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Vintage Warplane Crashes At Vega

Pilot, Crew Of Pot Bomber Being Sought



By JIM STEIERT
Brand Farm Editor

Panhandle-area and New Mexico law enforcement officers are once again searching for a marijuana transport pilot after a World War II vintage B-25 bomber loaded with almost 4,000 pounds of the illegal weed crash-landed at the Vega airport sometime late Tuesday or early Wednesday morning. The pilot of the craft apparently slipped away quietly under the cover of darkness, and the plane was not discovered until about 8 a.m. Wednesday when a Vega farmer notified the Oldham County sheriff's office.

LAW ENFORCEMENT officials had only recently concluded an extensive search for the pilot of a plane loaded with marijuana which crashed in a pasture in northwest Deaf Smith County June 10.

That search ended when Hubert Max Putnam, accompanied by his attorney, surrendered to authorities in Austin Dec.

10, and was later released on bond.

Now, law enforcement officers are off on another "pot pilot" hunt, but have little to go on in the way of a description of the man or men who set the plane down at the remote airport in Oldham County.

According to Oldham County Sheriff Bill Olson, 3,860 pounds of marijuana with an estimated street value of \$500,000 was taken from the plane and stored at the Oldham County Sheriff's office.

OLSON INDICATED that a farmer notified him of the plane's presence at the airport at 8 a.m. Wednesday, and added that the farmer had reported hearing engines "raising cane" at about 10 o'clock Tuesday night.

After noting heavy streaks of oil along the starboard engine and tail of the twin-engine aircraft, law enforcement

(See POT PLANE, Page 2)

Project Christmas Card Money Nears Goal

It was announced yesterday that more than \$4,600 has been deposited in canisters locally for Project Christmas Card and that enough money was raised to buy a telemetry heart monitor for the hospital here.

Mrs. Clyde Rush, PCC chairman this year, made the report Wednesday when members of Hereford Medical and Dental Auxiliary collected canisters at deposit stations. Donations to the cause can still be made at Hereford State Bank and First National Bank.

Deadline for donations will be Tuesday, Dec. 28.

In addition to the heart monitor for ambulatory patients, the proceeds of Project Christmas Card will provide a scholarship for students entering the

health care field through the Opportunity Plan. This scholarship, amounting to \$600, is given annually to a local student.

Mrs. Rush expressed appreciation to all individuals and business firms who supported Project Christmas Card. The current total of donations since the project was begun in 1956 is over \$60,000. Mrs. Rush stated that this sum would not have been possible were it not for the generous response of Hereford citizens.

Individuals who made donations to this year's PCC campaign will be listed in a Christmas greetings page scheduled to appear in Friday's special Christmas edition of the Brand. Late donors will be listed in an issue at a later date.

Warbird Goes To Pot

This B-25 medium-range bomber may have served its country well in combat at some time during World War II, but the vintage warbird got into the hands of bad company sometime during its recent history and came to earth in a crash-landing near Vega Tuesday evening or early Wednesday morning laden with nearly two tons of marijuana. The illegal payload was given an estimated street value of \$500,000. The pilot of the craft was

apparently forced to set the plane down when it developed engine trouble. The landing gear of the plane was sheared off on a culvert near the runway of the Vega Airport, where the plane came down, and the plane skidded to a halt approximately 100 yards to the left of the runway after spinning around. Authorities are still seeking the plane's pilot and crew. (Photo By Jim Steiert)



By Speedy Nieman

That feller on Tierra Blanca Creek says his wife is very thoughtful—she wrote all their friends to say they weren't to bother sending Christmas cards this year.

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Not what we give, but what we share, for the gift without the giver is bare; who gives himself with his alms feeds three—himself, his hungry neighbor, and me.—James Russell Lowell

oOo

FRIDAY'S EDITION of The Brand will serve as our annual Christmas issue and will combine the Friday and Sunday features. We will skip the regular Sunday edition since Christmas falls on Saturday. The issue will include many Christmas messages from our advertisers, greetings from those who participated in Project Christmas Card, late Letters to Santa, the Sunday comics and many more features.

And, be sure to check today's issue for last-minute gift ideas!

oOo

I DON'T MUCH like locked doors.

And, the friendly folks of the Panhandle and South Plains have never cared much for them, either. A familiar slogan of the old West was "the latch string is always out." That phrase was repeated many years after a latch string was no longer in use.

We still say, "Y'all come to see us", when we chat with friends and acquaintances. However, it is a sign of the times that most of us have to unlock our doors even to allow friends and loved ones to enter.

But when you find yourself locked out of some place you want to be, it's not good. It is sad to knock on a door when no one is home, but it is sadder, still, to knock on the door of a house that is not empty and get no answer.

We do that with each other, you know. The doors are invisible, but they block the way into another's heart, another's life. Even though pain comes to those who close these "doors", it still happens.

It reduces my joy, now, to know that I have kept some doors closed—often without knowing it—and, perhaps, when one of my sons was knocking.

In a way, this is a Christmas thought, I guess. The Christmas story has to do with opening doors and finding peace and good will. It is a time when we can hope for better luck in opening the doors we cannot see.

Hereford Youth Crusade Set January 9-15 By Local Churches

"Come find it" is the theme of the Hereford Youth Crusade scheduled for area residents from Jan. 9-15 in local churches and the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn.

Already bumper stickers and radio broadcast announcements have been promoting the event which was initiated

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Students Honored

Annual Hereford High School awards were presented to honored students during the "Koobraey" event held in the high school auditorium Wednesday afternoon.

"Koobraey," means something special to students and represents yearbook spelled backwards.

Honored as the Annual Queen was Denise Cotton who was escorted by Jay

Blood Donors

Respond Here

Fifty-one people gave a very special Christmas "gift" here Wednesday—a pint of blood for the Hereford Blood Bank.

Inez Albright, chairman of the local blood drive, was "overjoyed" with the turnout. "We expected about three dozen donors, so we were thrilled with the total of 51."

She reported that 34 persons specified their blood for the account of Mrs. Alylene Lomenick, a local resident whose illness has already required 16 pints of blood. Mrs. Albright added that "the Lomenick family expressed much appreciation for the special donors."

The Coffee Memorial Bloodmobile comes to Hereford once a month for regular contributions to the Hereford Blood Bank. The local committee had reported that this community needed at least 36 to 40 pints of blood Wednesday.

At least 51 Hereford citizens really gave of themselves this Christmas!

Montgomery. Other queen nominees were Gayle Yosten, escorted by Mark Fowler, and Lori Steinkruger, escorted by Randy Morris.

Pictures of these winners and others appear inside this issue and others will be published in the Christmas edition released Friday. Unfortunately, pictures of the Who's Who winners and Mr. and Miss HHS were not processed properly and they will appear in later editions. The Brand regrets the situation.

James Mays was chosen Mr. HHS and Laurie Higgins was selected Miss HHS.

Most Beautiful selections were Melinda Gonzales, Gayle Yosten, and Paula Wiley. Most Handsome choices were Baltimore Guerrero, Jim Lawson and Phil Livers. The specific winners will be announced later after outside judging is completed.

Suzanne Duvall and Jerry Koenig was selected as Most Versatile. Most Intellectual choices were Phillip Zinser and Jeanne Hair. Personality King and Queen announcements came as an ironic surprise as they were Barry and Cindy Acton, a brother-sister duo.

The class favorites are as follows: sophomores—Lisa Duggan and Chuck Smucker; Junior—Ricky Matchett and Rennee Russell, and Senior—Jerry Koenig and Shelly Scott.

The Who's Who finalists were Tony Albracht, Jerry Koenig, Phillip Zinser, Horace Gamez, Dee Ann Caison, Suzanne Duvall, Jeanne Hair, Linda Ginn, Doug Reinart and Melinda Gonzales.

It's a happy Christmas season for Joey Masurek as he was presented his electric wheel chair, provided through a local fund raising drive started earlier this year. John Metcalf, standing center, receives donation checks this week from Linda Warrick, left, from the L'Allegra Study Club, and from Greg Padgett, president of the Hereford High School Leo Club. Metcalf directed the local Muscular Dystrophy drive as well as the fund drive for Mazurek.



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Brown Wants arms Limit

WASHINGTON (AP) - Dr. Harold Brown, named President-elect Carter's defense secretary, has called for a U.S. - Soviet nuclear arms limitation agreement that would curb improvements in weapons as well as their numbers.

This is not the case under the current strategic arms limitation talks, or SALT, agreement, so both countries have been pushing ahead with development of more effective strategic missiles and bombers since that agreement was signed in 1972.

Swine Flu Suit Filed

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - A man who says he became paralyzed from the neck down after receiving a swine flu vaccination is suing four drug manufacturers for \$5.45 million.

Wayne Young, 58, a probation and parole officer, "took the swine flu shot and it caused paralysis of his entire body from the neck down...The doctors have told us that it caused it," his lawyer, Gene Stipe, said Wednesday.

Presidential Voting Low

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Census Bureau's postelection survey pegs the number of Americans who voted last November at 86.7 million. That was 59.7 per cent of the voting-age citizenry, or the lowest participation figure since 1948.

In the 1972 election, 63 per cent of the eligible people registered and voted. The bureau, along with other analysts, blames post-Watergate cynicism for the decline.

The participation rate declined among all groups in the electorate.

Grenade Explodes In Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - A grenade exploded outside the offices of Beirut's largest newspaper today, killing a Syrian soldier of the Arab league peacekeeping force. Another Syrian soldier was wounded.

The incident was the first act of violence in Beirut directed against the largely Syrian peacekeeping force which occupied most of Lebanon last month forcing an end to 19 months of civil war.

weather

West Texas: Fair through Friday except partly cloudy Panhandle Friday. Not quite as cool most sections tonight and warmer south Friday. Lows tonight 18 mountains and 25 Panhandle to 30 south. Highs Friday 48 Panhandle to 65 south.

obituaries

MRS. MARY LILLARD

Alex Diaz Prochemco Reports Selected For Honor Better Profit

Alex Diaz was recently named to the President's Honor Roll at the Mid-Continent Campus of Texas State Technical Institute, according to Lovell A. Pillow, General Manager of the Amarillo Campus. Membership to the President's Honor Roll is attained by maintaining a 4.0 grade average.

Alex is majoring in Meat Processing and Marketing and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Diaz of 612 Bowie, Hereford, and is a graduate of Hereford High School.

Knabe Is Grad Of Texas A&M

COLLEGE STATION--Darrell A. Knabe of Hereford is a centennial graduate of Texas A&M University.

Knabe, son of Mrs. Adolph Knabe of Star Route, received his doctorate degree in animal nutrition from Texas A&M.

Texas A&M had a total of 1,418 fall graduates, a mid-term record for the state's first public institution of higher learning, now entering its second century.

The first automobile club in the United States was the American Motor League which held its first meeting in Chicago on Nov. 1, 1895.

Gumdrops, bacon, pork rind and butter make better rat traps than cheese, says National Geographic World.

Prochemco, Inc. (OTC:PHEM) has reported a profit of \$780,000, or \$5.54 a share, (unaudited) for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1976, on revenues of \$42,375,000. This compares with a loss of \$150,000, or \$1.10 a share, on revenues of \$40,306,000 in the prior fiscal year.

Prochemco president, S.M. Spangler, indicated that custom cattle feeding made the major contribution to profits, but losses on Company-owned cattle resulted in lower than expected profits in the cattle division. Over-all, the cattle division contributed about 55 per cent of profits. The new cotton machinery division, acquired July 1, 1976, contributed 16 per cent of profits. The balance of the net earnings for the year were from a non-recurring profit on the sale of the Company's ranch property in Mississippi.

Feed yard occupancies averaged 56 per cent for the year and have risen since fiscal year end to a current 69 per cent. Spangler said that the outlook for both cattle and cotton was much improved for 1977 compared to 1976. He feels the cattle business will begin its recovery from the liquidation phase of the cattle cycle during 1977 and, with cotton at near record prices, cotton plantings will be significantly increased in 1977 over 1976. Both trends should be favorable for the Company.

In the fourth quarter a profit of \$246,000 (\$5.17 a share) was reported on revenues of

\$12,781,000. Fourth quarter profits include gain on sale of the Mississippi ranch property and a year end reserve of \$100,000 for possible losses on sale of Company-owned cattle.

Prochemco, Inc. is an Amarillo-based company engaged in custom cattle feeding in Texas and Nebraska and the distribution and manufacture of the Murray and Carver brands of cotton ginning and cotton seed processing equipment from facilities in Texas, Massachusetts and Tennessee.

Obituaries

MRS. MARY LILLARD

Mrs. Mary Lillard, 64, died Tuesday.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today at Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home Rose Chapel with the Rev. Don Heddin, pastor of Faith Assembly of God Church, officiating. Burial will be at Rest Lawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Lillard was born in Carter, Okla., and moved to Hereford in 1974 from Lubbock.

Survivors include six sons, Skeet Word, Herman Word and Jeff Word, all of Hereford; Alton Word of Lubbock, and Jackie Word and Melvie Word, both of Tucumcari, N.M.; three brothers, James Anderton and Raymond Anderton, both of San Antonio, and Louis Anderton of Sheridan, Ark.; two sisters, Mrs. Gladys Conoder of Indian Head, Md., and Mrs. Mildred Carpenter of San Antonio; 15 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Christmas To Be Time Of Tragedy

CHICAGO (AP)—The Christmas holidays will be a time of highway tragedy for from 4560 to 5660 persons, the National Safety Council predicts.

The council released on Tuesday its estimate of the number of persons likely to die in highway accidents between 6 p.m. Thursday and midnight Sunday.

Last year, 412 persons died during the Christmas holiday, the safety council said.

Since The Associated Press began counting holiday traffic deaths in 1946, the highest three-day Christmas total was 720 persons for 1965. The highest four-day holiday total was 706 in 1956.

The Safety Council estimates that 350 to 450 persons may die over the New Year's weekend. The worst New Year's holiday came in 1965 when 564 persons died in three days. The worst four-day period came in 1969 when 481 were killed.

REFORESTATION FINANCING

BUENOS AIRES (AP)—Argentina will plant selected tree species in a general reforestation program over 250,000 acres throughout the country. The Inter American Development Bank approved a \$30-million credit for the program, which will benefit approximately 3,000 producers who are dependent upon the forests for raw materials.

There are more than 3.5 million maps and charts, 38,000 atlases, 250 globes and some 500 three-dimensional relief maps in the Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

Samuel Beckett, the Irish playwright who became famous for "Waiting for Godot," has written most of his works in French.

Pott Plane--

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officials theorized that the plane developed engine trouble and the pilot was forced to attempt a landing at the Vega airport.

The pilot of the craft apparently missed his approach to the runway and the port landing gear of the bomber struck a culvert near the runway and was sheared off.

The aircraft slewed to the side about 100 yards and spun around, coming to rest on a strip of grass alongside the runway, its bombay doors ajar.

THE PILOT OR pilots of the craft were unable to crawl back through the fuselage to get out of the plane, due to the large load of marijuana they were carrying, and apparently removed a panel from the top of the cockpit area to effect their escape.

The B-25 was similar to those flown by a group of Americans led by Col. Jimmy Doolittle from the aircraft carrier Hornet in the famous "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo" raid of April 18, 1942, in an effort to rebuild American morale following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and subsequent American defeats at the hands of the Japanese.

The plane still carried its white star and blue circle markings on the fuselage and a character from the Little Abner comic strip was depicted on the fuselage beneath the cockpit, along with the slogan, "Ah'm Available."

Law officials were not positive where the plane came from, but after examining the wrappings on squares of marijuana, Sheriff Olson theorized that the plane had made a flight to Mexico to pick up the marijuana.

OLSON ADDED THAT he didn't feel that a landing at Vega had been included in the pilot's plans.

"I think he was forced down and this is where he ended up. There was still a quantity of gas in the plane's tanks," said Olson.

The law officer had no guess as to where the plane was headed, but pointed out that a marijuana drop was made at Tucumcari by a plane Tuesday night.

With crashes of planes filled with the weed becoming more common in the northern Panhandle area, law enforcement officials are beginning to wonder if they're sitting right in the middle of a major air route for marijuana smugglers.

A wide-open area to fly over such as that common in the northern portion of the Texas Panhandle, and rough terrain to the west in New Mexico, gives drug smugglers a chance to fly through the area virtually undetected and touch down at remote landing strips to unload their illegal hauls.

AUTHORITIES ARE speculating that the B-25 may have touched down at a Clovis Airport with engine trouble prior to crashing at Vega.

The Hereford Brand, Hereford, Texas, Thursday, December 23, 1976

U.S. Customs agents and New Mexico law enforcement officials took to the skies Tuesday evening to search for the plane but failed to find the aircraft after it reportedly left the Clovis airport with its lights off. The officials made the move after receiving reports of a sputtering engine.

Department of Public Safety officials in Amarillo reported that the plane bore registration number N3680G, but the Federal Aviation Agency in Lubbock did not have a listing of that number among its book of national listings. FAA officials determined that the numbers were probably fake.

Speculating on the area where the medium-range bomber was purchased,

officials singled out Hartlingen, where a set of antique planes is based, or Arizona.

TUCSON, ARIZONA harbors a huge stockpile of used aircraft, but a U.S. Air Force spokesman reported Wednesday that no combat-type aircraft are auctioned there. No comment was available from officials in Hartlingen.

DPS officers are keeping a sharp eye out for hitchhikers who may have been picked up near Vega late Tuesday or early Wednesday. They're hoping the pilot and crew of the fallen bomber have something in common with the name painted beneath the cockpit of the aircraft and quickly become "available" for questioning.

Crusade

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earlier this fall by most local churches. It is an interdenominational event directed primarily at area youth who in a large part be lead by fellow youth.

Even though an adult organizational committee is coordinating efforts, youth will be responsible for running the nightly crusade, organizational officials reported.

It will begin at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9, at the First Christian Church of Hereford with a visiting minister and singer-composer leading the activities. They are Larry Lea, pastor of the Beverly Hill Baptist Church in Dallas, and Johnny Ray Watson, who travels about the country to perform at religiously oriented events.

Sessions will be held each night beginning at 7:30 p.m. until the culmination of the series at the Bull Barn, where the final crusade gathering are scheduled on Friday, Jan. 14 and Saturday, Jan. 15.

Other sessions will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 10 at the First Assembly of God Church of Hereford; Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 11 and 12, at the Hereford First United Methodist Church, and Thursday, Jan. 13, at the St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

The crusade has received the endorsement of most area churches even though all are not scheduling night sessions.

Coordinators are hoping that large attendances will result in a widespread

movement to turn youth toward Jesus Christ and his teachings.

A special youth choir is forming to provide singing leadership during the week. Anyone interested in joining it may do so by contacting Dave Combs at 364-2013. Instrumental performers are needed also.

Watson, who was turned toward Christianity in Dec. 1972, has provided inspiration to different religiously oriented events. He has appeared in numerous concerts including the Billy Graham Crusade in Lubbock. He performed with Andrae Crouch and the Disciples. Also, he has produced his first album labeled, "The Straight and Narrow Path."

He is a former high school and college basketball star. Watson, 6 foot eight inches, was named to All-District, All-Area, and All-State teams in high school and was a leading rebounder, high scorer and most valuable player while playing at McMurry College in 1970-71.

Lea, who also travels widely as a teacher, preacher and evangelist, has specialized in youth ministry at the Beverly Hills Church. He claims he was called to the youth ministry while at the state mental hospital at Tyler in 1968. Part of his testimony includes the healing of his mind.

He graduated in three years from the Dallas Baptist College and has been at his current church for the past four years.

Lawyer named To H.E.W. Cabinet Post

PLAINS, Ga. (AP) - President-elect Carter today completed his Cabinet by naming Washington lawyer Joseph Califano Jr., to head the sprawling Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The President-elect also named former defense secretary James R. Schlesinger as his new energy czar. And he appointed Theodore Sorensen, a key White House aide to President John F. Kennedy, to a

top intelligence post.

Carter introduced Califano, a key adviser to Lyndon Johnson and one of those behind Johnson's Great Society programs, Schlesinger and Sorensen at a nationally broadcast news conference.

The appointment completed Carter's 11-member Cabinet, and the President-elect said he may recommend creation of a new Department of Energy, which Schlesinger would head.

'Shooting Finger' Considered Legal

AUSTIN (AP)—An Austin municipal judge has ruled that a black woman did not breach the peace when she "shot the finger" to a carload of white plainclothes policemen last September.

Municipal Judge Jack Schriber Tuesday found Karen Irving innocent of disorderly conduct charges after hearing three hours of testimony Monday. He said Mrs. Irving's act on Sept. 29 did not tend to incite a breach of the peace under the circumstances.

The judge said appellate court decisions on disorderly conduct cases speak of "face to face confrontations" and of gestures made "in a hostile manner, without a disarming smile, and with an immediately expected violent reaction."

Schriber ruled that since Mrs. Irving, mother of five, was 40 to 50 feet away from the

officers when she made the gesture there was no face to face confrontation.

Testimony indicated that one of the officers waved at Mrs. Irving in a neighborhood where prostitutes reportedly abound.

She made the gesture and they circled the block and arrested her, testimony showed.

Mrs. Irving testified she interpreted the wave to mean he "wanted a trick" - a date with a prostitute. It offended her, she said, "because it happens all the time."

"There is no dispute that the defendant shot the finger," said Asst. City Atty. Charles Maynard. "What she did did constitute a breach of the

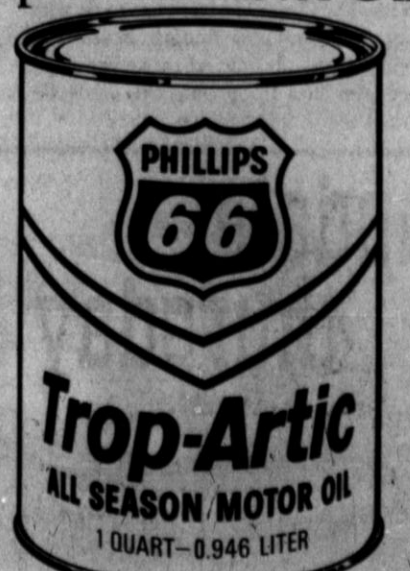
peace." Mrs. Irving's lawyer, Janet Stockyard, said Vice President Nelson Rockefeller had made the same gesture in public. "The gesture which the defendant made was not offensive and did not incite an immediate breach of the peace," the lawyer said.

A photo of Rockefeller making the gesture was submitted as evidence.

The attorney said Mrs. Irving will file a civil suit against the police charging "bodily injury, pain and suffering."



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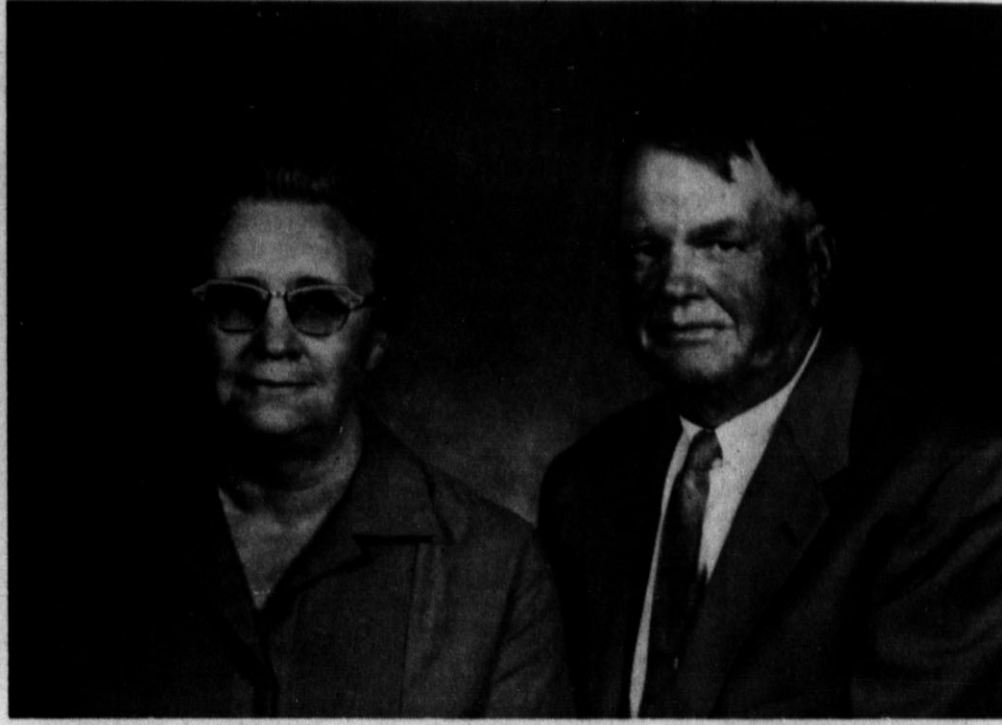
McBrooms Celebrate Golden Anniversary

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McBroom will honor their parents on their 50th wedding anniversary, Dec. 26. A reception will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. in the First Baptist Church at Happy.

Mr. and Mrs. McBroom are former residents of Hereford. The former Mabel Tucek and Jack McBroom were married Jan. 11, 1927 at Dawn.

The couple has nine children, 19 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Their children are Jack, Jr., Ft. Worth; Delbert and Everett, Friona; Dorothy Howell, Breckenridge; Alvin Ray, Amarillo; Billy Joe, Happy; Sgt. Maj. Marth McBroom, Ft. Hood; Jimmy Dale, Seaside, Calif., and Orin Lewis, Lazbuddie. All friends are invited to attend.



MR. AND MRS. JACK McBROOM
...to observe golden anniversary

Holiday Supper Given

Christmas ornaments made of plaster served as place cards for members of Xi Epsilon Alpha Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, during a holiday dinner Tuesday evening. The covered dish meal was served in

the Reddy Room of Southwestern Public Service.

Serving as hostesses were members of the social committee, including Mmes. Jerry Richburg, Gerald Sledge, Jimmy Bell, Fred Ruland and Terry

Fogo. This committee served the main course and brought the decorations, which included a centerpiece of candles and greenery.

Chapter president, Mrs. Kenneth Ruland, called the business session to order and it was announced that the chapter's Santa project was receiving good response. Mrs. Robert Gauthreaux was welcomed as a transferring BSP member from Altus, Okla.

Secret sisters exchanged Christmas gifts. In attendance were Mmes. Ron Davies, Jerry Shipman, Chick Holbert, Johnnie Burkhalter, Clyde Whitaker, Nelson Kendall, Bobby Jones, David McDonald, Tom Bullard, Jim Aldridge, Ken Walser and Ilajeen Brinkman.

Calendar of Events

MONDAY
Rotary Club, Civic Club Center, noon.
Odd Fellows Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
TOPS Evening Chapter, Property Enterprises, 6 p.m.
Eastern Lions at Easter Clubhouse, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY
Deaf Smith Lapidary Club, Community Center, 7 p.m.
Planned Parenthood Clinic open at 101 Ave. E from 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Hereford TOPS Club 576, Community Center, 9 a.m.
Rebekah Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
Weight Watchers at First

Baptist Church, 6:30 p.m.
Singles group in Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Noon Lion, Civic Club Center, noon.
Story hours for children at Deaf Smith County Library, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Before many of Florida's wetlands were drained, some 100,000 wood storks nested there each winter. National Geographic reports that the number of storks there has gradually dwindled to about 13,000.

The "S" in Harry S. Truman is not an abbreviation for a name. It is said to have been chosen by his parents because his paternal grandfather's name was Shippe and his maternal grandfather, Solomon Young.

At Wit's End

By Erma Bombeck

Everything is in readiness. The tree is trimmed. The cards taped to the doorframe. The boxes stacked in glittering disarray under the tree.

Why don't I hear chimes? Remember the small boy who made the chimes ring in a fictional story years ago? As the legend went, the chimes would not ring unless a gift of love was placed on the altar. Kings and men of great wealth placed untold jewels on the altar, but year after year the church remained silent.

Then one Christmas eve, a small child in a tattered coat made his way down the aisle and without anyone noticing he took off his coat and placed it on the altar. The chimes rang out joyously throughout the land to mark the unselfish giving of a small boy.

I used to hear chimes. I heard them the year one of my sons gave me a tattered piece of construction paper on which he had crayoned two hands folded in prayer and a moving message, "OH COME HOLY SPIT!"

I heard them the year I got a shoebox that contained two baseball cards and the gum was still with them. I heard them the Christmas they all got together and cleaned the garage.

They're gone, aren't they? The years of the lace doilies fashioned into snowflakes...the hands traced in plaster of Paris...the Christmas trees of pipe cleaners...the thread spools that held small candles. They're gone.

The chubby hands that clumsily used up \$2 worth of paper to wrap a cork coaster are sophisticated enough to take a number and have the gift wrapped professionally.

The childish decision of when to break the ceramic piggy bank with a hammer to spring the 59 cents is now resolved by a credit card.

The muted thump of pajama-covered feet paddling down the stairs to tuck her homemade crumb scrapers beneath the tree has given way to pantyhose and fashion boots to the knee.

It'll be a good Christmas. We'll eat too much. Make a mess in the living room. Throw the warranties into the fire by mistake. Drive the dog crazy taping bows to his tail. Return cookies to the plate with a bite out of them. Listen to Christmas music.

But Lord...what I would give to bend low and receive a gift of toothpicks and library paste and hear the chimes just one more time.

Ann Landers Mother Plays It Safe



DEAR ANN: Last weekend we took our family to King's Island. I was concerned about our three-year-old because she's a very active child and I feared she might get lost.

I stuck a length of heavy macramé cord in my purse. When we arrived, I laced it through the belt loops on her jeans and tied it with a knot. The other end I looped around my wrist. Needless to say we were never separated and I had a much better time not having to worry about her safety.

What surprised me was the response of the onlookers. All day long people kept making comments. One woman said, "Maybe she thinks the little girls is a dog."

Don't people realize what could happen to a lost child? During the day, I saw several children being spanked and scolded for wandering off. No one pointed and commented on THAT. I hope you will agree with me, Ann. Please comment. -- Playing It Safe in Indianapolis

DEAR SAFE: I do. As for the onlookers, why concern yourself with them? You did what was best for your child and that's what counts.

DEAR ANN: Tell the 60-year-old widow who signed herself "Mood Indigo" that the "beautiful married man" who played his little love game when they were stuck in the elevator together didn't do it because he thought SHE was "attractive, youthful-looking and sexy." He did it because he thought HE was all those things, and she helped him prove it by falling like a ton of cordwood. Tell her if SHE had been his wife, and another woman got stuck in an elevator with him, he would have played the same game with HER.

I'll bet the elevator Romeo's wife has watched him shower women with attention ever since they returned from their honeymoon. But she has no fear of losing him because she knows

he would never do anything that might upset HIS life.

Mr. "Me First" doesn't care what he does to the women who go gaga over him. How come I'm so smart? I just happen to be another gal who is married to a beautiful man, but I couldn't care less what he does in elevators -- or elsewhere. He's a lovely meal-ticket and I'm tired of working. -- Mrs. X.

DEAR X: Some marriage you've got there, lady. Mr. "Me First" must be an incurable Don Juan and you sound like you have the warmth of a barracuda. My guess is you two deserve each other.

DEAR MISS LANDERS: I'd appreciate it if you would tell me the names of the states where

silicone shots to enlarge a woman's breasts are legal. Also will you please give me the name of a doctor who gives these shots? Thanks a lot. -- Flat Faye

DEAR FLAT: There is NO state in which silicone shots are legal for breast enlargement. This is a dangerous procedure which can cause serious trouble. Silicone IMPLANTS, however, are legal in every state.

Sorry, I never recommend doctors. Call your County Medical Society and ask for the names of two of three plastic surgeons. Then take your pick.

Discover how to date bait without falling hook, line and sinker. Ann Landers' booklet, "Dating Do's and Don'ts," will help you be more poised and sure of yourself on dates. Send 50 cents in coin along with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to Ann Landers, P.O. Box 1400, Elgin, Ill. 60120.

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DISMISSALS
George Tate, Nathree Bradford, Rose Collins, Susie Tiefel.

Collins Couple To Be Honored

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Collins of 806 N. Miles will be celebrating their 25th silver wedding anniversary from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at Wesley United Methodist Church, 410 Irving. Friends of the couple are welcome.

Attending the reception will be the Collins' six children, including David of Houston, Linda Ramaekers of Umbarger, Danny of Canyon, and Dennis, Rita and Georgia of the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins were married Dec. 29, 1951 at West Plains, Mo. They came to this community in February of 1960 and he had been employed by Deaf Smith Rural Cooperative for 17 years.

The couple has one grandchild.

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Nuts New For Holidays

COLLEGE STATION -- Say "nuts", in terms of food, and you add flavor, looks, texture, and calories.

Gwendolyn Clyatt, consumer marketing information specialist provided some 'nuts news' for shoppers.

She is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"One-third cup will add about 250 calories to the daily food intake. But in spite of that, the question shoppers ask usually is whether to buy in the shell or shelled.

"Whether or not to buy nuts in the shell is often a decision you must make. Nuts in the shell often, but not always, cost less than shelled nuts. You can save time and effort by buying nuts which are shelled for you. By knowing how many nut meat you get from a pound helps you decide which is the better buy," she said.

To have one pound of shelled nut meats, you would need the following amounts of unshelled nuts:

Almonds -- three and one-half pounds; Brazil nuts -- two and one-half pounds; Filberts -- one and one-half pounds; Pecans --

two to two and one-half pounds; Walnuts (English) -- two and one-half pounds; Walnuts (Black) -- five and one-half pounds.

"In general, one pound of shelled nut meats equals about three to three and one-half cups. Whole nut meats will give more cups per pound than halves, pieces of chopped nuts," she said.

Nuts depend upon their oils for their pleasing flavor. When nuts are stale, the oils become rancid and unpalatable. Nuts in shell keep better than shelled nuts. Shelled or in the shell nuts keep best in a cool, dark place. Unsalted nuts keep better than salted ones. Nuts can absorb off flavors and moisture. When this occurs, you will have a limp, touch and even moldy nut, she explained.

"Nuts can be kept in the freezer eight to ten months if properly packaged."

Here are some cracking tips to insure perfect whole of half nut meats.

Brazil nuts--24 hours in the freezer will make shell so brittle that they will yield to gentle cracking.

Pecans--give up perfect halves if they have been soaked six to eight hours in a cold salt solution (one-half cup salt to three quarts water). Then drain and reach for the nutcracker.

Walnuts -- yield to the hammer for best results. Hold the nut so it stands on the flat end. Strike the pointed end, giving it a sharp, bouncing blow.

Benjamin Franklin favored equipping the Continental Army with bows but nothing ever came of his suggestion. He said that a soldier could send off half a dozen arrows in the time it took a Redcoat to load a musket.

The Gobel tapestry works began as a dye factory outside Paris in the 15th century.



NAN GAUTHREAUX
...with Christmas tree cake

Cake Artist Returns To Panhandle Area

By PHYL SMITH
Brand Staff Writer

After living on military bases for 20 years, Mrs. Robert Gauthreaux, has finally returned to her old stomping grounds in the Texas Panhandle.

Nan Gauthreaux was born at Happy, the daughter of Hollis Shipman and the late Mrs. Shipman. Her father still makes his home at Happy.

A newcomer to the community, Mrs. Gauthreaux finds the people of Hereford "very friendly." The attractive homemaker is a member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and she and her husband enjoy square dancing.

The Happy native runs a cake decorating business. "Nan's Cake Decorating" and has a diverse selection of cake supplies for numerous occasions. She has been designing cakes for five years and finds it "relaxing and enjoyable."

Mrs. Gauthreaux and her husband, who retires this month from the United States Air Force, have three children: They are Patricia, 17, Tanya, 12 and Jerry, 8. Tanya and Jerry attend classes at Shirley

Elementary School.

The recipes Mrs. Gauthreaux is sharing are:

BANANA SPLIT CAKE

2 cups graham cracker crumbs
1 stick melted oleo
Mix and press into bottom of 9 x 13 cake pan.

Beat 1 box powdered sugar, 2 sticks melted oleo and 2 eggs for 15 minutes. Spread this on graham cracker crust.

Slice 4 bananas and sprinkle with lemon juice. Mix with one large can of crushed pineapple, drained.

Put this on top of powdered sugar mixture.

Top all of this with one large carton of cool whip. Put 2 cups crushed nuts and 1 cup chopped maraschino cherries on top.

CHOCOLATE DIPPED PEANUT BALLS

1 cup peanut butter (creamy style)
1 cup confectioners sugar
1 cup ground walnuts
1 cup ground dates
1/4 cups semi-sweet chocolate pieces.

Cream peanut butter with sugar until light. Add walnuts and dates. Shape into balls, using 1 tsp. for each ball. Chill balls for several hours then dip into melted chocolate pieces. Let set until firm.

Law Examined In Easy Terms

The technical jargon of Texas law is translated in a book being advertised this week by Deaf Smith County Library. Also being featured is a diary written by an orphaned youngster named Opal.

"Texas Law in Layman's Language" is an apprehensive continuation of the book by the same name. The volume is segregated into two parts -- civil law and criminal law. The publication offers a wealth of information concerning all aspects of Texas legalities.

Opal Whiteley records her childhood in a tender book, entitled "Opal." Written in diary form, the setting is an Oregon lumber camp where life was not always easy for a young girl alone.

Deaf Smith County Library is open free to the public from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday and Thursday, from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. on other weekdays and until noon Saturday.

TEXAS LAW IN LAYMAN'S LANGUAGE (second edition)

Ignorance of a law is no defense in U.S. courts -- a thought that probably dismays many people who are awed by the cumbersome technical jargon of federal and state laws. The author of this book, who is also a lawyer, has assessed the problem and now offers the layman in Texas one concise volume that breaks through the word barrier surrounding these laws and makes them easily understood and palatable to every reader.

The book is divided into two parts for easy reference: civil law and criminal law. Family members will find here a wealth of information on laws affecting the family unit, that is, marriage qualifications, divorce and annulment, rights of married men and women, parents authority over children, adoption and guardianship.

Businessmen will find informative and detailed charts that remove the confusion surrounding the making of wills, descent and distribution of a deceased's estate, owning and transferring land, mineral rights, homestead laws, the nuances of partnerships, limited partnerships and corporations, the procedure involved in a suit, and what to do if you're sued.

In part II, the author has included information from the Penal Code which defines every punishable offense and fixes its penalty and the code of Criminal Procedure which determines the

method of administering the criminal laws. There is a step-by-step explanation of the procedure followed when a person is accused of a crime with emphasis on the courtroom situation when a criminal case is tried.

OPAL by Opal Whiteley

This little book is an authentic treasure, a true story, of almost mythic simplicity that must be experienced as much as read. It is the unusual diary of a most unusual child born just before 1900 - an orphan girl named Opal Whiteley, who grew up in an Oregon lumber camp and began this journal when she was about five or six.

In its pages, she speaks of the world she lived in with a direct and touching wisdom that

cannot fail to move anyone capable of responding to a lost and wondering child. Opal's world was not an easy one; there was hard physical work to be done and spankings and scoldings for a little girl who would rather read or dream or talk to the animals than fetch and carry.

And there were no playmates or parents to confide in - only the dim memories of "Angel Father and Angel Mother," and the companionship of the wild creatures she named after the great figures of literature and history that her lost parents had told her about. These creatures became her friends: the mouse, Felix Mendelssohn, whose "cheese longings are like my longings for Angel Father and Angel Mother"; her constant

companion, the dog she called Brave Horatius; the toad, Virgil, who lived under the steps, the calf Elizabeth Barrett Browning, who had "poetry in her tracks"; the beautiful grey horse, Shakespeare, whose "ways are ways of gentleness", and who had "likings like the likings I have for the hills that are beyond the fields."

Opal's language, like her perception, is that of the poet as Jane Boulton says in her introduction, "her words seemed like poetry, so that is the form I gave them." But in any form, this would be a poignant, often richly comic, always unselfconsciously beautiful story that readers of all ages will cherish; encircled by her special sense of joy and wonder you will lose your heart to Opal.



Achievements Cited

Highlight of the CowBelle Tasting Spree Tuesday was the announcement that Mrs. David Hutchins was "CowBelle of the Year." She received the title for her service as Ag Day chairman and as a member of the yearbook committee. Shown with her is Daleine Springer [right] who was CowBelle president this year. She was also praised for her contributions to the organization.

Pastor To Assume Clergy

The Rev. Bob Huffaker of Little Rock, Ark., has accepted the call as pastor of Hereford's

Church of the Nazarene. Sunday will be his first worship service. For the past 8 1/2 years, Rev.

Huffaker has been minister of Rose Hill Church of the Nazarene at Little Rock. Before that, he was pastor of congregations at Clarendon, Denton and Petersburg.

Rev. Huffaker has served for five years as president of The Young People of the south Arkansas District. He has also been active on the District Extension Board and was head of the Department of Evangelism of the Arkansas District. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees at Bethany Nazarene College at Bethany, Okla.

His wife has been youth director in charge of the junior department in the Arkansas District for 7 years.



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Late Free Throws Save Crimson Tide

By KEN RAPPOPORT
AP Sports Writer

John Thompson is building a better basketball team at Georgetown.

But Wednesday night, it was not quite good enough.

Reaching for national recognition, the Hoyas came close to upsetting Alabama. The difference between the teams was freshman Kent Looney's two free throws in the last 10 seconds.

"I don't consider this a moral victory," said Thompson after a 66-64 loss to the nation's fifth-ranked team in the Carolina Classic at Columbia, S.C. "Moral victories are for people who are never going to be good."

Right now, Alabama Coach C.M. Newton would have to think that Georgetown already has arrived.

"Georgetown has great size and super-quickness," Newton said, "and they are a very well coached basketball team. Out

December schedule is designed to get us ready in our conference Southeastern and Georgetown did a couple of things that should help us later.

"For one thing, we don't play a game where we see more defenses. Georgetown showed us just about every defense you can face-and played them all well."

The victory earned the Crimson Tide a berth in Tonight's final of the Carolina Classic against South Carolina, which beat Harvard 71-63 in the other first-round game.

Elsewhere in college basketball: third-ranked San Francisco trimmed Cal Poly-Pomona 96-68; No. 8 UCLA walloped San Jose State 89-74; No. 12 Nevada-Las Vegas defeated Oklahoma 100-89 in the championship game of the Rebel Roundup Tournament at Las Vegas; No. 13 Louisville whipped Chattanooga 81-71; No. 14 Arizona beat Purdue 85-76, and No. 15 Maryland

blasted Bucknell 106-72.

The crucial shots by Looney, his only points of the game, helped Alabama improve its record to 7-0. In the first game, Jim Graziano scored 26 points, 18 in the second half, sparking South Carolina's victory.

James Hardy scored a game-high 24 points and grabbed 14 rebounds. Leading San Francisco's victory over Cal Poly-Pomona, Marques Johnson, coming back after missing two games with a sprained knee, scored 25 points, leading UCLA past San Jose State.

Larry Williams scored 17 points and grabbed 16 rebounds, pacing Louisville over Chattanooga. A 34-point performance by Eddie Owens sparked Nevada-Las Vegas past Oklahoma. Herman Harris and Bob Elliott scored 22 points apiece as Arizona beat Purdue. Steve Sheppard fired in 22 points, leading Maryland past Bucknell.

Sports Shorts

By The Associated Press
NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A local television blackout has been lifted for the Sugar Bowl football game, which is a sell-out, the bowl's sponsors said Wednesday.

The New Year's Day game matches top-ranked Pittsburgh against Southeastern Conference champion Georgia. The game's site, the Superdome, seats 72,000.

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The offensive and defensive coordinators for the Philadelphia Eagles have resigned following the club's 4-10 season, the team announced Wednesday.

The resignations of defensive coach John Mazur and offensive coach John Idzik are effective

immediately, a team spokesman said. Both are under one-year contracts which expire at the end of February.

Mazur and Idzik resigned to pursue other coaching offers in the National Football League, the spokesman said, and were excused from their contracts by Eagles officials.

TORONTO (AP)—The team that represented Canada in the Canada Cup international hockey series was named the nation's Team of the Year today in a poll of sports writers and broadcasters.

Team Canada won the Canada Cup series, edging Czechoslovakia 5-4 in overtime in the final game.

Steelers-Raiders Rivalry A Hot One

By GARY MIHOSES
Associated Press Writer
PITTSBURGH (AP)—Exactly four years ago, a pro football rivalry was born.

The newborn was greeted with a slap by Jack Tatum of the Oakland Raiders and cradled in the arms of Franco Harris, Pittsburgh Steelers owner Art Rooney passed out cigars.

The Dec. 23 arrival came with five seconds left in an American Football Conference playoff game at Pittsburgh.

Tatum hit John Fuqua as he tried to catch a fourth-down, desperation pass. The ball bounced back toward the line of

scrimmage. Harris caught it inches off the ground and carried it for the touchdown that beat Oakland 13-7.

That 60-yard play has been called the Immaculate Reception.

By any name, it was the birth of a rivalry to be renewed Sunday when the Raiders and Steelers meet for the AFC title at Oakland.

Greased jerseys, obscene footballs, a spying priest, and a purposely frozen field have been just some of the strange elements that have fed the rivalry in recent years.

The tone got more serious this season when the Steelers accused some Raiders of cheap shots with intent to maim, and one Raiders player followed with a slander suit against Pittsburgh Coach Chuck Noll.

Differences between the two teams go back to that day in 1972 when Tatum insisted he never touched the ball, that it bounced off Fuqua and therefore was not legally catchable by Harris.

In 1973, the Steelers went to Oakland and returned with a 17-9 regular-season victory and complaints of "dirty tricks."

Center Ray Mansfield insisted some of the footballs he was given from the sidelines were short of air. He said others had obscenities printed in ink on the laces.

In addition, the steelers

accused Raiders offensive linemen of greasing their jerseys.

Later that season, it was Oakland pointing the finger.

It seems that during the Raiders' last regular-season contest, some Steelers assistant coaches used press passes to attend the game.

When Raiders officials found out, they summoned police to bar the Steelers' coaches from the press box.

A week later, the Raiders barred the Steelers from the AFC title game, beating them 33-14.

When the Steelers returned to Oakland for the 1974 AFC title game, it was Noll who was wary of spying.

He purposely had the Steelers run some plays from an unbalanced line in practice, even though no such strategy was planned for the game, which they won 32-14.

Last season, the Steelers beat the Raiders 16-10 in Pittsburgh for the AFC title, and that game spawned more accusations.

While practicing here, Raiders officials saw a priest on the field.

The priest, a friend of Rooney's, was asked to leave, and he obliged.

After the game, the Raiders suggested that Pittsburgh might have purposely allowed the field to freeze to thwart Oakland's passing game.

Title Game Features Individual Matchups

By BRENT KALLESTAD
AP Sports Writer

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. (AP) Players won't be ducking out of the trench warfare Sunday when the Minnesota Vikings and Los Angeles Rams meet for the National Football Conference championship.

Several spectacular individual matchups will highlight what promises to be an exhausting physical battle as the teams vie for a spot in Super Bowl XI.

"A bump or bruise won't keep many people out of a game like this," says Los Angeles Coach Chuck Knox.

The Rams are at full strength, while middle line-backer Jeff Siemon is Minnesota's only doubtful performer. Siemon has a pulled muscle in the calf of his left leg and has been unable to run this week.

The most notable matchup in the line will feature the Rams' All-Pro defensive end Jack Youngblood against Minnesota's All-Pro offensive tackle Ron Yary. Los Angeles defensive tackle Merlin Olsen's battle against Vikings strongman Ed White will be equally brutal, but the key could be the battle between Rams' defensive end Fred Dryer and Minnesota's Steve Riley, who was brilliant in the Vikings' playoff victory over Washington last weekend.

When the Rams have the ball, veteran Tom Mack has the job of containing Alan Page, and Los Angeles' John Williams will go against Carl Eller in a matchup of former University of Minnesota stars.

Knox and Minnesota Coach Bud Grant both feel their teams are playing their best football of the season.

"We've played good football at times during the season," said Knox in a telephone interview. "We've been inconsistent, but a lot of that was from having three quarterbacks start for us during the year."

Rookie Pat Haden took over for Los Angeles the final month of the season and the Rams have not lost since.

"We should be stronger as each day goes by," said Knox. "We're putting a lot of hours in because it's going to be a tough football game for us."

The Vikings practiced in 24-degree weather Wednesday, but the National Weather Service said the game time temperature Sunday will be in the teens.

"It'll be cold, but it'll be cold for both teams," said Knox. "It's not going to be that big a factor either way."

Grant said he would like to force the Rams into throwing the ball more than usual.

"They like to run the ball every down, like a lot of teams," said Grant. "I just hope we can force them to pass more."

because there's a greater margin for error there."

The Rams rushed for 2,003 yards during the regular season

Finley Scheduled For Stand Again

By BILL DENSMORE
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Charley Finley may have gotten his first legal break when the judge in his \$3.5-million suit against baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn asked a question about player salaries.

Finley was scheduled to take the stand again today.

The Oakland A's owner said he got angry at Kuhn on June 18 for interfering with his business decisions after the commissioner voided his \$1.5 million sale of pitcher Vida Blue to the New York Yankees.

So he filed the suit the following week.

Kuhn stopped another bid to sell unsigned outfielder Joe Rudi and relief pitcher Rollie Fingers for \$1 million each to the Boston Red Sox, money that Finley said he needed to pay player salaries and bargain with in other deals.

Finley, testifying Wednesday in U.S. District Court, said he had a "personal dispute" with Kuhn on at least two occasions before the attempted June 15 sales. He added that he and Kuhn spoke for several hours at a Chicago hotel beginning less than two hours after he announced the sales.

"The words were very heated for the first 10 minutes," Finley testified, saying he then tried to get Kuhn to understand why he made the deals. But Finley testified that Kuhn said he had to "go back to New York and give this sale deep consider-

ation." Three days later, he voided the deals over the opposition of both major league presidents.

Judge Frank McGarr raised the money question when Finley's lawyers tried to introduce a deposition about an historic \$1 million sale by former Cincinnati Reds President Bill DeWitt.

"Is there any suggestion that the reasonableness of the price is relevant or has anything to do with this case?" McGarr asked Neil Papiano, Finley's lawyer.

Papiano said Kuhn's decision voiding the trades had touched on the question of price and asked to continue. But McGarr blocked his question, saying of Kuhn: "If that's his reason for blocking the sales, it wasn't a good one. I'm sure he has more."

Houston coach Bill Yeoman is enamored of Charles Lunch, his five-foot-seven fullback. "He looks like he has jumped on the back of a small hog when running down the field," says Yeoman.

Satra Corporation Muddles TV Picture

By HOWARD SMITH
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Can a relatively unknown international trading company out-manuever the three major networks for the U.S. television rights to the 1980 Moscow Olympics?

Probably not, but it can certainly confuse the issue. That's what has happened with the emergence of the Satra Corp. as a fourth bidder for the U.S. rights to the Games. Satra joined CBS, ABC and NBC in the chase for the rights with the announcement, first by company officials and then by the Moscow Olympic Committee, that Satra and the Russians had signed a protocol — a preliminary agreement to continue negotiations.

Satra declined to specify terms of the agreement but, it was learned, all three networks have also signed protocols with the Soviet State Committee for Radio and Television over the past year or so. It was not immediately known how, if at all, Satra's agreement differed from the ones the networks signed.

The New York offices of Satra, besieged by newsmen intent on clearing up some of

the mystery surrounding the company and its role in the Olympic talks, offered a brief statement by Chairman of the Board Ara Oztemel Wednesday that did little to clear up the confusion.

The statement said Satra representatives in Moscow "have signed a protocol calling for long-term cooperation with the U.S.S.R. Olympic Organizing Committee." There was no further clarification, but a company spokesman promised more details later.

Meanwhile, the networks went ahead with their plan to ask for Justice Department approval, necessary under anti-trust laws, of pool coverage for the Games. And they were skeptical that Satra had the facilities or background to handle an Olympics.


Satra said it was dealing with Moscow on behalf of two un-named American companies with experience in entertainment. There were reports that MGM Television and the Hughes Television Network were both involved.

In Los Angeles, Harris Kattelman, president of MGM television, said: "Any announcement will have to come

METS GO GOLFING
NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Mets probably have more golfers than any major league team. Even in the late fall and winter a number of Mets are booked for tournaments in warmer climes, one being the El Conquistador baseball event in Puerto Rico.

Willie Mays, Bud Harrelson, Ed Kranepool, Joe Pignatano, Jon Matlack, Tom Seaver and Joe Torre do their golfing in the off season. Former third base coach Ed Yost also likes to slug the little ball around.

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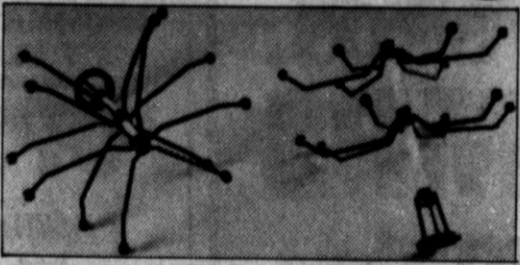
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Paul Harvey News

Never So Ludicrous

For the duration, for however long it may be before convicted killer Gary Gilmore dies, if ever, the FAA has ordered all aircraft to detour around Utah State Prison.

--either try to kill Gilmore or to rescue him.

Our nation's judicial system has never appeared so ludicrous as in the instance of this calculating convicted multiple killer--sentenced to die-- eager to get it over with.

Yet the same courts which found him guilty and sentenced him to die have been refusing to allow him to die-- stalling the execution.

Our Constitution prohibits "cruel and unusual punishment."

Our Supreme Court has decreed that capital punishment does not constitute "cruel and unusual punishment."

But certainly the legal wrangle over the fate of this wretched man is symptomatic of a sickness that's worse than his own.

Gilmore, from prison, has been pleading, "Give me liberty or give me death."

Twice he tried to take his own life with an overdose of pills, but both times was found, pumped inside out, and recovered.

Then he tried to starve himself to death until the Supreme Court finally decreed in early December that he had a

"right to die" in fulfillment of his sentence.

But the execution which could and should have been carried out months ago has not yet been.

In his last court rehearing, tight-lipped and angry, he called the judge a "moral coward." He said, "You haven't the guts to carry out the law."

And however His Honor might explain the technicalities which constrain him-- it must by now be conceded by all-- that the American system of jurisprudence is gutless.

Indiana tried the other day to clarify what the U.S. Supreme

Court has left in limbo.

Indiana rewrote its death penalty to conform to the High Court's most recent expression, with 103 pages it clarified and unified its criminal code.

But when it was all finished it was discovered that a jury could decree death-- but it would still be possible for a lenient judge to refuse to impose the sentence.

Injustice of any kind usually has to become flagrant before anything is done about it.

Illegality in politics was an accepted part of the spoils system until it became so grotesque that it resulted in clumsy bugging and blatant

burglary. Maybe this issue of capital punishment has to stink out loud before our judicial system will give itself a bath.

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (AP) — Pennsylvania State University recently awarded its 200,000th degree.

"It took us from our first graduating class in 1861 to 1965 to award our first 100,000 degrees," said John W. Oswald, university president. "And now, in only 11 more years, we have graduated another 100,000 — a very impressive phenomenon."

HEAVIEST YULE TREE KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The world's heaviest Christmas tree, tipping the scales at over 56,000 pounds, is located in the Crown Center urban renewal complex here.

The 86-foot, semi-artificial tree is actually a combination of white spruce branches fastened onto reinforced steel. The 80-foot steel trunk weighs 20,000 pounds. Hoops and brackets account for 7,700 pounds, and lights and garlands for 2,000 pounds.

After New Year's, the branches are turned into mulch and chips for the city's natural trails.



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Real Murderer To Be Revealed In Millionaire Suspect's Trial

FORT WORTH (AP) - Lawyer Richard "Racehorse" Haynes says his client, millionaire T. Cullen Davis, not only is innocent of capital murder charges, but that the real killer will be revealed during Davis' trial.

Haynes and co-defense attorney Phil Burleson said Monday they have evidence that someone not yet associated with the slayings of Davis' stepdaughter and his estranged wife's alleged boyfriend was at the murder scene at the time of the

shootings.

Andrea Wilborn, 12, and ex-Texas Christian University basketball star Stan Farr were shot to death Aug. 3 at the \$6 million David mansion here in a shooting spree that left Davis' wife, Priscilla, and another man wounded.

Haynes said the motive was drug-related.

"I don't know what the story is yet... a burglar may have been trying to get at the drugs or it may have been a double cross on a drug deal," Haynes

said.

Haynes made his statements during a recess in a pre-trial hearing in Davis' capital murder case.

Haynes introduced the drug angle after state District Court Judge Tom Cave ruled the defense is not entitled to results of tests performed on evidence obtained at the scene of the crime.

That question was one of 65 defense motions to be ruled on during the hearing.

Haynes

sed the drug question while questioning Tarrant County Dst. Atty. Tim Curry.

"Are you aware of any narcotics found in the Mockingbird Lane residence?" Haynes asked.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Joe Shannon Jr. objected, asking Judge Cave, "Is he Haynes taking the position that if there was a bunch of dope found in that house it would give the defendant the right to kill someone?"

Curry answered that he had no knowledge of narcotics

found at the scene, but Haynes said he had information to the contrary.

Curry testified, "I am aware of no evidence favorable to this defendant."

Judge Cave said details of police lab tests on blood samples would not be disclosed to the defense, but that the defense would be allowed to bring in experts to conduct their own tests on prosecution evidence.

Davis is being held without bond in the case, despite several

attempts at having bond set. The oil millionaire has offered to pay the salaries of marshals to guard him if he is allowed to

make bond.

The society slayings have been sensational in nature.

Mrs. Davis has testified about

the events of the night, including a description of her flight from the scene after having been shot in the chest.

Marshall's Appointment Liked

AUSTIN (AP) - Ray Marshall's appointment as secretary of labor "is the best news we have had from Plains, Ga., since Jimmy Carter was elected," Texas AFL-CIO President Harry Hubbard said Tuesday.

Hubbard had endorsed Mars-

hall when contacted weeks ago by the president-elect's transition team.

Marshall, an economics professor at the University of Texas at Austin, has been a friend of Hubbard's for several years.

Hubbard observed that Marshall "wrote an article in 1965 advocating repeal of so-called right-to-work laws as a matter of principle. That was a gutsy thing for a University of Texas professor to do back then."

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ASCS News

Sign-Ups Slated For Jan. 10

By John Fuston
1977 ACP SIGN-UP: We will have our Spring sign-up, beginning January 10, through January 25. We will have the same practices as in 1976.
COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ELECTION: The results of the election of ASC Community Committeemen for 1977 are as follows:
 Community A: Carl Kleuskens, Ronnie Andrews, Robert Diller, Pat Smith, Gerald Parker.
 Community B: Richard Fortenberry, Eldred A. Brown, Elmer Northcutt, Jerry Homfeld, Jimmie D. Bradley.
 Community C: Billie C. Hodges, Joe F. Brorman, Bill Cleavinger, Billy B. Moore, Ronnie Giltner.
COUNTY CONVENTION: Clarence A. Betzen was re-elected for a three year term as a County Committeeman.

Eldred A. Brown was elected 1st Alternate and Joe F. Brorman 2nd Alternate.
COTTON PRODUCTION REPORTS: Don't forget to turn in your cotton production as soon as possible after harvest and ginning are completed.
WOOL INCENTIVE PAYMENTS: Applications for payment on either wool or unshorn lambs must be filed by not later than January 31, 1977.
HOLIDAYS: This office will be closed on Friday, December 24th and Friday, December 31st in observance of Christmas and New Years.
 We would like this opportunity to say "Thanks" to each of you for your patience, courtesy and cooperation during the 1976 year, and also, the County Committee and office staff would like to wish each of you a Merry Christmas and Happy next year.

National Crop Allotment Will Remain Unchanged

WASHINGTON (AP) - Farmers will have a "national allotment" of 89 million harvested acres for their 1977 feed grains crops, unchanged from this year, the Agriculture Department said Tuesday.
 The allotment is not a restriction on how much feed grain farmers can produce. It

For example, farmers harvested about 112 million acres of the major feed grains - corn, sorghum, barley and oats - in 1976, some 23 million acres more than the so-called national allotment.

The law provides that if market prices of the grain drop below "target" levels - \$1.57 a bushel for corn this year - then direct government payments can be made to farmers to make up the difference.

The payments are based on what an individual farmer normally produces on his share of the national acreage allotment. For example, if he harvested 112 acres he might be eligible for payments on only 89 acres, using this year's proportion.

The allotments also are used to compute USDA disaster payments that farmers may be eligible for because of crop losses from drought and other natural causes.



Compiled By JIM STEIERT Brand Farm Editor

Problem With Parasites Expected This Winter

COLLEGE STATION... Weather conditions are again favorable for severe cattle losses caused by parasitism from the medium stomach worm (ostertagia), warns Dr. William L. Sippel, director of the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratories at College Station and Amarillo.
 Producers are now sending

blood samples to the labs for diagnosis when they suspect that parasitism may be the problem, Sippel says.

During the fall, winter and spring, the larvae which hatch do not reenter the animal's stomach after three weeks in the lining as they normally would do, but stay in the lining and stimulate large collections of

fluid.

Development of fluid in the stomach lining interferes with digestion, and affected animals lose weight. Outpouring of considerable body fluids from the swollen stomach lining into the stomach contribute markedly to diarrhea.

Other adverse effects are that cells which produce acid in the

stomach no longer function effectively and the stomach also is invaded by bacteria from lower in the intestinal tract, contributing to the diarrhea. Severe loss of blood proteins in the fluid leaked into the stomach lowers serum protein in the blood vessels.

Primary signs exhibited by affected animals are: loss of appetite, loss of weight, dull hair coat, and diarrhea. The condition known as "bottle jaw" and anemia may develop.

Prevention consists of placing newly-wormed animals on new pastures that have not been grazed for five or six months. This prevents the ingestion of ostertagia larvae from the grass by cattle, since the larvae are able to live from two to six months on a blade of grass - depending on moisture conditions.

Severely affected animals may also be placed in a dry lot and given bi-weekly treatments plus special feed and nursing. Larval forms in the lining of the fourth or true stomach are protected from worm treatments, and are relatively resistant to drugs. Three or more worm treatments, 10 to 14 days apart, may be required.

Veterinarians are using other supplemental treatments including antibiotics, fluid-re-moving drugs, and other

supportive treatment to hasten recovery of affected animals. Producers will want to discuss the best plan for their herd with their veterinarian.

There are some "look-alike" diseases which should not be

confused with parasitism. These include bovine virus diarrhea (BVD), Johne's disease, (paratuberculosis), salmonellosis, and poisoning by rattlesnake (Glottidium vesicarium), Sippel reminds.

Milk Production In Texas Shoots Up

COLLEGE STATION--The old saying about taxes and inflation being the only things going up hits a sore spot with Texas dairymen. They've seen milk production shoot upward and have the records to prove it.

Based on 25 years of records since Texas dairymen have operated under federal milk marketing orders, the milk production picture has changed drastically, points out Dr. Randall Stelly, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

"The biggest change has been in the average milk delivery per day per producer. Back in 1951, Texas dairymen had a daily milk delivery of 503 pounds. Today that figure has jumped to 2,908 pounds--almost a sixfold increase."

Other changes have also occurred that reflect the current demand for dairy products. For example, the average butterfat content of milk delivered by dairymen in 1951 was 4.28 per cent. Today that figure has dropped to 3.69 per cent. The average butterfat of Class 1 products (fresh milk) tested 3.74 per cent in 1951; now it tests 2.92 per cent on the average.

"And there's been a

significant change in the use of Class 1 milk, notes Stelly. Whereas homogenized milk made up 86 per cent of all Class 1 milk in 1951, today this volume has dropped to just under 68 per cent.

The biggest increase among fresh milk products has been in skim milk as Americans have become more diet-conscious, contends the economist. In 1951 skim milk made up less than 1 per cent of all fresh milk products; today well over 19 per cent of the fresh milk volume goes for skim milk. Flavored milk has taken a 5 per cent jump to 7.7 per cent of the total volume of Class 1 milk while buttermilk has dropped sharply, from 8.58 per cent to 3.3 per cent.

"Prices have also reflected a sharp increase in the past 25 years," says Stelly. The price for Class I milk with 3.5 per cent butterfat is now averaging \$11.31 per 100 pounds compared to \$5.65 in 1951. The price for Class II milk (for butter, cheese, and related products) has more than doubled, from \$3.72 per 100 pounds to \$8.36. And the blend milk price to producers is now averaging \$10.65 per 100 pounds, up from \$5.59 twenty-five years ago.

"Although all this talk

about the increase in milk prices might sound like dairymen are making lots of money, nothing could be farther from the truth," Stelly quickly points out. "Major inputs in dairying--labor, feed, equipment--have more than doubled during this 25-year period."

The economist also notes that

there have been other changes in dairying. All milk sold under federal milk marketing orders in Texas is now handled and assembled in bulk tanks. This procedure began in 1953 and the changeover was completed 11 years later.

Gallon-sized containers on the grocery shelf made their biggest

jump in 1958 while secondary or private brands of milk took a sharp jump the following year.

"Changes in marketing and packaging of milk will continue in the years ahead to meet consumers demands," contends Stelly. "These changes will have a bearing on prices and production down on the farm."

New Rules Proposed To Insure Punctual Payments

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Agriculture Department has proposed further new rules designed to carry out a new law passed by Congress this year to insure that farmers and ranchers will be paid promptly for livestock they sell to meat packers.

Officials said the latest proposal basically requires "that payment for livestock purchased on a cash basis must be made by the close of the next business day."

The proposal, a first step in the government rule-making process, was designed to implement amendments to the Packers and Stockyards Act, which went into effect Sept. 13. "If the seller or his representative is not present to accept payment at the place of transfer of possession of the livestock, the purchaser must either wire transfer funds or place a check in the mail," the department said.

Congress tightened the 55-year-old law following years of complaints by producers about payment procedures of packing companies and other buyers, including outright nonpayments as well as delays.

On Dec. 7, USDA's Packers and Stockyards Administration adopted new rules requiring larger packing plants to post bonds as guarantees that they are prepared to pay producers

for livestock. Those rules will be effective on Feb. 7.

The proposal is the second step in formal rule-making to carry out the amendments and further proposals may be forthcoming, an agency spokesman said.

The department said public comments on the proposal will be accepted in writing until Feb. 20, 1977, and can be sent to the Hearing Clerk, USDA, Washington, D.C., 20250.

"The amendments further require that livestock, inventories, proceeds and receivables of packers be held in trust to insure payment for livestock

purchased on a cash basis," the department said. "The seller waives his rights to the trust provision if he extends credit to the packer."

REA Loans Surpass \$4 Billion

WASHINGTON (AP) - Loans approved by the Rural Electrification Administration for new and improved telephone service have surpassed \$4 billion since they were started by the Agriculture Department agency in 1949.

David A. Hamil, head of the agency, said Friday that the \$4 billion mark was reached with approval of a \$2.7 million loan this week to the Garden Valley Telephone Co., a rural telephone cooperative located near Erskine, Minn.

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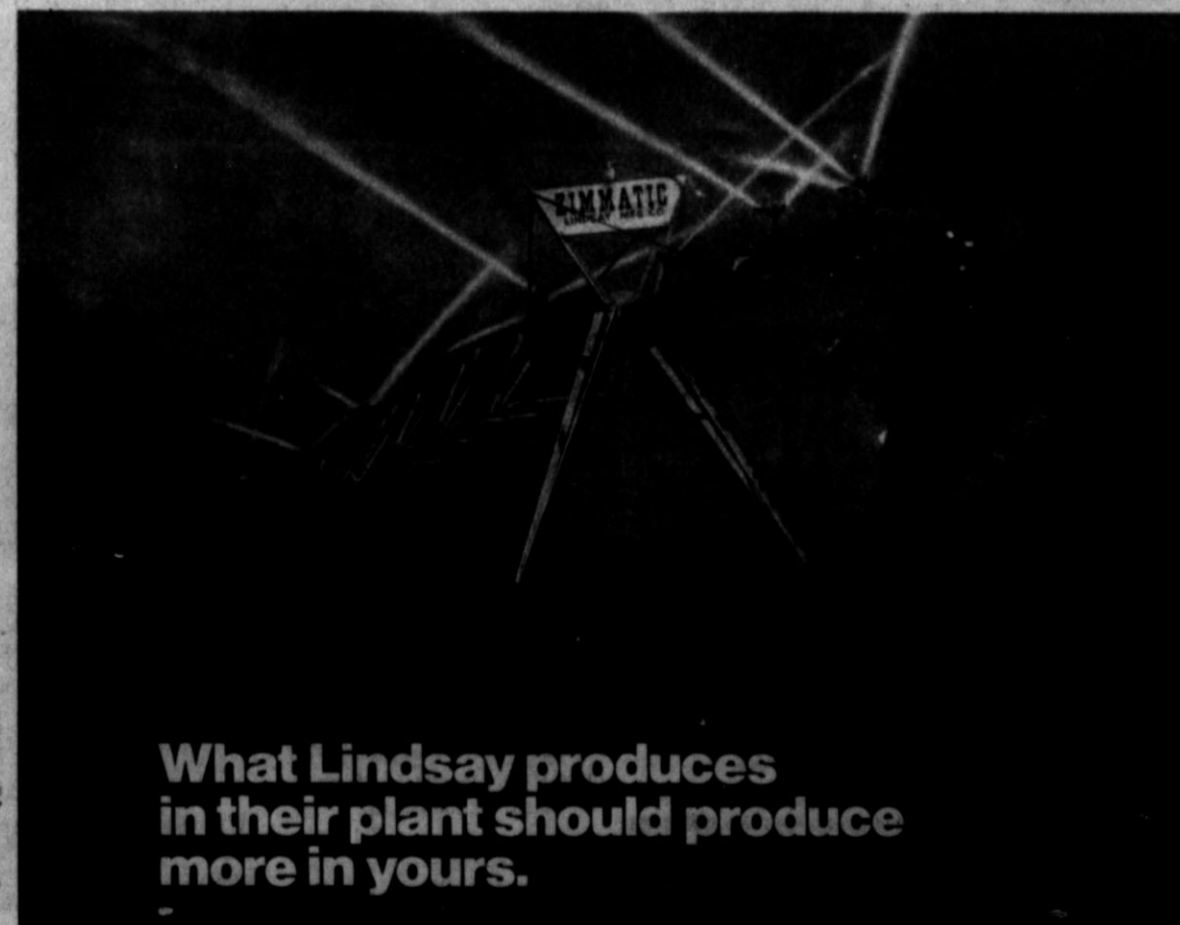
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1-113-tfc

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1-114-19c

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1-Th-S-126-2c

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1-126-1c

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1-126-2p

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1-42-tfc

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1-97-tfc

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1-104-tfc

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1-124-tfc

FOR SALE

Queensland-Blue Heeler Pups. Also mixed Border Collie and Blue Heeler Pups. 1968 Olds Delmont 88, new motor, good rubber, good condition. 806/538-6294 or Box 75, Adrian, Texas 79001.

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1-122-5c

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1-123-5c

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1-123-5c

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Baldwin Electric Piano. Amplifiers in piano. Turntable and reel to reel tape recorder, mounted on unit. Great buy. Phone 364-5280

1-124-5c

For sale: Automatic Radio 8 track stereo tape deck complete with good set of speakers. Like new, \$40. Call 364-6056.

1-123-tfc

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1-124-3c

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1-124-5c

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2-1-tfc

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2-33-tfc

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2-123-5c

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3-125-3c

1975 Mark IV. Excellent condition. All extras. Phone 364-6565 or 364-1783 evenings.

3-123-tfc

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3-123-5c

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3-124-5c

NEW & USED CARS now for sale at **JOHN OSBORN BUICK PONTIAC, GMC'S** new location **221 North 25 Mile Ave.**

3-8-tfc

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3-103-tfc

1973 Plymouth III, 1974 Plymouth station wagon, 1976 Pinto station wagon. Call First National Bank, 364-2435.

3-103-tfc

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3-111-tfc

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3-110-tfc

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3A-101-tfc

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4-107-tfc

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4-123-5c

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4-123-5c

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4-S-T-113-tfc

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4A-34-tfc

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4A-126-3c

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4A-34-tfc

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5-98-tfc

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4-124-3p

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4-124-tfc

3 bedroom brick home. 2 baths, 2400 sq. ft. and extras. West Hereford. Phone 364-2166.

4-123-5c

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4-1-tfc

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4-123-5c

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4-S-T-113-tfc

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4A-34-tfc

For sale: 12x53 Mobile Home 5 miles south of Black, Texas.

4A-113-tfc

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4A-126-3c

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4A-34-tfc

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5-114-tfc

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5-124-tfc

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5-124-tfc

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5-126-2c

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8-123-5c

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CowBelle Dinner Staged

Hereford CowBelles brought their best beef dishes Tuesday to the Reece Lawson home, north of the city, for their annual Christmas Tasting Spree.

Hostesses for the recent party are, from left, Daleine Springer, Sara Lawson, Mary Dee Holzer, Sunny Lemons and Peaches Reinauer.



By The Garden Gate With Glad

By Gladys Manjeot

MERRY CHRISTMAS recipes: I am sure that most of you have already prepared your very favorite recipes, but this one can be mixed as you do your other chores, and it certainly should be on your menu during the festive days.

It is: Take the crisp cold of a December night, add two generous parts of snow, stir in air so clear it tinkles. Into a generous heart, mix the wonder of little girls, the sparkle of a young boy's glance, the love of parents and set gently before the chimney side.

Add the lightest touch of the reindeer's hooves, a sprig of holly, a scent of fir logs. Set the mixture to rise in the warmth of a dream of good will to men. It will be almost ready to serve when it bubbles with warmth and good cheer.

Bedeck with the light of a start set in the East, garnish with shining balls of gold, silver and red. Serve to the tune of an ancient carol. This recipe is sufficient for all men and women, boys and girls you will ever meet or break bread with. (Copied)

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT: The National Audubon Society has announced that a total of 124,651,593 birds were sighted in last winter's Christmas Bird Count. This year's Bird Count was made in our area recently, and we have many birds which are helpful.

This should be a reminder for us not to neglect feeding the birds during the busy days. They need water, and it is bad

when they come to their watering station and find it empty. So PLEASE feed and keep water out for the birds, they are a gardener's friend, especially when it comes to aiding in insect control.

BICENTENNIAL GARDEN of them all: In the final reports relative to observations of Bicentennial activities, it was reported that the 10 acre American Flag of Petunias, along Interstate 80 between Geneseo and Atkinson, Ill., was the largest grown planting carrying out the red, white and blue colors.

Land owners were Mr. and Mrs. Verne Moens. The project involved the entire neighborhood, many donated plants, and maintenance. 4-H'ers did much of the planting and tended the plants all summer. By August, the FLAG (in National colors) on the hillside was a memorable sight to travelers.

GROW A BIT of green on your window sill: parsely is a useful herb to grow indoors in winter. For best results, start with seeds. Soak them overnight, then sow in a six-inch pot of good soil. Thin out seedlings to leave only three husky ones in the pot. Mist plants occasionally and keep in good light.

When you harvest for garnishes, salads and soups, cut only the outer leaves so the inner ones continue to develop. As plants grow coarse, discard and start new ones. Other herbs are also interesting to grow and add cheer, to winter shut in days. They also are good to have

for seasoning. I have grown parsley, and it is most interesting to grow it in a clear plastic container, and watch the root system develop as well as the plant.

REMEMBER: Evergreens, both the needled and the broad leaved, also box wood can be pruned and the greens used for Christmas decorations. It will aid the plant to cut the branches at the base of the shrub or tree. The greens become embedded in the soil and therefore does the plant no good so those which you need, and are available. Clean thoroughly, condition well, and use in your decor, or to add to a wrapped package. A bit of holly or fragrant evergreens add that certain bit of color and fragrance which is needed to make packaged attractive. If fashioned in a corsage, makes it doubly useful.

In pruning the above mentioned greens, cut to shape plant's growth. The pfitzer junipers, are best controlled in their growth pattern, if properly pruned. Otherwise, they will become too large for the space planted.

They come in both the green and silvery blue (depending on variety, new gardeners should check this carefully when selecting new plantings for new grounds. To reduce the girth on a heavy specimen, cut off the lowest branches as near the trunk as possible. Lower branches tend to die out because of dense shade.

After cutting a few of the

branches, stand back and take a look as to shape and balance of materials. If properly done, you can reduce the size of a pfitzer substantially, and it will look as natural as it did before pruning.

A new trend is to trim the pfitzer Junipers in the pattern of PHG the "pony tail" style. This last season, I have seen many of the local plants so pruned, and they do add interest and a new pattern for the landscape design.

This style is also often called pad or pancake pruning. It is an extreme way to control the Juniper's size and creates a Japanese impression. Snow on these pads forms a pretty picture.

This year, I have become interested in The Christmas Cactus. Have seen many of them some in full flower, some small plants with few blooms but they are beautiful. Was especially glad to see different colors of blossoms, a very pretty one was delicate pink.

These plants are easy to grow, and may live to old age. Place this on your list and add to your indoor gardening.

MAY ALL THE Christmas holidays and the days of the New Year hold for you the glow and warmth that come with thanks for the Christ child who was born in the long ago.

The 65-and-over age group accounts for about 15 per cent of the national vote.

Remember Gardeners On Shopping List

COLLEGE STATION -- Gift giving can be a pleasure for the gardeners on your Christmas list since there are many interesting, useful and attractive gift possibilities.

Everett Janne, landscape horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, provides some last-minute gift suggestions for gardening friends and relatives.

"Top quality garden tools are always welcome," points out Janne. "There is a price range for almost any budget from a hand trowel or electric grass clipper to a riding mower or compost shredder. Most gardeners have the basic tools but the purchase of specialty items is usually put off until extra cash is available. Such items are sure to please even the most discriminating gardener."

A subscription to a monthly gardening magazine, suited for the area, will please any gardener and serve as a reminder of your thoughtfulness throughout the year, believes the horticulturist.

There are also many garden books available on a multitude of subjects. If undecided on the subject matter, consider a gift certificate from a good bookstore.

"Accessories for the garden are always welcome," points out Janne. "A sculpture or urn for the patio or garden will last a lifetime. Other gift suggestions for the outdoor area include a wind chime, a martin house or

bird feeder for the bird watcher, a hanging basket or fancy plant container, a hammock, porch swing or other garden furniture, or a rain gauge, outdoor thermometer or barometer for the weather buff."

The horticulturist also notes that a wide variety of potted plants suitable for indoor landscaping can make excellent Christmas gifts. Outdoor plants also make welcome gifts.

A terrarium is a suitable gift for anyone interested in plants and can bring special joy to the shut-in.

"If all else fails in selecting a gift for a gardener, a gift certificate from the local garden center or nursery is sure to please," adds Janne.

Always remove the pop-up temperature gauges found in many poultry products before carving because they contain lead which could contaminate meat if the gauge is served, Marilyn Haggard, foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, says.

Pork Packed With Flavor

Now is a good time to serve your family that sumptuous pork roast they've been waiting for. With this fall's increased pork supplies, most cuts, loin roast included, are wearing more attractive price tags than they have for more than a year, according to the Pork Industry Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board.

After purchasing a pork loin roast, be sure to do justice to your investment by cooking it correctly. Recommendations based on university research call for roasting fresh pork cuts such as this to an internal temperature of 170 degrees, F. as measured by a roast meat thermometer.

Overcooking increases cooking losses and makes for less tender and less juicy meat. A slow oven (325 degrees F.) is recommended.

Unfortunately, there still remain a few "doubting Toms" when it comes to the value of pork in the diet. The truth is that with modern methods of feeding and breeding, today's pork is leaner and trimmer, points out the Pork Industry



Wakan Ki Lo Discovery Club, sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Marsh, met at Cristi Crawford's home, 144 Mimosa for a Christmas party.

Refreshments of red strawberry punch, cheese, olives and small sweet pickles on a toothpick Christmas tree and Christmas wreath cookies were served. The table was decorated in red and green with Santa napkins and cups.

Christmas bingo was played and prizes were given to the winners. Gifts were exchanged by passing the gifts around a circle as a Christmas record was played. When the music stopped, you kept the gift you held at that time.

During the Christmas holidays each girl is to design her "Dream Home." There will be no meetings during the holidays, but after the first of the year the group will continue work on Group Torch Bearer in Interior Decorating.

Members present were Willa Lawson, Jill Paschel, Monica George, Susan Brown, Rhonda Hollowell, Tammy McCathern, Deanna Pool, Lori Parker, Janet Burdine, Cristi Crawford and Brenda Parson.

Mrs. Bill Thompson and Mrs. Floyd Eubanks are leaders and Bill Thompson was a special guest.

Groceries List Values On Pork

COLLEGE STATION -- "Outstanding pork values" are on many grocery shopping lists currently, Gwendolyn Clyatt, consumer marketing information specialist reports.

"Pork specials at Texas grocery stores generally include Boston butt roasts and chops, quarter-lobes cut into chops, loin end roasts, whole loins, steaks, neck bones and liver," she said.

Mrs. Clyatt is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Beef prices are about the same as last week--or slightly higher, with almost all markets featuring chuck cuts, sirloin steaks, rolled roasts and beef liver. Also consider economy prices now appearing on ground beef, round and T-bone steaks, she advised.

Fryer chickens have more reasonable prices due to limited demand for them and low prices on red meats, the specialist said.

"At dairy counters, a number of natural cheddar cheeses are specially priced--also milk,

eggnog, whipping cream and yogurt.

Fresh fruits in best supply at the most economical prices include apples, oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, bananas, grapes and cranberries.

Vegetable economy buys at top quality are potatoes, bulk turnips, hard-shell squash, broccoli and cauliflower--along with sweet potatoes, cabbage, carrots, dry yellow onions and rutabagas.

CONSUMER WATCH-WORDS: Special prices currently are appearing on most processed vegetables now in good supply.

Consumers can save a few cents on these buys--if they are items to be used within a reasonable length of time.

Parents should be careful not to frighten young children by forcing them to see and talk to Santa, advises Ilene Miller, family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board. Those old wives' tales about pork being a fatty food were further discounted with Weight Watcher's International, Inc. and Diet Workshop, organizations conducting weight control programs, included pork on their approved menus.

Another fact blasts another fallacy. In spite of suppositions of yesteryear, pork is one of the most completely digestible and utilized foods.

Pork is becoming a more popular market choice once again since pork production is making a strong comeback after last year's scarcity. As supplies increase, both fresh and smoked pork cuts become an increasingly better buy, according to the Pork Industry Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board.

Smoked cuts, a favorite at many dinner tables, add to the variety pork provides. Not only are hams cured and smoked, but often the pork shoulder as well. This cut is most often marketed as a neat, compact boneless roll that can be roasted or cooked in liquid. Coupled with white or sweet potatoes plus a green vegetable, it makes a pretty platter packed with flavor and nutrition to satisfy winter-sharpened appetites.

Getting acquainted with the wide range of pork cuts available can greatly enhance your dinner menus. Now is a good time to do so according to the Pork Industry Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board, who point to an ever increasing pork supply this fall which has lowered retail prices. The less familiar cuts of pork can bring both good eating rewards and budget benefits.

For example, pork blade steaks are a penny-saving selection that provide the same good flavor and important food nutrients as more costly cuts. Coming from the Boston shoulder, most of these meaty steaks contain a portion of the flat blade bone, often resembling the number seven. Some, however, are boneless. These tender, meaty pork steaks can be broiled, baked, braised or cut in strips and cooked to lend variety.

Ham is an excellent choice for the holidays or for that special family get-together or company buffet you've been planning. Increased pork supplies have lowered prices on ham as well as

other cuts, reports the Pork Industry Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board.

Confused by the various types of hams on the market? If so, read the label, advises the Pork Industry Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board. The Uniform Retail Meat Identity Standards program. Already adopted by many retailers across the country, is a system of uniform labeling for meats including all cured and/or smoked pork products as well as ham.

Package labels should clearly identify the product as "smoked", "fully-cooked" or "cook-before-eating". Ham labeled "fully-cooked" has been smoked and cooked to an internal temperature of at least 150 degrees F. and does not require further heating. You may, however, prefer to serve it hot.

If there is no label, you should assume that the ham should be cooked before eating. Ham labeled "cook-before-eating" normally will have been heated to an internal temperature of at least 140 degrees F. during smoking and should be cooked to an internal temperature of 160 degrees F. for optimum flavor and tenderness.

Often a baked jam yields a bonus of extra cooked meat for another meal. It's then time to create a casserole, advises the Pork Industry Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board. Cubes or julienne strips of ham, a cooked vegetable, a can of condensed soup, plus a dash of seasoning add up to an appetizing casserole. Create your own combinations and bake until bubbly and heated through.

Pork is an outstanding food value considering both the quality and quantity of its nutrients. It plays a particular role in the diet for weight watcher. On the average, a 3 1/2-ounce serving of cooked lean pork provides 28.5 grams protein, 13 grams fat-- all for a 240 calorie cost. Pork is a major dietary source of the B vitamins, especially thiamin (3 times as much as any other food source), which contributes to a healthy nervous system.

When meat is included in the diet, the dieter is less likely to be tired and hungry and not as apt to turn to nibbling between meals, points out the Pork Industry Group of the National Live Stock and Meat Board.

Yarbrough Swearing In Slated Jan. 2

AUSTIN (AP) -- Don Yarbrough, controversial Houston lawyer threatened with losing his license, will be sworn in Jan. 2 as an associate justice of the Texas Supreme Court.

Chief Justice Joe Greenhill said Wednesday that Yarbrough had asked to be sworn in at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 2.

"He will, therefore, be sworn in by me at that time in our court room," Greenhill said.

Greenhill said earlier that Yarbrough has asked him if he would perform the ceremony but did not set the date until Wednesday.

The 35-year-old Houston attorney was elected to a six-year term in the May Democratic primary and easily defeated two write-in opponents in November.

He is the target of 15 civil lawsuits which led to a Houston Bar grievance committee filing a disbarment suit against him in October. The suit has not been tried.

Yarbrough, 35, claims the State Bar is seeking to punish him for upsetting their choice for the high court, veteran Appellate Justice Charles Barrow of San Antonio.

Former Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr said recently he will represent Yarbrough in the disbarment proceedings. Carr represented himself in two criminal trials in federal court on charges of fraud and conspiracy that grew out of the Sharpstown Bank scandal and was acquitted in both trials.

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Patience, a pair of strong lungs and some enthusiastic arm waving usually got you a taxi in the larger cities if there wasn't one waiting at the corner cab stand. But no more. Taxi operators are starting to shut down because of the high cost of insurance and operation. The Yellow Cab division of Westgate-California Corporation with cab fleets in Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, and other cities in Arizona and California, has parked its cabs and laid off drivers. The effect is to reduce the number of cabs on the streets and make it more difficult to find a cab. This Yellow Cab operation had to come up with \$800,000 in insurance premiums just for liability and casualty protection.

The increased number of insurance claims and higher court awards has made taxis a much more risky business. Buses and airport limousines are also suffering from the same problem because claims being settled now are on accidents that happened several years ago when insurance coverage was much lower than it is today.

Increased mechanics' wages and the higher cost of replacement parts has caused many insurance companies to drop out of the taxi insurance field. A high turnover among drivers has also made insurance coverage a risky business. About 50 per cent of the drivers are full-time professionals but the other 50 per cent will have a turnover of four drivers a year per cab. The overall accident rate for cabs is one accident every 60,000 miles.

A fare increase isn't the answer, according to one big taxi fleet operator. For every rate increase a drop as high as 15 per cent in the number of riders invariably follows and a permanent loss of from one per cent to three per cent in number of the riders results, depending on the size of the fare increase.

Three years ago it cost \$18 per month per cab for \$25,000

Inaugural Highlights Prepared

WASHINGTON (AP)- An entertainment gala featuring show business personalities, poets and artists will highlight inaugural-eve festivities honoring President-elect Carter.

The 2 1/2-hour event at the Kennedy Center will feature such personalities as actor Johny Wayne, comedian Chevy Chase, opera singer Beverly Sills and Georgia poet James Dickey, who will read a poem written especially for the occasion.

Leonard Bernstein will conduct the National Symphony Orchestra in a new musical rendition of a poem written by Anne Bradstreet. It will be a tribute to Rosalynn Carter, wife of the president-elect.

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Welfare Groups Pressure Government For Reviews Of Terminated Assistance

WASHINGTON (AP)- The government, under pressure from welfare groups, said Tuesday it will require states to make sure that the drive to weed out ineligible welfare recipients does not end up denying the assistance to the truly needy.

A proposal to be published in the Federal Register on Wednesday would require states to double-check any

denials or terminations for Aid to Families with Dependent Children and Medicaid. Such a review system was abandoned in early 1973 when the welfare crackdown began.

Out of 2.6 million AFDC applications received in fiscal 1975, the last year for which complete figures are available, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare said that

540,000 were turned down by states and another 334,000 were withdrawn voluntarily.

The National Welfare Rights Organization had filed suit in federal court attempting to force HEW to assure protection for the truly poor who might be denied assistance. The judge in that case suggested that the government and the welfare

rightists work out a compromise.

The HEW proposal would require states to review a sample of applications denied or welfare cases terminated, just as they now sample current welfare cases for ineligibility and overpayments, to make sure that mistakes were not made.

"By adding the sampling of welfare denials and terminations, we and the states would use a proven system for reduction errors to increase protection for those denied help though they may be eligible," said Robert Fulton, administrator of HEW's Social and Rehabilitation Service.

HEW estimates that its 30-month crackdown on in-

eligibility and overpayments saved taxpayers more than \$1 billion, but it could not estimate how many eligible applicants might have been wrongly denied welfare payments.

The crackdown began in March 1973 when the government found that more than four out of every ten AFD payments to 31 million families were in error.

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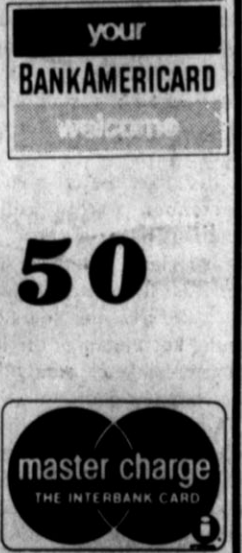
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Good will to men

As sure as snowflakes and Santa Claus and children's sparkling eyes, someone is going to say to us during this season of peace on earth and good will to men: "Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could keep the spirit of Christmas the whole year 'round?"

We've all said it, many times — and we've been sincere. But how many of us have ever stopped to analyze just what the ingredients are that produce this feeling of happy anticipation, this glow of affection for others?

Have we ever considered just what persons we include in our expression of "good will to men?"

Too often the good will seems to reach only as far as our immediate families and little circles of friends. That's fine, but it's not enough, not nearly enough in the kind of interconnected, interdependent world we live in today.

The history of mankind can be seen as a gradual extension of certain basic moral beliefs. Brotherly love, kindness, truthfulness, co-operation — all of these no doubt had their origins in the primitive family group.

When the tribe and the clan — groups of families — came into being, there also came an enlargement and greater enforcement of the moral code. But all these early beginnings of morality centered on the security of the immediate group and ended abruptly when it came to strange or rival clans.

Over thousands of years, the city-state

and the nation became the most important social and political units. The morality of the family and the tribe, sanctioned by custom and religion, was codified into written law.

Yet morality still did not necessarily extend beyond the largest social unit. Throughout recorded and unrecorded time, war has been the usual means of solving disagreements between nations.

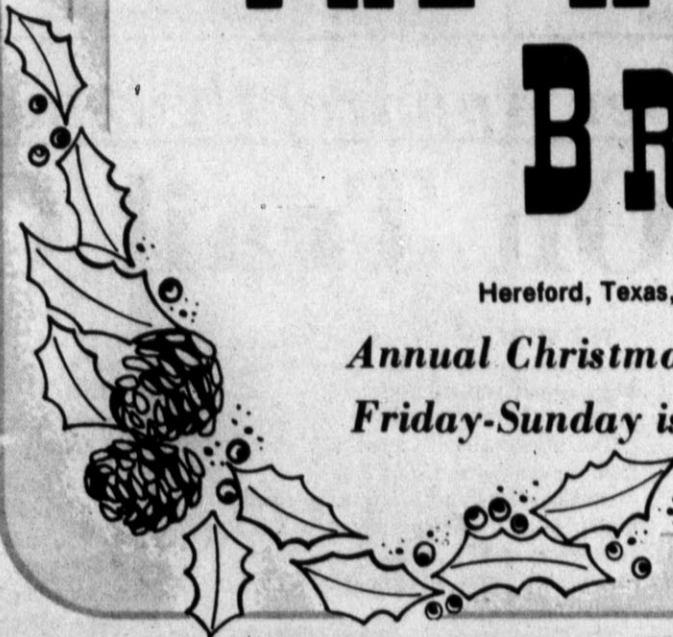
Today, however, the realities of nuclear weaponry have made war no longer a practical extension of diplomacy. Like it or not, all mankind is now truly one family, and aggression against one member of that family could lead to the end of the world family as a whole.

Peace, based upon brotherly love, expressed by world law and enforceable by some means, seems to be the only alternative. How to attain it is something else again. But it must begin with each of us as individuals.

When we say "peace on earth," let it mean peace for all peoples and all countries, not just those who agree with our political philosophy.

When we say "good will to men," let it mean all men, not just those of our color, nationality or creed.

Yes, it would be wonderful if the Christmas spirit could last the whole year 'round. But almost as wonderful would be real peace and good will even for only this one season of the year, for a change.



A Child is born unto you and his name is Emmanuel.

The Christmas Story

About this time Caesar Augustus, the Roman Emperor, decreed that a census should be taken throughout the nation.

[This census was taken when Quirinius was governor of Syria.]

Everyone was required to return to his ancestral home for this registration.

And because Joseph was a member of the royal line, he had to go to Bethlehem in Judea, King David's ancient home—journeying there from the Galilean village of Nazareth.

He took with him Mary, his fiancée, who was obviously pregnant by this time.

And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born;

And she gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped Him in a blanket and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the village inn.

That night some shepherds were in the fields

outside the village, guarding their flocks of sheep.

Suddenly an angel appeared among them, and the landscape shone bright with the glory of the Lord. They were badly frightened.

But the angel reassured them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you the most joyful news ever announced, and it is for everyone!

The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born tonight in Bethlehem!" How will you recognize Him? You will find a baby wrapped in a blanket, lying in a manger!"

Suddenly, the angel was joined by a vast host of the others the armies of heaven—praising God:

"Glory to God in the highest heaven," they sang, "and peace on earth for all those pleasing Him."

When this great army of angels had returned

again to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, "Come on! Let's go to Bethlehem! Let's see this wonderful thing that has happened which the Lord has told us about."

They ran to the village and found their way to Mary and Joseph. And there was the baby, lying in the manger.

The shepherds told everyone what had happened and what the angel had said to them about this child.

All who heard the shepherd's story expressed astonishment.

But Mary quietly treasured these things in her heart and often thought about them.

Then the shepherds went back again to their fields and flocks, praising God for the visit of the angels, and because they had seen the child, just as the angel had told them. Luke 2:1-20

