

**SUNDAY
PREVIEW**

Feminine Santa

When Santa's beard covers a feminine face, do people notice? If they do, they're apparently too polite to mention it, discovered staff writer Linda Hill while costumed as the gift-bearing visitor from the North Pole. Read about her experience in Sunday's Reporter-Telegram.

Midland Craftsmanship

Working at a forge he built when Woodrow Wilson was president, John H. Reid of Odessa embodies old-fashioned American craftsmanship. In Sunday's R-T, staff writer Mark Vogler and photographer Mike Kardos show how the blacksmith transforms scrap metal into popular Christmas gifts.

Branding today

In the years prior to the 1920's, the cattle business was Midland County's main economic activity. In this Sunday's West Texas Life, staff writer Ed Todd and photographer Brian Hendershot take a look at a part of ranching that remains relatively unchanged — branding.

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Cost of living increases, but at slower rate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Price increases for food, housing and clothing slowed noticeably in November as the cost of living rose by an unexpectedly small 0.5 percent, a 4-month low, the Labor Department reported today.

The latest monthly rise in consumer prices translates into an annual inflation rate of just over 6 percent, well below the current rate of nearly 10 percent for this year.

However, the Carter administration, which had been expecting sharper price boosts for November, is not forecasting a significant drop in inflation until mid-1979 at the earliest.

The 0.5 percent rise in November compares with 0.8 percent increases during the previous two months, and was the lowest since a 0.5 percent jump in July.

November was the first month for President Carter's new anti-inflation program. However, the relatively small consumer price rise appears to be just a coincidence. Administration officials have said it will take several months for the effects of that program to be felt.

Food and housing had led price increases during most of 1978, but in November the largest increases were in transportation and medical care.

Food prices rose 0.3 percent compared to a 0.8 percent jump in October. Housing increased 0.3 percent compared with a 0.8 percent rise in October. The November figure is the smallest housing price increase this year.

Transportation costs jumped 1.2 percent compared with a 0.4 percent rise in October, an increase attributed largely to sharp jumps in the prices of cars and gasoline.

Medical care was up 1.1 percent, the same as in October.

Overall the government's consumer price index stood at 202.0 in November, which means that consumer prices have gone up 202 percent since 1967 — or more than doubled.

At the same time, the Labor Department reported today that workers' real after-tax spendable earnings rose 0.3 percent in November, after accounting for inflation. It was the first monthly increase in

spendable earnings since last July.

However, for the 12 months ending in November, workers' buying power declined 3.4 percent, as wages failed to keep pace with inflation, the department reported.

Sharp declines in fresh fruit and vegetable prices partially offset higher prices for most other foods last month, to account for the small overall rise for food, the department said.

Fruit prices fell 9.4 percent and vegetable prices dropped 4.4 percent, but beef and veal prices rose 1.2 percent and pork prices 3.4 percent, continuing their upward trends.

The department said the lower rise in housing costs was due to declines in gas and electricity charges and a relatively small increase in mortgage interest rates.

Natural gas prices fell 2.3 percent in November following a sharp rise in October. Electricity prices declined 2 percent, following a pattern

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ROUSTIN ABOUT
with
Ed Todd



Santa Claus is at the heart of Christmas for many children. And some are even dubious that Saint Nicholas is in the world.

They should be counseled, then, by an editorial written 81 years ago by Francis P. Church of the old New York Sun.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus."

His editorial was prompted by a letter from a child, Virginia O'Hanlon, who wanted to believe. She wrote:

"Dear Editor:
"I am 8 years old.
"Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.
"Papa says, 'If you see it in The Sun, it's so.'
"Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?"

In a superlative, memorial and convincing way, Church said "yes." He wrote:

YES, VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia,

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Salvation Army's Captain Bob Vincent stacks some of the many toys gathered in the Midland County Exhibit Building on East U.S. Highway 80 in preparation for the Army's annual Toy Store. Parents of approved low-income families were to pick up the gifts today between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or on Saturday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. About 1,800 children will receive the gifts this year. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot)

Local Braniff air service now officially approved

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
R-T Staff Writer

It's official — Braniff International is coming to Midland.

Slightly more than six months after the airline applied to begin air service to Midland-Odessa, the application was given final approval Thursday by the Civil Aeronautics Board meeting in Washington, D.C.

"It was like Christmas," said Director of Public Relations Mike

Kaester of the CAB's approval on Braniff's applications.

Service to Midland Regional Airport will not begin for another six to 10 weeks, said Col. Wilson Banks, director of aviation for the city of Midland.

He said he was told by Braniff officials Thursday the airline has ordered "a bunch of new planes," 727-200s, and the company should be taking delivery on them in January or February. This puts the starting

date for service to Midland in February.

Banks indicated there is a possibility Braniff may initiate its service here quicker if the planes arrive sooner than expected.

The number of Permian Basin residents writing letters to the CAB in support of Braniff's application was noticed by the CAB and Braniff, Banks said. The officials remarked, "It was one of the best efforts of support they (Braniff) have gotten anywhere."

Braniff submitted its application for Midland-Odessa air service on June 15. At that time Midland and Odessa chambers of commerce urged residents to participate in a letter-writing campaign for the airline.

The airline received CAB's tentative approval in a show-cause order issued Oct. 5, giving other airlines a chance to show why Braniff should not start its service here.

The motion to give final approval was placed on the CAB's agenda for Thursday.

Banks said the six months was not a lengthy waiting period compared to what it used to take to get approval. "It used to take years for this thing," he said. "The CAB is really updating these actions since deregulation (of the airlines). They used to sit on CAB

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Pope John Paul II to visit Mexico

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II announced today he will travel to Mexico next month to attend the opening of the Latin American bishops conference in Puebla, and that he is sending an envoy to Argentina and Chile to try to mediate a territorial dispute.

It will be the pontiff's first trip outside Italy since his election in October. He is also expected to return to his native Poland next spring.

The Puebla conference opens Jan. 26. The pontiff gave no date for his departure, but said his first stop in Mexico will be at Our Lady of Guadalupe, one of the most famous sanctuaries in Latin America. The shrine is northwest of Mexico City.

The pope made his announcement in an address to cardinals of the Roman Catholic Church gathered at the Vatican.

In addition to the Mexican trip, the pope said he is sending a personal

envoy to Argentina and Chile in an attempt to mediate a long-simmering dispute between the two South American countries.

The pope expressed sadness and concern over the dispute, which involves three tiny islands at the tip of South America. Chile has said the collapse of negotiations "could lead to an armed conflict" between the two countries.

The pope said both countries have accepted the papal mediation effort.

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His eyes glued to a set of binoculars, Texas Tech University graduate student John D. Moody has spent the last two years studying elk herds in the Guadalupe Mountains of West Texas. Located about 180 miles west of Midland, the range harbors an unknown number of the animals. Related story and photographs on Page 8A. (Staff Photo by Tom Nickell)

SALT progress reported

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — U.S. and Soviet negotiators reported more progress today but no certainty of agreement after another session of talks on a new strategic arms limitation treaty.

"We have covered some distance on the questions where there was lack of accord or lack of complete accord but it's still too early to say," said Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko.

"We may have to meet again tomorrow," said Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance. He said he had "no guesses" on the outcome of the talks and no comment on the possibility of a Soviet-American summit meeting to sign the treaty he and Gromyko are trying to negotiate.

One American official, speaking privately, said it was possible that the best the two sides could come up with would be a highly tentative pact that

would have to be brought back to Washington and Moscow for study before it could be accepted.

The Soviets, according to American sources, have insisted the treaty be in final form before they would agree to a summit meeting between Presidents Carter and Brezhnev. The White House would like to hold the

summit in Washington and on St. Simons Island, Ga., starting January 15.

Before the treaty could be ready for Carter and Brezhnev, technical experts would need some time to draft precise language so that the basic agreements would mean exactly the same things in English and Russian.

Here's how to avoid thieves and con men

By GUY SULLIVAN
R-T Staff Writer

"Tis the season to be jolly — and to be on the lookout for con men and thieves, said a spokesman for the Midland County Sheriff's Department Thursday.

"Christmas seems to be the busiest time of the year here for thieves and con men," said the spokesman.

An obvious example and a clearcut warning is the case deputies recently investigated here involving people who soliciting funds by telephone.

They would name a legitimate organization, claim they represent that group, ask for a donation and then go by the donor's home to pick up the donation, said the spokesman.

"This holiday season and all year-around people should be cautious when someone approaches them seeking something out of their pockets, namely money," he said.

Authorities said citizens should be cautious when someone asks for a donation. They should get the name and telephone number of the person doing the soliciting, and check with the Better Business Bureau of the Permian Basin (563-1880, or 563-1882) prior to making a contribution.

"Back off and look at the situation for a minute," recommended one deputy. "Be aware it involves something you're going to have to pay for. Be

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Weather

Fair and a little warmer through Saturday. Low tonight in low 30s. High Saturday low 60s. Details on 4A.

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DEATHS

Lester A. Phillips

Services for Lester A. Phillips, 70, of 3409 Sinclair St. were to be at 4 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church in Midland with Dr. Daniel Vestal, pastor, officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Clyde D. Bostick

LAMESA — Services for Clyde D. Bostick, 73, of Lamesa will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. J. D. Dorrough, pastor, officiating.

J. Anderson

COLEMAN — Services for Johnnie Anderson, 72, of Colorado City, father of John Wayne Anderson of Big Spring, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Walker Funeral home here.

John Leysath

BIG SPRING — John Leysath, 85, of Big Spring died Thursday in a Big Spring hospital after a lengthy illness.

Luminda Duggan

Services for Luminda Duggan, 97, of 4806 Andrews Highway were to be at 2 p.m. today in the West Side Church of Christ with Owen Cosgrove, minister, officiating.

Veda Melson

Services for Mrs. Mark (Veda) Melson Sr., 71, of 700 Scharbauer Drive were to be at 10 a.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home with Clyde Freeman, minister of the Fort Worth and Jax Streets Church of Christ, officiating.

Midwest feels winter's first bite

By The Associated Press

A fast-moving cold frontal system whipped across the Midwest early today, blowing scattered snow showers into drifts over the Great Plains and the upper Mississippi Valley.

The nation's first day of the new winter, which began officially at 12:21 a.m. EST, started off with travel advisories, gale warnings and a few high wind warnings.

Winds gusted to 30 mph and higher over the northern Great Plains and upper Mississippi Valley. The wind chill factor was expected to drop to 40 below zero in North Dakota today.

Travel advisories were posted from North Dakota through northern Minnesota and Wisconsin, where scattered snow showers with blowing and drifting conditions were reported.

Winds diminished over the Central Rockies, but more gusts were expected. A high wind warning continued from Wyoming through the eastern Colorado Rockies foothills.

Light snow was reported in northern Maine, and snow flurries stretched from the Great Lakes to the northern Great Plains.

Rain showers were reported in Washington state. They changed to snow at higher elevations and across northern Idaho and northwest Montana.

Scattered rain was reported in Florida.

Temperatures around the nation at 2 a.m. EST ranged from 7 below zero in Alamosa, Colo., to 75 in Key West, Fla.

The forecast was for rain in Washington state and Oregon to become snow at higher elevations and extend into Montana and Idaho. Scattered snow flurries were expected over the Upper Great Lakes.

Mild weather was forecast for the central Midwest, Missouri, Iowa, and eastern portions of Kansas and Oklahoma.

Hospital directors finalize plans for respiratory training program

Agreements with Midland College for a respiratory therapy training program and with Ector County for reciprocal payments for indigent patient care were firming up by the directors of the Midland County Hospital District Thursday.

The agreement with Ector County will allow Midland Memorial to care for any indigent Ector County resident in the hospital and collect payment from the Ector County.

Some \$68,000 of the change will be used to add more than 800 square feet to the emergency room, directors said. Funds for the projects will come from interest the district's bond money is drawing and from private donations.

Two die in crash of private plane

BETHEL, Alaska (AP) — Two girls died and five other persons were seriously injured Thursday when a private plane crashed while carrying a group of students home for Christmas vacation, police said.

Alaska State Troopers said Nora Boy Scout, 16, and Elena Peter, both of Chevak, died in the crash.

Four other teen-age girls and the pilot, Ellery Herron, 52, of Chugiak Aviation in Bethel, were injured, police said.

The Cessna 207 was headed to Chevak from the town of St. Marys when the crash occurred, officials said. There was no immediate word on the circumstances of the crash.

Library sets holiday schedule

The Midland County Public Library will close at 6 p.m. today and will not reopen until 9 a.m. Wednesday in observance of the Christmas holidays.

The library, at 301 W. Missouri Ave., normally is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

In Thursday's editions, The Reporter-Telegram incorrectly said the library would be closed only though Monday this Christmas weekend.

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Egyptian Prime Minister optimistic of break in Mideast peace pact

By The Associated Press

Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil left for Belgium today saying he was "optimistic" his weekend meeting there with Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance would break the deadlock in Egyptian-Israeli peace negotiations.

Talking to reporters in Cairo before his departure Khalil said he would "try to find a way out" of the month-old stalemate.

Khalil said Egypt and Israel have agreed through the United

States that they are "not bound by any previous statements from both sides." He said this was "the only precondition" for the U.S.-sponsored meeting in Brussels.

The peace talks are stalled over two basic issues. Egypt wants a peace treaty tied to a timetable for implementing Palestinian self-rule on the West Bank of the Jordan River and in the Gaza Strip. Israel refuses to allow the weakening of a provision in the U.S.-draft treaty giving the pact precedence over Egypt's defense treaty with other Arab states.

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said Thursday he was "really very nervous" about the logjam. He claimed President Carter has "used and exploited his friendship with me" to win Egyptian concessions.

Sadat said it was up to Israel to make the next move and said Egypt would offer no more con-

cessions. "There will be no concessions, because we have given all the concessions," Sadat told reporters accompanying him on a whistlestop tour of farm villages in lower Egypt.

On the Israeli-Lebanese border, meanwhile, Israeli and Palestinian guns fell silent after a day-long artillery duel

that capped the worst clash in nine months along the frontier.

The border battle erupted Thursday morning when Palestinian guerrillas avenging an Israel air strike Wednesday fired a volley of Katyusha rockets from southern Lebanon into the Israeli border town of Kiryat Shmona. Author-

ities said the rockets killed a 22-year-old Israeli army reservist and wounded seven civilians.

Israel then loosed a barrage from artillery dug-in along the hilly frontier. Reporters in Lebanon said cannon roared on both sides of the border through the day and did not ease until

just before dark. The Palestine Liberation Organization in Beirut claimed responsibility for the rocket attack, the first major salvo across the frontier since March when Israel invaded southern Lebanon in a 90-day drive to sweep guerrillas back from the border. The PLO said the rocket bar-

rage was its reply to Wednesday's air raids. Guerrilla sources said the planes killed or wounded as many as 27 persons.

In Tel Aviv, the military command said Israeli jets hit three Palestinian targets between the Mediterranean coast and cities of Sidon and Tyre in reprisal for

stepped up terror bombings in Israel that killed four Israeli civilians and wounded 70 since Nov. 1.

The PLO claimed the jets hit two refugee camps and a civilian village. But reporters who visited the area Thursday said the warplanes struck almost exclusively at guerrilla targets.

Concorde flights called important

LONDON (AP) — British Airways officials are calling the supersonic flights between London and Texas that start Jan. 12 "an important step" for their Concorde aircraft.

The airline announced the kickoff date Thursday. The initial flight, on a date when the airline normally does not fly between London and the United States, will permit a double Concorde landing at Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport to mark the airport's fifth anniversary.

The Air France Concorde, scheduled for new flights between Paris and Dallas-Fort Worth, will arrive in Texas about the same time as the British. The two supersonic jets are expected to land on parallel runways at about the same time.

The London-Texas route is an extension of current British Airways flights between London and Washington, D.C. The new Concorde service to Dallas-Fort Worth will be Braniff International's.

"This is an important step in the further development of Concorde operations," commented Ross Stainton, deputy chairman and chief executive of British Airways.

"The Braniff service, the first Concorde service by an American airline, is between two of the most important cities in the United States, and will inevitably make a great impact not only upon the American public but also among United States airlines."

Concordes will leave London on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, with return flights on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays.

The one-way fare from London to Washington by Concorde is \$894. For London to Dallas-Fort Worth it will be \$984.

Increase in pork may offset hikes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pork producers are indicating they will substantially increase the pig crop in the next six months, and if they follow through it could offset part of an expected increase in grocery prices next year, the Agriculture Department says.

A report released Thursday by USDA's Crop Reporting Board said producers plan for 6.9 million sows to give birth between Dec. 1 and May 31, indicating a pig crop during the winter and spring quarters of 49.4 million — 17 percent above the same six months a year earlier.

However, the department's livestock experts caution that farmers still could react to the report and cut back on their plans if slaughter prices drop. Prices are generally lower for meats in abundant supply.

The Carter administration has been counting on an increase in the number of hogs and pigs — the source of hams, pork chops and other pork cuts — to slow the rise of consumer meat prices.

The hog expansion had not shown up as soon as the government hoped, despite low feed grain costs and high livestock prices.

But the board said Thursday 59.9 million hogs and pigs were on farms Dec. 1, the largest inventory for that date in four years and 6 percent larger than a year ago.

Beef output is expected to drop further in 1979, but the Agriculture Department hopes increases in pork and poultry will about offset that decline and mean a total meat and poultry supply about the same as this year's.

2 cops found shot

WEST SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Two California Highway Patrolmen — their service revolvers missing — were found shot to death near their cruiser early today along Interstate 80, authorities said.

The identities of the officers were being withheld until relatives were notified, said Lt. Rod Graham of the Yolo County Sheriff's Department. Authorities had no knowledge of who killed the men, Graham said. "We do know their service weapons are missing," he said.

"We don't even know what time they were killed," said Graham.

The bodies were discovered by a sheriff's department patrolman who spotted the patrol car near Harbor Boulevard, he said.

Yolo County is about a mile west of Sacramento and about 70 miles northeast of San Francisco.

Taiwan promises continued close ties

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — President Chiang Ching-kuo of Taiwan sent Christmas greetings to the American people today, saying close ties will be maintained despite the severance of diplomatic relations.

"This is the season of peace on earth, good will to men, and of looking forward to the hope of a new year," Chiang said in a message released by the government information office.

"Speaking for the 17 million people of the Republic of China in Taiwan, I want to convey warm greetings and best wishes to our friends of the United States."

"The change in relations between our governments will make no difference in the friendship of our two peoples. In our hearts, we still have confidence in Americans. The American and the Chinese dream remains the same: that of a free and prosperous society."

"May the promise of Christmas and the prospect of the New Year inspire us to join in seeking true peace and happiness for the whole world."

DUNLAPS

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SALE!
Men's Cardigan
Sweaters
10.90

Regularly \$20
Sweater season in warm, handsome acrylic and blends cardigans, in good looking colors. Six button. S, M, L, XL.

SALE!
Men's Corduroy
Jeans
12.90

Usually to 18.00
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SALE!
Girls Winter
Coats
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A group of warm winter coats from size 18 to pre teen, regularly 22.00 to 65.00. Wool blends, warm acrylic piles, some with hoods.

SAVE!
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10.90

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SALE!
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glassware
12.99

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SALE!
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Terry
Kitchen
Towels
50% off

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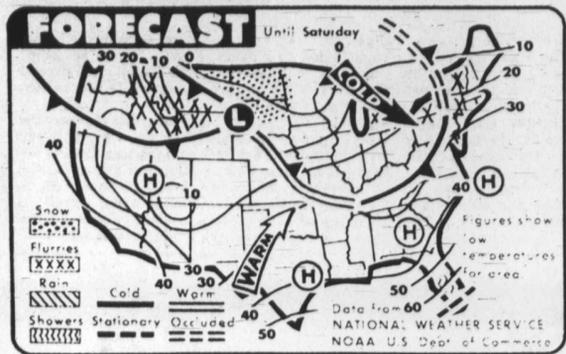
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WEATHER SUMMARY



The National Weather Service forecast through Saturday predicts snow flurries for parts of New York, New Jersey, Vermont and Pennsylvania...

Midland statistics

MIDLAND, ODESSA, BARKIN, BIG LAKE, GARDEN CITY FORECAST: Fair and a little warmer through Saturday. High today and Saturday in the low 60s...

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, Anchorage, Asheville, Atlanta, etc.

Texas thermometer

Table showing temperature readings for various Texas cities like Abilene, Alice, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, etc.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Fair through Saturday. Warmer south today. Windy and turning cooler Panhandle Saturday.

Extended forecasts

West Texas: Fair and cold Sunday and Monday becoming partly cloudy with a warming trend Tuesday.

Border forecast

Oklahoma: Fair and mild through Saturday. Highs 52 to 60. Lows 30s.

Davis facing solemn Christmas

HOUSTON (AP) — Millionaire Cullen Davis faced a solemn Christmas behind bars before going before a jury to deny he schemed to kill a Fort Worth judge.

crime, Davis will have spent two of three Christmases, and his last three birthdays, in jail cells.

made by Larry Boswell a week after Davis' arrest Aug. 20.

Braniff gets official OK

(Continued from Page 1A) desks for months. As to when Braniff might send in its first plane, Banks said, "We're ready to take them at any time."



Midland school district bus drivers delivered a special cargo of gifts for disabled World War II veterans Thursday.

New evidence forces committee to reconsider JFK conspiracy

WASHINGTON (AP) — New evidence gathered by the House Assassinations Committee has forced the panel to reconsider whether there was a conspiracy in the assassination of John F. Kennedy.

That contradicts Warren Commission findings that only three shots were fired at the president, and that all three came from the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository.

ready to conclude that Oswald acted alone. "But now I just don't know," he said.

Roustin' About

(Continued from Page 1A) whether they're men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him.

Fair, warmer weather to continue

A typical crisp but less than white West Texas Christmas weekend should dawn clear and cold Saturday.

Justice orders prison lawsuit to Tyler court

HOUSTON (AP) — Despite protests from lawyers on both sides, a federal lawsuit protesting conditions at the state prison has been moved from Houston to Tyler.

Con men and thieves out in force

(Continued from Page 1A) sure the organization is legitimate. As for thefts and burglaries, lawmen suggest residents use common sense by locking their homes before leaving.

Four arrests tied to steel walkout

PITTSBURGH (AP) — State police have linked four arrests to a walkout by dissident steel haulers, and the head of the drivers' organization has accused the media of exaggerating strike-related violence.

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FTC cracks down on franchise buyers

WASHINGTON (AP) — With franchised shops bursting forth like spring blooms, the Federal Trade Commission has moved to help investors determine whether they're being offered tulips or poison ivy.

The commission issued a regulation Wednesday that will require companies to make detailed information available to persons considering buying franchises.

It "will provide would-be investors with the factual information they need to make an informed investment decision," said Albert Kramer, head of the agency's Bureau of Consumer Protection.

A franchised business is one in which a parent company sells the right to do business under its name in a certain area. Many provide training and assistance to the local business and sell it necessary supplies.

The buyer gets the benefit of the national name and advertising of the parent firm as well as the management assistance and other help it gives him.

After the new rule takes effect July 21, companies offering franchises will have to give prospective buyers a disclosure statement at least 10 days before a contract is signed or any money changes hands.

The statement must outline the business experience of the company and tell something about its key management personnel, such as whether they have ever been sued or gone bankrupt.

It also must detail the costs of the franchise — along with termination, cancellation and renewal provisions — and disclose any restrictions on how the people buying the franchises can operate their businesses.

In addition, the rule forbids the company from making claims about potential sales or profits unless the these can be substantiated in a

second detailed statement. The rule will have the force of law and will subject violators to fines of up to \$10,000 per violation.

A commission lawyer said the franchising industry has undergone a tremendous growth in the last 15 to 20 years to the point that one of every three retail sales in the United States is now made by a business holding a franchise. In

1976, total retail sales through franchises were an estimated \$248 billion. FTC lawyer John M. Tifford declined to pinpoint any particular type of franchise operation as having more problems than others. He said the primary problem has been lack of reliable information for prospective franchise buyers and no way to verify what they are told by the franchisor or his salesman.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe releases seven West Texans from prison

Austin Bureau

AUSTIN—Seven persons sent to prison from West Texas have been released by Gov. Dolph Briscoe upon the request of the Board of Pardons and Paroles.

Harold W. Mitchell, convicted July 18, 1978, in Midland County of burglary of a building, was paroled to Midland County after serving and earning eight months of a two-year sentence.

Delouse M. Piggs, convicted Aug. 31, 1977, in Midland County and Oct. 20, 1977, in Bell County of forgery and possession of heroin, was paroled to Midland County after serving and earning two years and eight months of a four-year sentence.

Michael T. Cramer, convicted Feb. 14, 1977, in Howard County of delivery of a controlled substance, was paroled to Bell County after serving and earning three years and three months of a five-year sentence.

Billy R. Hindsley, convicted April 28, 1978, in Upton County of theft over \$200, was paroled to Midland County after serving and earning eight months of a two-year sentence.

Oscar F. Jomenez, convicted April 5, 1978, in Reeves County of two counts of burglary, was paroled to Ector County after serving and earning one year and four months of a four-year sentence.

Michael F. Keough, convicted July 20, 1977, in Ector County of theft over \$200, was paroled to Brown County after serving and earning two years and eight months of an eight-year sentence.

Sam Steven Williams, convicted April 21, 1977, in Gaines County and April 22, 1977, in Howard County of burglary of a habitation and burglary with intent to commit theft, was paroled to Mitchell County after serving and earning three years and one month of a five-year sentence.

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SECT

Isro oil

By DIAL T Los Angeles

JERUSALEM — Seven Israeli oil companies are preparing to bid for the rights to pump oil from the Alma field in the Negev desert. The bid is expected to be signed by the end of the month.

With the bid, Israel is adding a new area to its oil reserves. The Alma field is one of the largest in the world. It is estimated that the field contains 10 billion barrels of oil.

At present, Israel produces 1.5 million barrels of oil per day.

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Israel plans 12 oil wells off Sinai

By DIAL TORGERSON
Los Angeles Times

JERUSALEM — Israel now has seven oil wells off the coast of the Israeli-occupied Sinai Peninsula, is preparing to drill an eighth and is aiming for a goal of 12 by fall, the Israeli minister of energy reports.

With peace talks deadlocked, Israel is adding to its investments in the Alma field off El Tur, which is in an area slated to be returned to Egypt nine months after a peace agreement is signed.

"With 12 wells, we will be in the black by July," Yitzhak Modai, Israel's minister of energy and infrastructure, said. "We will have paid off our investment with the oil we will have produced."

At present, Israel is getting 23,000 barrels of oil a day from the field — 15 percent of the nation's needs of 160,000 barrels a day. Modai expects 50,000 barrels a day, almost one-third of Israel's needs, by September.

HAD A PEACE treaty been signed Dec. 17, according to the Original Camp David timetable, Israel would presumably have had to evacuate the El Tur area about the time the 50,000-barrel goal was reached.

But the talk in high circles here is that there may be no new negotiations for a month. The longer they are delayed, the more Israel will get from its Sinai investment. Each day of pumping 50,000 barrels would save Israel from having to spend \$600,000 for fuel from outside sources.

Modai said in an interview that the plan for 12 wells at the Alma field was prepared last February and is going ahead independent of the peace negotiations with Egypt. The work is continuing, in fact, as though peace were not a factor.

But Israelis realize that some day they will have to surrender a prize that grows more valuable every day. The 12-well plan was merely for the current period of development. The field has a potential for many more wells.

MOSE ARENS, CHAIRMAN of the foreign affairs and defense committee of the Knesset, Israel's parliament, has said that the El Tur field has the potential of supplying Israel with 1.5 times its own total needs. And, he said, it could last 30 years.

The field is off the Sinai coast, part of the way up the west side of the triangle-shaped peninsula. It is a continuation of the El Morgan field being pumped by Egypt on the west side of the Gulf of Suez.

Modai said that "very delicate" discussions are being conducted with Egypt, through the United States, on the return of the wells to Egypt. Israel expects to be guaranteed a supply of oil from the field and to be given a special price, or outright compensation, for its development work.

"We're going ahead with development, but we're prepared to hand

over the wells in good faith, in good condition," Modai said. "It will go over to whoever will get it and Israel will be compensated — I feel that we will have a share in it."

THE EGYPTIANS so far have refused to grant Israel any special rights in the area. Egypt and the United States claim that under the 1907 Hague Convention, Israel's drilling is a violation of international law. The convention decided that an occupying force may tap existing resources but cannot develop and exploit new ones.

"I get the impression that the Egyptians would like to receive the maximum and give the minimum," said Modai, who took part in Egypt-Israel talks on oil rights during the Mideast peace discussions at Blair House in Washington. "But then there is no other way to negotiate. I have no doubts that in time they will budge."

Modai says that without a guarantee of regular oil supplies, Israel may be in a difficult position in which to celebrate peace. "To Israel," he said, "oil is as important as food to a person who has to choose between being fed in jail or starving as a free man."

At present, Israelis said to receive 40 percent of its oil from Iran, although exact sources of its supplies are not disclosed for fear of pressure from the Arab bloc. Iran's curtailed production, Modai said, is not a crisis to Israel but verges on being an international crisis.

EGYPT GRANTED A lease in the El Tur area to an American-Egyptian consortium, but Israeli gunboats have kept the American crews from crossing to the east side of the gulf to explore the lease.

Israel began searching for oil off El Tur after it had to surrender Egyptian fields at Abu Rodeis under the 1975 Sinai withdrawal agreements worked out by then-Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger. The first well, Alma 1, was brought in more than two years ago but never turned out to be a commercial value.

Alma 2 through 7 are now in operation — plus two known as D-1 and D-2 — although Alma 2, Modai admits, has had problems and may need special pumps to make it profitable. The other wells pump up to 9,000 barrels a day, in an area where 4,000 barrels a day is considered a good commercial rate.

The Abu Rodeis fields were developed by Egypt before the 1967 six-day war, when Israel took the Sinai from Egypt. Until the Israelis gave it up, it supplied more than half of Israel's total oil needs.

Israel has explored for oil unsuccessfully in the Negev Desert of southern Israel and along the Mediterranean coast of southwest Israel. A promising find of natural gas was announced recently in the south coast. But no oil has been discovered in Israel proper.

OECD says economy to grow at slow pace

By MURRAY SEEGER
The Los Angeles Times

PARIS — The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development expects the world economy to grow at a slow but healthy pace next year despite sharp increase in the price of crude oil.

John Fay, the OECD's chief of economics and statistics, told reporters that the organization had trimmed 0.25 percent from its forecast for growth in the non-Communist world.

This would put growth at below 2.5 percent for the entire OECD area, which includes the world's 24 industrial countries. He said that world inflation next year, which had been estimated at 6.5 percent, would now be closer to 7 percent.

Within this total forecast, OECD economists placed growth in the United States at a lower level than official forecasts prepared by White House officials.

The Washington economists told OECD officials a few weeks ago that they expect the U.S. economy to grow by 3 percent next year. With the impact of the 14.5 percent higher oil prices, the U.S. forecast would be trimmed down to between 2.5 and 3 percent, according to OECD officials.

In its own forecast for the United States, the OECD projected just over 1 percent growth for 1979, enough to avoid the official definition of a recession — two consecutive quarters of economic decline.

The OECD staff estimated 1979 U.S. inflation at over 7 percent, compared with Washington's forecast of 6.5 percent, and unemployment at 6.5 percent for the year against the Washington estimate of 6 percent.

Despite the expected sluggish performance of the U.S. economy, the OECD welcome the Washington program to fight inflation and slow growth as necessary to create a healthier world economy.

"The OECD area economy is in fact again moving in the right direction," Fay said.

Inflation in the member countries as a whole is falling, the deficit in balance of payments is declining and

the patterns of growth among various countries is healthier.

The second and third largest OECD economies — Japan and West Germany — are growing at substantial rates while the U.S. economy, which was going too fast and overheating, is being slowed down.

Without counting the United States, the OECD area is growing at the annual rate of 3.5 percent and the bigger economies in the group are growing faster.

The rise in oil prices will cost the OECD countries \$19 billion extra in 1979 with the United States paying one-third of the bill, the economists said.

On the other hand, the increased price will bring increased sales to the members of the world oil cartel, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), so that the industrial countries will get back nearly half of their new oil bills in the form of payments for exported products.

The United States should be a major beneficiary of such increased sales. The OECD found that in 1978 the United States held a 21.5 percent share of export sale to the OPEC countries, followed by Japan with 18.4 percent and West Germany with 15.5 percent. Still, the U.S. balance-of-payments deficit next year will be \$3 billion above the original forecast and will reach \$11 billion, the OECD estimated.

"Clearly it would have been better if there had been no externally instigated rise in the price of crude oil at all," Fay said.

In addition to adding to world price inflation, the oil increase had "decidedly disturbing effects" in world currency exchanges by pushing the price of the dollar downward.

Thus, while OPEC claimed it was trying to make up for previous losses in the value of the dollar, in which all oil bills are paid, the group's action had the effect of eroding the currency further.

On the other hand, if the OPEC action has the effect of speeding the transition to other energy sources and reducing oil consumption, especially in the United States, the price rise could be a positive factor, Fay said.

Changes needed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Energy Department analysts reported Thursday that the nation's oil industry may have to reduce gasoline octane ratings and make other refining adjustments to meet gasoline demand through 1980.

And a larger fraction of the gasoline supply will probably have to be refined abroad and imported than is now the case, the report said.

The "Analysis Memorandum" did not make actual predictions of supply and demand by 1980, but estimated a likely range of gasoline requirements and found that the U.S. refinery industry could adjust its operations enough to satisfy even the high side, aided by imports.

But there could be shortages, the memorandum warned, if refiners underestimate gasoline needs and are surprised by high demand.

The public could use relatively little gasoline in 1980 — a low estimate of some 7.58 million barrels a day — if the economy is slack as some economists now predict, and if new automobiles deliver improved mileage as promised, the analysis suggested.

On the high side, it estimated, gasoline demand could reach about 7.96 million barrels a day if the economy proves vigorous and if automobile mileage proves disappointing.

Standard proves active

PITTSBURGH—Standard Oil Co. of Indiana is a predominant participant in four of the most active and most important exploration and production areas in North America, the company's president said here today.

These areas are "the Overthrust Belt in Wyoming and Utah, the deep Tuscaloosa gas play on the Upper Gulf Coast, and the West Pembina D-2 reef trend and the Deep Basin gas play, both in Alberta, Canada," Richard M. Morrow told the Pittsburgh Society of Financial Analysts.

The Overthrust Belt, Morrow continued, is considered by some "to have more potential for oil and gas reserves than any area discovered in the U.S. since Prudhoe Bay field was found in 1967."

Standard is the principal leaseholder in the active portion of the Thrust Belt trend and has been involved in a number of important discoveries, he reported. These include the 50-percent interest No. 2 Whitney Canyon well which was completed this past summer "as a significant gas discovery" with five different gas-productive formations.

According to Morrow, the company's activities in the Upper Gulf Coast gas play are focused in the Port Hudson field near Baton Rouge, where two recent wells confirmed a significant 1977 discovery, and in East Texas, where massive hydraulic fracturing has resulted in an average 700-percent increase in production from 20 new wells.

Standard believes the Port Hudson field "is the best of the fields found so far in the Tuscaloosa play," he remarked, adding that additional wells are now drilling on Standard's acreage on the structure in Port Hudson and throughout the trend.

Morrow told the analysts that Standard's expanded domestic drilling program "is based on the conviction that the resource base in America is very substantial, and that there are extensive reserves of oil and gas yet to be found, both onshore and offshore, right here at home."

Partly as a result of Standard's extensive domestic explorations program, "we have been able to maintain our net domestic liquids production at a high level compared to other major domestic producers," Morrow stated.

North American exploration and production expenditures for the first nine months of 1978 amounted to \$914 million, he pointed out, an increase of 38 percent compared to the similar period of 1977.

Turning to Canada, Standard is conducting "the largest exploration program in its history," Morrow said. Activity is centered in Alberta, where Standard is one of the largest leaseholders in the West Pembina or D-2 reef trend, and the Deep Basin gas play on and adjacent to Standard's Grande Prairie block.

In the D-2 trend, "Standard is involved in about one-third of the industry's successful wells to date," with numerous anomalies yet to be tested, he said.

Standard holds 300,000 net acres in the Deep Basin gas play, which has been estimated by some to contain more than 200 trillion cubic feet of gas, Morrow commented. The company "had an interest in 22 wildcats drilled in the past year, with 20 of these expected to be completed as gas wells."

The Standard executive said the company's net Canadian gas production "would increase an anticipated 170 million cubic feet a day by 1982," if the Canadian government permits additional exports of gas to the United States.

Majors predict shortage may hit next summer

By ROBERT A. ROSENBLATT
The Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — A top Department of Energy official and executives of Chevron, Shell and Gulf said Thursday that gasoline supplies are adequate for the present but warned of possible shortages as soon as next summer.

Barring a major disruption such as an oil embargo, "I see no possibility of a generalized gasoline shortage and long gasoline lines between now and summer," John F. O'Leary, deputy secretary of Energy, told the Energy subcommittee of the House Commerce Committee.

He said some drivers may have trouble getting gasoline at a particular station but the same product will be available at other stations nearby.

O'Leary warned, however, that the oil industry is reaching its full capacity to turn out gasoline "and no expansion is in the works."

By 1980, supplies will be sufficient, "but barely so," he said, and the United States may suffer from shortages and black markets then unless the industry expands its capacity to make gasoline.

Bad winter weather could bring on gasoline shortages in the summer, according to O'Leary. Severe winter cold would force oil refineries to increase their output of heating fuel while drastically curtailing production of gasoline.

If this happened, O'Leary said, "there is a possibility of entering the 1979 peak driving season with stocks lower than we would like to see and a recurrence of the problems experienced this year."

Texaco has asked the Department of Energy for permission to allocate shipments to dealers on the basis of last year's sales, O'Leary disclosed. He said Atlantic Richfield and Continental Oil Co. have asked to be relieved of their obligations under federal regulations to supply customers before their own dealers.

R.W. Baldwin, president of the marketing and refining division of Gulf Oil Corp., told the subcommittee, "There is simply no spare capacity within Gulf or the industry to make up any shortage."

He said Gulf's gasoline stockpiles have dipped to the lowest level since 1974, making it hard to build up sufficient inventory for the 1979 summer driving season. "If demand continues to grow, the supply situation will become critical," he said.

Chevron, the marketing arm of Standard Oil Co. of California, will be able to supply its customers' needs in 1979 and 1980, predicted W.J. Price, senior vice president for manufacturing, supply and marketing at Chevron, U.S.A.

Looking ahead for the industry, Price said:

Charges ridiculous say owners

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Department of Energy said Thursday that four Texas oil producers may have overcharged their customers by a total of more than \$2 million.

The companies were given 10 days to reply to the department's "notices of probable violation."

Owners of two of the companies said the government's dispute is over interpretation of a government regulation pertaining to "new oil" charges and "old oil" charges.

"It's ridiculous," another owner said.

If the department decides the companies violated price or allocation regulations, they can be required to refund any overcharges with interest.

The department's announcement said notices of probable violation were sent to W. A. Moncrief Jr., of Fort Worth, involving \$1.18 million; Roy M. Huffington, Inc., of Houston, involving \$573,834; Varn Petroleum Co. of Corpus Christi, \$172,346, and Billy Bridewell of Tyler, \$84,045.

Asked about the notice to him, Moncrief said, "I haven't seen it yet, but I can tell I sure don't agree with it."

Huffington, another of the producers, said he felt the DOE allegations probably involve a difference in interpretation of government regulations.

Bridewell called the accusation "ridiculous. That's our government for you. Overcharge what customers? I don't have any customers. I produce some oil, but different pipeline companies take it, and they couldn't be talking about them. It's ridiculous."

Stewart Varn said government officials "have audited our books and claim that we have misinterpreted this damn law."

"We foresee the need for some 1 million barrels per day of additional refining capacity in this country between now and 1985 in order to meet our country's forecasted requirements for petroleum products. However, given today's regulatory climate, we doubt that these refineries will ever be built."

Price said his company plans to introduce a new gasoline additive that "will reduce the octane appetite of most cars on the road today."

As cars grow older, they require a higher octane fuel to prevent engine knock. Price said his company hopes to get federal approval to use the

additive next year.

J.H. DeNike, vice president of Shell Oil, said federal price controls are inhibiting oil companies from investing in new refinery capacity.

Shell can meet its demand through the 1980-81 period unless there are sudden shifts in buying patterns, DeNike said. Such a shift occurred last month. The company is restricting shipments to dealers this month because of a spurt in demand for its gasoline.

Shell's prices were lower than those of competing firms because of restrictions imposed by the complex federal price regulations.

Hike not disastrous

PARIS (AP) — The 14.5 percent increase in 1979 oil prices decreed by the oil exporters' cartel is "not disastrous" but will cost the non-Communist industrialized world an additional \$19 billion, spur inflation and slow down growth.

That is the assessment of John Fay, chief economist for the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, the economic braintrust of the 24 major non-Communist industrialized nations.

Fay said Thursday that the decision of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, announced last weekend in Abu Dhabi, had upset the OECD's latest economic forecasts, which the Paris-based organization issues every six months.

Speaking of the latest forecasts at a news conference, Fay predicted the world's economies could withstand the impact of the oil price hike without too much difficulty.

As much as 50 percent of the additional oil import bill may be offset by increased exports to oil producing countries, so the net impact on the current account deficit of OECD members will be an extra \$10 billion to about \$11.5 billion in 1979, he said.

As a result of the price hike, the

U.S. oil import bill is expected to increase by \$6 billion next year, Fay said.

But increased imports from oil-producing nations could halve that figure, meaning the U.S. current account deficit would swell by \$3 billion from the \$8 billion predicted before the price hike, he said.

The OECD economist noted the projected U.S. deficit does not take into account U.S. gold sales next year, which could add about \$3 billion to America's exports.

Japan's oil import bill is expected to increase by \$3.5 billion, West Germany's by \$2 billion, France and Italy's \$1.5 billion each, and for the smaller members combined \$3.5 billion dollars, Fay said.

The oil price hike will have practically no effect on Britain and Canada due to their own domestic oil production capability, he added.

Fay questioned whether the oil market "will be able to accept" a rise of 14.5 percent. That will depend largely on how demand will develop in OECD countries — especially the United States, which accounts for about one-third of total OECD imports.

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY
Petroleum No. 3 Bourg; id 7,650 feet; shut in for repairs.
Cola No. 1 GAO; id 7,653 feet; shut in.

Faskan No. 14-28-Y Fee; id 4,900 feet; swabbed 48.5 barrels of oil and 24.96 cubic feet of water in 24 hours, through perforations at 4,780-4,800 feet, after being acidized with 500 feet in lime.

Faskan No. 15-2-Y Fee; id 4,900 feet; pumped 44 barrels of oil and 103 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations at 4,772-4,794 feet.

BORDEN COUNTY
Harvey Yates No. 1-23 Key; id 1,110 feet; a drilitem test was taken on 24.96-inch choke with tubing pressure of 1,978 feet of gas-cut oil and 344 feet of oil-cut mud.

CHAVES COUNTY
Pennoe No. 1 Bar C; drilling 1,626 feet.

COCHRAN COUNTY
Union Texas No. 78 Slaughter; id 5,100 feet; swabbed and flowed 60 barrels of fluid in an unreported amount of time, through perforations at 4,923-5,019 feet.

COKE COUNTY
Energy Reserves No. 5-A Williams; id 8,012 feet; still waiting on completion of 24.96-inch choke with tubing pressure of 4,510 to 2,100 pounds, through perforations at 16,000 to 16,728 feet.

CONCHO COUNTY
Tahoe Oil & Cattle No. 1 Pebble; id 2,320 feet; preparing to take a drilitem test.

CROCKETT COUNTY
Delta No. 3-Meybin; coring at 8,000 feet.
Texaco No. 14 Davidson; id 8,065 feet; shut in; perforated at 7,885-7,968 feet.

TEXAS No. 3 Davidson III; id 1,200 feet; preparing to drill ahead; after testing blow out preventer.

TEXAS No. 3 Davidson; id 8,100 feet; running tubing.
Southland Royalty No. 1-36 Todd; drilling 780 feet in blue clay.

Southland Royalty No. 4-67 Todd; drilling 1,200 feet in lime and shale.
Southland Royalty No. 1-70 Todd; drilling 1,000 feet.

Resources Investment No. 1-18 Cox; drilling 1,200 feet in shale and lime.
International No. 1-30 Parker; drilling 1,535 feet.

International No. 1-1 Dudley; drilling 1,800 feet in lime and shale.

DAWSON COUNTY
Getty No. 1 Graham; id 11,400 feet; swabbing no gauges.
Texaco No. 1-30 Turner; drilling 7,420 feet in lime.

ECTOR COUNTY
Southland No. 1-187 Wright; id 4,400 feet; logging.

EDDY COUNTY
Barnes No. 2 Big Chief; drilling 1,822 feet in lime.
Faskan No. 2 Ross; drilling 1,265 feet in lime.

Southland Royalty No. 1-14 State; drilling 5,780 feet in dolomite and lime.
Southland Royalty No. 1-18 State; drilling 10,416 feet in shale and lime.

TEXAS Pacific No. 1 Hackberry; id 10,960 feet; flowed 2.3 million cubic feet of gas per day, through an 11.64-inch choke and perforations at 10,518-10,787 feet.

TEXAS Pacific No. 2 Phantom Draw; id 12,820 feet; still shut in.
Delta No. 1 Carrasco; drilling 960 feet.

TEXAS Oil & Gas No. 1 Shugart-Stat; drilling 2,628 feet in lime.
Texas Oil & Gas No. 1 Coggins; drilling 4,800 feet.

Coggins No. 1 Patterson; drilling 12,820 feet in lime and shale.
Exxon No. 1 Scheldt; id 11,560 feet; temporarily dropped from report.

HOWARD COUNTY
North American No. 1 Williams; drilling 1,875 feet in lime and shale.

IRION COUNTY
Resources Investment No. 1-18 Cox; id 8,000 feet; preparing to perforate.
Resources Investment No. 3-18 Cox; id 8,154 feet; testing, no gauges, through perforations at 7,962-7,988 feet.

Union Texas No. 6-56 Farmer; id 7,300 feet; pumped 50 barrels of oil and 30 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations at 7,095-7,134 feet.

Union Texas No. 1-44-10V Farmer; drilling 778 feet.
Energy Reserves No. 1-41-C Sugg; id 8,012 feet; waiting on pulling unit.

M.D. Abel No. 1 Scott; drilling 4,837 feet in lime.

LEA COUNTY
Getty No. 1-10 Clara Rojas; drilling 12,250 feet.
Getty No. 1-28-J State; drilling 3,755 feet.

Gulf No. 1-A Strage; id 13,000 feet; still shut in.
Britten Management Corp. No. 2 Temple; id 2,128 feet; swabbing, no gauges, through perforations from 8-17 to 8,820 feet.

Sabine Production Co. No. 1 Yates-Grace; id 4,180 feet in lime, running 8 1/2-inch casing.

Union Oil No. 1 Laguna Deep Federal; id 14,566 feet in lime, preparing to run drilitem test.

Union Oil No. 1 Halfway-Federal; drilling 7,832 feet in shale.
Texas Oil & Gas No. 1 Osado-State; id 11,400 feet; moving off rotary.

LOVING COUNTY
Exxon No. 1 Keith Camp; plugged back depth 17,085 feet, had 24 hour flow test and flowed 5.0 mm-cmcpd on 24.96-inch choke with tubing pressure of 4,510 to 2,100 pounds, through perforations from 16,000 to 16,728 feet.

LUBBOCK COUNTY
Samedan No. 1 Doss; id 9,410 feet; laying down pipe, preparing to run 4 1/2-inch casing to total depth in lime.

MARTIN COUNTY
Exxon No. 1 Rufus Green; id 11,700 feet; plugged back depth 10,383 feet, pumping no gauges, through perforations from 9,958 to 9,980 feet.

Parker & Parsley No. 1-A Powell; drilling 4,008 feet in lime and shale.

MIDLAND COUNTY
Cola Petroleum No. 1-A Hutchison; id 9,100 feet; pumping on test.
CITGO No. 4611 Dora Roberts; id 12,480 feet; dropped from report, flowed 648,000 cubic feet of gas per day and 15 barrels oil and 8 barrels water in 20 hours, on 6 1/2-inch choke and perforations from 11,718 to 11,798 feet.

CITGO No. 218 Dora Roberts; id 12,920 feet; drilling out cement at 10,925 feet.
J.V. Atkinson No. 1 Annie Garner; id 7,750 feet; testing blow out preventers.

PECOS COUNTY
Texas Pacific No. 12 Montgomery; drilling 10,375 feet in shale.
Exxon No. 1 Longfellow Corp.; drilling 9,282 feet.

Exxon No. 1 Walker Glass Mountain; id 7,500 feet; shut in, being dropped from report temporarily.
Exxon No. 1-B Walker Glass Mountain; id 7,140 feet; washing out fill.

TEXAS Oil & Gas No. 4-B Blackstone; drilling 5,157 feet in lime and sand.
Home Energy No. 1 Sabine; drilling 21,556 feet.

SCRAM-LETS

That Intriguing Word Game with a Chuckle

Edited by CLAY R. POLLAN

1 Rearrange letters of the four scrambled words below to form four simple words.

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Politics is not a bad profession. If you succeed, there are many rewards, and if you disgrace yourself, you can always ... a ...

1 Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing words you develop from step No. 3 below.

2 PRINT NUMBERED LETTERS

3 UN-SCRAMBLE LETTERS

SCRAM-LETS ANSWERS

THE BETTER HALF



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DICK TRACY



REX MORGAN M.D.



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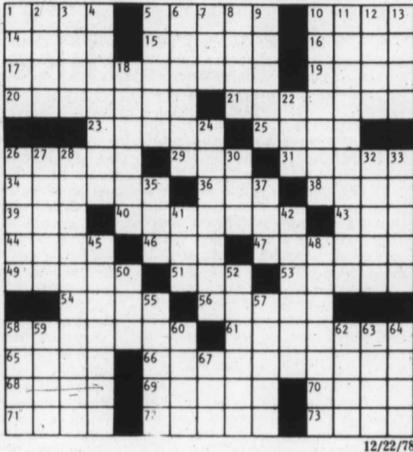


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- ACROSS**
- 1 Vipers
 - 5 Belief
 - 10 Greek mountain
 - 14 Sharp nail
 - 15 Shower time
 - 16 Hermit's home
 - 17 Bookish
 - 19 Too much: Fr.
 - 20 Loud speaker
 - 21 Pledges (oneself)
 - 23 Vision
 - 25 Presented
 - 26 Neckpiece
 - 29 Brother or sister
 - 31 Pillars
 - 34 Leo — Durocher
 - 36 Card game
 - 38 State frankly
 - 39 Throw, as the shot
 - 40 Cheap and flashy: Slang
 - 43 Suffix in chemistry
 - 44 Pain
 - 46 Bird sound
 - 47 Emulated
 - 48 Baryshnikov
 - 49 Distrustful: Slang
 - 51 Auto: Slang
 - 53 Sierra Nevada lake resort
 - 54 Colors
- DOWN**
- 1 Vaudeville features
 - 2 Lath
 - 3 Washed-out
 - 4 Cheat
 - 5 Dr. Allan Roy
 - 6 "Lulu" and "Louise"
 - 7 Kennel sound effect
 - 8 Soggy earth
 - 9 Lengthwise
 - 10 Wife of Mark Antony
 - 11 Nikita — Khrushchev
 - 12 Bluish black
 - 13 Lofty mountains
 - 18 Inactive
 - 22 Hole
 - 24 Richard — Nixon
 - 26 Calyx part
 - 27 Cessation of arms
 - 28 For free: Phrase
 - 30 Stadium sound
 - 32 Roundup
 - 33 Bergman, for one
 - 35 Habitual response: Colloq.
 - 37 Mountain near Phoenix
 - 41 — Hill, San Francisco
 - 42 Innate character
 - 45 Bookwise
 - 48 Local products
 - 50 Affirmative
 - 52 Precious pelts
 - 55 Absorb
 - 57 Capacious
 - 58 Take some exercise
 - 59 Pearl Buck heroine
 - 60 "Peter Pan" character
 - 62 Enumerate
 - 63 — Stanley Gardner
 - 64 Grain
 - 67 Raises



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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Schoolboy playoffs

This Week's Pairings
 Class 4A Final
 Plano vs. Houston, Saturday, 2 p.m.
 Class 2A Final
 Wylie vs. Sealy, 8 p.m. Friday, Baylor Stadium, Waco.
 Class A Final
 China Spring vs. Livingston, 8 p.m. Friday, Wildcat Stadium, Temple.

Bowls at a glance

All Times EST
NAIA Playoffs
 Division I
First Round
 Elon 21, Concord, W. Va. 6
 Western St. 21, Central Arkansas 17
 Grand Valley St. 24, Wis.-LaCrosse 14
 Angelo State 22, Oregon Coll. of Ed. 0
Semi-Finals
 Elon 13, Grand Valley St. 7
 Angelo St. 35, Western St. 3
City of Palms Bowl
 Saturday
 At McAllen, Texas
 Angelo St. 34, Elon 14
Division II
First Round
 Findlay, Ohio, 13, Tarleton State 6
 Concordia, Minn., 49, Northwestern College 6
 Missouri Valley 30, Bethany College, Kan., 16
 Linfield, Ore., 32, Carroll College 6
Semi-Finals
 Findlay, Ohio 27, Missouri Valley 9
 Concordia, Minn., 24, Linfield, Ore. 23
Finals
 Concordia 7, Findlay, Ohio 9
NAIA
Division I-AA
Semi-Finals
 Massachusetts 44, Nevada-Reno 21
 Florida A&M 15, Jackson State 10
Plummer Bowl
 Saturday
 At Wichita Falls, Texas
 Florida A&M 35, Massachusetts 28
Division II
First Round
 Winston-Salem 17, Calhoun SLO 9
 Delaware 42, Jacksonville State 27
 Youngstown State 21, Nebraska-Omaha 14
 Eastern Illinois 35, Cal-Davis 31
Semi-Finals
 Delaware 41, Winston-Salem 9
 Eastern Illinois 28, Youngstown State 22
Finals
 At Longview, Texas
 Eastern Illinois 18, Delaware 9
Division III
First Round
 Wittenberg 6, Idaho, N.Y., 3
 Minnesota-Morris 23, St. Olaf 18
 Carnegie-Mellon 24, Dayton 21
 Baldwin-Wallace 71, St. Lawrence 7
Semi-Finals
 Wittenberg 35, Minnesota-Morris 14
 Baldwin-Wallace 21, Carnegie-Mellon 6
Amos Alzoza Stagg Bowl
 Baldwin-Wallace 21, Wittenberg 10
Gold Bowl
 At Richmond, Va.
 Virginia Union 21, North Carolina A&T 6
Garden State Bowl
 Arizona State 24, Rutgers 18
Independence Bowl
 East Carolina 35, Louisiana Tech 13
Ball of Fame Bowl
 Texas A&M 28, Iowa State 12
Friday's Game
Holiday Bowl
 At San Diego
 Brigham Young (9-3-0) vs. Navy (9-3-0), 9 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Sun Bowl
 At El Paso, Texas
 Maryland (9-2-0) vs. Texas (9-3-4), 1:30 p.m.
Liberty Bowl
 At Memphis, Tenn.
 Missouri (7-4-0) vs. LSU (9-3-4), 3:30 p.m.
Tangerine Bowl
 At Orlando, Fla.
 Pittsburgh (9-3-4) vs. North Carolina State (8-3-4), 8 p.m.
Monday's Games
At Atlanta
 Purdue (9-2-1) vs. Georgia Tech (7-4-0), 8 p.m.
Florida Bowl
 At Tampa, Fla.
 UCLA (9-3-4) vs. Arkansas (9-3-4), 2:30 p.m.
Dec. 23
Bluebonnet Game
 At Montgomery, Ala.
 Blue vs. Gray, noon
Cater Bowl
 At Jacksonville, Fla.
 Clemson (10-1-4) vs. Ohio State (7-3-1), 9 p.m.
Dec. 23
Bluebonnet Bowl
 At Houston
 Stanford (7-4) vs. Georgia (9-1-1), 8 p.m.
Jan. 1
Cotton Bowl
 At Dallas
 Notre Dame (9-3-4) vs. Houston (9-2-0), 2 p.m.
Sugar Bowl
 At New Orleans
 Penn State (11-0-0) vs. Alabama (10-1-0), 2 p.m.
Rice Bowl
 At Pasadena, Calif.
 Michigan (10-1-0) vs. Southern Cal (11-1-0), 5 p.m.
Orange Bowl
 At Miami
 Nebraska (9-2-4) vs. Oklahoma (10-1-0), 8 p.m.
Jan. 6
East-West Shrine Game
 At Stanford, Calif.
 East vs. West, 3 p.m.
Bowl
 At Honolulu
 North vs. South, 4 p.m.
Canada-American Bowl
 At Tampa, Fla.
 Canadian vs. USA Allstars, 1 p.m.
Jan. 13
Solar Bowl
 At Mobile, Ala.
 North vs. South, 1 p.m.
Jan. 14
Japan Bowl
 At Tokyo
 East vs. West, time to be announced

NCAA statistics

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The NCAA's college basketball scoring and rebounding leaders through games of Dec. 18:

Player	Team	PP	FT	Pts	Avg
Bird, Indiana	106	54	206	32.3	
Ferry, Holy Cross	37	49	154	28.0	
Gerdy, Davidson	81	41	219	26.9	
McCoy, Mich.	32	22	148	29.6	
Dawkins, N.C.	39	21	229	28.6	
Aguirre, DePaul	32	28	186	28.3	
Cartwright, SF	83	62	248	27.6	
Davis, Southern U.	74	53	219	27.4	
Johnson, Baylor	74	41	189	27.8	
Stieglor, J. Madan	66	37	180	27.0	
Arnold, St. Louis	71	48	181	26.8	
Murphy, Southern U.	24	25	213	28.6	
Toney, SW Louisiana	77	56	210	28.3	
Hill, Ohio State	64	43	181	25.9	
Manning, N.Y. St.	41	23	257	25.7	

NFL statistics

Final Individual Statistics
 League Leaders

Player	Team	Att.	Yds.	TDs
Campbell, Hou.	302	1450	4.8	11
Payton, Chi.	333	1386	4.2	11
Dorsett, Dal.	290	1235	4.6	7
Williams, Mia.	272	1256	4.6	8
Montgomery, Ph.	259	1228	4.5	9
Middleton, G.B.	284	1116	3.9	11
Harri, Phi.	310	1062	3.5	8
vanZeghen, Ok.	270	1060	4.5	7
Miller, Buf.	238	1060	4.5	7
Reed, K.C.	206	1053	5.1	9
Higgins, Was.	249	1014	4.1	9

Final Team Statistics
 American Conference

Team	Yds	Rank
New England	5963	3185
Seattle	5311	2384
San Diego	4473	2068
Cleveland	5347	2488
Pittsburgh	4996	2287
Oakland	4812	2188
Cincinnati	4872	2131
New York	4857	2250
San Francisco	4808	2123
Denver	4629	2451
Kansas City	4620	2396
Houston	4614	2421
Buffalo	4630	2381
Baltimore	4107	2044



Rose Bowl princesses from left, Julianne Hageman, Kathleen Looney, Suzanne Simone and Melissa Young huddle around University of Michigan

quarterback Rick Leach as Wolverines arrived in Los Angeles for Rose Bowl game against USC. (AP Laserphoto)

Wolverines starved for victory

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Star quarterback Rick Leach said his Michigan Wolverines opened Rose Bowl practice: "We didn't come out here to sit around. We came out here to do the best job we can both mentally and physically."

Coach Bob Schembechler, whose club faces Southern California at Pasadena on New Year's Day, seems to be emphasizing mental toughness for his underdog Big Ten champions. He has a receptive audience since many of the seniors on the squad have

to three bowls and have yet to win.

Jerry Meter, outside linebacker and defensive leader, said: "We have our Michigan traditions and the seniors will be playing their last game, and that is enough to motivate us to play our best game."

MICHIGAN LOST to Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl when these seniors were freshmen and lost to Southern California and Washington in the last two Rose Bowl encounters.

Lefty quarterbacks to duel

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — When you're No. 7, sometimes it doesn't even do any good to try harder.

But Maryland's starting quarterback in the Sun Bowl Saturday against the Texas Longhorns was too cocky to figure the odds.

"I knew they had a lot of quarterbacks but I liked the school," said Tim O'Hare, who is a left-hander just like Texas starting quarterback Mark Roth.

"There were seven quarterbacks when I came in (back in 1973) and I was No. 7 and that's the low man on the totem pole," O'Hare said. "Even when I moved up to the backup spot I didn't get to do much more than just go in and run out the clock."

FAR FROM discouraged, O'Hare admitted, "I was still pretty cocky." He said life at Maryland wasn't all that hardscabble while he was a

Cavs' Chones is weary winner

RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) — Cleveland's Jim Chones looked like he'd gone through a wringer.

The Cavaliers' center had just finished doing battle with Houston's Moses Malone in Cleveland's hard-fought 101-90 National Basketball Association victory over the Rockets Thursday night.

"Sure, I'm a little tired," Chones said, his arms hanging wearily as he sat in front of his dressing cubicle. "Moses beat me up pretty good for a young guy."

"He's the best center in the league. Nobody works harder and has better stats for the minutes he plays," the 6-foot-11 veteran added. "That always makes it a long night."

who. We know now that we're playing for a playoff berth.

"We're off to a lousy start (12-20), but only three or four clubs in the whole league have played as well as we have the last two weeks. We've won five of seven, against good clubs."

In the only game Thursday night, Detroit beat Indiana 121-108.

Houston got 30 points from forward Rick Barry and 18 from Calvin Murphy. But Barry came up with only six points in the second half after scoring 22 of his 27 points in the second period.

Pistons 121, Pacers 108
 Kevin Porter scored 17 of his season-high 27 points in the fourth period to pace Detroit in a game that marked the return of Piston's AllStar center Bob Lanier. Lanier, who missed 10 games after minor knee surgery, scored 19 points in 30 minutes of play.

College basketball

Team	Yds	Rank
Dallas	3899	2783
Los Angeles	3828	2871
St. Louis	3125	1954
New Orleans	4996	1845
Minnesota	4778	2264
Philadelphia	4653	2456
Washington	4647	2382
Detroit	4618	2320
Chicago	4430	2526
New York	4419	2304
Green Bay	4187	2509
Atlanta	4082	1880
San Francisco	4047	2061
Tampa Bay	3901	2068

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NFL Playoffs

All Times EST

Sunday's Wild-Card Games
 Philadelphia at Atlanta, 1:00 a.m.
 National Conference
 Houston at Miami, 3 p.m.
 Divisional Playoffs
 Saturday, Dec. 30
 American Conference
 Denver or Miami at Pittsburgh, 11:30 a.m.
 National Conference
 Minnesota or Atlanta at Dallas, 3 p.m.
 Sunday, Dec. 31
 American Conference
 Denver or Houston at New England, noon
 National Conference
 Minnesota or Philadelphia at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.
 Sunday, Jan. 1
 AFC Championship, teams to be determined
 NFC Championship, teams to be determined
 Sunday, Jan. 2
 SUPER BOWL XIII
 AFC Champion vs. NFC Champion at Miami, 3 p.m.

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OCE's Lulay heads NAIA All-America

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Doug Lulay, an Oregon College of Education quarterback who rushed for 1,027 yards and 15 touchdowns, heads the 1978 NAIA Division I Coaches' All-America team announced Thursday.

William Miller, Ouachita Baptist running back who ran for 1,668 yards and 19 touchdowns, was named to the team along with Jerry Aldridge of Angelo State and Timmy Newsome of Winston-Salem State. Together the four rushed for 5,565 yards and 82 touchdowns.

Other offensive team members were ends Carlos Lee of Concord Clay Lowry of Sam Houston State tackle Brian Byers of Pittsburg Kan., State and Mike O'Rourke of Western State, guards Jeff Carter of Gardner-Webb and Darrell McCree of Central Arkansas and center Bob Beaudrie of Grand Valley State.

Defensive team members were linemen Jesse Baker of Jacksonville State, Robert Hardy of Jackson State, Jim Haslet of Indiana University, Pennsylvania, Michael Johnson of Kentucky State and Doug Peterson of Kearney State; linebackers Ivan Sehorn of Central State of Ohio, Keith Thomas of Cameron and Joel Williams of Wisconsin-LaCrosse; and defensive backs Bill Campbell of Western State of Colorado, Roy Pollard of Henderson State and Joe Pollard of Grand Valley State.

"It makes a great difference to us to win one of the bowl games," Leach said. "This is a great challenge to our club."

That seemed to be the mental approach that Schembechler wants as he said: "In the bowl games we haven't pitched with the emotional pitch that we're used to in regular seasons. We're going to work on the mental approach. You can do anything mentally if you make up your mind to do it."

"We know we must have it," said Schembechler. "Sometimes you run the limit of physical ability and then the emotional takes over."

"We're going to hit, no question about the hitting. But mentally we haven't been as sharp or reached that mental efficiency we have had at the end of a regular season."

THE WOLVERINES were 10-1 during the regular season while Southern Cal finished 11-1. In the AP poll, the Trojans ranked third and Michigan fifth. Schembechler said he believes the winner of the Rose Bowl should be national champion.

Schembechler said his player must concentrate during practice sessions now because for two weeks after the regular season the player had to study for final exams, they take the exams and hop in plane for California.

"A couple of players were even taking exams on the plane coming out," the coach said.

The coach and players decided on change of scenery for the first few days of practice. They will stay in Newport Beach and work out at UC Irvine. Before, they have stayed their entire time at Pasadena where the time they move on Dec. 24.

Vilas upset in Sydney tennis play

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — American Sherwood Stewart, ranked only 85th in the world, ousted top-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina 6-2, 7-6 Friday in the quarter-finals of the \$230,000 New South Wales Open tennis tournament.

Meanwhile, Australia's leading Davis Cup player, John Alexander, defeated countryman Allan Stone 6-2, 6-2. Alexander was the only one of the top 10 men's seeds to make it to the semifinals.

In the women's competition, Czechoslovakia's Renata Tomanova rallied to beat American Sharon Walsh 1-6, 6-4, 6-4 in the quarter-finals. Tomanova trailed 4-1 in the second set before making a dramatic comeback.

In the other women's quarter-finals, Australian Dianne Fromholtz beat countrywoman Lesley Hunt 6-2, 6-2, Wendy Turnbull of Australia downed Ilana Kloss of South Africa 6-2, 6-2, and American Lea Antonopolis eliminated Sweden's Elizabeth Ekblom 6-2, 6-4.

Colorado ski report

DENVER (AP) — Colorado Ski Country USA reports the following conditions at major ski areas on Thursday, Dec. 21:

Aspen Highlands — 54 depth, T new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Aspen Mountain — 43 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Buttermilk — 29 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Silverton — 41 depth, 2 new snow, packed powder.
 Breckenridge — 35 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Breckenridge — 24 depth, T new snow, packed powder.
 Ski Broadmoor — 15 depth, 3 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Comanche — 48 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Ski Cooper — 34 depth, 2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Copper Mountain — 33 depth, 1 1/2 new snow, packed powder.
 Crested Butte — 33 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Eldora — 49 depth, 9 new snow, hard packed, wind packed.
 Geneva Basin — 32 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Hidden Valley — 33 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Ski Idlewild — 31 depth, T new snow, packed powder.
 Keystone — 34 depth, T new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Arapahoe Basin — 29 depth, 1/2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Loveland Basin — 30 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Loveland Valley — Open weekends.
 Monarch — 36 depth, 3 new snow, packed powder.
 Pikes Peak — 11 depth, T new snow, packed powder, hard packed.
 Powderhorn — 43 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Purgatory — 42 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Sharktooth — 12 depth (man made), 2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Steamboat — 35 depth, 3 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Sunlight — 32 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Telluride — 33 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Fall — 30 depth, 1 1/2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Winter Park — 31 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Mary Jane — 44 depth, 2 1/2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Wolf Creek — 39 depth, 9 new snow, powder, packed powder.
 Snow depth in inches refers to un-packed snow depth at midpoint. New snow refers to snow within the last 24 hours. T-trace. Figures reported here are supplied to Colorado Ski Country USA, a ski-industry organization, by individual ski areas.

Ski results

KRANJSKA GORA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Men's World Cup overall standings after Thursday's special slalom race:

- Peter Lüscher, Switzerland, 45 points, 2, Ingemar Stenmark, Sweden, 50
- (tie) Peter Mueller, Switzerland, and Ken Read, Canada, 48
- Leonardo David, Italy, 34
- Martial Donnet, Switzerland, 28
- (tie) Josef Walcher, Austria, and Erik Haker, Norway, 25
- Dave Murray, Canada, 23
- Piero Gros, Italy, 22

KRANJSKA GORA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Leading finishers in the World Cup special slalom men's ski race Thursday:

- Ingemar Stenmark, Sweden, 1 minute 46.81 seconds
- Peter Lüscher, Switzerland, 1:47.7
- Leonardo David, Italy, 1:47.86
- Bojan Križaj, Yugoslavia, 1:48.00
- Philippe Hardy, France, 1:48.06
- Klaus Heidegger, Austria, 1:50.55
- Piero Gros, Italy, 1:50.79
- Frank Wörndl, West Germany, 1:50.82
- Andreas Stenler, Austria, 1:51.33
- Martial Donnet, Switzerland, 1:51.79

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Is AFC really superior to NFC?

For years the American Conference, with the possible exception of the Dallas Cowboys, has so dominated the National that it seems to have become an accepted way of life.

And when one starts comparing the wild card teams this year, the first inclination is to wonder if it wouldn't be wiser to simply lineup the NFC against the AFC and eliminate the deadweight as quickly and decisively as possible, thus setting the stage for a Super Bowl worthy of the name for a change.

After all, Philadelphia and Atlanta hardly rate in the same category as Houston, with a healthy Earl Campbell, or Miami, with a healthy Bob Griese, do they? And for that matter, has there ever been a weaker division winner than this years Minnesota Vikings?

That was to be the theme of this piece until we delved into the regular season records of the playoff combatants, prompting one to wonder whether the legend of AFC superiority is fact or carefully nurtured fiction.

IT MAY surprise the casual fan to learn that in head-to-head competition between the playoff teams during the regular season, the NFC emerged with a 6-3 edge.

Philadelphia, believe it or not, is 1-1 against the AFC and so, for that matter, is the equally maligned Atlanta Falcons. The Eagles beat Miami, 17-3, and lost to New England, 24-14. The Falcons, a newcomer on the playoff scene, dumped Houston, 20-14 and were dry-cleaned by Pittsburgh, 31-7.

Not sensational, perhaps, but Dallas, New England and Pittsburgh did no better. Dallas lost to Miami, 23-16, and Pittsburgh beat Atlanta, but lost to Los Angeles, 10-7. New England beat Philadelphia, but lost to Dallas, 10-17. Miami also finished 1-1 in inter-conference play with the win over the Cowboys and the loss to the Eagles.

The difference in inter-league jousting lies in Los Angeles and, strangely enough, Minnesota, who were a combined 3-0 against the AFC while Houston and Denver failed to scratch in three games against the NFC. Minnesota topped Denver, 12-9, in the lone inter-conference game for each. Houston lost to Atlanta and Los Angeles, 6-10. Los Angeles beat both Houston and Pittsburgh.

FURTHER INVESTIGATION reveals that on the basis of games against playoff involved teams, maybe Los Angeles and not Pittsburgh, the popular favorite, should be the Super Bowl pick.

The Rams not only went 2-0 against



the AFC, but were 4-1 against intra-conference opponents, knocking off Philadelphia, 18-14, Dallas 27-14, Minnesota, 34-17, and splitting with Atlanta, 10-0 and 7-15. That's a 6-1 record against playoff caliber opposition, by the far the best record and, what's more, the most games played by any playoff team against "blue chip" opposition.

Pittsburgh and Minnesota are 3-1 within their leagues. The Steelers beat Houston twice and Denver. Minnesota nipped the Eagles, 28-27, Dallas, 21-10, and suffered their one inter-league loss to LA, 17-34.

Defending Super Bowl champion Dallas could do no better than divide in four intra-league battles, bowing to LA and Minnesota while beating Philadelphia for an overall 3-3 record. Atlanta also was .500, splitting with LA for a 2-2 overall record.

WORST PLAYOFF records belonged to Philadelphia, 1-5, the Eagles losing all four intra-league contests, and Denver, not only 0-2 but playing the fewest games against "quality" rivals, that is, if you are willing to accept qualification for the playoffs as the criteria for quality.

However, before accepting the won-lost records as gospel, remember the regular season results are influenced by a variety of factors, especially injury and motivation. Conditions change over the course of a 16-game schedule and Dallas offers specific evidence of the fickle whims of a long year. The Cowboys certainly didn't finish the same dissonance tossed team that it was in those losses to Minnesota and Miami. Houston, with Dan Pastorini and Campbell ailing, isn't the same club that spotted New England a 23-0 lead and came back to win 26-23.

And how will New England react to the Chuck Fairbanks comedy hour? Will Los Angeles revert to tradition and repeat previous playoff failures or will the Rams respond to the pressure the way they did in impressive regular season wins over Dallas and Pittsburgh?

And most of all, is it legend or myth, this AFC superiority over the NFC?



David Hatfield (5), Midland Lee guard, looks for somebody to pass ball off to during basketball game with Snyder Thursday night in the Lee Gymnasium. Mark Preston (40) of the Tigers guards Tim Walker. The Tigers won, 73-59 to chalk up their 17th win in 21 outings. (Staff Photo by Mike Kardos).

Fairbanks back, all's well with Pats

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — With Coach Chuck Fairbanks back on the job, the New England Patriots worked out today in preparation for their National Football League playoff game that had been pushed to the background by the team's turmoil.

It was the first practice since before the nationally televised game Monday night in Miami, won by the Dolphins 23-3 with two assistant coaches leading New England.

Fairbanks had been suspended earlier in the day for accepting a coaching job next year at the University of Colorado.

Team owner William H. Sullivan, who suspended the coach, took him back Wednesday after Fairbanks temporarily cut off talks with Colorado. The coach is virtually certain to sign a contract with the school after the playoffs.

Still to be negotiated, perhaps in court, is the remaining four years, plus an option year, on Fairbanks' contract with the Patriots.

The team planned a brief workout today, and after a Christmas break will practice daily starting Tuesday. Fairbanks reviewed game films Thursday but was unavailable to the news media.

The Patriots play either Houston or Pittsburgh at home on Dec. 31 in the American Conference semifinals. Sullivan, along with the coach, sought to keep a low profile but he did say:

"Fairbanks and the Patriots have signed an agreement that stipulates the coach's duties through the playoffs. He will have no communications with Colorado.

"After the playoffs end for the Patriots, the team and Fairbanks will discuss his remaining contractual obligations to the NFL team.

"Neither side will air gripes in the media.

Sullivan speculated that Fairbanks may decide to stay if the team wins



Chuck Fairbanks...back in fold.

the Super Bowl — and after considering his recruiting chores in Colorado against the likes of Nebraska and Oklahoma, his former team.

But the coach, thinking ahead to his days in Colorado, said Wednesday: "You just watch what I do."

Patriots players were pleased with the coach's reinstatement, however temporary.

"There's no animosity," said defensive lineman Ray Hamilton, who played for Fairbanks at Oklahoma. "He deserves to be in the playoffs as much as we do."

"I'm glad Mr. Sullivan had the guts to take him back," said linebacker Steve Nelson, the defensive captain. "The players wished him well," said offensive guard John Hannah.

Today's workout at Foxboro was followed by the club's annual Christmas party for players, staff and their families.

Galloping Gaels liked unexpected

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allowed," Wedemeyer said, laughing, "and the crowd boomed for 10 minutes."

WEDEYER, AS he was known, did everything well in 1946. Look at these stats; he led the nation in punt returns (29 for 436 yards, a 15-yard average), ranked second in total offense (1,325 yards), ranked third in kickoff returns (11 for 217, 19.7 average), ranked fifth in rushing (116 carries for 666 yards, a 5.7 average), ranked eighth in punting (38.2-yard average) and ranked eighth in passing (41 of 109,648 yards).

Wedemeyer was drafted by the Rams after his final collegiate season in 1947 but chose to sign with the Los Angeles Dons of the All-America Conference.

"Jimmy Phelan and I went there as coach and player in a package deal," Wedemeyer recalled. "I signed for \$17,500 and that was top money for a pro then."

The Rams of the NFL and the Dons of the AAC were trying to get established in Los Angeles then and the signing of Wedemeyer was considered a coup.

Phelan didn't spare the adjectives when he talked about his protegee. Here's an excerpt from a column written by the late Al Wolf in the Los Angeles Times, quoting Phelan: "Wedemeyer has no weaknesses. He instinctively reacts correctly to any situation that suddenly arises, he's cool under fire, he possesses uncanny accuracy in throwing both long and short passes, he's fast and shifty as a ball carrier, he's an excellent punter both for placing and distance, he is a whiz on defense, especially against passes and his spirit never lags."

But Wedemeyer never had the success in pro football that he did at St. Mary's. He was a wingback on a single-wing team (Glenn Dobbs of Tulsa was the tailback) and only distinguished himself as a kick runner.

WEDEMEYER didn't volunteer much information on his one season with the Dons (he was sold to Baltimore in 1949), saying only, "Jimmy took the single-wing offense into pro football and it didn't work out and he wasn't knowledgeable about the T. Dobbs was a perfectionist. Things had to be done just so. If you made a mistake, that was it. You were out."

Wedemeyer signed with the San Francisco 49ers (an AAC team now in the NFL) for the 1950 season but didn't play.

"I felt it was time to go home," said Wedemeyer between sips of a glass of white wine. "I didn't know how far pro football would take me. If I continued to play, I'd still have to come

back here some day and reestablish myself."

But how did Herman land the part of Duke on "Hawaii Five-O" when he had no previous acting experience?

"While I was in politics I had an opportunity to go on the show," he said. "I was playing golf and this fellow said to me, 'Why don't you do some reading for us?' That was in about 1968 and 1969. So I did. All athletes are ham actors."

He started with bit parts — a cop, a lawyer, a civil defense worker — before he became a regular playing Duke, one of McGarrett's key team members.

A LONG-RUNNING TV series like "Hawaii Five-O," however popular, is due to run its course.

"I would think if Hawaii Five-O folds we'll see other companies coming in to establish a similar type show. I think the market would demand it," Wedemeyer said.

Wedemeyer is now vacationing. He said he does an average of 25 shows a year and is off from December through April. In his free time, he travels (like to San Diego to see his married daughter) and looks after his interests, such as a \$99,000 condominium he recently bought on the island of Kauai.

He has had a stimulating life. He was born on Hilo on the island of Hawaii, one of 10 children. His grandfather was a German wrestler and sailor who had run away from home. His grandmother was an islander.

"My ethnic background is what you'd call chop suey," he said, laughing again. "My mother married an Irishman. He was about 6-4. The German was 5-4."

Wedemeyer grew up in Honolulu, where his father, William, was a crane operator at Pearl Harbor. Herman said he was playing football for St. Louis High on Kauai on the weekend Pearl Harbor became an unforgettable name in American history.

"We were having breakfast Sunday morning (Dec. 7) when we got word of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor," he said. "We were stranded on Kauai for 30 days because of transportation priorities. We were just a bunch of high school kids but we had to guard reservoirs and the waterfront at night."

Wedemeyer was a three-sports star in high school and he said he got scholarship offers from Notre Dame and Ohio State.

"Three of us were involved but the transcripts didn't get back in time and transportation to the mainland was difficult because the war was still on," he said. "So we took the first available ship to California, took a left turn at the Golden Gate and wound up at St. Mary's." Aloha.

Chris, John Lloyd plan marriage in the spring

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Chris Evert was promoting an upcoming tennis tournament when a reporter noticed a ring that hadn't been there before.

"Isn't there something on your hand you want to tell us about?" he asked.

Evert then revealed her engagement to English tennis player John Lloyd, 24, who she began dating at last summer's Wimbledon tournament.

"We started talking about marriage in Europe this fall. We knew it was going to happen," Evert said.

Reporters and her family were gathered at a restaurant near her parents' Fort Lauderdale home for the celebration of her 24th birthday and also for a news conference about a January tournament in Hollywood, Fla.

The couple said they plan a spring wedding sometime after the women's pro tour ends in New York March 21-25.

Lloyd, 24, has had mixed success on the pro tour. He's neither a big star nor temperamental. Evert was engaged twice previously to brash star Jimmy Connors and also had well-publicized dates with actor Burt Reynolds and Jack Ford, son of the former president.

"He's (Lloyd) a very nice young man, very considerate. He's got a good disposition," said Evert's mother, Colette. "They're both very family oriented."

Lloyd and Evert said they'd been mutual admirers for a long time but didn't meet until Swedish tennis player Ingrid Bentzer introduced them at Wimbledon last summer.

"We've not been apart since," said Lloyd, from Southend-On-The-Sea, England.

"I have to say we are both a little shy. Even before we actually met, I felt we would like each other. At Wimbledon, we were sort of giving each other the eye, watching for each other on the courts," Evert said.

"I never had a chance to meet her before. A couple of times I thought she was going to get married to somebody else, and she always seemed to



Chris Evert...she's an item.

have an engagement ring. She was somebody else's girl," Lloyd said. "We are very, very happy together. We don't plan on being apart any more than we have to. I'll continue playing tennis, of course, but John is the most important person in my life now," she said.

She said they will have homes in both England and the United States, but said she hopes they eventually will settle in Fort Lauderdale. She said they will plan their tennis schedules so they "never have to be apart longer than a week."

Crane nips Ft. Stockton in area action

The Crane Golden Cranes captured an exciting 61-59 win over Fort Stockton to highlight area cage action Thursday night.

Jimmy Simmons paved the way for the Golden Cranes with 14 points while Fisher topped Fort Stockton with a game-high 22 points.

In other area boys action Thursday night, Reagan County blizzed Sonora, 49-34; Grady downed Loop, 70-61, and

Rankin edged Buena Vista, 47-43. In girls action, Eldorado improved its record to 12-2 on the year by downing Rankin, 46-37.

Woodard led the way for the Reagan County Owls in their 59-34 win over Sonora by scoring 15 points.

Sam Cobb poured in a game-high 18 points to pace the Rankin Red Devils to their win over Buena Vista. Brant Myers added scoring support for the Red Devils with nine points.

Reports of Peach Bowl's demise seem premature

ATLANTA (AP) — Reports of the Peach Bowl's imminent demise were, it seems, premature.

George Crumbley, the Peach Bowl's executive director, said Thursday night that enough tickets had been sold locally to save the bowl's certification.

On Wednesday, Crumbley said 7,500 more tickets had to be peddled before the Christmas Day kickoff between Purdue and Georgia Tech to reach 40 percent of capacity — 24,

200 — as the National Collegiate Athletic Association had demanded.

Credit for the successful sales pitch goes to Janet Rodgers, wife of Georgia Tech football Coach Pepper Rodgers, who mobilized a team of assistant coaches' spouses to call on local business leaders to buy the tickets, Crumbley said.

"I was very depressed earlier in the week," he said. "But the response the business community has shown as a result of

Mrs. Rodgers' telephone campaign has really cheered me up."

"People may not believe it," Mrs. Rodgers said, "but I'm not doing this because my husband is the football coach at Tech. This isn't Tech's bowl. It's Atlanta's bowl."

"I was really upset when I read that the Peach Bowl was about to lose its NCAA sanction because they couldn't sell 24,000 tickets locally. I just decided it was time to get the troops together, call George Crumbley and see if we could help."

Rick Leach wins Swede Nelson award

BOSTON (AP) — Senior quarterback Rick Leach of the University of Michigan has been named by the Gridiron Club of Greater Boston as winner of the 33rd Nils V. "Swede" Nelson Award for sportsmanship.

Named for a former Harvard University football player and coach, the award is presented annually to the college player who exemplifies sportsmanship on and off the field.

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