population. Today there are more of us than before, and we are striving to age with grace and dignity, but there seems to be a consistent, subtle and insidious message that it is not OK to get older. For example, try to buy a birthday card that doesn't refer to the loss of memory, sight, body functions or body parts that no longer work properly.

Let's fight back! Let's establish models for aging with grace and dignity, and change our own negative views on aging and the attitude of the younger generation. There are cultures that respect their older members for their wisdom and knowledge.

I worked hard to get where I am today. I had lessons to learn and many to relearn—and I am still learning. That's what life is all about, isn't it? I have much to share.

Tell your age. Be proud of it. Show others that you have earned the wisdom and balance to enjoy life even more.

JOAN BELSHIN,

62 YEARS OLD, SACRAMENTO, CALIF.
P.S. One of the cleverest birthday cards I have seen is by Seinfeld. It reads: "You are lucky to be growing older. Now, if you want a cookie, you can have a cookie!"

DEAR JOAN: Perhaps you tuned in late. When asked my age, I simply say, "I'm a 1918 model." I vote with you — and Seinfeld!

DEAR ABBY: Last night my 14-year old son amazed me by asking if our family could go Christmas caroling this year. He then said, "Let's give family members fewer gifts, and use the money to buy gifts for people who are in hospitals and nursing homes—and deliver them ourselves on Christmas Eve!"

Abby, I was somewhat stunned that a 14-year-old would think in such generous terms. We are going to use his suggestions and make this the most rewarding Christmas we have ever had.

Perhaps we need to listen to our children more.
TIM, JESSICA AND MICHAEL'S MOM IN TENINO, WASH.

DEAR TIM, JESSICA AND MICHAEL'S MOM: "Out of the mouths of babes..." (Psalms 8:2). Another truism: "The apple doesn't fall far from the tree." Take a bow, Mom.

DEAR ABBY: I agree with your reader, Earl W. Brown, who hates canned laughter on television.

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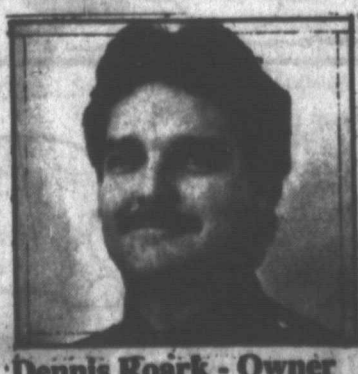
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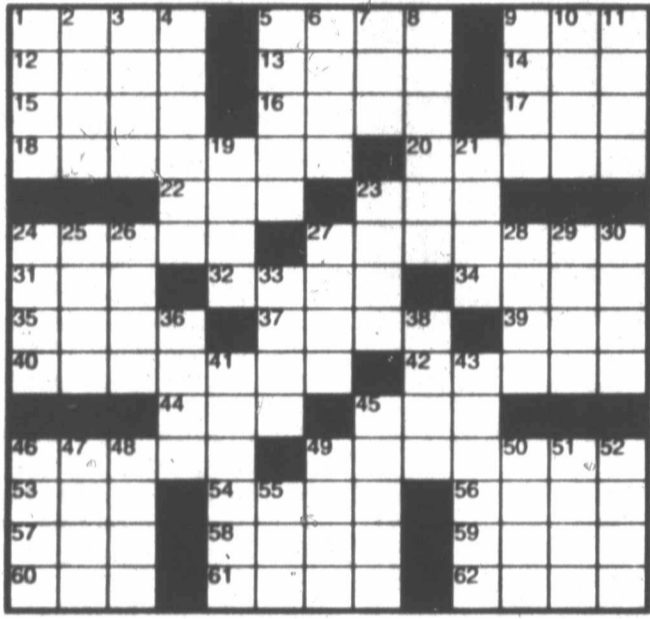
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21 Atlanta arena
23 Abominable snowman
24 Pepsi's rival
25 Dazes
26 Intertwine
27 Ivy League university
28 Tennis player — Lendl
29 Rounded
30 Silk fabric
33 Actress — Calista
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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PIONTER MASON
EEN YAW
VALOR BUS BOO
ENS CHORLING
EVA EARL LUL
RAY LITAS ELSE



WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

Jim Morrison wrote that his goal as a rock musician was to "break on through to the other side"

Do you think you can "break through" playing rock music?

I don't know, Andrew... seems unlikely

Although I did knock some plaster loose on that last song

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

DON'T WOMEN EVER THINK ABOUT DYING?

NOT LIKE MEN! WE HAVE A MORE MATURE OUTLOOK.

LIFE IS AN ONGOING CYCLE, OF WHICH DEATH IS A NATURAL PART.

NOW GRAY HAIR AND WRINKLES...

EK & MEK

By Howie Schneider

DID YOU EVER THINK OF HOW MUCH EASIER IT WOULD HAVE BEEN FOR ALL THOSE OLD GREEK PHILOSOPHERS TO FIND THE TRUTH...

IF THEY HAD THE SUBPOENA?

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

HOW MANY ANTS DO YOU EAT IN A DAY?

MAYBE A HUNDRED OR SO.

DO YOU EVER EAT ANYTHING BESIDES ANTS?

AN OCCASIONAL LADY BUG FOR DESSERT.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH JOEL?

OH, HE'S JUST TRYING TO IMPRESS ME

I MADE THE MISTAKE OF TELLING HIM I LIKED GUYS WHO AREN'T AFRAID TO SHOW THEIR EMOTIONAL SIDE

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

WH...WHAT HAPPENED?

I...I...I... ARE YOU DUNNO?

YEAH, I THINK SO! WHAT'S GOIN' ON...?

OH, MY GOSH! LOOK OVER THERE!

GOOD GADFRY! I'M MEAN IT'S TH' NEW PALACE!

IT WAS TH' NEW PALACE!

BEATTIE BLVD.

By Bruce Beattie

"Set up the other catapult way over there. I wanna have a snowball fight!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

BABA! BABA!

"Baba means 'bottle' or 'baby' or 'Barfy'...whichever shows up first."

THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

WELL, HANLY, IT'S BEEN A YEAR SINCE IDA LEFT YOU... DON'T YOU MISS HER?

WHENEVER I DO, I PULL OUT MY WALLET

STILL KEEP A PHOTO OF HER IN THERE?

NOPE... I LOOK AT ALL THE MONEY I'VE SAVED!

PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schulz

YOU LOOK TIRED... WAS THERE A LOT OF ACTION ON THE WESTERN FRONT?

I MUST BE OUT OF MY MIND... AFTER THE FIFTH ROOT BEER, I REENLISTED!

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

"Can you wait until I get the other eye open?"

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

HOW FARMERS KEEP CATS FROM DAMAGING THEIR CROPS:

Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley

WE'VE CHANGED MANY OF THE PLAQUES ON OUR MUSEUM DISPLAYS TO AVOID MAKING ANIMALS SEEM LESS IMPORTANT THAN HUMANS...

FOR INSTANCE, INSTEAD OF SAYING THIS SUPER-TOOTHED TIGER IS TRYING TO EAT THE LITTLE CAMEL BOY...

...THE PLAQUE NOW SUGGESTS THAT HE IS MERELY TRYING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HIS "INNER CHILD."

CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

WOM, YOU KNOW THE SANDWICH YOU PACKED FOR ME TODAY? WELL, BY LUNCH TIME, THE JELLY HAD SOAKED INTO THE BREAD, THAT GROSSES ME OUT.

SO TOMORROW, I'D LIKE THE JELLY PUT IN A SEPARATE CONTAINER WITH A KNIFE, SO I CAN SPREAD THE JELLY AT THE LAST POSSIBLE MOMENT BEFORE I EAT THE SANDWICH.

ALSO, YOU KEEP USING BREAD FROM THE MIDDLE OF THE LOAF. I ONLY LIKE THOSE PIECES FOR TOAST. FOR SANDWICHES, I WANT ONLY THE END PIECES, BECAUSE THOSE DON'T ABSORB AS MUCH JELLY. GOT IT?

DOGGONE IT, SHE DID IT AGAIN!

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

ROAD TO SUCCESS

BE PREPARED TO STOP

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By Jim Davis

TODAY ON "COOKING FOR CATS"... HEALTHY SALADS!

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AND NOW WE ADD OUR SQUIREL

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Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Usually you're an adventurous person, but today you might feel intimidated by the scope of a plan. You may look for reasons to evade it instead of attempt it. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You could be lucky today if teamed up with others who maintain high standards. Conversely, the opposite could be true if you're a poor judge of character.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) When making important decisions today, use logic and unbiased information as a guide. Rose colored glasses distort reality.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The only thing stopping you today is your own apathy. If you can get past that, you might be in for a very pleasant surprise.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You will be lucky today, but only in your own concerns. Interact with others, but let them maintain control over their own resources.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not bank too heavily on the advice of others today. You might be better off figuring things out for yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Yesterday you may have been more confident than you are today. Keep this in mind if you wrestle with your ideas. Think positively.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you are feeling rich today, it might just be an illusion. Avoid stores that carry frivolous, expensive merchandise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Self-doubt could decrease your chances of achieving anything valuable today. Be optimistic and flexible in case opportunity knocks.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might confuse your supporters if you're lax about details today. Unless you start being more specific, they might reject your plea for assistance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not allow someone else to control your finances today. This could be critical.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In the interest of security, keep your success to yourself today. A jealous listener might try to undermine or reverse your good fortune.

Sports

Notebook

GOLF

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The lines are clearly drawn between the established PGA Tour and the new World Tour. It will be one or the other. Not both.

Now it's up to golf's leading players to decide on which tour they will compete.

"If a new tour becomes a reality in 1995 or thereafter, our members will have to decide whether they want to continue to play on the PGA Tour or play on a new tour," PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said Tuesday.

The hard-line stance toward the ambitious venture spearheaded by Greg Norman was unanimously approved in a 2-day meeting of the tour's policy board, Finchem said.

And, he said, "it is worth noting that a substantial majority of PGA Tour members, as well as a number of prominent non-tour players, have expressed their intention to continue to support our sponsors and play on the PGA Tour."

In fact, Finchem said, Norman is the only tour member he is aware of who has fully committed to the World Tour.

The Australian star has been a spokesman and prime mover in the venture that was announced less than two weeks ago. Norman said he was surprised by the PGA Tour's moves, but hopes there can be a reconciliation.

"I've always been a believer that you could have both tours," he said at a news conference in Melbourne, Australia. "You can't go along and undermine the PGA Tour. From my point of view I've always said that it has got to be interfaced with the PGA Tour."

Mark Calcavecchia, also in Australia, said he doubted the World Tour would get off the ground in 1995 "despite what Greg is saying and what other people are saying."

"We've got to work together," he said. "We don't want to keep fighting with each other."

Norman said today that the plan to start next year was not cast in stone. "It will happen," he said. "Whether it happens in 1995, 1996 or 2006, it will happen."

Plans call for a four-tournament to carry a \$3 million purse with a 40-man field, including the top 30 members of the Sony World Rankings. Precise dates and locations of the tournaments have not been announced.

Finchem noted the World Tour "showed some flexibility," in a meeting last week with PGA Tour staff members, but "insisted that, due to their arrangements with Fox Network, most of their events would have to be held during (the PGA Tour's) official money season."

That would put it in conflict with the regular tour schedule, and players will have to choose the circuit in which they want to compete, Finchem said.

In supporting that stand, he said: "Certainly, no one would seriously contend that an NBA team or its players could compete in another league while maintaining membership in the NBA."

Most leading American players, as well as Nick Price of Zimbabwe, currently No. 1 in the world rankings, have indicated an interest in Norman's concept, but said they would do nothing to challenge the PGA Tour.

To enforce the PGA Tour's "one or the other" policy, Finchem has at his disposal the "conflicting event" rule, which requires players to obtain formal releases from the commissioner to compete in non-tour tournaments.

Failure to do so could result in the player's suspension.

That regulation and a companion television release rule may be in jeopardy, however. They are under investigation by the Federal Trade Commission.

"We are aware that, in the near future, the staff at the FTC may request the FTC commissioners to initiate formal proceedings aimed at eliminating these rules," Finchem said.

"We intend to do what is necessary to preserve these rules. If required, we welcome the opportunity to defend their reasonableness in administrative and judicial proceedings, although we recognize that such a process may take four or five years," the commissioner said.

FOOTBALL

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Ohio State coach John Cooper, with one year remaining on his contract, has interviewed for the head coaching job at Louisiana State and possibly at Oklahoma.

Cooper met in Atlanta on Tuesday with LSU athletics director Joe Dean, who received permission from Ohio State to talk to Cooper. LSU fired Curley Hallman after a 4-7 season that lowered his four-year record to 16-28.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported today that Cooper interviewed for the Oklahoma job Monday. The newspaper said Cooper is among five coaches the school is considering to succeed Gary Gibbs.

Oklahoma athletics director Donnie Duncan was not in his office today and was unavailable to comment, a secretary said.

Gibbs will coach his final game Dec. 29, when the Sooners play Brigham Young in the Copper Bowl in Tuscon, Ariz.

Ohio State athletics director Andy Geiger said Tuesday he will make a recommendation on Cooper's status this week.

Cooper said he has met several times with Geiger and will meet with him again about his contract, which expires Dec. 31, 1995.

"I don't want to get into specifics," Cooper told The Columbus Dispatch. Cooper was in his office today, but his secretary said he was not immediately available to talk. A message was left seeking comment.

Cooper told the Dispatch and The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer that he was one of several people LSU was considering.

"They haven't offered me the job," he said. He also said he wasn't looking for another school.

"I haven't had my resume out there seeking other jobs. LSU approached me. You have to keep your options open," he said.

Dean said in a statement that the interview went well and he was impressed. The Plain Dealer reported. Calls to LSU's athletic department were not answered Tuesday night and this morning.

Palo Duro slides by Harvesters

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

AMARILLO — Pampa's unbeaten streak has come to an end, but just barely.

Palo Duro's Leland Wilson put back an offensive rebound with six seconds remaining to give the Dons a 78-76 win over Pampa Tuesday night.

It was Pampa's first setback after six wins. The Dons are also 6-1 with their only loss coming against Pampa a week ago.

Pampa had one last shot to win, but Rayford Young's long 3-point attempt hit the front of the rim as the final buzzer sounded.

The Harvesters fell behind, 19-9, at the end of the first quarter and trailed by as many as 17 points in the second quarter before pulling within five (40-35) at halftime.

"We came out right away and floated around and got down early, but part of that was due to

Palo Duro's great effort and intensity," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale.

Wilson was the leading scorer for Palo Duro with 18 points, followed by Joe Colbert with 15.

Young for Pampa topped all scorers with 27 points. Jason Weatherbee, who connected for five 3-point goals, followed with 16 points while Coy Laury had 15.

"Rayford made a great effort at getting that last shot off. There was still a couple of ticks left on the clock and he could have dribbled in a little, but he still came close to making it," Hale said.

Young led Pampa's comeback with 11 fourth-quarter points after the Harvesters had trailed by six (59-56) going into the final eight minutes. He tied the score twice after Palo Duro had gone ahead by hitting 4 of 4 from the foul line in the closing minute.

"Rayford is really a cool customer, but it was a great effort by

all our players. I've been particularly pleased with the way Jimmy Reed and Jason Weatherbee are playing. They come in and do everything I ask them to do," Hale said.

The Harvesters will defend their championship in Plainview's Pioneer Classic, which starts Thursday at Wayland Baptist University. Their first opponent is Lockney at 2 p.m. Friday.

Other teams entered include Dimmitt, Lubbock Estacado, Canyon, Andrews, Plainview and Abernathy.

The championship finals will be played at 7:30 Saturday night.

Palo Duro 78, Pampa 76

Individual scoring
Pampa: Rayford Young 27, Jason Weatherbee 16, Coy Laury 15, J.J. Mathis 6, Jeremy King 5, Duane Nickelberry 3, James Wilbon 2, Robert Bremerman 2; Three-point goals: Jason

Weatherbee 5, Rayford Young 1, Duane Nickelberry 1.

Palo Duro: Leland Wilson 18, Joe Colbert 15, Demetrus Smith 13, Brandon Smith 10, Koty Murdick 8, C.J. Hunter 8, Manuel Campbell 4, Carey Gilbreath 2; Three-point goals: Brandon Smith 2, Demetrus Smith 1, C.J. Hunter 2.

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AMARILLO — Palo Duro dealt Pampa a 44-40 loss in girls' basketball action Tuesday night.

Pampa was in front by three (11-8) at the end of the first quarter, but Palo Duro took command in the second quarter and went ahead by eight (24-16) at halftime. The Lady Harvesters were never able to regain the lead in the second half, but Serenity King's 3-point goal with less than three minutes remaining had pulled Pampa within one (38-37). After Palo Duro had gone up by three, King's steal

and layup drew Pampa to one again with 53 seconds to go. That was as close as Pampa would get.

Pampa made a strong comeback after trailing by as many as 13 points in the second half.

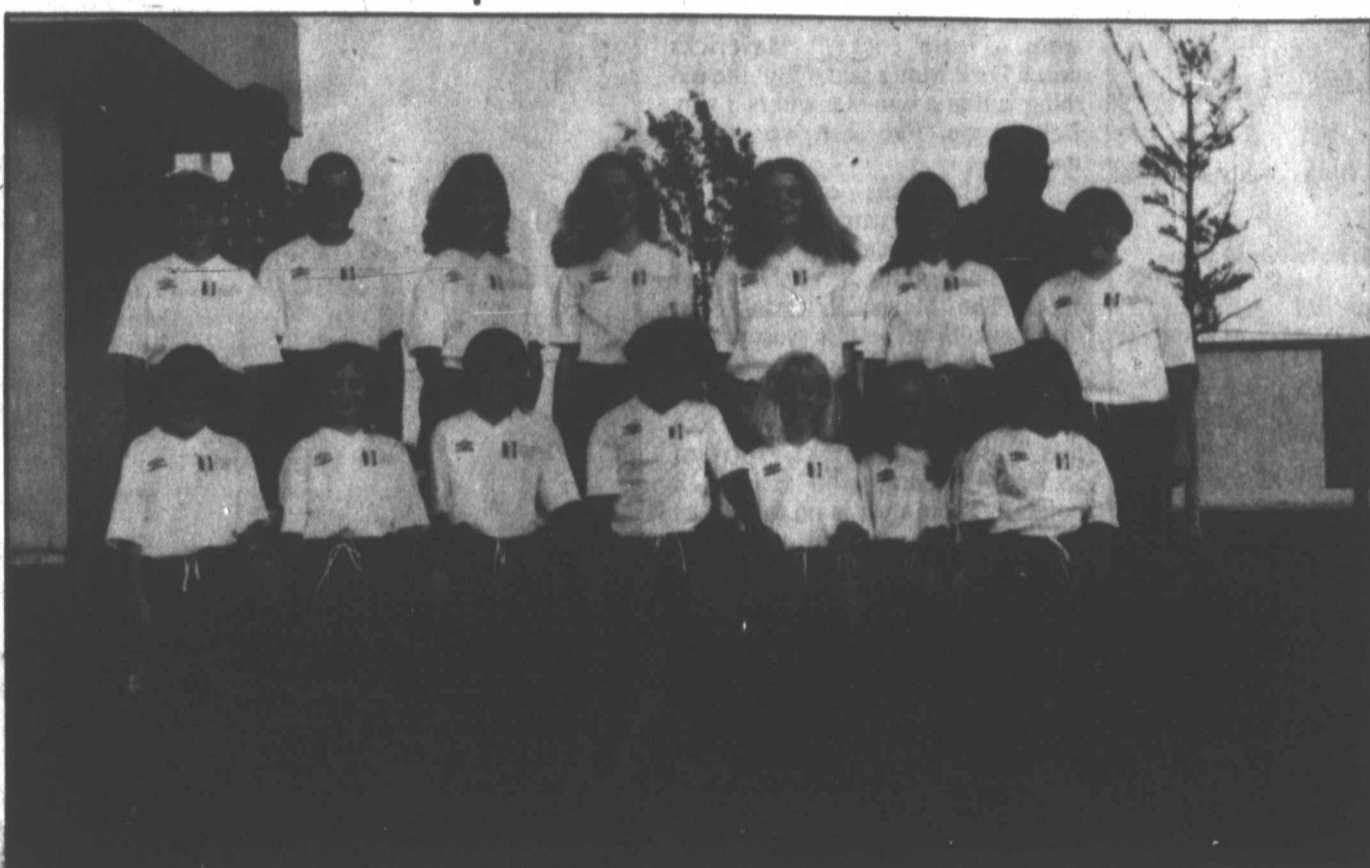
Shante Demerson and Renae Kelly led Palo Duro scoring with 14 and 13 points, respectively.

King led the Lady Harvesters with 13 points, followed by Misty Scribner with 7, Tashia Wilson and Jennifer Jones, 6 each; Jane Brown 5 and Kristi Carpenter 3.

Pampa is 1-3 on the season while Palo Duro is 1-4. The Lady Harvesters had defeated Palo Duro last week.

The Lady Harvesters are entered in the Clayton Orange & Black Classic Thursday through Saturday. Their first opponent is Liberal, Kan. at 12 noon Thursday. Other teams in the tournament are Logan, Dalhart, Roy, Dumas, Clayton and Hope.

Under 12 champions



Spirit captured the Under 12 girls' title this fall in the Pampa Soccer Association. The Spirit team, sponsored by Haydon-Ford Chiropractic Clinic, is entered in the Tournament of Champions in Dallas Dec. 3-4. Team members are (front row, l-r) Britney Morgan, Laura Clark, Danielle Martinez, Jessica Lee, Misti Northcutt, Jessica Burns, Ashley Kimbley; (back row, l-r) Lindsay Narron, Sarah Teague, Stephanie Hanks, Amy Newhouse, Cassie Meadows, Heather Lee, Samantha Ford. Coaches pictured are Mark Northcutt (left) and Joe Martinez. (Courtesy photo)

7th graders win B game

Pampa played Valleyview in middle school basketball games Monday, winning one of three games.

Valleyview won the 8th grade A game, 66-60.

Shawn Young led Pampa in scoring with 23 points while Kyle Gamblin had 18.

Valleyview also won the 8th grade B game, 57-45. Tre Stokes had 10 points, Jose Gutierrez and Zane Powers, 7 each.

In 7th grade play, Pampa defeated Valleyview, 40-25, in the B team game.

Caleb Snelgroves had 8 points and Cody Shepard 6 for Pampa.

Valleyview won the A game, 56-55, on a shot at the buzzer.

Russell Robben was high scorer for Pampa with 27 points and Jesse Francis added 12.

The Pampa teams host Borger next Monday night with the B game starting at 5:30, followed by the A team at 6:45.

Replacement players may be next baseball move

By RONALD BLUM
AP Sports Writer

LEESBURG, Va. (AP) — A salary cap and replacement players look more likely than a settlement to the baseball strike.

Players failed to make a counterproposal Tuesday, and teams threatened to start next season with replacement players.

"We want to make a commitment to the fans that we're going to play the 1995 season with some reform of professional baseball player, and we believe it will be entertaining and we believe that's what the fans want," management negotiator John Harrington said after the union failed to make a new proposal.

"Fans want baseball with the best quality player that we can put out there. Our preference is to play with major league players out there. If they're unwilling to play, then we'll go with someone else who is willing to play."

Owners, who already have vowed to impose their salary cap on Monday if there isn't a deal, expected the union to respond to the luxury tax plan teams offered Nov. 17.

The sides met for about four hours and were to resume talks today. Union head Donald Fehr, who met with Colorado Rockies chairman Jerry McMorris past midnight, said Harrington conveyed the threat to use replacements directly to the union.

"Some comments," Fehr said, "do not make the process more simple. They have the opposite effect. This is one."

Eugene Orza, the union's No. 2 official, called management's plan to use replacements "internally inconsistent."

"Only major league baseball players can play major league baseball," he said. "And absent an agreement by opening day 1995, major league players will be on strike."

Owners want a deal by Dec. 7, the last day for teams to offer salary arbitration to

their former players who became free agents. Management, intent on eliminating arbitration, say the new system will take effect next Tuesday.

Eighty-two players face the Dec. 7 deadline. Another, infielder Felix Fermin, agreed Tuesday to a \$1.7 million, 2-year contract with the Seattle Mariners.

Harrington and Fehr said the sides briefly discussed the possibility of moving back the deadline, but it was too early to tell if that would happen.

Free agent outfielder Brett Butler said there was sentiment not to make a counteroffer on the tax plan until after the union's executive board meets in Atlanta next week, but owners said that would be too late.

"Once you go past the point of implementation, it's difficult to put the yolk back into the egg," Harrington said before the meeting.

"I'm a little discouraged we didn't get a

counterproposal," he said after the talks recessed. "We came here with a high degree of expectation in that regard."

Management's bargaining team brought along five of the teams' chief financial officers.

"We were ready to bargain every figure up and down the chart," Harrington said.

Harrington said even if the players end the strike without an agreement, owners would consider locking them out. An end to the strike without a deal would leave the possibility of another season without a World Series.

"That might not be fair to the fans," Harrington said, adding that he wouldn't want to play "with the season in jeopardy on a day-to-day basis."

A decision to impose the cap would lead to litigation. Anticipating a new system, teams scheduled a meeting of general managers on Monday in Chicago and moved up the annual draft of minor leaguers by a day to Sunday night.

Cowboys face quarterback quandary

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING (AP) — Troy Aikman, who was saying for awhile that he might play against the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday, now says he wants to wait one more week to be sure his sprained left knee is fully healed before he gives it a game test.

Aikman will be in uniform Sunday, but the Dallas Cowboys hope their quarterback problems don't get so bad he has to play.

Aikman, who suffered a knee ligament sprain 10 days ago, will be the Cowboys' designated third quarterback.

Either Jason Garrett, who rallied Dallas from a 14-point deficit to a 42-31 victory over Green Bay on Thanksgiving Day, or sore-thumbed Rodney Peete will start against the Eagles.

"We'll know more later in the week, but both Jason and Rodney will be in the mix," Dallas coach Barry Switzer said Tuesday.

"Troy will suit up and probably be the third quarterback. I think Rodney should be healthy, and both he and Jason will be taking a lot of snaps this week. I sure like what Jason did against Green Bay."

Aikman said he hasn't ruled out playing against Philadelphia.

"I think it would be extremely optimistic to say that I'm going to be ready to play in the game," Aikman said. "I'll certainly be ready the following week (Dec. 10 against Cleveland). My knee feels better. I'm able to run around and do things I haven't been able to do although I'm not totally pain-free."

Switzer said he was still concerned about Peete's thumb, which was injured on Nov. 20 against Washington, the same game in which Aikman was hurt. Peete suited up but did not play against the Packers as Garrett threw two touchdown passes.

"Rodney is still throwing the ball with four fingers and not using his thumb in the throwing motion," Switzer said.

Garrett said he understands if Switzer moves him aside for Rodney.

"Rodney has more experience than I do," Garrett said. "I wouldn't have any problems with that. I understand my role on this team."

Switzer said he wants the Cowboys to go ahead and clinch the NFC East division title against the Eagles so they don't have to worry about it anymore.

"I don't think we'll lose our edge if we do clinch because of our stumble against San Francisco," Switzer said. "We've got to take care of business week to week to stay on track for the homefield advantage."

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Blake could be next Oklahoma coach, Switzer says

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Dallas Cowboys coach Barry Switzer said assistant John Blake has a "50-50" chance to become the new coach at Oklahoma, according to a published report.

"John is the best fit of any of 'em for that job," Switzer told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in a story for today's editions. "He's the guy who could get the job done the fastest. He loves the university and would have an impact on people's lives."

Blake, 33, said it is premature to discuss his plans before Oklahoma makes its decision. But he expressed optimism after speaking Tuesday with Oklahoma athletic director Donnie Duncan in Dallas, the newspaper reported.

"Let me put it this way: I am very, very interested in that job," said Blake, who said he wouldn't define his conversation with Duncan as an interview, but anticipates such a session is forthcoming.

Duncan has said he plans to announce a successor to Gary Gibbs on Dec. 15. Gibbs will coach his final game Dec. 29, when the Sooners play Brigham Young in the Copper Bowl in Tuscon, Ariz.

Other hopefuls include North Carolina coach Mack Brown; Brown's brother, Oklahoma offensive coordinator Watson Brown; San Francisco 49ers offensive coordinator Mike Shanahan; and Ohio State coach John Cooper, who interviewed for the job Monday, the newspaper reported.

Switzer, who coached the Sooners to two national championships, retains considerable influence at the Norman school, and has thrown his support behind Blake, who played for him from 1980-1983.

Switzer dismissed the idea of higher-profile names such as Miami's Dennis Erickson and Auburn's Terry Bowden being interested in the job.

"Those are fairy tales," he said. "Even with (Mack Brown and Shanahan), Oklahoma would have to do some selling to get to that level."

Meanwhile, in anticipation of Blake getting the job, the Cowboys are preparing to assign Blake's Valley Ranch responsibilities.

Defensive coordinator Butch Davis said he would assume supervision of the defensive line. Right now, he is a "walk-around" coordinator, not responsible for any one unit.

Blake already has contacted 12 potential staffers from around the country to bring with him to Norman, the newspaper reported.

Blake started in coaching as a graduate assistant at Oklahoma, spent the 1988 season working with receivers at Tulsa and then returned to Oklahoma as the interior line coach.

He joined Jimmy Johnson's staff with Dallas last season.

When Switzer replaced Johnson, he relied heavily on Blake to help with the transition.

Two other Cowboys staffers, Davis and personnel director Larry Laceywell, have also been mentioned in connection with the Oklahoma vacancy. But neither has pursued the opening, the paper reported.

Shanahan and Erickson are likely to have aspirations for NFL jobs, and Mack Brown has a lucrative offer to remain at North Carolina, a source said.

"(Brown) may have been a viable candidate a year ago, but I don't know now," Switzer said.

Which means, said one source, "It might come down to playing it safe with Cooper or taking a risk with Blake."

College bowl glance

By The Associated Press

All Times EST

Thursday, Dec. 15
Las Vegas Bowl
At Las Vegas
Central Michigan (9-2) vs. UNLV (6-5), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Dec. 25
Blue-Gray Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.
Blue vs. Gray, Noon (ABC)

Aloha Bowl
At Honolulu
Kansas State (9-2) vs. Boston College (6-4-1), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Tuesday, Dec. 27
Freedom Bowl
At Anaheim, Calif.
Arizona (9-3) vs. Utah (9-2), 9 p.m. (Raycom)

Wednesday, Dec. 28
Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
Texas Christian (7-4) vs. Virginia (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 29
Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.
Oklahoma (6-5) vs. Brigham Young (9-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 30
Heritage Bowl
At Atlanta
South Carolina State (9-2) vs. Grambling State (9-2), 1 p.m. (ESPN)

Gator Bowl
At Gainesville, Fla.
Tennessee (7-4) vs. Virginia Tech (8-3), 7:30 p.m. (TBS)

Holiday Bowl
At San Diego
Colorado State (10-1) vs. Michigan (7-4), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Sun Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
Texas (7-4) vs. North Carolina (8-3), 2:30 p.m. (CBS)

Saturday, Dec. 31
Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio
 Baylor (7-4) vs. Washington State (7-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Liberty Bowl

At Memphis, Tenn.
Illinois (6-5) vs. East Carolina (7-4), 1 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Jan. 1
Peach Bowl
At Atlanta
North Carolina State (9-3) vs. Mississippi State (8-2), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Orange Bowl
At Miami
Nebraska (12-0) vs. Miami (10-1), 8 p.m. (NBC)

Monday, Jan. 2
Hall of Fame Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
Wisconsin (6-4-1) vs. Duke (8-3), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Ohio State (9-3) vs. Alabama (11-0) or Florida (9-1-1), 1 p.m. (ABC)

Flamingo Bowl
At Tampa, Ariz.
Colorado (10-1) vs. Notre Dame (6-4-1), 4:30 p.m. (NBC)

Carquest Bowl
At Miami
South Carolina (6-5) vs. West Virginia (7-5), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

Cotton Bowl
At Dallas
Texas Tech (6-5) vs. Southern California (7-3-1), 1 p.m. (NBC)

Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Penn State (11-0) vs. Oregon (9-3), 4:50 p.m. (ABC)

Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Alabama (11-0) or Florida (9-1-1) vs. Florida State (9-1-1), 8:30 p.m. (ABC)

Saturday, Jan. 14
East-West Shrine Classic
At Stanford, Calif.
East vs. West, 4 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 21
Senior Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 2 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Jan. 22
At Honolulu
Hula Bowl
East vs. West, 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Mavericks edge Minnesota, 84-83

DALLAS (AP) — Jim Jackson missed four free throws and had a turnover in the final 32 seconds. But unlike last season, those mistakes weren't enough to cost him and the Dallas Mavericks a victory Tuesday night.

Jackson scored 26 points and Roy Tarpley added 19 points and 12 rebounds as the Mavericks finished their best month since 1990 with a 84-83 decision over the Minnesota Timberwolves.

"We're fortunate to get out of this with a win, because I thought we were a little cocky," Mavericks coach Dick Motta said. "But the old thing is that a win is a win is a win. Believe me, I've seen worse than that."

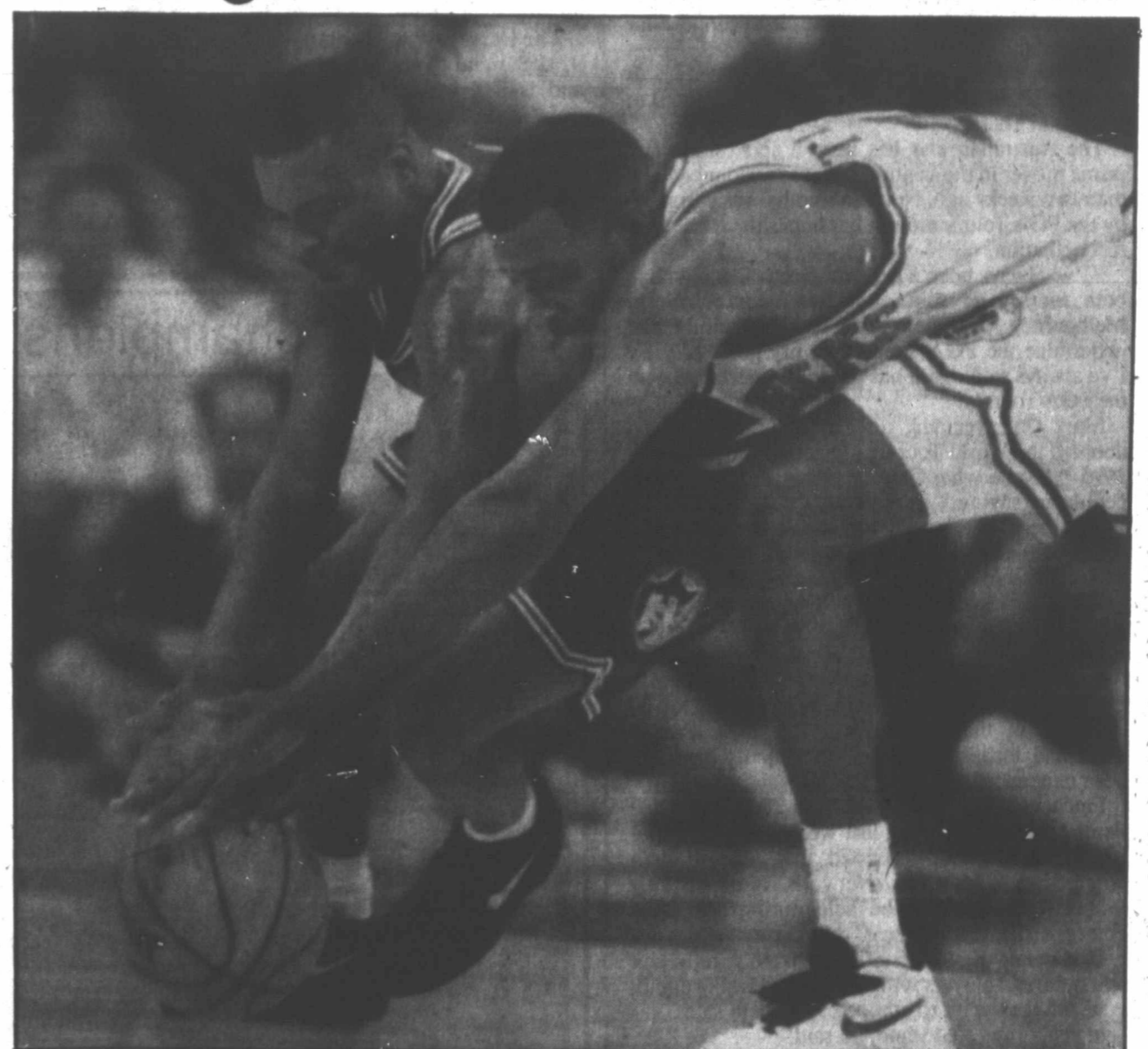
The Mavericks overcame 19 turnovers and 39 percent shooting to go 7-4 in November, their best month since going 7-5 in April of 1990. The Mavericks didn't win their seventh game last season until Feb. 21, their 52nd game.

"Last year we probably would have been blown out in a game like this," said Mavericks forward Jamal Mashburn, who scored 12 points. "Their style is no fun for us to play. We've got to play our style."

Jackson's basket and free throw pushed Dallas' lead to 82-77 with 2:43 left, then Jackson converted two foul shots with 1:31 left to give the Mavericks an 84-77 advantage. Jackson scored the game's last field goal.

Minnesota pulled to within 84-81 with 28 seconds left on two free throws by Christian Laettner, then Jackson threw the ball out of bounds with 18 seconds to play. Laettner was fouled on the ensuing possession and converted two foul shots with 13 seconds left to pull the Timberwolves to 84-83.

Jackson missed two free throws with eight seconds remaining and rookie Donyell Marshall got the rebound but Marshall's desperation



Timberwolves guard Winston Garland (left) and Mavericks' forward Roy Tarpley go after a loose ball in the fourth quarter. Dallas won, 84-83. (AP photo)

40-footer fell far short at the buzzer. Dallas won its third straight for the first time since November of 1991. "I could see the confusion in Donyell's eyes," Jackson said. "They didn't have a timeout, and he danced around with it for a while. I thought the shot was on line, but it was very short."

Doug West scored 23 points to pace the Timberwolves, who tumbled to 1-13 and dropped their seventh straight. Winston Garland added 19 points for Minnesota, which fell to Dallas for the seventh time in their last eight meetings. "I've been through this for five years," West said. "It's frustrating. The wins haven't been there, but the

team's improving. We're getting closer." Laettner was limited by foul trouble and had 12 points. Isaiah Rider added 10, nine under his team-high season average. Both teams went scoreless in the fourth quarter until Terry Davis' tip-in gave Dallas a 70-67 lead with 8:20 to play.

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Rockets play solid defense in beating Nuggets

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets knew where to turn to end their three-game losing streak — defense and Hakeem Olajuwon.

Olajuwon scored 27 points, including 8 points in a row in a blowout third quarter, and the Rockets played solid defense in beating Denver 96-81 on Tuesday night.

"This thing could have snowballed into something really bad," coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "We had to come out offensively and move the ball around and have teamwork, not caring who scored."

"I loved it." Denver never led in the game, and the Nuggets' 81 points were a season

low. Their previous low was 92 points in a 94-92 loss to Detroit on Nov. 17.

The 81 points equaled Denver's all-time low against the Rockets and was only the second time this season the Nuggets were held under 100 points.

"We always concentrate on defense, but tonight we concentrated a lot more," Rockets forward Robert Horry said. "We rebounded well and that's what we've needed, more good offensive rebounding."

The Rockets were in charge from the beginning, hitting their first seven shots of the game and 11 of 17 in the first quarter.

"I was pleased with how we came out of it," Tomjanovich said. "The guys almost overdid it. They should

have taken some shots than they did. You can name any one of our players tonight and they all had a good effort."

Houston led 46-36 at the half and broke open the game in the third quarter during a 15-6 run to start the third period. Olajuwon's 8-point surge gave the Rockets a 61-42 lead with 6:26 to go in the period.

Carl Herrera, starting in place of the injured Otis Thorpe, scored a season-high 17 points. His previous high was eight points. Olajuwon had 12 rebounds and five blocked shots.

Rodney Rogers led the Nuggets with 17 points, and Robert Pack added 12. They were the only double-figure scorers for the Nuggets, who lost for the fifth time in six games.

"We just didn't shoot the ball good in the second half," Denver center Dikembe Mutombo said. "That's why we didn't win the games. We have a lot of games left. We have to concentrate on what is coming next."

The Rockets hit only three of their first 13 shots of the second quarter but still managed a 46-36 lead at the half.

The Nuggets played the game without Reggie Williams, sidelined with a sore knee.

"We had a chance to win the game so I don't think the Rockets played very well," Denver coach Dan Issel said. "We just didn't play very well."

"I think the factor is playing Olajuwon. That causes a lot of people in this league problems."

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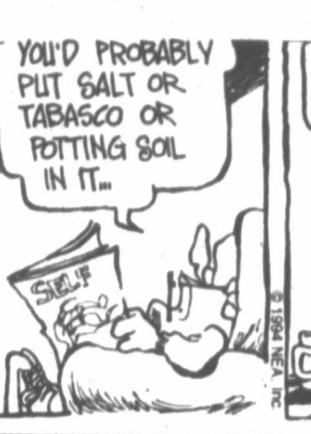
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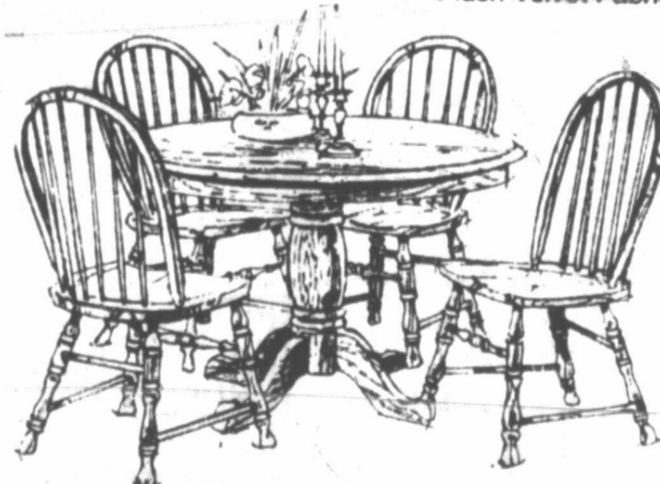


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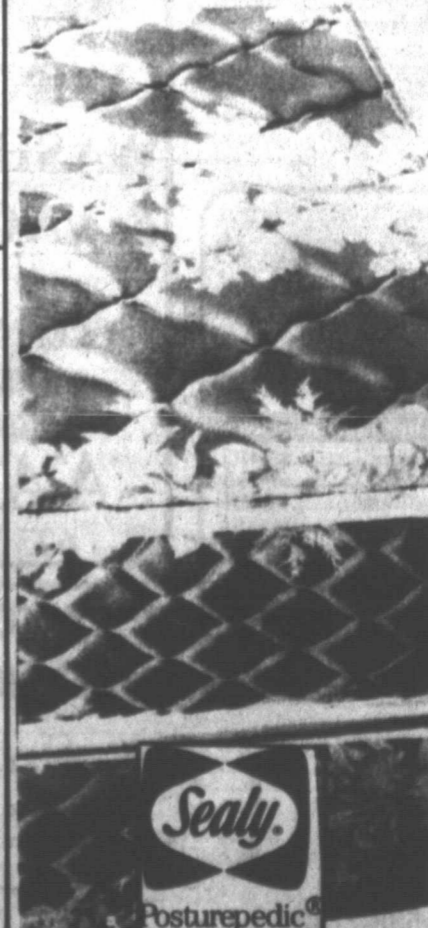
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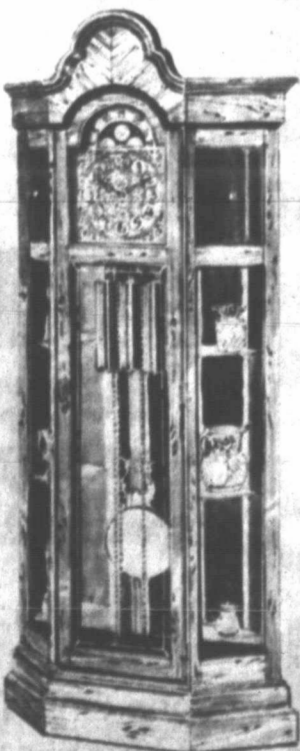
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